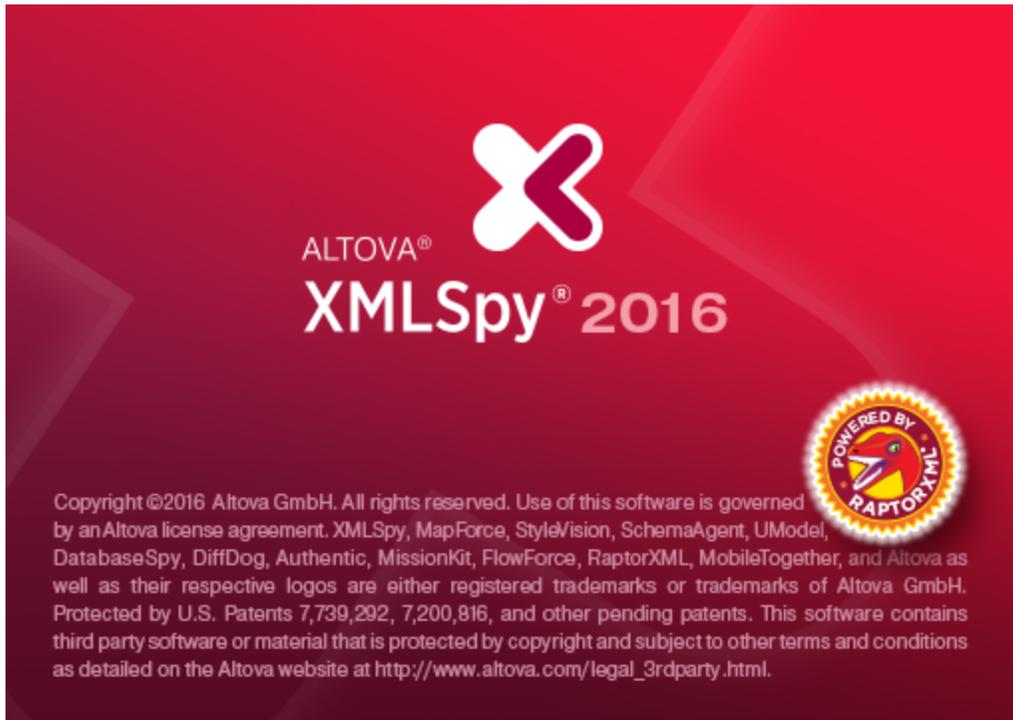


# User Manual and Programmers' Reference



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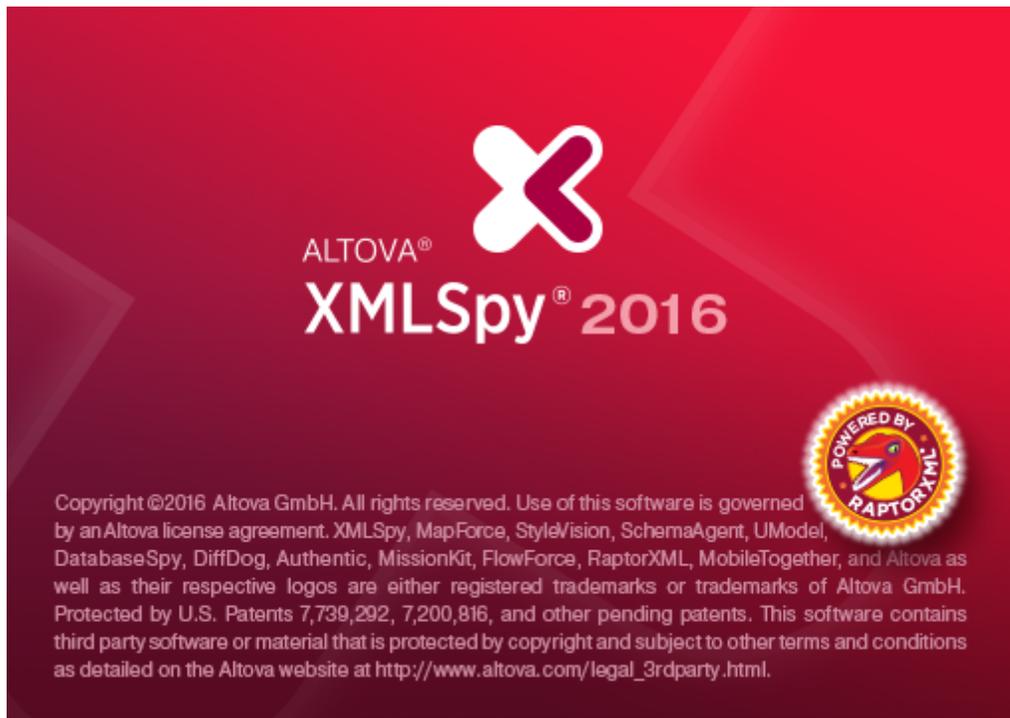
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**Altova XMLSpy 2016 Enterprise Edition** is the industry standard XML Development Environment for designing, editing and debugging enterprise-class applications involving XML, XML Schema, XSLT, XQuery, SOAP, WSDL, and Web service technologies. It is the ultimate productivity enhancer for J2EE, .NET and database developers. XMLSpy® runs on Windows 10, Windows 8, Windows 7, Windows Vista, Windows XP, and Windows Server 2003/2008/2012. XMLSpy is available in 64-bit and 32-bit versions.



This documentation is organized into the following main sections:

- [XMLSpy Tutorial](#)
- [User Guide and Reference](#)
- [Programmers' Reference](#)
- [Appendices](#)

It is available in the following formats:

- As the built-in Help system of XMLSpy ([Help menu](#) or [F1](#))
- In HTML and PDF formats, and for purchase as a book. These formats are available via the [Altova website](#)

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## **New Features**

## New Features

Features that are new in XMLSpy **Version 2016 Release 2** are listed below. These are followed by the new-feature lists of previous versions.

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### Version 2016 Release 2

- XPath/XQuery [debugging functionality](#) has been added to the [XPath/XQuery Window](#).
  - [JSON schema documentation](#) can be generated automatically in HTML, RTF, and MS Word formats.
  - JSON instance files containing JSON data that is structured on a JSON schema can be [generated from that JSON schema](#).
  - Conversion of [XML instances to/from JSON instances](#) has been enhanced so that users can select conversion options.
  - Conversion of [XML schemas to/from JSON schemas](#) has been added. Users can select conversion options.
  - When a JSON instance is active you can go to the [JSON schema](#) and [JSON definition](#) by clicking the respective commands in the [DTD/Schema](#) menu.
  - When editing the names of elements in XML documents in Text View, the [names are highlighted in different colors](#) according to whether the names in the start and end tags match or not. This serves as a visual editing aid.
  - Source folding in [XML](#), [XQuery](#), [JSON](#), and [CSS](#) documents in [Text View](#), as well as of nodes in the [XPath/XQuery Window](#), has been enhanced to display ellipses for collapsed nodes. Placing the mouse cursor over an ellipsis displays the content of the collapsed node in a popup.
  - [Eclipse support has been extended to Eclipse 4.5](#).
  - Support for [XBRL assertion severity](#) in the XBRL Taxonomy Editor.
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### Version 2016

- The new [JSON Schema View](#) is introduced. This enables the creation and editing of JSON schemas graphically.
- [Generation of JSON schemas from JSON instances](#).
- [JSON document validation](#): Provides validation of JSON instances and JSON schemas.
- Editing of JSON documents in [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#) has been enhanced. A new auto-completion feature (based on information obtained from the associated JSON schema) enables the quick and accurate creation of instance and schema documents.
- XSLT transformation using [Altova's RaptorXML Server](#) from within XMLSpy. This enables you to customize XSLT high-speed transformations with the help of Raptor's wide range of options.
- XQuery execution and updates using [Altova's RaptorXML Server](#) from within XMLSpy. This enables you to customize XQuery executions with Raptor's many options.

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### Version 2015 Release 4

- Validation of XML and XBRL documents using [Altova's RaptorXML Server](#) from within XMLSpy. This enables you to customize validations with the help of Raptor's validation options.
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### Version 2015 Release 3

- Support for [XPath and XQuery Functions and Operators 3.1 Candidate Recommendation of 18 December 2014](#) in the XSLT and XQuery engines of XMLSpy, and in the [XPath/XQuery Builder and Evaluator](#).
  - Enhancements to the [XPath/XQuery Builder and Evaluator](#) include improved window layout, and interactive functions-and-operators information in popups.
  - New [Altova XPath/XQuery extension functions](#) for geolocation information.
  - For SOAP communication, [security settings](#) are now supported on the web service layer in addition to security on the HTTP layer. Support on the HTTP layer now also includes preemptive authentication. The [SOAP Debugger's connection settings](#) also supports this enhanced HTTPS security.
  - For concepts of type [enum:enumerationItemType](#), extensible enumerations with multi-language labels, as defined in the [Extensible Enumerations Recommendation of 29 October 2014](#) are supported.
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### Version 2015

- Support for [XQuery Update Facility](#): XMLSpy recognizes the XQuery Update document type, and [processes such documents](#) so that target XML documents are updated by expressions in the XQuery Update document. This enables only specific parts of documents to be updated, obviating the need to regenerate entire target documents.
  - [XQuery Update preview](#): XQuery Update expressions can be entered in the [XPath/XQuery output window](#), and updates can be previewed. These "[pending updates](#)" can then be applied or rejected.
  - An [XBRL Table Layout Preview](#) displays a preview of the table selected in the Table Definitions Editor (in XBRL View). The table layout is defined in the [table structure](#).
  - Support for [XBRL table parameters and XBRL table sets \(defined by table parameters\)](#).
  - [Building of XBRL formulas from within XBRL Table Layout Preview](#).
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### Version 2014 Release 2

- New [Altova XSLT and XPath/XQuery extensions](#) added.
- Ability to [add messages for XML Schema 1.1 assertions](#). These messages can explain why an XML document is invalid when the invalidity is due to a failed assertion test.

- [XSL Speed Optimizer](#), which analyzes an XSLT Stylesheet and derives an optimization strategy that can be saved with the XSLT stylesheet. Subsequent transformations with the optimized stylesheet will be faster.
  - An [XBRL Table Definitions Editor](#) is introduced in XBRL View.
  - [Generation of XBRL formula evaluations](#) (in XML and JSON formats) from XBRL instance documents.
  - [Generation of XBRL tables](#) (in XML and HTML formats) from XBRL taxonomies and instance documents.
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### Version 2014

- XSLT 3.0 and XQuery 3.0 engines are included with XMLSpy 2014 (with support for XPath and XQuery Functions 3.0). Intelligent editing, validation, and transformation/execution for XSLT 3.0, XQuery 3.0, and XPath and XQuery Functions 3.0 is also available in features involving XSLT, XQuery, and XPath/XQuery Functions.
  - [Evaluation of XPath expressions in the XPath/XQuery Window](#) has been extended to cover XPath 3.0.
  - XML Schema (XSD) 1.1 support: [Intelligent editing and validation of XSD 1.1 documents](#) in Schema View. This is in addition to the older functionality of intelligent editing and validation of XSD 1.0 documents.
  - [A user-defined error limit](#) can be specified for XML Schema validation. This is useful for reducing validation time by allowing errors to be fixed in batches.
  - [Conversion of DTDs to XML Schemas](#) and vice versa has been enhanced. Also, DTDs and XML Schemas can be flattened. Flattening is the process by which components in included/imported modules are saved directly in the parent file.
  - [Generation of Sample XML documents](#) from XML Schemas has been enhanced so that elements of particular branches of `choice` groups can be selected.
  - In the [XSL Outline Window](#), the mode to use for the transformation can be graphically selected in a combo box.
  - [Integration in Eclipse 4.3](#). This extends support to the latest version of the Eclipse platform, which is in addition to support for versions 3.8 and 4.2. Support for Eclipse 3.6 and 3.7 have been discontinued.
  - [XBRL Formula Editor](#): XBRL formulas can be defined and managed in the Formula tab of XBRL View. The Formula tab is used together with the Overview entry helper and Details entry helper to create and edit formulas, and to define relationships between formula components.
  - The Details entry helper of XBRL View contains a [Type tab](#) that displays more details of the selected item's type.
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### Version 2013

- Commands can be added to the interface (via [Tools | Customize | Tools](#)) to open, from within XMLSpy, the active document or active project in an external application.
- If an XML document is invalid, the XML validator provides [smart fixes to correct the error](#) based on the information in the schema. Smart fixes are accessed via the [Messages window](#).
- The [Strip Whitespaces](#) command removes all whitespace from the XML document.

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- [Embedding of XML Schemas in WSDL documents](#) and [extraction of XML Schemas from WSDL documents](#) provides the ability to switch easily between using XML Schemas as inline schemas in the WSDL document or as schemas imported into the WSDL document.
  - [Improved WSDL documentation](#) allows flexibility for including or excluding components from imported or included XML Schemas, and allows [schema reporting](#) in separate documentation files.
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### Version 2012 Release 2

- An EPUB file is a zipped group of files used for the distribution of digital publications (EPUB books). In [Archive View](#), you can open EPUB files, create and edit EPUB files, preview the digital EPUB book, edit component files of the EPUB archive directly in XMLSpy, validate the EPUB file, and save the component files back to the EPUB archive. See the section [EPUB Files](#) for details.
  - Support for IBM DB2 logical files. A logical file in IBM iSeries editions of the DB2 database represents one or more physical files. A logical file allows users to access data in a sequence or format that can be different from the physical file. Users who connect to IBM iSeries computers may encounter existing databases constructed with logical files. These were previously not accessible, but are now supported in Version 2012 Release 2.
  - XML special characters can be [escaped or unescaped](#) using a context menu command.
  - Bug fixes.
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### Version 2012

- [Find in Projects](#) enables project files and folder to be quickly found in the Project window.
  - Entry helpers and intelligent editing [support for CSS 3.0](#) has been added. This is in addition to support for CSS 2.1.
  - Support for [HTML 5.0](#).
  - Support for [JDBC connections to databases](#).
  - New [Application API interface for Java](#).
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### Version 2011 Release 3

- Simplified [spellchecker](#).
  - In the Enterprise edition of XMLSpy, XML files can be [digitally signed](#) from within the interface. Signatures can be placed instantly within the XML file or can be saved separately. Signatures can also be verified in XMLSpy.
  - [Scripting and the Scripting Editor](#) in XMLSpy support for .NET version 4.0 (in addition to versions 2.0, 3.0, and 3.5).
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### Version 2011 Release 2

- In Schema View, [documentation of the XML Schema document can be generated using an SPS](#) that can be customized in Altova's StyleVision product. In earlier versions of XMLSpy, the design of the generated schema documentation was a standard default design. With this new feature, the structure and formatting of the documentation can be designed by the user.
  - The content of an external file, such as an image file, can be encoded as Base-16 or Base-64 text and inserted in Text View and Grid View. This is done via the [Insert | Encoded External File](#) command of the Edit menu.
  - Schema View has been enhanced with the following features: (i) [Sorting of global components, attributes, and identity constraints](#); sorting has also been introduced in [Content Model View](#); (ii) [Finding and renaming of global components](#) in the schema file and in related schema files; (iii) If the [base type of a derived type is modified](#), the content, attributes, facets and sample values defined within the derived type can be preserved if they are still applicable with the new base type.
  - In WSDL View, [documentation of the WSDL document can be generated using an SPS](#) that can be customized in Altova's StyleVision product. In earlier versions of XMLSpy, the design of the generated WSDL documentation was a standard default design. With this new feature, the structure and formatting of the documentation can be designed by the user.
  - The [Charts](#) feature has been extended to include stacked bar charts, area charts, stacked area charts, candlestick charts and overlay charts. Charts can be generated for an XML document in Text View and Grid View.
  - In XBRL View, [documentation of the XBRL document can be generated using an SPS](#) that can be customized in Altova's StyleVision product. In earlier versions of XMLSpy, the design of the generated XBRL documentation was a standard default design. With this new feature, the structure and formatting of the documentation can be designed by the user.
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### Version 2011

- In Schema View, creating [Schema Subsets](#) from the components of a single schema file. A schema file can therefore easily be split up into subsets. The reverse process of assimilating components from included schema subsets into the active file is also supported.
  - [Charts](#) (such as pie charts and bar charts) that represent data in an XML document can be generated for documents viewed in Text View and Grid View (*Enterprise edition only*). Also, [XSLT/XQuery Profiler results](#) can also be reported in the form of charts (*Enterprise edition only*).
  - [Validation of SOAP messages against WSDL](#). SOAP messages can be checked for validity not only against the SOAP specification but as well as against any XML Schemas referenced in the corresponding WSDL definition (*Enterprise edition only*).
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### Version 2010 Release 3

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- Creating [Schema Rules](#) in Schema View for specifying additional schema constraints. (*Enterprise edition only.*)
  - [Generate sample values in sample files](#) that are generated from an XML Schema. (*Enterprise and Professional editions only.*)
  - [Integration in Microsoft Visual Studio 2010](#). This extends support to the latest version of Visual Studio, which is in addition to support for versions 2005 and 2008. Support for Visual Studio 2003 has been discontinued. (*Enterprise and Professional editions only.*)
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### **Version 2010 Release 2**

- Optimizations for working with large files in Text View and Grid View
- Validation against XML Schemas up to three times faster in Text View
- [SharePoint® server support](#) enables files to be checked out and checked in directly from within the XMLSpy interface.
- [CSS and HTML Info windows](#) provide a quick way, via the GUI, to link CSS and HTML files and open them in various browsers and editors.
- [Support for Linux in generated C++ code](#).
- 64-bit versions of XMLSpy available in Enterprise and Professional Editions.

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**RaptorXML Server**

## RaptorXML Server

Altova RaptorXML(+XBRL) Server (also called Raptor or RaptorXML for short) is Altova's third-generation, hyper-fast XML and XBRL\* processor. It has been built to be optimized for the latest standards and parallel computing environments. Designed to be highly cross-platform capable, the engine takes advantage of today's ubiquitous multi-core computers to deliver lightning fast processing of XML and XBRL data.

RaptorXML is available in two editions:

- RaptorXML Server, which can be accessed over a network and can transform multiple files at a time.
- RaptorXML+XBRL Server edition, which can be accessed over a network, can transform multiple files at a time, and additionally supports XBRL validation.

RaptorXML can be run from the command line and has interfaces for COM, Java, .NET, and Python. You can therefore easily use RaptorXML from within these environments to validate XML documents, perform XSLT transformations, and execute XQuery documents.

You can also [use a Raptor server from within the XMLSpy GUI](#) to validate to XML and XBRL\* documents.

\* **Note:** XBRL processing is available only in RaptorXML+XBRL Server, not in RaptorXML Server.

For more information about RaptorXML, see the [Altova website](#).

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**XMLSpy Tutorial**

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# XMLSpy Tutorial

This tutorial provides an overview of XML and takes you through a number of key XML tasks. In the process you will learn how to use some of XMLSpy's most powerful features.

The tutorial is divided into the following parts:

- [XMLSpy Interface](#), which helps you to familiarize yourself with the applications's graphical user interface (GUI).
- [Creating an XML Schema](#). You will learn how to create an XML Schema in XMLSpy's intuitive Schema View, how to create complex content models using drag-and-drop mechanisms, and how to configure Schema View.
- [Using Schema View features](#) to create complex and simple types, global element references, and attribute enumerations.
- Learning how to [navigate schemas](#) in Schema View, and how to [generate documentation of schemas](#).
- [Creating an XML document](#). You will learn how to assign a schema for an XML document, edit an XML document in Grid View and Text View, and validate XML documents using XMLSpy's built-in validator.
- [Transforming an XML file using an XSLT stylesheet](#). This involves assigning an XSLT file and carrying out the transformation using XMLSpy's built-in XSLT engines.
- [Working with XMLSpy projects](#), which enable you to easily organize your XML documents.

## Installation and configuration

This tutorial assumes that you have successfully installed XMLSpy on your computer and received a free evaluation key-code, or are a registered user. The evaluation version of XMLSpy is fully functional but limited to a 30-day period. You can request a regular license from our secure web server or through any one of our resellers.

## Tutorial example files

The tutorial files are available in the application folder:

```
C:\Documents and Settings\<>username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples  
\Tutorial
```

The `Examples` folder contains various XML files for you to experiment with, while the `Tutorial` folder contains all the files used in this tutorial.

The `Template` folder in the application folder (typically in `c:\Program Files\Altova`) contains all the XML template files that are used whenever you select the menu option **File | New**. These files supply the necessary data (namespaces and XML declarations) for you to start working with the respective XML document immediately.

# 1 XMLSpy Interface

In this section of the tutorial, you will start XMLSpy and get to know the interface.

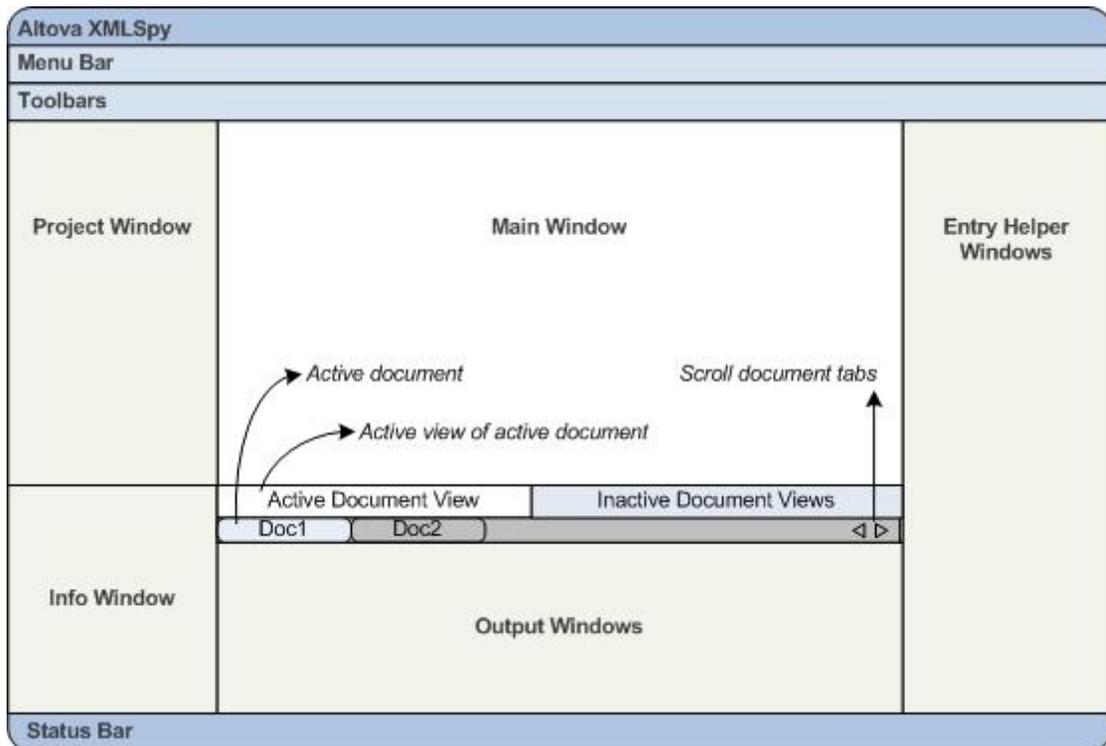
## Starting XMLSpy

To start XMLSpy, double-click the XMLSpy icon on your desktop or use the **Start | All Programs** menu to access the XMLSpy program. XMLSpy is started with no documents open in the interface. Open XMLSpy now.

## Overview of the interface

The default view of the XMLSpy interface is structured into three vertical areas (*figure below*). These three areas contain, from left to right: (i) the Project and Info windows; (ii) the Main and Output windows; and (iii) the Entry Helper windows. Look at the Project window. It will contain the Examples project, which is opened by default when you start XMLSpy for the first time.

Given below are key points that will help you to understand the layout of the interface and the functions of its various components. The sub-sections of this first part of the tutorial will help you get familiar with the interface.



**Document bar in the Main window:** When multiple documents are open, each document is displayed in a tab in the document bar of the Main window (*see figure*). Clicking a tab makes that document the active document. You can scroll document tabs by clicking the arrows on the right hand side of the document bar. Open two or more files (for example, from the Examples project),

and check how the tabs work.

**Document editing views:** The active document can be viewed in one of multiple applicable editing views. For example:

- An XML (.xml) document can be viewed in Text View, Grid View, Authentic View, and Browser View, but cannot be viewed in other views, such as Schema View.
- An XML Schema (.xsd) document, on the other hand can be viewed in Text View, Grid View, Schema View, and Browser View, but not in Authentic View.

The following views are available: [Text View](#), [Grid View](#), [Schema View](#), [WSDL View](#), [XBRL View](#), [Authentic View](#), and [Browser View](#).

**Entry helpers:** The entry helper windows change according to the kind of the active document (for example, XML or XSD or CSS or WSDL) and according to the currently active document view (for example, Text View or Schema View). The entry helpers enable you to quickly and correctly edit the active document by providing context-sensitive editing support.

## 1.1 The Views

In this part of the tutorial you will learn: (i) to switch between document editing views, and (ii) to change the default editing view of a particular document type.

### Switching between document views

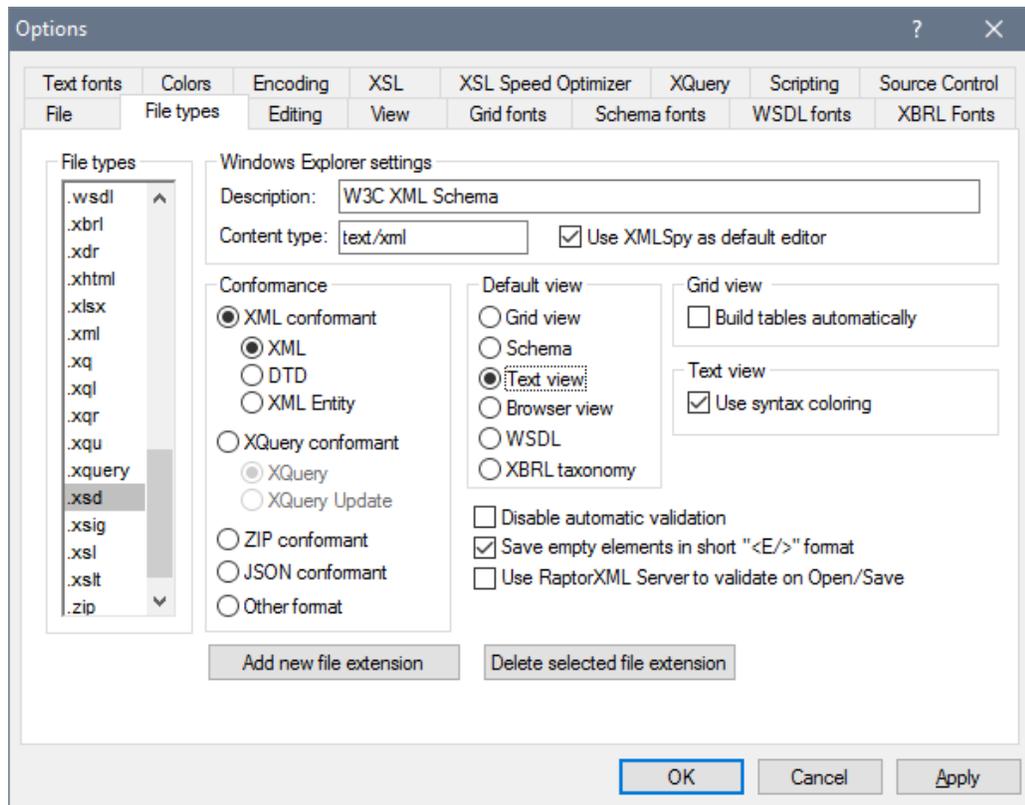
When you open a document it will open in the view that has been set as the default view for that type of document. Open a document as follows:

1. Click the command **File | Open**.
2. Browse for the file `AddressFirst.xsd`, which is located in the `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial` folder, select it, and click **Open**. The file opens in Schema View.
3. Switch among the various views by clicking the view tabs at the bottom of the Main window (Text View, Grid View, etc). You will be able to view the XML Schema document in Text View, Grid View, Schema View, and Browser View.
4. You can also change views by selecting the view you want from the options in the **View** menu. Try switching the view of the `AddressFirst.xsd` document using the **View** menu commands.
5. Close the document (via **File | Close**).

### Changing the default view of a document type

All documents with the `.xsd` extension will open by default in Schema View. You can change the default opening view of any type of document in the Options dialog. Let us do this for `.xsd` documents now.

1. Click the command **Tools | Options** and go to the *File Types* tab (screenshot below).
2. In the *File Types* pane, scroll down to `.xsd` and select it (highlighted in screenshot).
3. In the *Default View* pane, select Text View.



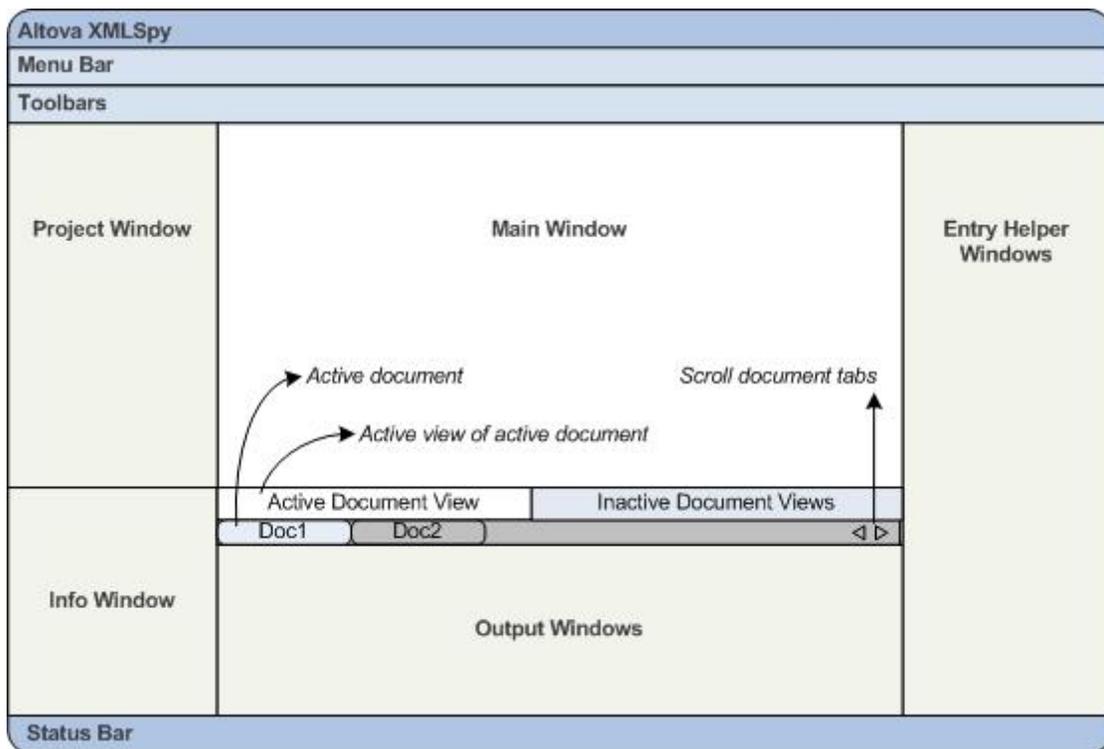
4. Click **OK**.
5. Click the **File | Open** command, and open the file `AddressFirst.xsd`. The file opens in Text View.
6. Switch to Schema View to see the file in this view, then close the file (**File | Close**).
7. Go back to the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**), and, in the *File Types* tab, change the default view of `.xsd` files back to Schema View.

**Note:** In the *File Types* tab of the Options dialog (*screenshot above*), you can change the default view of any of the listed file extensions. A new file extension can be added to the list via the **Add New File Extension** button.

## 1.2 The Windows

By default, the various windows are located around the Main window (see screenshot below) and are organized into the following window groups:

- Project window
- Info window
- Entry helpers (various, depending on the type of document currently active)
- Output windows: Messages, Charts, XPath, XSL Outline, Find in Files, Find in Schemas, Find in XBRL



In this section, you will learn how to turn on and off the display of window groups and how to move windows around the screen. Being able to manage the display of windows well will be useful when you need more space within the interface.

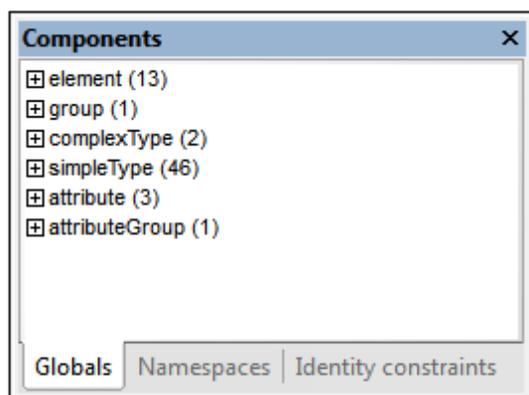
### Switching the display of window groups on and off

Window groups (Project Window, Info Window, Entry Helpers, Output Windows) can be displayed or hidden by toggling them on and off via the commands in the **Window** menu. A displayed window group can also be hidden by right-clicking its title bar and selecting the command **Hide**. A hidden window can only be displayed via the **Window** menu.

Open any XML file in the `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial` folder, and practise using these basic commands till you are familiar with the way the commands work. For more information about displaying and hiding window groups, see the section, [XMLSpy Interface](#).

### Moving windows around the screen

An individual window can either float free of the interface or be docked within it. A window can also be docked as a tab within a window group (*window groups are explained above*). For example, the screenshot below shows the Components entry helper in Schema View, which has three tabbed windows: the Globals window, Namespaces window, and Identity Constraints window.



A window can be made to float or dock using one of the following methods in any view:

- Double-click the title bar of the window. If docked, the window will now float. If floating, the window will now dock in the last position in which it was docked.
- Right-click the title bar of a window and choose the required command (**Floating** or **Docking**).
- Drag the window (using its title bar as a handle) out of its docked position so that it floats. Drag a floating window (by its title bar) to the location where it is to be docked. Two sets of blue arrows appear. The outer set of four arrows enables docking relative to the application window (along the top, right, bottom, or left edge of the GUI). The inner set of arrows enables docking relative to the window over which the cursor is currently placed. Dropping a dragged window on the button in the center of the inner set of arrows (or on the title bar of a window) docks the dragged window as a tabbed window within the window in which it is dropped.

To float a tabbed window, double-click its tab. To drag a tabbed window out of a group of tabbed windows, drag its tab.

To practise moving windows around open any XML Schema file from the `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial` folder, and, while in Schema View, try the methods described above till you are able to move windows around the interface comfortably.

## 1.3 Menus and Toolbars

In this section of the tutorial, you will quickly learn about the main features of the menus and toolbars of XMLSpy.

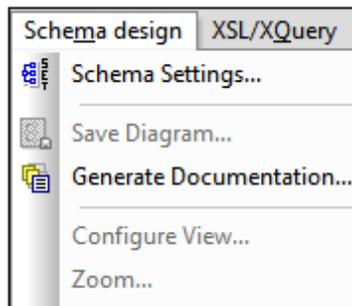
### Menus

There are two menu bars: (i) a default menu that is displayed when no document is open, and (ii) the full XMLSpy application menu, which is displayed as soon as a document is open. Do the following:

1. Close all open documents with the menu command **File | Close All**. You will see the default menu.
2. Open the `AddressFirst.xsd` file by clicking its name from the list of most recently opened files located at the bottom of the **File** menu. When the file opens in Schema View, the menu will change to the full XMLSpy application menu.

The menus are organized primarily according to function, and a command in a menu is enabled only when it can be executed at the cursor point or for a selection in the current view of the active document. Do the following to understand the factors that determine whether a menu command is enabled or disabled:

1. Click the **Schema Design** menu. Notice that the **Save Diagram**, **Configure View**, and **Zoom** commands are disabled (*screenshot below*).

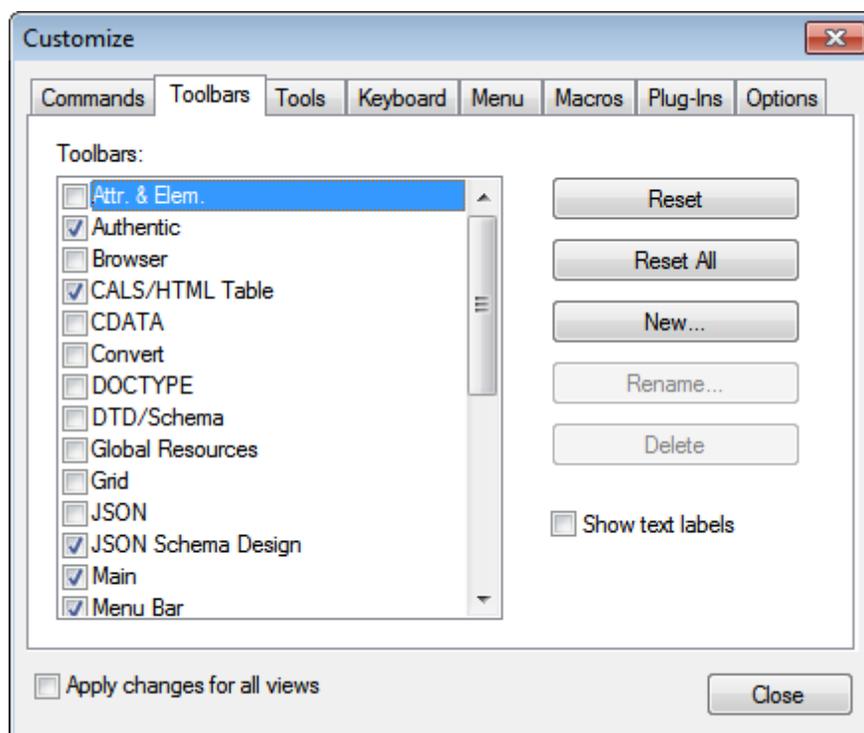


2. Click in a blank space outside the menu to make the menu disappear. Then click the **Display Diagram** icon  located to the left of the element component. This takes you to the Content Model View of Schema View (the second of Schema View's two views; the first is Schema Overview). If you check the Schema Design menu now, you will see that the **Save Diagram**, **Configure View**, and **Zoom** commands have been enabled. They are enabled only in the Content Model View of Schema View, not in the Schema Overview of Schema View, nor in any other view. Note also that only XML Schema files can be opened in Schema View.
3. An XML Schema file is also an XML file, so it is displayed as an XML file in Text View and Grid View, and all menu commands that apply to XML files will be enabled in these views. Compare commands in the **Edit** menu (whether they are enabled or not) in Schema View and Text View.
4. Next compare commands in the **XML | Insert** menu (enabled or disabled) in Text View and Grid View. The commands in this menu are enabled only in Grid View.

For descriptions of all the menu commands, see the [User Reference section](#) of the user documentation.

## Toolbars

The display of toolbars varies according to the current view. The application's default settings provide the correct toolbars for each view and will be different for each view. However, you can customize toolbars in the *Toolbars* tab of the Customize dialog (**Tools | Customize | Toolbars**, *screenshot below*).



Now, practise moving toolbars around the GUI. Click the handle of a toolbar and drag the toolbar to any desired location in the GUI. (The toolbar handle is indicated by the dotted vertical line at the left of each toolbar; *see screenshot below*.)



Try dragging a toolbar to the following locations: (i) another line in the toolbar area; (ii) left or right of another toolbar; (iii) the middle of the Main window; (iv) docked to the left or right side of the application window (for this to happen, the grab handle must be placed above the left or right border of the application window).

After you have finished, close the file `AddressFirst.xsd`.

## 1.4 Text View Settings

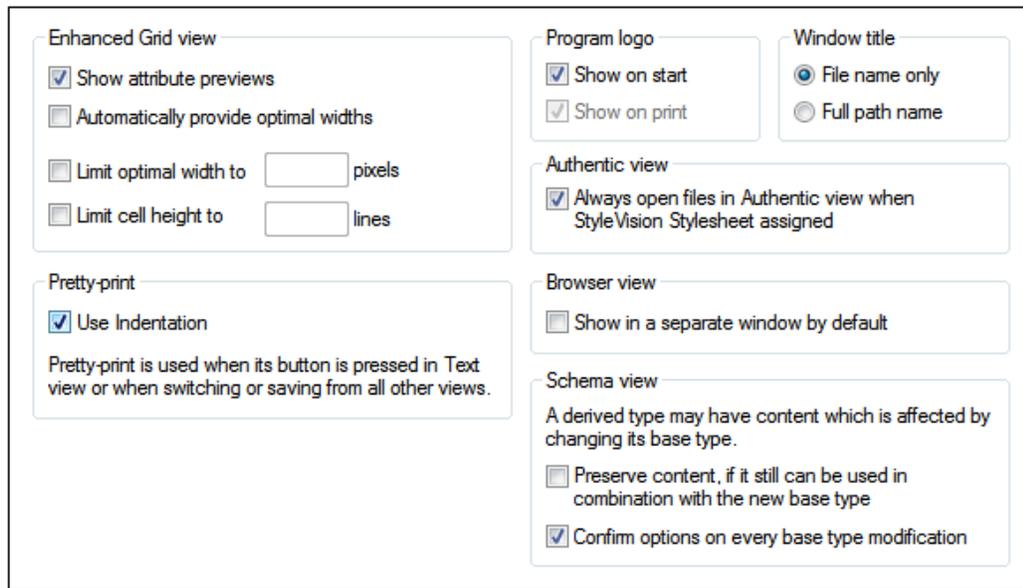
In this section, you will learn how to set up a "pretty-printed" document and how to use bookmarks while editing. When a document is pretty-printed it is displayed in Text View so that each lower level in the XML hierarchy is indented deeper than the previous level (see *screenshot below*). Bookmarks enable you to mark document positions that you wish to return to quickly.

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <Company>
3      <Address xsi:type="US-Address">
4          <Name>US dependency</Name>
5          <Street>Noble Ave.</Street>
6          <City>Dallas</City>
7          <Zip>04812</Zip>
8          <State>Texas</State>
9      </Address>
10     <Person Manager="true" Degree="BA" Programmer="false">
11         <First>Fred</First>
12         <Last>Smith</Last>
13         <PhoneExt>22</PhoneExt>
14         <Email>Smith@work.com</Email>
15     </Person>
16 </Company>
```

### Pretty-printing

Pretty-printing involves two steps: (i) Setting pretty-printing on and specifying the amount of indentation, and (ii) applying pretty-printing.

1. Open the file `CompanyFirst.xml`, which is in the `C:\Documents and Settings\<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial` folder (and switch to Text View if Text View is not the default starting view of XML documents).
2. In the View tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options | View**, *screenshot below*), check the *Use Indentation* check box. This switches on pretty-printing with indentation (the default setting). Click **OK** when done. Note that this setting will apply to all files opened in Text View.



The screenshot shows the 'Text View Settings' dialog box with the following settings:

- Enhanced Grid view:**
  - Show attribute previews
  - Automatically provide optimal widths
  - Limit optimal width to  pixels
  - Limit cell height to  lines
- Program logo:**
  - Show on start
  - Show on print
- Window title:**
  - File name only
  - Full path name
- Authentic view:**
  - Always open files in Authentic view when StyleVision Stylesheet assigned
- Pretty-print:**
  - Use Indentation
  - Pretty-print is used when its button is pressed in Text view or when switching or saving from all other views.
- Browser view:**
  - Show in a separate window by default
- Schema view:**
  - A derived type may have content which is affected by changing its base type.
  - Preserve content, if it still can be used in combination with the new base type
  - Confirm options on every base type modification

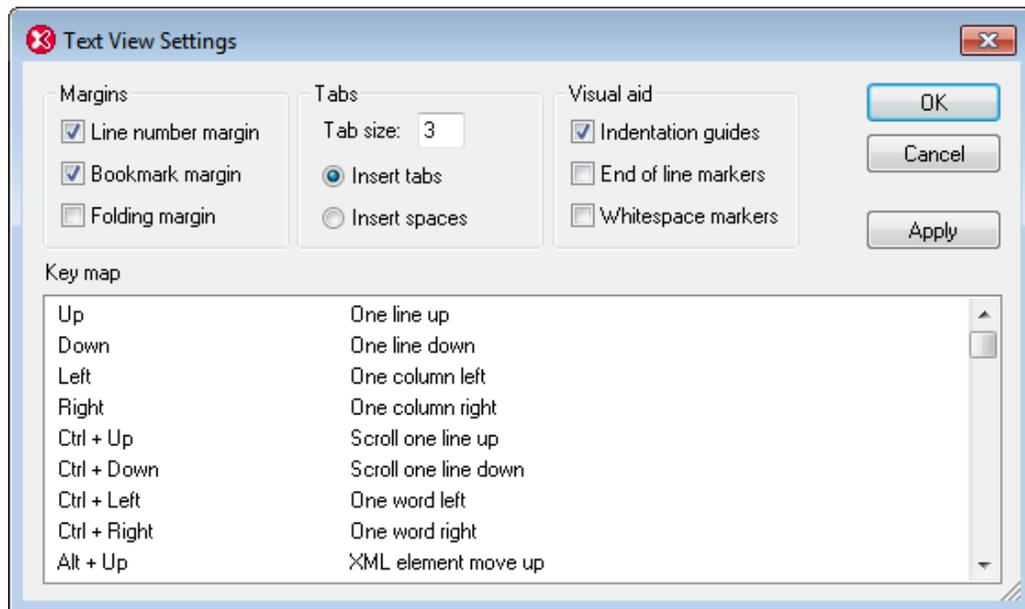
3. Open the Text View Settings dialog (with the **View | Text View Settings** command, *screenshot below*) and in the Tabs pane, decrease the Tab size to 3. Leave the default selection of the Insert Tabs radio button as it is. This will cause the pretty-printing indent to be a tab (rather than spaces) and each tab will have a width of three spaces. Click **OK** when done.
4. Click the menu command **Edit | Pretty-Print**. The document will be pretty-printed with the new tab values.
5. Open the Text View Settings dialog (**View | Text View Settings**) and, in the Visual Aid pane, switch on the end-of-line markers.
6. In Text View, go to the end of any line and delete the end-of-line marker so that the next line jumps up a line.
7. Switch to Grid View and back again to Text View. The document will be pretty-printed, and the the end-of-line marker you deleted will be reinstated.

**Note:** If, in the View tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options | View**, *screenshot above*), you uncheck the Use Indentations check box and then pretty-print all lines will begin without any indentation.

### Bookmarking

Bookmarks are placed in a bookmark margin on the left of lines you wish to mark. You can then quickly move up and down through the bookmarks in your document.

1. In the Text View Settings dialog (**View | Text View Settings**, *screenshot below*) ensure that the Bookmarks Margin option in the *Margins* pane is selected. Click **OK** when done.



2. In Text View of the file `CompanyFirst.xml`, place the cursor anywhere in a line you wish to bookmark, then select the menu command **Edit | Insert/Remove Bookmark**. The line will be bookmarked and is indicated with a blue bookmark in the bookmark margin (see *screenshot below*).
3. Create a bookmark on another line in the same way as in Step 2.

```

1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <Company>
3    <Address xsi:type="US-Address">
4      <Name>US dependency</Name>
5      <Street>Noble Ave.</Street>
6      <City>Dallas</City>
7      <Zip>04812</Zip>
8      <State>Texas</State>
9    </Address>
10   <Person Manager="true" Degree="BA" Programmer="false">
11     <First>Fred</First>
12     <Last>Smith</Last>
13     <PhoneExt>22</PhoneExt>
14     <Email>Smith@work.com</Email>
15   </Person>
16 </Company>
17

```

4. Press **F2** (or the command **Edit | Go to Next Bookmark**) to go down the document to the next bookmark. Press **Shift+F2** (or the command **Edit | Go to Previous Bookmark**) to go up the document to the previous bookmark. Repeat either or both commands as many times as you like.
5. Place the cursor in one of the bookmarked lines and select the menu command **Edit | Insert/Remove Bookmark**. The bookmark is removed.
6. Save and close the file. No bookmark information is saved with the file. Reopen the file to check this.

## 2 XML Schemas: Basics

An XML Schema describes the structure of an XML document. An XML document can be validated against an XML Schema to check whether it conforms to the requirements specified in the schema. If it does, it is said to be **valid**; otherwise it is **invalid**. XML Schemas enable document designers to specify the allowed structure and content of an XML document and to check whether an XML document is valid.

The structure and syntax of an XML Schema document is complex, and being an XML document itself, an XML Schema must be valid according to the rules of the XML Schema specification. In XMLSpy, Schema View enables you to easily build valid XML Schemas by using graphical drag-and-drop techniques. The XML Schema document you construct is also editable in Text View and Grid View, but is much easier to create and modify in Schema View.

### Objective

In this section of the tutorial, you will learn how to edit XML Schemas in Schema View. Specifically, you will learn how to do the following:

- Create a new schema file
- Define namespaces for the schema
- Define a basic content model
- Add elements to the content model using context menus and drag-and-drop
- Configure the Content Model View

After you have completed creating the basic schema, you can go to the [next section of the tutorial](#), which teaches you how to work with the more advanced features of XML Schema in XMLSpy. This advanced section is followed by a section about [schema navigation and documentation](#) in XMLSpy.

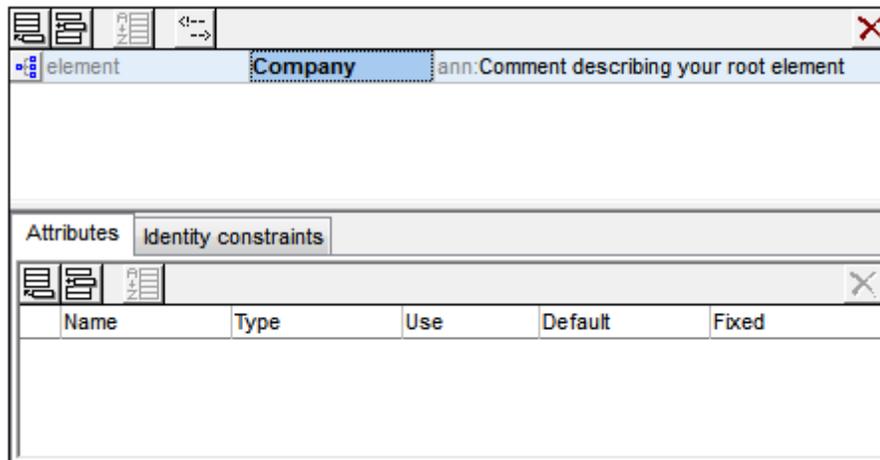
### Commands used in this section

In this section of the tutorial, you will use Schema View exclusively. The following commands are used:



Display Diagram (or Display Content Model View). This icon is located to the left of all global components in Schema Overview. Clicking the icon causes the content model of the associated global component to be displayed.





6. In the Annotations field (ann) of the `Company` element, enter the description of the element, in this case, `Root element`.
7. Click the menu option **File | Save**, and save your XML Schema with any name you like (`AddressFirst.xsd`, for example).

## 2.2 Defining Namespaces

XML namespaces are an important issue in XML Schemas and XML documents. An XML Schema document must reference the XML Schema namespace and, optionally, it can define a target namespace for the XML document instance. As the schema designer, you must decide how to define both these namespaces (essentially, with what prefixes.)

In the XML Schema you are creating, you will define a target namespace for XML document instances. (The required reference to the XML Schema namespace is created automatically by XMLSpy when you create a new XML Schema document.)

To create a target namespace:

1. Select the menu option **Schema Design | Schema settings**. This opens the Schema Settings dialog.

Prefix	Namespace
	http://my-company.com/namespace
xs	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema

2. Click the Target Namespace radio button, and enter `http://my-company.com/namespace`. In XMLSpy, the namespace you enter as the target namespace is created as the default namespace of the XML Schema document and displayed in the list of namespaces in the bottom pane of the dialog.
3. Confirm with the **OK** button.

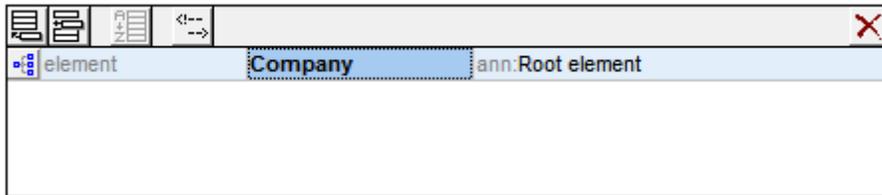
**Please note:**

- The XML Schema namespace is automatically created by XMLSpy and given a prefix of `xs:`.
- When the XML document instance is created, it must have the target namespace defined in the XML Schema for the XML document to be valid.

## 2.3 Defining a Content Model

In the Schema Overview, you have already created a global element called `Company`. This element is to contain one `Address` element and an unlimited number of `Person` elements—its content model. Global components that can have content models are elements, `complexType`s, and element groups.

In XMLSpy, the content model of a global component is displayed in the Content Model View of Schema View (*screenshot below*). To view and edit the content model of a global component, click the Display Diagram icon  located to the left of the global component.

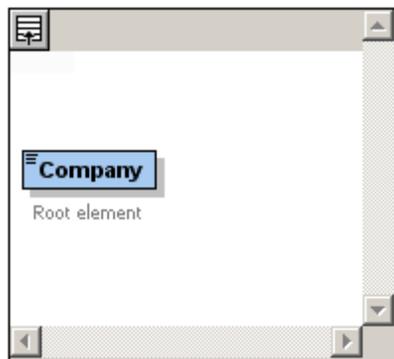


In this section, you will create the content model of the `Company` element.

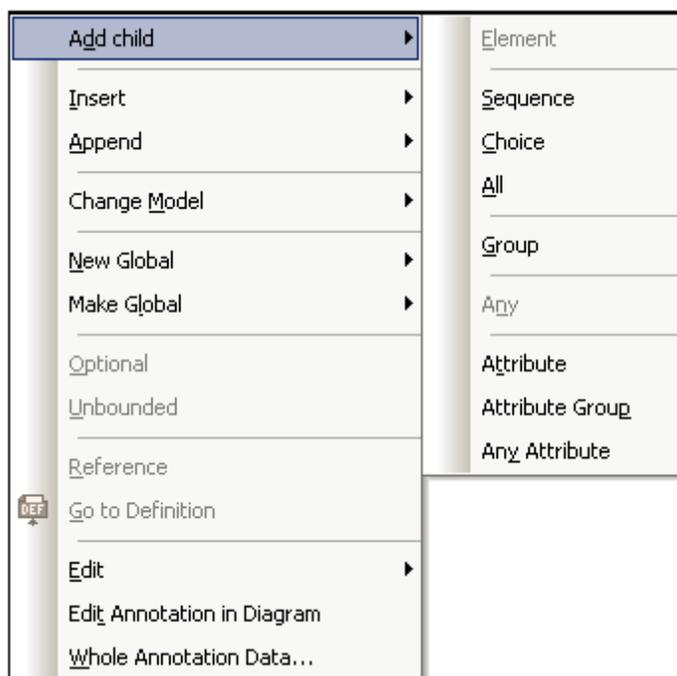
### Creating a basic content model

To create the content model of the `Company` element:

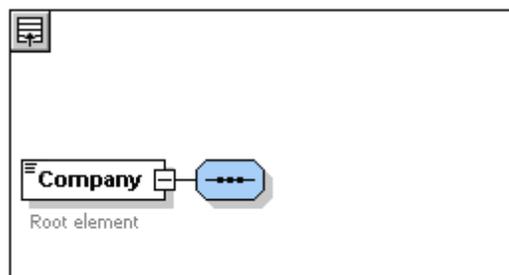
1. In the Schema Overview, click the Display Diagram icon  of the `Company` element. This displays the content model of the `Company` element (*screenshot below*), which is currently empty. Alternatively, you can double-click the `Company` entry in the Components entry helper to display its content model.



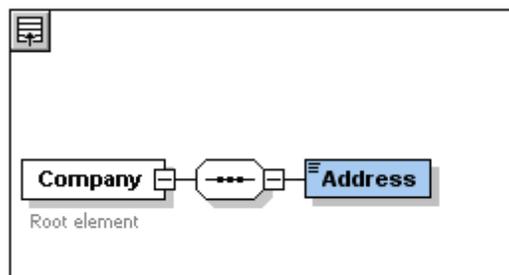
2. A content model consists of **compositors** and **components**. The compositors specify the relationship between two components. At this point of the `Company` content model, you must add a child compositor to the `Company` element in order to add a child element. To add a compositor, right-click the `Company` element. From the context menu that appears, select **Add Child | Sequence**. (Sequence, Choice, and All are the three compositors that can be used in a content model.)



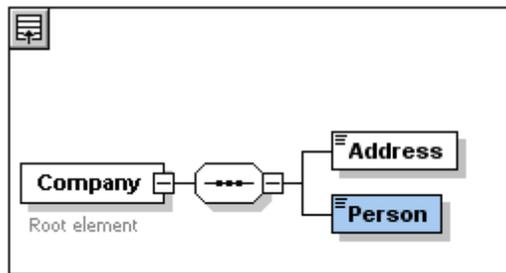
This inserts the Sequence compositor, which defines that the components that follow must appear in the specified sequence.



3. Right-click the Sequence compositor and select **Add Child | Element**. An unnamed element component is added.
4. Enter `Address` as the name of the element, and confirm with **Enter**.

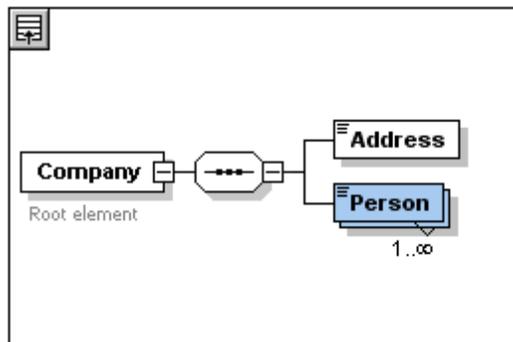


5. Right-click the Sequence compositor again, select **Add Child | Element**. Name the newly created element component `Person`.



You have so far defined a schema which allows for one address and one person per company. We need to increase the number of `Person` elements.

- Right-click the `Person` element, and select **Unbounded** from the context menu. The `Person` element in the diagram now shows the number of allowed occurrences: 1 to infinity.



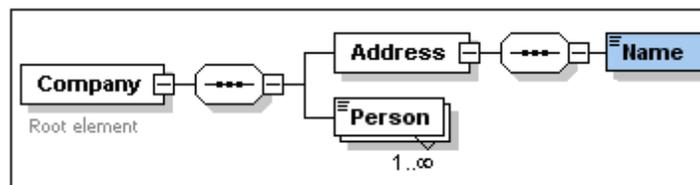
Alternatively, in the Details Entry Helper, you can edit the `minOcc` and `maxOcc` fields to specify the allowed number of occurrences, in this case 1 and unbounded, respectively.

### Adding additional levels to the content model structure

The basic content model you have created so far contains one level: a child level for the `company` element which contains the `Address` and `Person` elements. Now we will define the content of the `Address` element so it contains `Name`, `Street`, and `City` elements. This is a second level. Again we need to add a child compositor to the `Address` element, and then the element components themselves.

Do this as follows:

- Right-click the `Address` element to open the context menu, and select **Add Child | Sequence**. This adds the Sequence compositor.
- Right-click the Sequence compositor, and select **Add Child | Element**. Name the newly created element component `Name`.



### Complex types, simple types, and XML Schema data types

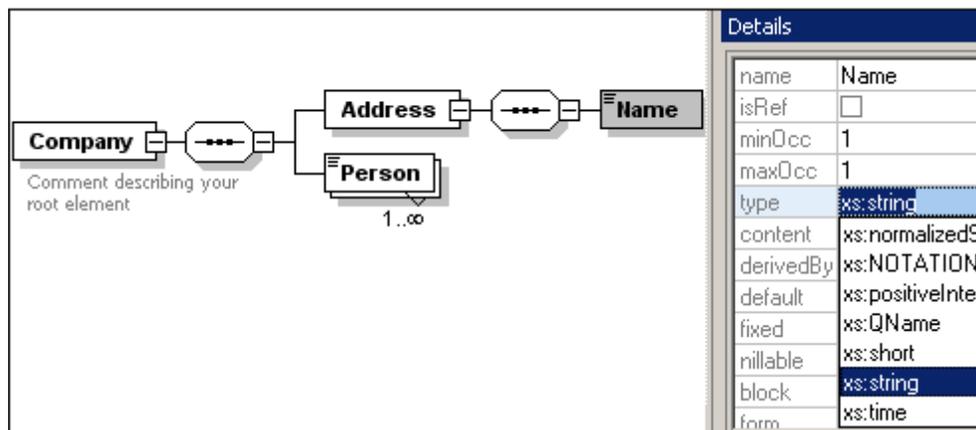
Till this point, we have not explicitly defined any element type. Click the **Text** tab to display the Text View of your schema (*listing below*). You will notice that whenever a Sequence compositor was inserted, the `xs:sequence` element was inserted within the `xs:complexType` element. In short, the `Company` and `Address` elements, because they contain child elements, are complex types. A complex type element is one which contains attributes or elements.

```
<xs:element name="Company">
  <xs:annotation>
    <xs:documentation>Root element</xs:documentation>
  </xs:annotation>
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element name="Address">
        <xs:complexType>
          <xs:sequence>
            <xs:element name="Name"/>
          </xs:sequence>
        </xs:complexType>
      </xs:element>
      <xs:element name="Person"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
```

Simple type elements, on the other hand, contain only text and have no attributes. Text can be strings, dates, numbers, etc. We want the `Name` child of `Address` to contain only text. It is a simple type, the text content of which we want to restrict to a string. We can do this using the XML Schema data type `xs:string`.

To define the `Name` element to be of this datatype:

1. Click the **Schema** tab to return to Schema View.
2. Click the `Name` element to select it.
3. In the Details Entry Helper, from the dropdown menu of the `type` combo box, select the `xs:string` entry.



Note that both `minOcc` and `maxOcc` have a value of 1, showing that this element occurs only once.

The text representation of the `Name` element is as follows:

```
<xs:element name="Name" type="xs:string"/>
```

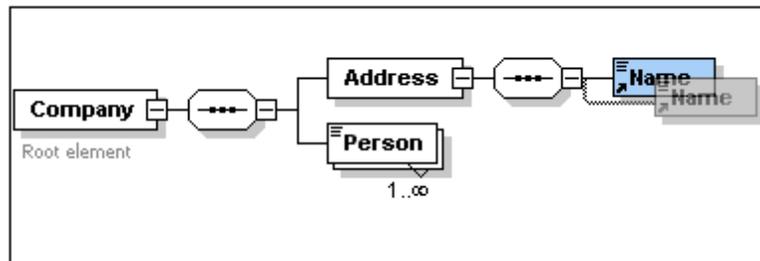
**Please note:** A simple type element can have any one of several XML Schema data types. In all these cases, the icon indicating text-content appears in the element box.

## 2.4 Adding Elements with Drag-and-Drop

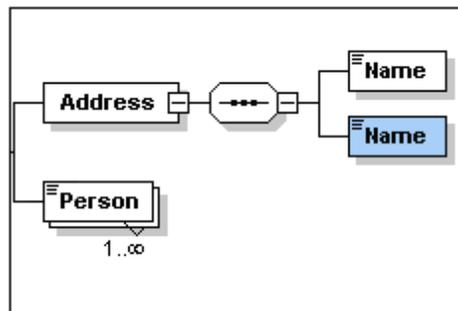
You have added elements using the context menu that appears when you right-click an element or compositor. You can also create elements using drag-and-drop, which is quicker than using menu commands. In this section, you will add more elements to the definition of the `Address` element using drag-and-drop, thus completing this definition.

To complete the definition of the `Address` element using drag-and-drop:

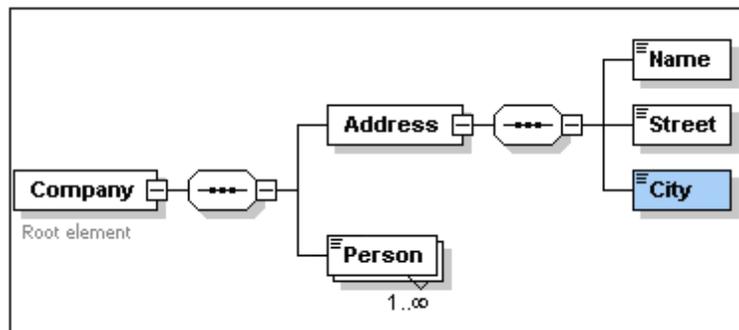
1. Click the `Name` element of the `Address` element, hold down the **Ctrl** key, and drag the element box with the mouse. A small "plus" icon appears in the element box, indicating that you are about to copy the element. A copy of the element together with a connector line also appears, showing where the element will be created.



2. Release the mouse button to create the new element in the `Address` sequence. If the new element appears at an incorrect location, drag it to a location below the `Name` element.



3. Double-click in the element box, and type in `Street` to change the element name.
4. Use the same method to create a third element called `City`. The content model should now look like this:

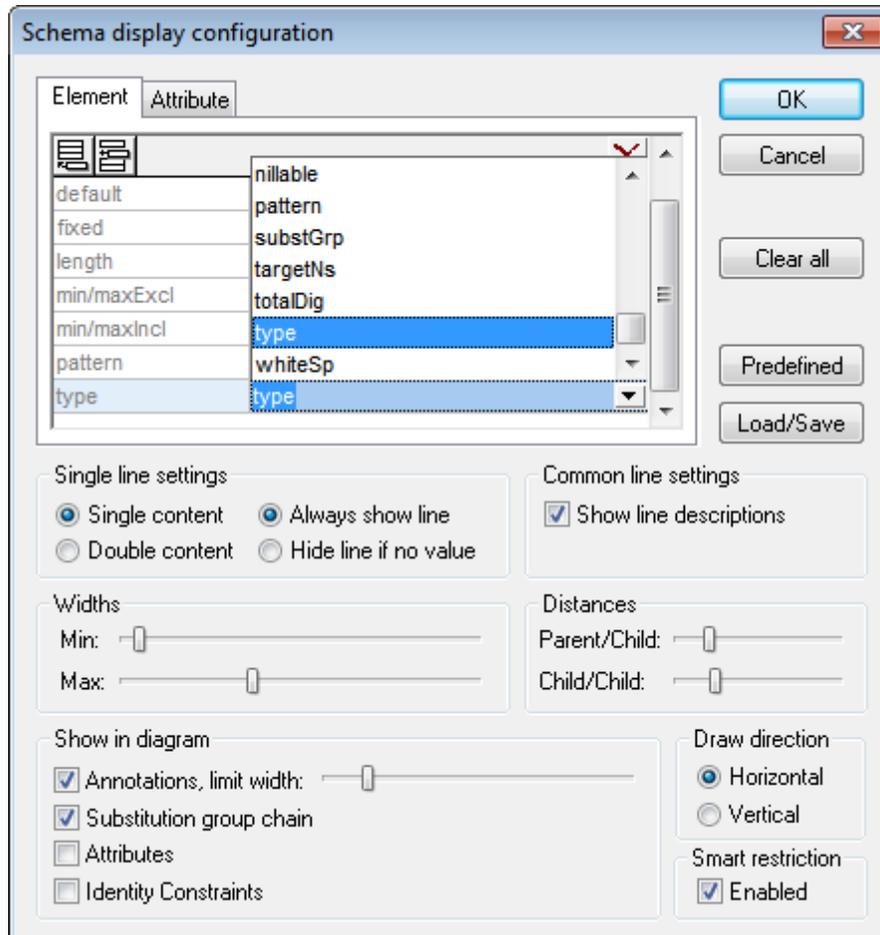


The `Address` element has a sequence of a `Name`, a `Street`, and a `City` element, in that order.

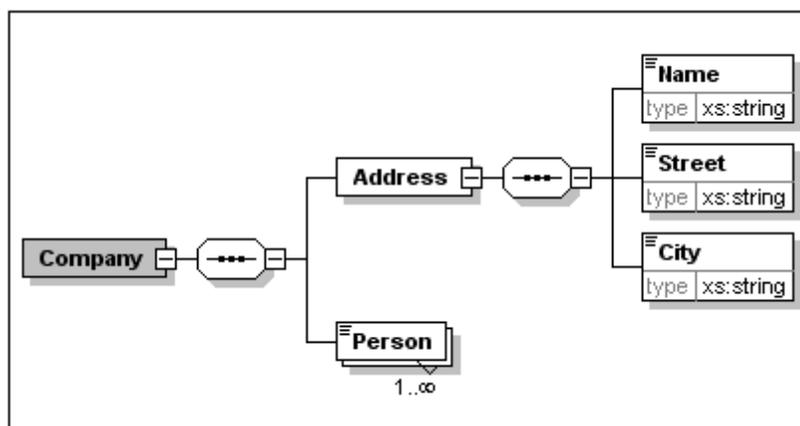
## 2.5 Configuring the Content Model View

This is a good time to configure the Content Model View. We will configure the Content Model View such that the `type` of the element is displayed for each element. Do this as follows:

1. Select the Content Model View (click the Content Model View icon ) of a component in order to enable the Configure view command.
2. Select the menu option **Schema Design | Configure view**. The Schema Display Configuration dialog appears.

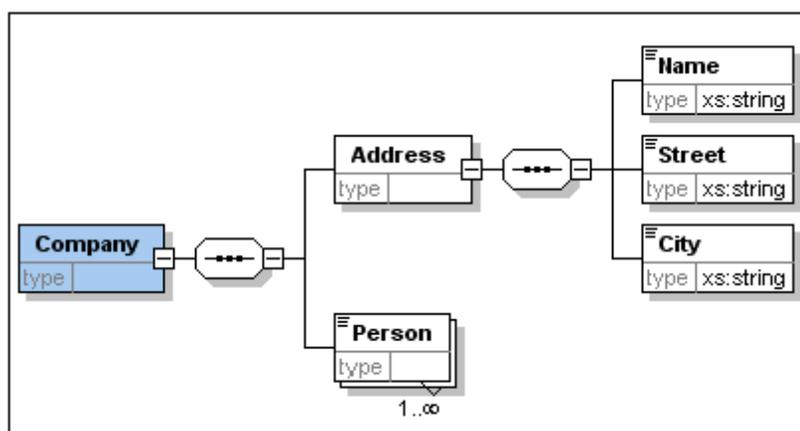


3. Click the **Append**  icon (in the **Element** tab) to add a property descriptor line for each element box.
4. From the dropdown menu, select `type` (or double-click in the line and enter "`type`"). This will cause the data type of each element to be displayed in the Content Model View.
5. In the Single Line Settings pane, select Hide Line If No Value. This hides the description of the datatype in the element box if the element does not have a datatype (for example, if the element is a complex type).



Notice that the type descriptor line appears for the `Name`, `Street`, and `City` elements, which are simple types of type `xs:string`, but not for the complex type elements. This is because the Hide Line If No Value toggle is selected.

6. In the Single Line Settings group, select the Always Show Line radio button.
7. Click **OK** to confirm the changes.



Notice that the descriptor line for the data type is always shown—even in element boxes of complex types, where they appear without any value.

**Please note:**

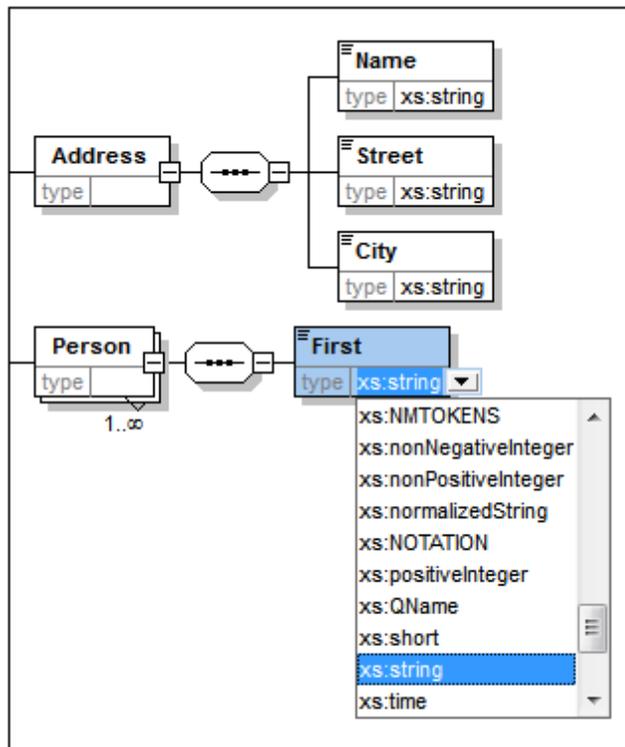
- The property descriptor lines are editable, so values you enter in them become part of the element definition.
- The settings you define in the Schema display configuration dialog apply to the schema documentation output as well as the printer output.

## 2.6 Completing the Basic Schema

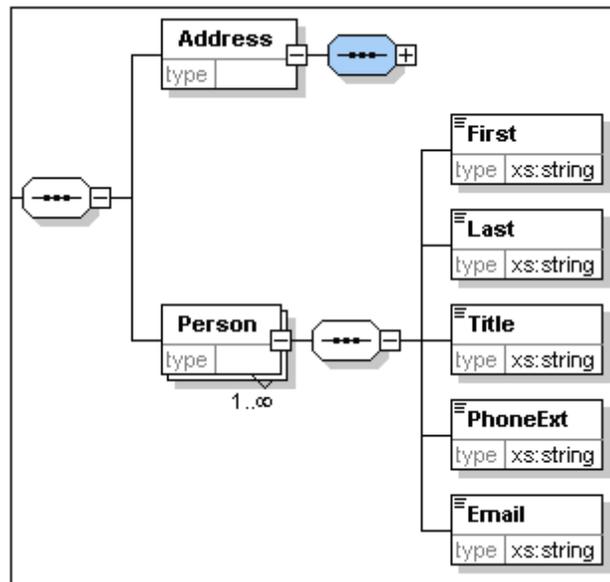
You have defined the content of the `Address` element. Now you need to define the content of the `Person` element. The `Person` element is to contain the following child elements, all of which are simple types: `First`, `Last`, `Title`, `PhoneExt`, and `Email`. All these elements are mandatory except `Title` (which is optional), and they must occur in the order just specified. All should be of datatype `xs:string` except `PhoneExt`, which must be of datatype `xs:integer` and limited to 2 digits.

To create the content model for `Person`:

1. Right-click the `Person` element to open the context menu, and select **Add Child | Sequence**. This inserts the Sequence compositor.
2. Right-click the Sequence compositor, and select **Add Child | Element**.
3. Enter `First` as the name of the element, and press the **Tab** key. This automatically places the cursor in the `type` field.



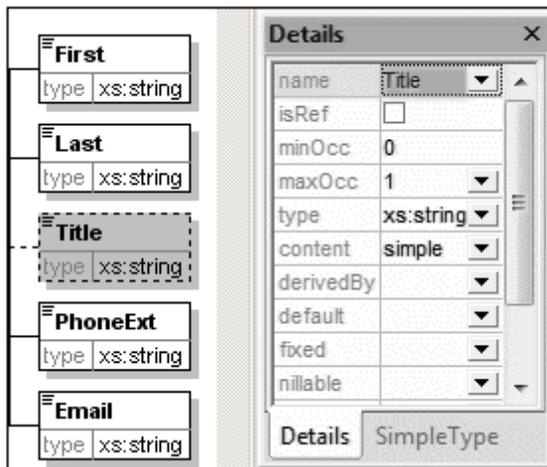
4. Select the `xs:string` entry from the dropdown list or enter it into the `type` value field.
5. Use the drag-and-drop method to create four more elements. Name them `Last`, `Title`, `PhoneExt`, and `Email`, respectively.



**Please note:** You can select multiple elements by holding down the **Ctrl** key and clicking each of the required elements. This makes it possible to, e.g., copy several elements at once.

### Making an element optional

Right-click the **Title** element and select **Optional** from the context menu. The frame of the element box changes from solid to dashed; this is a visual indication that an element is optional.

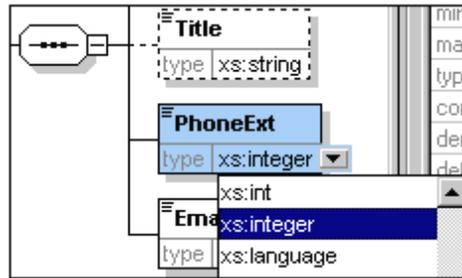


In the Details Entry Helper, you will see that `minOcc=0` and `maxOcc=1`, indicating that the element is optional. Alternatively to using the context menu to make an element optional, you can set `minOcc=0` in order to make the element optional.

### Limiting the content of an element

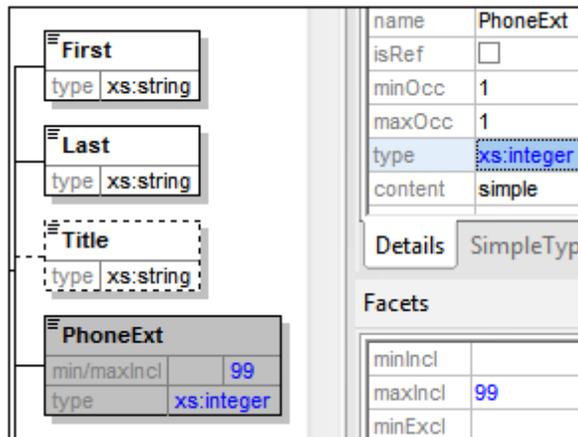
To define the **PhoneExt** element to be of type `xs:integer` and have a maximum of two digits:

1. Double-click in the `type` field of the **PhoneExt** element, and select (or enter) the `xs:integer` entry from the dropdown list.



The items in the Facets Entry Helper change at this point.

- In the Facets Entry Helper, double-click in the `maxIncl` field and enter 99. Confirm with **Enter**.



This defines that all phone extensions up to, and including 99, are valid.

- Select the menu option **File | Save** to save the changes to the schema.

**Please note:**

- Selecting an XML Schema datatype that is a simple type (for example, `xs:string` or `xs:date`), automatically changes the content model to simple in the Details Entry Helper (`content = simple`).
- Adding a compositor to an element (`sequence`, `choice`, or `all`), automatically changes the content model to complex in the Details Entry Helper (`content = complex`).
- The schema described above is available as `AddressFirst.xsd` in the `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial` folder of your XMLSpy application folder.

## 3 XML Schemas: Advanced

Now that you have created a basic schema, we can move forward to a few advanced aspects of schema development.

### Objective

In this section, you will learn how to:

- Work with [complex types and simple types](#), which can then be used as the types of schema elements.
- Create [global elements](#) and reference them from other elements.
- Create [attributes](#) and their properties, including enumerated values.

You will start this section with the basic `AddressFirst.xsd` schema you created in the first part of this tutorial.

### Commands used in this section

In this section of the tutorial, you will use Schema View exclusively. The following commands are used:



Display Diagram (or Display Content Model View). This icon is located to the left of all global components in Schema Overview. Clicking the icon causes the content model of the associated global component to be displayed.



Display All Globals. This icon is located at the top left-hand corner of the Content Model View. Clicking the icon switches the view to Schema Overview, which displays all global components.



Append. The Append icon is located at the top left-hand corner of the Schema Overview. Clicking the icon enables you to add a global component.

### 3.1 Working with Complex Types and Simple Types

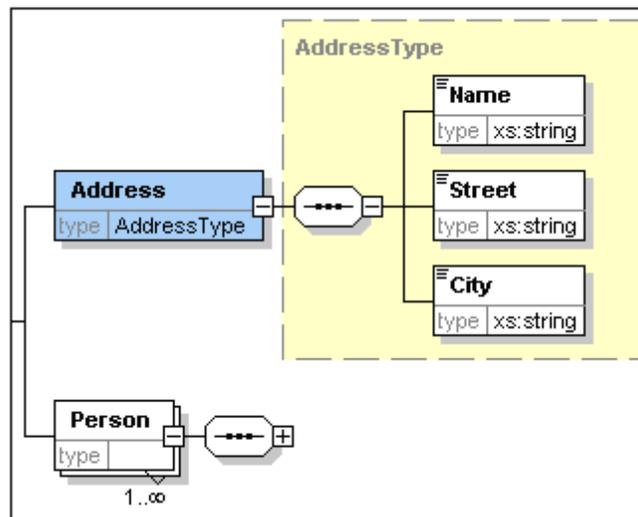
Having defined the content model of an element, you may decide you want to reuse it elsewhere in your schema. The way to do this is by creating that element definition as a global complex type or as a global element. In this section, you will work with global complex types. You will first create a complex type at the global level and then extend it for use in a content model. You will learn about global elements later in this tutorial.

#### Creating a global complex type

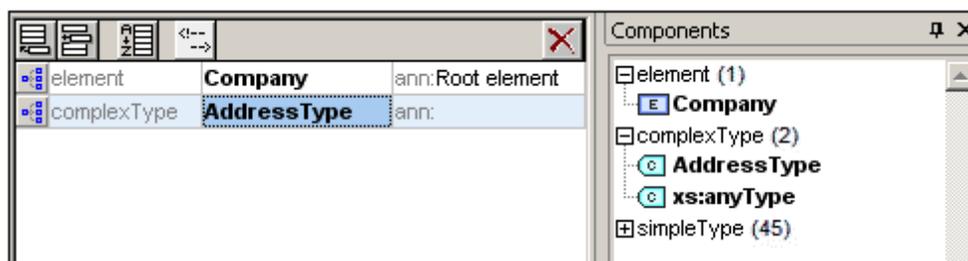
The basic `Address` element that we defined (containing `Name`, `Street`, and `City` elements) can be reused in various address formats. So let us create this element definition as a complex type, which can be reused.

To create a global complex type:

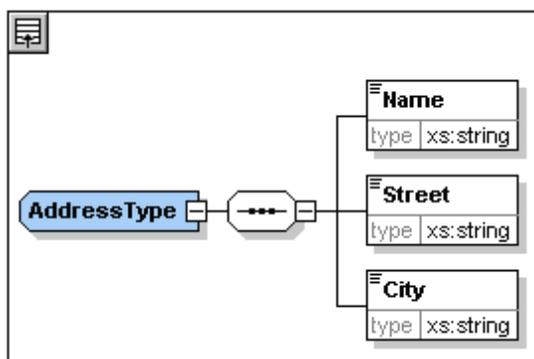
1. In the Content Model View, right-click the `Address` element.
2. In the context menu that now appears, select **Make Global | Complex type**. A global complex type called `AddressType` is created, and the `Address` element in the `Company` content model is assigned this type. The content of the `Address` element is the content model of `AddressType`, which is displayed in a yellow box. Notice that the datatype of the `Address` element is now `AddressType`.



3. Click the Display All Globals  icon. This takes you to the Schema Overview, in which you can view all the global components of the schema.
4. Click the expand icons for the **element** and **complexType** entries in the Components entry helper, to see the respective schema constructs. The Schema Overview now displays two global components: the `Company` element and the complex type `AddressType`. The Components Entry Helper also displays the `AddressType` complex type.



- Click on the Content Model View icon  of `AddressType` to see its content model (screenshot below). Notice the shape of the complex type container.



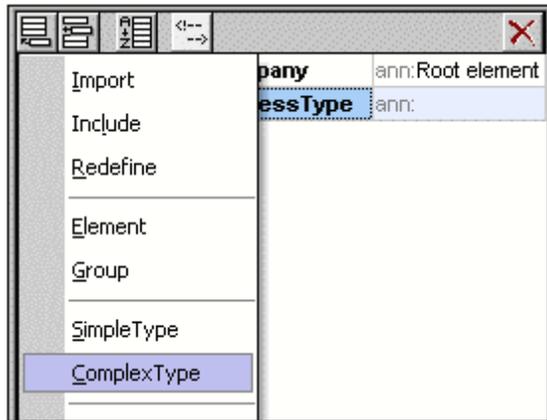
- Click the Display All Globals icon  to return to the Schema Overview.

### Extending a complex type definition

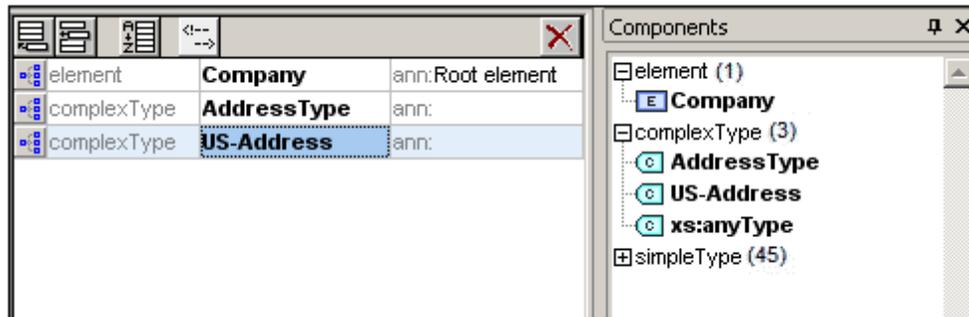
We now want to use the global `AddressType` component to create two kinds of country-specific addresses. For this purpose we will define a new complex type based on the basic `AddressType` component, and then extend that definition.

Do this as follows:

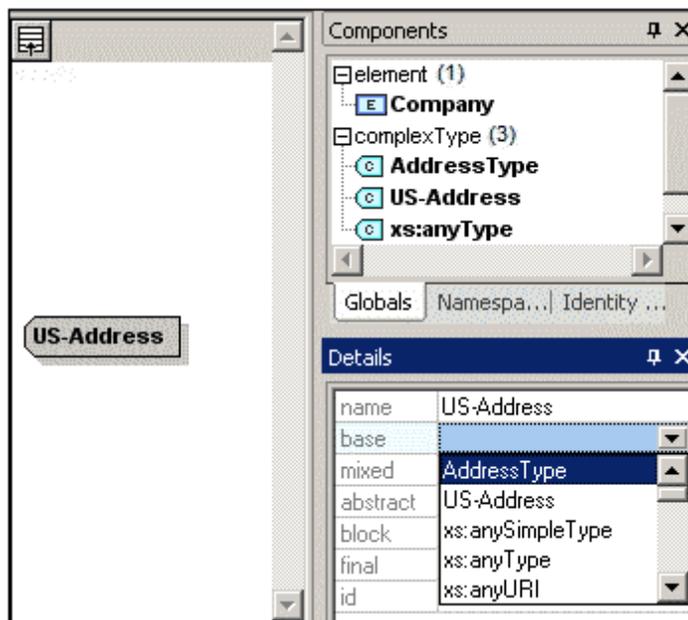
- Switch to Schema Overview. (If you are in Content Model View, click the Display All Globals icon .)
- Click the Append icon  at the top left of the component window. The following menu opens:



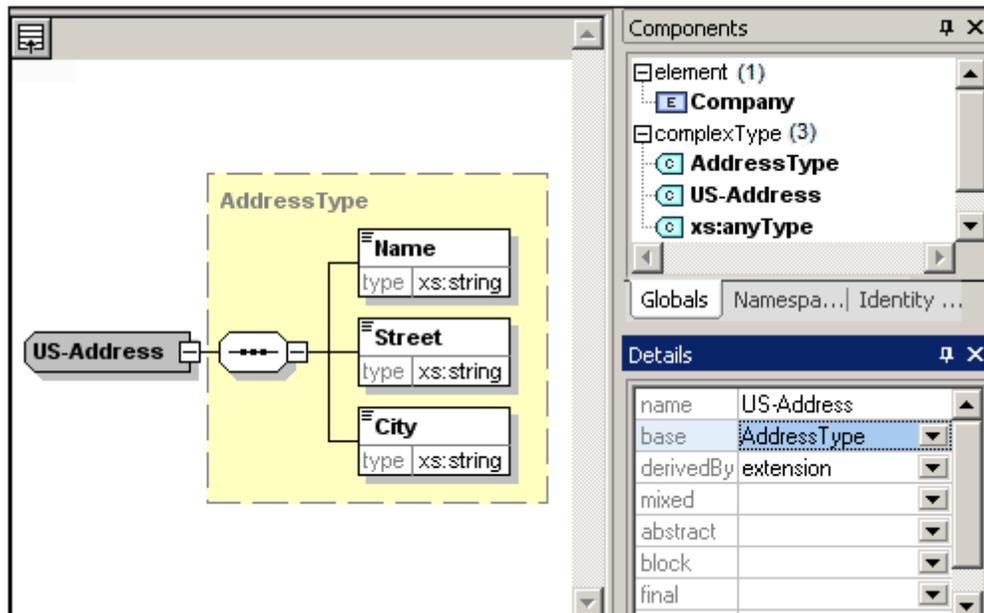
3. Select **ComplexType** from the menu. A new line appears in the component list, and the cursor is set for you to enter the component name.
4. Enter `US-Address` and confirm with **Enter**. (If you forget to enter the hyphen character "-" and enter a space, the element name will appear in red, signalling an invalid character.)



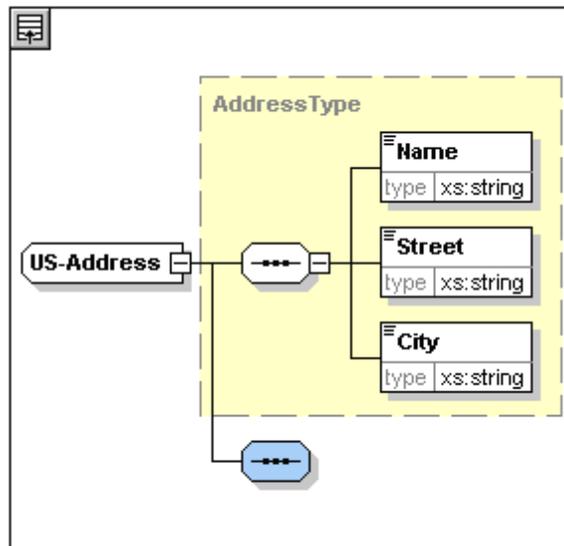
5. Click the Content Model View icon  of `US-Address` to see the content model of the new complex type. The content model is empty (see screenshot below).
6. In the Details entry helper, click the `base` combo box and select the `AddressType` entry.



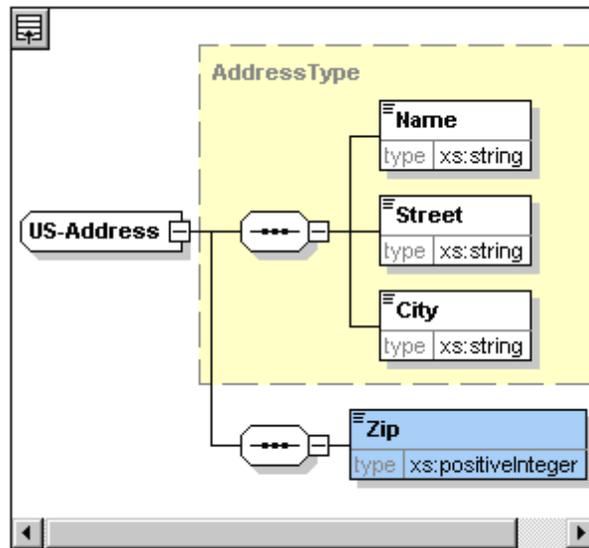
The Content Model View now displays the `AddressType` content model as the content model of `US-Address` (screenshot below).



- Now we can extend the content model of the `US-Address` complex type to take a ZIP Code element. To do this, right-click the `US-Address` component, and, from the context menu that appears, select **Add Child | Sequence**. A new sequence compositor is displayed outside the `AddressType` box (screenshot below). This is a visual indication that this is an extension to the element.



- Right-click the new sequence compositor and select **Add Child | Element**.
- Name the newly created element `zip`, and then press the **Tab** key. This places the cursor in the value field of the type descriptor line.
- Select `xs:positiveInteger` from the dropdown menu that appears, and confirm with **Enter**.



You now have a complex type called `US-Address`, which is based on the complex type `AddressType` and extends it to contain a ZIP code.

### Global simple types

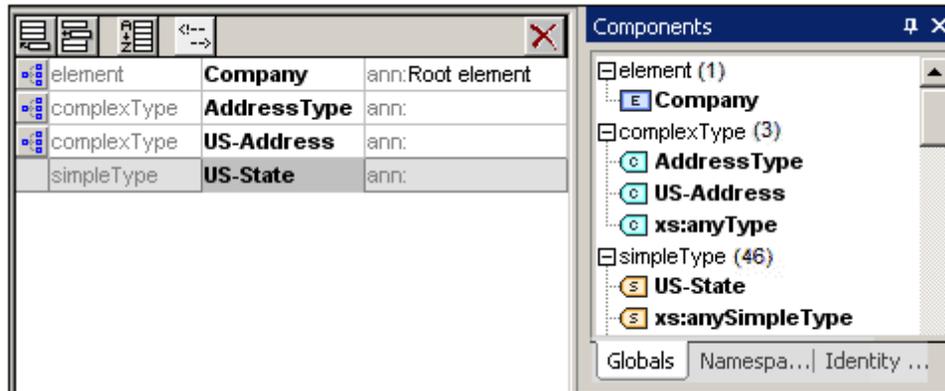
Just as the complex type `US-Address` is based on the complex type `AddressType`, an element can also be based on a simple type. The advantage is the same as for global complex types: the simple type can be reused. In order to reuse a simple type, the simple type must be defined globally. In this tutorial, you will define a content model for US states as a simple type. This simple type will be used as the basis for another element.

### Creating a global simple type

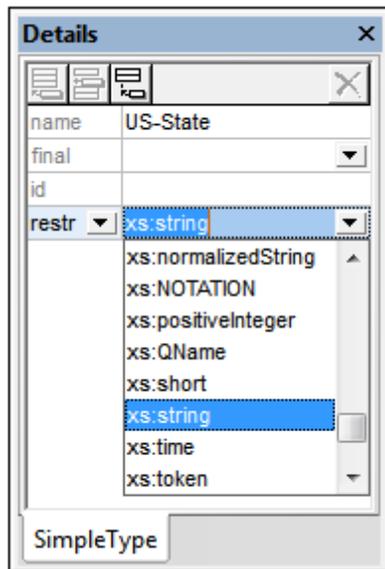
Creating a global simple type consists of appending a new simple type to the list of global components, naming it, and defining its datatype.

To create a global simple type:

1. Switch to Schema Overview. (If you are in Content Model View, click the Display All Globals icon )
2. Click the Append icon, and in the context menu that appears, select **SimpleType**.
3. Enter `US-State` as the name of the newly created simpleType.
4. Press **Enter** to confirm. The simple type `US-State` is created and appears in the list of simple types in the Components Entry Helper (Click the expand icon of the simpleType entry to see it).



- In the Details Entry Helper (screenshot below), place the cursor in the value field of `restr` and enter `xs:string`, or select `xs:string` from the dropdown menu in the `restr` value field.



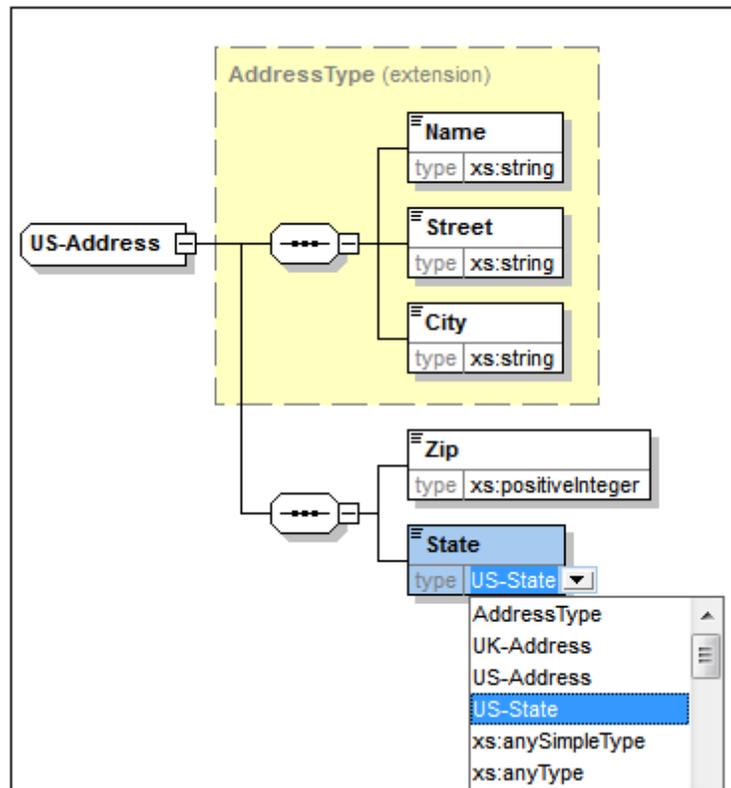
This creates a simple type called `US-State`, which is of datatype `xs:string`. This global component can now be used in the content model of `US-Address`.

### Using a global simple type in a content model

A global simple type can be used in a content model to define the type of a component. We will use `US-State` to define an element called `State` in the content model of `US-Address`.

Do the following:

- In Schema Overview, click the Component Model View icon  of `US-Address`.
- Right-click the lower sequence compositor and select **Add Child | Element**.
- Enter `State` for the element name.
- Press the **Tab** key to place the cursor in the value field of the type descriptor line.
- From the drop-down menu of this combo box, select `US-State`.



The `State` element is now based on the `US-State` simple type.

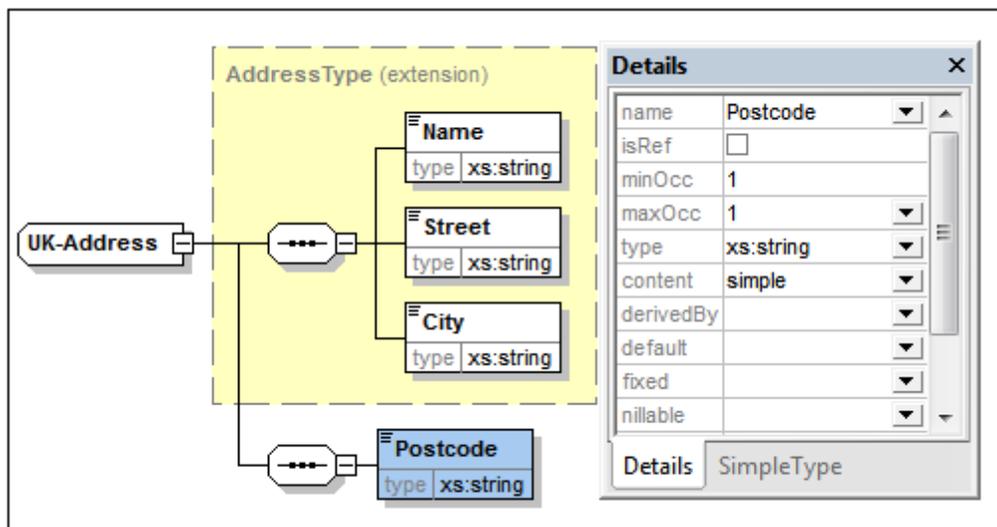
### Creating a second complex type based on `AddressType`

We will now create a global complex type to hold UK addresses. The complex type is based on `AddressType`, and is extended to match the UK address format.

Do the following:

1. In **Schema Overview**, create a global complex type called `UK-Address`, and base it on `AddressType` (`base=AddressType`).
2. In the **Content Model View** of `UK-Address`, add a `Postcode` element and give it a type of `xs:string`.

Your `UK-Address` content model should look like this:

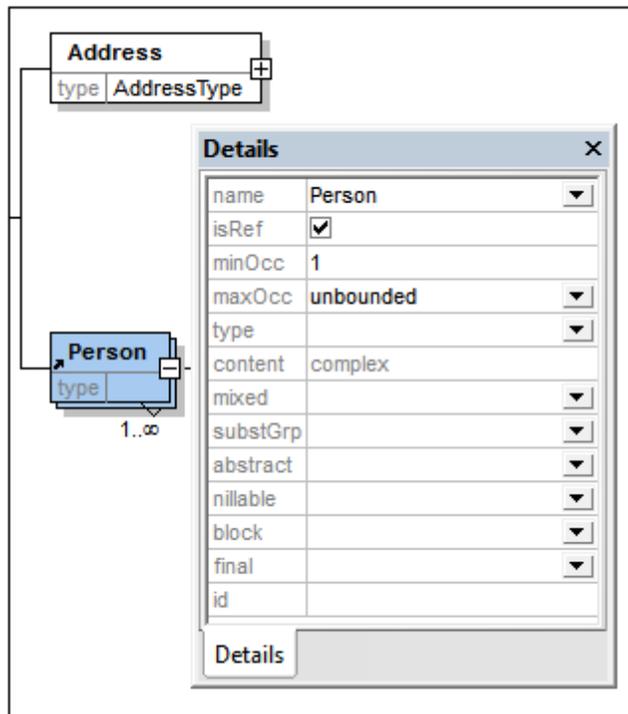


**Note:** In this section you created global simple and complex types, which you then used in content model definitions. The advantage of global types is that they can be reused in multiple definitions.

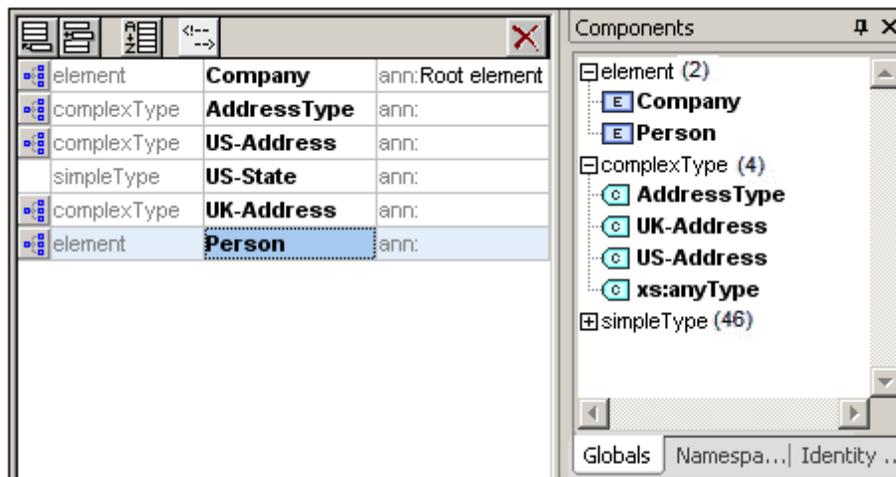
## 3.2 Referencing Global Elements

In this section, we will convert the locally defined `Person` element to a global element and reference that global element from within the `Company` element.

1. Click  (Display All Globals) to switch to Schema Overview.
2. Click the Display Diagram icon  of the `Company` element.
3. Right-click the `Person` element, and select **Make Global | Element**. A small link arrow icon appears in the `Person` element, showing that this element now references the globally declared `Person` element. In the Details Entry Helper, the `isRef` check box is now activated.

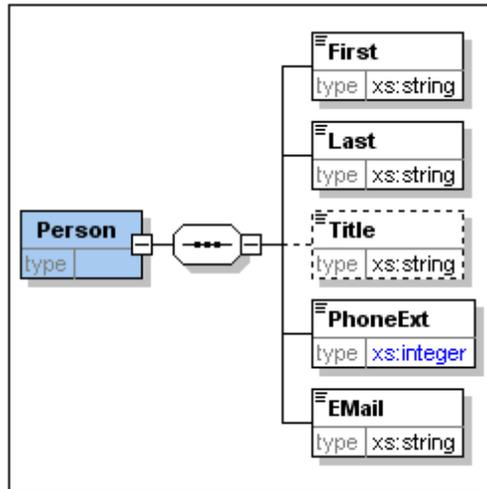


4. Click the Display All Globals icon  to return to Schema Overview. The `Person` element is now listed as a global element. It is also listed in the Components Entry Helper.





5. In the Components Entry Helper, double-click the `Person` element to see the content model of the global `Person` element.



Notice that the global element box does **not** have a link arrow icon. This is because it is the referenced element, not the referencing element. It is the referencing element that has the link arrow icon.

**Please note:**

- An element that references a global element must have the same name as the global element it references.
- A global declaration does not describe where a component is to be used in an XML document. It only describes a content model. It is only when a global declaration is referenced from within another component that its location in the XML document is specified.

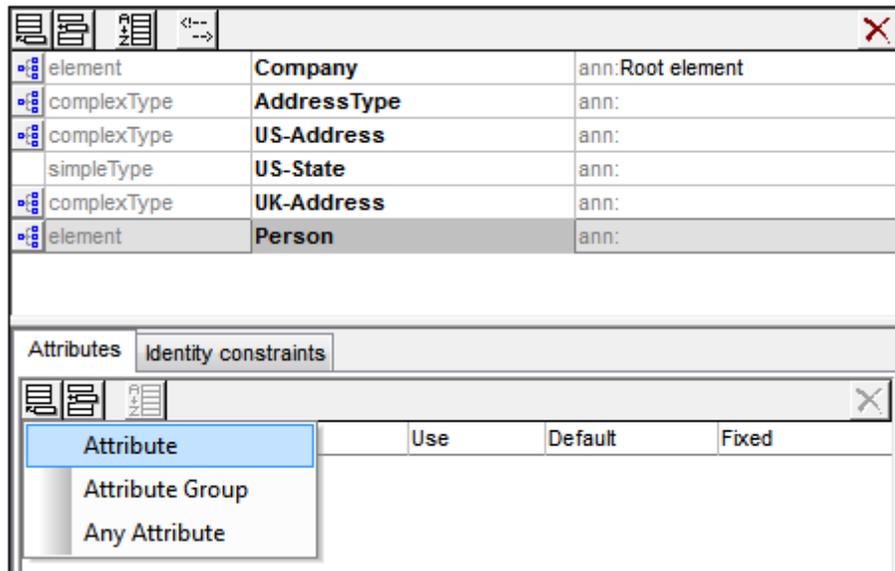
A globally declared element can be reused at multiple locations. It differs from a globally declared complex type in that its content model cannot be modified without also modifying the global element itself. If you change the content model of an element that references a global element, then the content model of the global element will also be changed, and, with it, the content model of all other elements that reference that global element.

### 3.3 Attributes and Attribute Enumerations

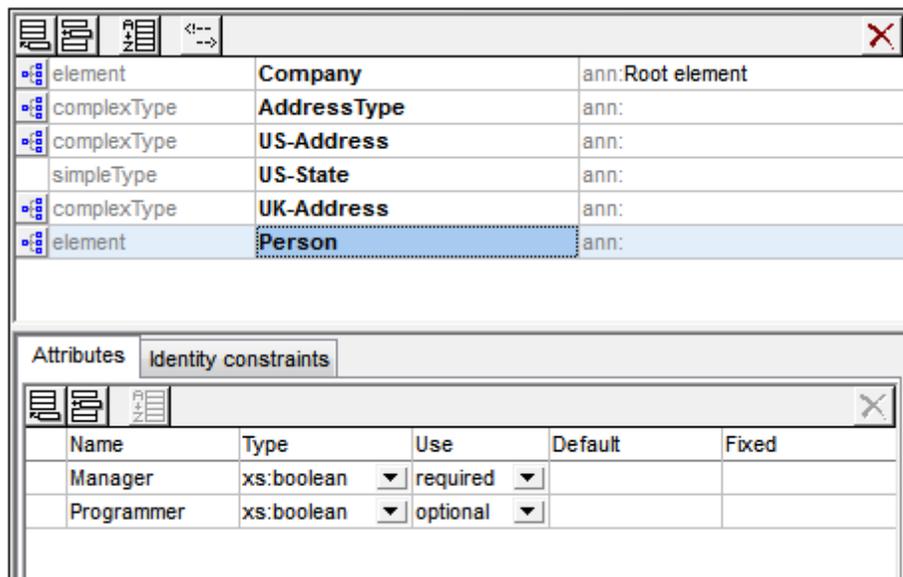
In this section, you will learn how to create attributes and enumerations for attributes.

#### Defining element attributes

1. In the Schema Overview, click the `Person` element to make it active.
2. Click the Append icon , in the top left of the Attributes/Identity Constraints tab group (in the lower part of the Schema Overview window), and select the Attribute entry.



3. Enter `Manager` as the attribute name in the Name field.
4. Use the Type combo box to select `xs:boolean`.
5. Use the Use combo box to select `required`.



6. Use the same procedure to create a `Programmer` attribute with `Type=xs:boolean` and `Use=optional`.

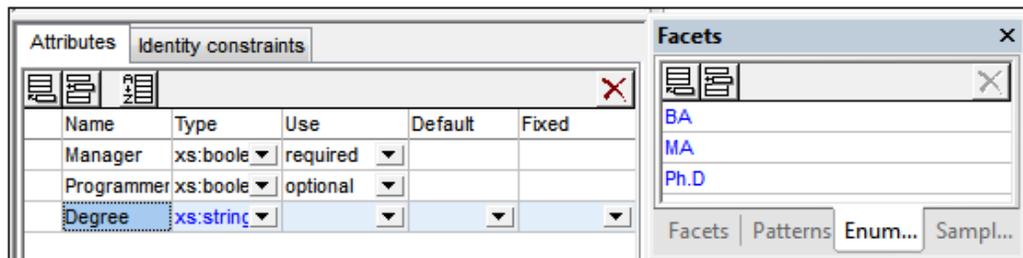


### Defining enumerations for attributes

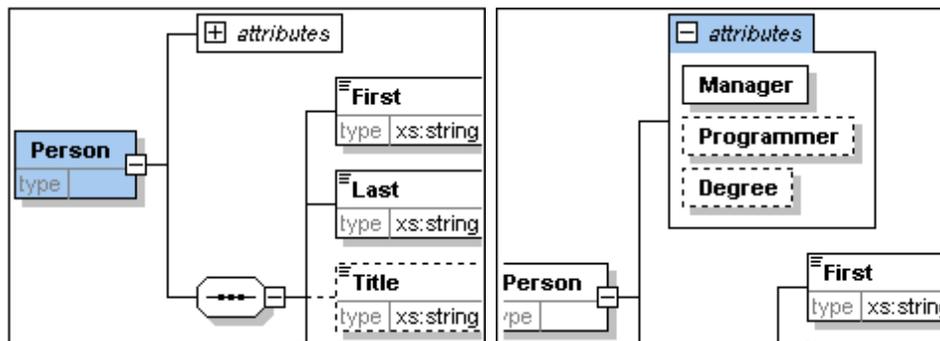
Enumerations are values allowed for a given attribute. If the value of the attribute in the XML instance document is not one of the enumerations specified in the XML Schema, then the document is invalid. We will create enumerations for the `Degree` attribute of the `Person` element.

Do the following:

1. In the Schema Overview, click the `Person` element to make it active.
2. Click the Append icon  in the top left of the Attributes window, and select the **Attribute** entry.
3. Enter `Degree` as the attribute name, and select `xs:string` as its type.
4. With the `Degree` attribute selected, in the Facets Entry Helper, click the **Enumerations** tab (see screenshot).



5. In the **Enumerations** tab, click the Append icon .
6. Enter `BA`, and confirm with **Enter**.
7. Use the same procedure to add two more enumerations: `MA` and `Ph.D`.
8. Click on the Content Model View icon  of `Person`.



The previously defined attributes are visible in the Content Model View. Clicking the expand icon displays all the attributes defined for that element. This display mode and the Attributes tab can be toggled by selecting the menu option **Schema Design | Configure view**, and checking and unchecking the **Attributes** check box in the **Show in diagram** pane.

9. Click the Display all Globals icon  to return to the Schema Overview.

### Saving the completed XML Schema

**Please note:** Before saving your schema file, rename the `AddressLast.xsd` file that is delivered with XMLSpy to something else (such as `AddressLast_original.xsd`), so as not to overwrite it.

Save the completed schema with any name you like (**File | Save as**). We recommend you save it

with the name `AddressLast.xsd` since the XML file you create in the next part of the tutorial will be based on the `AddressLast.xsd` schema.

## 4 XML Schemas: XMLSpy Features

After having completed the XML Schema, we suggest you become familiar with a few [navigation shortcuts](#) and learn about the [schema documentation](#) that you can generate from within XMLSpy. These are described in the subsections of this section.

### Commands used in this section

In this section of the tutorial, you will use Schema View exclusively. The following commands are used:



Display Diagram (or Display Content Model View). This icon is located to the left of all global components in Schema Overview. Clicking the icon causes the content model of the associated global component to be displayed.

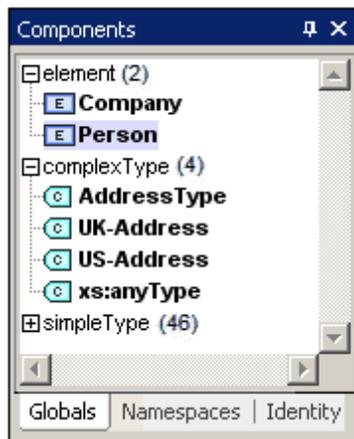
## 4.1 Schema Navigation

This section shows you how to navigate Schema View efficiently. We suggest that you try out these navigation mechanisms to become familiar with them.

### Displaying the content model of a global component

Global components that can have content models are complex types, elements, and element groups. The Content Model View of these components can be opened in the following ways:

- In Schema Overview, click the Display Diagram icon  to the left of the component name.
- In either Schema Overview or Content Model View, double-click the element, complex type, or element group in the Components Entry Helper (*screenshot below*). This displays the content model of that component.



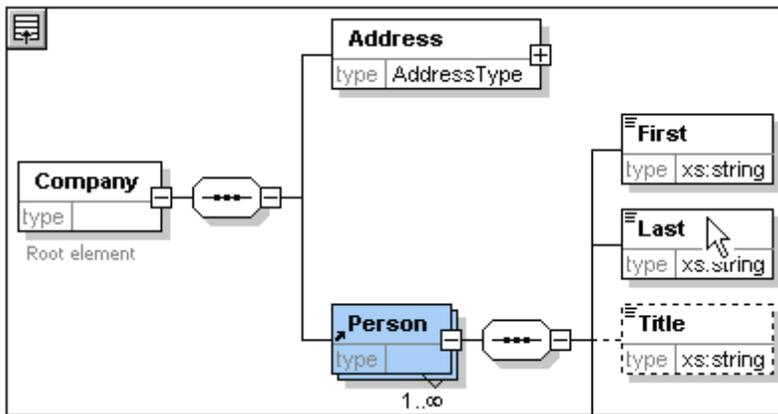
If you double-click any of the other global components (simple type, attribute, attribute group) in the Components Entry Helper, that component will be highlighted in Schema Overview (since such a component would not have a content model).

In the Components Entry Helper, the double-clicking mechanism works in both the Globals and Namespaces tabs.

### Going to the definition of a global element from a referencing element

If a content model contains an element that references a global element, you can go directly to the content model of that global element or to any of its contained components by holding down **Ctrl** and double-clicking the required element.

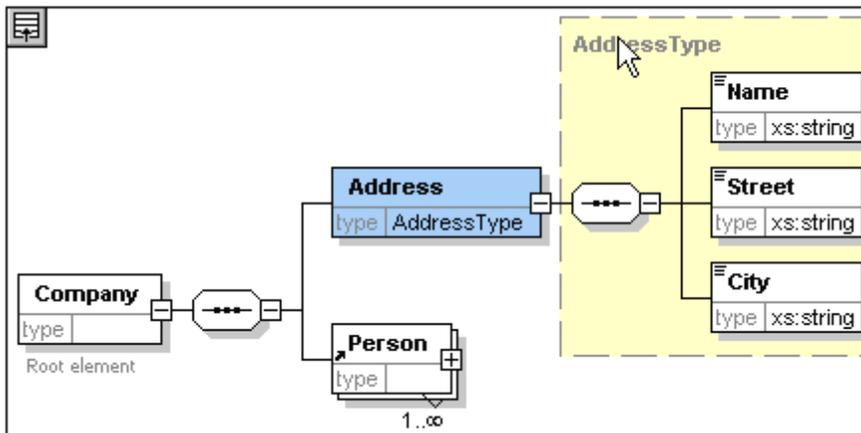
For example, while viewing the `Company` content model, holding down **Ctrl** while double-clicking `Last` opens the `Person` content model and highlights the `Last` element in it.



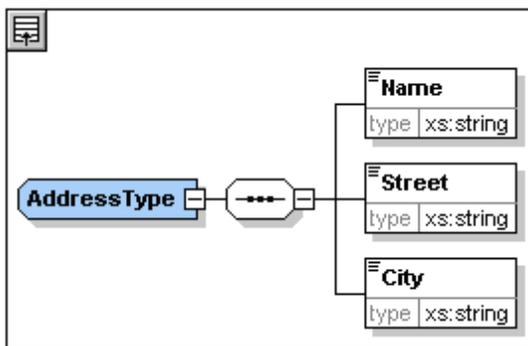
When the `Last` element is highlighted, all its properties are immediately displayed in the relevant entry helpers and information window.

### Going to the definition of a complex type

Complex types are often used as the type of some element within a content model. To go directly to the definition of a complex type from within a content model, double-click the **name** of the complex type in the yellow box (see mouse pointer in screenshot below).



This takes you to the Content Model View of the complex type.



**Note:** Just as with referenced global elements, you can go directly to an element within the

complex type definition by holding down **Ctrl** and double-clicking the required element in the content model that contains the complex type.

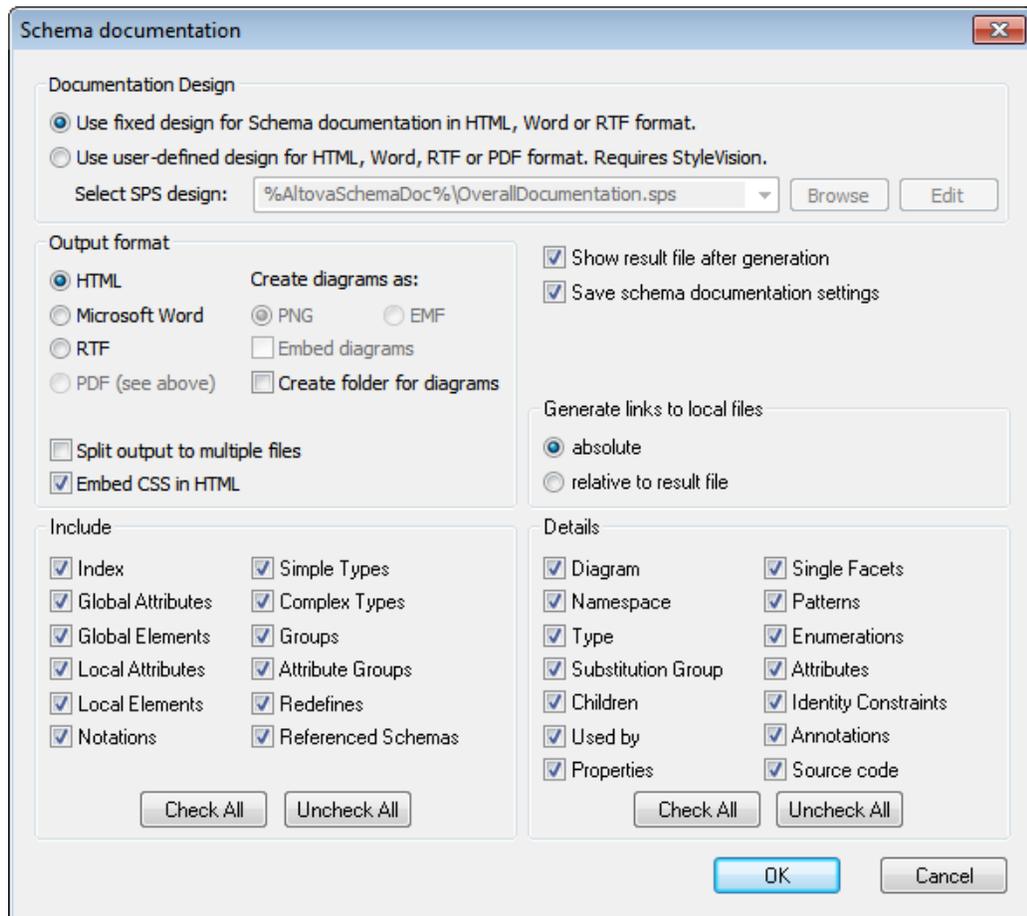
## 4.2 Schema Documentation

XMLSpy provides detailed documentation of XML Schemas in HTML and Microsoft Word (MS Word) formats. You can select the components and the level of detail you want documented. Related components are hyperlinked in both HTML and MS Word documents. In order to generate MS Word documentation, you must have MS Word installed on your computer (or network).

In this section, we will generate documentation for the `AddressLast.xsd` XML Schema.

Do the following:

1. Select the menu option **Schema design | Generate documentation**. This opens the Schema Documentation dialog.



2. For the Output Format option, select HTML, and click **OK**.
3. In the Save As dialog, select the location where the file is to be saved and give the file a suitable name (say `AddressLast.html`). Then click the **Save** button.

The HTML document appears in the Browser View of XMLSpy. Click on a link to go to the corresponding linked component.

### Schema AddressLast.xsd

schema location: <C:\Users\al\Documents\Altova\XML Spy2013\Examples\Tutorial\AddressLast.xsd>

attributeFormDefault: **unqualified**

elementFormDefault: **qualified**

targetNamespace: **http://my-company.com/namespace**

Elements [Complex types](#) [Simple types](#)

[Company](#) [AddressType](#) [US-State](#)

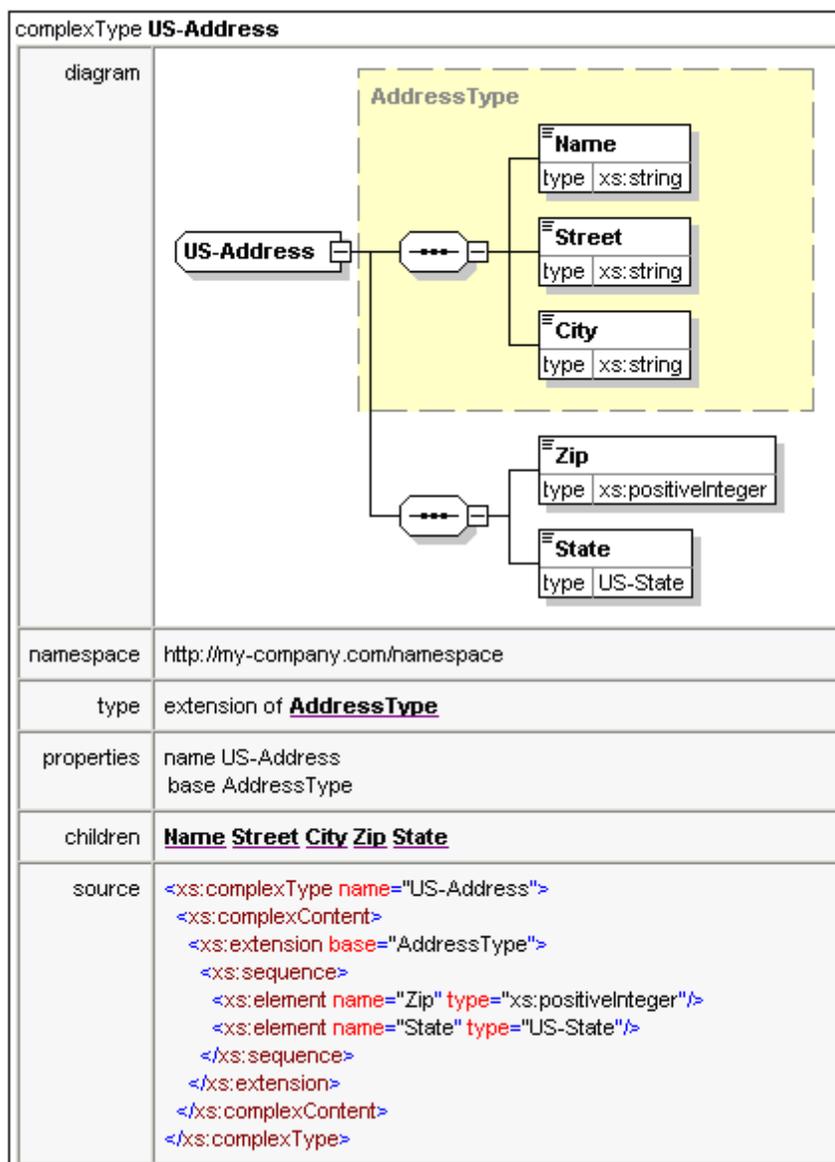
[Person](#) [UK-Address](#)

[US-Address](#)

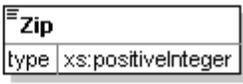
#### element Company

diagram	
namespace	http://my-company.com/namespace
properties	content complex
children	<a href="#">Address</a> <a href="#">Person</a>
annotation	documentation Root element
source	<pre> &lt;xs:element name="Company"&gt;   &lt;xs:annotation&gt;     &lt;xs:documentation&gt;Root element&lt;/xs:documentation&gt;   &lt;/xs:annotation&gt;   &lt;xs:complexType&gt;     &lt;xs:sequence&gt;       &lt;xs:element name="Address" type="AddressType"/&gt;       &lt;xs:element ref="Person" maxOccurs="unbounded"/&gt;     &lt;/xs:sequence&gt;   &lt;/xs:complexType&gt; &lt;/xs:element&gt; </pre>

The diagram above shows the **first page** of the schema documentation in HTML form. If components from other schemas have been included, then those schemas are also documented.



The diagram above shows how complex types are documented.

element <b>US-Address/Zip</b>	
diagram	
namespace	http://my-company.com/namespace
type	<b>xs:positiveInteger</b>
properties	name Zip isRef 0 content simple
source	<code>&lt;xs:element name="Zip" type="xs:positiveInteger"/&gt;</code>
element <b>US-Address/State</b>	
diagram	
namespace	http://my-company.com/namespace
type	<b>US-State</b>
properties	name State isRef 0 content simple
source	<code>&lt;xs:element name="State" type="US-State"/&gt;</code>
simpleType <b>US-State</b>	
namespace	http://my-company.com/namespace
type	<b>xs:string</b>
properties	name US-State
used by	element <b>US-Address/State</b>
source	<code>&lt;xs:simpleType name="US-State"&gt; &lt;xs:restriction base="xs:string"/&gt; &lt;/xs:simpleType&gt;</code>

The diagram above shows how elements and simple types are documented.

You can now try out the MS Word output option. The Word document will open in MS Word. To use hyperlinks in the MS Word document, hold down **Ctrl** while clicking the link.

## 5 XML Documents

In this section you will learn how to create and work with XML documents in XMLSpy. You will also learn how to use the various intelligent editing features of XMLSpy.

### Objective

The objectives of this section are to learn how to do the following:

- Create a new XML document based on the `AddressLast.xsd` schema.
- Specify the type of an element so as to make an extended content model for that element available to the element during validation.
- Insert elements and attributes and enter content for them in Grid View and Text View using intelligent entry helpers.
- Copy XML data from XMLSpy to Microsoft Excel; add new data in MS Excel; and copy the modified data from MS Excel back to XMLSpy. This functionality is available in the Database/Table View of Grid View.
- Sort XML elements using the sort functionality of Database/Table View.
- Validate the XML document.
- Modify the schema to allow for three-digit phone extensions.

### Commands used in this section

In this section of the tutorial, you will mostly use the Grid View and Text View, and in one section Schema View. The following commands are used:



**File | New.** Creates a new type of XML file.



**View | Text View.** Switches to Text View.



**View | Grid View.** Switches to Enhanced Grid View.



**XML | Table | Display as Table.** Displays multiple occurrences of a single element type at a single hierarchic level as a table. This view of the element is called the Database/Table View (or simply Table View). The icon is used to switch between the Table View and regular Grid View.



**F7.** Checks for well-formedness.



**F8.** Validates the XML document against the associated DTD or Schema.



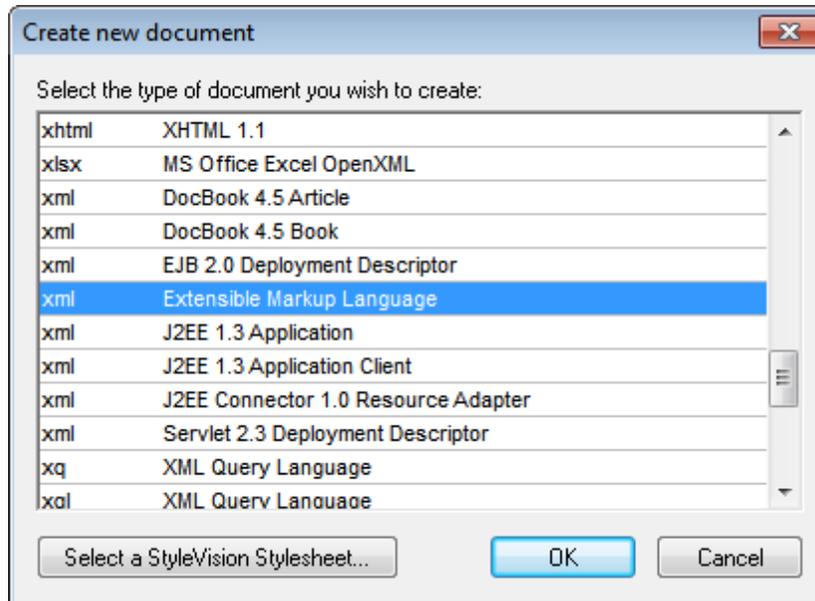
Opens the associated DTD or XML Schema file.

## 5.1 Creating a New XML File

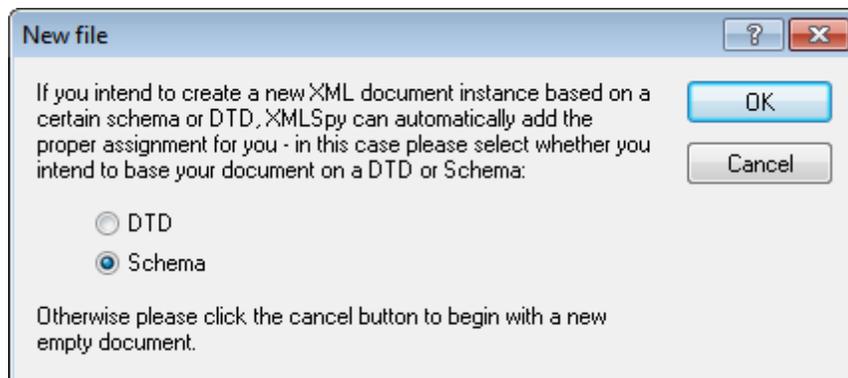
When you create a new XML file in XMLSpy, you are given the option of basing it on a schema (DTD or XML Schema) or not. In this section you will create a new file that is based on the `AddressLast.xsd` schema you created earlier in the tutorial.

To create the new XML file:

1. Select the menu option **File | New**. The Create new document dialog opens.



2. Select the `Extensible Markup Language` entry (or generic XML document entry) from the dialog, and confirm with **OK**. A prompt appears, asking if you want to base the XML document on a DTD or Schema.



3. Click the **Schema** radio button, and confirm with **OK**. A further dialog appears, asking you to select the schema file your XML document is to be based on.
4. Use the **Browse** or **Window** buttons to find the schema file. The **Window** button lists all files open in XMLSpy and projects. Select `AddressLast.xsd` (see [Tutorial introduction](#) for location), and confirm with **OK**. An XML document containing the main elements defined by the schema opens in the main window.
5. Click the **Grid** tab to select Grid View.
6. In Grid View, notice the structure of the document. Click on any element to reduce selection to that element. Your document should look something like this:

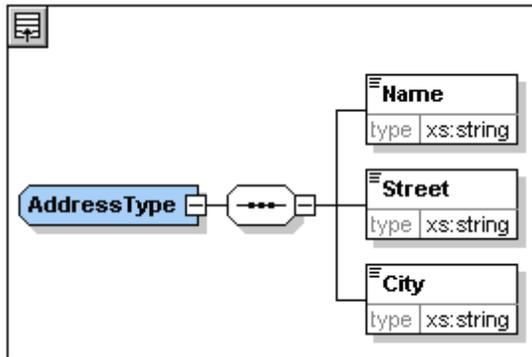
XML	
version	1.0
encoding	UTF-8
Company	
xmlns	http://my-company.com/hamespace
xmlns:xsi	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-
xsi:schemaLoca...	http://my-company.com/hamespace AddressLast.xsd
Address	
Person Manager=	

7. Click on the  icon next to `Address`, to view the child elements of `Address`. Your document should look like this:

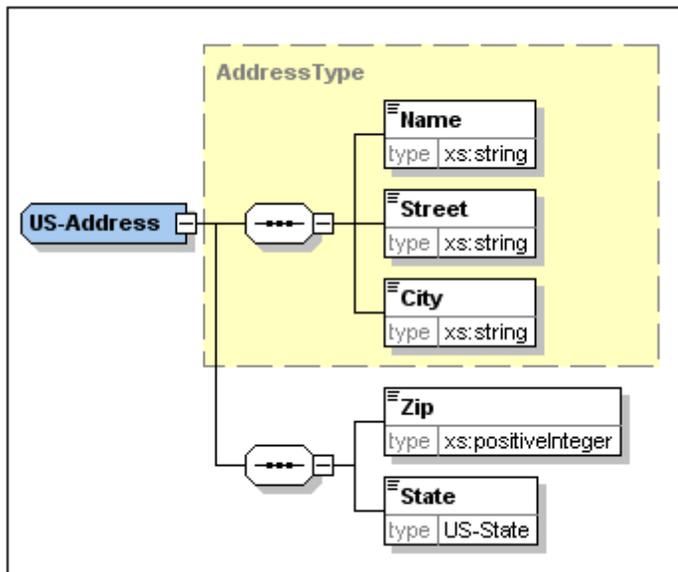
Company	
xmlns	http://my-company.com/hamespace
xmlns:xsi	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-insta
xsi:schema...	http://my-company.com/hamespace AddressLast.xsd
Address	
Name	
Street	
City	
Person Manager=	

## 5.2 Specifying the Type of an Element

The child elements of `Address` are those defined for the global complex type `AddressType` (the content model of which is defined in the XML Schema `AddressLast.xsd` shown in the Schema View screenshot below).



We would, however, like to use a specific US or UK address type rather than the generic address type. You will recall that, in the `AddressLast.xsd` schema, we created global complex types for `US-Address` and `UK-Address` by extending the `AddressType` complex type. The content model of `US-Address` is shown below.



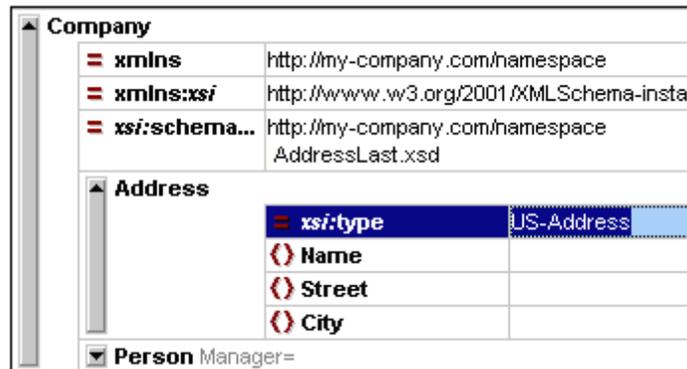
In the XML document, in order to specify that the `Address` element must conform to one of the extended `Address` types (`US-Address` or `UK-Address`) rather than the generic `AddressType`, we must specify the required extended complex type as an attribute of the `Address` element.

Do the following:

1. In the XML document, right-click the `Name` element, and select **Insert | Attribute** from the context menu.



- An attribute field is added to the `Address` element.
2. Ensure that `xsi:type` is entered as the name of the attribute (*screenshot below*).
  3. Press **Tab** to move into the next (value) field.



4. Enter `US-Address` as the value of the attribute.

**Note:** The `xsi` prefix allows you to use special XML Schema related commands in your XML document instance. Notice that the namespace for the `xsi` prefix was automatically added to the document element when you assigned a schema to your XML file. In the above case, you have specified a type for the `Address` element. See the [XML Schema specification](#) for more information.

## 5.3 Entering Data in Grid View

You can now enter data into your XML document. Do the following:

1. Double-click in the `Name` value field (or use the arrow keys) and enter `US dependency`. Confirm with **Enter**.

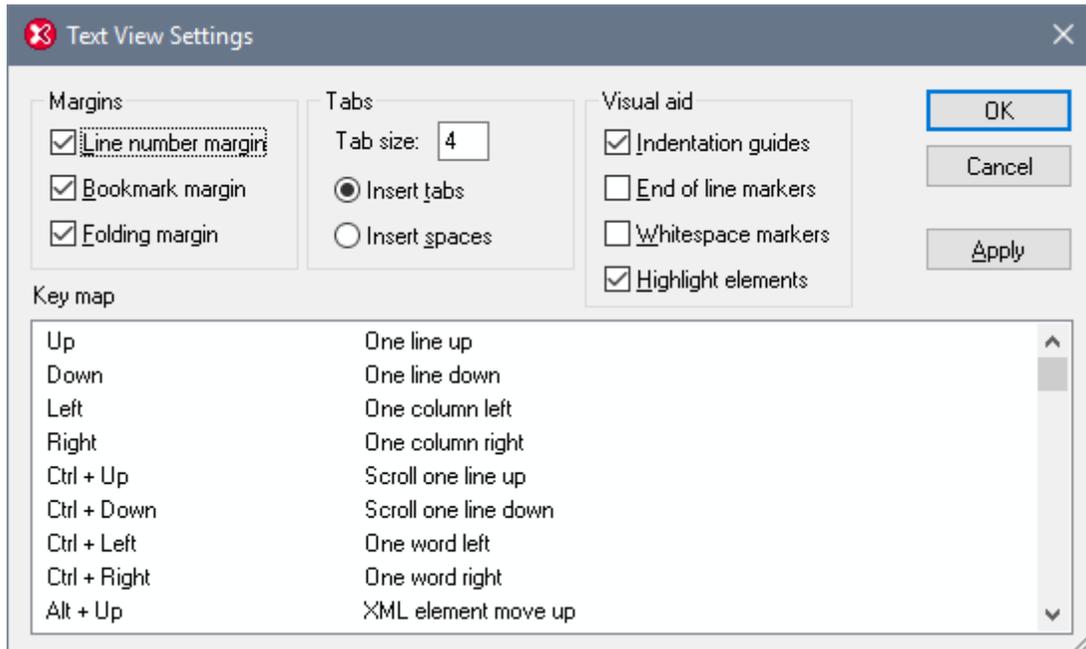
Company	
<b>xmlns</b>	http://my-company.com/hamespace
<b>xmlns:xsi</b>	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instan
<b>xsi:schema...</b>	http://my-company.com/hamespace AddressLast.xsd
Address	
<b>xsi:type</b>	US-Address
<b>Name</b>	US dependency
<b>Street</b>	
<b>City</b>	
<b>Person</b>	Manager=

2. Use the same method to enter a `Street` and `City` name (for example, `Noble Ave` and `Dallas`).
3. Click the `Person` element and press **Delete** to delete the `Person` element. (We will add it back in the next section of the tutorial.) After you do this, the entire `Address` element is highlighted.
4. Click on any child element of the `Address` element to deselect all the child elements of `Address` except the selected element. Your XML document should look like this:

Company	
<b>xmlns</b>	http://my-company.com/hamespace
<b>xmlns:xsi</b>	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instan
<b>xsi:schema...</b>	http://my-company.com/hamespace AddressLast.xsd
Address	
<b>xsi:type</b>	US-Address
<b>Name</b>	US dependency
<b>Street</b>	Noble Ave
<b>City</b>	Dallas

## 5.4 Entering Data in Text View

Text View presents the actual data and markup of XML files in an easy-to-follow structural layout, and provides schema-related intelligent editing features. Individual Text View features can be switched on and off in the Text View Settings dialog (**View | Text View Settings**, *screenshot below*).



The screenshot below shows the current XML file in Text View with features switched on according to the settings in the dialog above.

```

1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <!-- edited with XMLSpy (http://www.altova.com) -->
3  <Company xmlns="http://my-company.com/namespace"
4  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
5  xsi:schemaLocation="http://my-company.com/namespace AddressLast.xsd">
6  <Address xsi:type="US-Address">
7  <Name>US dependency</Name>
8  <Street>Noble Ave.</Street>
9  <City>Dallas</City>
10 </Address>

```

On the left are the three margins: (i) the line number margin, (ii) the bookmark margin (containing two blue bookmarks), and (iii) the source folding margin (which allows you to expand and collapse the display of XML elements).

Additionally, visual aids such as indentation guides, end-of-line markers, and whitespace markers can be switched on and off, by checking and unchecking, respectively, their check boxes in the *Visual Aid* pane of the Text View Settings dialog (see *screenshot above*). The screenshot above has indentation guides switched on, and shows one indentation guide, at the `Address` element.

**Note:** The Text View-related pretty-printing and bookmark features were covered in the earlier [Text View Settings](#) section of this tutorial.

### Editing in Text View

In this section, you will enter and edit data in Text View in order to become familiar with the features of Text View.

Do the following:

1. Select the menu item **View | Text view**, or click on the **Text** tab. You now see the XML document in its text form, with syntax coloring.
2. Place the text cursor after the end tag of the `Address` element, and press **Enter** to add a new line.
3. Enter the less-than angular bracket `<` at this position. A dropdown list of all elements allowed at that point (according to the schema) is displayed. Since only the `Person` element is allowed at this point, it will be the only element displayed in the list.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!-- edited with XML Spy v4.0.1 U (http://www.xmlspy.com) by
Alexander Pilz (private) -->
<Company xmlns="http://my-company.com/namespace" xmlns:xsi="
http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation
="http://my-company.com/namespace
AddressLast.xsd">
  <Address xsi:type="US-Address">
    <Name>US dependency</Name>
    <Street>Noble Ave.</Street>
    <City>Dallas</City>
  </Address>
  <
  <Person>
```

4. Select the `Person` entry. The `Person` element, as well as its attribute `Manager`, are inserted, with the cursor inside the value-field of the `Manager` attribute.
5. From the dropdown list that pops up for the `Manager` attribute, select `true`.

```
</Address>
<Person Manager=""
</Company>
```

6. Move the cursor to the end of the line (using the **End** key if you like), and press the space bar. This opens a dropdown list containing a list of attributes allowed at that point. Also, in the Attributes Entry Helper, the available attributes are listed in red. The `Manager` attribute is grayed out because it has already been used.

```
</Address>
<Person Manager="true"
</Company>
```

Attributes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Degree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Programmer
<input type="checkbox"/>	xsi:type
<input type="checkbox"/>	Manager

7. Select `Degree` with the Down arrow key, and press **Enter**. This opens another list box, from which you can select one of the predefined enumerations (`BA`, `MA`, or `PhD`). (Enumerations are values that are allowed by the XML Schema.)

8. Select `BA` with the Down arrow key and confirm with **Enter**. Then move the cursor to the end of the line (with the **End** key), and press the space bar. `Manager` and `Degree` are now grayed out in the Attributes Entry Helper.

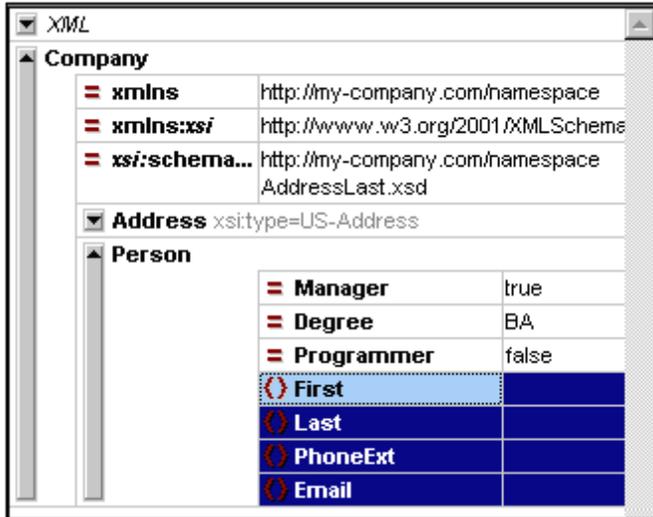
9. Select `Programmer` with the Down arrow key and press **Enter**.

10. Enter the letter `f` and press **Enter**.
11. Move the cursor to the end of the line (with the **End** key), and enter the greater-than angular bracket `>`. XMLSpy automatically inserts all the required child elements of `Person`. (Note that the optional `Title` element is not inserted.) Each element has start and end tags but no content.

You could now enter the `Person` data in Text View, but let's move to Grid View to see the flexibility of moving between views when editing a document.

### Switching to Grid View

To switch to Grid View, select the menu item **View | Grid View**, or click the **Grid** tab. The newly added child elements of `Person` are highlighted.



Now let us validate the document and correct any errors that the validation finds.

## 5.5 Validating the Document

XMLSpy provides two evaluations of the XML document:

- A well-formedness check
- A validation check

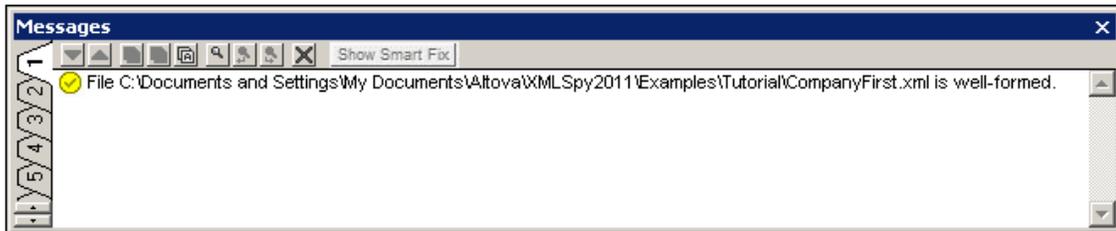
If either of these checks fails, we will have to modify the document appropriately.

### Checking well-formedness

An XML document is well-formed if starting tags match closing tags, elements are nested correctly, there are no misplaced or missing characters (such as an entity without its semi-colon delimiter), etc.

You can do a well-formedness check in any editing view. Let us select Text View. To do a well-formedness check, select the menu option **XML | Check well-formedness**, or press the **F7** key, or click . A message appears in the Messages window at the bottom of the Main Window saying the document is well-formed.

Notice that the output of the Messages window has 9 tabs. The validation output is always displayed in the active tab. Therefore, you can check well-formedness in Tab1 for one schema file and keep the result by switching to Tab2 before validating the next schema document (otherwise Tab1 is overwritten with the validation result ).



**Please note:** This check does not check the structure of the XML file for conformance with the schema. Schema conformance is evaluated in the validity check.

### Checking validity

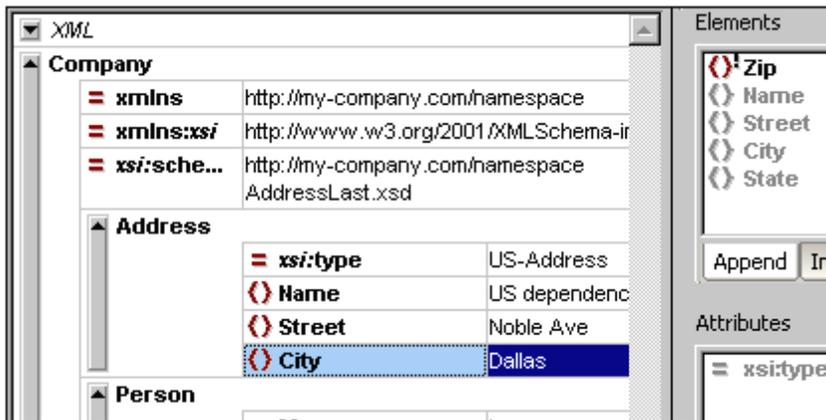
An XML document is valid according to a schema if it conforms to the structure and content specified in that schema.

To check the validity of your XML document, first select Grid View, then select the menu option

**XML | Validate**, or press the **F8** key, or click . An error message appears in the Messages window saying the file is not valid. Mandatory elements are expected after the `City` element in `Address`. If you check your schema, you will see that the `US-Address` complex type (which you have set this `Address` element to be with its `xsi:type` attribute) has a content model in which the `City` element must be followed by a `Zip` element and a `State` element.

### Fixing the invalid document

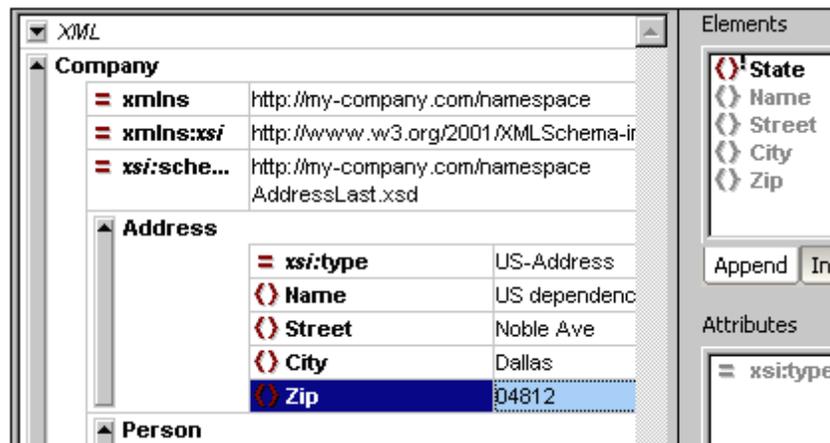
The point at which the document becomes invalid is highlighted, in this case the `City` element.



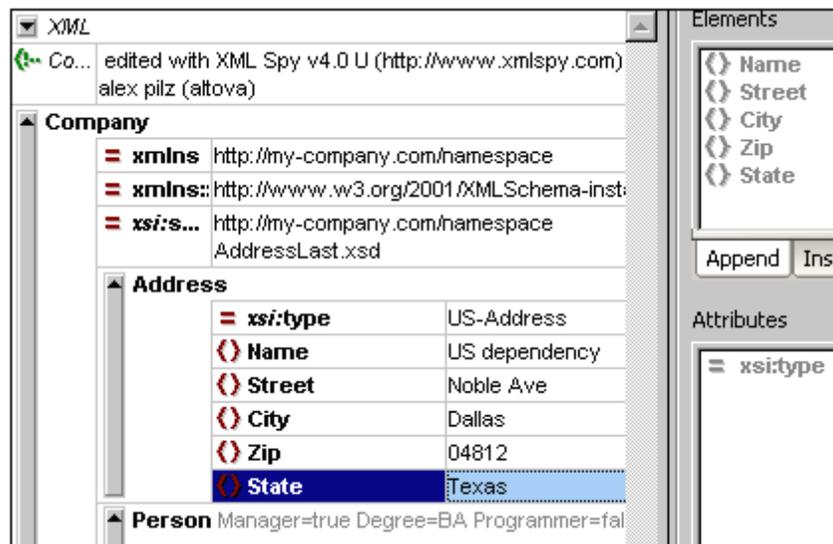
Now look at the Elements Entry Helper (at top right). Notice that the `Zip` element is prefixed with an exclamation mark, which indicates that the element is mandatory in the current context.

To fix the validation error:

1. In the Elements Entry Helper, double-click the `Zip` element. This inserts the `Zip` element after the `City` element (we were in the Append tab of the Elements Entry Helper).
2. Press the **Tab** key, and enter the Zip Code of the State (04812), then confirm with **Enter**. The Elements Entry Helper now shows that the `State` element is mandatory (it is prefixed with an exclamation mark). See screenshot below.



3. In the Elements Entry Helper, double-click the `State` element. Then press **Tab** and enter the name of the state (`Texas`). Confirm with **Enter**. The Elements Entry Helper now contains only grayed-out elements. This shows that there are no more required child elements of `Address`.



### Completing the document and revalidating

Let us now complete the document (enter data for the `Person` element) before revalidating.

Do the following:

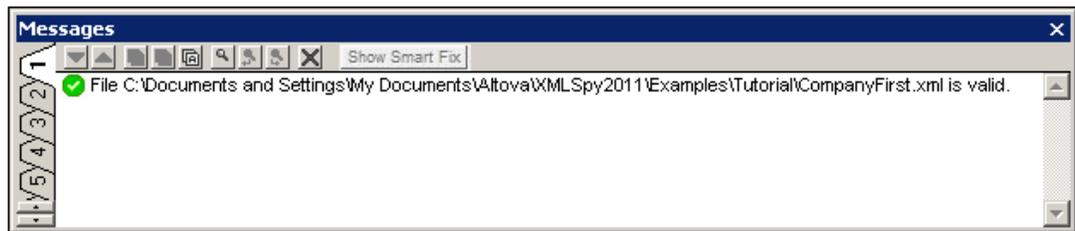
1. Click the value field of the element `First`, and enter a first name (say `Fred`). Then press **Enter**.



2. In the same way enter data for all the child elements of `Person`, that is, for `Last`, `PhoneExt`, and `Email`. Note that the value of `PhoneExt` must be an integer with a maximum value of 99 (since this is the range of allowed `PhoneExt` values you defined in your schema). Your XML document should then look something like this in Grid View:

Company	
= <b>xmlns</b>	http://my-company.com/namespace
= <b>xmlns:xsi</b>	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance
= <b>xsi:schemaLoca...</b>	http://my-company.com/namespace C:\PROGRA~1\Altova\XMLSpy2006\Examples\T utorial\AddressLast.xsd
Address	
= <b>xsi:type</b>	US-Address
( ) <b>Name</b>	US Dependency
( ) <b>Street</b>	Noble Ave.
( ) <b>City</b>	Dallas
( ) <b>Zip</b>	04812
( ) <b>State</b>	Texas
Person	
= <b>Manager</b>	true
= <b>Degree</b>	BA
= <b>Programmer</b>	false
( ) <b>First</b>	Fred
( ) <b>Last</b>	Smith
( ) <b>PhoneExt</b>	22
( ) <b>Email</b>	Smith@work.com

- Click  again to check if the document is valid. A message appears in the Messages window stating that the file is valid. The XML document is now valid against its schema.



- Select the menu option **File | Save** and give your XML document a suitable name (for example `CompanyFirst.xml`). Note that the finished tutorial file `CompanyFirst.xml` is in the `Tutorial` folder, so you may need to rename it before you give that name to the file you have created.

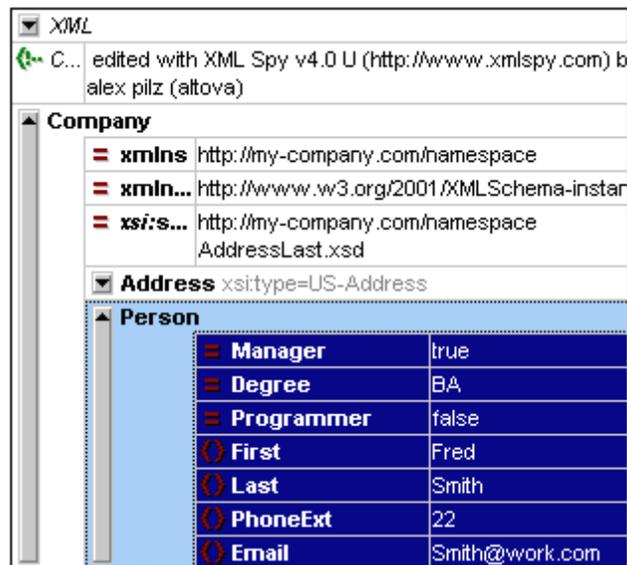
**Please note:** An XML document does not have to be valid in order to save it. Saving an invalid document causes a prompt to appear warning you that you are about to save an invalid document. You can select **Save anyway**, if you wish to save the document in its current invalid state.

## 5.6 Adding Elements and Attributes

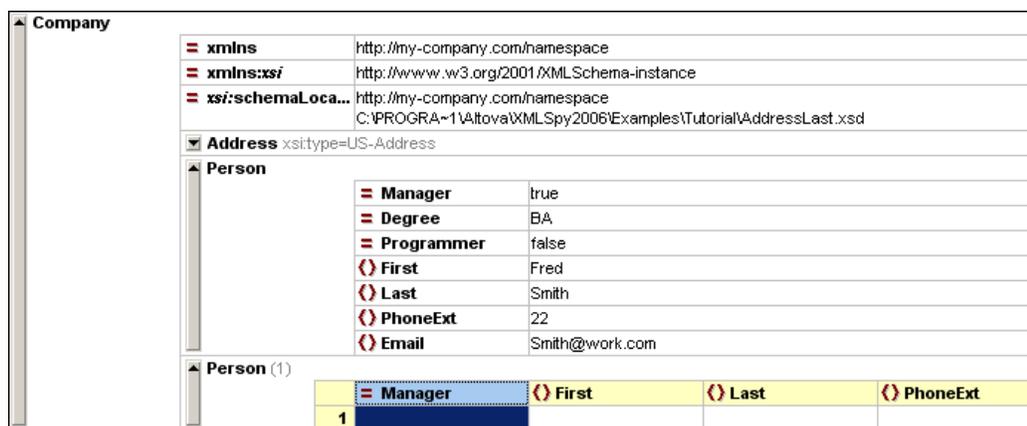
At this point, there is only one `Person` element in the document.

To add a new `Person` element:

1. Click the gray sidebar to the left of the `Address` element to collapse the `Address` element. This clears up some space in the view.
2. Select the entire `Person` element by clicking on or below the `Person` element text in Grid View. Notice that the `Person` element is now available in the **Append** tab of the Elements Entry Helper.



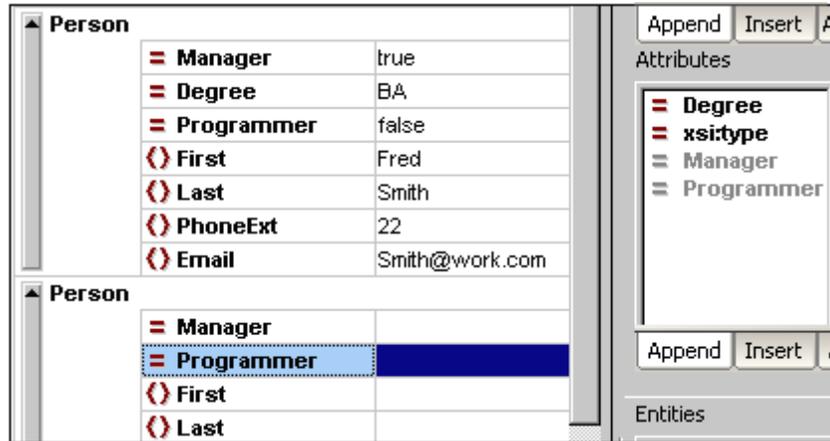
3. Double-click the `Person` element in the Elements Entry Helper. A new `Person` element with all mandatory child elements is appended (*screenshot below*). Notice that the optional `Title` child element of `Person` is not inserted.



4. Switch to Grid View and then press **F12** to switch the new `Person` element from Table View to normal Grid View.
5. Click on the `Manager` attribute of the new `Person` element. Take a look at the Attributes Entry Helper. The `Manager` entry is grayed out because it has already been entered. Also look at the Info Window, which now displays information about the `Manager` attribute. It is a required attribute and has therefore been added. The `Programmer` attribute has not been

added.

6. In the **Append** tab of the Attributes Entry Helper, double-click the `Programmer` entry. This inserts an empty `Programmer` attribute after the `Manager` attribute.



The `Programmer` attribute is now grayed out in the Attributes Entry Helper.

You could enter content for the `Person` element in this view, but let's switch to the Database/Table View of Grid View since it is more suited to editing a structure with multiple occurrences, such as `Person`.

## 5.7 Editing in Database/Table View

Grid View contains a special view called Database/Table View (hereafter called Table View), which is convenient for editing elements with multiple occurrences. Individual element types can be displayed as a table. When an element type is displayed as a table, its children (attributes and elements) are displayed as columns, and the occurrences themselves are displayed as rows.

To display an element type as a table, you select any one of the element type occurrences and click the Display as Table icon  in the toolbar (**XML | Table | Display as table**). This causes that element type to be displayed as a table. Descendant element types that have multiple occurrences are also displayed as tables. Table View is available in Enhanced Grid View, and can be used to edit any type of XML file (XML, XSD, XSL, etc.).

### Advantages of Table View

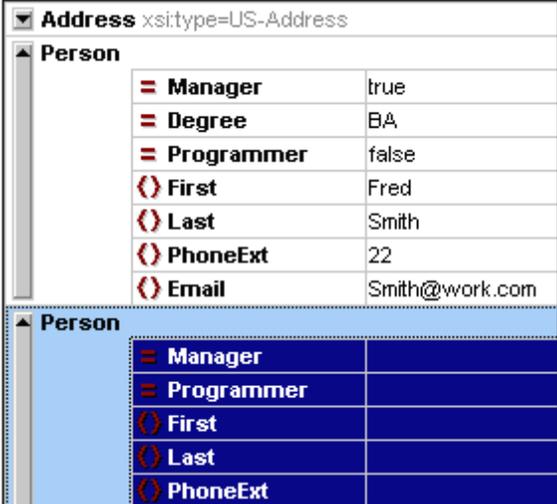
Table View provides the following advantages:

- You can drag-and-drop column headers to reposition the columns relative to each other. This means that, in the actual XML document, the relative position of child elements or attributes is modified for all the element occurrences that correspond to the rows of the table.
- Tables can be sorted (in ascending or descending order) according to the contents of any column using **XML | Table | Ascending Sort** or **Descending Sort**.
- Additional rows (i.e., element occurrences) can be appended or inserted using **XML | Table | Insert Row**.
- You can copy-and-paste **structured data** to and from third party products
- The familiar intelligent editing feature is active in Table View also.

### Displaying an element type as a Table

To display the `Person` element type as a table:

1. In Grid View, select either of the `Person` elements by clicking on or near the `Person` text.



Person	
Manager	true
Degree	BA
Programmer	false
First	Fred
Last	Smith
PhoneExt	22
Email	Smith@work.com

Person	
Manager	
Programmer	
First	
Last	
PhoneExt	

2. Select the menu option **XML | Table | Display as table**, or click the Display as Table .

icon. Both `Person` elements are combined into a single table. The element and attribute names are now the column headers, and the element occurrences are the rows of the table.

Company			
xmlns	http://my-company.com/namespace		
xmlns...	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance		
xsi:s...	http://my-company.com/namespace AddressLast.xsd		
Address xsi:type=US-Address			
Person (2)			
	Manager	Degree	Programmer
1	true	BA	false
2			

3. Select the menu option **View | Optimal widths**, or click the Optimal Widths icon,  to optimize the column widths of the table.

**Please note:** Table View can be toggled off for individual element types in the document by selecting that table (click the element name in the table) and clicking the Display As Table  icon. Note however that child elements which were displayed as tables will continue to be displayed as tables.

### Entering content in Table View

To enter content for the second `Person` element, double-click in each of the table cells in the second row, and enter some data. Note, however, that `PhoneExt` must be an integer up to 99 in order for the file to be valid. The intelligent editing features are active also within cells of a table, so you can select options from dropdown lists where options are available (Boolean content and the enumerations for the `Degree` attribute).

Person (3)							
	Manager	Degree	Programmer	First	Last	PhoneExt	Email
1	true	BA	false	Fred	Smith	22	Smith@work.com
2	false	MA	true	Alfred	Aldrich	33	Aldrich@work.com

**Please note:** The Entry Helpers are active also for the elements and attributes displayed as a table. Double-clicking the `Person` entry in the Elements Entry Helper, for example, would add a new row to the table (i.e., a new occurrence of the `Person` element).

### Copying XML data to and from third party products

You can copy spreadsheet-type data between third party products and XML documents in XMLSpy. This data can be used as XML data in XMLSpy and as data in the native format of the application copied to/from. In this section you will learn how to copy data to and from an Excel data sheet.

Do the following:

1. Click on the row label 1, hold down the **Ctrl** key, and click on row label 2. This selects both rows of the table.

▼ Address xs:type=US-Address					
▲ Person (2)					
	= Manager	= Degree	= Programmer	↻ First	↻ Last
1	true	BA	false	Fred	Smith
2	false	MA	true	Alfred	Aldrich

2. Select the menu option **Edit | Copy as Structured text**. This command copies elements to the clipboard as they appear on screen.
3. Switch to Excel and paste (**Ctrl+V**) the XML data in an Excel worksheet.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
TRUE	BA	FALSE	Fred	Smith	22	Smith@work.com	
FALSE	MA	TRUE	Alfred	Aldrich	33	Aldrich@work.com	

4. Enter a new row of data in Excel. Make sure that you enter a three digit number for the `PhoneExt` element (say, 444).

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
TRUE	BA	FALSE	Fred	Smith	22	Smith@work.com	
FALSE	MA	TRUE	Alfred	Aldrich	33	Aldrich@work.com	
TRUE	PhD	FALSE	Colin	Coletti	444	Coletti@work.com	

5. Mark the table data in Excel, and press **Ctrl+C** to copy the data to the clipboard.
6. Switch back to XMLSpy.
7. Click in the top left **data** cell of the table in XMLSpy, and select **Edit | Paste**.

▼ Address xs:type=US-Address						
▲ Person (3)						
	= Manager	= Degree	= Programmer	↻ First	↻ Last	↻ Pho
1	TRUE	BA	FALSE	Fred	Smith	22
2	FALSE	MA	TRUE	Alfred	Aldrich	33
3	TRUE	PhD	FALSE	Colin	Coletti	444

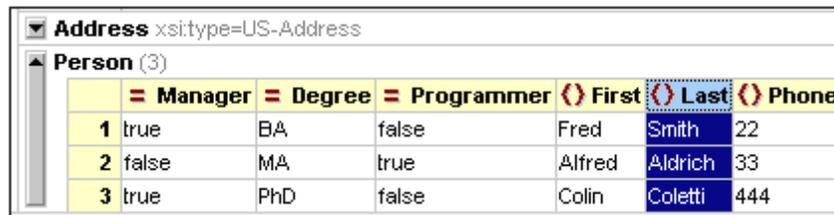
8. The updated table data is now visible in the table.
9. Change the uppercase boolean values `TRUE` and `FALSE` to lowercase `true` and `false`, respectively, using the menu option **Edit | Replace (Ctrl+H)**.

### Sorting the table by the contents of a column

A table in Table View can be sorted in ascending or descending order by any of its columns. In this case, we want to sort the `Person` table by last names.

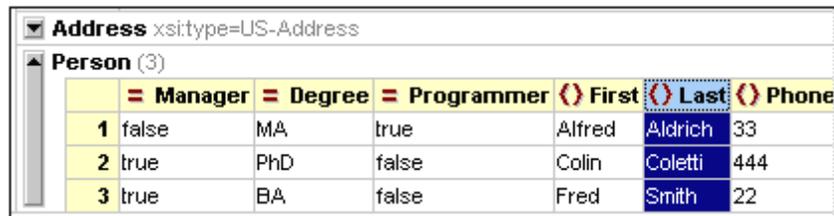
To sort a table by the contents of a column:

1. Select the `Last` column by clicking in its header.



	Manager	Degree	Programmer	First	Last	Phone
1	true	BA	false	Fred	Smith	22
2	false	MA	true	Alfred	Aldrich	33
3	true	PhD	false	Colin	Coletti	444

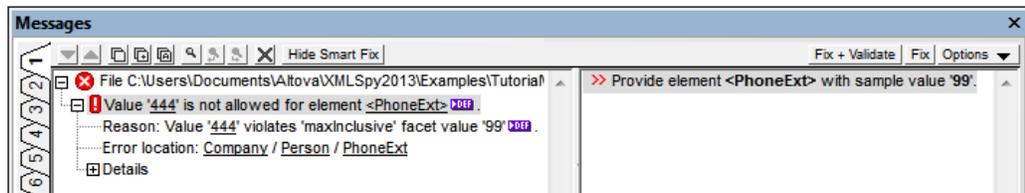
- Select the menu option **XML | Table | Ascending sort** or click on the Ascending Sort icon . The column, and the **whole table** with it, are now sorted alphabetically. The column remains highlighted.



	Manager	Degree	Programmer	First	Last	Phone
1	false	MA	true	Alfred	Aldrich	33
2	true	PhD	false	Colin	Coletti	444
3	true	BA	false	Fred	Smith	22

The table is sorted not just in the display but also in the underlying XML document. That is, the order of the `Person` elements is changed so that they are now ordered alphabetically on the content of `Last`. (Click the Text tab if you wish to see the changes in Text View.)

- Select the menu option **XML | Validate** or press **F8**. An error message appears indicating that the value '444' is not allowed for a `PhoneExt` element (see screenshot). The invalid `PhoneExt` element is highlighted.



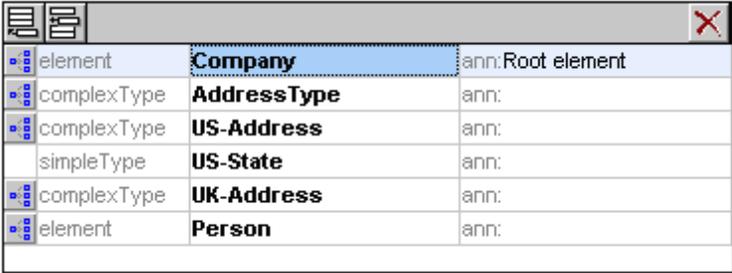
Expand "Details" to see that `PhoneExt` is not valid because it is not less than or equal to the maximum value of 99. You can click on the links in the error message to jump to the spot in the XML file where the error was found. Since the value range we set for phone extension numbers does not cover this extension number, we have to modify the XML Schema so that this number is valid. You will do this in the next section.

## 5.8 Modifying the Schema

Since two-digit phone extension numbers do not cover all likely numbers, let's extend the range of valid values to cover three-digit numbers. We therefore need to modify the XML Schema. You can open and modify the XML Schema without having to close your XML document.

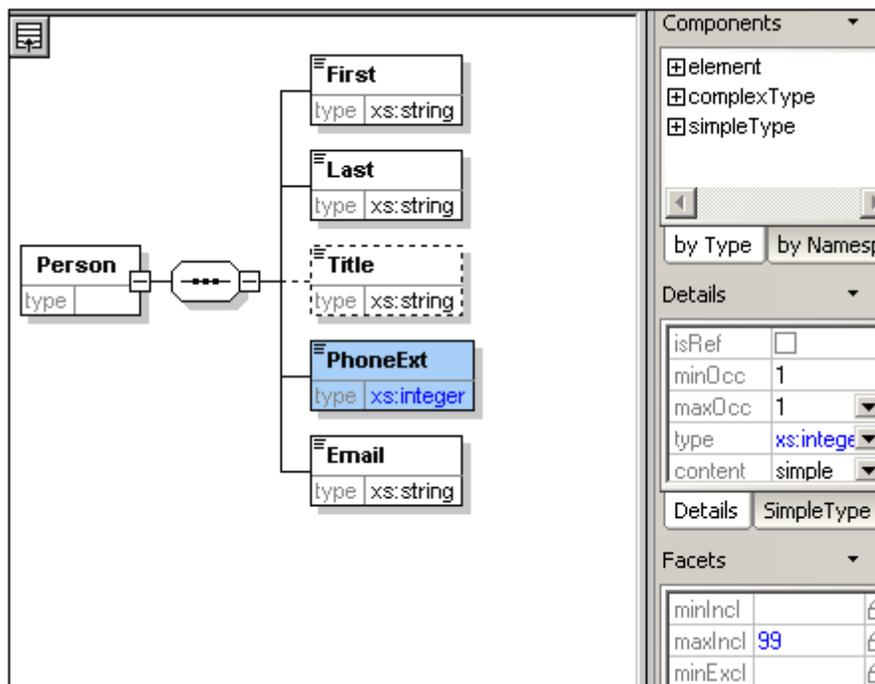
Do the following:

1. Select the menu option **DTD/Schema | Go to definition** or click the Go To Definition icon . The associated schema, in this case `AddressLast.xsd` is opened. Switch to Schema View (*screenshot below*) if you need to. (By default an XSD schema file will open in Schema View. The default view for every filetype, however, can be changed in the File Types tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**.)

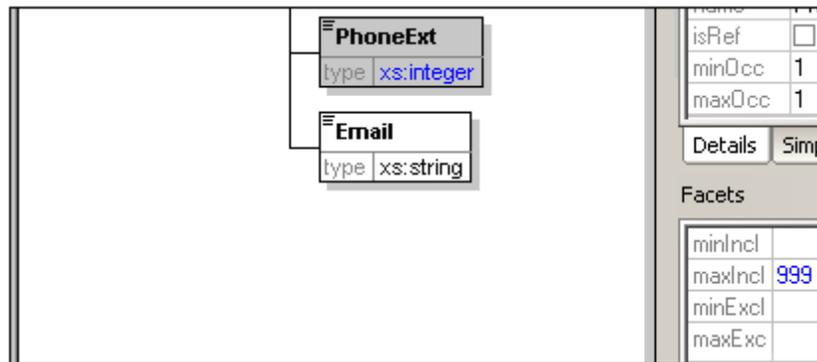


element	Company	ann:Root element
complexType	AddressType	ann:
complexType	US-Address	ann:
simpleType	US-State	ann:
complexType	UK-Address	ann:
element	Person	ann:

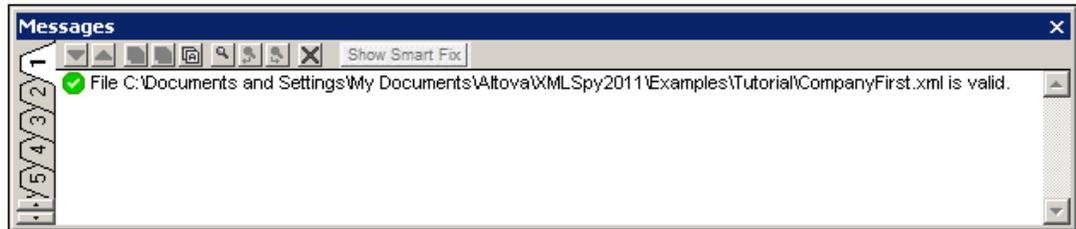
2. In Schema Overview, click the Display Diagram icon  of the global `Person` element. In the Content Model View of the `Person` element, select the `PhoneExt` element. The facet data in the Facets tab is displayed.



3. In the Facets tab, double-click the `maxIncl` value field, change the value 99 to 999, and confirm with **Enter**.



4. Save the schema document.
5. Press **Ctrl+Tab** to switch back to the XML document.
6. Click  to revalidate the XML document.



A message that the file is valid appears in the Validation window. The XML document now conforms to the modified schema.

7. Select the menu option **File | Save As...** and save the file as `CompanyLast.xml`. (Remember to rename the original `CompanyLast.xml` file that is delivered with XMLSpy to something else, like `CompanyLast_orig.xml`).

**Please note:** The `CompanyLast.xml` file delivered with XMLSpy is in the in the `Tutorial` folder.

## 6 XSLT Transformations

### Objective

To generate an HTML file from the XML file using an XSL stylesheet to transform the XML file. You should note that a "transformation" does not change the XML file into anything else; instead a new output file is generated. The word "transformation" is a convention.

### Method

The method used to carry out the transformation is as follows:

- Assign a predefined XSL file, `Company.xsl`, to the XML document.
- Execute the transformation within the XMLSpy interface using one of the two built-in Altova XSLT engines. (See *note below*.)

### Commands used in this section

The following XMLSpy commands are used in this section:



**XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL**, which assigns an XSL file to the active XML document.



**XSL/XQuery | Go to XSL**, opens the XSL file referenced by the active XML document.



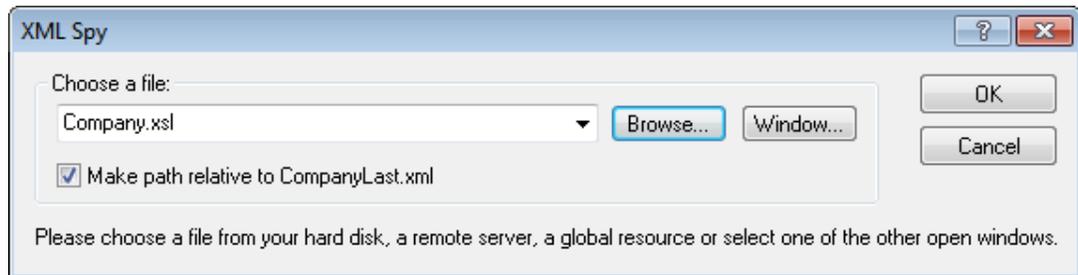
**XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation (F10)**, or the toolbar icon, transforms the active XML document using the XSL stylesheet assigned to the XML file. If an XSL file has not been assigned then you will be prompted for one when you select this command.

**Note:** XMLSpy has built-in XSLT engines for XSLT 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0. The correct engine is automatically selected by XMLSpy on the basis of the version attribute in the `xsl:stylesheet` or `xsl:transform` element. In this tutorial transformation, we use XSLT 1.0 stylesheets. The XSLT 1.0 Engine will automatically be selected for transformations with these stylesheets when the **XSL Transformation** command is invoked.

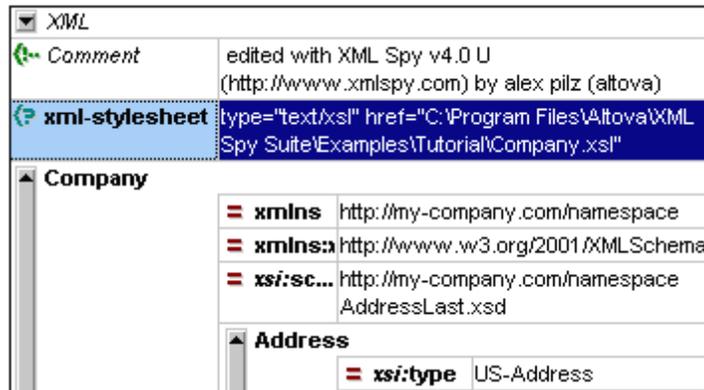
## 6.1 Assigning an XSLT File

To assign an XSLT file to the `CompanyLast.xml` file:

1. Click the `CompanyLast.xml` tab in the main window so that `CompanyLast.xml` becomes the active document, and switch to Text View.
2. Select the menu command **XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL**.
3. Click the **Browse** button, and select the `Company.xsl` file from the Tutorial folder. In the dialog, you can activate the option **Make Path Relative to `CompanyLast.xml`** if you wish to make the path to the XSL file (in the XML document) relative.



4. Click **OK** to assign the XSL file to the XML document.
5. Switch to Grid View to see the assignment (*screenshot below*).



An `XML-stYLESHEET` processing instruction is inserted in the XML document that references the XSL file. If you activated the **Make Path Relative to `CompanyLast.xml`** check box, then the path is relative; otherwise absolute (as in the screenshot above).

## 6.2 Transforming the XML File

To transform the XML document using the XSL file you have assigned to it:

1. Ensure that the XML file is the active document.
2. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation (F10)** or click the  icon. This starts the transformation using the XSL stylesheet referenced in the XML document. (Since the `Company.xsl` file is an XSLT 1.0 document, the built-in Altova XSLT 1.0 Engine is automatically selected for the transformation.) The output document is displayed in Browser View; it has the name `XSL Output.html`. (If the HTML output file is not generated, ensure that, in the XSL tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**), the default file extension of the output file has been set to `.html`.) The HTML document shows the Company data in one block down the left, and the Person data in tabular form below.

# Your Company

**Name:** US dependency  
**Street:** Noble Ave.  
**City:** Dallas  
**State:** Texas  
**Zip:** 4812

First	Last	Ext.	E-Mail	Manager	Degree	Programmer
Alfred	Aldrich	33	Aldrich@work	false	MA	true
Colin	Coletti	444	Coletti@work.com	true	Ph.D	false
Fred	Smith	22	Smith@work.com	true	BA	false

Text | **Browser** ▼

**Please note:** Should you only see a table header and no table data in the output file, make sure that you have defined the target namespace for your schema as detailed in [Defining your own namespace](#) at the beginning of the tutorial. The namespace must be **identical** in all three files (Schema, XML, and XSL).

## 6.3 Modifying the XSL File

You can change the output by modifying the XSL document. For example, let's change the background-color of the table in the HTML output from lime to yellow.

Do the following:

1. Click the `CompanyLast.xml` tab to make it the active document, and make sure you are in Grid View.
2. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | Go to XSL**. The command opens the `Company.xsl` file referenced in the XML document.

```

1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <xsl:stylesheet version="2.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
3  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2000/10/XMLSchema-instance"
4  xmlns:my="http://my-company.com/namespace">
5
6  <xsl:template match="/">
7    <html>
8      <head>
9        <title>Your company</title></head>
10     <body>
11       <h1><center>Your Company</center></h1>
12       <xsl:apply-templates select="//my:Address"/>
13       <table border="1" bgcolor="lime">
14         <thead align="center">
15           <td><strong>First</strong></td>
16           <td><strong>Last</strong></td>
17           <td><strong>Ext.</strong></td>
18           <td><strong>E-Mail</strong></td>
19           <td><strong>Manager</strong></td>
20           <td><strong>Degree</strong></td>
21         </thead>
22         <xsl:apply-templates select="//my:Person"/>
23       </table>
24     </body>
25   </html>
26 </xsl:template>

```

3. Find the line `<table border="1" bgcolor="lime">`, and change the entry `bgcolor="lime"` to `bgcolor="yellow"`.
4. Select the menu option **File | Save** to save the changes made to the XSL file.
5. Click the `CompanyLast.xml` tab to make the XML file active, and select **XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation**, or press **F10**. A new `XSL Output.html` file appears in the XMLSpy GUI in Browser View. The background color of the table is yellow.

## Your Company

**Name:** US dependency  
**Street:** Noble Ave  
**City:** Dallas  
**State:** Texas  
**Zip:** 04812

First	Last	Ext.	E-Mail	Manager	Degree
Alfred	Aldrich	33	Aldrich@work.com	false	MA
Colin	Coletti	444	Coletti@work.com	true	Ph.D
Fred	Smith	22	Smith@work.com	true	BA

6. Select the menu option **File | Save**, and save the document as `Company.html`.

## 7 Project Management

This section introduces you to the project management features of XMLSpy. After learning about the benefits of organizing your XML files into projects, you will organize the files you have just created into a simple project.

## 7.1 Benefits of Projects

The benefits of organizing your XML files into projects are listed below.

- Files and URLs can be grouped into folders by common extension or any other criteria.
- Batch processing can be applied to specific folders or the project as a whole.
- A DTD or XML Schema can be assigned to specific folders, allowing validation of the files in that folder.
- XSLT files can be assigned to specific folders, allowing transformations of the XML files in that folder using the assigned XSLT.
- The destination folders of XSL transformation files can be specified for the folder as a whole.

All the above project settings can be defined using the menu option **Project | Project Properties**. In the next section, you will create a project using the Project menu. Additionally, the following advanced project features are available:

- XML files can be placed under source control using the menu option **Project | Source control | Add to source control**. (Please see the [Source Control section](#) in the online help for more information.)
- [Personal, network](#) and [web folders](#) can be added to projects, allowing batch validation.

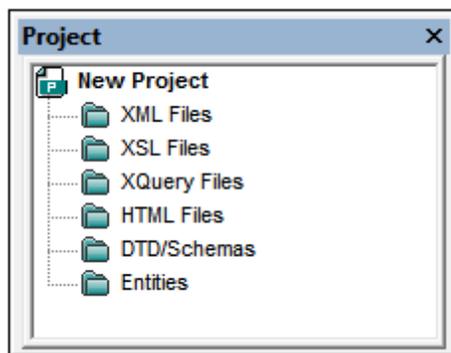
## 7.2 Building a Project

Having come to this point in the tutorial, you will have a number of tutorial-related files open in the Main Window. You can group these files into a tutorial project. First you create a new project and then you add the tutorial files into the appropriate sub-folders of the project.

### Creating a basic project

To create a new project:

1. Select the menu option **Project | New Project**. A new project folder called `New Project` is created in the Project Window. The new project contains empty folders for typical categories of XML files in a project (*screenshot below*).



2. Click the `CompanyLast.xml` tab to make the `CompanyLast.xml` file the active file in the Main Window.
3. Select the menu option **Project | Add active and related files to project**. Two files are added to the project: `CompanyLast.xml` and `AddressLast.xsd`. Note that files referenced with Processing instructions (such as XSLT files) do not qualify as related files.
4. Select the menu option **Project | Save Project** and save the project under the name `Tutorial`.

### Adding files to the project

You can add other files to the project as well. Do this as follows:

1. Click on any open XML file (with the `.xml` file extension) other than `CompanyLast.xml` to make that XML file the active file. (If no other XML file is open, open one or create a new XML file.)
2. Select the menu option **Project | Add active file to project**. The XML file is added to the XML Files folder on the basis of its `.xml` file type.
3. In the same way, add an HTML file and XSD file (say, the `Company.html` and `AddressFirst.xsd` files) to the project. These files will be added to the HTML Files folder and DTD/Schemas folder, respectively.
4. Save the project, either by selecting the menu option **Project | Save Project** or by selecting any file or folder in the Project Window and clicking the Save icon in the toolbar (or **File | Save**).

**Note:** Alternatively, you can right-click a project folder and select **Add Active File** to add the active file to that specific folder.

**Other useful commands**

Here are some other commonly used project commands:

- To add a new folder to a project, select **Project | Add Project folder to Project**, and insert the name of the project folder.
- To delete a folder from a project, right-click the folder and select **Delete** from the context menu.  
To delete a file from a project, select the file and press the **Delete** key.

## 8 That's It

If you have come this far congratulations, and thank you!

We hope that this tutorial has been helpful in introducing you to the basics of XMLSpy. If you need more information please use the context-sensitive online help system, or print out the PDF version of the tutorial, which is available as `tutorial.pdf` in your XMLSpy application folder.

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**User Guide and Reference**

## User Guide and Reference

The User Manual part of this documentation contains all the information you need to get started using [XMLSpy](#) and to learn the various [XMLSpy](#) features. It is organized into four broad parts: (i) an [Introduction](#); (ii) a [Tutorial](#); (iii) a Working With part; and (iv) a [Menu Commands](#) part which is a reference section containing the application's menu commands.

We suggest that you start by reading the Introduction in order to get a feel for the GUI and to understand key application settings. If you are new to XML, the [XMLSpy Tutorial](#) will help you not only to get to know XMLSpy but also to easily create and use your first XML documents. After that, you should read the [Editing Views section](#) and then the sections in the [Working With part](#) that are of most interest to you. The [User Reference](#) part can be used thereafter as a reference.

### Introduction

The [introduction](#) describes the GUI, important settings in the Options dialog, and the application environment.

### Tutorial

The [XMLSpy tutorial](#) helps you get started and shows you how to use the most common XMLSpy features.

### Working With

The Working With part of the documentation describes the functionality that XMLSpy offers for working with various XML and XML-related technologies. It starts with a description of XMLSpy's [multiple editing views](#). The sections that immediately follow explain the functionality for each technology separately. The Working With part concludes with a series of descriptions of application-wide XMLSpy features, such as Altova Global Resources and projects. The sections in the Working With part are:

- [Editing Views](#): Describes the various editing views in XMLSpy
- [XML](#): Explains the various features available for working with XML documents in XMLSpy
- [DTDs and XML Schemas](#): Shows how schemas (DTDs and XML Schemas) can be edited and leveraged in XMLSpy
- [XSLT and XQuery](#): Presents the range of features available for XSLT and XQuery development
- [Authentic](#): Explains the utility of Altova's graphical XML editor, and shows how it is used
- [HTML and CSS](#): Explores XMLSpy's support for HTML and CSS
- [JSON and JSON Schema](#): Describes JSON editing support: for JSON documents in Text View and Grid View, and for JSON schemas in JSON Schema View
- [WSDL and SOAP](#): Describes XMLSpy's mechanisms for working with these protocols
- [XBRL](#): Describes how to work with the Taxonomy Editor in the XBRL View of XMLSpy
- [Office Open XML and ZIP files](#): Presents and explains Archive View, in which documents using these standards can be edited and managed
- [Databases](#): Explores the wide range of features XMLSpy offers for interfacing XML with databases
- [Global Resources](#): Describes a unique Altova mechanism that can be used to boost development efficiency when using Altova products, especially as a suite of products
- [Projects](#): Explains XMLSpy's project mechanism, which enables increased efficiency and

- additional development options
- [File/Directory Comparisons](#): Presents XMLSpy's inbuilt comparison engine
- [Source Control](#): Describes how to set up a source control to work with XMLSpy
- [XMLSpy in Visual Studio](#): Describes integration in the Visual Studio developer platform
- [XMLSpy in Eclipse](#): Describes integration in the Eclipse developer platform
- [Code Generator](#): Explains the working of the built-in code-generator, which produces program code for schema definitions

### Menu Commands

The [Menu Commands](#) part is a reference section organized according to the menus in XMLSpy and describes each menu command in detail.

### File paths in Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7, and Windows 8

File paths given in this documentation will not be the same for all operating systems. You should note the following correspondences:

- *(My) Documents folder*: Located by default at the following locations. Example files are located in a sub-folder of this folder.

Windows XP	C:\Documents and Settings\ <username>\My Documents</username>
Windows Vista, Windows 7/8	C:\Users\ <username>\Documents</username>

- *Application folder*: The Application folder is the folder where your Altova application is located. The path to the Application folder is, by default, the following.

Windows XP	C:\Program Files\Altova\
Windows Vista, Windows 7/8	C:\Program Files\Altova\
32 bit Version on 64-bit OS	C:\Program Files (x86)\Altova\

**Note:** XMLSpy is also supported on Windows Server 2003, Windows 2008, and Windows Server 2012.

# 1 Interface and Environment

This section describes:

- [The application GUI](#), and
- [The application environment](#).

The [GUI section](#) starts off by presenting an overview of the GUI and then goes on to describe each of the various GUI windows in detail. It also shows you how to re-size, move, and otherwise work with the windows and the GUI.

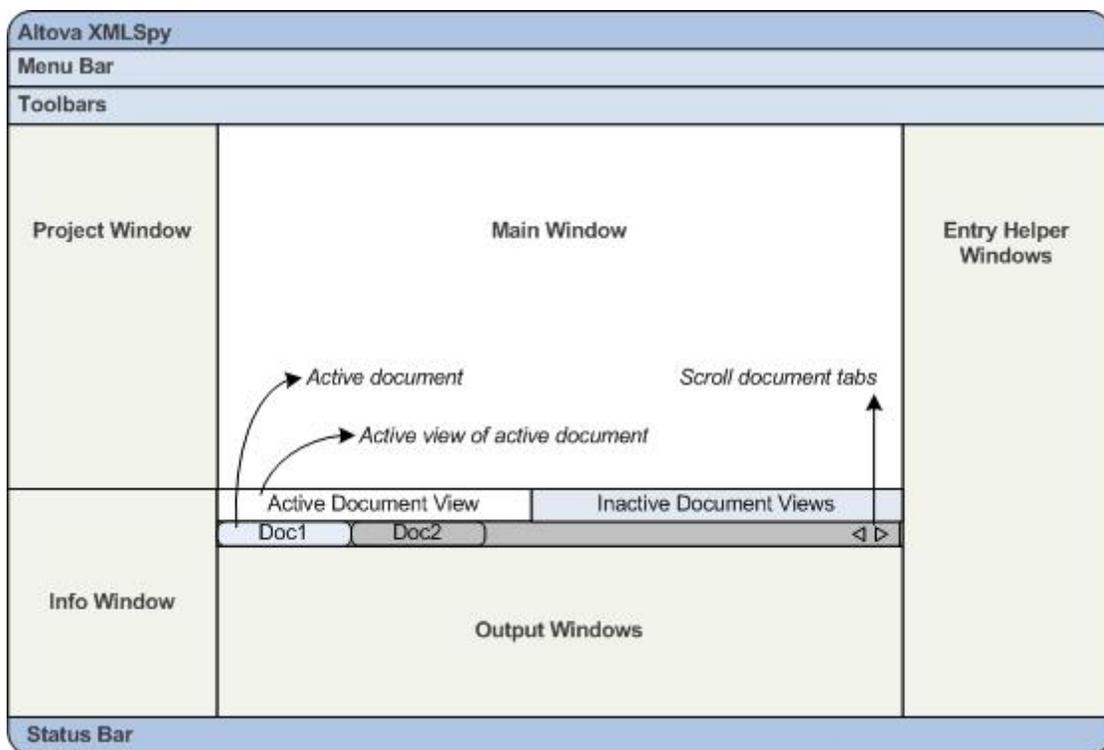
The [Application Environment section](#) points out the various settings that control how files are displayed and can be edited. It also explains how and where you can customize your application. In this section, you will learn where important example and tutorial files have been installed on your machine, and, later in the section, you are linked to the [Altova website](#), where you can explore the feature matrix of your application, learn about the multiple formats of your user manual, find out about the various support options available to you, and discover other products in the Altova range.

## 1.1 The Graphical User Interface (GUI)

The Graphical User Interface (GUI) consists of a Main Window and several sidebars (see *illustration below*). By default, the sidebars are located around the Main Window and are organized into the following groups:

- Project Window
- Info Window
- Entry Helpers: Elements, Attributes, Entities, etc (depending upon the type of document currently active)
- Output Windows: Messages, XPath, XSL Outline, Find in Files, Find in Schemas, Find in XBRL, Charts

The main window and sidebars are described in the sub-sections of this section.



The GUI also contains a menu bar, status bar, and toolbars, all of which are described in a subsection of this section.

### Switching on and off the display of sidebars

Sidebar groups (Project Window, Info Window, Entry Helpers, Output Windows) can be displayed or hidden by toggling them on and off via the commands in the **Window** menu. A displayed sidebar (or a group of tabbed sidebars) can also be hidden by right-clicking the title bar of the displayed sidebar (or tabbed-sidebar group) and selecting the command **Hide**.

### **Floating and docking the sidebars**

An individual sidebar window can either float free of the GUI or be docked within the GUI. When a floating window is docked, it docks into its last docked position. A window can also be docked as a tab within another window.

A window can be made to float or dock using one of the following methods:

- Right-click the title bar of a window and choose the required command (**Floating** or **Docking**).
- Double-click the title bar of the window. If docked, the window will now float. If floating, the window will now dock in the last position in which it was docked.
- Drag the window (using its title bar as a handle) out of its docked position so that it floats. Drag a floating window (by its title bar) to the location where it is to be docked. Two sets of blue arrows appear. The outer set of four arrows enables docking relative to the application window (along the top, right, bottom, or left edge of the GUI). The inner set of arrows enables docking relative to the window over which the cursor is currently placed. Dropping a dragged window on the button in the center of the inner set of arrows (or on the title bar of a window) docks the dragged window as a tabbed window within the window in which it is dropped.

To float a tabbed window, double-click its tab. To drag a tabbed window out of a group of tabbed windows, drag its tab.

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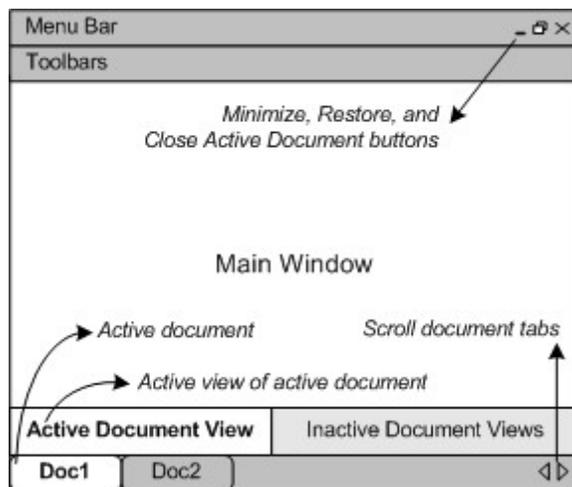
### **Auto-hiding sidebars**

The Auto-hide feature enables you to minimize docked sidebars to buttons along the edges of the application window. This gives you more screen space for the Main Window and other sidebars. Scrolling over a minimized sidebar rolls out that sidebar.

To auto-hide and restore sidebars click the drawing pin icon in the title bar of the sidebar window (or right-click the title bar and select **Auto-Hide**).

## **1.1.1 Main Window**

The Main Window (*screenshot below*) is where you view and edit documents.



### Files in the Main Window

- Any number of files can be opened and edited at once.
- Each open document has its own window and a tab (containing the document's file name) at the bottom of the Main Window. To make an open document active, click its tab.
- If several files are open, some document tabs might not be visible for lack of space in the document tabs bar. Document tabs can be brought into view by: (i) using the scroll buttons at the right of the document tab bar, or (ii) selecting the required document from the list at the bottom of the [Window](#) menu.
- When the active document is maximized, its **Minimize**, **Restore**, and **Close** buttons are located at the right side of the Menu Bar. When a document is cascaded, tiled, or minimized, the **Maximize**, **Restore**, and **Close** buttons are located in the title bar of the document window.
- When you maximize one file, all open files are maximized.
- Open files can be cascaded or tiled using commands in the [Window](#) menu.
- You can also activate open files in the sequence in which they were opened by using **Ctrl+Tab** or **Ctrl+F6**.
- Right-clicking a document tab opens a context-menu with a selection of **File** commands, such as **Print** and **Close**.

### Views in the Main Window

The active document can be displayed and edited in multiple views. The available views are displayed in a bar above the document tabs (see *illustration above*), and the active view is highlighted. A view is selected by clicking the required view button or by using the commands in the [View](#) menu.

The available views are either editing or browser views:

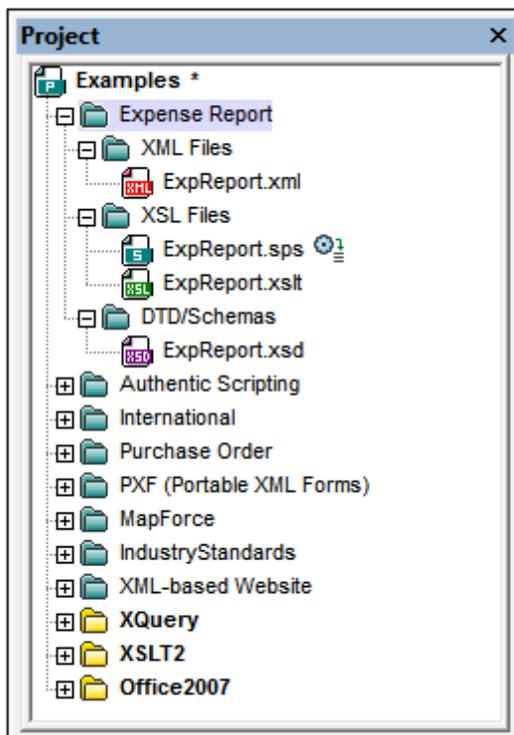
- **Text View**: An editing view with syntax-coloring for working directly with document code.
- **Grid View**: For structured editing. The document is displayed as a structured grid that can be manipulated graphically. This view also contains an embedded [Table view](#) which shows repeating elements in a tabular format.

- [Schema View](#): For viewing and editing XML Schemas.
- [WSDL View](#): For viewing and editing WSDL documents.
- [Authentic View](#): For editing XML documents that are based on StyleVision Power Stylesheets in a graphical interface.
- [Browser View](#): An integrated browser view that supports both CSS and XSL stylesheets.

**Note:** The default view for individual file extensions can be customized in the [Tools | Options](#) dialog: in the Default View pane of the File Types tab.

### 1.1.2 Project Window

A project is a collection of files that are related to each other in some way you determine. For example, in the screenshot below, a project named `Examples` collects the files for various examples in separate example folders, each of which can be further organized into sub-folders. Within the `Examples` project, for instance, the `OrgChart` example folder is further organized into sub-folders for XML, XSL, and Schema files.



Projects thus enable you to gather together files that are used together and to access them quicker. Additionally, you can define schemas and XSLT files for individual folders, thus enabling the batch processing of files in a folder.

#### Project operations

Commands for folder operations are available in the **Project** menu, and some commands are available in the context menus of the project and its folders (right-click to access).

- One project is open at a time in the Project Window. When a new project is created or an

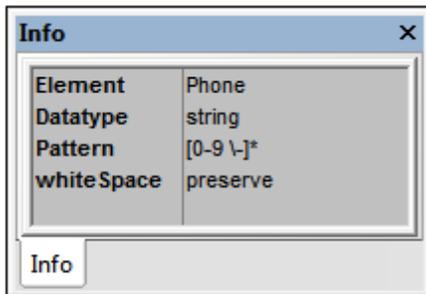
- existing project opened, it replaces the project currently open in the Project Window.
- After changes have been made to a project, the project must be saved (by clicking the **Project | Save Project** command). A project with unsaved changes is indicated with an asterisk next to its name (*see screenshot above*).
  - The project has a tree structure composed of folders, files, and other resources. Such resources can be added at any level and to an unlimited depth.
  - Project folders are *semantic* folders that represent a logical grouping of files. They **do not need** to correspond to any hierarchical organization of files on your hard disk.
  - Folders can correspond to, and have a direct relationship to, physical directories on your file system. We call such folders *external folders*, and they are indicated in the Project Window by a yellow folder icon (as opposed to normal project folders, which are green). External project folders must be explicitly synchronized by using the **Refresh** command.
  - A folder can contain an arbitrary mix of file-types. Alternatively, you can define file-type extensions for each folder (in the Properties dialog of that folder) to keep common files in one convenient place. When a file is added to the parent folder, it is automatically added to the sub-folder that has been defined to contain files of that file extension.
  - In the Project Window, a folder can be dragged to another folder or to another location within the same folder, while a file can be dragged to another folder but cannot be moved within the same folder (within which files are arranged alphabetically). Additionally, files and folders can be dragged from Windows File Explorer to the Project Window.
  - Each folder has a set of properties that are defined in the Properties dialog of that folder. These properties include file extensions for the folder, the schema by which to validate XML files, the XSLT file with which to transform XML files, etc.
  - Batch processing of files in a folder is done by right-clicking the folder and selecting the relevant command from the context menu (for example, **Validate XML** or **Check Well-Formedness**).

For a more detailed description of projects, see the section [Projects](#).

**Note:** The display of the Project Window can be turned on and off in the **Window** menu.

### 1.1.3 Info Window

The Info Window (*screenshot below*) shows information about the element or attribute in which the cursor is currently positioned. Information is available in the Info Window in Text View, Grid View, XBRL View, and Authentic View.



The display of the Info Window can be turned on and off in the **Window** menu.

Note the following points:

- When an XSLT document is active, additional XSLT-specific information and commands

are available in the XSLT tab of the Info window. How to read the information and use the commands in the XSLT tab is explained in the section [XSLT and XQ | XSLT | XSL Outline](#).

- When an XML Schema document (.xsd file) is active, options for enabling extended validation are available in the Schema tab of the Info window. How to set up extended validation is described in the section, [Schema Rules](#).

### 1.1.4 Entry Helpers

Entry helpers are an intelligent editing feature that helps you to create valid XML documents quickly. When you are editing a document, the entry helpers display structural editing options according to the current location of the cursor. The entry helpers get the required information from the underlying DTD, XML Schema, and/or StyleVision Power Stylesheet, etc. If, for example, you are editing an XML data document, then the elements, attributes, and entities that can be inserted at the current cursor position are displayed in the relevant entry helpers windows.

The entry helpers that are available depend upon:

1. *The kind of document being edited.* For example, XML documents will have different entry helpers than XQuery documents: elements, attributes, and entities entry helpers in the former case, but XQuery keywords, variables, and functions entry helpers in the latter case. The available entry helpers for each document type are described in the description of that document type in the [User Manual section](#) of this documentation.
2. *The current view.* Since the editing mechanisms in the different views are different, the entry helpers are designed so as to be compatible with the editing mechanism of the current view. For example: In Text View, an element can only be inserted at the cursor location point, so the entry helper is designed to insert an element when the element is double-clicked. But in Grid View, an element can be inserted before the selected node, appended after it, or added as a child node, so the Elements entry helper in Grid View has three tabs for *Insert*, *Append*, and *Add as Child*, with each tab containing the elements available for that particular operation.

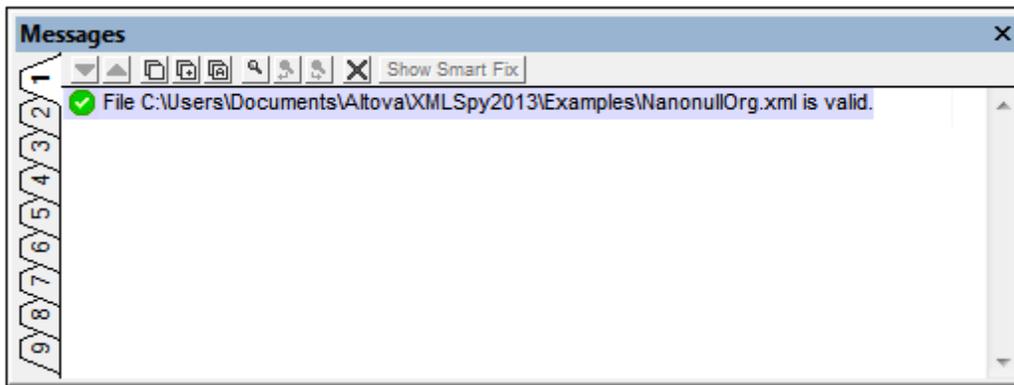
A general description of entry helpers in each type of view is given in [Editing Views](#). Further document-type-related differences within a view are noted in the description of the individual document types, for example [XML entry helpers](#) and [XQuery entry helpers](#).

Note the following:

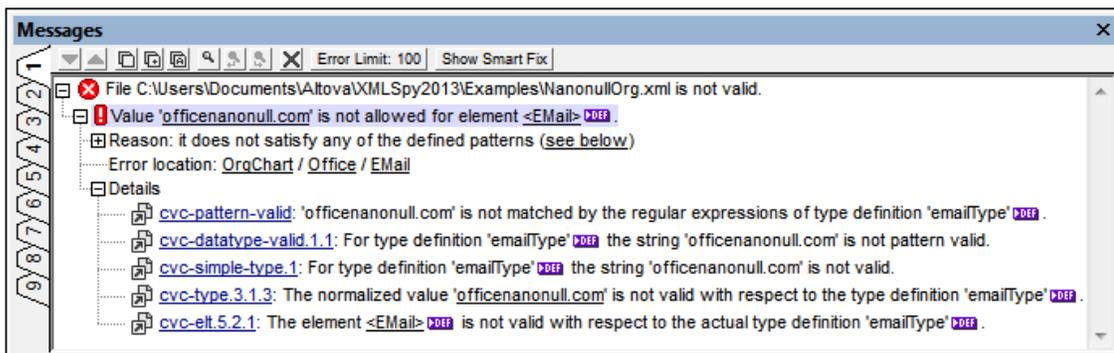
- You can turn the display of entry helpers on or off with the menu option **Window | Entry Helpers**.
- In Visual Studio .NET, entry helper windows have a prefix that is the application name.

### 1.1.5 Output Window: Messages

The Messages Window displays messages about actions carried out in XMLSpy as well as errors and other output. For example, if an XML, XML Schema, DTD, or XQuery document is validated and is valid, a successful validation message (*screenshot below*) is displayed in the Messages Window:



Otherwise, a message that describes the error (*screenshot below*) is displayed. Notice in the screenshot below that there are links (black link text) to nodes and node content in the XML document, as well as links (blue link text) to the sections in the relevant specification on the Internet that describe the rule in question. Clicking the purple `Def` buttons opens the relevant schema definition in Schema View.

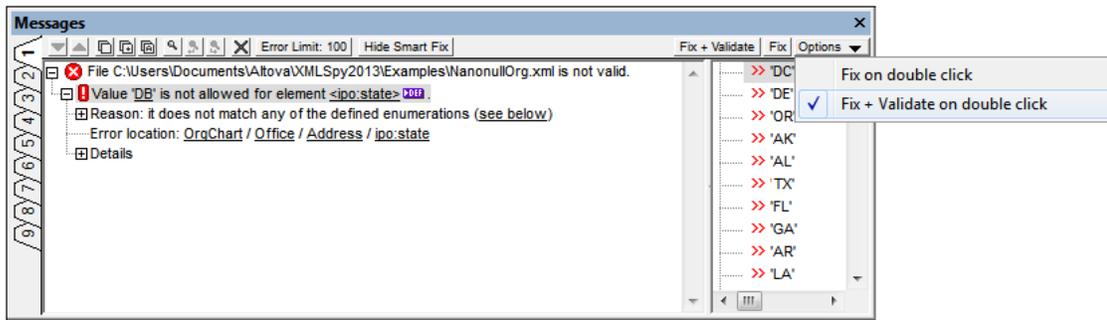


The Messages Window is enabled in all views, but clicking a link to content in an XML document highlights that node in the XML document in Text View. However, when an XML Schema has been validated in Schema View, clicking a `Def` button does not change the view.

### XML Validation smart fixes

Based on information in the schema, options for a smart fix are also suggested if validation was carried out in **Text View** or **Grid View**. To view a list of smart fix options, click the **Show Smart Fix** button (see *screenshot above*). A pane with suggested smart fix options appears in the Messages window (*screenshot below*).

Note that errors in the Messages window are displayed one at a time. Also, errors of well-formedness (such as mismatched start and end tags), if such exist, are displayed prior to validation errors being displayed. So the **Show Smart Fix** button will be enabled only when a validation error is reached (after all well-formedness errors have been corrected).



In the Smart Fix pane, select one of the suggested smart fixes and click either the **Fix + Validate** button or the **Fix** button (see screenshot above). The invalid text in the XML document will be replaced with the selected smart fix. Alternatively, you can double-click the smart fix you want. This action either fixes, or fixes and validates, according to the option selected in the dropdown *Options* list (see screenshot above). The **Fix + Validate** command is useful because when another validation is carried out after the fix it will pick up further validation errors if there are any.

To hide the Smart Fix pane, click the **Hide Smart Fix** button (see screenshot above). For more details, see the section [Editing Views | Schema View | Validation and Smart Fixes](#).

### Validating folders and files in the Project window

The **Validate** command (in the **XML** menu) is normally applied to the active document. But you can also apply the command to a file, folder, or group of files in the active project. Select the required file or folder in the Project Window (by clicking on it), and click [XML | Validate XML](#) or **F8**. Invalid files in a project will be opened and made active in the Main Window, and the *File is not valid* error message will be displayed.

**Note:** You can also carry out the well-formedness check ([Check Well-Formedness](#) or **F7**) in the Project window.

### 1.1.6 Output Window: XPath/XQuery

The XPath/XQuery Window (screenshots below) enables you to evaluate and debug XPath and XQuery expressions with respect to XML documents. The window can be used in two modes:

- [Evaluate Mode](#), in which an XPath or XQuery expression is evaluated with respect to one or more XML documents
- [Debug Mode](#), in which you can debug an XPath/XQuery expression as it applies to the currently active XML document. You can set breakpoints and tracepoints, and go step-by-step through the evaluation

To switch between the two modes, select/deselect the [Debug Mode](#) button (located in the left-hand corner of the window's toolbar; see screenshots below). How to use the two modes is described in the sub-sections of this section. For information about the syntax and support of XPath/XQuery expressions in the XPath/XQuery Window, see [XPath and XQuery Specification Information](#).

**Note:** Switching to [Debug Mode](#) button is enabled only when the *Current File* option is selected in the *Where* options list (see screenshot below)

☐ Buttons in this section



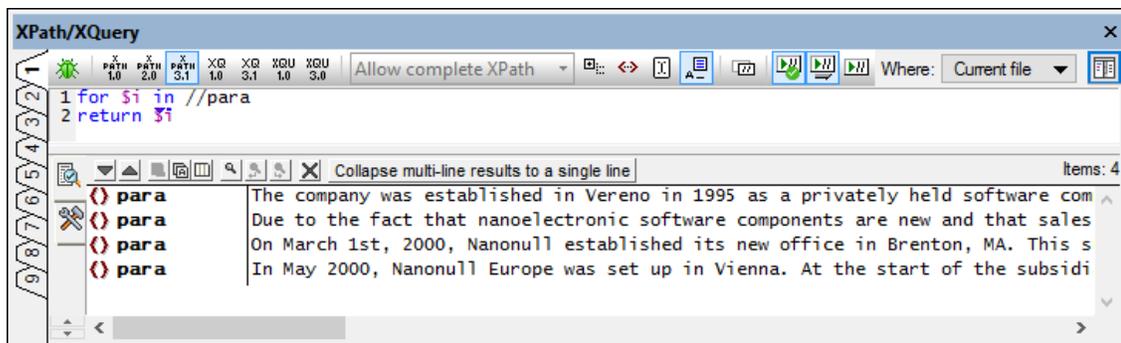
**Debug Mode**



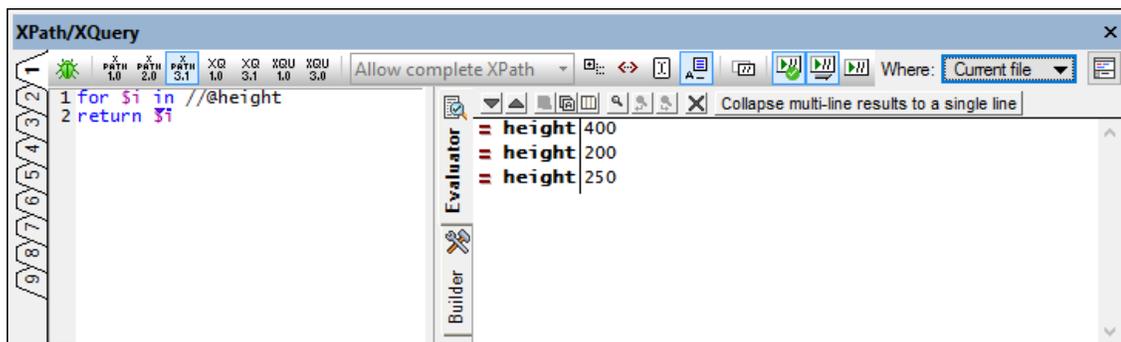
**Horizontal/Vertical Layout**

### Horizontal and vertical layouts

In the right-hand corner of the toolbar (of both modes) is a button (*highlighted in the screenshot below*) that enables you to switch between a horizontal and a vertical layout. You can switch layouts at any time. The screenshot below shows the horizontal layout, which is useful in cases where the result has lines that have a large horizontal extent.



The vertical layout (*screenshot below*) is useful when the XPath/XQuery expression (in the left-hand pane) spans multiple lines.



### Multiple tabs

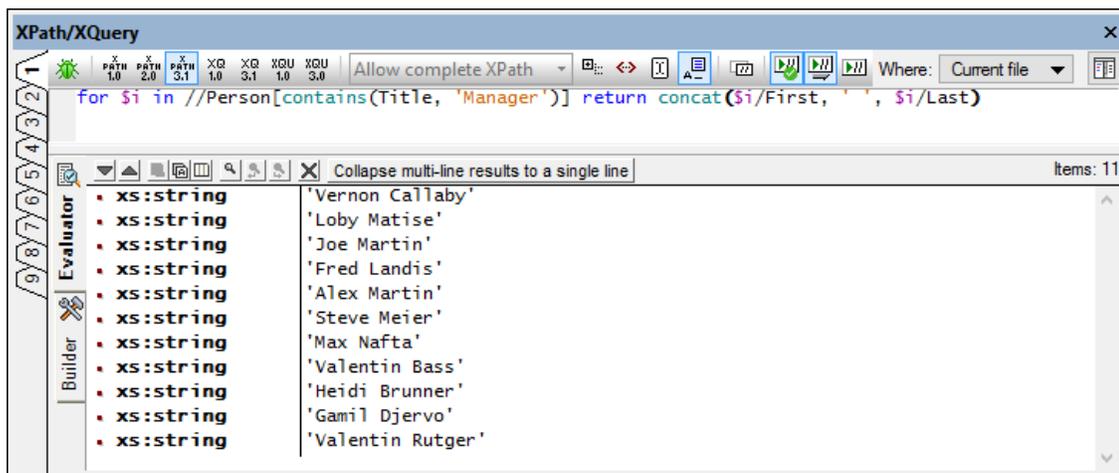
The XPath/XQuery Window has nine tabs, enabling you to work with nine different expressions at a time. After you enter an expression in a tab, the mode of the tab is saved. If an expression is

entered in a tab that is in [Evaluate Mode](#), then the expression and evaluation settings of the tab are saved. As a result, the settings of each tab are retained. When switching to a **new** tab, the settings of the previously selected tab are passed to the new tab.

You can switch from one tab to another at any time, as long as the debugger is not running in the current tab. Typically, you would enter different XPath or XQuery expressions in different tabs, evaluating and/or debugging each expression separately and switching between tabs to compare results.

## Evaluate Mode

The XPath/XQuery Window enables you to build and evaluate up to nine XPath or XQuery expressions at one time, each within its own evaluation context (which is set in the *Where* option; see *screenshot below*). The evaluation can be relative to the cursor location in the active XML document, as well as in the following contexts: (i) all currently open XML documents; (ii) XML files of the currently active XMLSpy project; and (iii) XML files of a selected folder.



### Buttons in this section



**Debug Mode**

Switches between Debug and Evaluate Modes



**Horizontal/Vertical Layout**

Switches between horizontal and vertical layouts

## About Evaluate Mode

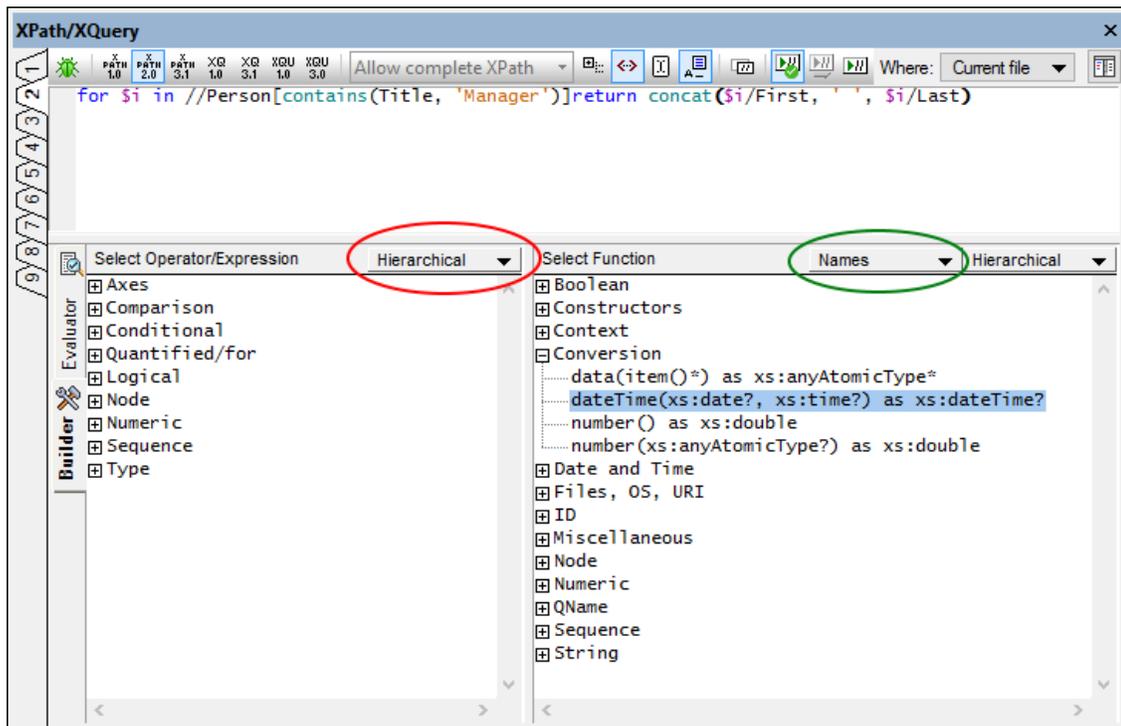
- To switch to Evaluate Mode, deselect the **Debug Mode** button, which is located at the far left of the window's toolbar (see *screenshot above*).
- You can switch between a horizontal and vertical layout by clicking the **Horizontal/Vertical Layout** button, which is located at the far right of the window's toolbar (see *screenshot above*)
- Evaluate Mode has: (i) a **Builder** tab, which has entry helpers to aid in building the expression, and (ii) an **Evaluator** tab, which shows the results of evaluating the

- expression (see *screenshot above*).
- If the bottom pane is too short to display the names of the two tabs, the names are hidden and only the tabs' icons are displayed. Hovering over an icon displays the name of the tab.
- The XPath/XQuery Window in Evaluate Mode has nine tabs. After an expression is entered in one of these tabs, the tab's settings are saved. So, if you return to a tab after switching to other tabs, the settings for that tab will be unchanged. If you switch to a **new** tab, the settings of the previous tab are passed to the new tab.
- If the expression is evaluated in the context of multiple XML documents (see the description of the *Where* option below), clicking on the filename in the results list opens the file in XMLSpy and makes it the active file.

XPath evaluations are described below. For a description of XQuery evaluations, see the section, [XQuery Evaluation](#). (The **xq** icons are for [XQuery evaluation](#); the **xqu** icons are for [XQuery Update executions](#).) For information about writing XPath/XQuery expressions in the XPath/XQuery Window, see [XPath and XQuery Specification Information](#).

### XPath/XQuery Expression Builder

The Builder (*screenshot below*) has two entry-helper panes: (i) for operators and expressions; and (ii) for functions. Note that, if more than one signature exists for a single function name, each signature is listed as a separate function. (These variants are known as **overloads** of that function name.) The items in both panes can be shown either grouped hierarchically or as a flat list. Select the option you want in the dropdown list at the top right of each pane (*circled in red in the screenshot below*). In the screenshot, both panes show their items in hierarchical groups.



Features of the Builder:

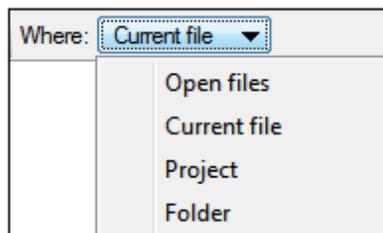
- To view a text description of an item in either entry-helper pane, hover over the item.
- Each function is listed with its signature (that is, with its arguments, the datatypes of the arguments, and the datatype of the function's output; *see the `dateTime` function highlighted in the screenshot above*).
- Arguments are listed by their names (if any) or by their datatypes. Select the option you want from the dropdown list in the title bar of the Functions pane (*circled in green in the screenshot above*).
- Double-clicking an item in any of the panes (operator, expression, or function), inserts that item at the cursor location in the expression. Functions are inserted with their arguments indicated by placeholders (the `#` symbol).
- If (i) text is selected in the expression's edit field, and (ii) an operator, expression or function that contains a placeholder is double-clicked to insert it, then the text that was selected is inserted instead of the placeholder. This is a quick way to insert long text (such as a path expression) into an operator, expression, or function.

After you have entered a function in the expression, hovering over the function name displays the function's signature and a text description of the function. If more than one signature exists for a function, these are indicated with an overload factor at the bottom of the display. If you place the cursor within the parentheses of the function and press **Ctrl+Shift+Spacebar**, you can view the signatures of the various overloads of that function name.

### Evaluating expressions

Given below are the main steps for evaluating an XPath expression. The steps for XQuery expression evaluation are the same. For a dedicated description of XQuery evaluations, see the section, [XQuery Evaluation](#). (The `xq` icons are for [XQuery evaluation](#); the `xqu` icons are for [XQuery Update executions](#).)

1. Depending on where the XPath expression is to be evaluated, select from one of the options in the *Where* options list (*screenshot below*): *Current file*; *Open files*; (*XMLSpy*) *Project*; or *Folder*.

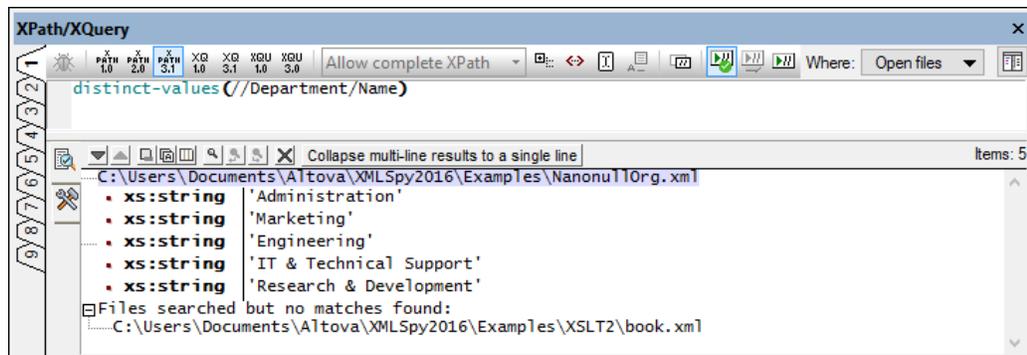


If *Current file* is selected, the file that is currently active is used. Selecting *Open files* causes the XPath expression to be evaluated against all the files currently open in XMLSpy. *Project* refers to the currently active XMLSpy project. The external folders in an XMLSpy project can be excluded by checking the *Skip external folders* check box. The *Folder* option enables you to browse for the required folder; the XPath expression will be evaluated against XML files in this folder.

2. Select the XPath version you wish to use (1.0, 2.0, or 3.1) by clicking the appropriate icon in the toolbar of the output window (*see screenshot below*).
3. Select the type of XPath expression from the dropdown list. *Allow Complete XPath* is the

usually required option. The other options of this combo box are *XML Schema Selector* and *XML Schema Field*, which can be used for a narrow subset of specific XPath 1.0 cases and are useful when unique identity constraints have been defined in the XML Schema. When either of these options is selected, only name tests (and the wildcard \*) are allowed in the XPath expression, and predicates and XPath functions may not be used. Furthermore, for the *XML Schema Selector* option, only expressions on the child axis are allowed; for the *XML Schema Field* option, expressions on the child axis and attribute axis are allowed. For more information, see the W3C's [XML Schema: Structures Recommendation](#). When the XPath version you select is not XPath 1.0, then the combo box is disabled: *Allow Complete XPath* is selected by default and cannot be changed.

4. Toggle the *Evaluate XPath Expression On Typing* icon  on if you want the XPath expression to be evaluated while you are typing it in. If this icon is toggled off, the expression will be evaluated only when you click the *Evaluate XPath Expression* icon .
5. Toggle the *Show Header In Output* icon  on if, in the output, you wish to show the XPath expression and the location of the XML file (as in the screenshot below).
6. If the XPath expression returns nodes—such as elements or attributes—you can select whether the entire contents of the selected nodes should be shown. This is done by switching the *Show Complete Result* icon  on.



7. To set an XPath expression relative to a selection in the XML document, toggle the *Set Current Selection As Origin* icon  on.
8. Click the *Validate XML files* icon  to validate the XML files being evaluated for the XPath/XQuery expression. By default, the option is selected. Errors are treated as warnings and evaluation continues.
9. Enter the XPath expression. If you wish to create the expression over multiple lines (for easier readability), use the **Return** key.
10. You can increase/decrease the size of text in the expression field. Do this by clicking in the expression field, then pressing **Ctrl** and turning the scroll wheel.
11. Instead of manually entering the locator path expression of a node, you can let XMLSpy enter it for you. Do this as follows: (i) Place the cursor at the point in the XPath expression where you want to enter the locator path; (ii) Place the cursor in the start tag of the node you want to target; (iii) In the XPath/XQuery Window, click the *Copies the XPath of the Current Selection to the Edit Field* icon  to enter the locator path of the selected node into the expression. The locator path will be entered as an absolute path starting at the root node of the document.
12. If the *Show XPath Auto-completion* icon  has been toggled on, a popup will show a list of XPath functions and axes, and document elements and attributes that can be validly inserted at this point, and from which you can choose.

13. To evaluate the expression (if *Evaluate on Typing* is toggled off or when a new XML document is made active), click the *Evaluate XPath Expression* icon.

### Results pane of the Evaluator tab

The Evaluator tab has a Results Pane (see screenshot above). The pane has the following functionality:

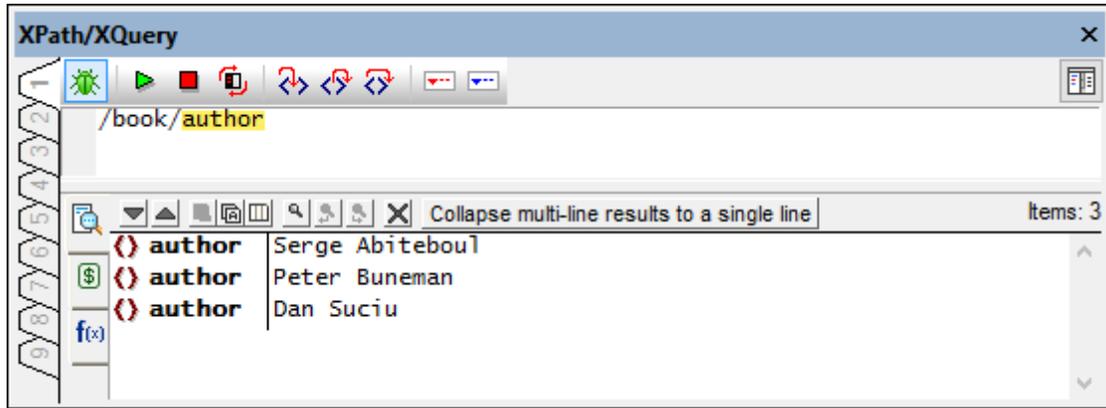
- If the evaluation is carried out on multiple files (*specified in the Where option*), then the results of each file are listed separately under the path of that file (see screenshot above).
- When the result contains a node (including a text node)—as opposed to expression-generated literals—clicking on that node in the Result Pane highlights the corresponding node in the XML document in the Main Window.
- The result list consists of two columns: (i) a node name or a datatype; (ii) the value of the node. You can copy both columns of a result sub-line, or only the value column. Right-click a sub-line and toggle on/off **Copying Includes All Columns**. (Alternatively you can toggle the command on/off via its icon in the toolbar.) Then right-click the sub-line you want to copy and select either **Copy Subline** or **Copy All**.

The toolbar of the Evaluator tab contains icons that provide navigation, search, and copy functionality. These icons, starting from the left, are described in the table below. The corresponding commands are also available in the context menu of result list items.

Icon	What it does
<i>Next, Previous</i>	Selects, respectively, the next and previous item in the result list
<i>Copy the selected text line to the clipboard</i>	Copies the value column of the selected result item to the clipboard. To copy all columns, toggle on the <i>Copying includes all columns</i> command (see below)
<i>Copy all messages to the clipboard</i>	Copies the value column of all result items to the clipboard, including empty values. Each item is copied as a separate line
<i>Copying includes all columns</i>	Switches between copying (i) all columns, or (ii) only the value column. The column separator is a single space
<i>Find</i>	Opens a <i>Find</i> dialog to search for any string, including special characters, in the result list
<i>Find previous</i>	Finds the previous occurrence of the term that was last entered in the <i>Find</i> dialog
<i>Find next</i>	Finds the next occurrence of the term that was last entered in the <i>Find</i> dialog
<i>Clear</i>	Clears the result list
<i>Collapse multi-line results to a single line</i>	If the value column of a result item contains multi-line text (text that includes newline character/s), you can toggle between a multi-line and single-line display

## Debug Mode

The Debug Mode of the XPath/XQuery Window enables you to debug an XPath/XQuery expression in the context of the active file.



- Switch to Debug Mode by clicking the **Debug Mode** button. Note that, in [Evaluate Mode](#), the **Debug Mode** button is enabled only when the *Where* option is set to *Current File*. This is because debugging is carried out only in the context of the active file.
- Debug Mode has two panes: (i) the pane in which the expression is entered, and (ii) the results pane. These panes can be divided from each other horizontally or vertically. To switch between these layouts, use the **Horizontal/Vertical Layout** button.
- The *Results* pane has three tabs: *Result*, *Variables*, and *Call Stack*. When the height of the Results pane is not sufficient to display the names of the three tabs, the names are hidden and only the tabs' icons are displayed. Hovering over an icon displays the name of the tab.

### Buttons in this section

	<b>Debug Mode</b>	Switches between Debug and Evaluate Modes
	<b>Horizontal/Vertical Layout</b>	Switches between horizontal and vertical layouts
	<b>Result</b>	Switches to the <i>Result</i> tab of the <i>Results</i> pane
	<b>Variables</b>	Switches to the <i>Variables</i> tab of the <i>Results</i> pane
	<b>Call Stack</b>	Switches to the <i>Call Stack</i> tab of the <i>Results</i> pane

## Debugging steps

The broad steps for debugging an XPath/XQuery expression are as follows:

1. Make the XML file on which you wish to run the expression the active file.
2. Enter the XPath/XQuery expression in the expression pane.

3. Set any breakpoints or tracepoints you want. A breakpoint is a point at which the evaluation is paused. A tracepoint is a breakpoint at which the evaluation result of that node is recorded, thus providing a traceable path through the evaluation.
4. Start the Debugger, or use the Step Into/Out/Over functionality to go step-by-step through the evaluation.

These steps are described in more detail below.

### Starting, stopping, and restarting the debugger

When the debugger is stopped, only the **Start Debugger** button is enabled. After the Debugger has been started and before it stops, the **Stop Debugger** and **Restart Debugger** buttons are enabled.

#### Buttons in this section

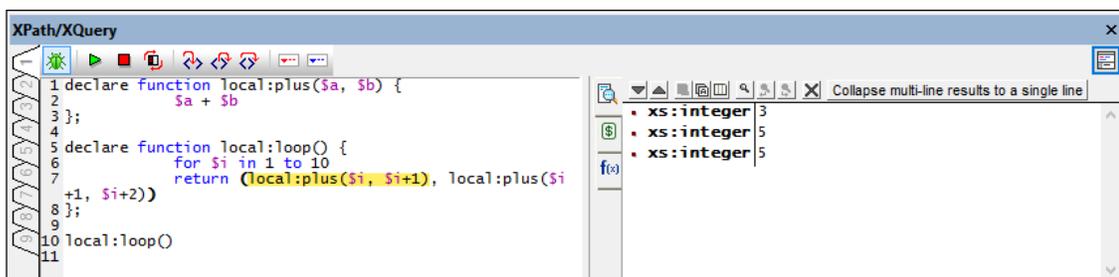
	<b>Start Debugger (Alt +F11)</b>	Starts the debugger. The debugger evaluates the expression through to the end. It pauses only at breakpoints
	<b>Stop Debugger</b>	Exits the evaluation, and stops the debugger
	<b>Restart Debugger</b>	When the evaluation is paused (for example, at a breakpoint), restarts the evaluation from the beginning

### Stepping in, out, and over evaluation steps

The Step functionality enables you to go step-by-step through the evaluation. Each click takes you through the corresponding step of the evaluation.

#### Buttons in this section

	<b>Step Into (F11)</b>	Proceeds through the evaluation, one step at a time. This is a detailed stepping through the evaluation
	<b>Step Out (Shift+F11)</b>	Steps out of the current evaluation step, and goes to the "parent" step
	<b>Step Over (Ctrl+F11)</b>	Steps over "descendant" steps



As the evaluation progresses, the expression step that is currently being processed is highlighted in the expression and the corresponding result is displayed in the *Result* tab (see *screenshot above*). While **Step Into** provides the most detailed debugging by stopping at every step, **Step Out** and **Step Over** provide a quicker way to track the expression's evaluation.

▣ XQuery expression for trying the Step Into, Step Out, and Step Over functionality

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declare function local:plus($a, $b) {
    $a + $b
};

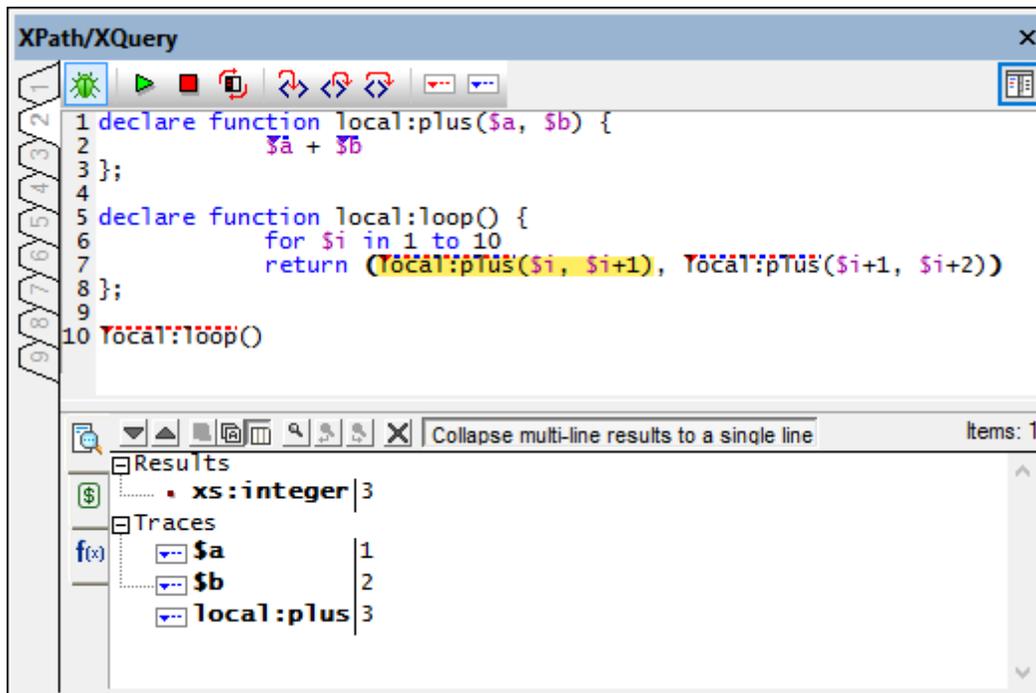
declare function local:loop() {
    for $i in 1 to 10
    return (local:plus($i, $i+1), local:plus($i+1, $i+2))
};

local:loop()
```

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### Breakpoints and tracepoints

Breakpoints are points where you want the Debugger to stop after it has been started with **Start Debugger**. They are useful if you wish to analyze a specific part of the expression. When the Debugger stops at the breakpoint, you can check the result and could then use the **Step Into** functionality to display the results of the next steps of the evaluation. To set a breakpoint, place the cursor in the expression at the point where you want the breakpoint, and click the **Insert/Remove Breakpoint (F9)** toolbar button. The breakpoint will be marked with a dashed red overline (see *screenshot below*). To remove a breakpoint, select it and click **Insert/Remove Breakpoint (F9)**.



Tracepoints are breakpoints at which the results are recorded and displayed in the *Traces* tree of the *Result* tab (see screenshot above). This enables you to see all the evaluation results of particular parts of the expression. For example, in the screenshot above, tracepoints have been set on `$a`, `$b`, `local:plus($i, $i+1)`, and `local:plus($i+1, $i+2)`; tracepoints are indicated by blue overlines. When the Debugger is at the expression part that is highlighted in the screenshot and when the value of `$i` is 1, then, in the *Result* tab, the values of the expression nodes at the tracepoints `$a`, `$b`, `local:plus($i, $i+1)` are displayed for this value of `$i`. To set a tracepoint, place the cursor in the expression at the point where you want the tracepoint, and click the **Insert/Remove Tracepoint (Shift+F9)** toolbar button. The tracepoint will be marked with a dashed blue overline (see screenshot below). To remove a tracepoint, select it and click **Insert/Remove Tracepoint (F9)**.

If both a breakpoint and a tracepoint are set on a part of the expression, then the overline is composed of alternating red and blue dashes (see the `local:plus($i, $i+1)` and `local:plus($i+1, $i+2)` function-calls in the screenshot above).

### Result tab of the Results pane

The *Result* tab (see screenshot above) contains icons that provide navigation, search, and copy functionality. These icons, starting from the left, are described in the table below. The corresponding commands are also available in the context menu of result list items.

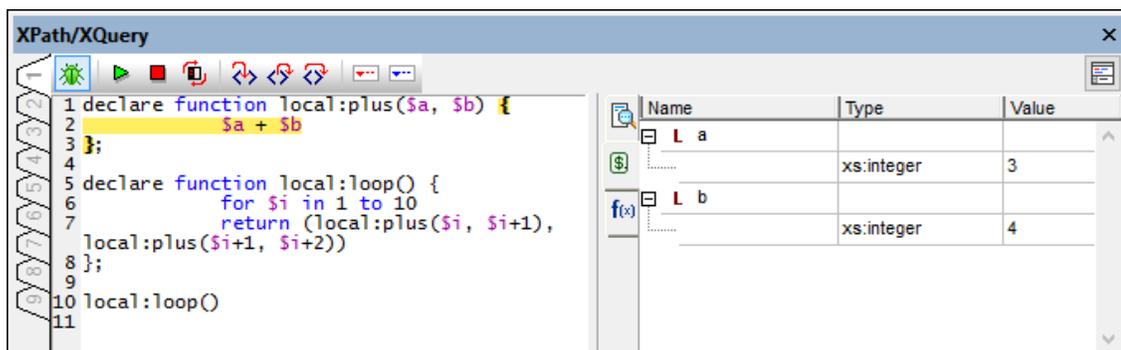
Icon	What it does
<i>Next, Previous</i>	Selects, respectively, the next and previous item in the result list
<i>Copy the selected text line to the</i>	Copies the value column of the selected result item to the clipboard. To copy all columns, toggle on the <i>Copying includes all columns</i> command

<i>clipboard</i>	<i>(see below)</i>
<i>Copy all messages to the clipboard</i>	Copies the value column of all result items to the clipboard, including empty values. Each item is copied as a separate line
<i>Copying includes all columns</i>	Switches between copying (i) all columns, or (ii) only the value column. The column separator is a single space
<i>Find</i>	Opens a <i>Find</i> dialog to search for any string, including special characters, in the result list
<i>Find previous</i>	Finds the previous occurrence of the term that was last entered in the <i>Find</i> dialog
<i>Find next</i>	Finds the next occurrence of the term that was last entered in the <i>Find</i> dialog
<i>Clear</i>	Clears the result list
<i>Collapse multi-line results to a single line</i>	If the value column of a result item contains multi-line text (text that includes newline character/s), you can toggle between a multi-line and single-line display

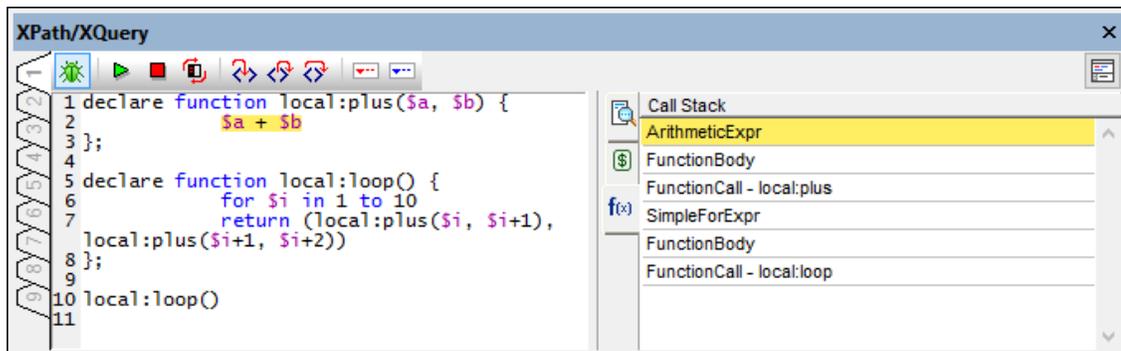
## Variables and Call Stack

The *Results* pane contains, in addition to the main *Result* tab, a *Variables* tab and *Call Stack* tab (*screenshots below*).

During debugging, the *Variables* tab displays the variables of the current step and their values (*see screenshot below*).



The *Call Stack* tab displays the various processor calls up to that point in the debugging. The most recent calls are on top, and the current call is highlighted in both panes (*see screenshot below*).



## XPath and XQuery Specification Information

### XPath 1.0 expressions

- XPath 1.0 functions must be entered without any namespace prefix.
- The four node tests by type are supported: `node()`, `text()`, `comment()`, and `processing-instruction()`.

### XPath 2.0 and 3.1 expressions

- String (e.g. 'Hello') and numeric literals (e.g. 256) are supported. To create other literals based on XML Schema types, you use a namespace-prefixed constructor (e.g. `xs:date('2004-09-02')`). The namespace prefix that you use for XML Schema types must be bound to the XML Schema namespace: `http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema`, and this namespace must be declared in your XML file.
- XPath 2.0 and 3.1 functions used by the XPath Evaluator belong to the namespace `http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions`. Conventionally, the prefix `fn:` is bound to this namespace. However, since this namespace is the default functions namespace used by the XPath Evaluator, you do not need to specify a prefix on functions. If you do use a prefix, make sure that the prefix is bound to the XPath Functions namespace, which you must declare in the XML document. Examples of function usage: `current-date()` (with Functions namespace not declared in XML document); `fn:current-date()` (with Functions namespace not declared in XML document, or declared in XML document and bound to prefix `fn:`). You can omit the namespace prefix even if the Functions namespace has been declared in the XML document with or without a prefix; this is because a function so used in an XPath expression is in the default namespace—which is the default namespace for functions.
- Altova's XPath extensions are in the namespace `http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions`.

**Note:** To summarize the namespace issue: If you use constructors or types from the XML Schema namespace, you must declare the XML Schema namespace in the XML document and use the correct namespace prefixes in the XPath expression. You do not need to use a prefix for XPath functions.

### Datatypes in XPath 2.0 and 3.1

If you are evaluating an XPath 2.0 or 3.1 expression for an XML document that references an XML Schema and is valid according to this schema, you must explicitly construct or cast datatypes that are not implicitly converted to the required datatype by an operation. In the XPath 2.0 and 3.1 Data Models used by the built-in XPath engine, all **atomized** node values from the XML document are assigned the `xs:untypedAtomic` datatype. The `xs:untypedAtomic` type works well with implicit type conversions. For example, the expression `xs:untypedAtomic("1") + 1` results in a value of 2 because the `xs:untypedAtomic` value is implicitly promoted to `xs:double` by the addition operator. Arithmetic operators implicitly promote operands to `xs:double`. Comparison operators promote operands to `xs:string` before comparing.

In some cases, however, it is necessary to explicitly convert to the required datatype. For example, if you have two elements, `startDate` and `endDate`, that are defined as being of type `xs:date` in the XML Schema, then, for example, using the XPath 2.0 expression `endDate - startDate` will show an error. On the other hand, if you use `xs:date(endDate) - xs:date(startDate)` OR `(endDate cast as xs:date) - (startDate cast as xs:date)`, the expression will correctly evaluate to a singleton sequence of type `xs:dayTimeDuration`.

**Note:** The XPath Engines used by the XPath Evaluator are also used by the Altova XSLT Engine, so XPath 2.0 or 3.1 expressions in XSLT stylesheets that are not implicitly converted to the required datatype must be explicitly constructed as or cast to the required datatype.

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### String length of character and entity references

When character and entity references are used as the input string for the `string-length()` function, the references cannot be resolved, and the length of the unresolved text string is returned. Within an XSLT environment, however, these references would have meaning, and the length of the resolved string is returned.

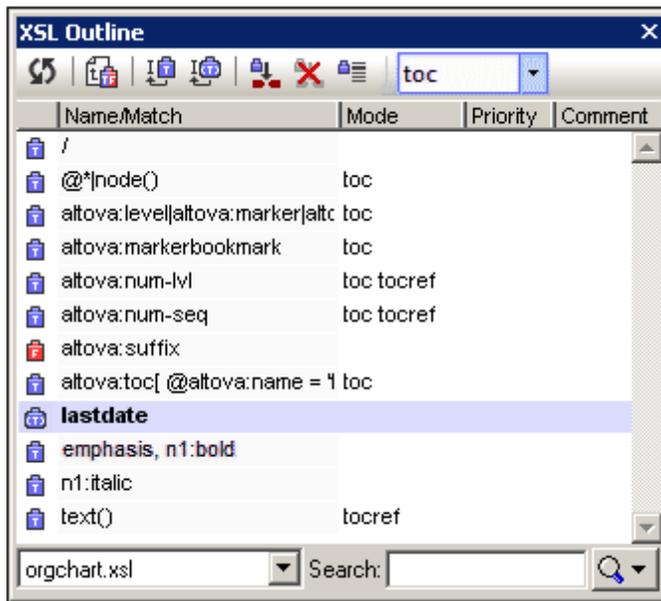
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### XPath 2.0 and 3.1 Functions Support

See the [appendices](#).

#### 1.1.7 Output Window: XSL Outline

The XSL Outline Window (*screenshot below*) lists all the templates and functions in an XSLT stylesheet, and, optionally, in all included and imported XSLT stylesheets as well. The XSL Outline Window is located by default docked with the Output Windows at the bottom of the XMLSpy window. It can be undocked, or docked along another edge of the XMLSpy window.

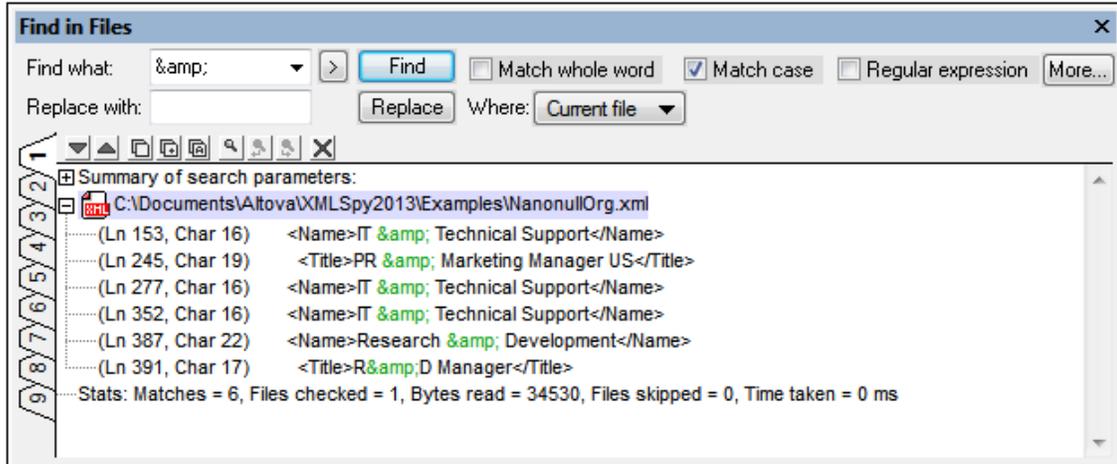


The XSL Outline Window provides information about templates and functions in the stylesheet. This information can be sorted and searched, and the window's toolbar contains commands that enable you to easily insert calls to named templates and to set named templates as the starting point of transformations. How to work with the XSL Outline Window is described in the section [XSLT and XQuery | XSLT | XSL Outline | XSL Outline Window](#).

**Note:** File-related information about the stylesheet and file-related commands are available in the XSLT tab of the Info Window. How to use these commands is described in the section [XSLT and XQuery | XSLT | XSL Outline | Info Window](#).

### 1.1.8 Output Window: Find in Files

The Find in Files Window (*screenshot below*) enables you to carry out find-and-replace operations quickly within several documents at a time, and provides mechanisms that help you to quickly navigate among the found instances. The results of each find-and-replace action are presented in one of the tabs numbered 1 to 9. Clicking on a found item in the results takes you to that item in the Text View of that document.



### Find criteria

There are two broad find criteria: (i) what to find, and (ii) where to look?

**What to find:** The string to find is entered in the Find What text box. If that string must match a whole word, then the Match Whole Word check box must be clicked. For example, for the find string `fit`, with Match Whole Word checked, only the word `fit` will match the find string; the `fit` in `fitness`, for example, would not. You can specify whether casing is significant using the Match Case check box. If the text entered in the Find What text box is a regular expression, then the Regular Expression check box must be checked. An entry helper for regular expression characters can be accessed by clicking the  button. The use of regular expressions for searching is explained in the section, [Find](#). The **More** button opens the [Find in Files dialog](#), where you can set advanced search conditions and actions. For more information, see [Edit | Find in Files](#).

**Where to look:** The search can be conducted in: (i) all the files that are open in the GUI; (ii) the files of the current project; and (iii) the files of a selected folder. You can set additional conditions in the [Find in Files dialog](#) (accessed by clicking **More**).

### Replace with

The string with which the found string is to be replaced is entered in the Replace With text box. Note that if the Replace With text box is empty and you click the **Replace** button, the found text will be replaced by an empty string.

### The results

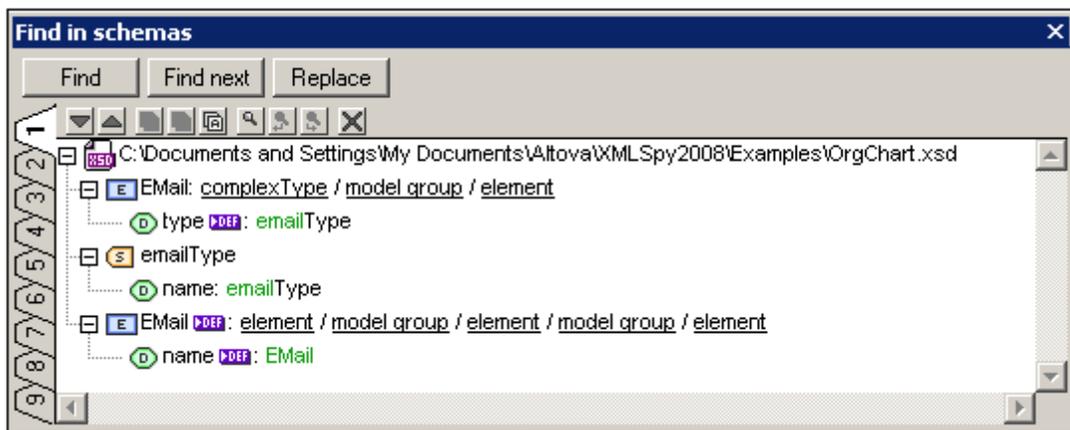
After you click the **Find** or **Replace** buttons, the results of the find or replace are displayed in the Find in Files output window. The results are divided into four parts:

- A summary of the search parameters, which lists the search string and what files were searched.
- A listing of the found or replaced strings (according to whether the **Find** or **Replace** button was pressed). The items in this listing are links to the found/replaced text in the Text View of the document. If the document is not open, it will be opened in Text View and the found/replaced text will be highlighted.
- A list of the files which were searched but in which no matches were found.
- A summary of statistics for the search action, including the number of matches and number of files checked.

**Note:** Note that the Find in Files feature executes the **Find** and the **Replace** commands on multiple files at once and displays the results in the Find in Files output window. To do a find so that you go from one found item to the next, use the [Find](#) command.

### 1.1.9 Output Window: Find in Schemas

When an XML Schema is active in Schema View, it can be searched intelligently using XMLSpy's Find and Replace in Schema View feature. The Find and Replace in Schema View feature is accessed via: (i) the **Find** and **Replace** commands in the **Edit** menu; and (ii) the **Find** and **Replace** buttons in the Find in Schemas Window (*screenshot below*).



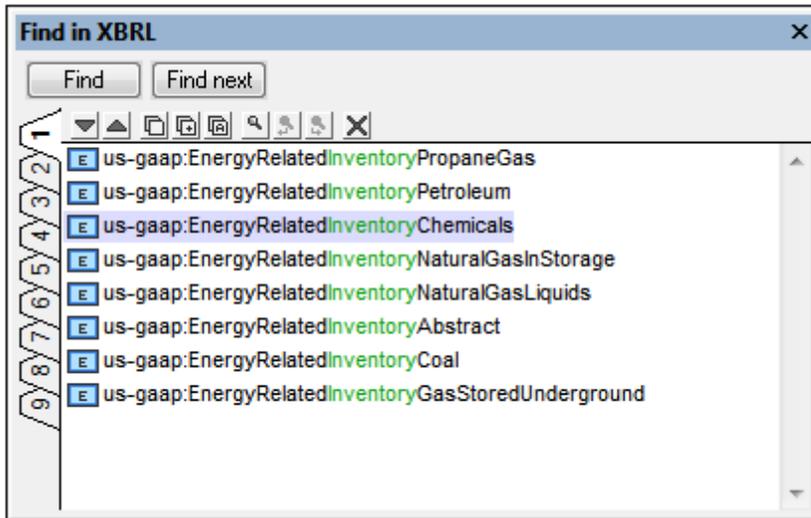
The results of the Find and Replace in Schema View feature (i.e. each time a Find or Replace command is executed) are displayed in the Find in Schemas window. The term that was searched for is displayed in green; (in the screenshot above, it can be seen that `email` was the search term, with no case restriction specified). Notice that the location of the schema file is also given.

Results are displayed in nine separate tabs (numbered 1 to 9). So you can keep the results of one search in one tab, do a new search in a new tab, and compare results. To show the results of a new search in a new tab, select the new tab before starting the search. Clicking on a result in the Find In Schemas window pops up and highlights the relevant component in the Main Window of Schema View. In this way you can search and navigate quickly to the desired component, as well as copy messages to the clipboard. For more details, see the [Results and Information](#) section in the description of the [Find in Schemas](#) feature.

### 1.1.10 Output Window: Find in XBRL

The Find in XBRL Window (*screenshot below*) displays the results of searching an XBRL taxonomy document. There are nine tabs in this window, so results in one tab can be compared with the results in another tab.

The Find in XBRL can be performed when an XBRL taxonomy document is open in XBRL View. How to carry out the search is described in the section [Find in XBRL](#) in the [XBRL section](#) of the user manual.



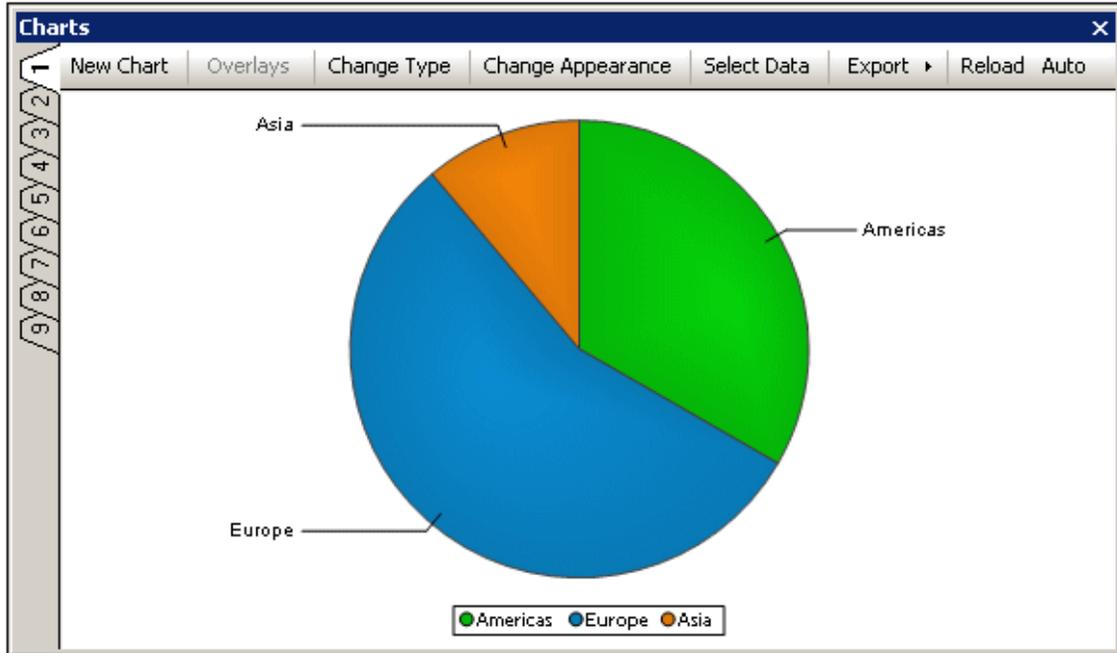
The **Find** button pops up the Search dialog. The **Find Next** button finds the next instance of the search term in the document starting from the cell immediately after the cell in XBRL View in which the cursor is currently placed.

The following Find In XBRL toolbar commands are available:

- The **Next** and **Previous** icons select, respectively, the next and previous find results to the currently selected result.
- The **Copy Messages** commands copy, respectively, the selected message, the selected message and its children messages, and all messages, to the clipboard.
- The **Find** commands find text strings in the Find In XBRL window.
- The **Clear** command deletes all messages in the currently active tab.

### 1.1.11 Output Window: Charts

When an XML document is open in Text View or Grid View, a chart (pie chart, bar chart, etc) representing selected data in the XML document can be generated in the Charts Window (*screenshot below*).



### Creating the chart

The broad steps for creating a chart are as follows:

1. Place the cursor in the XML document to select a context node.
2. Click the **New Chart** button in the Charts Window (see *screenshot above*) or right-click in the Main Window and select **New Chart** from the context menu.
3. In the Select Columns dialog that pops up, select data for the chart data table and click **OK**. The chart will be created in the Charts Window (*screenshot above*).

For detailed information, see the section [Charts](#) in the [XML section](#) of the user manual.

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### Modifying and managing charts

A chart can be created in any of the nine Charts Window tabs (numbered along the left side of the window). In this way charts in different tabs can be compared. A chart created in a tab can only be overwritten when a new chart is created in that tab. A chart cannot be otherwise deleted. Even when the XML document that was used to generate a chart is closed, the chart remains in the tab in which it was created.

The buttons at the top of the window do the following:

- *New Chart*: Pops up the Select Columns dialog, in which the chart data table is configured.
- *Change Type*: Enables the chart type to be changed, for example, from a bar chart to a pie chart.

- *Change Appearance*: Enables settings, like the chart's fonts sizes and color schemes, to be changed.
- *Select Data*: Pops up the Select Data dialog, which contains the chart data table and the final selection of data that will be presented in the chart. Data for the series, the X-Axis and Y-Axis can be modified in this dialog. The X-Axis and Y-Axis data can be graphically selected from the chart data table. Clicking **OK** generates the modified chart in the Charts Window.
- *Export*: the chart can be exported as an image file, or as an XSLT or XQuery fragment to the clipboard. The XSLT or XQuery fragment can be used in an XSLT or XQuery document, which when processed with the Altova XSLT 2.0 Engine or the Altova XQuery Engine, will correctly render the chart.
- *Reload/Auto*: If the **Auto** button is toggled on, then any change in the underlying XML document will automatically refresh a chart in the Charts Window that is based on the XML document. Otherwise a chart will only be updated when the **Reload** button is pressed.

### 1.1.12 Menu Bar, Toolbars, Status Bar

#### Menu Bar

The menu bar ([see illustration](#)) contains the various application menus. The following conventions apply:

- If commands in a menu are **not** applicable in a view or at a particular location in the document, they are unavailable.
- Some menu commands pop up a submenu with a list of additional options. Menu commands with submenus are indicated with a right-pointing arrowhead to the right of the command name.
- Some menu commands pop up a dialog that prompts you for further information required to carry out the selected command. Such commands are indicated with an ellipsis (...) after the name of the command.
- To access a menu command, click the menu name and then the command. If a submenu is indicated for a menu item, the submenu opens when you mouseover the menu item. Click the required sub-menu item.
- A menu can be opened from the keyboard by pressing the appropriate key combination. The key combination for each menu is **Alt+KEY**, where **KEY** is the underlined letter in the menu name. For example, the key combination for the **F**ile menu is **Alt+F**.
- A menu command (that is, a command in a menu) can be selected by sequentially selecting (i) the menu with its key combination (see previous point), and then (ii) the key combination for the specific command (**Alt+KEY**, where **KEY** is the underlined letter in the command name). For example, to create a new file (**F**ile | **N**ew), press **Alt+F** and then **Alt+N**.
- Some menu commands can be selected **directly** by pressing a special **shortcut** key or key combination (**Ctrl+KEY**). Commands which have shortcuts associated with them are indicated with the shortcut key or key combination listed to the right of the command. For example, you can use the shortcut key combination **Ctrl+N** to create a new file; the shortcut key **F8** to validate an XML file. You can [create your own shortcuts](#) in the Keyboard tab of the Customize dialog (**T**ools | **C**ustomize).

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#### Toolbars

The toolbars ([see illustration](#)) contain icons that are shortcuts for selecting menu commands. The

name of the command appears when you place your mouse pointer over the icon. To execute the command, click the icon.

Toolbar buttons are arranged in groups. In the [Tools | Customize | Toolbars](#) dialog, you can specify which toolbar groups are to be displayed. These settings apply to the current view. To make a setting for another view, change to that view and then make the setting in the [Tools | Customize | Toolbars](#). In the GUI, you can also drag toolbar groups by their handles (or title bars) to alternative locations on the screen. Double-clicking the handle causes the toolbar to undock and to float; double-clicking its title bar causes the toolbar to dock at its previous location.

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### **Status Bar**

The Status Bar is located at the bottom of the application window ([see illustration](#)) and displays (i) status information about the loading of files, and (ii) information about menu commands and command shortcuts in the toolbars when the mouse cursor is placed over these. If you are using the 64-bit version of XMLSpy, this is indicated in the status bar with the suffix (x64) after the application name. There is no suffix for the 32-bit version.

## 1.2 The Application Environment

In this section we describe various aspects of the application that are important for getting started. Reading through this section will help you familiarize yourself with XMLSpy and get you off to a confident start. It contains important information about settings and customization, which you should read for a general idea of the range of settings and customization options available to you and how these can be changed.

This section is organized as follows:

- [Settings and Customization](#): Describes how and where important settings and customization options can be defined.
- [Tutorials, Projects, Examples](#): Notes the location of the various non-program files included in the application package.
- [Product features and documentation, and Altova products](#): Provides links to the [Altova website](#), where you can find information about product features, additional Help formats, and other Altova products.

### 1.2.1 Settings and Customization

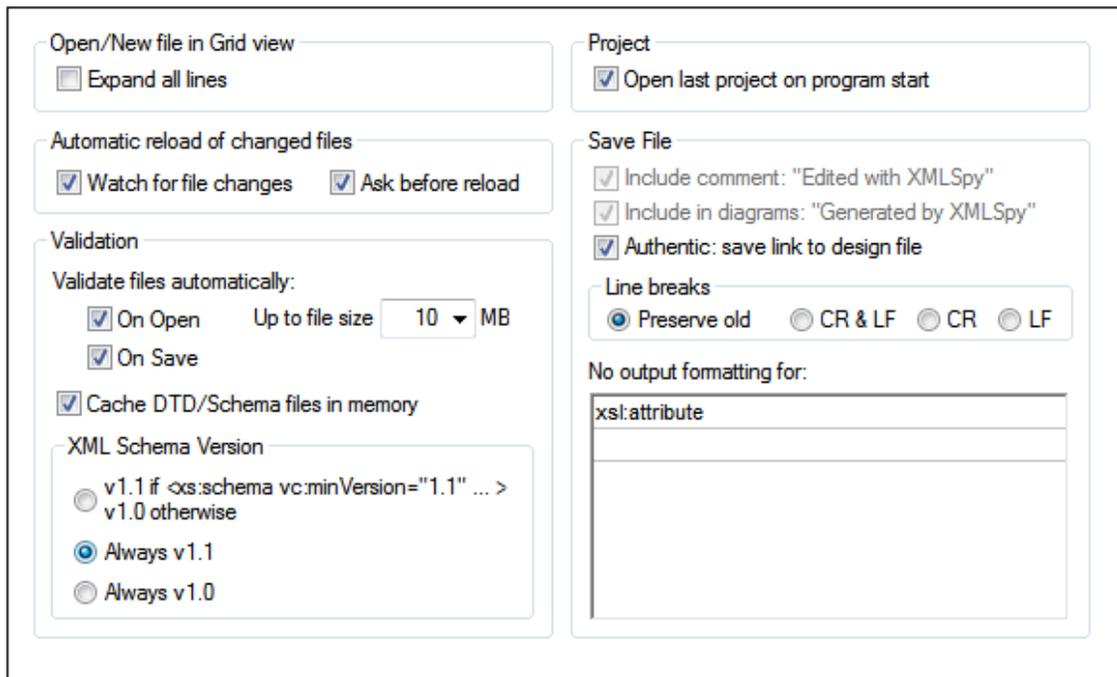
In XMLSpy, there are several settings and customization options that you can select. In this section, we point you to these options and also briefly discuss some aspects of XMLSpy menus. This section is organized into the following parts.

- [Settings](#)
- [Customization](#)
- [Menus](#)

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#### Settings

Several important XMLSpy settings are defined in different tabs in the Options dialog (*screenshot below*, accessed via the menu command [Tools | Options](#)). You should look through the various options to familiarize yourself with what's available.

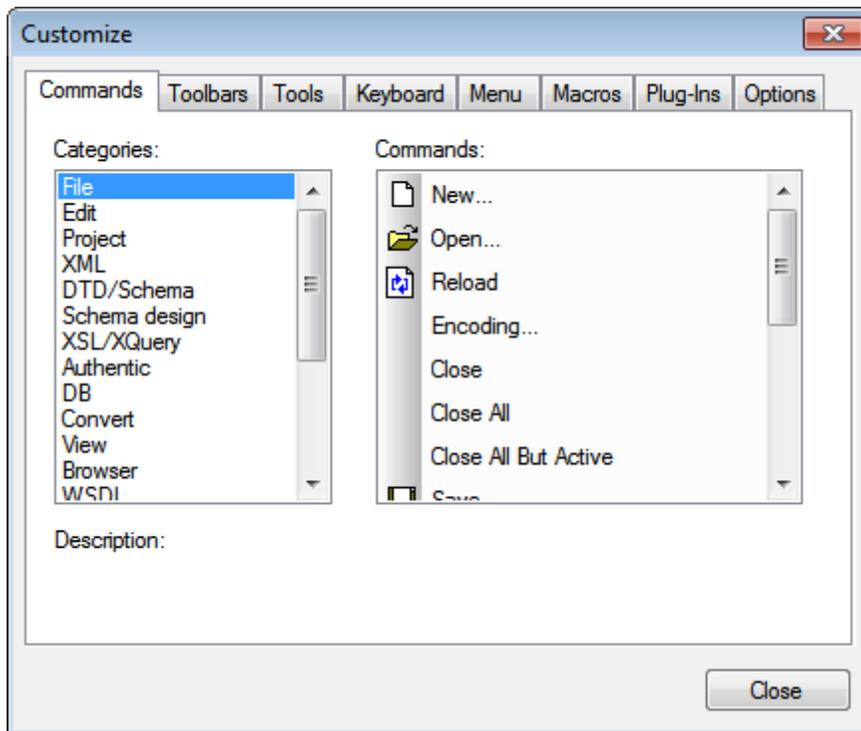


Given below is a summary of the most important settings. For details, see the description of the [Options dialog](#) in the User Reference section.

- *File types and default views:* In the File Types tab, you can add file types that XMLSpy will recognize. A file type is specified by a file extension. For each file type, you can then specify conformance to a particular standard (for example conformance to the DTD, XQuery, or JSON standard). This setting will switch on editing aids relevant to the standard selected for a particular file type. You can also specify in what XMLSpy view files of each file type should open (the default view for this file type).
- *File validation:* In the File tab (*screenshot above*), you can specify whether files should be validated automatically on opening and/or saving. In the File Types tab (*see previous bullet point*), file validation can then be disabled for specific file types.
- *Editing features:* In the Editing tab, you can specify how entry helpers should be organized, how new elements are generated, and whether auto-completion is enabled. Additional options are available for individual views in the View tab. In the Fonts tabs for various views, you can specify the font characteristics of individual node types in each of these views.
- *XSLT and FO Engines:* In the XSL tab, you can specify that an external XSL engine be used for transformations made from within the GUI. You must also specify the location of the FO processor executable to be used for FO processing within XMLSpy. For more information, see the [XSLT Processing](#) section.
- *Encoding:* Default encodings for XML and non-XML files are specified in the Encoding tab.

## Customization

You can also customize various aspects of XMLSpy, including the appearance of the GUI. These customization options are available in the Customize dialog (*screenshot below*, accessed via the menu command [Tools | Customize](#)).



The various customization options are described in the [User Reference](#) section.

## Menus

Menu commands are enabled/disabled depending upon three factors: (i) file type, (ii) active view, and (iii) current cursor location or current document status. For example:

- *File type:* The command **DTD/Schema | Include Another DTD** is enabled only when the active file is a DTD. Similarly, commands in the **WSDL** menu will be enabled only when a WSDL file is active.
- *Active view:* Most commands in the **Schema Design** menu will be active only when the active view is Schema View.
- *Current cursor location, document status:* In Grid View, whether the command to add an attribute as a child node (**XML | Add Child | Attribute**) is enabled will depend on whether the selected item in Grid View is an element or not (*current cursor location*). When an XSLT document is active the **Stop Debugger** command will not be active till after a debugger session has been started (*current document status*).

Note also that you can customize menus ([Tools | Customize](#)) as well as drag and reorganize them within the GUI (see [Menu Bar, Toolbars, Status Bar](#)).

## 1.2.2 Tutorials, Projects, Examples

The XMLSpy installation package contains tutorials, projects, and example files.

### Location of tutorials, projects, and example files

The XMLSpy tutorials, projects, and example files are installed in the folder:

```
C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\  
Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\
```

The `My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016` folder will be installed for each user registered on a PC within that user's `<username>` folder. Under this installation system, therefore, each user will have his or her own `Examples` folder in a separate working area.

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### Note about the master XMLSpy folder

When XMLSpy is installed on a machine, a master `Altova\XMLSpy2016` folder is created at the following folder location:

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C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Application Data\  

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When a user on that machine starts XMLSpy for the first time, XMLSpy creates a copy of this master folder in the user's `<username>\My Documents\` folder. It is therefore important not to use the master folder when working with tutorial or example files, otherwise these edited files will be copied to the user folder of a user who subsequently uses XMLSpy for the first time.

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### Location of tutorial, project, and examples files

All tutorial, project, and example files are located in the `Examples` folder. Specific locations are as follows:

- XMLSpy tutorial: `Tutorial` folder.
- Authentic View tutorial: `Examples` folder.
- WSDL tutorial: `Examples` folder.
- Project file: The `Examples` project with which XMLSpy opens is defined in the file `Examples.spp`, which is located in the `Examples` folder.
- Example files: are in the `Examples` folder and in sub-folders of the `Examples` folder.

## 1.2.3 XMLSpy Features and Help, and Altova Products

The Altova website, [www.altova.com](http://www.altova.com), has a wealth of XMLSpy-related information and resources. Among these are the following.

### XMLSpy feature listing

The Altova website carries an [up-to-date list of XMLSpy features](#), which also compares the support of various features across XMLSpy editions (Enterprise and Professional). On the website, you can also obtain a listing of features that are new since any previous release.

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### XMLSpy Help

This documentation is the Altova-supplied Help for XMLSpy. It is available as the built-in Help system of XMLSpy, which is accessible via the **Help** menu or by pressing **F1**. Additionally, the

user manuals for all Altova products are available in the following formats:

- [Online HTML manuals](#), accessed via the Support page at the Altova website
  - [Printable PDFs](#), which you can download from the Altova website and print locally
  - [Printed books](#) that you can buy via a link at the Altova website
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### **Support options**

If you require additional information to what is available in the user manual (this documentation) or have a query about Altova products, visit our [Support Center](#) at the Altova website. Here you will find:

- Links to our [FAQ pages](#)
  - [Discussion forums](#) on Altova products and general XML subjects
  - [Online Support Forms](#) that enable you to make support requests, should you have a support package. Your support request will be processed by our support team.
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### **Altova products**

For a list of all Altova products, see the [Altova website](#).

## 2 Editing Views

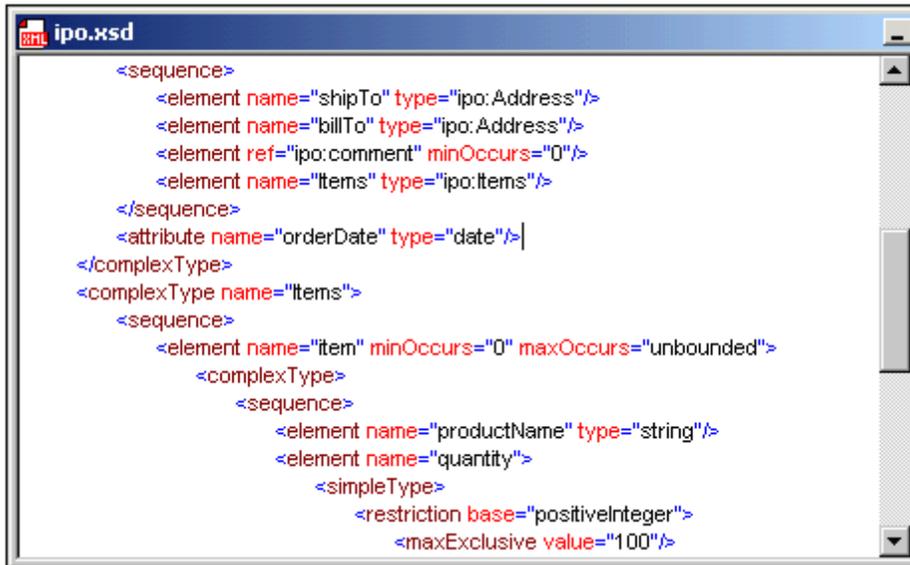
XMLSpy contains powerful editing views. In addition to a Text View with intelligent editing features, there are graphical views that greatly simplify the editing of documents. Depending on what type of document is currently active in XMLSpy, the Main Window will have one or more of XMLSpy's Editing Views. For example, when an Office Open XML file or ZIP file is active, the Main Window will contain just one editing view: Archive View. When an HTML document is active, there will be two editing views: Text View and Browser View. When an XML document is active, there will be seven editing views: Text View, Grid View, Schema View, WSDL View, XBRL View, Authentic View, and Browser View; of these Schema View will be enabled only for XML Schema documents, and WSDL View only for WSDL documents.

In this section, we describe the various editing views available in XMLSpy:

- [Text View](#)
- [Grid View](#)
- [Schema View](#)
- [WSDL View](#)
- [XBRL View](#)
- [Authentic View](#)
- [Browser View](#)
- [Archive View](#)

## 2.1 Text View

In Text View (*screenshot below*), you can type in the text of your document—both, markup and content—directly. Any text file, including non-XML documents (such as XQuery and HTML documents) can be edited in Text View. A number of features help you to quickly and accurately type in your document.

A screenshot of a text editor window titled 'ipo.xsd'. The window displays XML Schema Definition (XSD) code. The code is color-coded: elements are in blue, attributes in red, and text in black. The code defines a sequence of elements: 'shipTo' (type 'ipo:Address'), 'billTo' (type 'ipo:Address'), 'ipo:comment' (referenced), and 'items' (type 'ipo:items'). The 'items' element is a complex type containing a sequence of 'item' elements. Each 'item' is a complex type containing a 'productName' (string), a 'quantity' (simple type restricted to positive integers with a maximum exclusive value of 100), and an attribute 'orderDate' (date).

```
<sequence>
  <element name="shipTo" type="ipo:Address"/>
  <element name="billTo" type="ipo:Address"/>
  <element ref="ipo:comment" minOccurs="0"/>
  <element name="items" type="ipo:items"/>
</sequence>
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In this section, we describe general Text View features that are available for all kinds of documents. Specific document types, such as XML, XQuery, and CSS have certain type-specific features, which are described in the respective sections for those document types. For example, additional XML-specific features of Text View are described in the section [XML | Editing XML in Text View](#).

The general Text View features have been organized as follows:

- [Formatting in Text View](#) describes how the font properties, indentation, and word-wrapping of the document can be specified.
- [Document display](#) contains information about the line-numbering, bookmarking, expanding/collapsing of nodes, and other display-related features.
- [Editing in Text View](#) describes the features that are available while you edit, particularly the intelligent editing features.
- [Entry helpers](#) are the windows that provide context-sensitive data-entry options. For example, the elements or attributes that can be validly added at a given document location are displayed in an entry helper and any one of these options can be inserted by double-clicking it.

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### Switching to Text View

To open the Text View of a document, click the **Text** button at the bottom of the Document Window or select **View | Text View**.

## 2.1.1 Formatting in Text View

Text View offers a number of text formatting options. These are listed below.

### Fonts

The font-family, font-size, font-style, and text background-color can be customized separately for the following groups of documents: (i) generic XML documents (including HTML); (ii) XQuery documents; and (iii) CSS documents.

Text items in a document that have different semantics, can be colored differently. For example, you can color element names, attribute names, and element content differently. When you set different colors for different text items, the syntax-coloring feature is enabled. Text fonts are customized in the [Text Fonts tab of the Options dialog](#), and how to do this is described in the section, [User Reference | Options | Text Fonts](#) section of this documentation.

### Indentation

Well-formed XML documents can be pretty-printed. This means that the document can be formatted so that the hierarchical structure of the document is displayed using new lines and indentations (*see screenshot below*).



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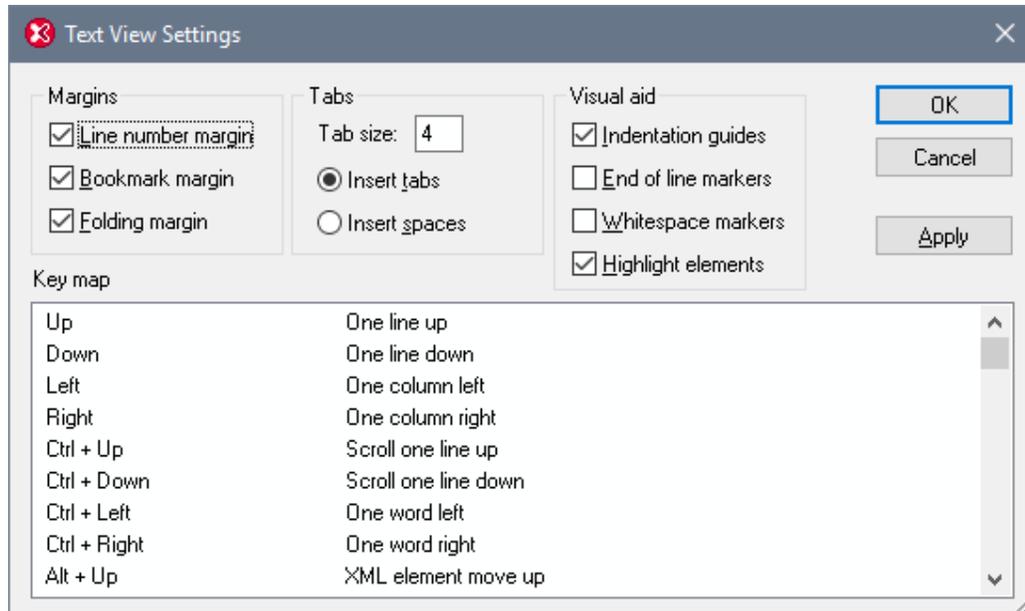
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    <Person>
      <First>Vernon</First>
      <Last>Callaby</Last>
      <Title>Office Manager</Title>
      <PhoneExt>582</PhoneExt>
      <EMail>v.callaby@nanonull.com</EMail>
      <Shares>1500</Shares>
      <LeaveTotal>25</LeaveTotal>
      <LeaveUsed>4</LeaveUsed>
      <LeaveLeft>21</LeaveLeft>
    </Person>
  </Department>
</Office>

```

To display the document in this way, you need to do the following:

1. In the View Tab of the Options dialog, check the Use Indentation option for pretty printing. This will cause the document to be pretty-printed with indents to indicate the hierarchical structure. Each deeper level will be displayed with a deeper indent than its parent element. If the Use Indentation option is not checked, every line in the document will start with a zero indent.
2. In the Text View Settings dialog ([View | Text View Settings](#); *screenshot below*), select

either Insert Tabs or Insert Spaces. This determines whether tabs or spaces will be used for indentation when the document is pretty-printed. If spaces are specified, each deeper level of the hierarchy is indented with an additional number of spaces as specified in the Tab Size setting of the Text View Settings dialog.



- Click the [Edit | Pretty-Print XML Text](#) command or the **Pretty Print** icon in the Text toolbar. This will cause the document text to be displayed (i) with or without indentation as specified in the View Tab of the Options dialog; and (ii) if indentation is specified in the View Tab of the Options dialog, then the the indentation is determined by the settings in the Tabs pane of the Text View Settings dialog. Clicking the Pretty Print command removes unnecessary leading or trailing whitespace.

**Note:** Pretty-printing is also used in the background when you save the document or switch views. If the document is not well-formed, you will get an error message to that effect. Correct the error and then pretty-print. The extent of indentation of a line is indicated by indentation guides, which are vertical dotted lines (*see screenshot at the start of this section*) that are toggled on and off with the Indentation Guides check box in the Visual Aid pane of the Text View Settings dialog (*see screenshot above*).

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### Using tabs and spaces for formatting

You can use tabs and spaces for formatting text, especially for non-XML documents, where the pretty-printing option is not available. When you press **Return** or **Shift+Return**, the cursor will jump to a position on the next line that corresponds to the starting position of the previous line.

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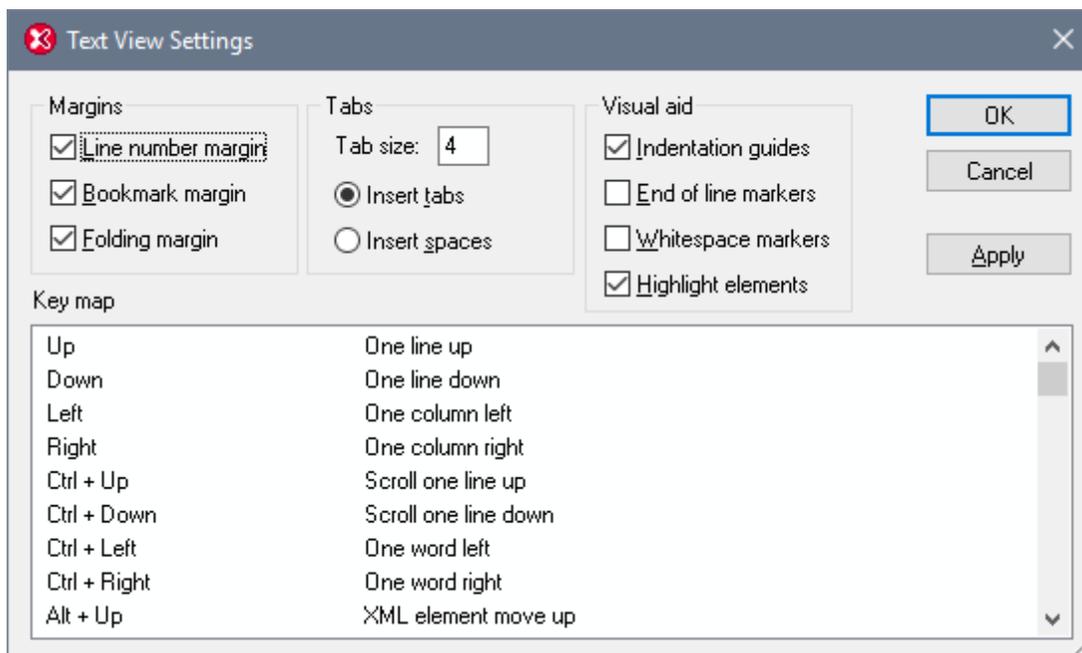
### Word-wrapping

Lines of text that are longer than the breadth of the Main Window can be made to wrap by toggling the [View | Word Wrap](#) command on; the corresponding icon is in the [Text toolbar](#).

## 2.1.2 Displaying the Document

Text View has visual features to make the display and editing of large sections of text easier. Some very useful features are: (i) [Line Numbers](#), (ii) [Bookmarks](#), (iii) [Source Folding](#) (expanding and collapsing the display of nodes), (iv) [Indentation Guides](#), and (v) [End-of-Line and Whitespace Markers](#). These commands are available in the Text View Settings dialog (*first screenshot below*) and the Text toolbar (*second screenshot below*).

The [Text View Settings dialog](#) is accessed via the **View | Text View Settings** command, the **Text View Settings** button in the Text toolbar, or the Text View context menu. Settings in the Text View Settings dialog apply to the entire application—not only to the active document.



Other useful features are the [Zooming](#) and [Go-to-Line/Character](#) features.

### Line numbers

Line numbers are displayed in the line numbers margin (*screenshot below*), which can be toggled on and off in the Text View Settings dialog (see screenshot above). When a section of text is collapsed, the line numbers of the collapsed text are also hidden. A related command is the [Go-to-Line/Character](#) command.

## Bookmarks

Lines in the document can be separately bookmarked for quick reference and access. If the bookmarks margin is toggled on, bookmarks are displayed in the bookmarks margin; otherwise, bookmarked lines are highlighted in cyan.

The bookmarks margin can be toggled on or off in the Text View Settings dialog (*screenshot above*).

You can edit and navigate bookmarks using commands in the **Edit** menu and Text toolbar. Bookmarks can be inserted with the **Edit | Insert/Remove Bookmark** command, enabling you to mark a line in the document for reference. A bookmark can be removed by selecting the bookmarked line and then selecting the **Edit | Insert/Remove Bookmark** command. To navigate through the bookmarks in a document, use the **Edit | Next Bookmark** and **Edit | Previous Bookmark** commands. These bookmark commands are also available as icons in the Text toolbar (*screenshot above*).

## Source folding

Source folding refers to the ability to expand and collapse nodes in XML, XQuery, JSON, and CSS documents. Nodes that can be expanded/collapsed are indicated in the source folding margin by a +/- sign (see *screenshot below*). The margin can be toggled on and off in the Text View Settings dialog (see *screenshot above*). In the screenshot below, notice that three nodes have been collapsed: the `shipTo` element and two `item` elements. When a node is collapsed, this is visually indicated by an ellipsis (marked in green in the screenshot below). If the mouse cursor is placed over an ellipse, the content of the collapsed node is displayed in a popup (marked in blue in the screenshot below). If the content is too large for a popup, this is indicated by an ellipsis at the bottom of the popup.

```

1  <?xml version="1.0"?>
2  <!-- edited with XMLSPY v2004 rel. 4 U (http://www.xmlspy.com) by Mr. Nobody
   (Altova GmbH) -->
3  <ipo:purchaseOrder xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
   xmlns:ipo="http://www.altova.com/IPO" orderDate="1999-12-01"
   xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.altova.com/IPO
4  .xsd">
5  <shipTo export-code="1" xsi:type="ipo:EU-Address">...</shipTo>
11 <billTo xsi:type="ipo:US-Address">
12   <ipo:name>Robert Smith</ipo:name>
13   <ipo:street>8 Oak Avenue</ipo:street>
14   <ipo:city>Old Town</ipo:city>
15   <ipo:state>AK</ipo:state>
16   <ipo:zip>95819</ipo:zip>
17 </billTo>
18 <Items>
19   <item partNum="833-AA">
20     <productName>Lapis necklace</productName>
21     <quantity>2</quantity>
22     <price>99.95</price>
23     <ipo:comment>Need this for the holidays!</ipo:comment>
24     <shipDate>1999-12-05</shipDate>
25   </item>
26   <item partNum="748-OT">...</item>
33   <item partNum="783-KL">...</item>
39 </Items>
40 </ipo:purchaseOrder>
41

```

The **Toggle All Folds** icon  in the Text toolbar toggles **all** nodes to their expanded forms or collapses all nodes to the top-level document element.

The following options are available when clicking on the node's +/- icon:

<b>Click [-]</b>	Collapses the node.
<b>Click [+]</b>	Expands the node so that descendant nodes are shown expanded or collapsed according to how they were before the node was collapsed.
<b>Shift+Click [-]</b>	Collapses all descendant nodes, but leaves the node that was clicked in its expanded form.
<b>Ctrl+Click [+]</b>	Expand the clicked node as well as all its descendant nodes.

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### Indentation guides

Indentation guides are vertical dotted lines that indicate the extent of a line's indentation (see *screenshot above*). They can be toggled on and off in the Text View Settings dialog.

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### End-of-line markers, whitespace markers

End-of-line (EOL) markers and whitespace markers can be toggled on in the Text View Settings dialog. The screenshot below shows these markers in the document display; each dot represents a whitespace.

```

5 ...<CompanyLogo href="nanonull.gif" /> EOL
6 ...<Name>Organization.Chart</Name> EOL
7 ...<Office> EOL
8 .....<Name>Nanonull, .Inc.</Name> EOL
9 .....<Desc> EOL

```

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### Zooming in and out

You can zoom in and out of Text View by turning the scroll-wheel of the mouse while keeping the **Ctrl** key pressed. This enables you to magnify and reduce the size of text in Text View. If you wish to increase the size of fonts, do this in the [Options dialog](#).

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### Go to line/character

This command in the **View** menu and Text toolbar enables you to go to a specific line and character in the document text.

## 2.1.3 Editing in Text View

The following text editing features are available in Text View generally for all document types. These features are in addition to common features of editing applications, such as **Cut**, **Copy**,

**Paste**, **Delete**, and **Select All** (which are available as commands in the **Edit** menu).

- [Syntax coloring](#)
- [Start-tag and end-tag matching](#)
- [Intelligent editing](#)
- [Auto-completion](#)
- [Moving siblings relative to each other](#)
- [Selecting an entire element](#)
- [Drag-and-drop and context menus](#)
- [Find and replace](#)
- [Unlimited undo](#)
- [Spelling check](#)

For some document types (such as [XML](#) and [XQuery](#)) additional specialized features are available, and these are described, respectively, in the sections that deal with those document types.

**Note:** For large files, Auto-completion and entry helpers can be disabled, thus enabling faster loading and editing. The threshold file size is specified by the user. For more details, see the reference section, [Options | Editing](#).

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### Syntax coloring

Syntax coloring is applied according to the semantic value of the text. For example, in XML documents, depending on whether the XML node is an element, attribute, content, CDATA section, comment, or processing instruction, the node name (and in some cases the node's content) is colored differently. Four groups of document type are distinguished: (i) generic XML (which includes HTML); (ii) XQuery; (iii) CSS; and (iv) JSON. The text properties (including color) of each group can be set in the Text Fonts tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).

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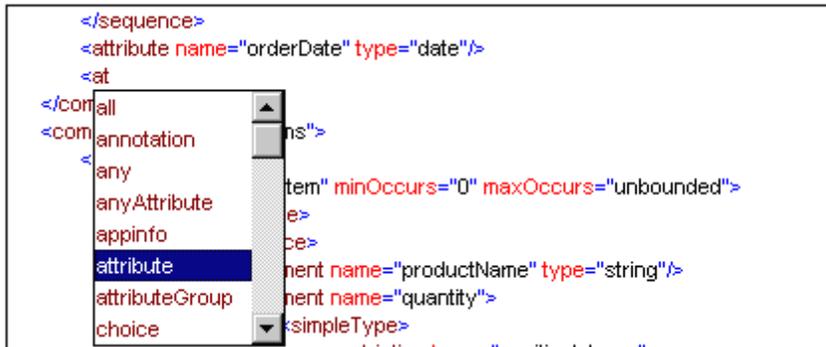
### Start-tag and end-tag matching

When you place the cursor inside a start or end tag of a markup element, pressing **Ctrl+E** moves the selection to the other member of the pair. Pressing **Ctrl+E** repeatedly enables you to switch between the start and end tags. This is an excellent aid to locating the start and end tags of an XML element. Additionally the [names of elements are highlighted in different colors](#) according to whether the names in the start and end tags match or not. This serves as a visual editing aid. Once you start typing in a start tag

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### Intelligent Editing

If you are working with an XML document based on a schema, XMLSpy provides you with various intelligent editing capabilities in Text View. These allow you to quickly insert the correct element, attribute, or attribute value according to the content model defined for the element you are currently editing. For example, when you start typing the start tag of an element, the names of all the elements allowed by the schema at this point are shown in a pop-up (*screenshot below*). Selecting the required element name and pressing **Enter** inserts that element name in the start tag.



Popup windows also appears in the following cases:

- When the cursor is inside the start tag of an element that has an attribute defined for it and the space bar is pressed. The popup will contain all available attributes.
- When the cursor is within the double-quotes delimiting an attribute value that has enumerated values. The popup will contain the enumerated values.
- When you type `</` (which signifies the start of a closing tag), the name of the element to be closed appears in the popup.
- When you wish to write an empty element as a single tag or convert an empty element of two tags to an empty element of one tag, type in the closing slash after the element name: `<element/`. An empty element with a single tag is created; if a close tag exists, it is removed: `<element/>`.

### Auto-completion

Editing in Text View can easily result in XML and other marked-up documents (such as HTML) that are not well-formed. For example, closing tags may be missing, mis-spelled, or structurally mismatched. XMLSpy automatically completes the start and end tags of elements, as well as inserts all required attributes as soon as you finish entering the element name on your keyboard. The cursor is also automatically positioned between the start and end tags of the element, so that you can immediately continue to add child elements or contents: `<img src="" alt=""> </img>`

XMLSpy makes use of the XML rules for well-formedness and validity to support auto-completion. The information about the structure of the document is obtained from the schema on which the document is based. (In the case of well-used schemas, such as HTML and XSLT, the schema information is built into XMLSpy.) Auto-completion uses not only information about the structure of the document, but also the values stored in the document. For example, enumerations and schema annotations in an XML Schema are actively used by the Auto-Completion feature. If, in the schema, values are enumerated for a particular node, then those enumerations will be displayed as auto-completion options when that node comes to be edited. Similarly, if, for a node, annotations exist in the schema, then these annotations are displayed when the node name is being typed in the document (*screenshot below*). (*First (given) name of person* is the schema annotation of the `First` element.)

```
<Person>
  <First
    <First First (given) name of person
  </First>
  <PhoneExt></PhoneExt>
  <EMail></EMail>
  <LeaveTotal></LeaveTotal>
  <LeaveUsed></LeaveUsed>
  <LeaveLeft></LeaveLeft>
</Person>
```

Auto-completion can be switched on and off in the [Editing tab of the Options dialog](#) (**Tools | Options | Editing**).

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### Moving sibling elements relative to each other

When the cursor is within an element, pressing **Alt+ArrowUp** or **Alt+ArrowDown** moves the selected element up or down relative to its siblings.

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### Selecting an entire element

When the cursor is within an element, pressing **Ctrl+Shift+E** selects the entire element.

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### Drag-and-Drop and Context Menus

You can also use drag-and-drop to move a text block to a new location, as well as right-click to directly access frequently used editing commands (such as [Cut](#), [Copy](#), [Paste](#), [Delete](#), [Send by Mail](#), and [Go to line/char](#)) in a context menu.

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### Find and Replace

You can use the [Find](#) and [Replace](#) commands to quickly locate and change text. These commands also take regular expressions as input, thereby giving you powerful search capabilities. (See [Edit | Find](#) for details.)

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### Unlimited Undo

XMLSpy offers unlimited levels of [Undo](#) and [Redo](#) for all editing operations.

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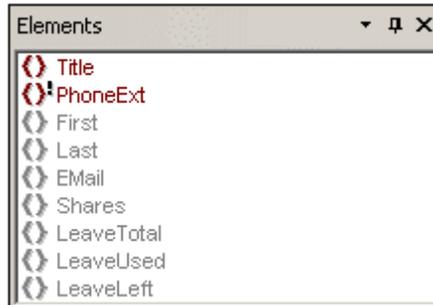
### Spelling check

In Text View, documents can be spellchecked with any of the built-in language dictionaries. A user dictionary can also be created and edited to allow words not contained in the language dictionary. For details, see the descriptions of the [Spelling](#) and [Spelling Options](#) commands.

## 2.1.4 Entry Helpers in Text View

What entry helpers are available in Text View depends upon the type of document being edited. A list of entry helpers is given below for the most common document types. The general use of entry helpers is [described below](#). Additional features for specific document types, if any, are described in the sections describing the respective document types.

- *XML*: Elements (*screenshot below*), Attributes, Entities



- *HTML*: Elements, Attributes, Entities
- *CSS*: CSS Outline, CSS Properties, HTML Elements
- *DTD*: None
- *XQuery*: XQuery Keywords, XQuery Variables, XQuery Functions
- *WSDL*: Overview, Details
- *Text*: Entities

Note that several document types, such as XSD, XSLT, XHTML, and RDF, are essentially XML documents and will therefore have the Elements, Attributes, and Entities entry helpers.

### Display and use of entry helper items

Different items in the various entry helpers are variously color-coded. These color codes are explained in the Entry Helpers documentation of the respective document types. In general, the following points should be noted about entry helpers:

- The entry helpers are context-sensitive and display items that may be inserted at that point.
- If the item has already been inserted at the selected (or at another equivalent and valid location) and may not be inserted again at that location (for example, an XML attribute), it is displayed in gray.
- If the item is mandatory, an exclamation mark icon is displayed next to it.
- To insert an entry helper item at the cursor selection point in the text, double-click the entry-helper item.
- When an element is inserted via the Elements entry helper, its start and end tags are inserted in the document text. Mandatory elements are also inserted if this option has been specified in the **Options** dialog (**Tools | Options | Editing**).
- When an attribute is inserted via the Attributes entry helper, the attribute is inserted at the cursor point together with an equals-to sign and quotes to delimit the attribute value. The cursor is placed between the quotes, so you can start typing in the attribute value directly.

**Note:** For large files, Auto-completion and entry helpers can be disabled, thus enabling faster loading and editing. The threshold file size is specified by the user. For more details, see the reference section, [Options | Editing](#).

## 2.2 Grid View

Grid View (*screenshot below*) shows the hierarchical structure of XML documents and DTDs through a set of nested containers, that can be easily expanded and collapsed to get a clear picture of the document's structure. In Grid View contents and structure can both be easily manipulated.

Company					
xmlns	http://my-company.com/namespace				
xmlns:xsi	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance				
xsi:schema...	http://my-company.com/namespace AddressLast.xsd				
Address					
xsi:type	US-Address				
Name	US dependency				
Street	Noble Ave.				
City	Dallas				
Zip	04812				
State	Texas				
Person (3)					
	Manager	Degree	Programmer	First	Last
1	false	MA	true	Alfred	Aldr
2	true	Ph.D	false	Colin	Cole
3	true	BA	false	Fred	Smif

A hierarchical item (such as the XML declaration, document type declaration, or element containing child elements) is represented with a gray bar on the left side containing a small upwards-pointing arrow at the top. Clicking the side bar [expands](#) or [collapses](#) the item. An element is denoted with the  icon, an attribute with the  icon.

### Display and navigation

- The contents of an item depend on its kind. For example, in the case of elements, the contents will typically be attributes, character data, comments, and child elements. Attributes are always listed and are ordered as in the input file. Following the attributes, items appear exactly in the order found in the source file. This order can be changed using drag-and-drop, and the change will also be implemented in the source data.
- If an element contains only character data, the data will be shown in the same line as the element and the element will not be considered hierarchical by nature. The character data for any other element will be shown indented with the attributes and potential child elements and will be labeled as "Text".
- If an element is collapsed, its attributes and their values are shown in the same line in gray. This attribute preview is especially helpful, when editing XML documents that contain a large number of elements of the same name that differ only in their contents and attributes (for example, database-like applications).
- The arrow keys move the selection bar in the grid view
- The + and – keys on the numeric keypad allow you to expand and collapse items.

### Customizing Grid View

- To resize columns, place the cursor over the appropriate border and drag so as to achieve the desired width.
- To resize a column to the width of its largest entry, double-click on the grid line to the right of that column.
- To adjust column widths to display all content, select the menu item [View | Optimal widths](#) command, or click on the Optimal widths icon .
- The heights of cells are determined by their contents. They can be adjusted with the menu option **Tools | Options | View | Grid View**, "Limit cell height to xx lines".

**Please note:** If you mark data in Grid View and switch to Text View, that data will be marked also in Text View.

### Intelligent editing

Grid View enables intelligent editing when the XML document is based on a schema. See [Editing in Grid View](#) for details. The Entry Helpers used in Grid View are described below.

### Grid View tables

Grid View allows you to display recurring elements in a [table](#) (Grid View tables). This function is available for any type of XML file: XML, XSD, XSLT, etc.

## 2.2.1 Editing in Grid View

When editing an XML document based on a schema (DTD or XML Schema), Grid View provides intelligent editing features based on information gathered from the schema. These features are listed below.

### Inserting or appending element or attribute names

To insert or append an element or attribute relative to a selected item, you can use either commands in the XML menu or icons in the **Attributes and Elements Toolbar**



If this toolbar is not visible, select the menu option **Tools | Customize**, and, in the **Toolbars** tab, check the **Attr & Elem** entry. For a detailed explanation of how to use the toolbar icon commands and XML menu commands, see the [XML Menu](#) section.

To insert or append an element or attribute:

1. Select the item relative to which the element or attribute is to be inserted or appended.
2. Click on the appropriate icon in the Attributes and Elements toolbar, or select the appropriate command from the [XML menu](#) (**Insert**, **Append**, or **Add Child**). This creates a new entry in the grid and opens a popup with available element or attribute options.
3. Select the desired element or attribute from the popup, and either click or press **Enter**. Alternatively, you can type in the name of the desired element or attribute.

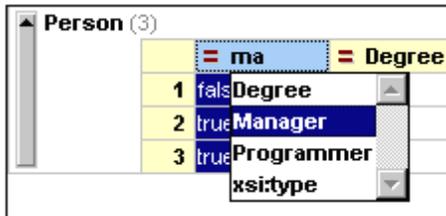
You will notice that the various [Entry Helpers](#) are constantly updated depending on the current selection in the Grid View. The [Info Window](#) constantly shows important information regarding the selected element or attribute.

### New lines and tabs in Grid View

To enter a new line in a Grid View cell, press **Ctrl+Enter**. To enter a tab, press **Ctrl+Tab**.

### Editing an element or attribute name

When you edit the name of an element or attribute, a popup menu containing the available options opens. These options depend on the position of the element and the content model defined by the schema. A similar popup is displayed if the contents of an element or attribute are restricted by an enumeration or choice of some sort.



To edit an element or attribute name:

1. Double-click the element or attribute name. A popup with the available options appears.
2. Select the required element or attribute from the popup menu.
3. Accept the selection by hitting **Return** or clicking the name. (**Esc** causes the change to be abandoned.)

### Adding namespace prefixes

The [XML | Namespace Prefix](#) command enables a namespace prefix to be added to the selected node in Grid View and all its descendant element or attribute elements. The namespace will have to be declared separately.

### Grid View context menu

In addition to the commands available through the various menus and toolbars, Grid View also provides a context menu that contains the most frequently used commands collected from several menus in one convenient place. To open the context menu, right-click the item for which you wish to perform an action.

### Spelling check

In Grid View, documents can be spellchecked with any of the built-in language dictionaries. A user dictionary can also be created and edited to allow words not contained in the language dictionary. For details, see the descriptions of the [Spelling](#) and [Spelling Options](#) commands.

### XML Validation

User input in Grid View can be partially validated. Enumeration and pattern errors in attribute values, for example, will be picked up. But adding a child element to an element that can take only text will not be flagged as an error. To ensure that an XML document is valid, switch to Text View and validate.

## 2.2.2 Grid View Tables

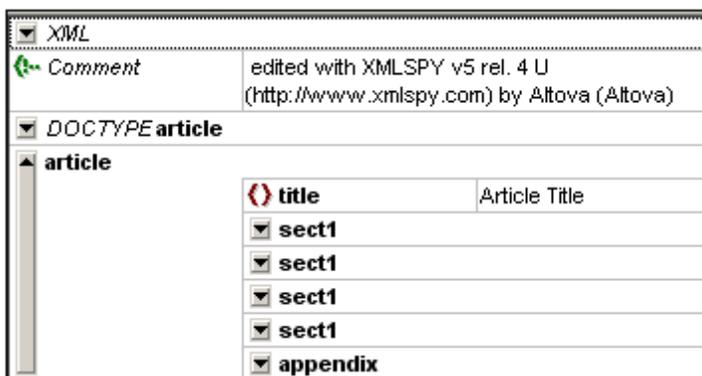
**Table View** is integrated in the Grid View and allows you to view recurring elements in table form. Table View is different from the normal Grid View in that it creates a column for each child-type of the element displayed as a table. You can then modify properties for entire columns or selections. For instance, consider the following XML document:

```

1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <!-- edited with XMLSPY v5 rel. 4 U (ht
3  <!DOCTYPE article SYSTEM "C:\Program Fi
4  <article>
5     <title>Article Title</title>
6     <sect1>
7         <title>Section 1</title>
8         <simpara/>
9     </sect1>
10    <sect1>
11        <title>Section 2</title>
12        <para/>
13    </sect1>
14    <sect1>
15        <title>Section 3</title>
16        <para/>
17        <para/>
18    </sect1>
19    <sect1>
20        <title>Section 4</title>
21        <para/>
22    </sect1>
23    <appendix>
24        <title/>
25        <para/>
26    </appendix>
27 </article>

```

The document element is `article`, and `article` has the following sequence of child elements: one `title` element, four `sect1` elements, and one `appendix` element. Each `sect1` and `appendix` element has one `title` element followed by any number of `para` or `simpara` elements. The normal Grid View of this document is as follows:



Now here is the Table View of this document—more correctly, that of the `article` element. (To get this view: select the `article` element in normal Grid View (by clicking on it) and click the **Display as Table** icon . Alternatively, select the menu item **XML | Table | Display as Table (F12)**.)

	title	sect1	appendix
1	Article Title	sect1	appendix
		sect1	
		sect1	
		sect1	

Notice that each child element of `article` (the element displayed as a table)—that is, `title`, `sect1`, and `appendix`—has been assigned a column and that each occurrence of each child-type is listed in the appropriate column. Note also that the table structure extends only to the child level (the `sect1` elements themselves are not displayed as a table). In order to display `sect1` elements as a table, select any of the `sect1` elements in the `sect1` column, and click . The `sect1` elements are now displayed in a table (see screenshot below): each of their child elements is assigned a column in the `sect1` table.

	title	simpara	para
1	Section 1		
2	Section 2		para (1)
3	Section 3		para (2)
4	Section 4		para (1)

In each column, if a child element (`title`, `simpara`, or `para`) exists for one of the four occurrences of `sect1`, then that cell has a white background (e.g. `simpara` in the first `sect1`). If a child does not exist for an occurrence then the corresponding cell has a gray background (e.g. `para` in first `sect1`). It should be apparent, therefore, that columns were assigned by taking a union of all child elements of all `sect1` occurrences, and creating a column for each unique child-type.

**Note:** Attributes are also considered child nodes, and columns are also created for attributes. You can switch between normal Grid View and Table View by selecting the desired element and clicking or **F12**. If you are viewing the document in Table View and you switch to Text View, when you switch back to Grid View the document will display in normal Grid View.

### Manipulating table data

You can manipulate table data in the following ways:

- Drag-and-drop column headers to move columns.
- Sort column data for text nodes using the menu command [XML | Table | Ascending Sort](#) (also **Descending Sort**).
- Append (or insert) rows using the menu command [XML | Table | Insert Row](#) (also **Append Row**).

### Moving data between Table View and external applications

You can take advantage of the table structure of data in Table View to exchange data between Table View and a spreadsheet application. To move data from Table View to another application, select the required nodes in the table and use the [Copy as Structured Text](#) option to copy/paste the data directly into, say, an Excel sheet. (You can select nodes in Table View by clicking the cells themselves, column headers, row headers, or the entire table. If you click the entire table or column headers, then the text of the column headers is also copied; otherwise it is not.)

	partNum	productName	quantity	price	shipDate	ipo:comment
1	833-AA	Lapis necklace	2	99.95	1999-12-05	Need this for the holidays!
2	748-OT	Diamond heart	1	248.90	2000-02-14	Valentine's day packaging.
3	783-KL	Uncut diamond	7	79.90	2000-01-07	
4	238-KK	Amber ring	3	89.90	2000-01-07	With no inclusions, please.
5	229-OB	Pearl necklace	1	4879.00	1999-12-05	
6	128-UL	Jade earring	5	179.90	2000-02-14	

The screenshot above shows six `item` elements displayed as a table in Table View, with two rows selected. To copy these two rows into an Excel sheet, copy them as structured text, and paste them into an Excel sheet. The result will be as shown below. For more details, see the description of the menu command [Copy as Structured Text](#) in the user reference section.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	238-KK	Amber ring	3	89.9	01/07/2000	With no inclusions, please.
2	229-OB	Pearl necklace	1	4879	12/05/1999	
3						
4						

Data exchange works in both ways. So you can copy data from any spreadsheet-like application and insert it directly into a table in Table View. Do this as follows:

1. Select a range in the external application and copy it (to the clipboard, in Windows systems with **Ctrl+C**)
2. Select a single cell in Table View of your XML document.
3. Paste the copied data with **Ctrl+V**.

The data will be pasted into the table in XMLSpy with a cell structure corresponding to the original structure and starting from the cell selected in Table View. The following points need to be noted:

- If data already exists in these cells in Table View, the new data overwrites the original data.
- If more rows are required to accommodate the new data, these are created.
- If more columns are required to accommodate the new data, these are **not** created.
- The data in the cells becomes the contents of the elements represented by the respective cells.

For more complex data exchange tasks, XMLSpy also offers a set of unique conversion functions that let you directly [import or export XML data](#) from any text file, Word document or database.

### 2.2.3 Entry Helpers in Grid View

#### Elements Entry Helper

In Grid View, the Elements Entry Helper has three tabs: Append, Insert, and Add Child. The **Append** tab displays elements that can be appended after all the siblings of the current element; the **Insert** tab displays all elements that can be inserted before the current element; and the **Add Child** tab displays those elements you can insert as a child of the current element.



To insert an element, select the appropriate tab and double-click the required element. Note that mandatory elements are indicated with an exclamation mark. Siblings of allowed elements that cannot themselves be inserted at the cursor point are unavailable.

**Please note:** In the **Options** dialog (**Tools | Options | Editing**), you can specify that mandatory child elements are inserted when an element is inserted.

#### Attributes Entry Helper

The Attributes Entry Helper displays a list of available attributes for the element you are currently editing. Mandatory attributes are indicated with an exclamation mark "!" before the name of the attribute. If an attribute has already been entered for that element, that attribute is shown in gray.



- To use the attributes in the Append and Insert tabs, select, in Grid View, an existing attribute or an element that is a child of the attribute's parent element, and double-click the required attribute in the Entry Helper.
- To use the attributes in the Add Child tab, select the attribute's parent element in Grid View and double-click the required attribute in the Entry Helper.

**Please note:** Existing attributes, which cannot legally be added to the current element a second time, are shown in gray.

#### Entities Entry Helper

The Entities Entry Helper displays all parsed or unparsed entities that are declared inline or in an external DTD. If a text node or attribute node is selected in Grid View, the Add Child tab will

appear empty—because, by definition, such nodes cannot have any children.

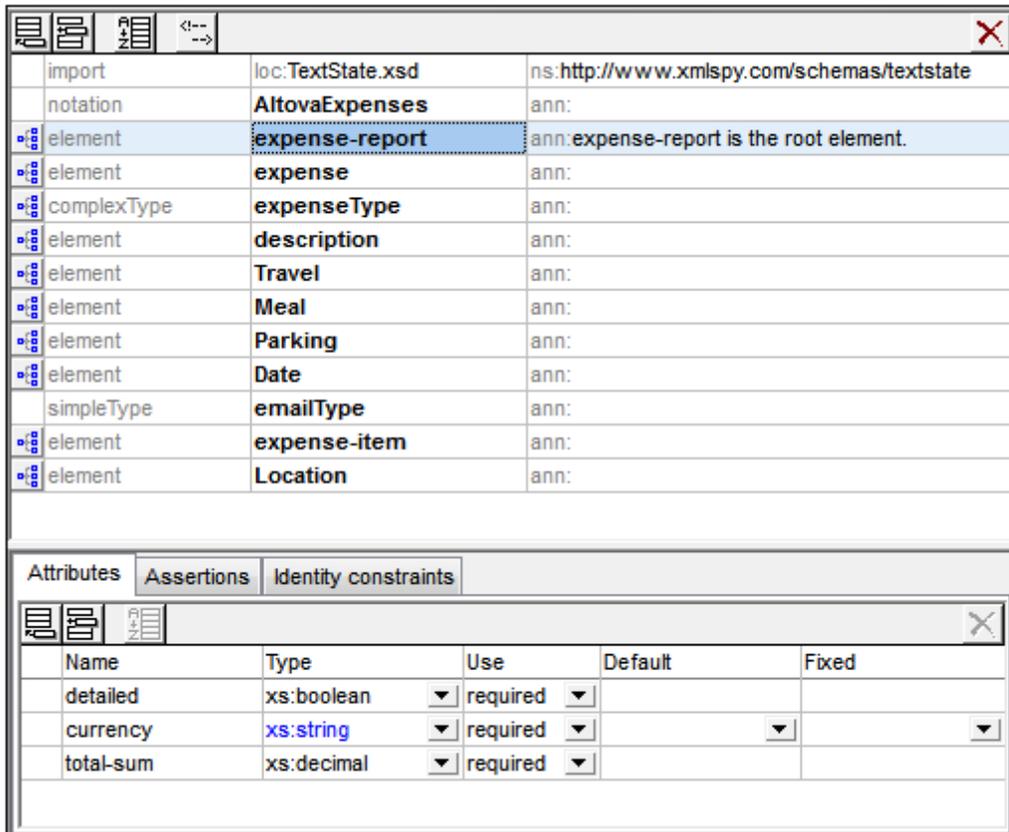
To use the cursor to insert an entity in Grid View, place the cursor at the required position in a text field or select the required field; then select the appropriate tab, and double-click the entity. Note the following rules:

- If the cursor is placed within a text field (including an attribute value field), the entity is inserted at the cursor insertion point.
- If an element with a text-only child (i.e. `#PCDATA` or `simpleType`) is selected but the cursor is not placed in the text field, then any existing text content **is replaced** by the entity.
- If a non-text field is selected, then the entity is created as text at a location corresponding to the Entry Helper tab that you select.

**Please note:** If you add an internal entity, you will need to save and reopen your document before the entity appears in the Entities Entry Helper.

## 2.3 Schema View

XML Schemas can be viewed and edited graphically in Schema View (*screenshot below*). The graphical interface enables you to build schemas quickly and accurately using typical GUI features. Schema View has two panes: (i) an upper pane for designing the structural relationships between schema components; and (ii) a lower pane for definitions related to the component selected in the upper pane. There are also three entry helpers that greatly facilitate the creation of valid schemas: the Components, Details, and Facets entry helpers.



### Upper pane: schema design

The upper pane of Schema View can be switched between two views:

- [Schema Overview](#) displays all global components of the schema (such as global elements and complex types) in a simple tabular list ([see screenshot](#)). By clicking the icon of a global component you can switch to the Content Model View of that global component. Note that not all global components can have a content model (for example, simple types).
- [Content Model View](#) displays the content model of the selected global component ([see screenshot](#)). To return to Schema Overview, click the Show Globals icon at the top left of the upper pane.



*Switch to Content Model View:* Available for global components that have a content model. Opens the global component's content model in [Content Model View](#).



*Show Globals*: Available in Content Model View. Switches to [Schema Overview](#).

### Lower pane: Attributes, Assertions, and Identity Constraints

The lower pane of Schema View ([see screenshot](#)) contains tabs for the definitions of [Attributes](#), [Assertions](#), and [Identity Constraints](#) of the component selected in the design (upper pane). We call this pane the AAIDC pane for short.

- In XSD 1.0 mode, the lower pane has two tabs: (i) [Attributes](#), and (ii) [Identity Constraints](#).
- In XSD 1.1 mode, the lower pane has three tabs: (i) [Attributes](#), (ii) [Assertions](#), and (iii) [Identity Constraints](#).

The AAIDC pane is always present in Schema Overview and may be present in Content Model View. In Content Model View, all three types of definitions (attributes, assertions, IDCs) can be displayed in the diagram instead of in the AAIDC pane. To do this, toggle the respective Schema Design toolbar buttons on: (i) **Display attributes in diagram**, (ii) **Display assertions in diagram**, and (iii) **Display identity constraints in diagram**. Alternatively, you can specify these preferences in the Schema Display Configuration dialog ([Schema Design | Configure View](#)). When all the definition-types of the AAIDC pane are displayed in the diagram, the lower pane will no longer be visible in Content Model View.

### Schema settings

The Schema Settings dialog ([Schema Design | Schema Settings](#)) is accessed from Schema View and lets you define global settings for the active schema. These settings are the attributes of the `xs:schema` element.

### Organization of this section

This section is organized into the following sub-sections

- [XSD Mode: XSD 1.0 or 1.1](#): Select between the two editing modes
- [Schema Overview](#): Edit the properties of global components
- [Content Model View](#): Edit the content models of individual global components
- [Attributes, Assertions, and Identity Constraints](#): Define these particular properties of components
- [Entry Helpers](#): Use these to quickly define various properties of components
- [Smart Restrictions](#): Graphically create and edit derived types from base types
- [Using xml: prefixed attributes](#): Add the `base`, `id`, `lang`, and `space` attributes graphically to schema components
- [Back and Forward: Moving through Positions](#) explains a Schema View feature that enables you to move through previously viewed positions

### Connecting to SchemaAgent

From XMLSpy you can also connect to SchemaAgent in order to display components from other schemas in the GUI and to use these components in the schema being currently edited. How to work with SchemaAgent in XMLSpy is described in the section [Working with SchemaAgent](#).

### Find in schemas

The Find in Schemas features enables intelligent searches in schemas, i.e., searches that are restricted by various schema-related criteria. For example, searches may be restricted to certain component types, thus making the search more efficient. Find in Schemas is described in the [DTDs and XML Schemas section](#).

## 2.3.1 XSD Mode: XSD 1.0 or 1.1

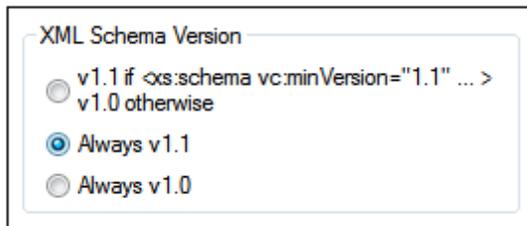
In Schema View you can select whether the XML Schema (XSD) should be edited and validated according to the XML Schema 1.0 specification (XSD 1.0) or the XML Schema 1.1 specification (XSD 1.1). The **XSD mode** that is used for editing a file is based on two settings: one in the application, the other in the XSD document.

### Selecting XSD mode

The XSD mode determines the Schema View editing and validation features (XSD 1.0 or 1.1) available for the active document. You can either: (i) make an application-wide setting, in which case all XSD documents in Schema View will be edited in the selected mode, or (ii) you can save the XSD version number in the XSD document and let the application automatically select the XSD mode according to this information.

### Application-wide mode

The application-wide setting is made in the File tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**, see [screenshot below](#)). If you select the *Version 1.0* or *Version 1.1* radio button, then the selected mode becomes the application-wide mode. All XML Schema documents opened in Schema View will now be edited in this mode. (If you select the *v1.1 if <xs:schema vc:minVersion="1.1" ... >* *v1.0 otherwise* setting, the mode will depend on information in the document and will not be application-wide. See [Document-specific mode](#) and the other sections below for information about this.)

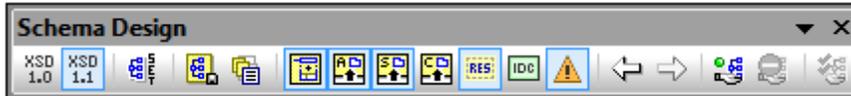


You can switch between the two application-wide modes (*Version 1.0* and *Version 1.1*) at any time by selecting the option you want in the XML Schema Version setting of the Options dialog ([screenshot above](#)).

**Note:** If the current setting is an application-wide setting and you switch modes using the **XSD 1.0** or **XSD 1.1** button in the Schema Design toolbar (see [next section](#)), the mode switch will be temporary, and the mode will revert to the application-wide mode when the document is reloaded. A reload happens each time the view is changed or when Schema View is refreshed (via **File | Reload**).

### Document-specific mode

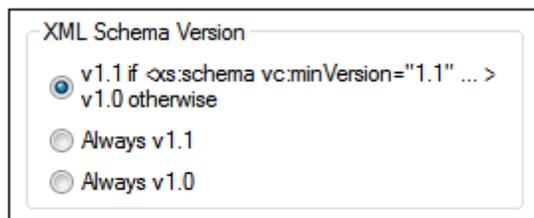
You can also choose to save the XSD mode information in the XSD document itself. This would enable Schema View to automatically switch to the document's XSD mode when the document is loaded. You can add XSD mode information to an XSD document by clicking the **XSD 1.0** or **XSD 1.1** button in the Schema Design toolbar (*screenshot below*). On doing this, the selected mode is saved in the `vc:minVersion` attribute of the top-level `xs:schema` element. (The value of the `vc:minVersion` can also be added manually in Text View.)



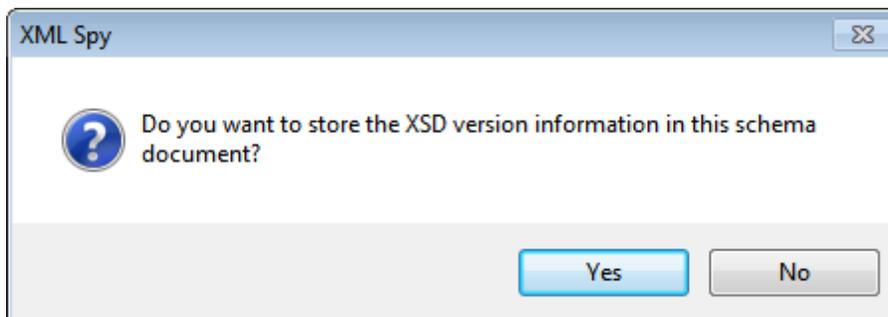
**Note:** The `vc:minVersion` attribute, if present, must be in the namespace `http://www.w3.org/2007/XMLSchema-versioning`. In this case, the XML Schema document must have a namespace declaration binding the `vc:` namespace prefix to this namespace. If you use the **XSD 1.1** toolbar button (*screenshot above*), the namespace is added automatically. Clicking the **XSD 1.0** or removes this namespace declaration if no other node name in the document is in this namespace.

To activate the document-specific mode and specify a document's XSD mode, do the following:

1. *Activate document-specific mode:* In the File tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**), set the XML Schema Version option to *v1.1 if <xs:schema vc:minVersion="1.1" ... > v1.0 otherwise* (see *screenshot below*). This indicates to XMLSpy that the XSD mode in Schema View should be set according to the `vc:minVersion` attribute of the `xs:schema` element.



2. *Specify the document's XSD version:* In the Schema Design toolbar (*screenshot above*), click the **XSD 1.0** or **XSD 1.1** button. A confirmation dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up.



3. Clicking **Yes** results in the following: (i) enters the corresponding value in the `vc:minVersion` attribute of the `xs:schema` element, and (ii) if **XSD 1.1** was selected, declares the `XMLSchema-versioning` namespace with a binding to the `vc:` namespace prefix; if **XSD 1.0** was selected, the namespace declaration is removed if no other node

is in the `XMLSchema-versioning` namespace. The XML Schema document now contains the XSD version number. On saving the file, the XSD mode information is saved with it. When you reopen or reload the file, Schema View will automatically switch to the document's XSD mode as contained in the `vc:minVersion` attribute of the `xs:schema` element.

**Note:** If the document-specific mode option is selected, and if the XSD document has no `vc:minVersion` attribute or the value of the `vc:minVersion` attribute is other than 1.0 or 1.1, then Schema View defaults to XSD 1.0 mode.

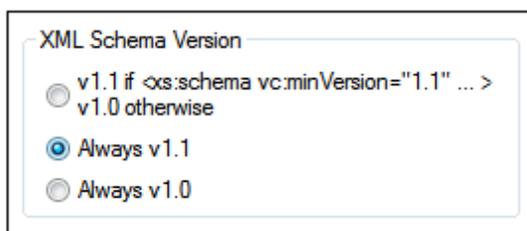
**Note:** Don not confuse the `vc:minVersion` attribute with the `xsd:version` attribute. The former holds the XSD version number, while the latter hold the document version number.

### XSD mode of new documents

When you create a new XSD document you will be prompted about whether you wish to create it as an XSD 1.0 or XSD 1.1 document. If XSD 1.1 is selected, the new document is created with the attribute `/xs:schema/@vc:minVersion="1.1"` and the `XMLSchema-versioning` namespace with a binding to the `vc:` namespace prefix is declared. If XSD 1.0 is selected, then neither the `vc:minVersion` attribute nor the `XMLSchema-versioning` namespace declaration is added. However, which XSD mode is actually enabled in Schema View depends also on the XML Schema Version selected in the File tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**). See the next section for details about how these two settings interact.

### The enabled XSD mode

The XSD mode that is enabled in Schema View depends on both (i) the presence/absence—and, if present, the value—of the `/xs:schema/@vc:minVersion` attribute of the XSD document, and (ii) the XML Schema Version option selected in the File tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**, *screenshot below*).



The following situations are possible. *XML Schema Version* in the table below refers to the selection in the XML Schema Version pane shown above. The `vc:minVersion` values in the table below refer to the value of the `xs:schema/@vc:minVersion` attribute in the XML Schema document.

XML Schema Version	<code>vc:minVersion</code> attribute	XSD mode
<i>Always v1.0</i>	Is absent, or is present with any value	1.0
<i>Always v1.1</i>	Is absent, or is present with any value	1.1
<i>Value of @vc:minVersion</i>	Attribute has value of 1.1	1.1

Value of <code>@vc:minVersion</code>	Attribute is absent, or attribute is present with a value other than 1.1	1.0
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**Note:** In the situations described in the first two rows, it is possible that an XSD 1.1 schema is opened in XSD 1.0 mode and vice versa. The inconsistencies will be handled as described further below.

### XSD mode features

The interface and editing features of Schema View will change according to which XSD mode (XSD 1.0 or XSD 1.1) is enabled.

If **XSD 1.0 mode** is enabled:

- Editing support for new XML Schema 1.1 components and properties is not available. However, if XSD 1.1 components or properties are already present in the XSD document, these will be displayed and will be available for deletion.
- Validation is performed against the XSD 1.0 specification. So, if an exclusively XSD 1.1 component or property (already) exists in the schema, a validation error is reported.

If **XSD 1.1 mode** is enabled, editing support is provided for all features of XML Schema 1.1. Validation is with respect to the XML Schema 1.1 specification.

### Handling of XSD 1.1 features in XSD 1.0 mode

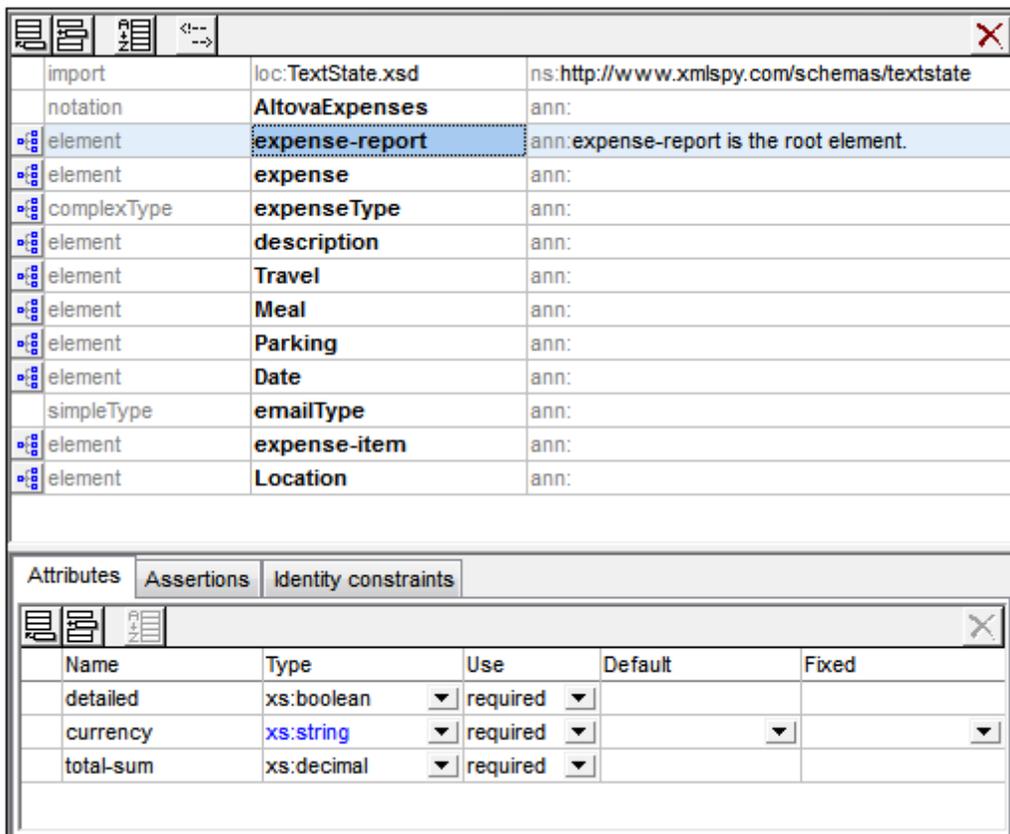
If an XSD 1.1 feature that is not supported in XSD 1.0 is present in the document (for example, an assertion), how such a feature is displayed and handled in XSD 1.0 mode is described below.

- **Assertions:** If at least one assertion is present on the selected simple type, the *Assertions* tab is present in the Facets entry helper. No editing is possible except for deletion of the assertion.
- **Asserts:** The assertion is displayed in the diagram of the complex type if present. No Assertions tab is available in the AAIDC pane. Assertion cannot be added via context menu. No editing of properties is possible except for deletion.
- **Attributes:** New property `inheritable` is displayed if present. No editing is possible except for selecting the empty value (this is effectively a removal of properties).
- **Complex types:** The new property `defaultAttributesApply`, if present, is displayed in the Details entry helper. No editing is possible except for selecting the empty value (this is effectively a removal of properties).
- **Documentation:** New XSD 1.1-specific components and properties are not included in Schema View documentation.
- **Facets:** Unknown facets cause validation errors and are displayed in red.
- **Find in schemas:** New XSD 1.1-specific components and properties are ignored.
- **Identity constraints (IDCs):** The property `isRef` is displayed in case of reference and can be switched off. It will be switched off as soon as the IDC's name is modified.
- **Multiple substitution groups:** Combo box to select single substitution group (only single substitution groups allowed in XSD 1.0).

- **Open content:** Displayed in diagram if present. Cannot be added via context menu. No editing is possible except for deletion. Default Open Content is not displayed within complex types.
- **Override:** Displayed in globals grid if present. Cannot be added via menu. No editing (of location) is possible except for deletion. Overriding components (that is, children of `xs:override`) are ignored and will not be included in the Components entry helper.
- **Schema settings:** New properties `defaultAttributes` and `xpathDefaultNamespace` are displayed in dialog if present. No editing is possible except for selecting the empty value (this is effectively a removal of properties).
- **Simple types:** Unknown types cause validation errors and are displayed in red.
- **Type Alternatives:** Displayed in diagram if present. Cannot be added via context menu. No editing (of properties) is possible except for deletion.
- **Wildcards:** New properties displayed if present. No editing is possible except for the selection of empty value (effectively a removal of properties).

### 2.3.2 Schema Overview

Schema Overview (*screenshot below*) displays a list of all the global components of the schema (`import` elements, global elements, complex types, etc).



You can insert, append, or delete global components, as well as modify their properties. To modify properties, select the global component in the Schema Overview list. Depending on what kind of global component it is, its properties can be edited in the [Details entry helper](#), the [Facets](#)

[entry helper](#), and/or the [Attributes/Assertions/Identity Constraints \(AAIDC\) pane](#).

A global component that can have a content model has a **Switch to Content Model View** icon to its left in the global components list. Clicking this icon switches to the [Content Model View](#) of that component, where the content model of that component can be edited.

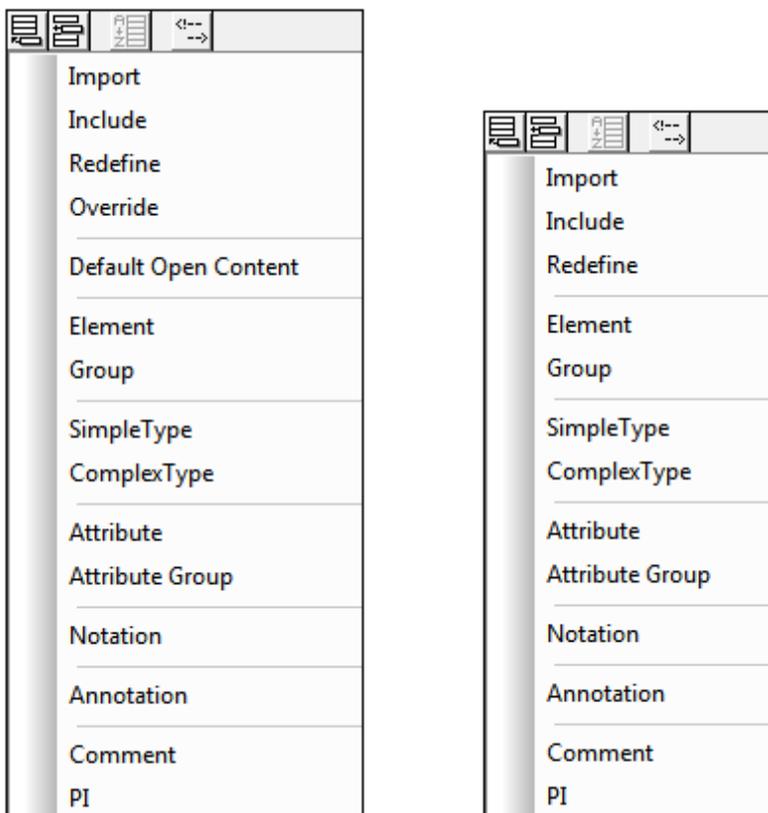
-  *Switch to Content Model View:* Available for global components that have a content model. Opens the global component's content model in [Content Model View](#).
-  *Show Globals:* Available in Content Model View. Switches to [Schema Overview](#).

In this section, we first describe the [GUI mechanisms](#) of Schema Overview, then describe the particulars of the various [global components](#).

## GUI Mechanisms

Global components are added as children of the top level `xs:schema` element. Add a global component by clicking the **Append** icon or **Insert** icon at the top left of the upper pane (see *list of icons further below*), and then selecting, from the global components menu (*screenshots below*), the global component you want to add.

The screenshots below show the global components that can be added: XSD 1.1 mode on the left, XSD 1.0 mode on the right. (*Override* and *Default Open Content* are XSD 1.1 features.)



You can add as many global components as you like. All the global components in the schema are displayed in a tabular list in Schema Overview (*screenshot below*).

import	loc:TextState.xsd	ns:http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/textstate	
notation	<b>AltovaExpenses</b>	ann:	
element	<b>expense-report</b>	ann:expense-report is the root element.	
element	<b>expense</b>	ann:	
complexType	<b>expenseType</b>	ann:	
element	<b>description</b>	ann:	
element	<b>Travel</b>	ann:	
element	<b>Meal</b>	ann:	
element	<b>Parking</b>	ann:	
element	<b>Date</b>	ann:	
simpleType	<b>emailType</b>	ann:	
element	<b>expense-item</b>	ann:	
element	<b>Location</b>	ann:	

### Editing in Schema Overview

Note the following editing features of Schema Overview:

- You can reposition components in the Schema Overview list using drag-and-drop.
- You can navigate using the arrow keys and **Tab** key of your keyboard.
- You can use cut/copy-and-paste to copy or move global components, attributes, assertions, and identity constraints from one diagram to a different position in the diagram, to other diagrams, and from one schema to another.
- Right-clicking a component opens a context menu that allows you to cut, copy, paste, delete, or edit the annotation data of that component.
- To enter a new line in global comments and global annotations, press **Ctrl+Enter**. To enter a tab, press **Ctrl+Tab**.

### Schema Overview and related icons



*Append Global Component:* Adds global components to the bottom of the global components list. If the component must, by definition, occur at the beginning of the document, it is added to the top of the list.



*Insert Global Component:* Adds global components above the selected component. If the component must, by definition, occur at the beginning of the document, it is added to the top of the list.



*Sort:* Pops up the Sort Components dialog, in which the precedence of sort criteria can be set (name before kind, or vice versa), before going ahead with the sorting. See *description below*.



*Comments:* Pops up a menu to select between multi-line and single-line display of global comments. See *description below*.



*Switch to Content Model View:* Available for global components that have a content model. Opens the global component's content model in [Content Model View](#).



*Show Globals*: Available in Content Model View. Switches to [Schema Overview](#).

### Switching between Schema Overview and Content Model View

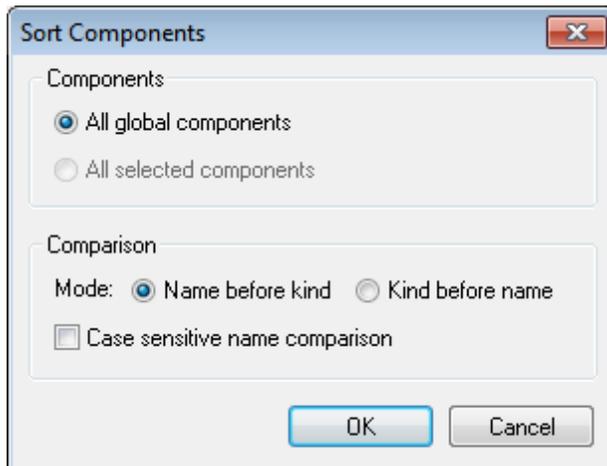
Some global components (such as complex types, element declarations, and model groups) have a **Switch to Content Model View** icon to the left of the component name (see *list of icons above*). This indicates that these global components can have a content model which describes the component's structure and contents.

Clicking this icon switches the view from Schema Overview to the [Content Model View](#) of that global component. Other global components (such as annotations, simple types, and attribute groups) do not have a content model, and therefore do not have the **Switch to Content Model View** icon. You can switch back to Schema Overview from Content Model View by clicking the **Show Globals** icon (see *list of icons above*).

### Sorting global components

You can sort global components by clicking the **Sort** icon in the Schema Overview toolbar (see *list of icons above*). In the Sort Components dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), you can choose to sort either all sortable global components, or the set of selected components. You can use **Shift**+click to select a range and **Ctrl**+click to add additional components to the selection.

**Note:** Global components that must occur at the start of the document (such as `include` and `import`) are not affected by the sorting feature. They are not part of the range of global components that may be sorted.



After setting the range you can choose to sort the sortable range alphabetically (*Name before kind*), or organized first by kind and then by name.

The sort order is implemented in the text of the schema.

### Global comments: line display mode

Global comments can be displayed in a multi-line text field (default) or a single-line text field (see *screenshots below*).

element	<b>Desc</b>
comment	This is the first line of this comment. This is the second line. This is the third line.
element	<b>para</b>

element	<b>Desc</b>
comment	This is the first line of this comment.
element	<b>para</b>

To switch between these two display modes of comments, click the **Comments** icon at the top of the Schema Overview pane and select the option you want. Within the text of a comment, if you wish to create a new line (and so make the comment a multi-line comment), press **Ctrl+Enter**. When comments are in single-line text-field display mode, placing the cursor over a multi-line comment pops up a multi-line box that displays all the lines.

## Global Components

Global components are those that are added as children of the top-level `xs:schema` element (as opposed to local components, which are created within other components). Some global components, such as complex types, elements and attributes can be referenced by other components in the schema.

### Creating global components in Schema Overview

Global components are typically created and edited in [Schema Overview](#). In Schema Overview, they are added via the [Append or Insert icons](#). The content model of a global component (if the global component can have one, see *table below*) is created and edited in the [Content Model View](#) of that global component. (Click the **Switch to Content Model View** icon to the left of a component's name to go to [Content Model View](#).)

Some global components, on being created in Schema Overview, are also added to the [Components entry helper](#). If a component has a content model, double-clicking its name in the Components entry helper will open the content model for editing in [Content Model View](#).

**Note:** You can also create some global components (elements, attributes, simple types, complex types, and model groups) while editing in Content Model View. Right-click anywhere in the window and select **New Global | < Type of Global Component >**.

**Note:** While editing in Content Model View, you can make a local element a global element—or a global complex type if the element has an element or attribute child. Select the local element, right-click anywhere in the window, and select **Make Global | Element** or **Make Global | Complex type**.

Global component	Location in Schema	Content Model
include	Beginning	No

<code>import</code>	Beginning	No
<code>redefine</code>	Beginning	No
<code>override</code> <sup>1.1</sup>	Beginning	No
<code>defaultOpenContent</code> <sup>1.1</sup>	After Includes, Imports, Redefines Overrides; before any other	Yes
<code>element</code>	Anywhere after <code>defOpenCont</code>	Yes
<code>group</code>	Anywhere after <code>defOpenCont</code>	Yes
<code>simpleType</code>	Anywhere after <code>defOpenCont</code>	No
<code>complexType</code>	Anywhere after <code>defOpenCont</code>	Yes
<code>attribute</code>	Anywhere after <code>defOpenCont</code>	No
<code>attributeGroup</code>	Anywhere after <code>defOpenCont</code>	No
<code>notation</code>	Anywhere after <code>defOpenCont</code>	No
<code>annotation</code>	Anywhere after <code>defOpenCont</code>	No
<i>Comment</i>	Anywhere	No
<i>Processing instruction</i>	Anywhere	No

Given below are key points about editing these components in Schema View.

### **Includes, Imports, Redefines, and Overrides**

These four global components allow other schema documents to be reused within the current schema document.

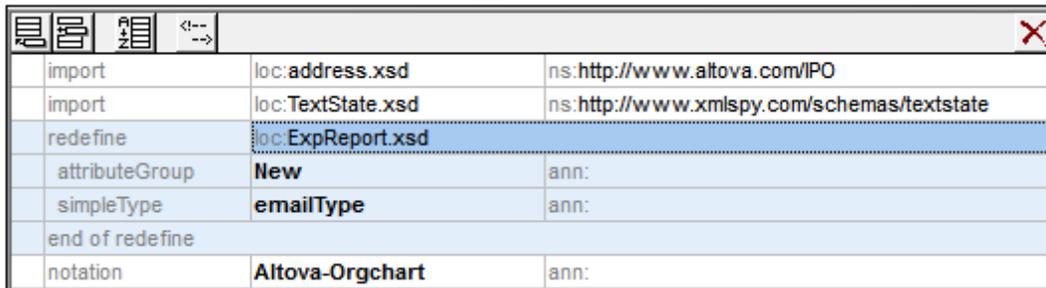
- Includes reuse documents that have the same target namespace as that of the current document.
- Imports reuse documents that have other target namespaces as that of the current document.
- Redefines and Overrides are types of Includes in that they have the same target namespace as the current document. They, however, modify parts of the included schemas. Redefines are a 1.0 feature and are deprecated in 1.1. Overrides, which are a 1.1 feature, are more flexible and have been designed to replace Redefines in 1.1.

All four have a `schemaLocation` attribute that points to the schema to be reused. In Schema View, when you double-click in the `loc` field of these components, you can browse for the file to reuse and set its path relative to the current document. The `import` component additionally has a `namespace` attribute that holds the target namespace of the imported schema.

When a schema is reused in the current schema document (via includes, imports, redefines, or overrides), its global components, namespaces, and identity constraints are displayed in the [Components entry helper](#) of the current document.

### **Redefines**

In a `redefine` component, you can modify complex types, simple types, model groups and attribute groups. The component to be redefined will be in the schema specified in the `loc` field of the `redefine` component (in the screenshot below the components to be redefined are in the schema `ExpReport.xsd`). After a `redefine` component is added, you must add the component to be redefined into a position between the `redefine` and `end of redefine` rows of the global components list (see screenshot below, where the components `New` and `emailType` are redefined). These two components exist in the schema `ExpReport.xsd` and are being redefined for the current schema.



Component Type	Location (loc)	Namespace (ns)
import	loc:address.xsd	ns:http://www.altova.com/IPO
import	loc:TextState.xsd	ns:http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/textstate
redefine	loc:ExpReport.xsd	
attributeGroup	New	ann:
simpleType	emailType	ann:
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notation	Altova-Orgchart	ann:

To redefine a component, do the following:

1. Select the `end of redefine` row.
2. Click the **Insert** icon in the top left of Schema Overview.
3. Select the kind of component you wish to define (complex type, simple type, model group or attribute group). The component is added within the `redefine` component.
4. Give it the same name as the component you wish to redefine. The component will now have all the properties of the component from the schema that is being reused.
5. Redefine the component by selecting it and modifying its properties in the Details and Facets entry helpers, or by modifying its content model in Content Model View (if it has a content model).

**Note:** You might also be able to insert the components to be redefined as follows: either from elsewhere in the global components list or from the Components entry helper, using drag-and-drop or copy-paste.

Redefined components can be referenced by other components in the schema.

## Overrides

In an `override` element you can define the following components: complex types, simple types, global elements, global attributes, model groups, attribute groups, and notations. If, within an `override` element, one of these components is defined, then this component will replace, in the overridden schema, all components of the same kind that have the same name as the overriding component. The overridden schema is specified in the `loc` field of the `Override`.

Overrides differ from Redefines (see above) in that they are components defined from scratch and not based on any reused component. In Schema View, you add components for overriding similarly to how you add components for redefining. Insert the overriding component above the `end of override` row and then define its properties. See the 'Redefine' section above. The main difference between an `Override` and a `Redefine` is that when a component is added to an `Override`, it is not based on any component from the reused schema.

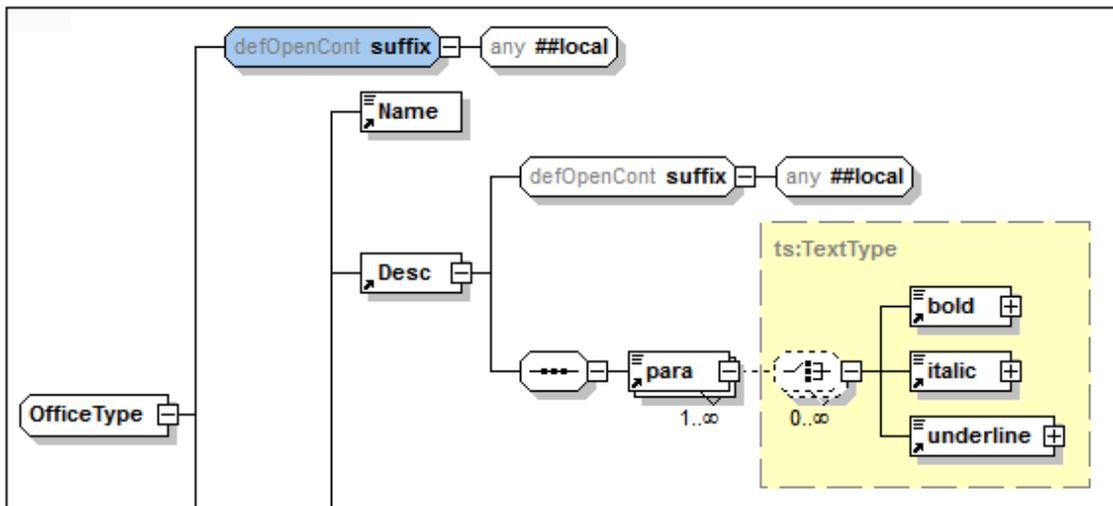
### Default open content

The `defaultOpenContent` element is new in XSD 1.1 and specifies that one or more undefined elements can be added to any complex type of mixed or element-only content. It is similar to the `openContent` element (also new to XSD 1.1), the main difference being that while the `openContent` element applies to a single complex type, the `defaultOpenContent` element applies to all complex types in the schema.

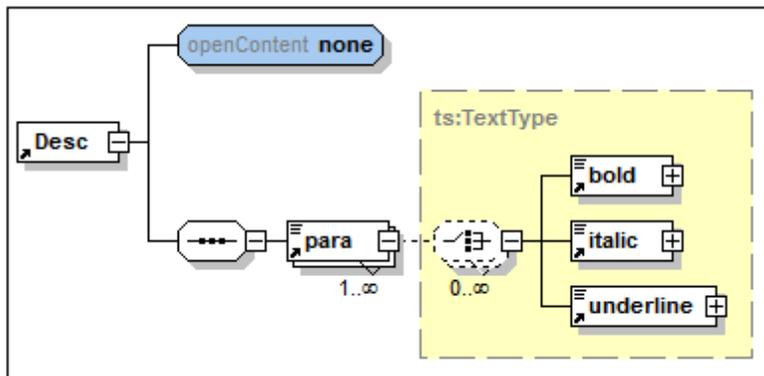
The `defaultOpenContent` element occurs once in the document (see screenshot below), after Includes, Imports, Redefines, and Overrides, and before the definitions of components. It has a `mode` attribute which can take a value of either `interleave` or `suffix`. The default is `interleave`.

import	loc:address.xsd	ns:http://www.altova.com/IPO
import	loc:TextState.xsd	ns:http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/textst:
defaultOpenContent	suffix	ann:
notation	Altova-Orgchart	ann:
complexType	DivisionType	ann:
element	OrgChart	ann:

The `defaultOpenContent` element has a content model that you can edit in Content Model View. Once declared, the `defaultOpenContent` element will apply to all complex types in the schema. In the screenshot below, you can see that the `defaultOpenContent` has been applied automatically to the `OfficeType` and `Desc` complex types.



To override the `defaultOpenContent` element when it is applied to a particular complex type, add a child `openContent` element to that complex type. In the screenshot below, the `Desc` element with the `defaultOpenContent` element (see screenshot above) has had an `openContent` element added to it that overrides the `defaultOpenContent` element.



### Global elements (element)

In Schema Overview, you can create a global element. If the global element is to have a content model, then this is defined in the Content Model View of the global element. With the element selected in either view, you can define [attributes](#), [assertions](#), and [identity constraints](#) in the respective tabs of the [AAIDC pane](#). Facets and other properties can be defined in the element's [Facets](#) and [Details](#) entry helpers. Global elements can then be referenced by complex types.

### Model groups (group)

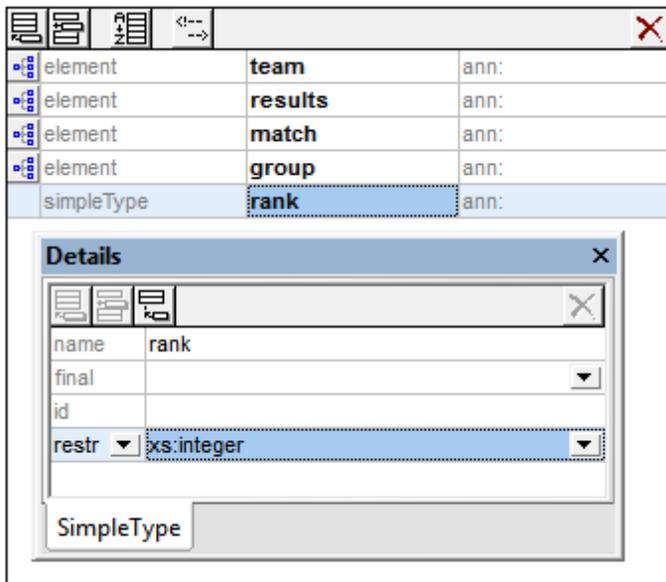
In Schema Overview, you can create named model groups that can then be referenced in complex types. A named model group (the `xs:group` element) allows you to predefine a content model that can be reused. It can contain one of three kinds of child model group: a `sequence` group, a `choice` group, or an `all` group.

You create a named model group in Schema Overview by adding a Group component, giving it a name, and then defining its content model in Content Model View. The named model group can then be added to the content model of a complex type.

### Named simple types (simpleType)

In Schema Overview you can create named simple types (see *screenshot below*), which can then be referenced in element and attribute declarations.

In the Details entry helper you specify the content of the simple type (`restriction`, `list`, `union`) and the corresponding type: respectively, the base type, item type, and member type. In the screenshot below, for example, the base type of the simple type's restriction is `xs:integer`. See the [Details entry helper section](#) for more information. To restrict a simple type with facets, use the options in the [Facets entry helper](#).



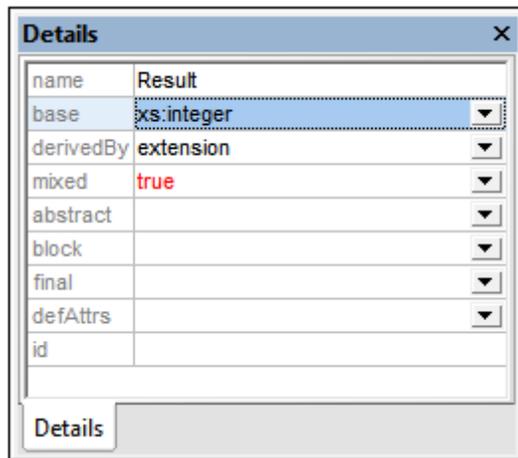
**Note:** Anonymous types can be declared on an element or attribute of simple content in either [Schema Overview](#) or [Content Model View](#). When you set the `derivedBy` property (in the Details entry helper) to `restriction`, `list` or `union`, you create an anonymous simple type within that element or attribute declaration. You can define restriction facets (in the Facets entry helper) and other properties in the Details entry helper.

### Named complex types (`complexType`)

In Schema Overview you can create named complex types, which can then be referenced in element declarations. With the named complex type selected in either view, you can define its [attributes](#) and [assertions](#) in the respective tabs of the [AAIDC pane](#).

A complex type can have four types of content (*see list below*). You specify the various types of content in the Details entry helper as described below and, if desired (and allowed), a content model in [Content Model View](#).

- *Simple content:* Set the base type of the simple content (*see screenshot below*). The `mixed` attribute (for mixed content) must have a value of `false` (the default value); this is why `true` in the screenshot below is displayed in red. No content model is allowed.



- *Element-only content*: Create child elements in the content model diagram. There will be no base type.
- *Mixed content*: The `mixed` attribute must be set to `true`. Character data can be present anywhere in the element among child element nodes. The character data does not have any datatype, so there must be no base type (see *screenshot above*). Child elements can be created in the content model diagram.
- *Empty content*: The element will have neither character data nor child elements. There must be no base type and `mixed` must be false. Data in empty-content elements is typically stored in attributes.

**Note:** Attributes and assertions can be set ( in the [AAIDC pane](#)) on all four types of content.

**Note:** Anonymous complex types are created within an element by creating a content model for that element in [Content Model View](#).

### Global attributes and attribute groups (`attribute`, `attributeGroup`)

Global attributes and attribute groups are added in Schema Overview.

- Properties of a **global attribute** are defined in the attribute's Details entry helper.
- After creating a **global attribute group**, you can add attributes to the group as follows: (i) Select the global attribute group in the global components list; (ii) Add attributes in the Attributes tab of the [AAIDC pane](#); and (iii) Define the properties of each attribute in the Details entry helper of the selected attribute.

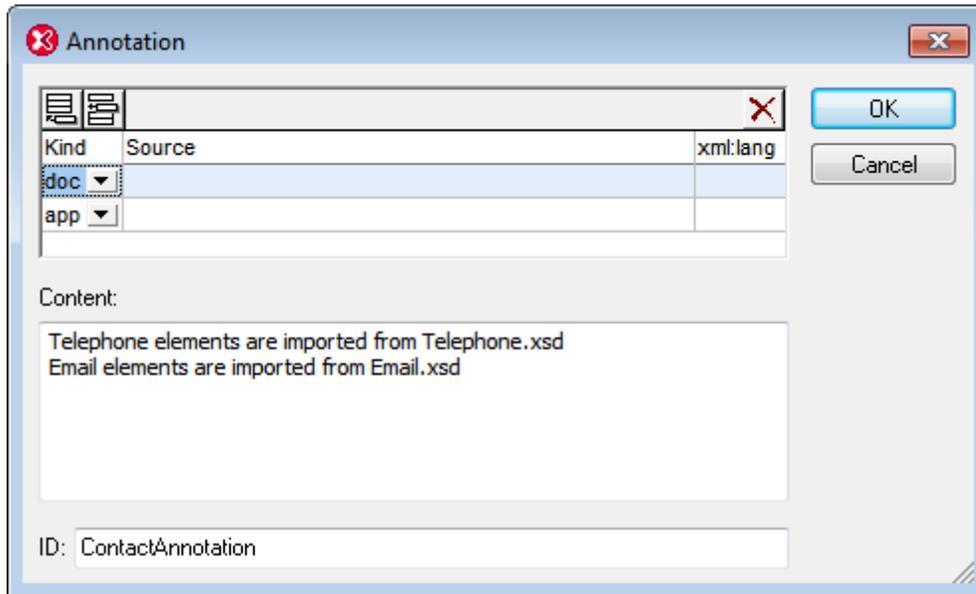
After global attributes and attribute groups have been created, they can be referenced in the declarations of elements and complex types.

### Notations (`notation`)

Notations are always global; there are no local notations. The properties of a notation are specified in the Details entry helper of the notation. The notation's name can be specified directly in the global components list. All notations in the schema are displayed in the Components entry helper for ease of reference.

### Global annotations

Global annotations are global components and are not the same as the optional annotations that are available for some global components. You can edit a global annotation in the Annotation dialog (*screenshot below*), which is accessed by right-clicking the Annotation global component and selecting **Whole Annotation Data**.



Each annotation can have an `id` attribute and multiple child `documentation` and/or `appinfo` elements. You can add `documentation` or `appinfo` elements by clicking the **Append** or **Insert** buttons at the top left of the dialog and then selecting the `doc` or `app` item from the respective combo boxes. Select a `doc` or `app` item in the top pane of the dialog and enter its content in the *Content* pane. If you wish to create a new line in the content (and so make the content multi-line content), press **Enter**. In the screenshot above, the `documentation` element is selected and can be seen to have two-line content. For each `documentation` or `appinfo` element, you can also enter optional `source` and `xml:lang` attributes.

In Schema Overview, only the first `documentation` or `appinfo` element of the global annotation is displayed and can be edited directly in the global components list. If that content is multi-line, placing the cursor over it reveals all the lines in a multi-line popup box. To display or edit the contents of the other `documentation` and/or `appinfo` elements, go to the Annotation dialog of that global annotation.

element	<b>Date</b>	ann: Dates are in US format
element	<b>Location</b>	ann:
annotation	Addresses will come from the EuroCust database.	

**Note:** The optional annotations that are available for some global components can also be edited via the Annotation dialog in exactly the same way as for global annotations as described above.

### Comments and processing instructions

Comments and processing instructions can be inserted anywhere in the global components list in Schema Overview. They cannot be added in Content Model View. If one or more comments or processing instructions are present within simple types or complex types, they are collected and moved to the end of the enclosing object. It is therefore recommended that you use annotations instead of comments in such cases.

### 2.3.3 Content Model View

A content model is a description of the structure and content of a component. The following components can have content models:

- Complex types
- Elements
- Model groups
- Default open content

They are indicated in the global components list in [Schema Overview](#) with a **Switch to Content Model View** icon to the left of the component name.



*Switch to Content Model View:* Available for global components that have a content model. Opens the global component's content model in [Content Model View](#).

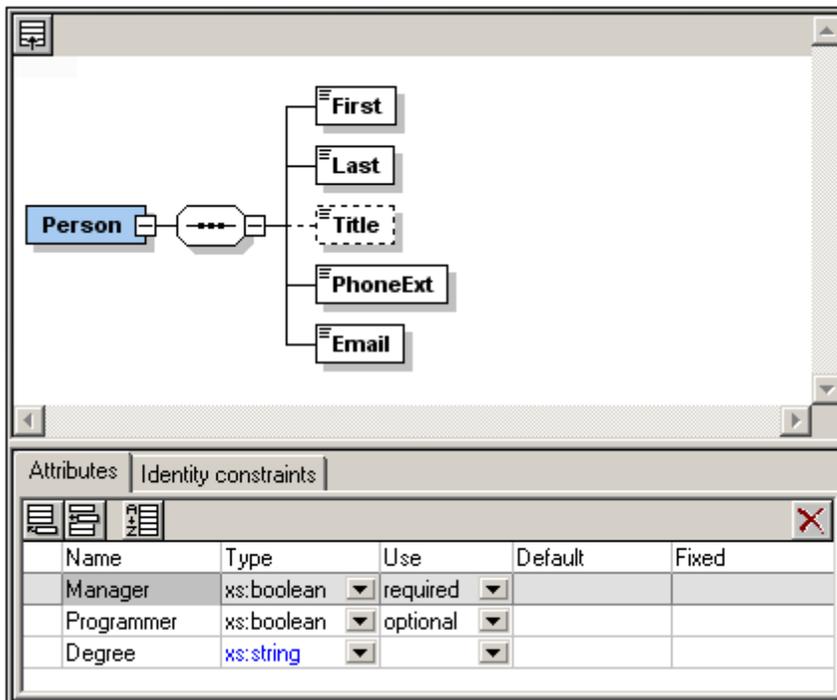


*Show Globals:* Available in Content Model View. Switches to [Schema Overview](#).

Clicking on the **Switch to Content Model View** icon opens the Content Model View for that global component (*see screenshot below*). Alternatively, in [Schema Overview](#): (i) select a component and then select the menu option **Schema Design | Display Diagram**, or (ii) double-click on a component's name in the [Components entry helper](#). Note that only one content model in the schema can be open at a time. When a content model is open, you can jump to the content model of a component within the current content model by holding down **Ctrl** and double-clicking the required component.

#### General description of Content Model View

The content model is displayed in the Content Model View as a tree (*see screenshot below*). You can configure the appearance of the tree in the Schema Display Configuration dialog (menu item [Schema Design | Configure view](#)).



Note the following:

- Objects in the content model tree are of two types: compositors and components. Additionally, attributes, assertions, identity constraints, and open content can be shown in boxes attached to the component.
- Each level in the tree is joined to adjacent levels with a compositor. The content model can extend an unlimited number of layers deep.
- An object can be added relative to another object via the latter's context menu (accessed by right-clicking the latter object).
- Components in the content model can be local components or can reference global components.
- Drag-and-drop functionality enables objects to be moved around.
- Keyboard shortcuts can be used to copy (**Ctrl+C**) and paste (**Ctrl+V**) objects.
- The properties of an object can be edited in the Details entry helper and in the [AAIDC pane](#).
- The attributes, assertions, and identity constraints of a component are displayed in a pane below Content Model View, the [AAIDC pane](#). Attributes and identity constraints can also be displayed in the Content Model diagram instead of in the [AAIDC pane](#). This viewing option can be set in the [Schema Display Configuration dialog](#). Alternatively, you can use the three **Display in Diagram** buttons of the Schema Design toolbar (*screenshot below*).



- Sibling components can be sorted by selecting them, right-clicking, and selecting the **Sort Components** command from the context menu. You can prioritize by one of two sort criteria: (i) local name, and (ii) component kind.

These features are explained in detail in the subsections of this section and in the tutorial.

To return to [Schema Overview](#), click the **Show Globals** icon or select the menu option **Schema design | Display All Globals**.

## Content Model Objects

In Content Model View, the objects shown in the diagram are best organized in three broad groups:

- [Compositors](#): (i) sequence, (ii) choice, (iii) all
- [Components](#): (i) element, (ii) complex type, (iii) model group, (iv) wildcard
- [Miscellaneous](#): (i) attribute, (ii) attribute group, (iii) assertion, (iv) constraint, (v) open content

The graphical representations of these objects are described individually below.

### Compositors

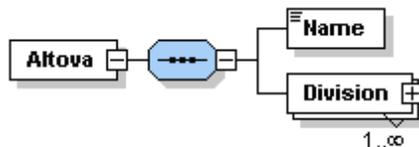
A **compositor** defines the order in which child elements occur. There are three compositors: *sequence*, *choice*, and *all*.

To insert a compositor:

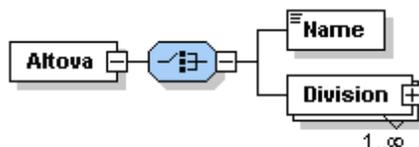
1. Right-click the element to which you wish to add child elements
2. Select **Add Child | Sequence** (or **Choice** or **All**).

The compositor is added, and will look as below:

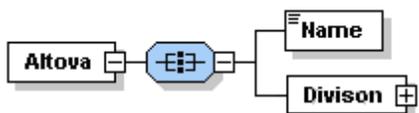
- **Sequence**



- **Choice**



- **All**



To change the compositor, right-click the compositor and select **Change Model | Sequence** (or

**Choice or All).** After you have added the compositor, you will need to add child element/s or a model group.

### Components

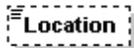
Given below is a list of components that are used in content models. The graphical representation of each provides detailed information about the component's type and structural properties.

- Mandatory single element



*Details:* The rectangle indicates an element and the solid border indicates that the element is required. The absence of a number range indicates a single element (i.e. `minOcc=1` and `maxOcc=1`). The name of the element is `Country`. The blue color indicates that the element is currently selected; (a component is selected by clicking it). When a component is not selected, it is white.

- Single optional element



*Details:* The rectangle indicates an element and the dashed border means the element is optional. The absence of a number range indicates a single element (i.e. `minOcc=0` and `maxOcc=1`). Element name is `Location`.

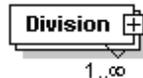
*Note:* The context menu option **Optional** converts a mandatory element into an optional one.

- Mandatory multiple element



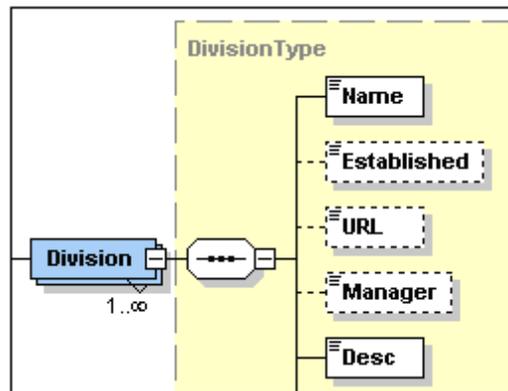
*Details:* The rectangle indicates an element and the solid border indicates that the element is required. The number range `1..5` means that `minOcc=1` and `maxOcc=5`. Element name is `Alias`.

- Mandatory multiple element containing child elements

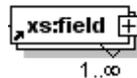


*Details:* The rectangle indicates an element and the solid border indicates that the element is required. The number range `1..infinity` means that `minOcc=1` and `maxOcc=unbounded`. The plus sign means complex content (i.e. at least one element or attribute child). Element name is `Division`.

*Note:* The context menu option **Unbounded** changes `maxOcc` to unbounded. Clicking on the + sign of the element expands the tree view and shows the child elements.



- Element referencing global element



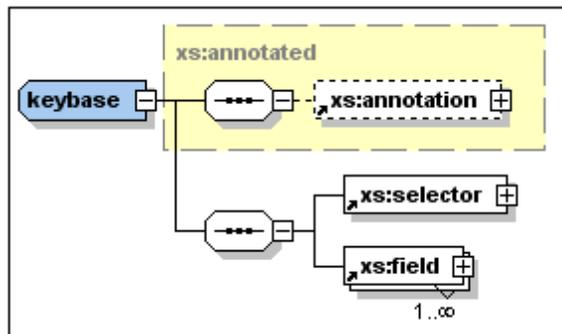
*Details:* The arrow in the bottom-left means the element references a global element. The rectangle indicates an element and the solid border indicates that the element is required. The number range 1..infinity means that `minOcc=1` and `maxOcc=unbounded`. The plus sign indicates complex content (i.e. at least one element or attribute child). Element name is `xs:field`.

*Note:* A global element can be referenced from within simple and complex type definitions, thus enabling you to re-use a global declaration at multiple locations in your schema. You can create a reference to a global element in two ways: (i) by entering a name for the local element that is the same as that of the global element; and (ii) by right-clicking the local element and selecting the option **Reference** from the context menu. You can view the definition of a global element by holding down **Ctrl** and double-clicking the element. Alternatively, right-click, and select **Go to Definition**. If you create a reference to an element that does not exist, the element name appears in red as a warning that there is no definition to refer to.

- Complex type



*Details:* The irregular hexagon with a plus sign indicates a complex type. The complex type shown here has the name `keybase`. This symbol (the irregular hexagon with a plus sign) indicates a global complex type. A global complex type is declared in the Schema Overview, and its content model is typically defined in Content Model View. A global complex type can be used either as (i) the data type of an element, or (ii) the base type of another complex type by assigning it to the element or complex type, respectively, in the Details entry helper (in either Content Model View or in Schema Overview).

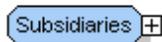


The `keybase` complex type shown above was declared in Schema Overview with a base type of `xs:annotated`. The base type is displayed as a rectangle with a dashed gray border and a yellow background color. Then, in Content Model View, the child elements `xs:selector` and `xs:field` were created. (Note the tiny arrows in the bottom left corner of the `xs:selector` and `xs:field` rectangles. These indicate that both elements reference global elements of those names.)

A local complex type is defined directly in Content Model View by creating a child element or attribute for an element. There is no separate symbol for local complex types.

**Please note:** The base type of a content model is displayed as a rectangle with a dashed gray border and a yellow background color. You can go to the content model of the base type by double-clicking its name.

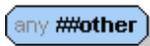
- Model group



*Details:* The irregular octagon with a plus sign indicates a model group. A model group allows you to define and reuse element declarations.

*Note:* When the model group is declared (in Schema Overview) it is given a name. You subsequently define its content model (in Content Model View) by assigning it a child compositor that contains the element declarations. When the model group is used, it is inserted as a child, or inserted or appended within the content model of some other component (in Content Model View).

- Wildcards



*Details:* The irregular octagon with `any` at left indicates a wildcard.

*Note:* Wildcards are used as placeholders to allow elements not specified in the schema or from other namespaces. `##other` = elements can belong to any namespace other than the target namespace defined in the schema; `##any` = elements can belong to any namespace; `##targetNamespace` = elements must belong to the target namespace defined in the schema; `##local` = elements cannot belong to any namespace; `anyURI` = elements belong to the namespace you specify.

## Miscellaneous objects

Miscellaneous objects are attributes, attribute groups, assertions, identity constraints, and open content.

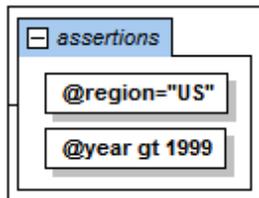
- Attributes, Attribute Groups



*Details:* Indicated with the word *'attributes'* in italics in a rectangle that can be expanded. Each attribute is shown in a rectangle with a (i) dashed border if the attribute is optional, or (ii) a solid border if the attribute is required (mandatory). Attribute groups and attribute wildcards are also included in the *'attributes'* rectangle.

*Note:* Attributes can be edited in the diagram and in the Details Entry Helper. Attributes can be displayed in the Content Model View diagram or in the [AAIDC pane](#) below the Content Model View. You can toggle between these two views by clicking the Display Attributes  icon. To change the order of attributes of an element, drag the attribute and drop when the arrow appears at the required location.

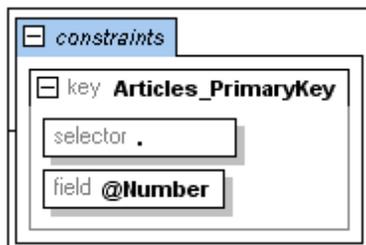
- Assertions



*Details:* Indicated with the word *'assertions'* in italics in a rectangle that can be expanded. Each assertion is shown in a rectangle within the Assertions box.

*Note:* Assertions can be edited in the diagram and in the Details Entry Helper. They can be displayed in the Content Model View diagram or in the [AAIDC pane](#) below the Content Model View. You can toggle between these two views by clicking the Display Assertions  icon. To change the order of assertions on an element, drag the assertion and drop when the arrow appears at the required location.

- Identity constraints



*Details:* Indicated with the word *'constraints'* in italics in a rectangle that can be expanded.

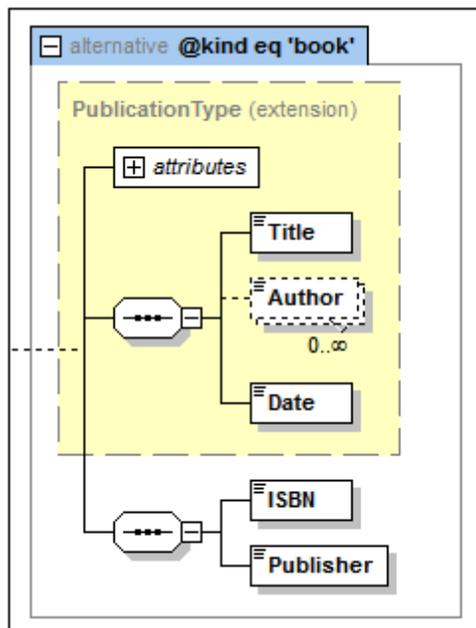
*Note:* The identity constraints listed in the content model of a component show constraints as defined with the `key` and `keyref` elements, and with the `unique` element. Identity constraints defined using the `ID` datatype are not shown in the content model

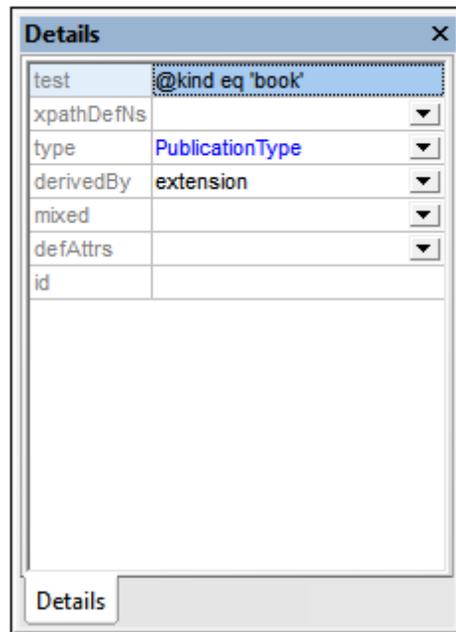
diagram, but in the Details Entry Helper. Identity constraints can be displayed and edited in the Content Model View or in the Identity Constraints tab of Schema Overview. In Content Model View, you can toggle the Constraints box on and off with the Display Constraints  icon.

- Conditional Type Assignment



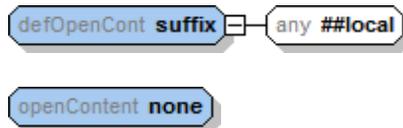
*Details:* The `alternative` element is a rectangle containing the XPath expression that will be tested (see *screenshot above*). The type of the `alternative` element is specified in the Details entry helper. If the type is a complex type, it is shown in the `alternative` element's expanded rectangle and can be further edited there (see *screenshot below*). Simple types are not shown in the diagram, but can be defined in the Simple Type tab of the Details entry helper.





*Note:* The `alternative` element is new in XSD 1.1. If the XPath expression evaluates to true, the type specified by the `alternative` element will be the selected type. The first `alternative` element from among the `alternative` siblings to evaluate to true is selected. So the order of `alternative` elements is important. The order can be changed by dragging the `alternative` element boxes into the desired order. See the section [Conditional Type Assignment](#) for a detailed description.

- Default Open Content, Open Content



*Details:* The `defaultOpenContent` and `openContent` elements are indicated in Content Model View with the labels `openContent` and `defOpenContent`. Wildcard element content is indicated with an `any` box (see screenshot above).

*Note:* The `defaultOpenContent` and `openContent` elements are new in XSD 1.1. Default Open Content is a global component and is created in [Schema Overview](#). In the Content Model View of a particular component's content model, you can replace the Default Open Content with Open Content specific to that component that overrides the schema's Default Open Content. Simply add Open Content as a child of the component. The Default Open Content box will be replaced by an Open Content box. In Content Model View, you can edit the `mode` attribute of the Open Content and the namespace of its wildcard element, both in the diagram and in the Details entry helper. You can also modify the Default Open Content (for the whole schema) from within its representation in the Content Model View of any complex type.

**Note:**

- Predefined details you have specified in the [Schema Display Configuration dialog](#) can be turned on and off by clicking the Add Predefined Details  toolbar icon.

- You can toggle Attributes, Assertions, and Identity Constraints to appear either in the diagram of the content model itself or in the [AAIDC pane](#) (below Content Model View) by clicking the Display in Diagram icons for attributes, assertions, and identity constraints, respectively.
- In Content Model View, you can jump to the content model view of any global component within the current content model by holding down the **Ctrl** key and double-clicking the required component. You can go to the content model of a base type by double-clicking the name of the base type.

## Editing in Content Model View

The description of how to edit in Content Model View is organized into the following sections:

- [Configuring Content Model View](#)
- [Attributes, Assertions, and Identity Constraints](#)
- [Content Model View icons](#)
- [Context menu operations](#)
- [Keyboard shortcuts and drag-and-drop](#)
- [Component properties](#)
- [Annotations](#)
- [Comments and processing instructions](#)
- [Documenting the content model](#)

## Configuring Content Model View

You can configure the content model view for the entire schema in the Schema display configuration dialog (**Schema Design | Configure View**). For details about configuration options, see the [Configure View](#) section later in the User Reference. Note that the settings you define here apply to the whole schema, and to the schema documentation output as well the printer output.

## Attributes, Assertions, and Identity Constraints

The attributes, assertions, and identity constraints of a component can appear in a pane below the Content Model View, the [AAIDC pane](#), or as boxes in the Content Model View itself, that is, in the diagram. This second viewing option can be set in the [Schema Display Configuration dialog](#). Alternatively, you can use the three **Display in Diagram** toolbar buttons in the Schema Design toolbar (*screenshot below, also see icon list below*).



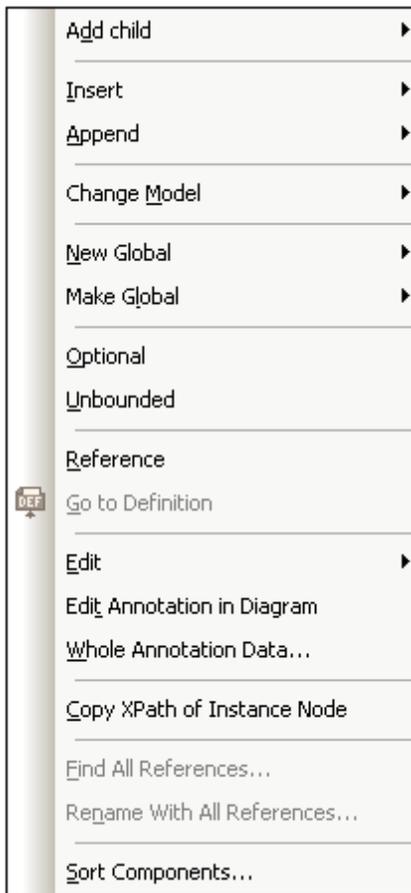
For a description of how to insert and edit attributes, assertions, and identity constraints, see the section, [Attributes, Assertions, and Identity Constraints](#).

## Content Model View icons

-  *Show Globals*: Available in Content Model View. Switches to [Schema Overview](#).
-  *Add Predefined Details*: In the Schema Design toolbar and enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of predefined details in components on and off.
-  *Display Attributes in Diagram*: In the Schema Design toolbar and enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of attributes between the diagram (toggled on) and the Attributes tab.
-  *Display Assertions in Diagram*: In the Schema Design toolbar and enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of assertions between the diagram (toggled on) and the Assertions tab.
-  *Display Constraints in Diagram*: In the Schema Design toolbar and enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of IDCs between the diagram (toggled on) and the Identity Constraints tab.
-  *Visualize Identity Constraints*: In the Schema Design toolbar and enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of IDC information on and off.

### Context menu operations

Several editing operations in Content Model View are carried out via the context menu (*screenshot below*) that appears when you right-click within Content Model View. Only commands for operations allowed at that point in the content model diagram are enabled. Operations are carried out relative to the right-clicked object. For example, when a child is added, it is added relative to the right-clicked object.



Given below is a list of operations available via the context menu.

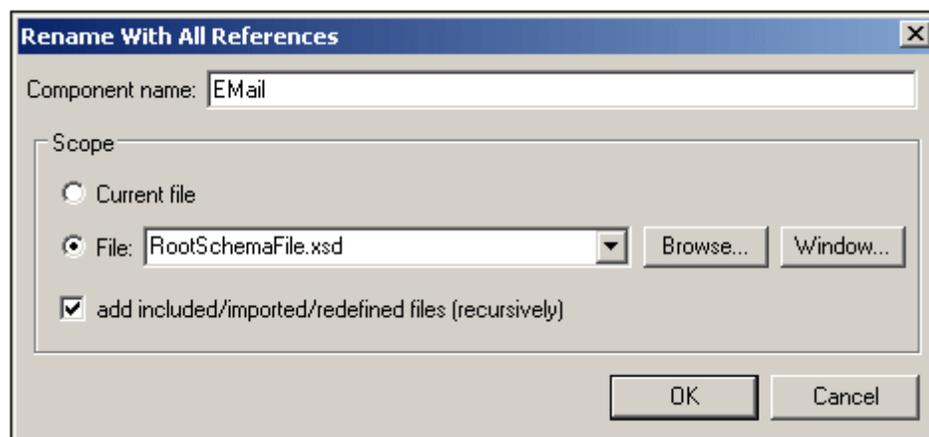
- *Add child compositors and components:* The **Add Child** command pops up a sub-menu. Click the required compositor or component in the sub-menu.
- *Insert/Append compositors and components:* Inserts the compositor or component at the same hierarchical level as the right-clicked object, before the selected object (**Insert**) or after the last sibling of the selected object (**Append**).
- *Change a compositor:* Right-click a compositor, select **Change Model | <new compositor>**.
- *Create global components:* (i) The **New Global** command can be accessed by clicking anywhere in Content Model View. It pops out a sub-menu in which you can select the new global component you wish to create. (ii) If an object can be created as a global component, the **Make Global** command in its context menu is enabled. On selecting this command, the object in Content Model View is created as a global component and the object itself will contain a reference to the newly created global component.
- *Change the occurrence definition:* Use the **Optional** and **Unbounded** toggle commands together to obtain the desired occurrence setting: (i) *optional* = 0 or 1; (ii) *optional + unbounded* = 0 to infinity; (iii) *unbounded* = 1 to infinity; (iv) *not optional + not unbounded* = 1. (Note: *optional* sets the `minOccurs` attribute of the component, *unbounded* sets the `maxOccurs` attribute.)

- *Toggle between local and global definitions:* If a global element exists that has the same name as a local element, use the **Reference** toggle command to switch between referencing the global definition (toggle on) and using the local definition (toggle off).
- *Jump to another content model:* Right-click the component whose content model you wish to jump to and select **Go to Definition**. (The command will be enabled only for those components that can have a content model.) Alternatively, you can press **Ctrl** and double-click the component.
- *Edit predefined details:* If predefined details have been set to be displayed in the diagram (with the **Add Predefined Details** icon in the Schema Design toolbar), then the **Edit** command pops up a submenu containing the predefined details that can be edited. Select the required predefined detail, and edit its value in the diagram.
- *Create and edit compositor/component annotation:* The **Edit Annotation** command creates annotation space below the compositor/component (see screenshot below). You can enter and edit the annotation here. If the annotation already exists, clicking the command highlights the annotation text for editing. Double-clicking existing annotation text is a faster way of starting an edit.



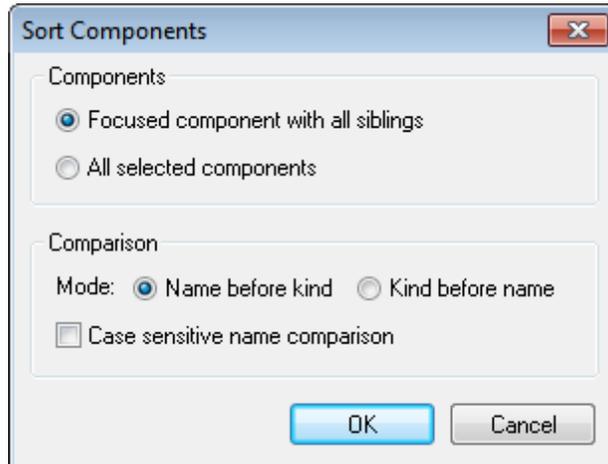
In the XML Schema document, the annotation is created inside the compositor or component's `annotation/documentation` element. Also see the section below about *documentation*.

- *Copy XPath of instance node:* The command **Copy XPath of Instance Node** is enabled for elements and attributes defined within a global element or global complex type. It copies to the clipboard an XPath expression that locates the selected node. The location path expression starts at the global component whose content model is currently being displayed in Content Model View.
- *Find and rename component:* The commands **Find All References** and **Rename with All References** are enabled for global elements. These, respectively, find all occurrences of the selected component and rename all occurrences of the selected component in the active document and, optionally, in all schema files related to the active document.



In the screenshot above the name `Email` will replace the name of the right-clicked component and of all its references within the search scope. See [Finding and Renaming Globals](#) for details.

- *Sort declarations and references:* Using the **Sort** command, all selected components or the siblings of the selected component can be sorted. Make your sort settings in the Sort Components dialog (*screenshot below*) and click **OK**.



To select multiple components, press the **Shift** or **Ctrl** key while clicking. You can sort using component names as the first sort key and component kind as the second sort key, or vice versa.

### Keyboard shortcuts and drag-and-drop

You can copy and paste elements in Content Model View using the shortcuts **Ctrl+c** and **Ctrl+v**. Copied objects are pasted as child objects of the selected object. Where this is not possible for structural reasons, a message to this effect is displayed.

You can also drag-and-drop: (i) objects to other locations in the diagram, (ii) some components, such as attributes, from the Components entry helper into the diagram.

### Component properties

If Content Model View is configured so that components are displayed with predefined details in the component box, then you can edit this information directly in the diagram. The display of predefined details can be turned on and off by clicking the **Add Predefined Details** toolbar icon (*see icon list above*).

Alternatively, you can edit a component's properties in the [Details entry helper](#), and changes will be reflected in the placeholder fields—if these are configured to be displayed.

### Annotations

XML Schema annotations are held in the `annotation` element. There are two types of annotation, each of which is contained in a different child element of `annotation`:

- `documentation` child: Contains information that could be useful for editors of the schema
- `appinfo` child: Allows you to insert a script or information that a processing application may use

Given below is the text of an annotation element that contains both types of child elements.

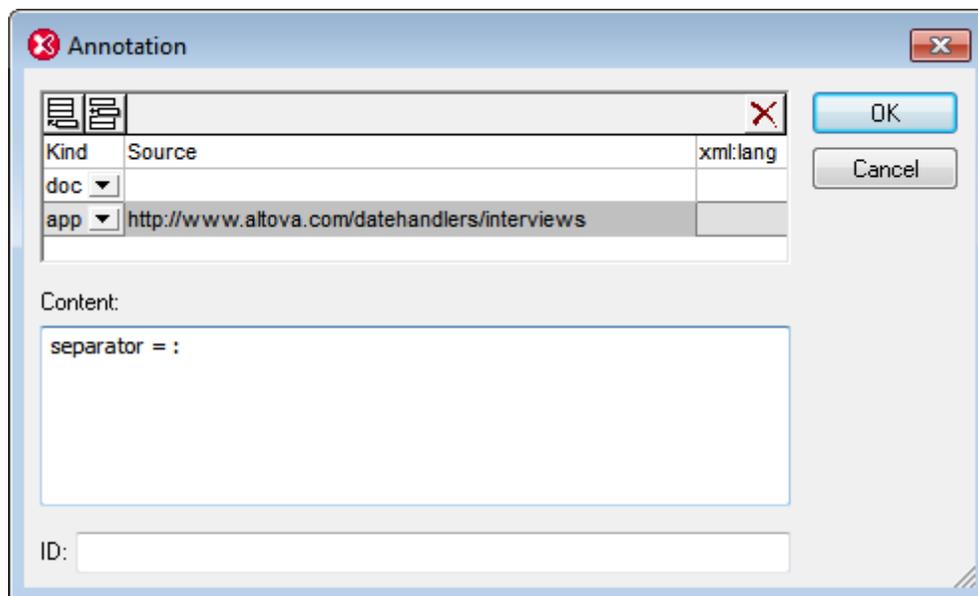
```
<xs:element name="session_date" type="xs:dateTime" nillable="true">
  <xs:annotation>
    <xs:documentation>Date and time when interview was held</xs:documentation>
    <xs:appinfo source="http://www.altova.com/datehandlers/
interviews">separator = :</xs:appinfo>
  </xs:annotation>
</xs:element>
```

In Content Model View, you can create annotation for individual compositors and components as follows.

1. Right-click the compositor or component.



2. Select the context menu option **Whole Annotation Data**. The Annotation dialog box opens (see screenshot below). If an annotation (either `documentation` or `appinfo`) exists for that element, then this is indicated by a corresponding row in the dialog.



3. To create an `appinfo` element, click the Append  or Insert  icon at top left to append or insert a new row, respectively.
4. In the `Kind` field of the new row, select the `app` option from the dropdown menu.
5. In the Content pane of the dialog, enter the script or info that you want to have processed by a processing application.
6. Optionally, in the `Source` field, you can enter a source URI where further information can be made available to the processing application.

### Comments and processing instructions

When XML Schema documents are loaded in XMLSpy, or when views are changed, comments and processing instructions within simple types and complex types are collected and moved to the end of the enclosing object. It is therefore recommended that you use annotations instead of comments in such cases.

### Documenting the content model

You can generate [detailed documentation](#) about your schema in HTML and MS Word formats. Detailed documentation is generated for each global component, and the list of global components is displayed in a table-of-contents page that allows you to link to the content models of individual components. Additionally, related elements (such as child elements or complex types) are referenced by hyperlinks, thus enabling you to navigate from element to element. To generate schema documentation, select the menu command **Schema design | Generate documentation**.

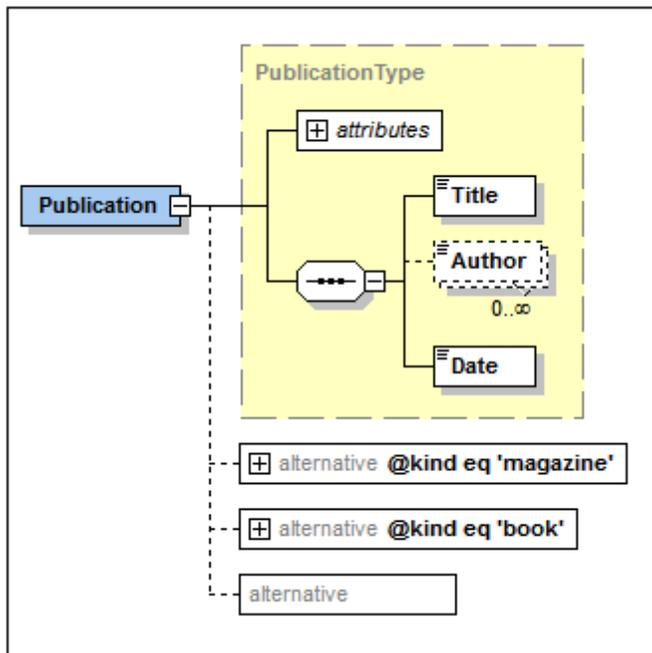
### Conditional Type Assignment

Conditional type assignment is an XSD 1.1 feature that allows the type of an element to be determined by content in the XML document, specifically by the value of the element's attributes or by the presence or absence of attributes. For example, say the XML document has the following element:

```
<publication kind="magazine">  
</publication>
```

In the schema, the type of the `publication` element can be specified to vary according to the value of the instance element's `@kind` attribute value. In the schema, this is done using the `alternative` element, which is new in XSD 1.1. Multiple types are specified, each in an `alternative` element.

In the screenshot below, the `Publication` element is declared with three `alternative` child elements, two of which have `test` attributes (`@kind eq 'magazine'` and `@kind eq 'book'`). The third `alternative` element has no `test` attribute and a simple type assignment of `xs:error` (assigned in the Details entry helper, not shown in the diagram), which, if triggered, returns an XML validation error.



The listing for the above declarations is given below:

```

<xs:complexType name="PublicationType">
  <xs:sequence>
    <xs:element name="Title" type="xs:string"/>
    <xs:element name="Author" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0"
maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    <xs:element name="Date" type="xs:gYear"/>
  </xs:sequence>
  <xs:attribute name="kind" type="xs:string"/>
</xs:complexType>

<xs:complexType name="MagazineType">
  <xs:complexContent>
    <xs:restriction base="PublicationType">
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element name="Title" type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element name="Date" type="xs:gYear"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:complexContent>
</xs:complexType>

<xs:element name="Publication" type="PublicationType">
  <xs:alternative test="@kind eq 'magazine'" type="MagazineType"/>
  <xs:alternative test="@kind eq 'book'">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:complexContent>
        <xs:extension base="PublicationType">
          <xs:sequence>
            <xs:element name="ISBN" type="xs:string"/>
            <xs:element name="Publisher" type="xs:string"/>
          </xs:sequence>
        </xs:extension>
      </xs:complexContent>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:alternative>
</xs:element>

```

```

        </xs:complexType>
    </xs:alternative>
    <xs:alternative type="xs:error"/>
</xs:element>

```

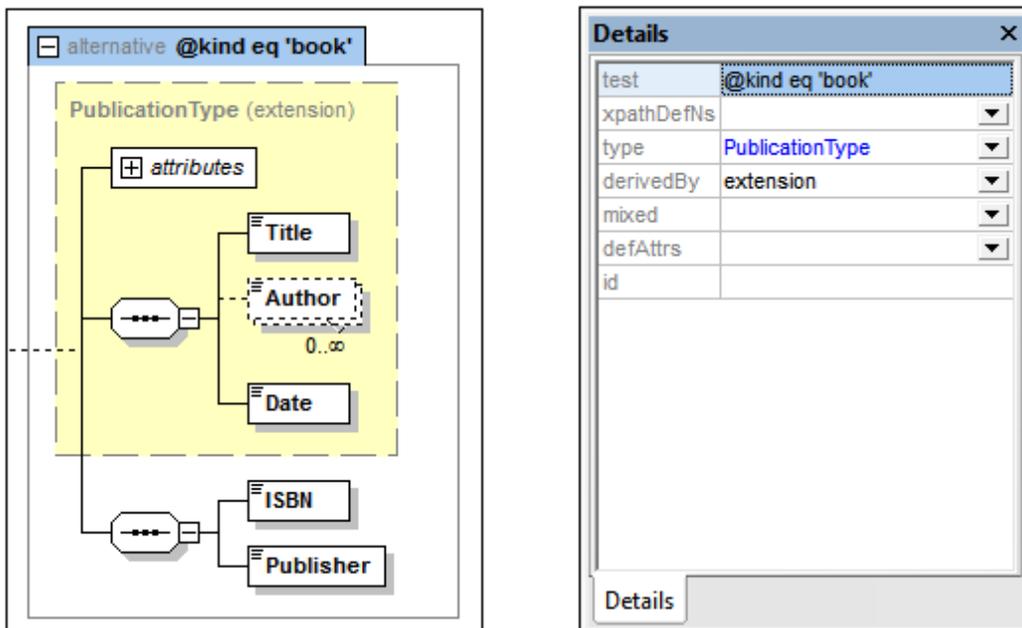
Note the following points:

- The first `alternative` element from among the `alternative` siblings to evaluate to true is selected. So the order of alternative elements is important. In Content Model View, the order can be changed by dragging the `alternative` element boxes into the desired order.
- Notice that the `Publication` element has a type (`PublicationType`). This type serves as the default type if none of the `alternative` elements are used. In our example above, however, the `alternative` element of type `xs:error` will be used if both the previous `alternative` element conditions return false.
- If no `alternative` element condition is met and if the element has no default type, then the element is assigned a type of `anyType`. In this event, the element may have any well-formed XML content.
- The `alternative` element and the simple type `xs:error` are new in XSD 1.1.

### Content Model View editing

You can add an alternative type to an element declaration as a child via the element's context menu (see the content model in screenshot above).

The type of the `alternative` element is specified in the Details entry helper. If the type is a complex type, it is shown in the `alternative` element's expanded rectangle and can be further edited there (see screenshot below). Simple types are not shown in the diagram, but can be defined in the Simple Type tab of the Details entry helper.



**Note:** You can specify a namespace for the XPath expression via the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute in the Details entry helper. For more information about XPath default

namespaces, see the section below.

### Using `xpathDefaultNamespace`

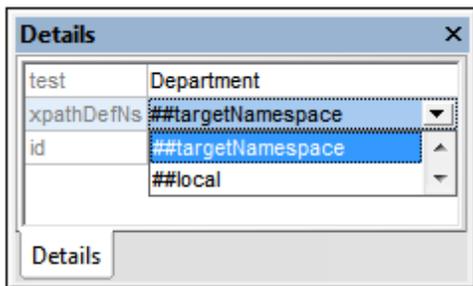
A default namespace declared in the XML Schema document is the default namespace of the XML Schema document. It applies to unprefixes element names in the schema document but not to unprefixes element names in XPath expressions in the schema document.

The `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute (a new feature in XSD 1.1) is the mechanism used to specify the namespace to which unprefixes element names in XPath expressions belong.

XPath default namespaces are scoped on the XML Schema elements on which they are declared. The `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute can occur on the following XML Schema 1.1 elements:

- `xs:schema`
- `xs:assert` and `xs:assertion`
- `xs:alternative`
- `xs:selector` and `xs:field` (in identity constraints)

The `xpathDefaultNamespace` on `xs:schema` is set, in XSD 1.1 mode, in the Schema Settings dialog (**Schema Design | Schema Settings**). For the other elements listed above, the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute is set in their respective Details entry helpers (see *screenshot below for example*).



Declaring the XPath default namespace on `xs:schema`, declares the XPath default namespace for the scope of the entire schema. You can override this declaration on elements where the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute is allowed (see *list above*).

Instead of containing an actual namespace, the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute can contain one of three keywords:

- `##targetNamespace`: The XPath default namespace will be the same as the target namespace of the schema
- `##defaultNamespace`: The XPath default namespace will be the same as the default namespace of the schema
- `##local`: There is no XPath default namespace

If no XPath default namespace is declared in the document, unprefixes elements in XPath expressions will be in no namespace.

**Note:** The XPath default namespace declaration does not apply to attributes.

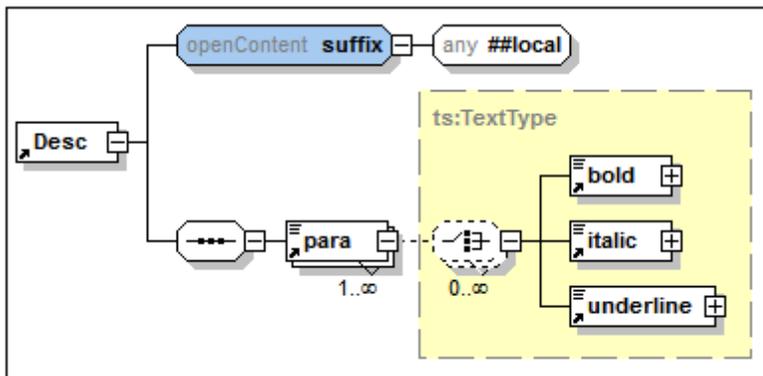
## Open Content Models

Open content models are new to XSD 1.1. They are declared on complex types and allow any element (that is, an element undefined in the content model of the complex type) to occur any number of times either (i) between elements defined in the content model, or (ii) after elements defined in the content model.

The `openContent` element is a child of the complex type and occurs once before the content model of the complex type (see *screenshot below*).

### Mode

The `openContent` element has a mandatory `mode` attribute, which can take the values `interleave`, `suffix`, or `none` (see *screenshot below*). The default value is `interleave`.



The significance of these values is as follows:

- If `mode="interleave"` or `mode="suffix"`, then wildcard element content (`xs:any`) with no minimum or maximum number of occurrences must be present. This implies that any number of undefined elements (wildcards) is allowed.
- If the mode is `interleave`, any number of undefined elements can occur before or after individual defined elements in the content model. They are interleaved between defined elements.
- If the mode is `suffix`, any number of undefined elements can occur after the last defined element of the content model.
- If the mode is `none`, no undefined element (`xs:any` child) may occur; the content model is not open. The `none` value is used to override the [defaultOpenContent](#) element that is scoped on the entire schema.

In Content Model View, you add open content as a child of the complex type (via **Add Child** in the context menu). Specify the mode either by double-clicking in the `openContent` box in the diagram (see *screenshot above*) and selecting a value (`interleave`, `suffix`, or `none`), or by selecting a value in the Details entry helper.

### Wildcard (`xs:any`) properties

Wildcard properties are specified in the wildcard's Details entry helper. Select the wildcard in the diagram and enter property values in the Details entry helper.

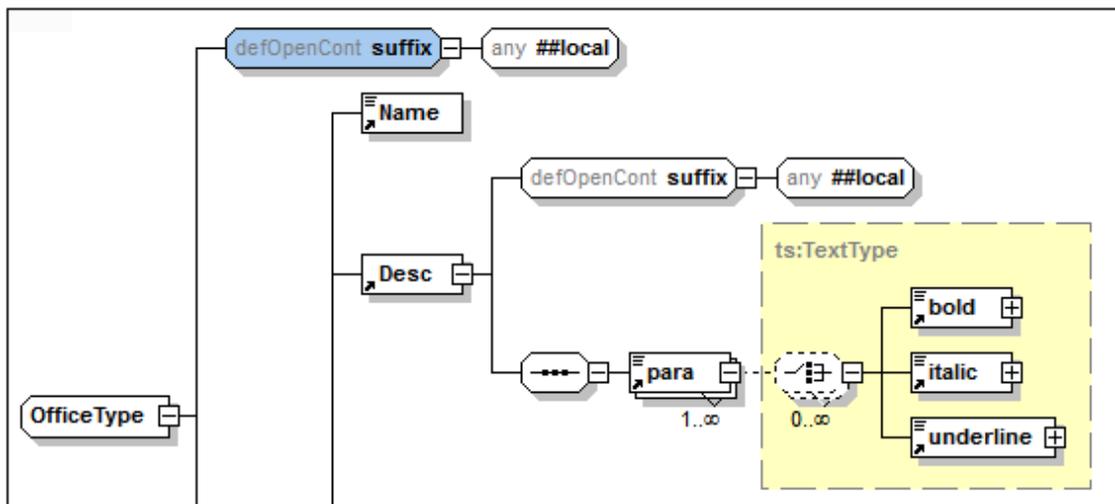
## Default open content

The `defaultOpenContent` element is new in XSD 1.1 and specifies that one or more undefined elements can be added to any complex type of mixed or element-only content. It is similar to the `openContent` element (also new to XSD 1.1), the main difference being that while the `openContent` element applies to a single complex type, the `defaultOpenContent` element applies to all complex types in the schema.

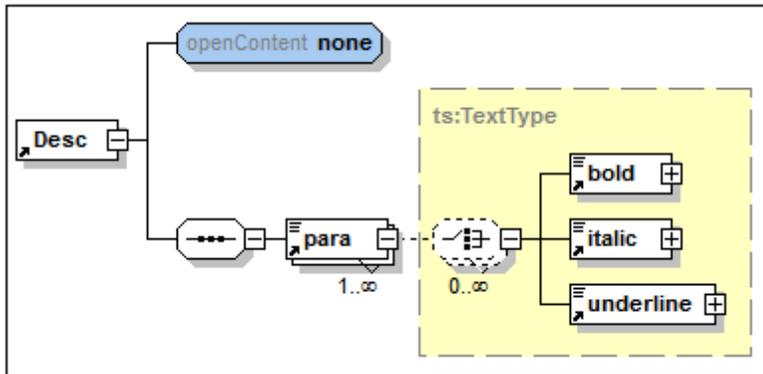
The `defaultOpenContent` element is a [global component](#) and occurs once in the document (see *screenshot below*), after Includes, Imports, Redefines, and Overrides, and before the definitions of components. It has a `mode` attribute which can take a value of either `interleave` or `suffix`. The default is `interleave`.

Component	Name	Namespace
import	loc:address.xsd	ns:http://www.altova.com/IPO
import	loc:TextState.xsd	ns:http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/textst:
defaultOpenContent	suffix	ann:
notation	Altova-Orgchart	ann:
complexType	DivisionType	ann:
element	OrgChart	ann:

The `defaultOpenContent` element has a content model that you can edit in Content Model View, in exactly the same way as the `openContent` element is defined (see *above*). Once declared, the `defaultOpenContent` element will apply automatically to all complex types in the schema and will be displayed in their content models. In the screenshot below, you can see that the `defaultOpenContent` has been applied automatically to the `OfficeType` and `Desc` complex types.



To override the `defaultOpenContent` element when it is applied to a particular complex type, add a child `openContent` element to that complex type. In the screenshot below, the `Desc` element with the `defaultOpenContent` element (see *screenshot above*) has had an `openContent` element added to it that overrides the `defaultOpenContent` element.



### 2.3.4 Attributes, Assertions, and Identity Constraints

The Attributes/Assertions/Identity Constraints (AAIDC) pane (*screenshot below*) is located below the main pane in Schema Overview and Content Model View. The pane and its tabs are fixed. In Content Model View, however, the view of each tab can be switched individually so that the tab's components can be viewed and edited in the diagram in Content Model View rather than in the AAIDC pane. When the views of all three tabs are switched to the diagram, the AAIDC pane disappears.

Attributes					
Assertions					
Identity constraints					
Name	Type	Use	Default	Fixed	
currency	xs:string		EUR		
vat	xs:decimal			20	
amount	xs:decimal	required			
date	xs:date	optional			
lang	xs:string			EN	

Views can be switched between the AAIDC pane and the diagram via the [Schema Display Configuration dialog \(Schema Design | Configure View | Element tab\)](#) or by clicking the respective icon in the Schema Design toolbar (*shown below*).

-  *Display Attributes in Diagram:* Enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of attributes between the diagram (toggled on) and the Attributes tab.
-  *Display Assertions in Diagram:* Enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of assertions between the diagram (toggled on) and the Assertions tab.
-  *Display Constraints in Diagram:* Enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of IDCs between the diagram (toggled on) and the Identity Constraints tab.

#### Using the tabs

The tabs in the AAIDC become enabled individually according to what component is selected in the upper main pane of Schema Overview or Content Model View. For example, since it is

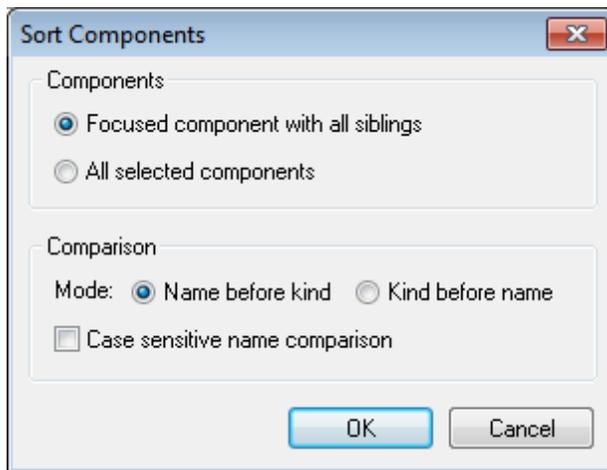
possible to add an attribute to a complex type, the Attributes tab will be enabled when a complex type is selected in the main pane. (A tab is considered to be enabled when its commands are enabled.)

How to use each of the tabs is discussed in the sub-sections of this section:

- [Attributes, Attribute Groups, Attribute Wildcards](#)
- [Assertions](#)
- [Identity Constraints](#)

### Sorting attributes and identity constraints

You can sort the attributes and identity constraints in their respective tabs by clicking the **Sort** icon in the tab's toolbar. In the Sort Components dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), you can choose to sort either the selected single component and its siblings or the set of selected components. In the screenshot above, for example, three attributes have been selected (*highlighted blue*). You can use click+**Shift** to select a range and click+**Ctrl** to add additional components to the selection.



After selecting the set of components to sort you can choose to sort alphabetically first on name and then on kind (*Name before kind*), or vice versa (*Kind before name*). The sort order is immediately implemented in the text of the schema document; it is not just an interface mask.

### Attributes, Attribute Groups, Attribute Wildcards

In the Attributes tab of the Attributes/Assertions/Identity Constraints (AAIDC) pane (*screenshot below*), you can:

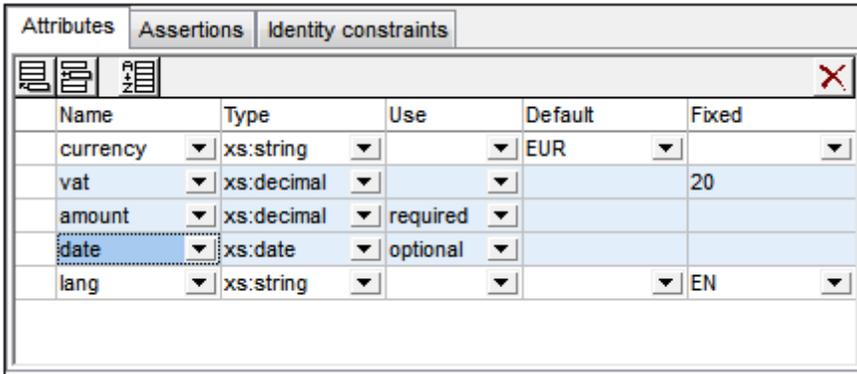
- [Declare attributes locally on the selected complex type](#)
- [Reference attribute groups for use on the selected complex type](#)
- [Define attribute wildcards on the selected complex type](#)

**Note:** If you have chosen the option to display attributes in the diagram (**Schema Design | Configure View**) rather than in the AAIDC pane, you can edit the properties of attributes, attribute group references, and attribute wildcards in the diagram and Details entry helper.

-  **Display Attributes in Diagram:** Enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of attributes between the diagram (toggled on) and the Attributes tab.

## Attributes

In the Attributes tab of the Attributes/Assertions/Identity Constraints (AAIDC) pane (*screenshot below*), you can declare local attributes of elements and complex types, and the attributes that constitute attribute groups.



Name	Type	Use	Default	Fixed
currency	xs:string		EUR	
vat	xs:decimal			20
amount	xs:decimal	required		
date	xs:date	optional		
lang	xs:string			EN

To create attributes, do the following:

1. In Schema Overview, select the complex type or attribute group for which you wish to create the attribute.
2. In the Attributes tab, click the **Append** or **Insert** icon at top left and select **Attribute**.
3. In the row that is created for the attribute, enter the attribute's details (name, type, use, and default or fixed value). The `name` property is mandatory, and the default value of `use` is `optional`. The datatype and default/fixed value properties are optional.

**Note:** Attributes can be added to attribute groups only in [Schema Overview](#), but to complex types in both [Schema Overview](#) and [Content Model View](#).

## Default values and fixed values

A default value or fixed value, if specified in an attribute declaration, is applied in the instance document when that attribute is absent in the instance document. Either a default value or a fixed value can be specified, not both (*see screenshot above*). The default or fixed value must be valid according to the attribute's datatype. If `use` is set to `required`, then neither default nor fixed value is allowed.

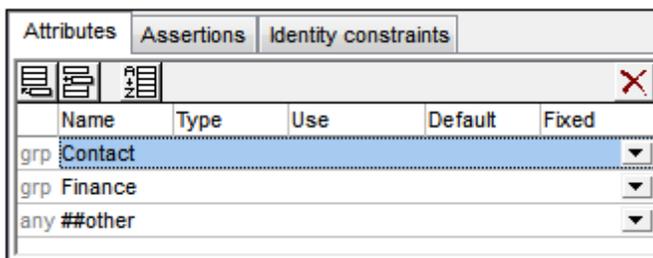
Note the following:

- **Default values:** A default value is inserted only if the attribute is missing. If the attribute is present and has a valid value, the default value is not inserted. If the value in the instance documents is invalid, an error is raised.
- **Fixed values:** A fixed value is applied not only when the attribute is missing but also if the value in the instance document is not equal to the fixed value specified in the attribute's declaration.

**Note:** Default and fixed values can be specified on both local and global attributes. On local attributes they can be defined in both the Attributes tab of the AAIDC pane (*screenshot above*) and in the Details entry helper. On global attributes, they can be specified in the Details entry helper.

### Attribute group references

If a global attribute group has been declared, you can add a reference to this attribute group in the definition of a complex type. Do this by selecting the complex type component in Schema Overview or Content Model View, then clicking the **Append** or **Insert** icon at top left of the Attributes tab of the AAIDC pane and selecting **Attribute Group**. In the attribute group row that is created, enter the name of the attribute group to be referenced (*see screenshot below, which has two attribute group references*). You can add multiple attribute groups.

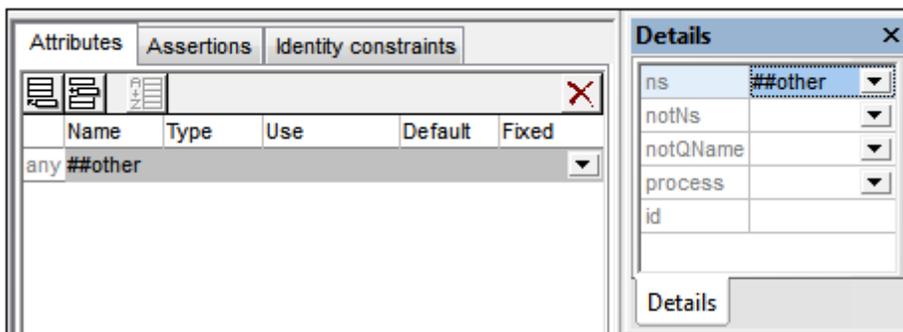


When the attribute group is selected in the Attributes tab, its properties can also be edited in the Details entry helper.

### Attribute wildcards: `anyAttribute`

An attribute wildcard can be added to a complex type to allow the use of any attribute on an element. An attribute wildcard is defined with a single `anyAttribute` element. It would allow any number of attributes from the specified namespace to occur on the element in the instance document.

Add an attribute wildcard by selecting the complex type component in Schema Overview or Content Model View, then clicking the **Append** or **Insert** icon at top left of the Attributes tab of the AAIDC pane and selecting **Any Attribute**. A row for the attribute wildcard `anyAttribute` is created (*see screenshot below*).

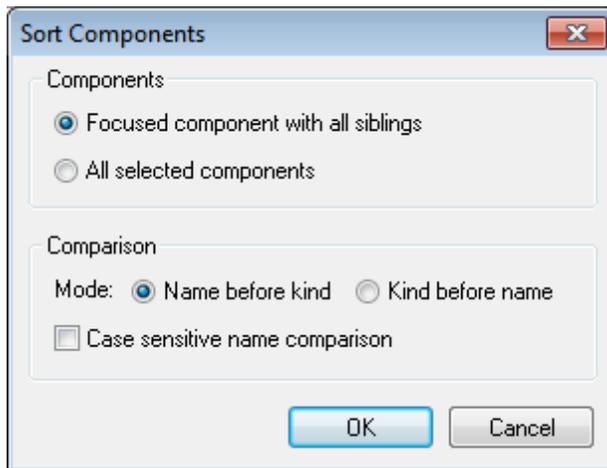


In the Attributes tab, you can set the `namespace` property of `anyAttribute`. With the attribute

wildcard selected in the Attributes tab, you can set additional properties in the Details entry helper (see *screenshot above*). Note that the `notNamespace` and `notQName` properties are [XSD 1.1 features](#) and so will not be available in [XSD 1.0 mode](#).

### Sorting attributes and attribute groups

You can sort the attributes and attribute groups in the Attributes tab by clicking the **Sort** icon in the tab's toolbar. In the Sort Components dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), you can choose to sort either the selected single component and its siblings or the set of selected components. You can use **Shift**+click to select a range and **Ctrl**+click to add additional components to the selection.



After setting the range you can choose to sort the entire range of attributes and attribute groups alphabetically (*Name before kind*), or attributes sorted alphabetically before attribute groups sorted alphabetically.

The sort order is immediately implemented in the text of the schema document; it is not just an interface mask.

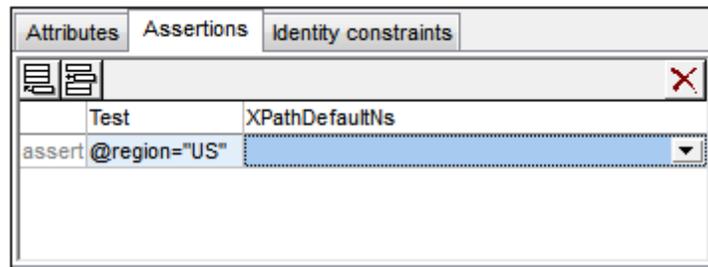
**Note:** Attribute wildcards will not be included in the range to sort since they must always occur at the end of a complex type declaration and only one attribute wildcard is allowed in a single complex type declaration.

### Assertions

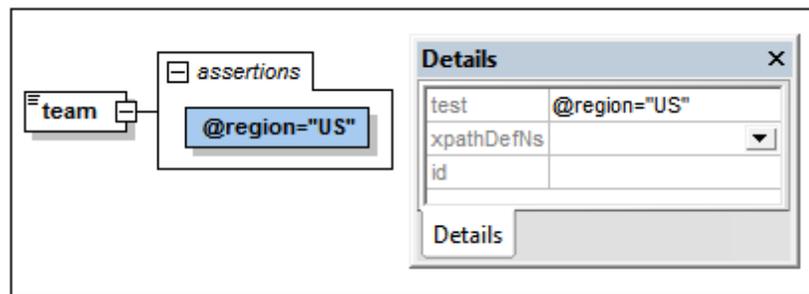
The assertions described in this section are **assertions on complex types**. Such an assertion is defined in an `xs:assert` element and serves as a validity constraint on the complex type. (The other kind of assertion is an assertion on a simple type, which is defined in an `xs:assertion` element and is created and edited in the [Facets entry helper](#) of a simple type.)

In Schema View, complex type assertions can be created and edited via the following GUI access points:

- *In Schema Overview:* In the Assertions tab of the Attributes/Assertions/Identity-Constraints (AAIDC) pane (*screenshot below*).



- *In Content Model View:* Assertions can be edited in the Assertions tab (screenshot above) or in the diagram (screenshot below). To select the diagram display option, click the **Display Assertions in Diagram** icon in the Schema Design toolbar. In the diagram, select the Assertion box of the complex type or complex-content element. Then enter or edit the Assertion's definition in the Details entry helper.



 *Display Assertions in Diagram:* Enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of assertions between the diagram (toggled on) and the Assertions tab.

**Note:** Assertions are an XSD 1.1 feature. So the Assertions editing features will be available only in [XSD 1.1 mode](#).

### Scope of the assertion

The XPath expression used to define the assertion's constraint must be within the scope of the complex type on which it is defined. So if the XPath expression is required to access a particular node, then the assertion must be defined on an ancestor of that node.

### Adding and deleting assertions

A complex type can have multiple assertions. The XPath expression of each assertion must evaluate to boolean `true` for the element in the instance document to be valid. To add an assertion to a complex type, do the following:

- *In Schema Overview:* Select the complex type. Then, in the Assertions tab of the AAIDC pane (see screenshot above), click the **Add** or **Insert** icon at the top left of the tab. You can add multiple assertions. To delete an assertion, select it and click the **Delete** icon at the top right of the tab.
- *In Content Model View (see screenshot above):* Right-click the complex type and select

**Add Child | Assertion.** Alternatively, right-click an existing assertion in the diagram of the complex type and select **Append | Assertion** or **Insert | Assertion**. You can add multiple assertions to a complex type. To delete an assertion, select it and press the **Delete** key.

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### Defining the assertion's XPath expression

The XPath expression of a complex type assertion defines the validation constraint to be applied on the complex type element in the instance document. For example, in the screenshots above, the assertion is on the complex-type element `team` and the assertion's XPath expression is: `@region="US"`. In the XML Schema document, the assertion appears as:

```
<xs:assert test="@region="US""/>
```

The assertion specifies that, in the instance document, the `team` element must have a `region` attribute with a value of `US`. If it does not, the document will be invalid.

Note the following points:

- XPath expressions must be written in the XPath 2.0 language
  - Nodes tested in the XPath expression must be within the scope of the assertion (see *above*)
  - If an expression does not evaluate to boolean `true/false`, the returned value is converted to a boolean value. A non-empty sequence is converted to `true`, while an empty sequence is converted to `false`.
  - Syntax errors in the expression flagged by displaying the expression in red. Context errors are not flagged. For example, if the XPath expression tests an attribute and that attribute is not defined in the schema, no error is flagged.
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### The assertion's message

It is very useful if an explanation of the assertion is supplied together with its definition, so that in case the assertion is not fulfilled when the XML instance document is validated, an appropriate message can be displayed. Since the XML Schema specification does not make provision for such a message, XMLSpy allows a message in the Altova `xml-schema-extensions` namespace <http://www.altova.com/xml-schema-extensions> (or any other namespace) to be provided with the definition of the assertion and to be used in the validation of the XML instance document. For example:

```
<xs:assert test="count(//MyNode) ge 1" altova:message="There must be at  
least one MyNode element"/> or  
<xs:assertion test="count(//MyNode) ge 1" altova:message="There must be at  
least one MyNode element"/>
```

If the restriction specified in the assertion is not fulfilled, XMLSpy's validation engine will display, along with the validation-error message, the message associated with the assertion as a hint. The validator will report the value of an `assert/@message` attribute or of an `assertion/@message` attribute regardless of the namespace in which the `message` attribute is. However, in Schema View, you can edit only `message` attributes that are in the Altova `xml-schema-extension`

namespace. To edit `message` attributes in other namespaces, use Text View.

See [Assertion Messages](#) for details.

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### Using `xpathDefaultNamespace`

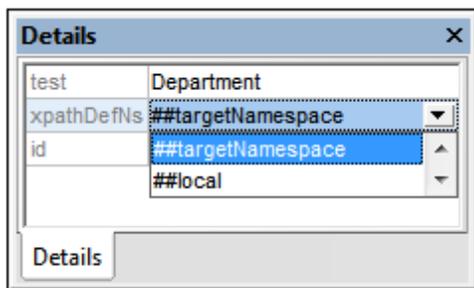
A default namespace declared in the XML Schema document is the default namespace of the XML Schema document. It applies to unprefixed element names in the schema document but not to unprefixed element names in XPath expressions in the schema document.

The `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute (a new feature in XSD 1.1) is the mechanism used to specify the namespace to which unprefixed element names in XPath expressions belong.

XPath default namespaces are scoped on the XML Schema elements on which they are declared. The `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute can occur on the following XML Schema 1.1 elements:

- `xs:schema`
- `xs:assert` and `xs:assertion`
- `xs:alternative`
- `xs:selector` and `xs:field` (in identity constraints)

The `xpathDefaultNamespace` on `xs:schema` is set, in XSD 1.1 mode, in the Schema Settings dialog (**Schema Design | Schema Settings**). For the other elements listed above, the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute is set in their respective Details entry helpers (see *screenshot below for example*).



Declaring the XPath default namespace on `xs:schema`, declares the XPath default namespace for the scope of the entire schema. You can override this declaration on elements where the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute is allowed (see *list above*).

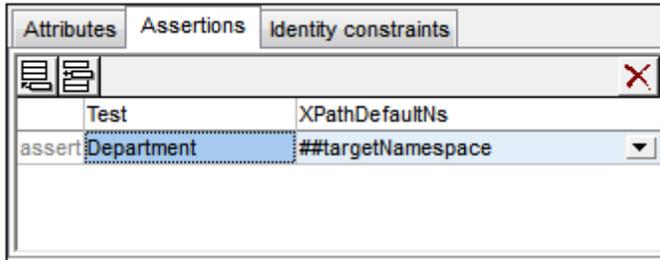
Instead of containing an actual namespace, the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute can contain one of three keywords:

- `##targetNamespace`: The XPath default namespace will be the same as the target namespace of the schema
- `##defaultNamespace`: The XPath default namespace will be the same as the default namespace of the schema
- `##local`: There is no XPath default namespace

If no XPath default namespace is declared in the document, unprefixed elements in XPath expressions will be in no namespace.

**Note:** The XPath default namespace declaration does not apply to attributes.

For XPath expressions in assertions, you can also specify the XPath default namespace on the definition of the assertion. In the Assertions tab of the Attributes/Assertions/Identity-Constraints (AAIDC) pane (*screenshot below*), select the required keyword from the dropdown list of the `XPathDefaultNs` field.



The selected namespace will be in scope on the assertion.

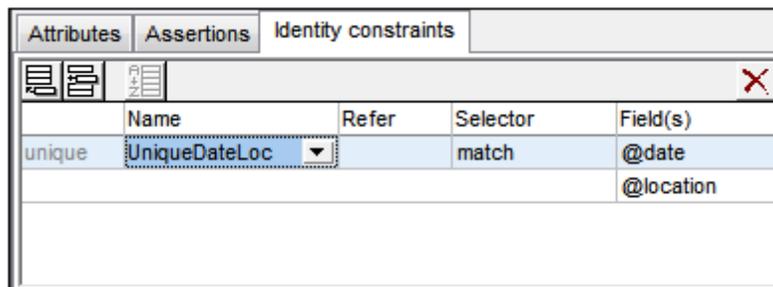
## Identity Constraints

Identity constraints (IDCs) can be defined on global or local element declarations. They specify the uniqueness of nodes and enable correct referencing between unique nodes.

### Declaration mechanisms

The following mechanisms are available for defining an IDC (`unique`, `key`, `keyref`):

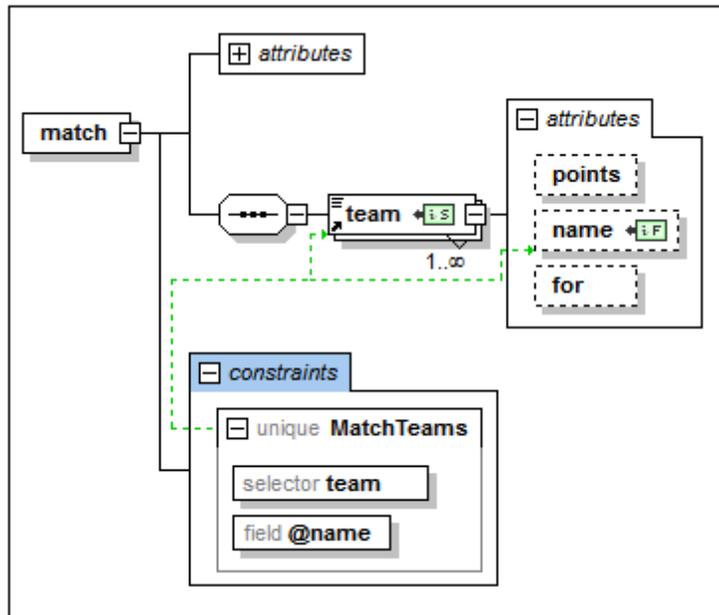
- In [Schema Overview](#), IDCs can be declared on global elements. Select a global element and define IDCs in the Identity Constraints tab of the Attributes/Assertions/Identity-Constraints (AAIDC) pane (*screenshot below*).



Add an IDC (`unique`, `key`, `keyref`) using the **Insert** or **Append** icon of the Identity Constraints tab. These icon can also be used to add a `field` to the selected IDC. Use the **Delete** icon to delete the selected `field` or IDC.

- In the [Content Model View](#) of a global element, IDCs can be defined on the global element or on a local descendant element. In this view, IDCs can be edited either in the Identity Constraints tab (*screenshot above*) or in an element's *Constraints* box in the diagram (*screenshot below*, in which the `match` element has a uniqueness constraint that has a `team` selector). The latter alternative can be selected in the Schema Display Configuration dialog (**Schema Design | Configure View**). Alternatively, you can click the **Display Constraints in Diagram** icon in the Schema Design toolbar. The diagram

provides a graphical representation of IDCs and drag-and-drop editing functionality.



To add an IDC (unique, key, keyref) in the diagram when diagram mode for IDCs is switched on, right-click the element to be constrained and select **Add Child | [ IDC ]** from the context menu. The `field` item will be enabled in the context menu only when an IDC is selected in the diagram. Press the **Delete** key to delete the selected `field` or IDC.

The XPath expression can be entered in the `selector` and `field` boxes in one of three ways: (i) by typing it in, (ii) by selecting the required node from a dropdown list that appears automatically when you click in the `selector` or `field` box, or (iii) by dragging the target node into the `selector` or `field` box and dropping it when the box becomes highlighted; the XPath expression will be created automatically.

**Note:** Additionally, an [overview of all identity constraints](#) in the schema is available in the Identity Constraints tab of the Components entry helper.

### Identity constraint icons

-  *Display Constraints in Diagram:* Enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of IDCs between the diagram (toggled on) and the Identity Constraints tab.
-  *Visualize Identity Constraints:* Enabled in Content Model View. Toggles the display of IDC information on and off.
-  *Selector node, Field node:* Seen in node boxes in the diagram, these two icons identify, respectively, the node selected (in IDCs) by the XPath expression for `selector` and for `field`.

### Visualizing IDCs

When the Visualize Identity Constraints icon  is toggled on, IDC information is displayed in the diagram and can be visualized better. When visualization is toggled on, nodes selected by the

selector and field XPath expressions are indicated with icons in their boxes (see *icons section above*), and the IDC box is connected to its selector and field boxes with green lines (see *screenshot above*).

The Visualize ID Constraints icon also switches on IDC validation functionality in Schema View. If an XPath expression is incorrect or an IDC is otherwise incorrect, errors are indicated with red text, warnings with orange text. On validating the XML Schema document, error or warning messages are displayed in the Messages window.

You can also disable validation by toggling the Visualize ID Constraints icon  off.

### XML listing

The IDC examples further below in this section are based on the following valid instance document.

```
<results xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="Scores.xsd">
  <!-- Groups -->
  <group id="A">
    <team name="Brazil"/>
    <team name="Germany"/>
    <team name="Italy"/>
    <team name="Holland"/>
  </group>
  <group id="B">
    <team name="Argentina"/>
    <team name="France"/>
    <team name="England"/>
    <team name="Spain"/>
  </group>
  <!-- Matches -->
  <match group="A" date="2012-06-12" location="Munich">
    <team name="Brazil" for="2" points="3"/>
    <team name="Germany" for="1" points="0"/>
  </match>
  <match group="A" date="2012-06-12" location="Frankfurt">
    <team name="Italy" for="2" points="1"/>
    <team name="Holland" for="2" points="1"/>
  </match>
  <match group="B" date="2012-06-13" location="Munich">
    <team name="Argentina" for="2" points="3"/>
    <team name="France" for="0" points="0"/>
  </match>
  <match group="B" date="2012-06-13" location="Berlin">
    <team name="England" for="0" points="1"/>
    <team name="Spain" for="0" points="1"/>
  </match>
</results>
```

### Uniqueness constraints (unique)

A uniqueness constraint specifies that the value of an element or attribute (or of a set of elements and/or attributes) must be unique within a defined scope. In the XML listing shown above, we wish to ensure that the two teams playing a match are not the same team. So, within the scope of each `match` element, we constrain the values of the `team/@name` node to be unique. We do this as follows.

1. In Schema Overview, select the `match` element. The `match` element will therefore be the scope of the identity constraint definition.
2. In the Identity Constraints tab, click the **Add** or **Insert** icon at the top left of the tab, and, in the menu that pops up, click **Unique**. This adds a row for the uniqueness constraint (see screenshot below).

	Name	Refer	Selector	Field(s)
unique	MatchTeams		team	@name

3. Give the identity constraint a name. (In the screenshot above, `MatchTeams` is the name.)
4. Enter an XPath expression in the *Selector* column to select the `team` element. Note that the `match` element is the context node. The `team` element will now be the IDC's selector, that is, the node to which the uniqueness constraint applies.
5. In the *Field* column, enter the `@name` node that must be unique. The value of this node is the value that must be unique.

The uniqueness constraint described above specifies that within the scope of each `match` element, every `team` element must have a unique `@name` attribute-value.

You can use additional fields to check for uniqueness. For example, a uniqueness constraint can be defined on the `results` element to check that all matches have a unique combination of date and location: Not more than one match may occur at one location on the same date. The uniqueness constraint must have, for each `match` element (the selector), its combination of `@date` and `@location` values unique within the scope of the `results` element.

Define the uniqueness constraint on the `results` element in a similar way to that described above. The selector will be `match`, and the fields will be `@date` and `@location` (see screenshot below). Add the second field by clicking the **Append** icon and then **Field**.

	Name	Refer	Selector	Field(s)
unique	UniqueDateLoc		match	@date @location

**Note:** The *Refer* column in the Identity Constraints tab is enabled for `keyref` constraints only, not for `unique` or `key` constraints.

### Key constraints (key)

A key constraint specifies: (i) that the value of an element or attribute (or of a set of elements and/or attributes) must be unique within a defined scope, and (ii) that these field elements and/or attributes must be present in the instance XML document; therefore, optional elements or attributes should not be selected as fields of a key constraint. A key constraint is thus (in point (i) above) exactly the same as a uniqueness constraint. It stipulates one additional constraint: that its field elements/attributes must be present in the XML document.

The screenshot below shows a key constraint defined on a `match` element that is similar to the first uniqueness constraint described above.

Identity constraints				
	Name	Refer	Selector	Field(s)
key	UniqueTeams		team	@name

This key constraint specifies that within the scope of each `match` element, every `team` element must have a unique `@name` attribute-value. Additionally, it specifies that the `@name` attribute must be present on every `match/team` element.

**Note:** The *Refer* column in the Identity Constraints tab is enabled for `keyref` constraints only, not for `unique` or `key` constraints.

### Key references (keyref)

Key references check one set of values in an instance document against another. In our XML listing, for example (see listing above), we can use a key reference to check whether the teams playing in matches are among the teams listed in the respective groups. If not, the XML document will be invalid.

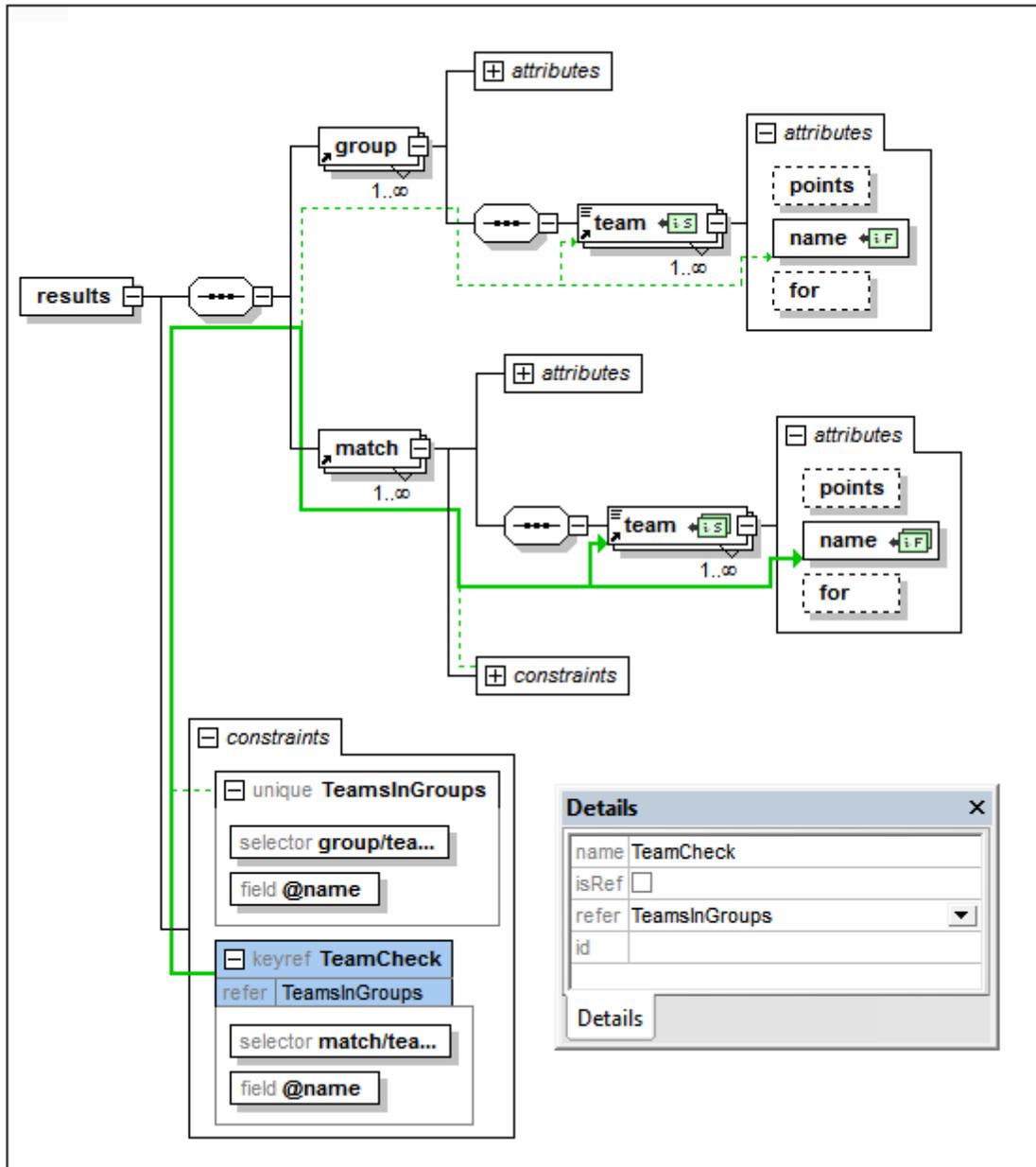
First, we create a uniqueness constant or key constraint. The screenshot below shows a uniqueness constraint (`unique`), `TeamsInGroups`, created on the `results` element. This constraint stipulates that each `team` in `group` has a unique `@name` attribute.

Identity constraints				
	Name	Refer	Selector	Field(s)
unique	TeamsInGroups		group/team	@name
keyref	TeamCheck	TeamsInGroups	match/team	@name

Next, we create the key reference (`keyref`), `TeamCheck`, which selects the `team` child of `match`

and checks whether its `@name` attribute-value is present among the values returned by `TeamsInGroups`, which it references (in the *Refer* column).

The screenshot below shows the graphical display of this key reference (highlighted in blue) together with the Details entry helper (in which you can also select the referenced IDC). The relations of the selected IDC are shown with a solid green line, while unselected IDCs are shown with a dotted green line. Also, for each identity constraint the node selected by the XPath expression for *selector* and *field* are shown with the icons `+iS` and `+iF` respectively. If a node is collapsed, the relationship line to it ends with an ellipsis.



**Using** `xpathDefaultNamespace`

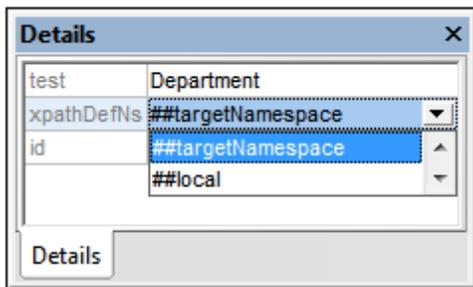
A default namespace declared in the XML Schema document is the default namespace of the XML Schema document. It applies to unprefixed element names in the schema document but not to unprefixed element names in XPath expressions in the schema document.

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XPath default namespaces are scoped on the XML Schema elements on which they are declared. The `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute can occur on the following XML Schema 1.1 elements:

- `xs:schema`
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The `xpathDefaultNamespace` on `xs:schema` is set, in XSD 1.1 mode, in the Schema Settings dialog (**Schema Design | Schema Settings**). For the other elements listed above, the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute is set in their respective Details entry helpers (see *screenshot below for example*).



Declaring the XPath default namespace on `xs:schema`, declares the XPath default namespace for the scope of the entire schema. You can override this declaration on elements where the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute is allowed (see *list above*).

Instead of containing an actual namespace, the `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute can contain one of three keywords:

- `##targetNamespace`: The XPath default namespace will be the same as the target namespace of the schema
- `##defaultNamespace`: The XPath default namespace will be the same as the default namespace of the schema
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If no XPath default namespace is declared in the document, unprefixed elements in XPath expressions will be in no namespace.

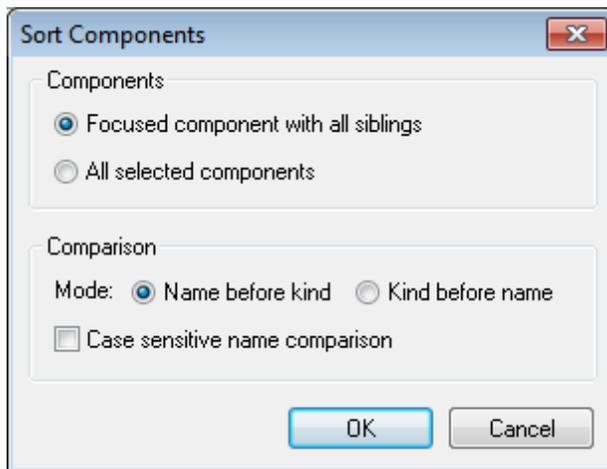
**Note:** The XPath default namespace declaration does not apply to attributes.

### IDs of identity constraints

An ID can be assigned to an identity constraint, its selector, and/or field/s. To assign an ID, select the required component and, in the Details entry helper, enter the ID in the `id` row.

### Sorting identity constraints

You can sort the IDCs in the Identity Constraints tab by clicking the **Sort** icon in the tab's toolbar. In the Sort Components dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), you can choose to sort either the selected single component and its siblings, or the set of selected components. You can use click +**Shift** to select a range and click+**Ctrl** to add additional components to the selection.



After setting the range you can choose to sort the entire range alphabetically (*Name before kind*), or organized alphabetically by kind (that is: uniqueness constraints first, then key constraints, then key references).

The sort order is implemented in the text of the schema.

### 2.3.5 Entry Helpers in Schema View

There are three entry helpers in Schema View. They are described in detail in the sub-section of this section:

- [Components entry helper](#)
- [Details entry helper](#)
- [Facets entry helper](#)

The entry helpers are the same in both Schema Overview and Content Model View. They enable you to graphically add and edit definitions of schema components. Typically you can drag components from an entry helper, or select a component in the design and then define properties for it in an entry helper.

### Components

The Components entry helper in Schema View (*see screenshots below*) serves three purposes:

- To organize global components in a tree view by component type and namespace (*see screenshots below*). This provides organized overviews of all global components and global components according to namespace.
- To enable you to navigate to and display the Content Model View of a global component

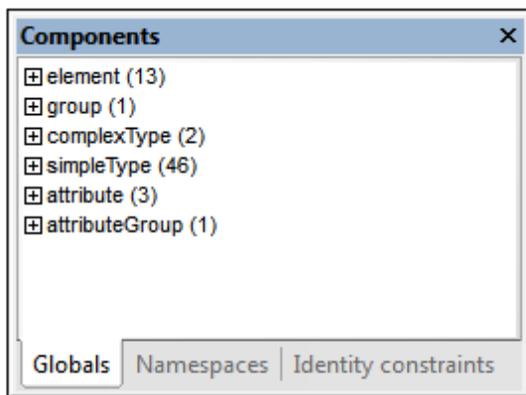
—if the component has a content model. If a component does not have a content model, the component is highlighted in the Schema Overview. Global components that are included or imported from other schemas are also displayed in the Components entry helper.

- To provide an overview of the identity constraints defined in the schema document. For a description of the Identity Constraints tab, see [Identity Constraints](#).

**Note:** Whether the built-in datatypes of XSD 1.0 or 1.1 are displayed depends on which XSD mode (XSD 1.0 or 1.1) is selected.

### Globals tab

In the Globals tab (see *screenshot below*) global components are grouped in a tree according to their component type. The number of each global component type present in the schema is given next to each component type.

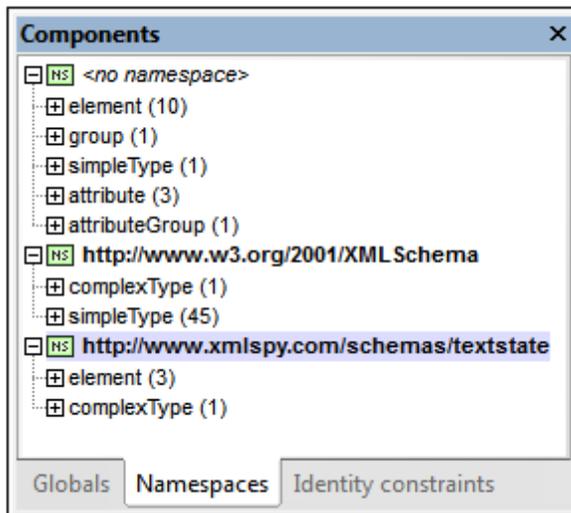


In the tree display, global components are organized into the following seven groups. Note that a component type is listed in a tree only if at least one component of that type exists in the schema.

- Element Declarations (Elements)
- Model Groups (Groups)
- Complex Types
- Simple Types
- Attribute Declarations (Attributes)
- Attribute Groups
- Notations

### Namespaces tab

In the Namespaces tab (see *screenshot below*), components are organized first according to namespace and then according to component type.

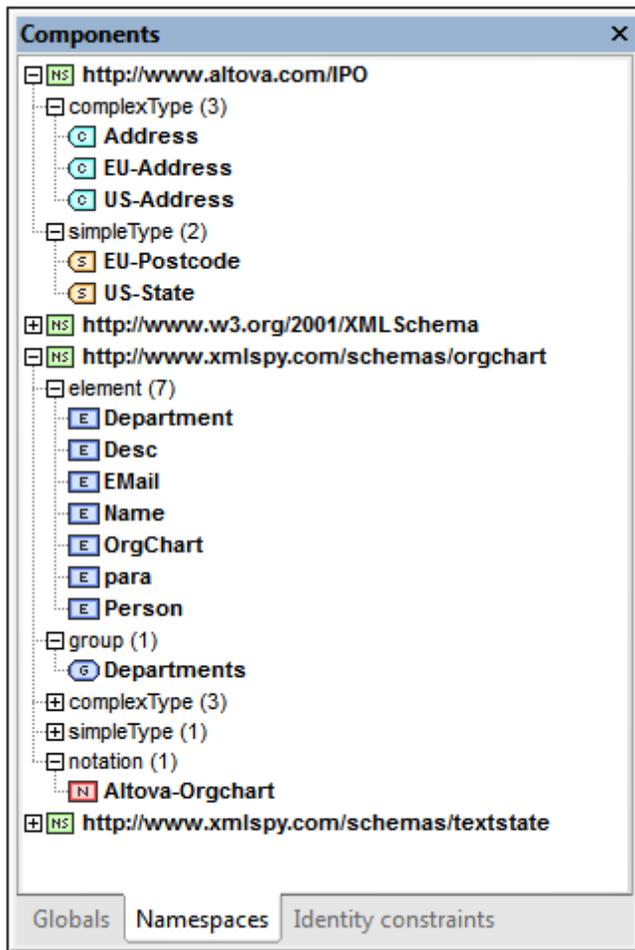


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- Notations

### Component-type groups in the Globals and Namespaces tabs

Expanding a component-type group in the Globals tab or Namespaces tab displays all the components in that group (see screenshot below). This enables you to easily navigate to a user-defined component. When you double-click the component in the Components tab, its definition is displayed in the main window.



If a component has a content model (that is, if it is an Element, Group, or Complex Type), double-clicking it will cause the component's content model to be displayed in Content Model View (in the Main Window). If the component does not have a content model (i.e. if it is a Simple Type, Attribute, Attribute Group, or Notation), then the component is highlighted in Schema Overview (in the Main Window).

**Please note:** If the component is in an included or imported schema, then the included/imported schema is opened (if it is not already open), and either the component's content model is displayed in Content Model View or the component is highlighted in Schema Overview.

### Identity constraints

The Identity Constraints tab of the Components entry helper (*screenshot below*) provides an overview of a document's identity constraints. In this tab, identity constraints are listed by the kind of identity constraint (*unique, key, keyref*) and displayed as an expandable/collapsible tree.



Entries in bold are present in the current schema, while those in normal face are present in sub-schemas. Double-clicking an entry in the Identity Constraints tab selects that schema component in [Content Model View](#).

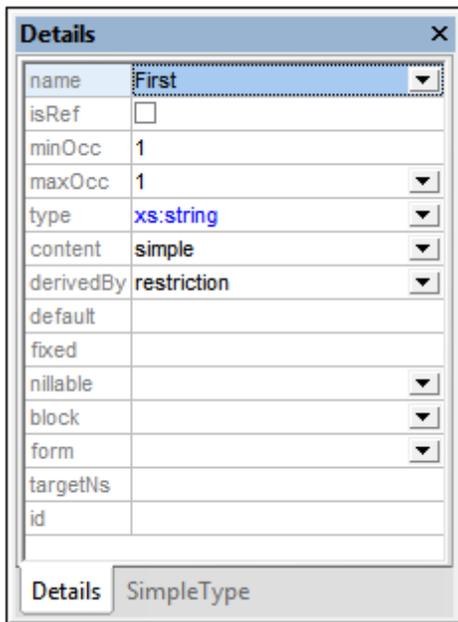
The following context menu commands are available when an item in the Identity Constraints tab is selected:

- *Show in Diagram*: selects the schema component in [Content Model View](#).
- *Show Selector/Field Target in Diagram*: selects, in [Content Model View](#), the schema component targeted by the selector or field of the identity constraint. In the case of multiple fields, a dialog prompts the user for the required field.
- *Go to Identity Constraint*: selects the identity constraint in [Schema Overview](#).
- *Expand/Collapse All*: expands or collapses the tree, respectively.

For a description of the Identity Constraints tab, see the section, [Identity Constraints](#).

## Details

The Details entry helper of Schema View displays editable information about the component or compositor currently selected in the Main Window. If you are editing a schema file which contains database extensions, an additional tab with information about the DB extensions may be visible.

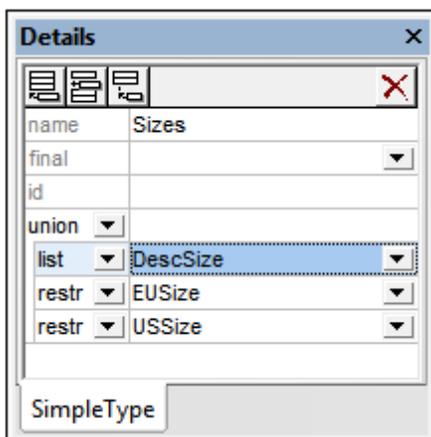


To change the properties of the currently selected component or compositor, double-click the field to be edited and edit or enter text directly. If a combo box is available in the field to be edited, select the desired value from the dropdown list.

Changes you make via the Details entry helper are immediately reflected in the design.

### Simple type derivations

You can use the Details entry helper to quickly and accurately create derived simple types: *restriction*, *list*, and *union*. When a simple type is selected in the design, the Details entry helper will have a Simple Type tab in it (see screenshot below).



In the derivation-type combo box of the SimpleType tab, select the derivation type (*restriction*, *list*, or *union*) and, in the corresponding member type combo box to its right, select a simple type from the available simple types. Use the icons in the toolbar to append or insert a type on the same level, to add another derivation sub-level, or to delete a derivation type.

## Facets

A new simple type (named or anonymous) is created by restricting the simple type's base type (which is an existing simple type). Such a restriction is effected by adding facets to restrict the values of the base type. In Schema View, the Facets entry helper (*see screenshots below*) enables you to graphically and easily edit the facets of a simple type. The available facets are organized in tabs of the Facets entry helper as listed in the table below.

Tab	Available facets
<a href="#">Facets</a>	minInclusive, maxInclusive, minExclusive, maxExclusive, length, minLength, maxLength, totalDigits, fractionDigits, whiteSpace, explicitTimezone
<a href="#">Patterns</a>	pattern
<a href="#">Enumerations</a>	enumeration
<a href="#">Assertions</a>	assertion
<a href="#">Samples</a>	altova:exampleValues is an annotation, <b>not a facet</b> . This annotation is used to generate sample values in the instance XML document generated by XMLSpy from the XML Schema.

Each of these tabs is described in the sections below.

### Selecting the simple type in the design

A simple type (named or anonymous) can be selected in the following design environments:

- In [Schema Overview](#) (either in the global components list or in the Attributes tab below the global components list), or
- In [Content Model View](#) (either in the diagram or in the Attributes tab below the diagram).

When a simple type is selected in the design in any of the design environments listed above, applicable facets in the Facets entry helper become enabled and can be edited in the Facets entry helper.

### Facets tab

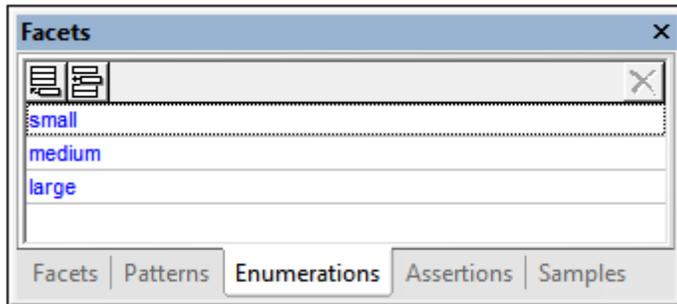
In the Facets tab, only facets applicable to the type selected in the design will be displayed. For example, if it is the `xs:string` type that is being restricted, then non-applicable facets like `totalDigits` will not be displayed.

- The four bounds facets (`minInclusive`, `maxInclusive`, `minExclusive`, `maxExclusive`) are applicable only to the numeric and date/time types and to types derived from these types.
- The three length facets (`length`, `minLength`, `maxLength`) are applicable only to string-



### Enumerations tab

In the Enumerations tab (*screenshot below*), you can add one or more `enumeration` facets to a restriction. Each `enumeration` facet specifies a valid value for the type. Taken together, a set of `enumeration` facets specifies a range of allowed values. In the screenshot below, `enumeration` facets specify the allowed range of size values for the restriction.



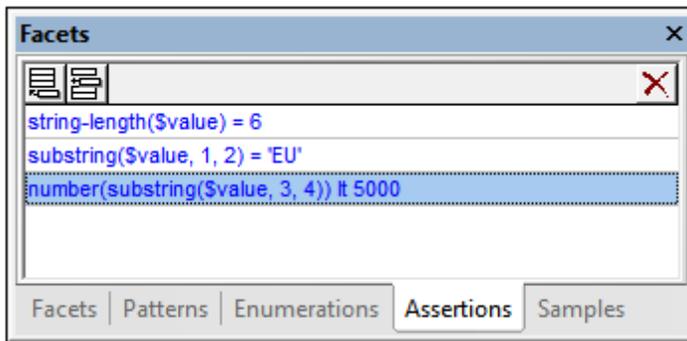
Add an `enumeration` facet by clicking the **Append** or **Insert** icon at top left and then entering the `enumeration` value. To delete an `enumeration`, select it and click the **Delete** icon at top right.

### Assertions tab

Assertions are an XSD 1.1 feature. So the Assertions tab will be enabled only in [XSD 1.1 mode](#). Assertion facets defined in the Assertions tab of the Facets entry helper are **assertions for simple types**—as opposed to assertions for complex types (which can be [defined and edited](#) in Schema Overview or Content Model View, **not** in the Facets entry helper).

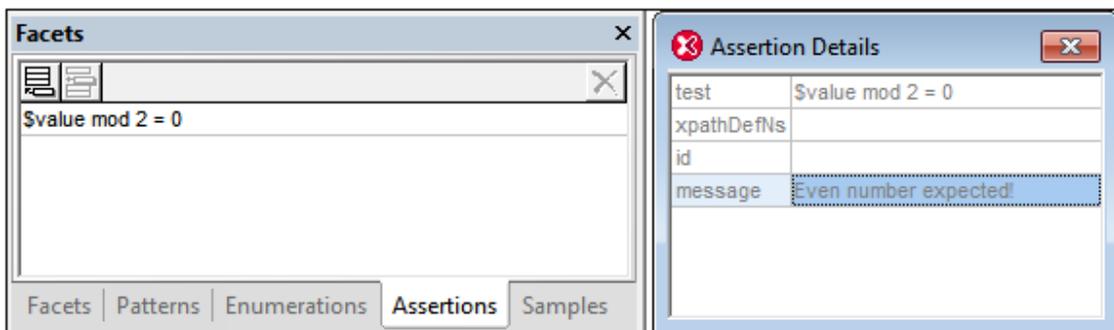
When a simple type (element or attribute of simple content) is selected in the design, an assertion can be specified for it by switching to the Assertions tab (*see screenshot below*), clicking the **Append** or **Insert** icon at top left, and then entering the XPath 2.0 expression that will be used to define the `assertion`. A special variable called `$value` must be used in the XPath expression to hold the value of the simple type. (Note that, since there are no descendants to test but only a value, the normal `self::node()` path step (or the period abbreviation of this path step '.') cannot be used in the XPath expression.)

For example, the XPath expression `string-length($value) = 6` (*see screenshot below*) tests whether the value of the simple type has six characters. If the element or attribute in the instance document does have six characters, then it is valid according to the assertion.



**Note:** Syntax errors in the XPath expression will be flagged by the expression turning red. But, since the datatype is determined at runtime, type errors will not be flagged when you enter the XPath expression. You must take care to construct types as required. For an example of type construction, see the third XPath expression in the screenshot above, which converts a string value (assuming that the assertion is defined on an `xs:string` simple type) into a number before doing a numeric comparison.

Multiple assertions can be specified on a single simple type, as in the screenshot above. In this case, all the assertions must be satisfied for the element or attribute in the instance document to be valid. The assertions in the screenshot above specify that the instance document value must be a six-character string starting with the characters `EU` and having numeric characters that have a number value of `0000` to `4999` as its final four characters. To edit the details of an assertion, right-click the assertion in the Facets entry helper, and click **Details** in the menu that pops up. This brings up the Assertion Details modal window (see screenshot below).



It is very useful if an explanation of the assertion is supplied together with its definition, so that in case the assertion is not fulfilled when the XML instance document is validated, an appropriate message can be displayed. Since the XML Schema Specification does not make provision for such a message, XMLSpy allows a message in the Altova xml-schema-extensions namespace <http://www.altova.com/xml-schema-extensions> (or any other namespace) to be provided with the definition of the assertion and to be used in the validation of the XML instance document. For example:

```
<xs:assert test="count(//MyNode) ge 1" altova:message="There must be at
least one MyNode element"/> or
<xs:assertion test="count(//MyNode) ge 1" altova:message="There must be at
least one MyNode element"/>
```

If the restriction specified in the assertion is not fulfilled, XMLSpy's validation engine will display,

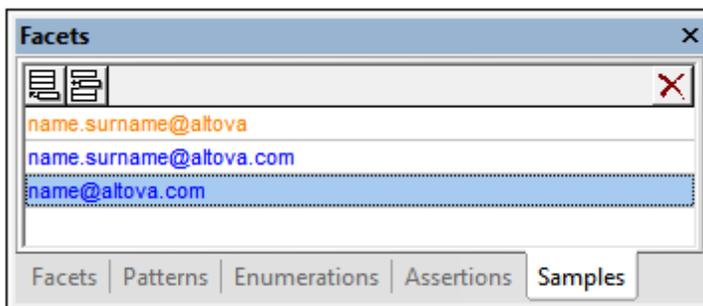
along with the validation-error message, the message associated with the assertion as a hint. The validator will report the value of an `assert/@message` attribute or of an `assertion/@message` attribute regardless of the namespace in which the `message` attribute is. However, in Schema View, you can edit only `message` attributes that are in the Altova `xml-schema-extension` namespace. To edit `message` attributes in other namespaces, use Text View.

See [Assertion Messages](#) for details.

**Note:** It is a good practice recommendation to use other facets in preference to assertions where possible. For example, the restriction specified by the first assertion in the screenshot above would be better specified by the `length` facet (in the Facets tab).

### Samples tab

In the Samples tab (*screenshot below*), you can specify sample values that can be used when generating an XML file from the XML Schema (with the menu command **DTD/Schema | Generate Sample XML File**). If a sample value is invalid, a warning is indicated by displaying the sample value in orange. In the screenshot below, the first value is invalid because it does not match the `pattern` facet specified for emails (see *Patterns tab* above).



**Note:** Click the **Display Validation Warnings** icon  in the toolbar to switch on the display of invalid sample-value warnings. An invalid sample value does not invalidate the XSD file if the file is valid in other respects.

Sample values are placed in an `altova:example` annotation element that is in the `http://www.altova.com/xml-schema-extensions` namespace. Add an `altova:example` annotation by clicking the **Append** or **Insert** icon at top left and then entering the `altova:example` value. To delete an `altova:example` annotation, select it and click the **Delete** icon at top right.

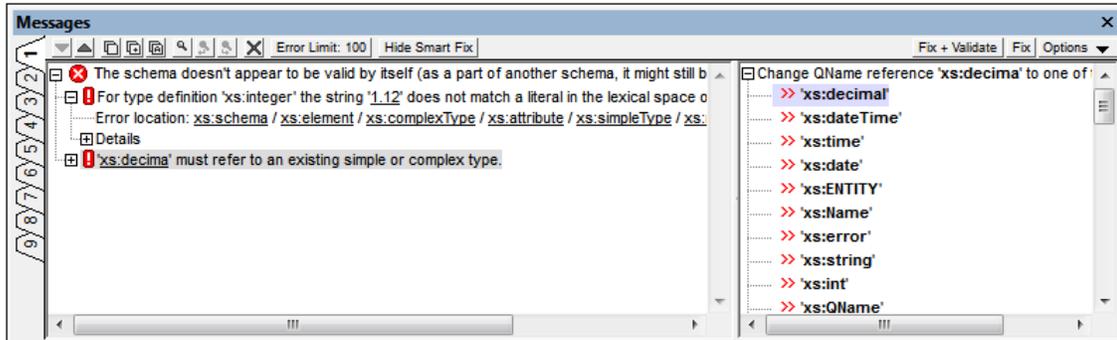
### 2.3.6 Validation and Smart Fixes

An XML Schema document can be validated for correctness. Do this by clicking the menu command **XML | Validate XML (F8)**.

If the document is valid, a message to this effect is displayed in the Messages window.

If the document is invalid, the Messages window will change to display two panes (see *screenshot below*). The left-hand pane (the Errors pane) lists the first `x` errors, or all errors. The right hand pane is the Smart Fix pane; it contains a list of possible fixes for the error selected in

the left-hand pane. For example, in the screenshot below, selection of the second error in the Errors pane has caused possible fixes for this error to be listed in the right-hand Smart Fix pane. If you select one of the fixes and then click either **Fix+Validate** or **Fix**, the error in the document is corrected with this particular fix.



### Errors pane

The toolbar of the window provides the following functionality:

- Scroll through the errors using the **Up** and **Down** arrows.
- Copy a message, or a message and its descendants, or all messages to the clipboard.
- Search for words you want using the Find, Find Next, and Find Previous functionality. This is useful if several errors have been reported.
- Clear all errors from the Errors pane.
- Set a limit to the number of found and displayed errors (1 to 999). The default is 100. Click the button to edit the limit.
- Show/Hide Smart Fix pane. When the Smart Fix pane is hidden, the **Show Smart Fix** button appears in the toolbar; clicking it causes the Smart Fix pane to be displayed, and the button changes to **Hide Smart Fix**. If the **Show/Hide Smart Fix** button is disabled, no smart fix is available.

### Smart Fix pane

The toolbar of the window provides the following functionality:

- The **Fix+Validate** button corrects the selected error with the selected Smart Fix and re-validates the document. Any other errors will be reported in the Errors pane.
- Clicking the **Fix** button fixes the error but does not re-validate.
- The **Options** button drops down a list containing a choice of behavior on double-clicking a Smart Fix: whether double-clicking carries out a **Fix+Validate** or a **Fix**.

## 2.3.7 Assertion Messages

In XML Schema 1.1, assertions can be defined for complex types (using `xs:assert` elements) and simple types (using `xs:assertion` elements).

It is very useful if an explanation of the assertion is supplied together with its definition, so that in case the assertion is not fulfilled when the XML instance document is validated, an appropriate message can be displayed. Since the XML Schema specification does not make provision for such a message, XMLSpy allows a message in the Altova xml-schema-extensions namespace <http://www.altova.com/xml-schema-extensions> (or any other namespace) to be provided with

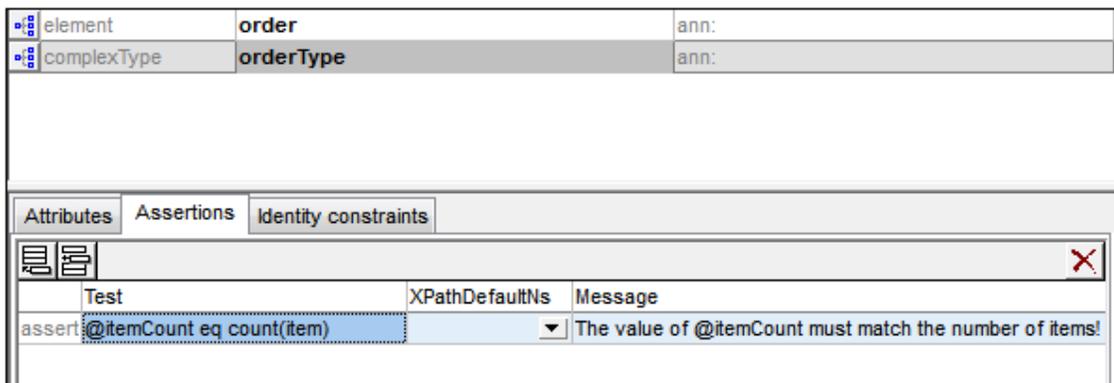
the definition of the assertion and to be used in the validation of the XML instance document. For example:

```
<xs:assert test="count(//MyNode) ge 1" altova:message="There must be at
least one MyNode element"/> or
<xs:assertion test="count(//MyNode) ge 1" altova:message="There must be at
least one MyNode element"/>
```

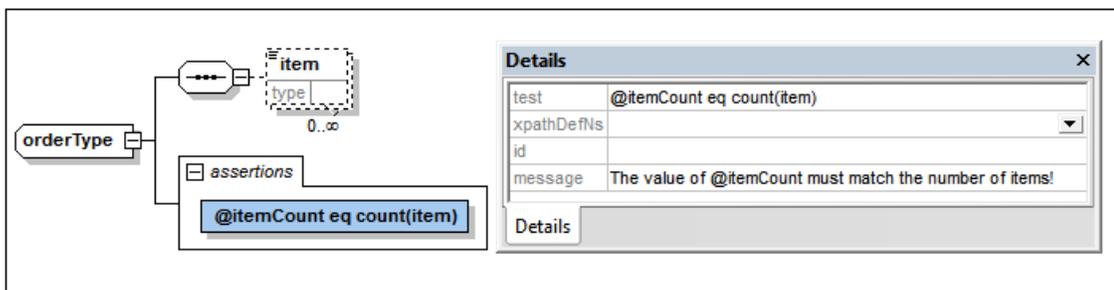
If the restriction specified in the assertion is not fulfilled, XMLSpy's validation engine will display, along with the validation-error message, the message associated with the assertion as a hint. The validator will report the value of an `assert/@message` attribute or of an `assertion/@message` attribute regardless of the namespace in which the `message` attribute is. However, in Schema View, you can edit only `message` attributes that are in the Altova `xml-schema-extension` namespace. To edit `message` attributes in other namespaces, use Text View.

### Editing `xs:assert` messages

In Schema View, `xs:assert` elements (for complex types) can be created and edited in the [Attributes/Assertions/Identity Constraints \(AAIDC\) pane](#) or [Details entry helper](#) of the relevant complex type. The screenshot below shows an assertion for the complex type `orderType`. The assertion (an `xs:assert` in this case) is defined in the Assertions tab (of Schema Overview) together with an assertion message.

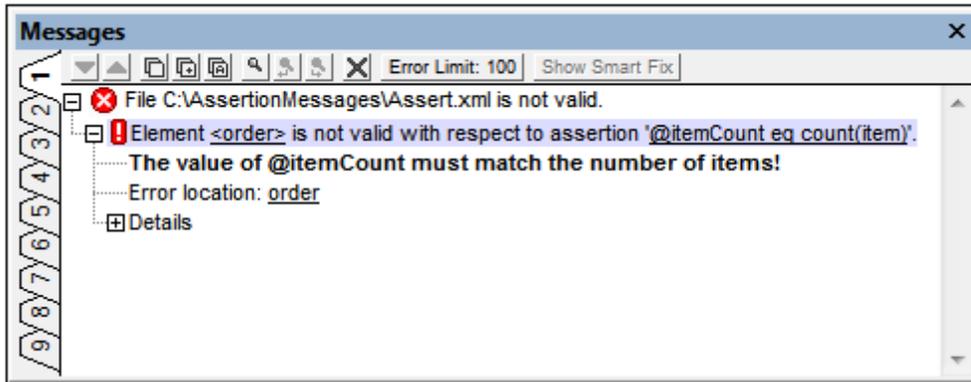


If the [Display Assertions in Diagram](#) option is selected, assertions on complex types can also be created and edited in Content Model View. To add or edit an assertion message, select the assertion and enter the assertion message in the Details entry helper (see *screenshot below*).



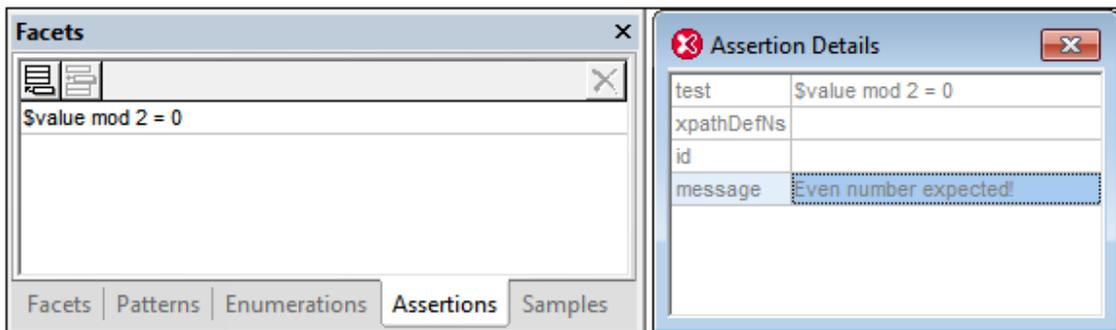
Note that assertion messages created in this way are in the Altova xml-schema-extensions namespace <http://www.altova.com/xml-schema-extensions>. When you add the first assertion message in the XML schema document via the [AAIDC pane](#) or [Details entry helper](#), the Altova xml-schema-extensions namespace is automatically declared on the `xs:schema` element.

If an XML file is validated and the assertion test is not fulfilled, the message defined for the assertion is displayed together with an error message (see *screenshot below*).

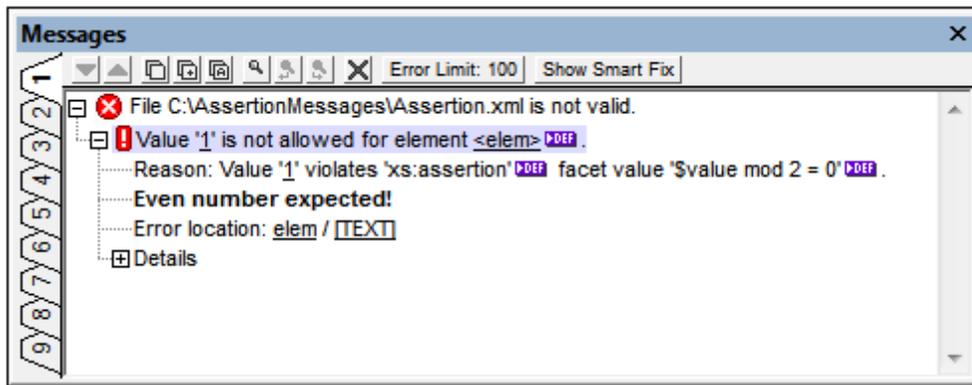


### Editing `xs:assertion` messages

In Schema View, `xs:assertion` elements (for simple types) can be created and edited in the [Facets entry helper](#) of the relevant simple type. To edit the assertion message, right-click the assertion in the Facets entry helper (see *screenshot below*), click **Details** in the menu that pops up, and edit the message in the Assertion Details modal window (see *screenshot below*). Note that assertion messages created in this way are in the Altova xml-schema-extensions namespace <http://www.altova.com/xml-schema-extensions>. When you add the first assertion message in the XML schema document via the Assertion Details modal window, the namespace is automatically declared on the `xs:schema` element.



If an XML file is validated and the assertion test is not fulfilled, the message defined for the assertion is displayed together in the error message (see *screenshot below*).

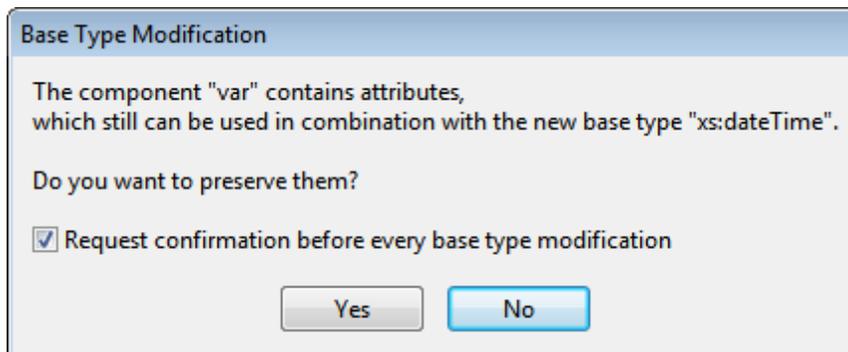


### 2.3.8 Base Type Modification

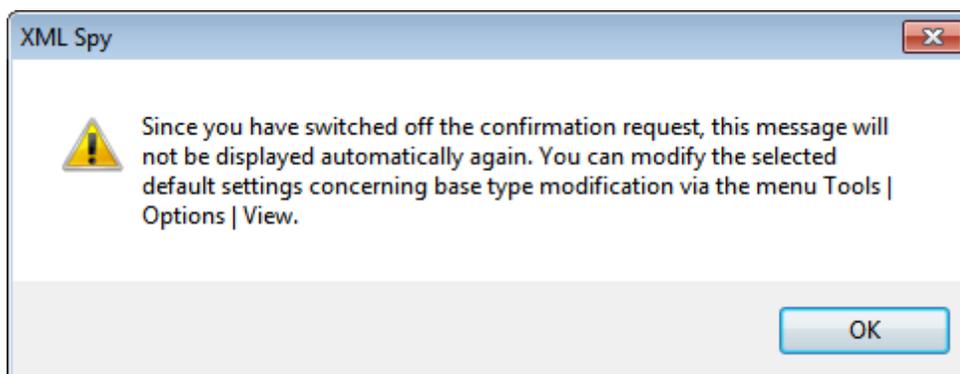
If the base type of a derived type is changed in Schema View, content, attributes, facets and sample values defined within the derived type can be handled in one of two ways:

- They can be preserved if they are still applicable in combination with the new base type.
- They can be removed automatically whether or not they are still applicable in combination with the new base type.

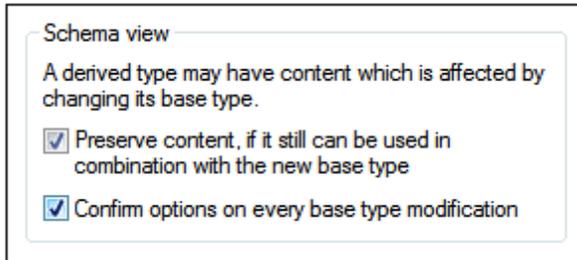
When changing the base type of a derived type which contains content, attributes, facets or sample values the Base Type Modification dialog (*screenshot below*) is displayed. Note that there



If the *Request Confirmation* check box is de-selected a pop-up (*screenshot below*) indicates that the confirmation can be turned on again in the View tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options | View](#)).



In the Schema View pane (*screenshot below*) of the View tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options | View](#)), you can specify whether content should be preserved and whether user confirmation is required for every base type modification.



Check the respective check boxes to preserve content and require confirmation if you wish these to be the default options.

### 2.3.9 Smart Restrictions

When restricting a complex type, parts of the content model of the base type are rewritten in the derived type. This can be confusing if the content model is complex because while editing the derived type it might be hard to correctly remember exactly what the content model of the base type looks like.

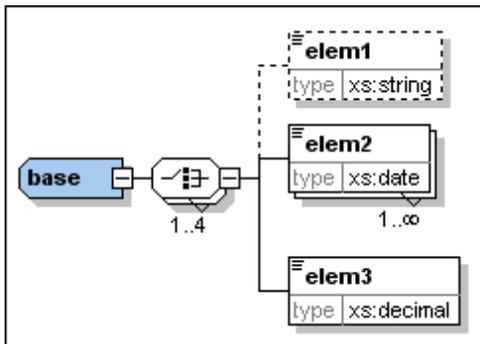
Smart Restrictions combine and correlate the two content models in the graphical view of the derived content model. In the derived complex type, all particles of the base complex type, and how they relate to the derived type, can be seen. Additionally, Smart Restrictions provide visual hints to show you all possible ways to restrict the base type. This makes it easy to correctly restrict the derived type.

To switch on Smart Restrictions:

- Click the Smart Restrictions icon  in the Schema Design toolbar.

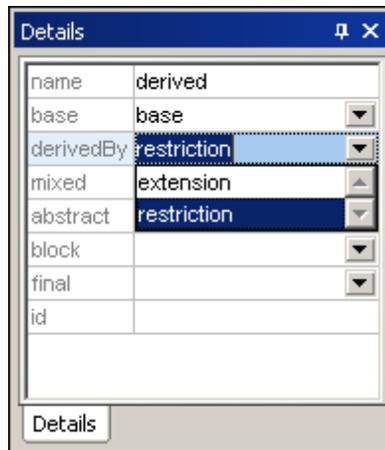
The example that follows illustrates the features of Smart Restrictions.

The following complex type is the base type used in this example:

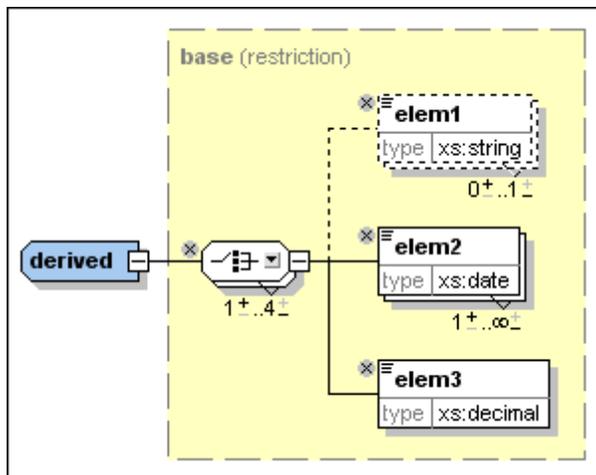


The complex type "derived" is derived from the "base" type as follows:

1. Create a new complex type in the schema and call it "derived".
2. In the Details Entry Helper select "base" from the **base** drop-down list and "restriction" from the **derivedBy** drop-down list.

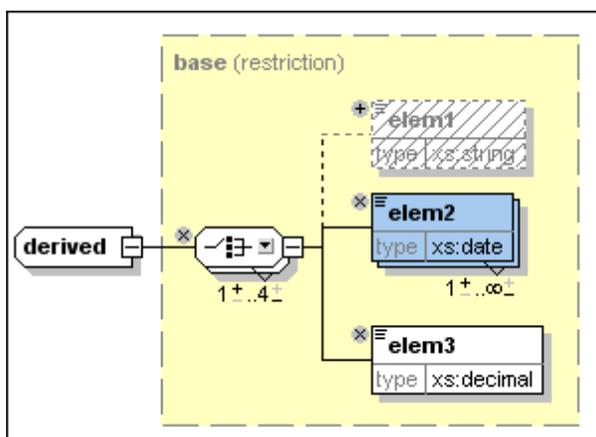


With Smart Restrictions switched on, the new derived type looks like this:

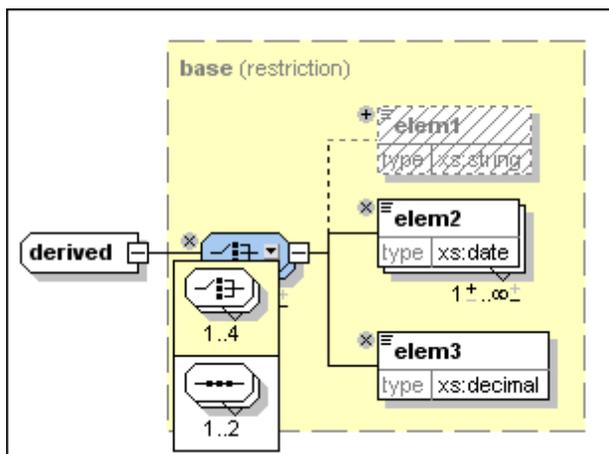


Notice the following controls that can be used to restrict the derived type in this example:

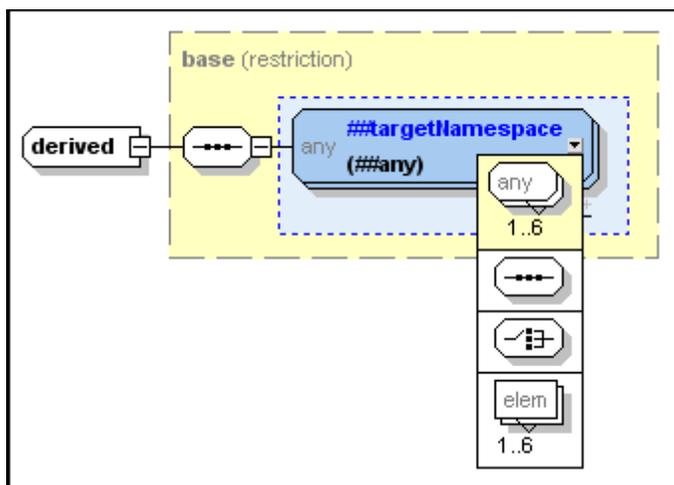
- Use this icon  to remove elements that are in the base type from the derived type. Here, elem1 has been deleted. To add it again, click this icon .



- Click the down arrow on the Choice compositor  to get the following list, which allows you to change the Choice model group to a Sequence model group:

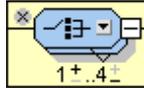


It is also possible to change wildcards in the same way, as seen in this example:

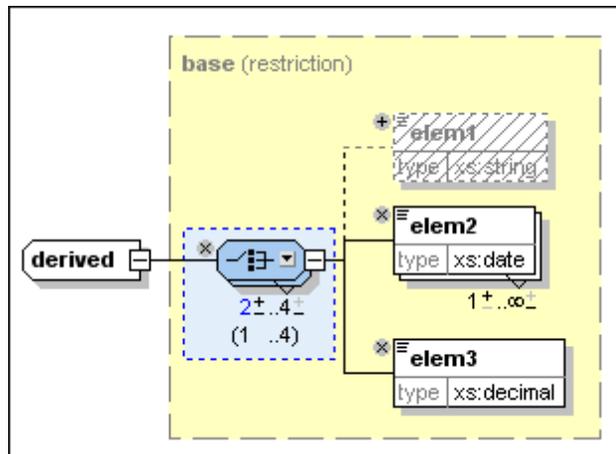


For a complete list of which particles can be replaced by which other particles, see the [XML schema specification](#).

- Change the number of occurrences of the model group using the following control

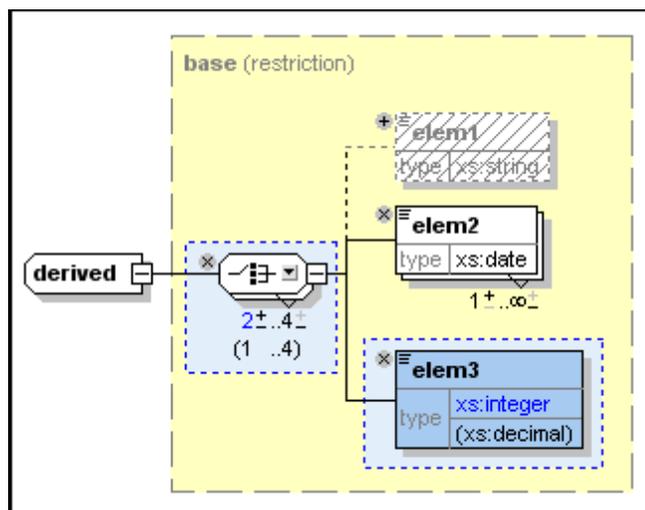


to increase the minimum number of occurrences by clicking the plus sign over the "1", or to decrease the maximum number of occurrences by clicking the minus sign under "4". These controls are shown if the occurrence range in the base describes a real range (e.g., 2-5) and not a certain amount (e.g. 4-4). They are also displayed if the occurrence range is wrong.



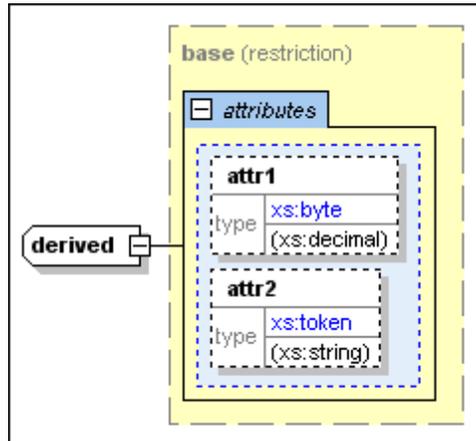
Here you can see that the minimum occurrence for this element has been changed to 2. Notice that the model group now has a blue background, which means that it is no longer the same as the model group in the base complex type. Also, the permitted occurrence range of the model group in the base particle is now displayed in parentheses.

- It is possible to change the data types of attributes or elements if the new data type is a valid restriction of the base data type as defined in the [XML schema specification](#). For example, you can change the data type of elem3 in the "derived" data type from decimal to integer. After you do this, the element has a blue background to show that is different from the element in the base type, and the type that the element has in the base type is displayed in parentheses:

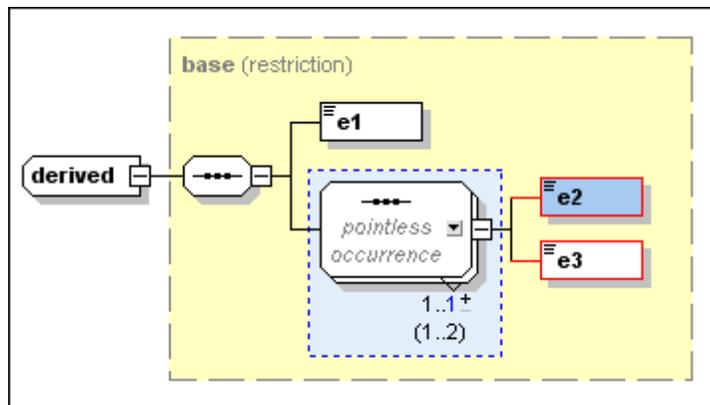


This example shows attributes whose data types have been restricted in the derived

complex type:



- Smart Restrictions alert you to *pointless occurrences* in the content model. A pointless occurrence happens, for example, when a sequence that is present in the content model is unnecessary. This example shows a pointless occurrence:



**Please note:** Pointless occurrences are only shown if the content model contains an error. It is possible for a content model to contain a pointless occurrence and be valid, in which case the pointless occurrence is not explicitly shown in order to avoid confusion.

See the [XML schema specification](#) for more information about pointless occurrences.

### 2.3.10 xml:base, xml:id, xml:lang, xml:space

The namespace <http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace> is, [according to the XML Namespaces specification](#), bound by definition to the `xml:` prefix. What this means is that this is the namespace that must be used with the `xml:` prefix and that is reserved for it. There are four attributes in this namespace that can be children of any XML element in any XML document (schema or instance):

- `xml:base` (for setting the base URI of an element)
- `xml:id` (for specifying the unique ID of an element)
- `xml:lang` (for identifying the language used within that element)
- `xml:space` (for specifying how whitespace in the element should be handled)

In Schema View, once the XML Namespaces namespace has been imported into the XML Schema document, these four `xml:` attributes can be referenced for use on any element in the schema.

In order to declare one of these attributes on an element, do the following:

1. Declare the XML Namespaces namespace for that schema document and bind the namespace to the `xml:` prefix. When any of the four `xml:` attributes is used in the document, its name would then be expanded to include the correct namespace part.
2. Import the XML Namespaces namespace. XMLSpy's validator will recognize the namespace and make the four `xml:` attributes available as global attributes, which can be referenced within that schema.
3. Insert the required `xml:` attribute as the child of an element. The attribute is declared as a reference to the "imported" global attribute.

### Declare the XML Namespaces namespace

You can declare the XML Namespaces namespace (<http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace>) by entering it via the Schema Settings dialog, where all namespaces declared for that schema are stored and can be edited. The namespace must be bound to the `xml:` prefix. (Alternatively, you could declare the namespace (with the `xml:` prefix) on the `xs:schema` element in Text View.)

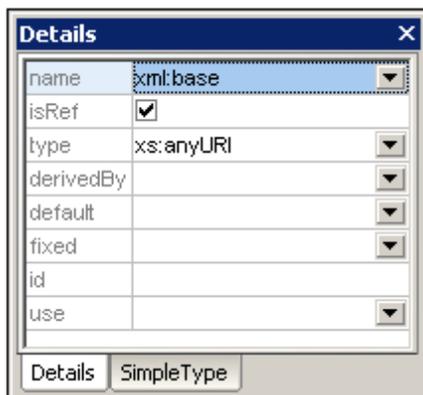
### Import the XML Namespaces namespace

In Schema Overview, create a global import declaration for the XML Namespaces namespace. Do this by clicking the Insert  or Append  icon at the top of the Schema Overview window and selecting **Import** from the menu that pops up. Enter the XML Namespaces namespace as the namespace to be imported. In Text View, the import declaration should look like this:

```
<xs:import namespace="http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace"
schemaLocation="http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace"/>
```

### Adding the `xml:attribute`

In Schema Overview, select the element for which the `xml:attribute` is to be added, and add an attribute for it. In the Details entry helper (*screenshot below*), click the down arrow of the name combo box and select the required `xml:attribute`, for example `xml:base`. When you are prompted whether you wish to reference the global attribute, click **Yes**. The attribute is added as a reference.



### **XInclude and `xml:base`**

When XInclude's `include` element is replaced by the XML file specified in the `href` attribute of the include element, the top-level element of the parsed XML document is included with an `xml:base` attribute. If this XML document is going to be validated, then the schema must define an `xml:base` attribute on the relevant element/s.

## **2.3.11 Back and Forward: Moving through Positions**

The **Back** and **Forward** commands in Schema View enable you to move through previously viewed positions in Schema View. This is useful because, while clicking through schema components in Schema View, you might wish to view a previously viewed component. Clicking the **Back** button once in the toolbar takes you to the previously viewed position. By repeatedly clicking the **Back** button, you can view up to 500 of the last visited positions. After moving back through previous positions, you can move forward through these positions by using the **Forward** button in the toolbar.

The shortcut keys for the two commands are:

-  **Back: Alt + Left Arrow**
-  **Forward: Alt + Right Arrow**

### **Back/Forward versus Undo/Redo**

Note that the **Back** and **Forward** commands are not the same as the **Undo (Ctrl+Z)** and **Redo (Ctrl+Y)** commands. These two sets of commands make up two different series of steps. Clicking the **Back** command once takes you to the previously viewed component as previously displayed. Clicking the **Undo** command once undoes the last editing change regardless of when that editing change was made.

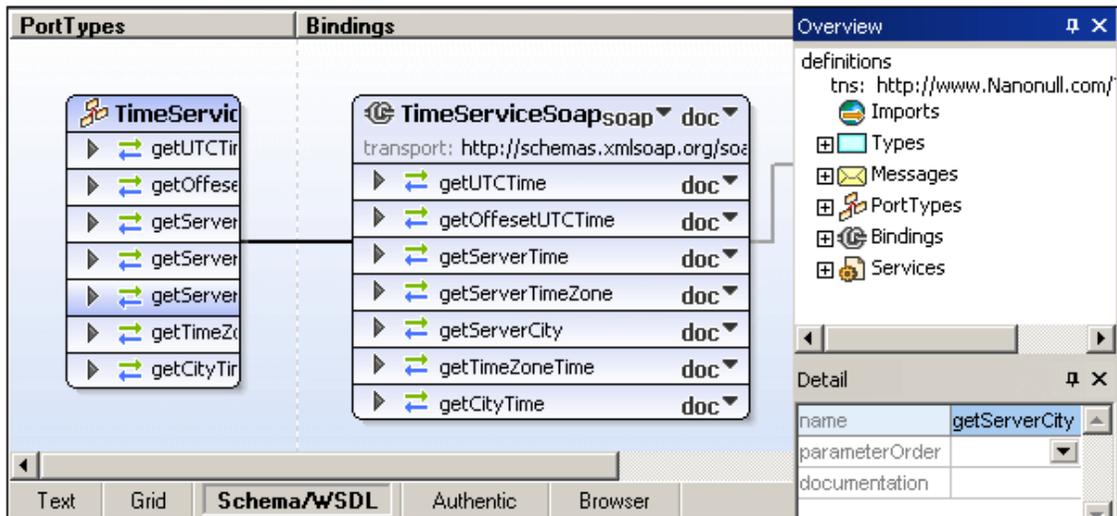
### **Additional notes**

Note the following points:

- The **Back** button enables you to re-view the previous 500 positions.
- The Back/Forward feature is enabled across schemas. If a schema has since been closed or is currently open in another view, it will be opened in Schema View or switched to Schema View, respectively.
- If a component that was viewed in a previous position is deleted, then that component will not be able to be viewed. If such a component was part of a previous position, this position will be displayed without the deleted component. If the component comprised the entire position, the entire position will be unavailable, and clicking the **Back** button at this point in the Back series will take you to the position previous to the unavailable position.

## 2.4 WSDL View

WSDL View (*screenshot below*) provides an interface for graphically editing WSDL 1.1 and WSDL 2.0 documents. WSDL View is available when a WSDL document is active and the WSDL View tab is clicked. The structure and components of a WSDL document are created in the [Main Window](#) using graphical design mechanisms, and additional editing is enabled from the [Entry Helpers](#).



The [Main Window](#) (consisting of the PortTypes (WSDL 1.1) or Interfaces (WSDL 2.0), Bindings, and Services sections) and the Entry Helpers ([Overview](#) and [Details](#)) are described in the sub-sections of this section. (For a description of how to work with projects, see [Project Menu](#) in the User Reference section.)

### Functionality available in WSDL View

The following functionality is available in WSDL View:

- A graphical display in the Main Window of all WSDL elements, grouped by PortTypes (WSDL 1.1) or Interfaces (WSDL 2.0), Bindings, and Services.
- Direct manipulation of WSDL elements using drag and drop.
- Ability to add, append, and delete any WSDL element visible in the graphical view (context sensitive menu).
- Ability to enter and edit values in the Details Entry Helper.
- WSDL validation against W3C Working Draft.
- Import or embedding of XML Schemas in the WSDL document.
- Switching to Schema View for editing of schemas.
- Editing of schema types from within WSDL View.
- Generation of WSDL documentation in MS Word or HTML.
- Generation of a diagram (PNG image) of the WSDL document in the Main Window.
- Printing of the view in the WSDL window.

### File viewing

Note the following points concerning file viewing:

- When you open a WSDL file, the file opens automatically in WSDL View.
- You can also view a WSDL document in the Text and Enhanced Grid Views. To do this,

- click on the appropriate tab.
- If the WSDL file contains a reference to an XML Schema, then the schema can be viewed and edited by selecting the menu command **WSDL | Types | Edit Schema in Schema View**. This opens the schema file in the Schema View.
- If an associated schema file is open, then you are not allowed to change the view of the WSDL file (for example, from WSDL View to Text View). Before trying to change views of the WSDL file, make sure that you have saved changes to the schema file and closed the file.

There are two entry helpers to help you edit WSDL documents: [Overview](#) and [Details](#). Both entry helpers can be docked/undocked by double-clicking the title bar. When docked, the auto-hide feature can be activated by clicking the drawing-pin icon in the title bar. When auto-hidden, the entry helper is minimized as a tab at an edge of the application window. An auto-hidden entry helper can be re-docked by rolling it out from the edge (by mousing over its tab) and clicking the drawing-pin icon in the title bar.

**See also:** More information about working with WSDL documents is available in the sections, [WSDL Tutorial](#) and [User Reference | WSDL Menu](#).

## 2.4.1 Main Window

The Main Window is where you edit your WSDL document. It consists of three vertical sections: (i) [Port Types \(WSDL 1.1\) or Interfaces \(WSDL 2.0\)](#); (ii) [Bindings](#), and (iii) [Services](#). The relationship between a port type and a binding and between a binding and a service is each indicated with a connector line. Each of these three sections is described in detail below.

### Symbols in the Main Window

The following symbols are used in the Main Window:



Port type in WSDL 1.1, Interface in WSDL 2.0



Binding



Service



Fault



Operation. The green arrow represents inputs and the blue arrow represents outputs. Depending on the type of operation, an appropriate symbol is used.



Message



Message part (parameter)



XSD element



XSD simpleType or complexType



Port

### Adding new port types, interfaces, bindings, and services

To add a new port type (in WSDL 1.1 documents), interface (in WSDL 2.0 documents), binding, or service, right-click anywhere in the Main Window but outside a component box, and select the relevant command from the context menu that appears.

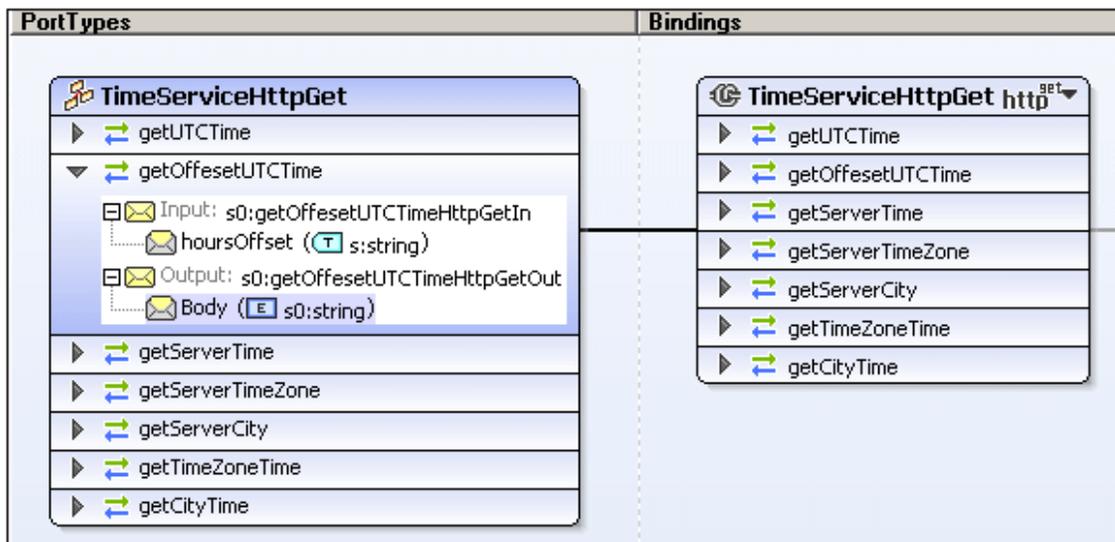
### Drag and drop functionality

The following drag-and-drop functionality is available:

- In the Main Window, associations between PortTypes (WSDL 1.1) or Interfaces (WSDL 2.0) and Bindings and between Bindings and Services can be established with drag-and-drop.
- In WSDL 2.0 documents, elements in the Overview entry helper can be dragged to interface faults in both the Main Window and the Overview entry helper.

### PortTypes (WSDL 1.1), Interfaces (WSDL 2.0)

The PortTypes section (WSDL 1.1 documents) contains all the portTypes defined in the WSDL document (*the screenshot below shows only one portType in the PortTypes section*). The Interfaces section (in WSDL 2.0 documents) contains all the interfaces defined in the WSDL document



Each portType or interface is represented as a box containing the operations defined for that portType or interface. Components can be edited directly in the box. The main features of port type and interface boxes are listed below:

- Operations can be expanded to display their messages by clicking the icon at the left of an operation name.
- In WSDL 1.1 a message can contain a message part . Such messages can be

- expanded to show the message part.
- Right-clicking a component of a portType box (either portType, operation, message, or message part), pops up a context menu from which relevant actions can be selected. For example, right-clicking a portType name allows you, among other actions, to append a new portType, append an operation to the selected portType, or create a binding for the selected portType.
- The optional WSDL 2.0 interface properties, *extends*, *styleDefault*, and *documentation* are hidden if empty. They can be edited via the **Edit** command in the context menu of the interface.
- In WSDL 2.0 documents, properties of operations can be edited via the **Edit** command in the context menu of the operation. The value of the style property is selected via a combo box listing the options.
- Note that when a component is selected, its details can be edited in the Detail entry helper.
- Documentation for port types and interfaces appears at the bottom of individual boxes.

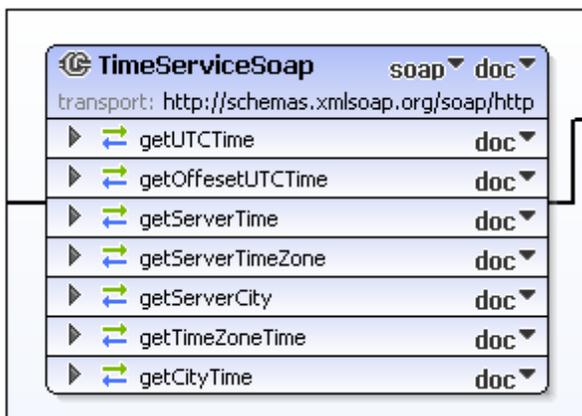
The association of a portType or interface with a binding is indicated in the Main Window by a black connector line linking the portType box or interface box to the binding box; the binding box will be in the Bindings section of the Main Window.

### Bindings

A binding defines message formats and protocol details for:

- Operations defined by a particular portType (WSDL 1.1), or
- Operations and faults defined by a particular interface (WSDL 2.0).

In WSDL 1.1, bindings can be created for SOAP 1.1 or SOAP 1.2 endpoints, or for HTTP 1.1's GET and POST verbs. In WSDL 2.0, bindings can be created for SOAP 1.1 or SOAP 1.2 endpoints, or for HTTP. Each binding is represented by a binding box (*screenshot below*) in the Bindings section of the Main Window. The binding box contains all the operations and/or faults of the associated portType or interface (*see screenshot below*).



A binding can be associated with a port type or an interface in any of the following ways:

- Right-click a port type or an interface and select the command **Create binding for portType** or **Create binding for interface**, respectively.
- Right-click a WSDL 1.1 binding and edit the *PortType* property.
- Right-click a WSDL 2.0 binding and select the command **Edit | Interface**.

To define the binding, in the first combo box to the right of the binding name (*screenshot below*), select the required protocol. In WSDL 1.1, this is either `soap 1.1`, `soap 1.2`, `http-get`, or `http-post` to define the kind of binding. If you select a SOAP protocol, you can additionally define (using the second combo box) whether the style should be `doc` or `rpc`. In WSDL 2.0 documents, the `wsoap:protocol` property can be added or edited via the **Edit** command of the context menu of the binding.



In WSDL 1.1, MIME encodings (also referred to as MIME bindings) are defined at the message level. To define a MIME encoding, right-click on the message (*screenshot below*) and append the appropriate MIME definition. In the screenshot below, MIME definitions have been created for the `Output` message.



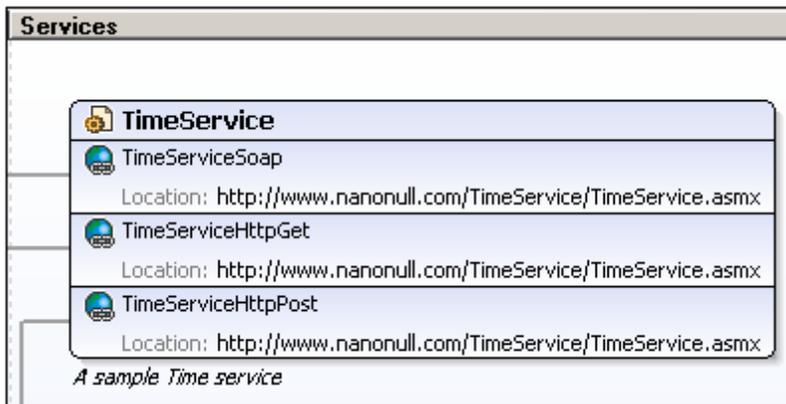
Right-clicking a specific item in a binding box opens a context-sensitive menu. Using the context menus, for example, bindings can be appended or deleted; extensibility items can be edited; and messages defined. Note also that when a binding box or an item in a binding box is selected, the definitions are displayed in the Details entry helper and can be edited there.

A port can be created for a binding by right-clicking the title bar of a binding box and selecting the **Create Port for Binding** command (WSDL 1.1 documents) or **Create Endpoint for Binding** command (WSDL 2.0 documents). The associated port or endpoint is created within a service box (in the Services section of the Main Window). The association between a binding and a port is indicated by a black connector line.

Documentation for bindings appears at the bottom of individual binding boxes.

### Services

A service groups together a set of related ports (WSDL 1.1) or endpoints (WSDL 2.0). It is represented by a service box in the Services section of the Main Window (*screenshot below*). Each service box consists of one or more port or endpoint declarations (*see screenshot below*).



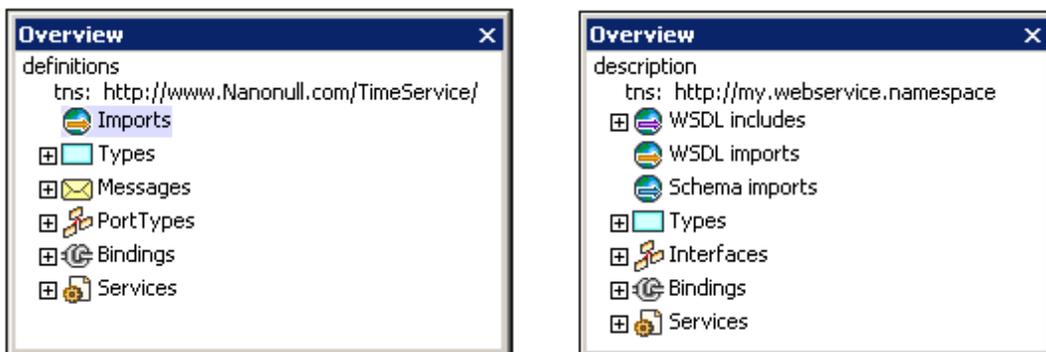
The service name, port or endpoint name, the binding associated with a port or endpoint, and the address information of a port or endpoint can be edited directly in the service box or in the Details entry helper. Right-clicking a service box or a specific item in the service box opens a context menu in which commands relevant to the service or that item are available.

Documentation for services appears at the bottom of individual service boxes.

## 2.4.2 Overview Entry Helper

The **Overview entry helper** (*screenshot below*) provides an overview of the WSDL document by grouping the document's various components into structural categories and by listing the target namespace, imported schemas, and included/imported WSDL documents. In addition to port types (or interfaces in WSDL 2.0), messages (WSDL 1.1), bindings, and services, the various types defined in the document are also listed.

You can also manage imports and includes of XML Schema and WSDL files in the Overview entry helper.



**Overview entry helper in WSDL 1.1 (left) and WSDL 2.0 (right).**

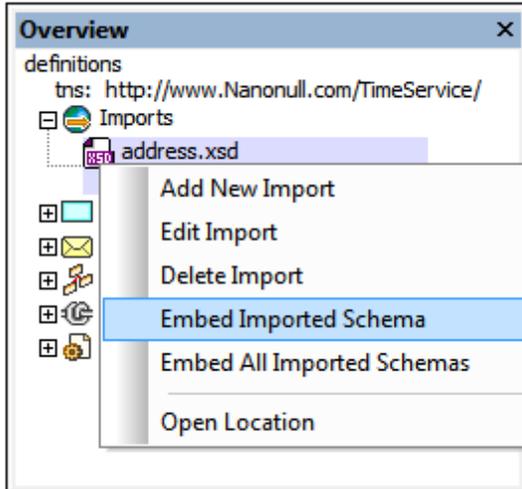
In each category, components are displayed in a tree view. A tree item can be expanded and collapsed, respectively, to reveal and to hide its contents. Selecting a component in the Overview entry helper displays it and its properties in the [Details entry helper](#), where the properties can be edited. The names of WSDL and schema components that are displayed in the tree can be edited directly in the trees. Externally defined components (those in included or imported WSDL documents or schemas and displayed in gray), however, cannot be edited. The individual categories in the Overview entry helper are explained below.

### Target namespace (WSDL 1.1 and 2.0)

Indicated in the tree by `tns`. The target namespace can be edited in the Overview entry helper. All other namespaces must be edited in Text View.

### Imports (WSDL 1.1)

XML Schema (XSD) files and WSDL files can be imported into the active WSDL document. To import an XML Schema or a WSDL file, right-click the Imports item or an already imported file in the *Imports* list, and select **Add new import**. Right-clicking an imported file in the Imports list pops up a context menu in which you can choose to add a new import, select another file to replace the selected file as an import (**Edit Import**), or delete the imported file (**Delete Import**). You can also open the file from its location. The file opens in WSDL View (`.wsdl` file) or Schema View (`.xsd` file), and can be edited there.



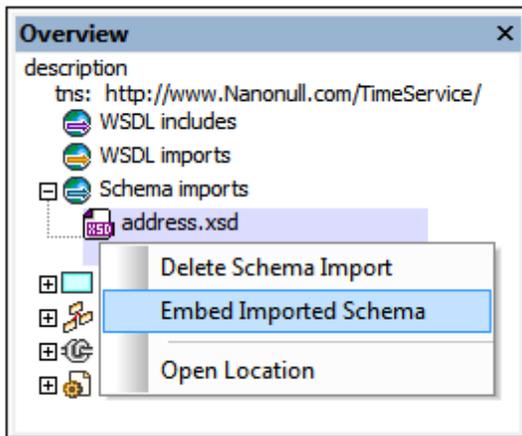
An imported XML Schema can subsequently be embedded in the WSDL file. Embedding an imported schema creates the schema as an inline schema within the `types` element, and the `import` element is removed. To embed an imported schema, right-click the schema's entry in the *Imports* list and select the command **Embed Imported Schema** or **Embed All Imported Schemas**. The latter command, which applies to all imported schemas, is also enabled in the context menu of the *Imports* item.

### WSDL includes, WSDL imports, Schema imports (WSDL 2.0)

XML Schema (XSD) files can be imported, and WSDL files can be included or imported, into the active WSDL document. To include or import a file, right-click the respective item (*WSDL Includes*, *WSDL Imports*, *Schema Imports*), browse for the file you wish to include or import, and add it. The namespace of an imported file is generated automatically from the target namespace of the imported file.



Right-clicking an included or imported file pops up a context menu in which you can choose to delete the file or open it in XMLSpy. The file opens in WSDL View (.wsdl file) or Schema View (.xsd file), and can be edited there. An imported XML Schema can subsequently be embedded in the WSDL file (see screenshot below).



Embedding an imported schema creates the schema as an inline schema within the `types` element, and the `import` element is removed. To embed an imported schema, right-click the schema's entry in the *Imports* list and select the command **Embed Imported Schema** or **Embed All Imported Schemas**. The latter command, which applies to all imported schemas, is also enabled in the context menu of the *Imports* item.

### Types (WSDL 1.1 and 2.0)

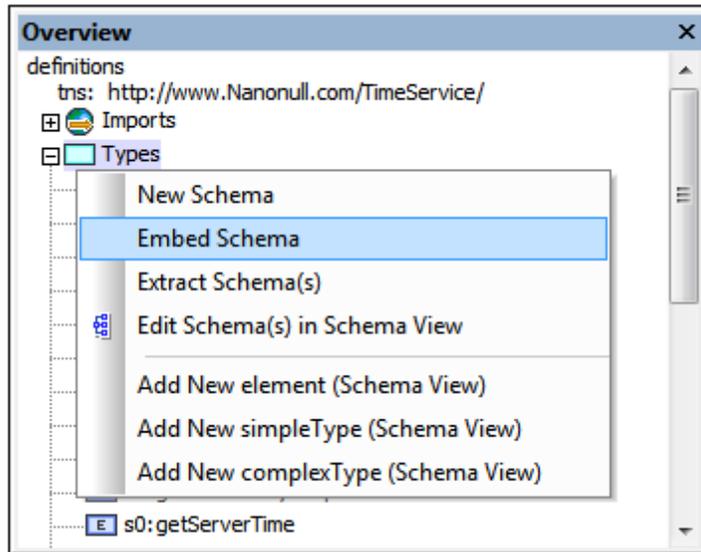
Lists all types defined in the WSDL document (in black) and in any imported schema or WSDL document (in gray).



The following functionality is available.

- *Create new schema*: Right-click the *Types* item and select **New Schema** (see screenshot below). A new empty embedded schema is created in the WSDL file, and all

embedded schemas, including the new empty one, are opened in Schema View. After you edit the schema document, saving your changes in the schema file will write the changes to the WSDL document. You can then close the schema document. This feature is useful if you wish to create a new embedded schema in the WSDL document.



- *Embedding schemas:* Right-click the *Types* item and select **Embed Schema**. An Open-File dialog pops up in which you can browse for the schema file you wish to embed. On clicking **OK**, the schema is created as an inline schema within the *types* element. If the selected schema has already been imported, you will be prompted about whether you wish to embed the already imported schema.
- *Extracting schemas:* Right-click the *Types* item and select **Extract Schema(s)**. Each of the embedded schemas is opened as a temporary file in Schema View and a Save As dialog pops up for each file. If you choose to save the schema file, the schema will be extracted, saved to the location you specify and then imported into the WSDL file. The schema file will now no longer exist as an inline schema, but as an external, imported schema.
- *Editing schemas:* You can edit embedded schemas in Schema View. Right-click either the *Types* item or the name of a schema component in the *Types* list, then select **Edit Schema(s)** or **Edit Schema**, respectively. This causes a temporary XSD file to be generated on the fly from the *types* definitions in the WSDL document. This XSD document is displayed in Schema View and can be edited. After you have finished editing the XSD document, saving the changes will cause the changes to be saved back to the *types* definitions in the WSDL document. If you close the XSD document without saving changes, the *types* definitions in the WSDL document will not be modified.
- *Adding schema components:* You can add an XML Schema element (WSDL 1.1 and 2.0), simpleType (WSDL 1.1), or complexType (WSDL 1.1). Do this by right-clicking either the *Types* item or the name of a schema component in the *Types* list, and then selecting the relevant **Add** command. A temporary XSD file will be generated on the fly from the *types* definitions in the WSDL document and be displayed in Schema View. This file will contain the new component, unnamed. You can then edit this component. On saving the file, the new component will be written to the *types* definitions in the WSDL document.
- *Deleting schema components:* A schema component can be deleted by right-clicking it in the *Types* list and selecting **Delete** in the context menu.

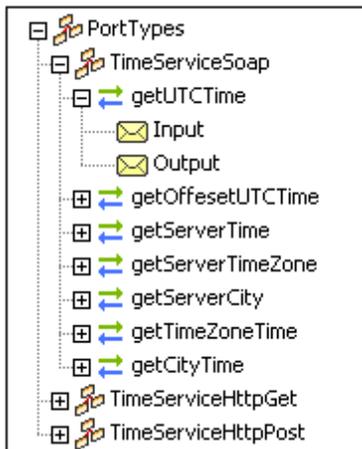
### Messages (WSDL 1.1)

When a message or its sub-component is selected, the properties of that message or sub-component are displayed in the [Details entry helper](#), where they can be edited. Additionally, you can do the following via the context menu:

- With a message selected in the Overview entry helper, you can add a message part to that message or delete the message, as well as add a new message.
- With a message part selected in the Overview entry helper, you can add another message part to that message or delete the selected message part.
- The **Synchronize** command highlights the selected message or message part in the relevant portType box.

### PortTypes (WSDL 1.1)

For portTypes, the following functionality is available via context menus.



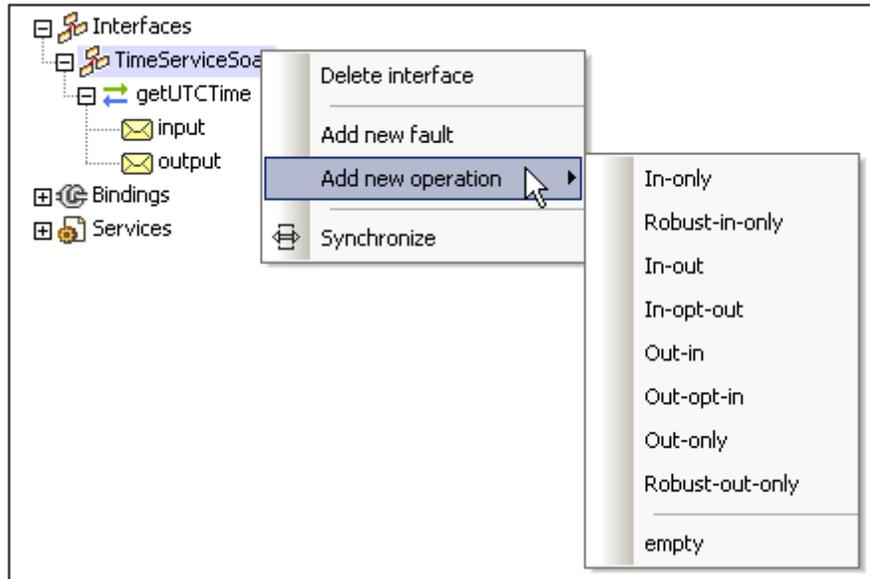
- With the item *PortTypes* selected, a portType can be added.
- With a portType selected, portTypes can be added, the selected portType can be deleted, and operations can be added to the selected portType.
- With an operation selected, additional operations can be appended, the selected operation can be deleted, and elements (input, output, or fault) can be added to the selected operation.
- With a message element (input, output, or fault) selected, additional messages can be added and the selected message can be deleted.
- The **Synchronize** command highlights the selected portType, operation, or message.

### Interfaces (WSDL 2.0)

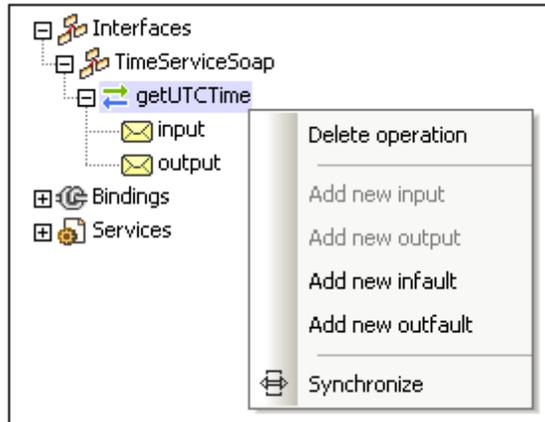
Interfaces can be managed using context menus.

- To add an interface, right-click the *Interfaces* item and select the menu command, **Add new interface**.
- Right-clicking an interface pops up a menu (see *screenshot below*) with commands enabling the selected interface to be deleted, and faults and operations to be added to the definition of the selected interface. The type of operation to be added can be specified in

the submenu of the **Add new operation** command. A corresponding binding operation is added to all bindings referencing the interface. In the same way, when an operation is deleted, referencing binding operations are also deleted.



- Right-clicking an operation pops up commands (see screenshot below) enabling the selected operation to be deleted, and elements (such as `infault` and `outfault`) to be added to the operation.



- Right-clicking a message element pops up a menu via which you can delete the selected message.
- Clicking the **Synchronize** command highlights the selected interface, operation, or message in the design.

### Bindings (WSDL 1.1 and 2.0)

With a binding selected, additional bindings can be appended to the already-existing bindings, the selected binding can be deleted, and operations inserted for the selected binding. With an operation or message selected, the same options are available as described for operations and messages in the PortTypes (WSDL 1.1) or Interfaces (WSDL 2.0) category. Clicking the **Synchronize** command highlights the selected binding, operation, or message.

### Services (WSDL 1.1 and 2.0)

With a service selected, additional services can be added, the selected service can be deleted, and ports can be added for the selected service. Clicking the **Synchronize** command highlights the selected service or port.

#### 2.4.3 Details Entry Helper

The Details entry helper displays the properties of the item selected in the Main Window or Overview entry helper (*screenshot below*). These properties can be edited in the Details entry helper.



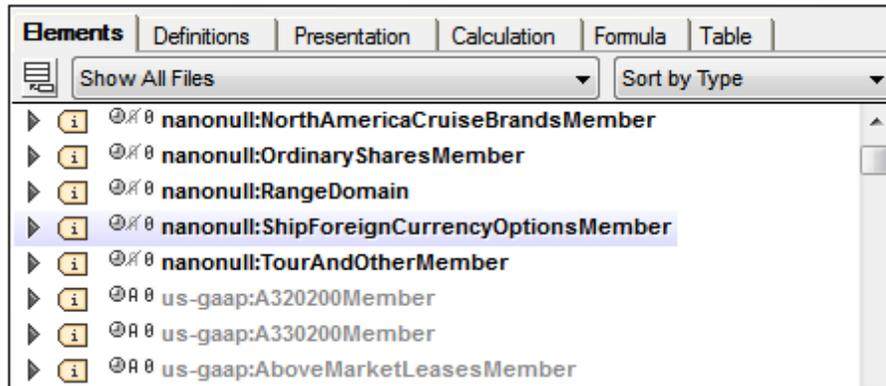
For example, as shown in the screenshot above, if, in the Main Window, the port `TimeServiceSoap` (of the `TimeService` service) is selected, then the properties of `TimeServiceSoap` are displayed in the Details entry helper, where they can be edited. To edit a text field such as for `name` or `description`, double-click in the field and edit the text. For some properties, such as `binding` in the screenshot example above, where a selection can be made from among options, a combo box allows you to select from the available options.

## 2.5 XBRL View

XBRL View is a graphical interface that enables you to edit XBRL taxonomies. It provides fast validation and error messages, which helps users to develop taxonomies quickly and accurately.

XBRL View consists of the following parts:

- A Main Window having five tabs: [Elements](#), [Definitions](#), [Presentation](#), [Calculation](#), [Formula](#), [Table](#) (screenshot below). The main features of these tabs are described in the subsections of this section.



- Three powerful [entry helpers](#): Overview, Global Elements, Details. These entry helpers enable you to manage taxonomy files and edit the taxonomy in the Main Window.
- A [Messages window](#) which displays messages about the validity of the taxonomy.

This section provides a description of the Main Window and entry helpers of XBRL View and information about how to use them. For more related information, see the sections [XBRL](#) and the description of commands in the [XBRL menu](#).

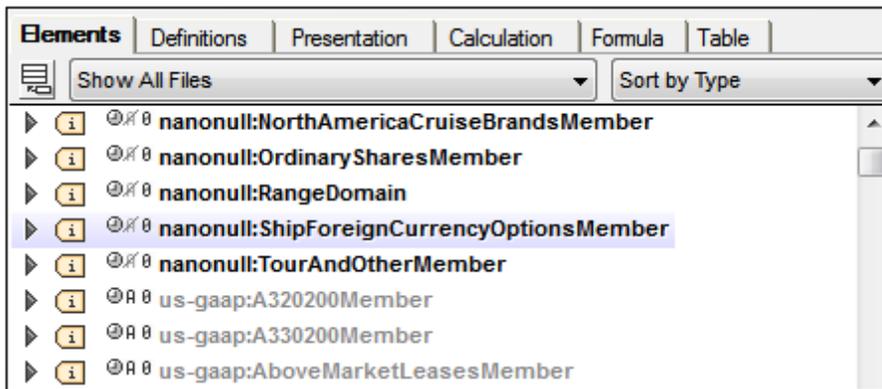
### Additional features of XBRL View

Besides the editing features described in this section, the following useful features are available:

- [Generate Documentation](#): which creates detailed documentation files in HTML, Word, and RTF formats.
- [Print of the current view](#) enables a printout of the current view to be taken using XMLSpy's **File | Print** command.

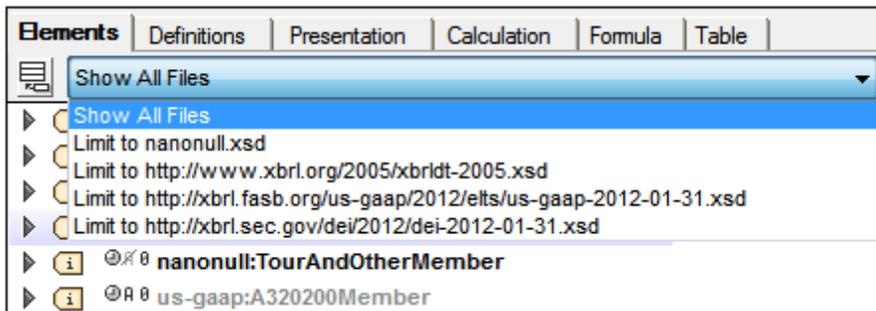
### 2.5.1 Main Window: Elements Tab

The **Elements** tab of the Main Window (screenshot below) displays the concepts of the taxonomy, including, by default, the concepts contained in imported taxonomies. Concepts in the current taxonomy are displayed in black; concepts in imported taxonomies are displayed in gray.



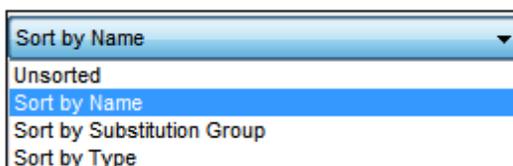
### Selecting the taxonomy to display

In the *File* combo box located below the tabs of the Main Window (*screenshot below*), you can select whether concepts from the current taxonomy only, or whether concepts from the current taxonomy plus its imported taxonomies, should be displayed. Select *Show All Files* to show the imported taxonomies. Filtering out large imported taxonomies from the display will speed up editing considerably.



### Sorting elements

In the *Sort* combo box located below the tabs of the Main Window and to the right (*screenshot below*), you can sort the elements in the Main Window.



The sorting criterion can be one of the following:

- *Unsorted*: Elements are listed in document order.
- *Sort by Name*: A namespace prefix is considered part of an element's name.
- *Sort by Substitution Group*: There are four substitution groups: *items*; *tuples*; *hypercubeItems*; *dimensionItems*.

- *Sort by Type*: Refers to the Type attribute of the XBRL element.

### Finding elements in the Main Window

To find an element in the Main Window press the key combination **Ctrl+F**. This pops up a Find dialog, in which you can enter the string for which you wish to search. The namespace prefixes used in the taxonomy can also be searched.

### About concepts (the <element> elements)

Each taxonomy concept is defined in an XML Schema <element> element (see listing below). This plain text definition can be seen on switching to the [Text View](#) of the taxonomy document. (To see the text definitions of an imported taxonomy document, the imported taxonomy document will have to be opened in XMLSpy.)

```
<xs:element id="icui_UnrealizedHoldingLoss"
  name="UnrealizedHoldingLoss"
  substitutionGroup="xbrli:item"
  type="xbrli:monetaryItemType"
  xbrli:balance="credit"
  xbrli:periodType="instant"
  abstract="false"
  nillable="true"/>
```

Each element (or concept) is displayed in the Elements tab with an icon indicating its substitution group (item, tuple, hypercube, or dimension). Additionally, icons indicating the values of the concept's balance, periodType, abstract, and nillable attributes are displayed to the left of the concept name (screenshot below).



To edit the name of the concept, double-click the name of the concept and edit the name.

### Substitution group

The substitution group value of a concept is indicated by the concept's icon:

	xbrli:item
	xbrli:tuple
	xbrldt:hypercubeItem
	xbrldt:dimensionItem

The screenshot below shows an element with a substitutionGroup value of xbrli:item.



### The attributes `balance`, `periodType`, `abstract`, `nillable`

The additional icons to the left of an element's name (see *screenshot above*) indicate the values of the concept's main attributes, respectively, from left to right:

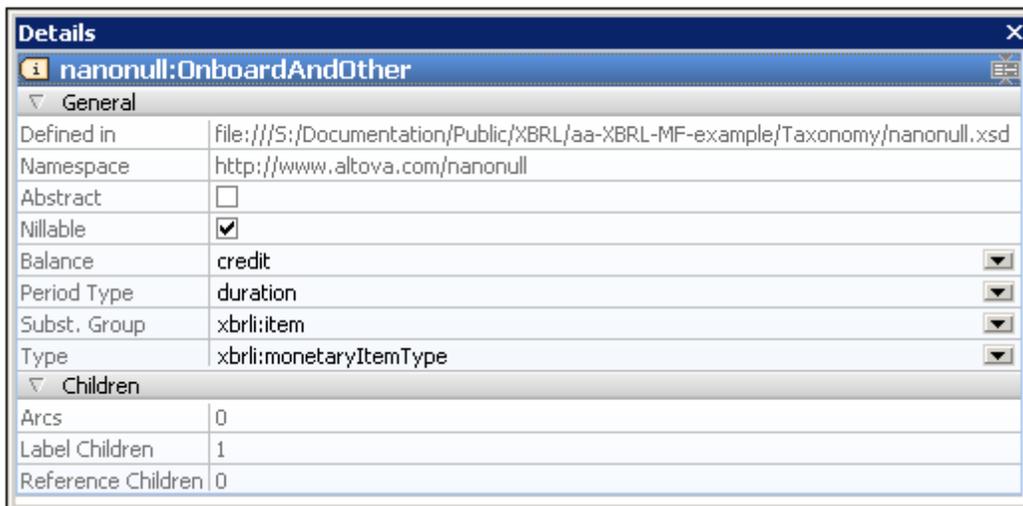
- `xbrli:balance`: a plus icon for a value of `credit`, a minus icon for `debit`
- `xbrli:periodType`: a clock icon with a gray segment between the clock hands for a value of `duration`, white segment for `instant`
- `xs:abstract`: black A icon when `true`, gray when `false`
- `xs:nillable`: black 0 icon when `true`, gray when `false`

Note that the `xbrli:` attributes listed above are from the XBRL schema and the `xs:` attributes are from the XML Schema schema.

In the screenshot above, the plus icon indicates that the value of the `xbrli:balance` attribute is `credit`. The values of the other attributes in the screenshot (`xbrli:periodType`, `xs:abstract`, `xs:nillable`), respectively, are: `duration`, `false`, (i.e. not `abstract`), and `true` (i.e. `nillable`).

The values of these four attributes are displayed in a popup when the cursor is placed over any of the four icons. Clicking any of these icons pops up a list box containing the allowed values for that attribute. You can select one of the allowed choices, and in this way edit the value of concept attributes quickly.

These attribute values can also be edited in the Details entry helper (*screenshot below*).



### The attributes `substitutionGroup`, `type`

Clicking the arrowhead symbol at the left of the element name expands the display of the element so that the values of the two attributes, `xs:substitutionGroup` and `xs:type`, are displayed

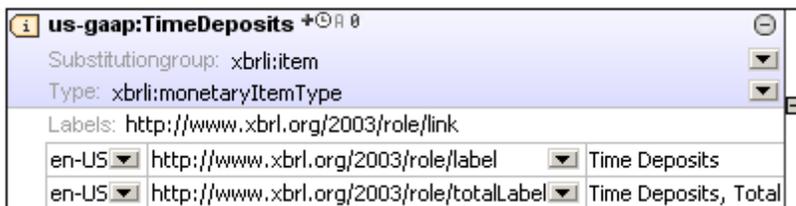
graphically (*screenshot below*).



In the screenshot above, the value of the `xs:substitutionGroup` and `xs:type` attributes are, respectively: `xbrli:item` and `xbrli:monetaryItemType`. These values can be edited by selecting alternative values from the dropdown list of the corresponding combo boxes. Both attribute values can also be edited in the Details entry helper (see *screenshot further above*) by double-clicking in the respective value field in the Details entry helper and editing the value via the keyboard.

### Label links

To add a label child, right-click an element and select **Add Label Linkrole** from the context menu. This adds a label row (*screenshot below*), in which you can specify the label's properties (language, label type, and value). You can expand and collapse labels by clicking the + and - icons on the right edge of the box.



The language and label type properties of each label can be edited by selecting the required property value from in respective combo boxes (*screenshot above*).

### Reference links

To add a reference child, right-click an element and select **Add Reference Linkrole** from the context menu. This adds a reference box, in which the properties of the reference can be edited by clicking in the Reference field and editing the reference URN. You can expand and collapse references by clicking the + and - icons on the right edge of the box.

## 2.5.2 Main Window: Definitions, Presentation, Calculation, Formula Tabs

The Main Window contains tabs for each of the three relationships between concepts:

- Definition relationships, shown in the Definitions tab
- Presentation relationships, shown in the Presentation tab
- Calculation relationships, shown in the Calculation tab

- Formula definitions and relationships, shown in the Formula tab

Each tab (Definition, Presentation, Calculation, and Formula) displays the taxonomy relationships of that kind (*screenshot below*) and allows you to edit the relationships graphically. A relationship between two concepts (whether a definition, presentation, or calculation relationship) is created by building an arc from one concept to another concept. This *from-to* arc is indicated in the graphical display as a curved arrow. The relationship between the two concepts (in the direction *from-to*) is specified and is known as its arcrole. The arcrole of an arc is shown in the Details entry helper when the element at the *to*-end of a relationship is selected, and, in the case of definition relationships, in an Arcrole column in the Definitions tab (*see screenshot below*).

The way the relationship arcs are displayed is the same for all kind of relationships (definition, presentation, and calculation). In this section, each tab is considered separately, with the basic description of how relationships are displayed being in the section on the Definitions tab. Additional or specific information about presentation and calculation arcs are in the respective sections. For more detailed information, see the sections, [Creating Relationships: Part 1](#) and [Creating Relationships: Part 2](#).

### Definitions tab

The **Definitions tab** shows all the definitions of the taxonomy. These definitions are specified in definition arcs contained in definition relationships (.xml) file/s. In the Definitions tab of XBRL View, the structure resulting from the set of definition arcs is displayed in an expandable/collapsible tree form (*screenshot below*).

Element	Arcrole
http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/SegmentRevenueAndOperatingIncome	
http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/StatementOfCashFlowsIndirect	
http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/StatementOfFinancialPositionClassified	
us-gaap:StatementLineItems	
us-gaap:AssetsAbstract	http://xbrl.org/int/dim/arcrole/domain-member
us-gaap:LiabilitiesAndStockholdersEquityAbstract	http://xbrl.org/int/dim/arcrole/domain-member
us-gaap:StatementTable	http://xbrl.org/int/dim/arcrole/all
dei:LegalEntityAxis	http://xbrl.org/int/dim/arcrole/hypercube-dimension
us-gaap:StatementClassOfStockAxis	http://xbrl.org/int/dim/arcrole/hypercube-dimension
http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/StatementOfFinancialPositionClassifiedParentetical	
http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/StatementOfIncomeAlternative	

In this graphical display of the definitions, each definition arc is displayed as a curved arrow with two endpoints (a *from* endpoint and a *to* endpoint). The type of relationship between the two elements at either endpoint is displayed in the *Arcrole* column of the element at the *to* endpoint. For example, in a *hypercube-dimension* relationship, the relationship (or arcrole) is listed with the element that is the *dimension* part of the element pair. Arcrole URIs can also be entered in the Details entry helper.

For more information on definitions relationships, see the section [Creating Relationships: Part 1](#).

### Presentation tab

Presentation arcs have the same attributes as definition arcs, and they work in the same way (see Definitions tabs above). Arcrole URIs are entered in the Details entry helper. One important presentation attribute is the `order` attribute, which determines the order in which child elements of a single parent element are presented. In the Presentation tab, such child elements are displayed in correct ascending order. The value of the order attribute can be changed quickly by dragging a child element to another position in the ordered list. The value of the `order` attribute can also be changed in the Details entry helper (see *screenshot below*).

For more information on presentation relationships, see the section [Creating Relationships: Part 2](#).

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### Calculation tab

Calculation arcs have the same attributes as definition arcs, and they work similarly to definition arcs (see Definitions tabs above). Arcrole URIs are entered in the Details entry helper. There are two types of arcroles:

- those that sum the values of elements to another element; and
- those that do not represent a summation relationship but an equivalent relationship

In the case of the former the `weight` attribute determines how much of the value of that element is summed up to the aggregator element. A value of `1.0` indicates that 100% of the value should be summed up. A negative value indicates that the value must be subtracted from the aggregator. The value of the `weight` attribute can be edited in the Calculation tab as well as in the Details entry helper.

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### Formula tab

XBRL formulas can be defined and managed in the Formula tab. The Formula tab is used together with the Overview entry helper and Details entry helper to create and edit formulas. Definitions and relationships between formula components can be carried out in the diagram. For more information, see the section [XBRL Formula Editor](#).

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### Editing in the graphical view

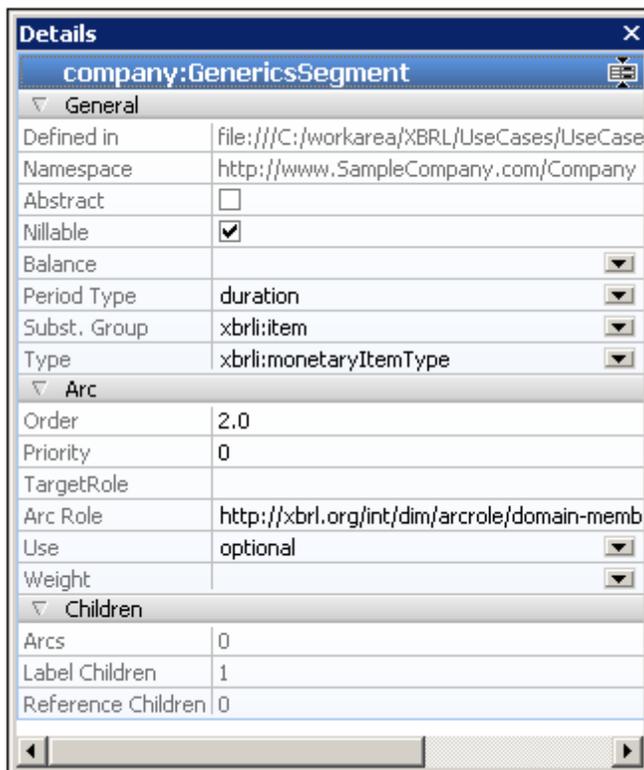
The following editing possibilities are available:

- Elements can be dragged from the Global Elements entry helper and dropped in a *to* relationship to an element in the tree.
- An arcrole can be created or edited for an element by selecting the required arcrole (in the *Arcrole* column). The relationship defined in the arcrole expresses a *from-to* relationship, with the selected element occurring at the *to*-endpoint of the relationship.
- Elements can be dragged to alternative locations in the tree. This is a quick way to

- change the value of the `order` attribute.
- The properties of an element can be edited by clicking one of its property symbols and editing it, or by expanding its property box and then editing properties inside the property box.

### Editing in Details entry helper

When an element is selected in the Main Window, the properties of its definition arc are displayed in the Details entry helper in the Arc section (see screenshot below). The values of these properties can be edited by double-clicking in a value field and entering the required value or, if available, by selecting a value in the dropdown list of its combo box.



Additionally, properties of the arc of the selected element are displayed in *Arc* section of the Details entry helper. The arc will be a definition arc, presentation arc, or calculation arc according to what tab is currently active. The arcrole can be entered in the *Arcrole* field.

Label and reference relationships are listed under the *Children* heading. These relationships can be edited in the Elements tab.

### 2.5.3 Entry Helpers in XBRL View

XBRL View features the following entry helpers:

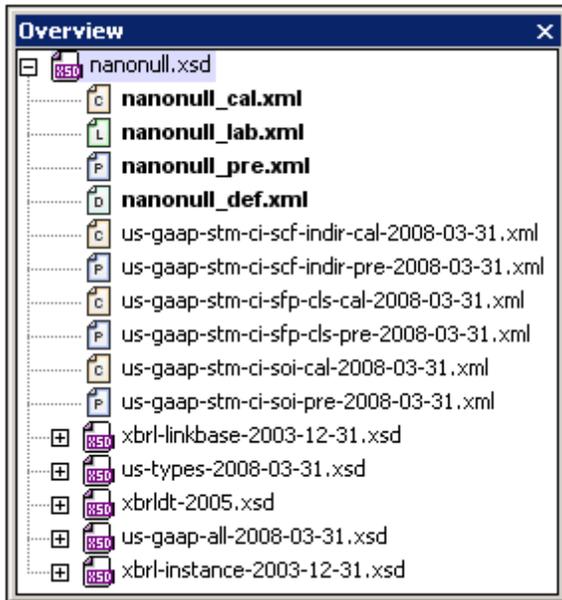
- An [Overview](#) entry helper
- A [Global Elements](#) entry helper

- A [Details](#) entry helper

Validation information is displayed in the [Messages window](#).

### Overview entry helper

The Overview entry helper displays the [taxonomy files](#) in a tree structure (*screenshot below*).

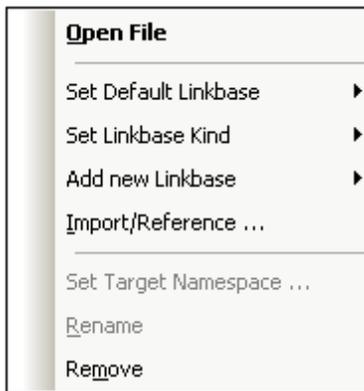


The tree is organized as follows:

- The main concepts file (an XML Schema document) is shown at the root of the tree and is the currently active file.
- The relationship linkbase files (XML files) have a colored file icon with a character corresponding to the initial character of the relationship kind.
  - indicates a definitions linkbase;
  - indicates a labels linkbase;
  - indicates a calculations linkbase;
  - indicates a presentation linkbase; and
  - indicates a reference linkbase;
  - indicates a formula linkbase;.
- Imported schemas are listed on lower levels of the hierarchy. All XML Schema (.xsd) files are indicated with an XSD icon.

This information displayed in the Overview entry helper is obtained from the `/schema/annotation/appinfo` element of the main concepts file. See [Taxonomy Files](#) for more information about this element.

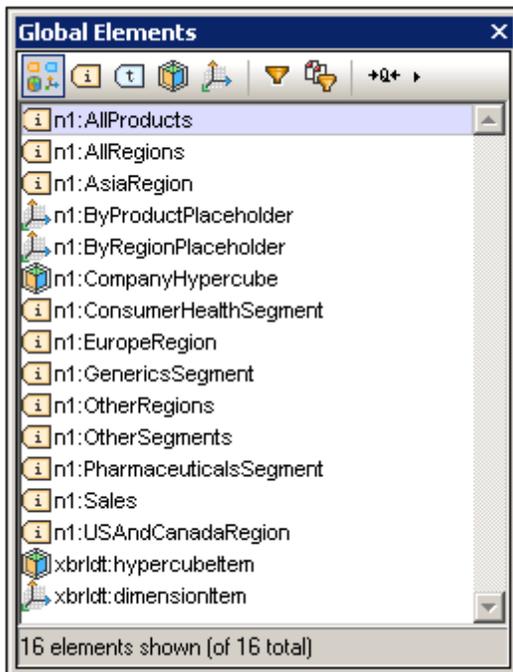
Right-clicking a file in the Overview entry helper pops out a context menu (*screenshot below*), in which the following commands are available:



- *Open File*: opens the selected XML Schema or XML file in XMLSpy.
- *Set Default Linkbase*: If there are multiple files of a single relationship kind (for example, presentation relationships), then one of these can be set as the default linkbase. Newly created relationships will be saved in the default linkbase of its particular relationship kind. The default linkbase of each relationship kind is displayed in bold.
- *Set Linkbase Kind*: Specifies the relationship kind of the selected linkbase. Select the required relationship kind from the submenu that rolls out. The **All** relationship kind specifies that the selected linkbase will be used for all relationship kinds.
- *Add New Linkbase*: Creates a new linkbase file to contain relationships of one of the five kinds (definition, presentation, calculation, label, resource). The added file can be renamed by right-clicking it and selecting the **Rename** command in the context menu. A new `linkbaseRef` element is added to the concepts file; this element references the newly added linkbase.
- *Import/Reference*: Imports a standard taxonomy or creates a reference to an existing XML Schema or linkbase. If you select the standard taxonomy option, a window containing a list of standard taxonomies pops up. Select the taxonomy you wish to import; see [Importing a Taxonomy](#) for details. If you create a reference to an XML schema or linkbase, a new `linkbaseRef` element containing the reference is added to the concepts file. Clicking either the XML Schema or linkbase option pops up a dialog in which you can browse for the required file.
- *Set Target Namespace*: Sets the target namespace and declares this namespace to be in scope on the `xs:schema` element (that is, for the entire taxonomy). See the description of the command [XBRL | Set Target Namespace](#).
- *Rename*: Enables the selected file to be renamed.
- *Remove*: Removes the selected file from the Overview and its `linkbaseRef` element from the concepts file.

### Global Elements entry helper

The Global Elements entry helper (*screenshot below*) displays all the items, tuples, hypercubes, and dimensions present in a taxonomy document. Elements can be dragged from the Global Elements entry helper into the main window.



The following functionality is available in the Global Elements entry helper:

- Filtering by type:* The display of each element type (item, tuple, hypercube, and dimension) can be toggled on and off by clicking its icon in the toolbar of the Global Elements entry helper. Clicking the *Show All Elements* icon  displays all elements. The selected filter is highlighted (Show All, in the screenshot above).
- Filtering by text:* Clicking the *Text Filter* icon  displays the Text Filter bar (see screenshot below).



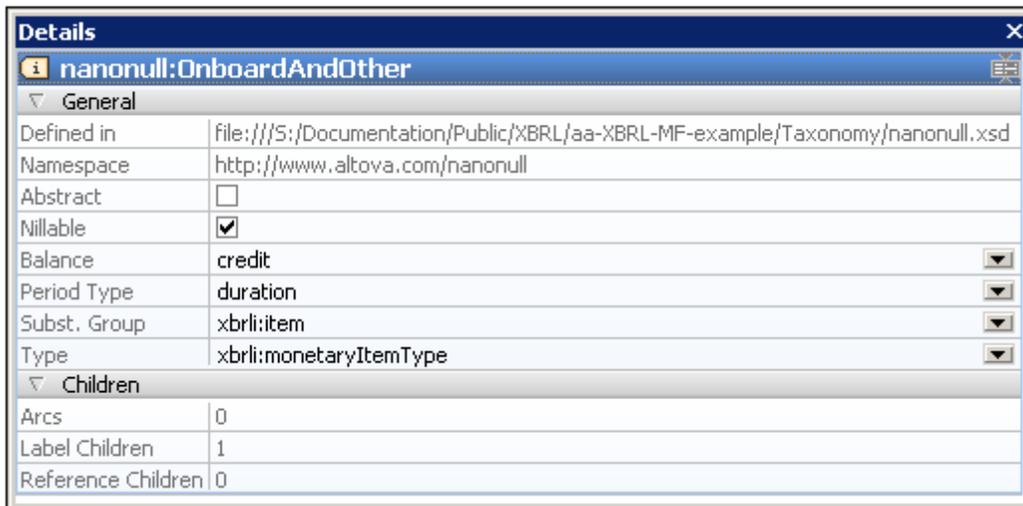
After the Text Filter has been selected, in the combo box at the right-hand side of the Text Filter bar (under the arrow cursor in the screenshot above), choose a condition with which to filter. The available options are *Contains*, *Does not contain*, and *Starts with*. In the screenshot above, the *Starts with* condition has been selected. Next, enter the text for the filter in the Text Filter box. The displayed elements will be filtered accordingly. In

the screenshot above, the list is filtered by names that begin with `n1`. Note that: (i) the filters work on the names of the entries as text strings, and (ii) the names of entries can be changed with the Format icon (see below) and are sensitive to the changes in name formats.

- *Filtering by sources*: The required sources can be selected in a popup, and only the elements in the selected sources will be displayed.
- *Format*: There are three format options for the way names of elements are displayed: *Short qualified names*, *Expanded qualified names*, and *Labels*. The short qualified name uses the prefixes assigned to the respective namespaces; expanded qualified name (icon is ) uses the whole namespace; and label uses the labels associated with elements. Note that the format selection affects the *Text Filter* option, in that the filter is applied to elements as listed according to the currently selected *Format* option.
- *Drag-and-drop functionality*: Elements in the Global Elements entry helper can be dragged and dropped into relationships in any of the relationships views of the Main Window (Definitions, Presentations, Calculations)

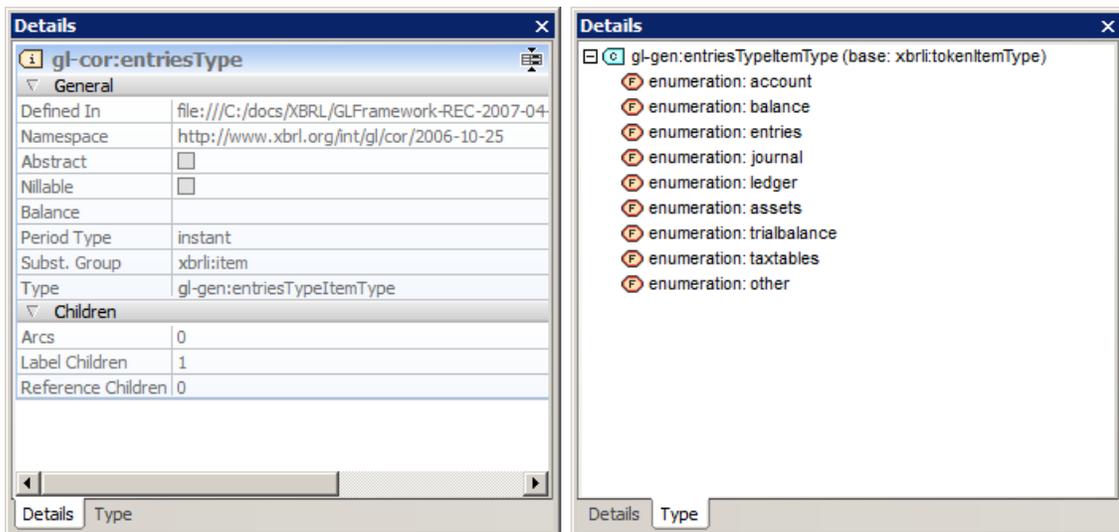
### Details entry helper

When an element is selected in the Main Window, the Details entry helper (*screenshot below*) displays its properties.



The properties of some elements can be edited in the Details entry helper: for example, *Abstract*, *Nillable*, *Balance*, *Period Type*, *Substitution Group*, and *Type*.

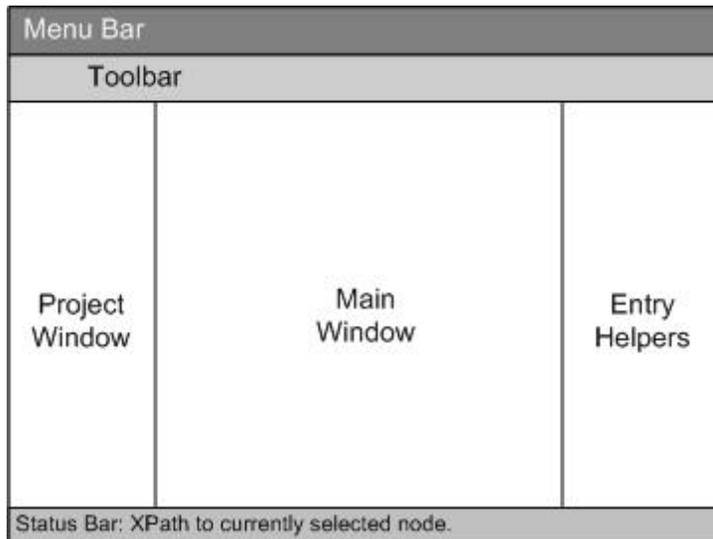
The Details entry helper also has a Type tab that shows the type of the selected item as the root node of a tree view (*see screenshot below*). For concepts of type `enum:enumerationItemType`, extensible extensions with multi-language labels, as defined in the [Extensible Enumerations Recommendation of 29 October 2014](#) can be specified. For items of this type, additional entries for the type's attributes `enum:domain`, `enum:linkrole`, and `enum:headUsable` are available.



If the type is neither an xbrli-item-type or a built-in XSD type, the entry helper shows information concerning its base type in brackets. The tree view provides a context menu to show (or modify) the concept's type definition in Schema View.

## 2.6 Authentic View

Authentic View has a menu bar and toolbar running across the top of the window, and three areas that cover the rest of the interface: the Project Window, Main Window, and Entry Helpers Window. These areas are shown below.



The [Authentic View interface](#) is described in detail in the section, [Authentic | Authentic View Interface](#).

## 2.7 Browser View

Browser View is typically used to view:

- XML files that have an associated XSLT file. When you switch to Browser View, the XML file is transformed on the fly using the associated XSLT stylesheet and the result is displayed directly in Browser View.
- HTML files which are either created directly as HTML or created via an XSLT transformation of an XML file.

To view XML and HTML files in Browser View, click the **Browser** tab.

### Note about Microsoft Internet Explorer and XSLT

Browser View requires Microsoft's Internet Explorer 5.0 or later. If you wish to use Browser View for viewing XML files transformed by an XSLT stylesheet, we strongly recommend Internet Explorer 6.0 or later, which uses MSXML 3.0, an XML parser that fully supports the XSLT 1.0 standard. You might also wish to install MSXML 4.0. Please see our [Download Center](#) for more details. (Note that support for XSLT in IE 5 is not 100% compatible with the official XSLT Recommendation. So if you encounter problems in Browser View with IE 5, you should upgrade to IE 6 or later.) You should also check the support for XSLT of your version of Internet Explorer.

### Browser View features

The following features are available in Browser View. They can be accessed via the [Browser menu](#), [File](#) menu, and [Edit](#) menu.

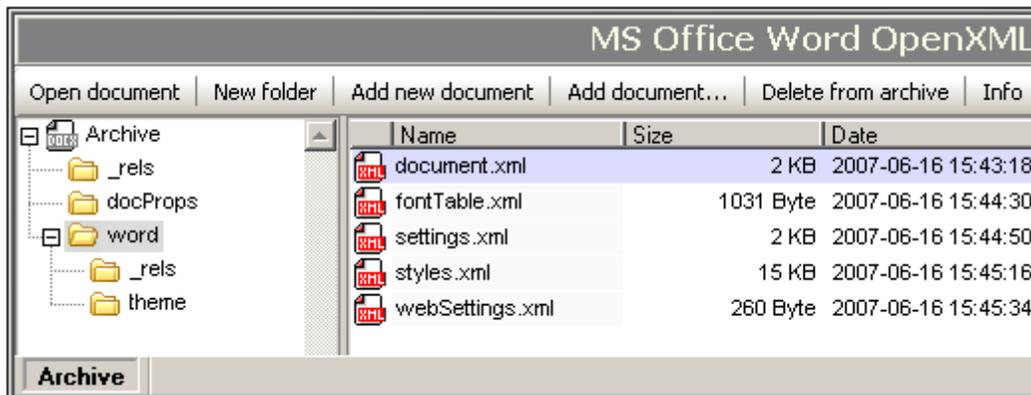
- **Open in separate window:** When Browser View is a separate window, it can be positioned side-by-side with an editing view of the same document. This command is in the **Browser** menu and is a toggle-command that can be used to return a separate Browser View window as a tabbed view. In the [View tab](#) of the Options dialog, you can set whether Browser View should, by default, be a separate window.
- **Forward and Back:** The common browser commands to navigate through pages that were loaded in Browser View. These commands are in the **Browser** menu.
- **Font size:** Can be adjusted via the **Browser** menu command.
- **Stop, Refresh, Print:** More standard browser commands, these can be found in the **Browser** and **File** menus.
- **Find:** Enables searches for text strings, this command is in the **Edit** menu.

## 2.8 Archive View

An [Office Open XML \(OOXML\)](#) file, [ZIP file](#) (for example, WinZip or WinRAR), or [EPUB file](#) can be opened and edited in Archive View. Not only can OOXML, ZIP, and EPUB archives be structurally modified in Archive View, but individual files in the archive can be opened from Archive View, edited in one of XMLSpy's editing views, and then saved directly back to the archive.

### Archive files and Archive View

When an archive file (OOXML, ZIP, or EPUB file) is [created or opened in XMLSpy](#), it is opened in Archive View (*screenshot below*). Multiple archive files can be open at a time, with each archive file being in a separate Archive View window. The type of the archive file appears in the top right-hand corner of Archive View. In the screenshot below, the type of the archive file is MS Office Word Open XML.



### Folder View

The Folder View is located on the left-hand side of the Archive View window and displays the folder structure of the zipped archive. On each level, folders are listed alphabetically. To view the sub-folders of a folder, click the plus symbol to the left of the folder. If a folder does not have a plus symbol to the left of it, then it has no sub-folder. To view the document files (hereafter called documents) contained in a folder, select the folder; the files will be displayed in the Main Window. In the screenshot above, the documents displayed in the Main Window are in the `word` folder, which also has two sub-folders: `_rels` and `theme`.

### Main Window

The Main Window lists the documents in the folder that is selected in Folder View. Documents are displayed in alphabetical order, each with its respective uncompressed size and the date and time of last modification. To open a Document from Archive View, double-click it. The document opens in a separate XMLSpy window.

### Command buttons

The command buttons are located along the top of the Archive View window.

- **Open document:** Enabled when a document in the Main Window is selected. Clicking it opens the selected document. A document can also be opened by double-clicking the document listing in the Main Window.
- **New folder:** Adds a new folder to the folder that is currently selected in Folder View. The

folder must be named immediately upon its being created in Folder View. It is not possible to rename a folder subsequently. The new folder is saved in the archive when the archive file is saved.

- **Add new document:** Adds a new document to the folder currently selected in Folder View. Clicking this button opens the Create New Document dialog of XMLSpy. The newly created document opens in a separate XMLSpy window. The document must be named immediately upon its being listed in the document listing of the selected folder. The document is saved in the archive only when it is saved in its own editing window or when the archive file is saved.
- **Add document:** Opens a Browse dialog in which you can browse for a document to add. The document is added to the listing in the Main Window of documents currently in the selected folder, and the document is opened in a separate XMLSpy window. For the document to be saved to the archive, it must either be saved in its own window, or the archive file must be saved.
- **Delete from archive:** Deletes the selected document (in Main Window) or selected folder (in Folder View) from the archive. The archive file must be saved in order for the deletion to take effect.
- **Info:** Toggles the Info Window on and off. *See below.*

### Info Window

The Info Window is toggled on and off by clicking the Info command button. The Info Window provides general information about the archive file, such as the number of files it contains, its uncompressed and compressed sizes, and the compression ratio.

## 3 XML

This section describes how to work with XML documents in XMLSpy. It covers the following aspects:

- [How to create, open, and save XML documents](#). In this section, some important XMLSpy settings relating to file creation are also explained.
- XML documents can be edited in [Text View](#), [Grid View](#), and [Authentic View](#). You can select the view that is most useful for you and switch among the views while editing. Each of the views offers different advantages.
- [Entry helpers](#) for XML documents have certain specific features, and these are described.
- How to [process XML documents with XSLT and XQuery](#). Various XMLSpy features related to processing are explained. A section on [PDF Fonts](#) explains how fonts are processed when generating PDF output.
- Miscellaneous [other features](#) for working with XML documents are described.

Altova website:  [XML Editor](#)

## 3.1 Creating, Opening, and Saving XML Documents

When creating, opening, or saving XML documents, the following issues are involved:

- In what view will the XML document open: Text View, Grid View, or Authentic View
- When a new XML document is created, whether a schema (XML Schema or DTD) will be automatically assigned, manually assigned, or not assigned
- If a schema is assigned to the XML document, whether the document will be validated automatically on opening and/or saving

### Default view

There are application-wide settings for specifying in what view XML documents (new and existing) should open. These settings are in the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).

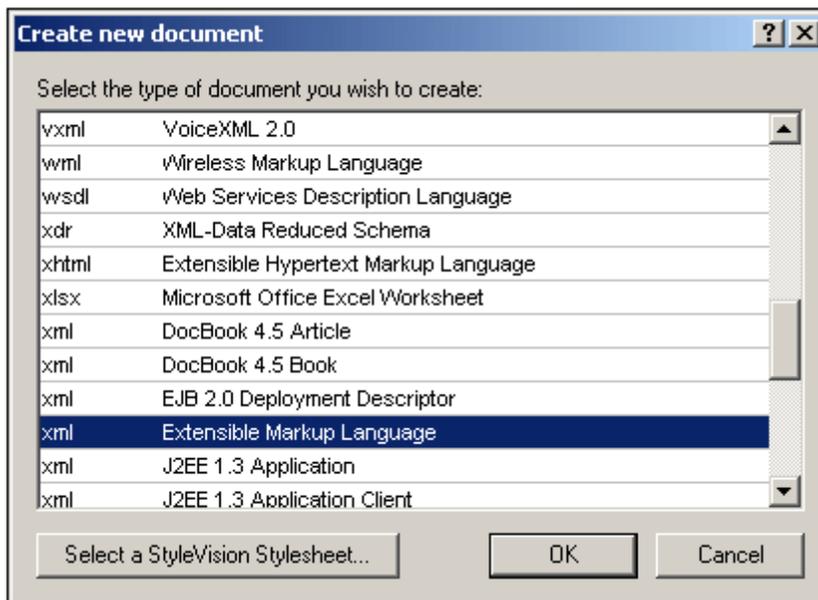
In the **File Types** tab of the Options dialog, select a file type of `.xml` and, in the Default View pane, check the required editing view (Text or Grid). Note that: (i) Schema View and WSDL View can be used only for XML Schema and WSDL documents, respectively; and (ii) Browser View is a display view, not an editing view.

In the **File Types** tab, you can also set XMLSpy as the default editor for the selected file type.

An XML document can be edited in Authentic View if a StyleVision Power Stylesheet (SPS) has been assigned to it. When an XML file with an associated SPS is opened, you can specify that it opens directly in Authentic View. Do this by checking the *Always open in Authentic View* option in the **View** tab of the Options dialog. If this option is not checked, the file will open in the default view specified for `.xml` files in the **File Types** tab (see above).

### Assigning schemas

When a new XML file is to be created, select the menu command **File | New**. This pops up the Create New Document dialog (screenshot below).



Notice that there are several options for the XML document type. The option marked *Extensible*

*Markup Language* creates a generic XML document. Each of the other options is associated with a schema, for example the DocBook DTD. If you select one of these options, an XML document is created that has (i) the corresponding schema automatically assigned to it, and (ii) a skeleton document structure that is valid according to the assigned schema. Note that you can create your own skeleton XML document. If you save it in the `Template` folder of the application folder, your skeleton document will be available for selection in the Create New Document dialog.

If you select the generic Extensible Markup Language document type, you will be prompted for a schema (DTD or XML Schema) to assign to the document. At this point, you can choose to browse for a schema or go ahead and create an XML document with no schema assigned to it.

You can, of course, assign a schema via the **DTD/Schema** menu at any subsequent time during editing.

### **Automatic validation**

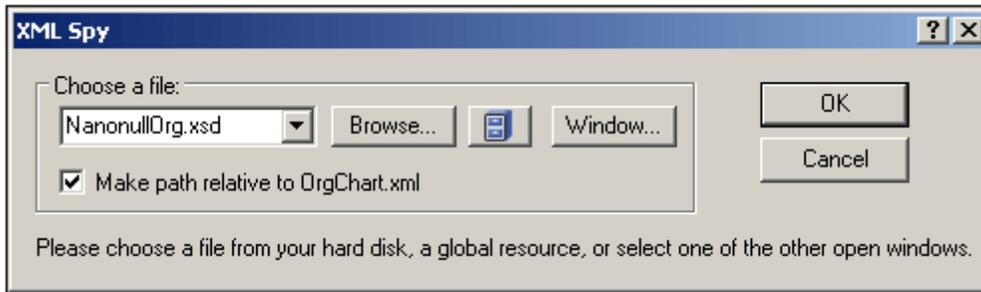
If an existing XML document has a schema assigned to it, then it can be automatically validated on opening and/or saving. The setting for this is in the **File** tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).

The automatic validation settings in the **File** tab can be combined with a setting in the File Types tab to disable automatic validation for specific file types. Using the settings in the two tabs together enables you to specify automatic validation for specific file types.

## 3.2 Assigning Schemas and Validating

Altova website:  [XML Validator](#), [XML Validation](#)

A schema (DTD or XML Schema) can be assigned to an XML document [when it is first created](#). A schema can also be assigned, or changed, at any subsequent time using the **Assign DTD** or **Assign Schema** commands in the **DTD/Schema** menu.



The path to the schema file that is inserted in the XML document can be made relative by checking the relative path check box in the dialog.

### Global resources for schemas

A global resource is an alias for a file or folder. The target file or folder can be changed within the GUI by changing the active configuration of the global resource (via the menu command **Tools | Active Configuration**). Global resources therefore enable the assigned schema to be switched among multiple schemas, which can be useful for testing. How to use global resources is described in the section [Altova Global Resources](#).

### XML Schema plus DTD

One very useful DTD feature that XML Schema does not have is the use of entities. However, if you wish to use entities in your XML-Schema-validated XML document, you can add a `DOCTYPE` declaration to the XML document and include your entity declarations in it.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE OrgChart [
  <!ENTITY name-int "value">
  <!ENTITY name-ext SYSTEM "extfile.xml">
]>
<OrgChart xmlns="http://www.xs.com/org"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.xs.com/org OrgChart.xsd">
  ...
</OrgChart>
```

After declaring the entities in the DTD, they can be used in the XML document. The document will be well-formed and valid. Note, however, that external parsed entities are not supported in Authentic View..

### Going to schema definitions

With the XML document open, you can directly open the DTD or XML Schema on which it is

based by clicking the Go to DTD or Go to Schema commands in the **DTD/Schema** menu. Additionally, you can place the cursor within a node in the XML document and go to the schema definition of that node via the **Go to Definition** command in the **DTD/Schema** menu.

### **Validating and checking well-formedness**

To validate and/or check for well-formedness, use the [Validate XML \(F8\)](#) and **Check Well-Formedness (F7)** commands in the XML menu or the corresponding commands in the toolbar. Any error is reported in the Messages window. If an XML document is invalid, the XML validator provides [smart fixes to correct the error](#) based on the information in the schema.

You can also use a [RaptorXML Server](#) to validate XML documents.

### 3.3 Editing XML in Text View

XMLSpy offers some specialized XML text editing features in addition to the generally available editing features in Text View, which are described in [Text View](#) in the Editing Views section.

- [Commenting text in and out](#)
- [Escaping and unescaping XML characters](#)
- [Inserting file paths](#)
- [Inserting XML fragments via XInclude](#)
- [Copying XPath and XPointer expressions to the clipboard](#)

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#### Commenting text in/out

Text in an XML document can be commented out using the XML start-comment and end-comment delimiters, respectively `<!--` and `-->`. In XMLSpy, these comment delimiters can be easily inserted using the **Edit | Comment In/Out** menu command.

To comment out a block of text, select the text to be commented out and then select the command **Comment In/Out**, either from the **Edit** menu or the context menu that you get on right-clicking the selected text. The commented text will be grayed out (*see screenshot below*).



```
<Department>
  <Name>Administration</Name>
  <Person>
  <Person>
  <Person>
  <!--<Person>
    <First
    <Last></Last>
    <PhoneExt></PhoneExt>
    <EMail></EMail>
    <LeaveTotal></LeaveTotal>
    <LeaveUsed></LeaveUsed>
    <LeaveLeft></LeaveLeft>
  </Person-->
</Department>
```

To uncomment a commented block of text, select the commented block **excluding** the comment delimiters, and select the command **Comment In/Out**, either from the **Edit** menu or the context menu that you get on right-clicking the selected text. The comment delimiters will be removed and the text will no longer be grayed out.

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#### Note about empty lines

In XML documents, empty lines are discarded when you change views or save the document. If you wish to retain empty lines, enclose them in comment delimiters.

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#### Escaping and unescaping XML characters

The five XML special characters (*listed below*) can be escaped and unescaped with the corresponding entity references (*listed below*) by highlighting a block of text and selecting the

context menu command **Escape XML Characters** or **Unescape XML Characters**. The XML special characters in that block of text will then be escaped or unescaped according to the command selected.

```
<    &lt;
>    &gt;
&    &amp;
'    &apos;
"    &quot;
```

For example:

```
<a></a> can be escaped with the Escape XML Characters command to &lt;a&gt;&lt;/a&gt; and
&lt;a&gt;&lt;/a&gt; can be unescaped with the Unescape XML Characters command
to <a></a>
```

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### Inserting file paths

The [Edit | Insert File Path](#) command enables you to browse for the file in question and insert its file path at the selected location in the XML document being edited. This command enables you to quickly and accurately enter a file path. See the [command description](#) for more details.

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### Inserting XML fragments via XInclude

The [Edit | Insert XInclude](#) enables you, via XInclude, to insert the contents of an entire XML document, or a fragment of one, in the XML document being edited. This command enables you to quickly and accurately enter entire XML documents (via the XInclude mechanism) or fragments of XML documents (via an XPointer extension of the XInclude mechanism). See the [command description](#) for more details.

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### Copying XPath and XPointer expressions to the clipboard

The XPath and XPointer expressions of the selected node (expressing the node's position in the XML document) can be copied to the clipboard using the [Edit | Copy XPath](#) and [Edit | Copy XPointer](#) commands, respectively. This enables you to obtain the correct XPath and XPointer expressions targeting the selected node.

For example, let the selected node in Text View or Grid View be the third `Office` element of a document element called `Offices`. In this case, the copied XPath expression will be `/Offices/Office[3]`. And the copied XPointer expression, if the `Office` elements have no other-named sibling that occurs before the third `Office` element, will be `element(/1/3)`.

The copied expressions can then be inserted at any required location. For example, an XPath expression can be inserted in an XSLT stylesheet and an XPointer expression in the `href` attribute of an `xinclude` element.

For more detailed descriptions of the commands, see their descriptions in the User Reference section.

### 3.4 Editing XML in Grid View

[Grid View](#) shows the hierarchical structure of **XML documents** through a set of nested containers that can be expanded and collapsed. This provides a clear picture of the document's structure. In Grid View, both structure and contents can be easily manipulated.

The screenshot shows a hierarchical XML structure in a grid view. The root element is 'XML', which contains a 'Company' element. The 'Company' element has three child elements: 'xmlns', 'xmlns:xsi', and 'xsi:schema...'. The 'Address' element is nested under 'Company' and has five child elements: 'xsi:type', 'Name', 'Street', 'City', 'Zip', and 'State'. The 'Person' element is also nested under 'Company' and is displayed as a table with three rows and six columns. The columns are 'Manager', 'Degree', 'Programmer', 'First', and 'Last'. The first row shows a person who is not a manager, has a MA degree, is a programmer, and has the first name Alfred and last name Aldi. The second row shows a person who is a manager, has a Ph.D degree, is not a programmer, and has the first name Colin and last name Cole. The third row shows a person who is a manager, has a BA degree, is not a programmer, and has the first name Fred and last name Smit.

	<b>xmlns</b>	http://my-company.com/namespace			
	<b>xmlns:xsi</b>	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance			
	<b>xsi:schema...</b>	http://my-company.com/namespace AddressLast.xsd			
	<b>Address</b>				
	<b>xsi:type</b>	US-Address			
	<b>Name</b>	US dependency			
	<b>Street</b>	Noble Ave.			
	<b>City</b>	Dallas			
	<b>Zip</b>	04812			
	<b>State</b>	Texas			
	<b>Person (3)</b>				
	<b>Manager</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>Programmer</b>	<b>First</b>	<b>Last</b>
1	false	MA	true	Alfred	Aldi
2	true	Ph.D	false	Colin	Cole
3	true	BA	false	Fred	Smit

In the screenshot above, notice that the document is displayed as a hierarchy in a grid form. When a node contains content, it is divided into two fields: for name and for content. Node names are displayed in bold face and node content in normal face.

#### Display as table

If there are several instances of a repeating element, then, in standard Grid View, each complete instance is displayed, one after the other, progressing vertically downward in document order (*screenshot below*).

Person	
First	Fred
Last	Landis
Title	Program Manager
PhoneExt	951
EMail	f.landis@nanonull.com
Shares	2000
LeaveTotal	28
LeaveUsed	10
LeaveLeft	18

Person	
First	Michelle
Last	Butler
Title	Software Engineer
PhoneExt	654
EMail	m.butler@nanonull.com
Shares	1500
LeaveTotal	19
LeaveUsed	9
LeaveLeft	10

Such a structure of multiple instances can also be displayed as a table (*screenshot below*), in which the child nodes form the columns and the multiple instances form the rows.

Person (6)			
	First	Last	Title
1	Fred	Landis	Program Manager
2	Michelle	Butler	Software Engineer
3	Ted	Little	Software Engineer
4	Ann	Way	Technical Writer
5	Liz	Gardner	Software Engineer
6	Paul	Smith	Software Engineer

Table View offers a unique editing advantage in that whole rows and columns can be manipulated relative to other columns and rows in the table. This enables such operations as sorting data with respect to the value of one common child node. For example, in the screenshot above, the six `Person` elements can be sorted on the basis of their `Last` child elements via a simple GUI operation. Such an operation is much simpler than running an XSLT transformation, which would be the usual way to sort an XML nodeset.

### Editing the document structure

In Grid View, the XML document structure can be edited graphically. For example, you can collapse and expand individual segments of the document structure, insert, append and delete nodes, drag-and-drop nodes to different locations, and convert one type of node to another type.

The **XML** menu offers commands to insert, append, and add empty child nodes. For example, you can add an empty child node by selecting an element and then adding an empty child element. You can then enter a name and content for the newly added node by double-clicking in the respective field (name or content field) and entering the required string.

The **Elements and Attributes entry helpers** enable you to insert, append, and add child nodes that are allowed at the selected location. For example, you select a node in the Main Window. The element and attribute nodes that may be validly inserted, appended, or added as a child at this location are listed in the Elements and Attributes entry helpers.

The commands available in the XML menu and entry helpers that are applicable to a selected node are also available in the context menu of that node.

### **Editing content**

To edit content, double-click in the content field and type in the content text. Entities can be inserted via the Entities entry helper.

### **More about Grid View**

For a more detailed description of Grid View, see under [Editing Views](#).

### 3.5 Editing XML in Authentic View

Authentic View enables a user to edit an XML document as if it were a text document (*screenshot below*). The XML markup and all other non-content text can be hidden from the person editing the document. This can be useful for people who are unfamiliar with XML, enabling them to a valid XML document even while concentrating entirely on the content of the document..

<b>Location: US</b>	
<b>Street:</b> 119 Oakstreet, Suite 4876	<b>Phone:</b> +1 (321) 555 5155 0
<b>City:</b> Vereno	<b>Fax:</b> +1 (321) 555 5155 4
<b>State &amp; Zip:</b> DC <input type="text" value="29213"/>	<b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:office@nanonull.com">office@nanonull.com</a>

**Vereno Office Summary: 4 departments, 15 employees.**

The company was established **in Vereno in 1995** as a privately held software company. Since 1996, Nanonull has been actively involved in developing nanoelectronic software technologies. It released the first version of its acclaimed *NanoSoft Development Suite* in February 1999. Also in 1999, Nanonull increased its capital base with investment from a consortium of private investment firms. The company has been expanding rapidly ever since.

Due to the fact that nanoelectronic software components are new and that sales are restricted to corporate customers, Nanonull and its product line have not received much media publicity in the company's early years. This has however changed in recent months as trade journals have realized the importance of this revolutionary technology.

The Authentic View of a document is enabled when a StyleVision Power Stylesheet (SPS) is assigned to an XML document. An SPS is based on the same schema source as that on which the XML document is based, and it defines the structure of the XML document. The SPS also defines the layout and formatting of the document in Authentic View. For example, in the document shown in the screenshot above, the following Authentic formatting and editing features are used:

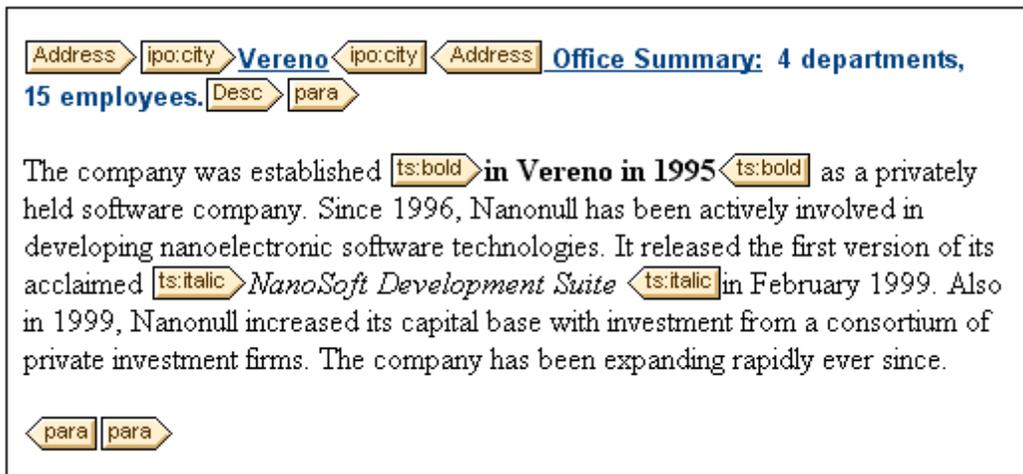
- Paragraph and other block formatting
- Table structures
- Text formatting, such as color and font face
- Combo boxes (see the State and Zip fields) enable the user to select from a group of valid choices, which can be taken from schema enumerations, as has been done in the case above
- Additional information can be calculated from the data in the document and be presented (in the example above, the office summary details have not been entered by the user but calculated from other data in the document)

SPSs are created specifically for viewing and editing XML documents in Authentic View and for generating standard output (such as HTML, PDF, RTF, and Word 2007 documents) from XML. SPSs are created with Altova StyleVision.

### Editing document structure

Valid nodes can be added to the document at any time by selecting a location and then adding the required node via the entry helpers (Elements and Attributes) or context menu. The nodes available at any given location are restricted to the nodes that can be validly added as siblings or children at the selected location. For example, when the cursor is located within a paragraph, you can append another paragraph if this is allowed by the schema.

When editing the structure of an XML document in Authentic View, it could be useful to see the markup of the document. Markup can therefore be switched on as tags (*screenshot below*) using the **Authentic | Show Large Markup** command (or the corresponding toolbar icon).



### Editing content

Content is created and edited by typing it into the nodes of the document. Entities and CDATA sections can be added via the context menu (entities also via the Entities entry helper).

### More about editing in Authentic View

For more details of how to edit in Authentic View, see the Authentic View section.

## 3.6 Entry Helpers for XML Documents

For XML documents, there are three entry helpers: Elements entry helper; Attributes entry helper; and Entities entry helper. When an element is added via the Elements entry helper, it can be added together with mandatory child elements, mandatory attributes, all child elements, or no child element or attribute, according to the respective settings in the [Editing tab of the Options dialog](#). When empty attributes are added, they are added with quotes.

Note that in the different views, the entry helpers are designed differently, in accordance with the functionality of the respective view.

### Elements entry helper

The following points should be noted:

- *Text View*: Elements are inserted at the cursor insertion point. Unused elements are displayed in red, used elements in gray. Mandatory elements are indicated with an exclamation mark "!" before the name of the element.
- *Grid View*: Elements can be appended after, inserted before, or added as a child of the selected element. There are therefore three tabs, each displaying the elements that may be added. Unused elements are displayed in black, used elements in gray.
- *Authentic View*: Elements can be inserted before, after, or within the selected element. Additionally, there is a document tree that shows the location of the currently selected element in the document's tree structure. For more details of how to edit in Authentic View, see the Authentic View section.

### Attributes entry helper

The following points should be noted:

- *Text View*: When the cursor is placed inside the start tag of an element and after a space, the attributes declared for that element become visible. Unused attributes are displayed in red, used attributes in gray. Mandatory attributes are indicated with an exclamation mark "!" before the name of the attribute.



To insert an attribute, double-click the required attribute. The attribute is inserted at the cursor point together with an equals-to sign and quotes to delimit the attribute value. The cursor is placed between the quotes, so you can start typing in the attribute value directly.

- *Grid View*: When an element is selected, the attributes that can be added as a child are listed in the Add Child tab of the entry helper. When an attribute is selected, the available attributes are listed in the Append (after) and Insert (before) tabs. Unused attributes are displayed in black, used attributes in gray.
- *Authentic View*: When an element is selected, the attributes declared for that element become visible. Enter the value of the attribute in the entry helper.

### Entities entry helper

Any parsed or unparsed entity that is declared inline (within the XML document) or in an external DTD, is displayed in the Entities entry helper. In all three views (Text, Grid, and Authentic), an

entity is inserted at the cursor insertion point by double-clicking it. In Grid View, entities are displayed in the Append, Insert, and Add Child tabs.

Note that if you add an internal entity, you will need to save and reopen your document before the entity appears in the Entities entry helper.

## 3.7 Processing with XSLT and XQuery

XML documents can be processed with XSLT or XQuery documents to produce output documents. XMLSpy has built-in XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, XSLT 3.0, XQuery 1.0, and XQuery 3.0 processors. The following processing-related features are available in the GUI:

- [Assigning XSLT stylesheets](#)
- [Go to XSLT](#)
- [XSLT parameters and XQuery variables](#)
- [XSLT transformations](#)
- [XQuery executions](#)
- [Automating XML tasks with RaptorXML](#)

### Assigning XSLT stylesheets

You can assign an XSLT stylesheet to an XML document via the **XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL** command (browse for the file in the dialog (*screenshot below*) that pops up). The assignment is entered in the XML document as a processing instruction (PI) having the standard XSLT target defined by the W3C: `xml-stylesheet`. This assignment is used when an XSLT transformation is invoked (**XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation**).

Additionally, an XSLT-for-FO stylesheet can be assigned with the **XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL:FO** command (browse for the file in the dialog (*screenshot below*) that pops up). The assignment is entered in the XML document as a processing instruction (PI) having the Altova-defined target: `altova_xslfo`. This assignment is used when an XSLT-for-FO transformation is invoked (**XSL/XQuery | XS:FO Transformation**).



You can also select a global resource to specify the XSLT file. A global resource is an alias for a file or folder. The target file or folder can be changed within the GUI by changing the active configuration of the global resource (via the menu command **Tools | Active Configuration**). Global resources therefore enable the assigned XSLT file to be switched from one to another, which can be useful for testing. How to use global resources is described in the section [Altova Global Resources](#).

If a previous assignment using either of these PI targets exists, then you are asked whether you wish to overwrite the existing assignment.

### Go to XSLT

The **XSL/XQuery | Go to XSL** command opens the XSLT file that has been assigned to the XML document.

### XSLT parameters and XQuery variables

XSLT parameters and XQuery variables can be defined, edited, and deleted in the dialog that appears on clicking the command **XSL/XQuery | XSLT Parameters / XQuery Variables**. The parameter/variable values defined here are used for all XSLT transformations and XQuery executions in XMLSpy. However, these values will not be passed to external engines such as MSXML. For the details of how to use this feature, see the [User Reference section](#).

### XSLT transformations

Two types of XSLT transformation are available:

- Standard XSLT transformation (**XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation**): The output of the transformation is displayed in a new window or, if specified in the stylesheet, is saved to a file location. The engine used for the transformation is specified in the [XSL tab](#) of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options](#)).
- XSL-for-FO transformation (**XSL/XQuery | XSL-FO Transformation**): The XML document is transformed to PDF in a two-step process. In the first step, the XML document is transformed to an FO document using the XSLT processor specified in the [XSL tab](#) of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options](#)); note that you can also select (at the bottom of the tab) the XSLT engine that comes with some FO processors such as FOP. In the second step, the FO document is processed by the FO processor specified in the [XSL tab](#) of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options](#)) to produce PDF output.

**Note:** An FO document (which is a particular type of XML document) can be transformed to PDF by clicking the XSL:FO transformation command. When the source document is an FO document, the second step of the two-step process for this command is executed directly.

### XQuery executions

An XQuery document can be executed on the active XML document by clicking the command **XSL/XQuery | XQuery Execution**. You are prompted for the XQuery file, and the result document is displayed in a new window in the GUI.

### Automating XML tasks with RaptorXML

Altova RaptorXML is an application that provides XML validation, XSLT transformations, and XQuery executions. It can be used from the command line, via a COM interface, in Java programs, and in .NET applications. Tasks such as XSLT transformation can therefore be automated with the use of RaptorXML. For example, you can create a batch file that calls RaptorXML to transform a set of documents. See the [RaptorXML documentation](#) for details.

## 3.8 PDF Fonts

### How the formatter and PDF Viewer use fonts

The formatter (for example, FOP) creates the PDF and the PDF Viewer (typically Adobe's Adobe Reader) reads it.

In order to lay out the PDF, the formatter needs to know details about the fonts used in the document, particularly the widths of all the glyphs used. It needs this information to calculate line lengths, hyphenation, justification, etc. This information is known as the metrics of the font, and it is stored with each font. Some formatters can read the metrics directly from the system's font folder. Others (such as FOP) need the metrics in a special format it can understand. When the metrics of a font are available to the formatter, the formatter can successfully lay out the PDF. You must ensure that the font metrics files of all the fonts you use in your document are available to the formatter you are using.

The formatter can either reference a font or embed it in the PDF file. If the font is referenced, then the PDF Viewer (for example, Adobe Reader) typically will look for that font in its own font resource folder (which contains the Base 14 fonts) first, and then in the system's font folder. If the font is available, it will be used when the PDF is displayed. Otherwise the Viewer will use an alternative from its resource folder or generate an error. An alternative font may have different metrics and could therefore generate display errors.

If the formatter embeds a font in the PDF file, then the PDF Viewer uses the embedded font. The formatter may embed the entire character set of a font or only a subset that contains the glyphs used in the document. This factor affects the size of the PDF file and, possibly, copyright issues surrounding font use (see note below). You might be able to influence the choice between these two options when you set the options for your formatter.

### XMLSpy and PDF fonts

In XMLSpy, a PDF is generated from an XSL-FO document (from now on FO document) by processing the XSL-FO document with an external FO processor such as FOP. (In the Options dialog, you can specify the location of the FO processor. This allows the FO processing to be started from within the XMLSpy GUI.)

The XSL-FO document itself is generated by processing an XML document with an XSLT stylesheet. (You can use either Altova's XSLT engine (which is built into XMLSpy) or an external XSLT engine to do this.)

The formatting for the PDF document, including the font properties of all text, is specified in the XSL-FO document. If the formatter you are using can read the metrics of the required font directly from the font, then all you need to do is to set up the formatter to access the font. If, however, you are using FOP as your formatter, you will need to provide it with the correct font metrics files for fonts other than the Base-14 fonts.

### Making fonts available to the formatter

Most formatters (including FOP) already have available to them the Base 14 fonts. It is important to know the names by which the formatter recognizes these fonts so that you correctly indicate them to the formatter. This is the basic font support provided by formatters. You can, however, increase the number of fonts available to the formatter by carrying out a few straightforward steps

specific to the formatter you are using. The steps for FOP are given below.

### General procedure for setting up additional font support in FOP

To make additional fonts available to FOP, you would need to do the following:

1. Generate a font metrics file for the required font from the PostScript or TrueType font files. FOP provides PFM Reader and TTF Reader utilities to convert PostScript and TrueType fonts, respectively, to XML font metrics file. For details of how to do this, see the [FOP: Fonts](#) page.
2. Set up the FOP configuration file to use the required font metrics files. You do this by entering information about the font files in an FOP configuration file. See [FOP: Fonts](#).
3. In the file `fop.bat`, change the last line:

```
"%JAVACMD%" [...] org.apache.fop.cli.Main %FOP_CMD_LINE_ARGS%
```

to include the location of the configuration file:

```
"%JAVACMD%" [...] org.apache.fop.cli.Main %FOP_CMD_LINE_ARGS% -c conf
\fop.xconf
```

After the metrics files are registered with FOP (in a FOP configuration file) and the FOP executable is set to read the configuration file, the additional fonts are available for PDF creation.

### Setting up the FOP configuration file

The FOP configuration file is called `fop.xconf` and is located in the `conf` folder in the FOP installation folder. This file, which is an XML document, must be edited so that FOP reads the font metrics files correctly. For each font that you wish to have FOP render, add a `font` element at the location indicated by the `font`-element placeholder in the document:

```
<font metrics-url="arial.xml" kerning="yes" embed-url="arial.ttf">
  <font-triplet name="Arial" style="normal" weight="normal"/>
  <font-triplet name="ArialMT" style="normal" weight="normal"/>
</font>
```

In the example above,

<code>arial.xml</code>	is the URL of the metrics file; it is best to use an absolute path.
<code>arial.ttf</code>	is the name of the TTF file (usually located in <code>%WINDIR%\Fonts</code> ).
<code>Arial</code>	specifies that the above metrics and TTF files will be used if the font-family is defined as <code>Arial</code> .
<code>style="normal"</code>	specifies that the above metrics and TTF files will be used if the font-style is defined as <code>normal</code> (not, say, <code>italic</code> ).
<code>weight="normal"</code>	specifies that the above metrics and TTF files will be used if the font-weight is defined as <code>normal</code> (not, say, <code>bold</code> ).

**Note on font copyrights:** Font usage is subject to copyright laws, and the conditions for use vary. Before embedding a font—especially if you are embedding the entire font—make sure that you are allowed to do so under the license you have purchased for that font.

**Character sets**

Note that the character sets of fonts differ from each other. The Base 14 fonts cover the ISO-8859-1 characters plus the glyphs in the Symbol and Zapf Dingbats fonts. If your document contains a character that is not covered by the Base 14 fonts, then you will have to use a font that contains this character in its character set. Some fonts, such as Arial Unicode, offer the characters covered by Unicode.

## 3.9 Charts

When an XML document is open in Text View or Grid View, a chart (pie chart, bar chart, etc) representing selected data in the XML document can be generated in the Charts Window (which is one of the [Output Windows](#)). The chart can then be exported as an image file or as an XSLT or XQuery fragment to the clipboard. The Charts feature is useful for quickly representing selected numeric data in an XML document graphically.

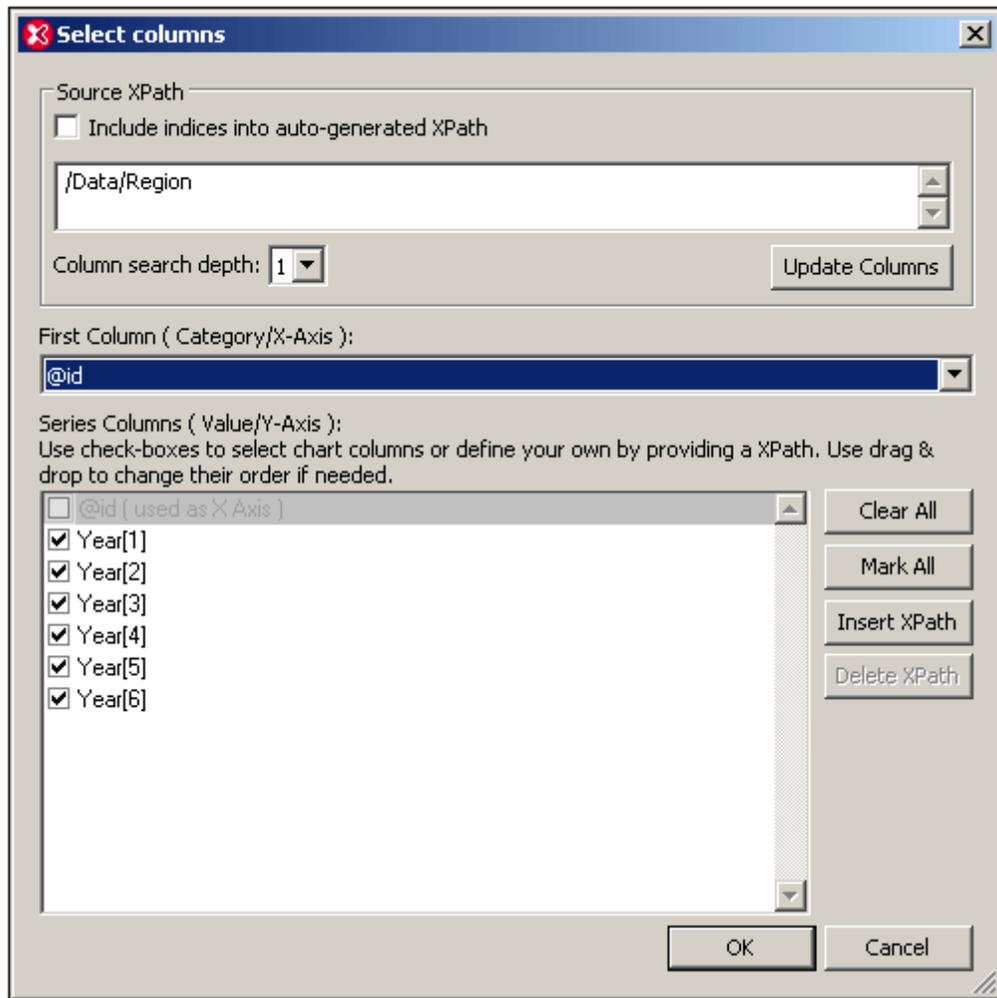
The following chart types are available:

- Pie charts (2D, 3D)
- Bar charts, single bars (2D, 3D)
- Bar charts, grouped bars (2D, 3D)
- Stacked bar charts
- Category line graphs
- Value line graphs
- Area charts and stacked area charts
- Candlestick charts
- Gauge charts (round and bar)
- Overlay charts

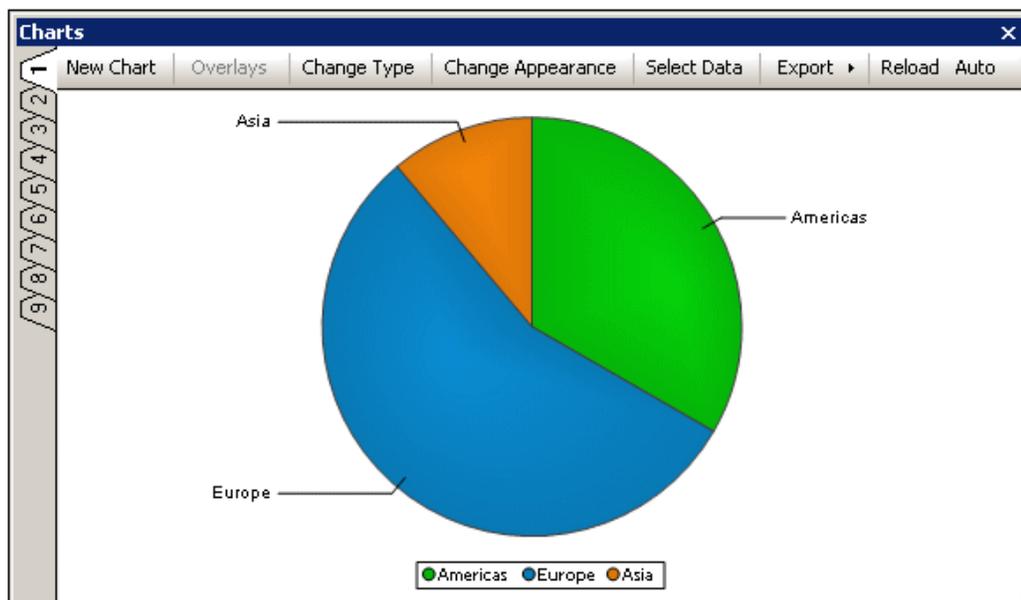
### Overview: from creation to export

The steps to create a chart are described broadly below. For a more detailed account, see the subsections of this section.

1. In Text View or Grid View, select the node that you wish to use as the context node for the data selection. You can also select a range of nodes. The implications of the various selection methods are explained in the section [Source XPath](#).
2. Right-click and, from the context menu that appears, select the command **New Chart**. Alternatively, in the Charts output window, click the **New Chart** button. This pops up the Select Columns dialog (*screenshot below*), in which the [X-Axis](#) and [Y-Axis](#) data will be selected and in which the [Source XPath](#) can be modified.



3. On clicking **OK**, the chart is created in the Charts Window (see screenshot below).



4. The chart's data selection and other settings can subsequently be edited. Not only can its Source XPath and column selection be edited, but also its type and appearance. The data selection for the chart's axes can be edited by clicking the **Select Data** button. And the chart's type and appearance can be modified by clicking the **Change Type** button and **Change Appearance** button, respectively.
5. The chart can be exported as an image file or as an XSLT or XQuery fragment to the clipboard.

### Other features

The following features help to make usage easier:

- **Multiple tabs:** If you wish to create a new chart without deleting the current chart, then create the new chart in any one of the other tabs marked one to nine (see *screenshot above*). Note that, even when an XML document is closed, charts generated from that document will stay open in their respective tabs in the Charts Window.
- **Auto Reloading:** If the **Auto** button (see *screenshot above*) is toggled on, then the chart will be automatically reloaded every time data in the XML document is modified. Otherwise, the chart will have to be manually updated by clicking the **Reload** button.

### Example file

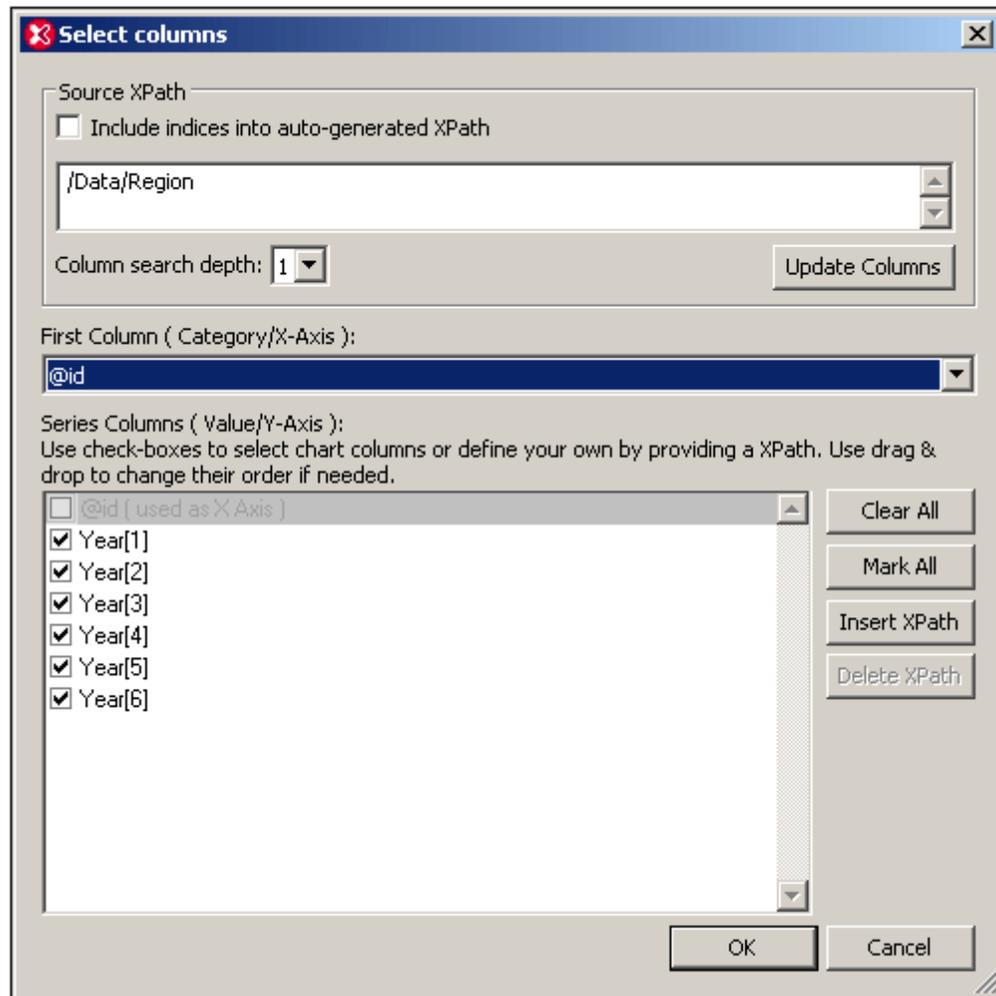
In this section and subsection, explanations about how charts work reference an XML file called `YearlySales.xml`. This file is available in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial`.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
      xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
  <Region id="Americas">
    <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Europe">
    <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Asia">
    <Year id="2005">10000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">25000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">70000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">110000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">125000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">150000</Year>
  </Region>
</Data>
```

### 3.9.1 Creating a Chart

The **New Chart** button pops up the Select Columns dialog (*screenshot below*), in which three fundamental data selection parameters for the chart are specified. These parameters (listed below) are used to build up the chart data table.

- **Source XPath:** An XPath expression is automatically entered when the dialog opens. It selects the node in the XML document that was selected when the Select Columns dialog was accessed. It can be edited in the dialog using the keyboard. The *Include Indices* checkbox determines whether predicate filters in the XPath will be used or not (see [Source XPath](#) for details). Descendant nodes of the node/s selected by the Source XPath will be available for selection as X-Axis and Y-Axis data columns. The Column Search Depth combo box determines how many descendant levels will be searched to return nodes that may be used for X-Axis and Y-Axis data selection. After the Source XPath has been edited, **Update Columns** must be clicked for the change to take effect and for the X-Axis and Y-Axis lists in the dialog to be refreshed.
- **X-Axis:** The selection in this combo box specifies which node will be used as the X-Axis. The sequence returned for this selection will give the labels that occur on the X-Axis. The *Auto-Enumerated* option of the combo box provides numbered labels for the X-Axis. Note that XPath expressions created for the Y-Axis are also available for selection in the X-Axis combo box.
- **Y-Axis:** The entries that are checked in this pane will be the nodes, the numeric values of which will be represented on the numeric Y-Axis. The **Clear All** and **Mark All** buttons deselect all items and select all items in the Y-Axis pane, respectively. The **Insert XPath** button enables a series to be generated that is not available because it is not a descendant of the node the Source XPath returns. The node or XPath expression selected for the X-Axis is not available for Y-Axis selection and is grayed out.



### How the chart data table is created

The data that is used for the chart is determined by the selection made in the Select Columns dialog. We will explain how the chart data is selected with the help of an example. Since the XML document (see screenshot further below) contains three `Region` elements, the Source XPath `/Data/Region` selects each of them in turn. With each `Region` element as the context node, the columns of data are then generated. For each `Region` element selected because of the Source XPath the following is done:

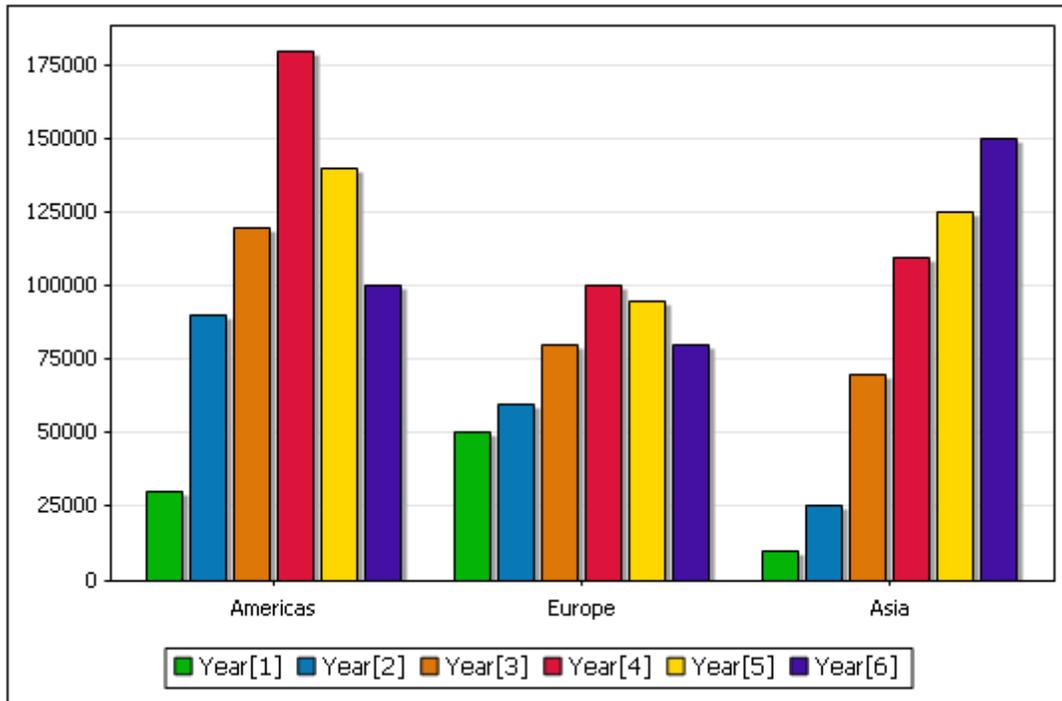
1. The X-Axis expression generates the first column (by default this column will be the column used for the X-Axis labels).
2. For each series (Y-Axis selections) a column is generated.

The chart data generated for the Select Columns dialog shown above can be visualized as in the following table.

Source XPath	X-Axis	Y-Axis (Series columns)					
Region[1]	@id	Year[1]	Year[2]	Year[3]	Year[4]	Year[5]	Year[6]
Region[2]	@id	Year[1]	Year[2]	Year[3]	Year[4]	Year[5]	Year[6]

Region[3]	@id	Year[1]	Year[2]	Year[3]	Year[4]	Year[5]	Year[6]
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A bar chart generated from this data would look something like this:



The following important points should be noted:

- The number of ticks on the X-Axis is determined by the size of the sequence returned by the Source XPath expression (in this case three).
- The nodes returned by the Source XPath will be the context nodes, respectively, for generating two sets of data for each tick on the X-Axis: (i) the X-Axis tick label (made with the X-Axis selection), and (ii) all the series to be plotted for that tick (these series are selected with the Y-Axis selection). The XPath expressions entered for the X-Axis and Y-Axis will be evaluated as XPath expressions in the context of these (Source XPath) nodes.
- The sequence returned by the X-Axis selection will be, respectively, the label for each tick. If there are fewer labels than there are ticks, then some ticks will remain unlabelled.
- Each series (for example `Year[1]`) is evaluated once for each context node. For some charts, like pie charts or single-bar charts, only one series can be used.
- The legends are obtained from the names of series items.

The XML document used for the example above is given here for reference. It is named `YearlySales.xml` and is available in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial`.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
  <Region id="Americas">
    <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
  </Region>

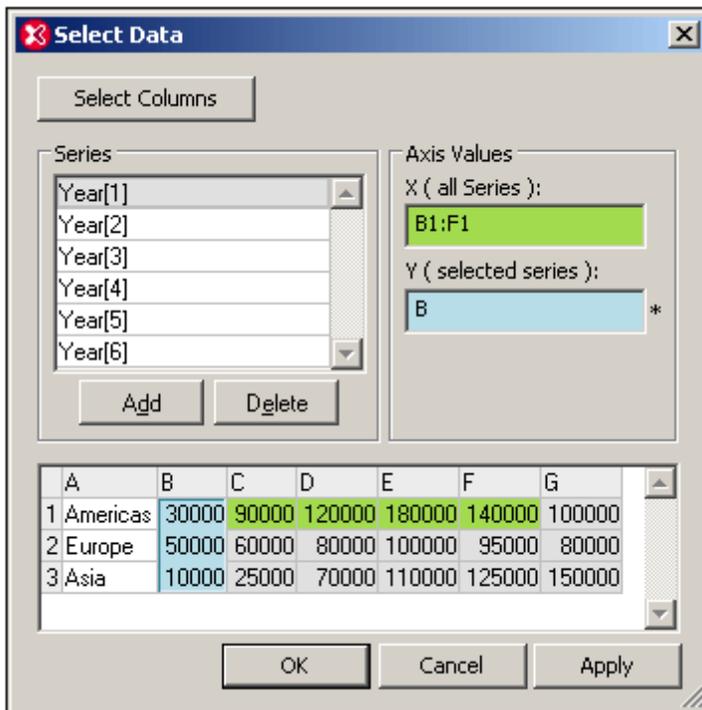
```

```

        <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
    </Region>
    <Region id="Europe">
        <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
        <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
        <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
        <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
    </Region>
    <Region id="Asia">
        <Year id="2005">10000</Year>
        <Year id="2006">25000</Year>
        <Year id="2007">70000</Year>
        <Year id="2008">110000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">125000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">150000</Year>
    </Region>
</Data>

```

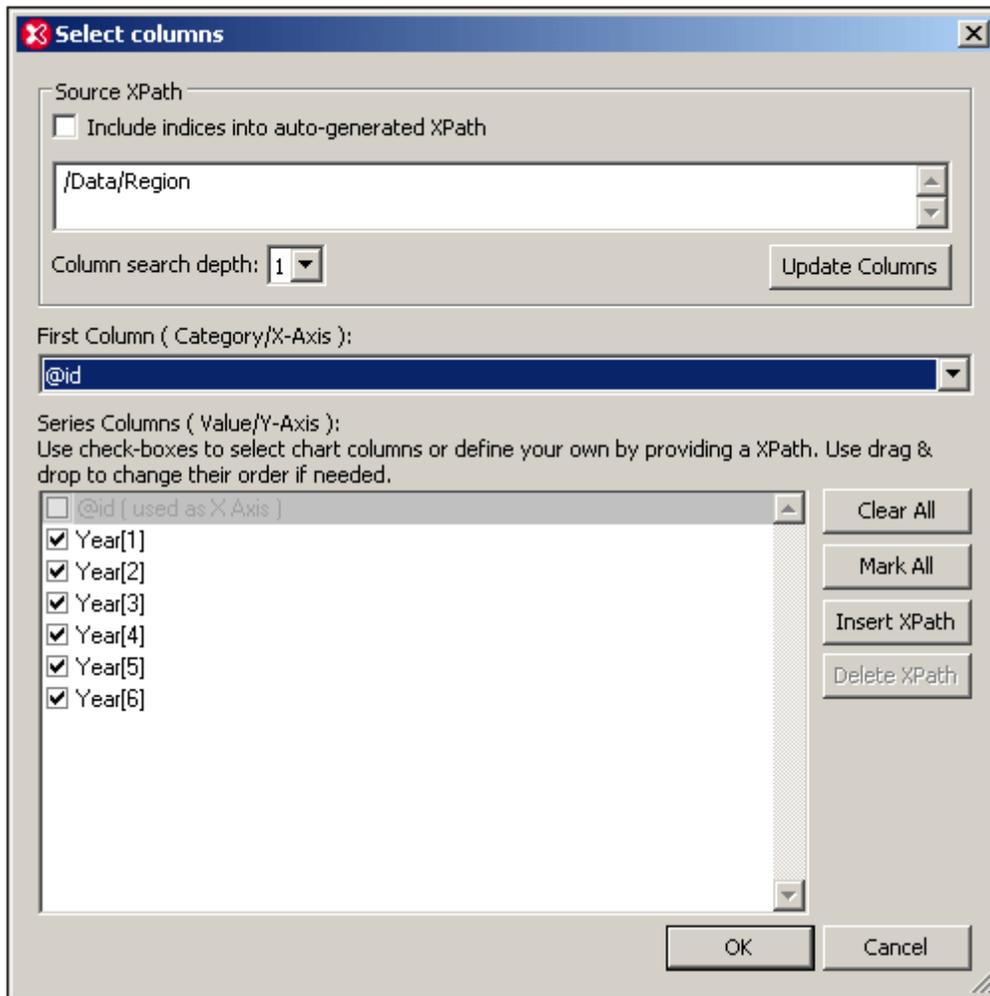
The data selection shown in the Select Columns dialog above can be seen in the table of the Select Data dialog (*screenshot below*). The Select Data dialog is accessed by clicking the **Select Data** button in the Charts output window.



For more details about the individual parameters of the Select Columns dialog, see the individual sections: [Source XPath](#), [X-Axis Selection](#), [Y-Axis Selection](#), and [Chart Data](#).

### 3.9.2 Source XPath

The Source XPath is specified in the Select Columns dialog. It determines what nodes in the document are available for selection as X-Axis and Y-Axis data. The Column Search Depth combo box determines how many descendant levels will be searched to return nodes that may be used for the X-Axis and Y-Axis data.



After a new Source XPath has been selected, clicking **Update Columns** refreshes the available selections (in the dialog) for the X-Axis and Y-Axis. If predicates are included in the XPath expression (for example, `/Data/Region[1]` uses the `[1]` predicate to select the first `Region` element), then the Include Indices check box must be checked. If you modify the Source XPath expression be sure to click **Update Columns**.

#### Source XPath from cursor location

To explain what Source XPath is selected when the Select Columns dialog is opened, we'll use the XML document shown below. It is named `YearlySales.xml` and is available in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial`.

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
      xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
  <Region id="Americas">
    <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Europe">
    <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Asia">
    <Year id="2005">10000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">25000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">70000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">110000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">125000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">150000</Year>
  </Region>
</Data>

```

The following cases are possible:

- If the cursor is placed anywhere inside the start tag (including in an attribute-value) or end tag of the `Data` element, or anywhere inside the `Data` element but not within a descendant node, the Source XPath will be: `/Data`
- If the cursor is placed anywhere inside the start tag (including in an attribute-value) or end tag of any `Region` element, or anywhere inside a `Region` element but not within a descendant node, the Source XPath will be: `/Data/Region`
- If the cursor is placed anywhere inside the start tag (including in an attribute-value) or end tag of a `Year` element, or anywhere inside a `Year` element, the Source XPath will be: `/Data/Region[N]/Year`. The predicate filter `[N]` selects the particular `Region` element inside which the selected `Year` element is. So the X-Axis and Y-Axis data selections will be restricted to `Year` elements of this particular `Region` element.
- If you wish to select just one `Region` element, say: `/Data/Region[1]`, then highlight this element, that is, the first `Region` element as shown in the screenshot below.

```

<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
  <ChartType>Pie Chart 2D</ChartType>
  <Region id="Americas">
    <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Europe">
    <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
  </Region>
</Data>

```

- Similarly, highlighting two `Region` elements will generate an XPath expression that selects these two `Region` elements only.

The Source XPath expression can be edited subsequently in the Select Columns dialog.

In Grid View, selection is done by clicking a node or marking a range. The Source XPath that is generated from the Grid View selection is as described above for Text View.

### Include indices in XPath

The *Include Indices* check box determines whether predicate filters in the XPath expression are used, whether these predicate filters are entered automatically at the time the Select Columns dialog is called or whether they are entered manually. For example, if the cursor is placed inside a descendant element of the first `Region` element of the document and the *Include Indices* check box is checked, then the automatically entered XPath expression will be, for example: `/Data/Region[1]/Year`. If the *Include Indices* check box were not checked, then the expression would be: `/Data/Region/Year`.

The *Include Indices* check box also determines whether any predicate entered manually is retained. Therefore, if you wish to use predicates in the Source XPath expression, you must check the *Include Indices* check box.

### Implications of Source XPath selections

Note the following implications of the Source XPath selection.

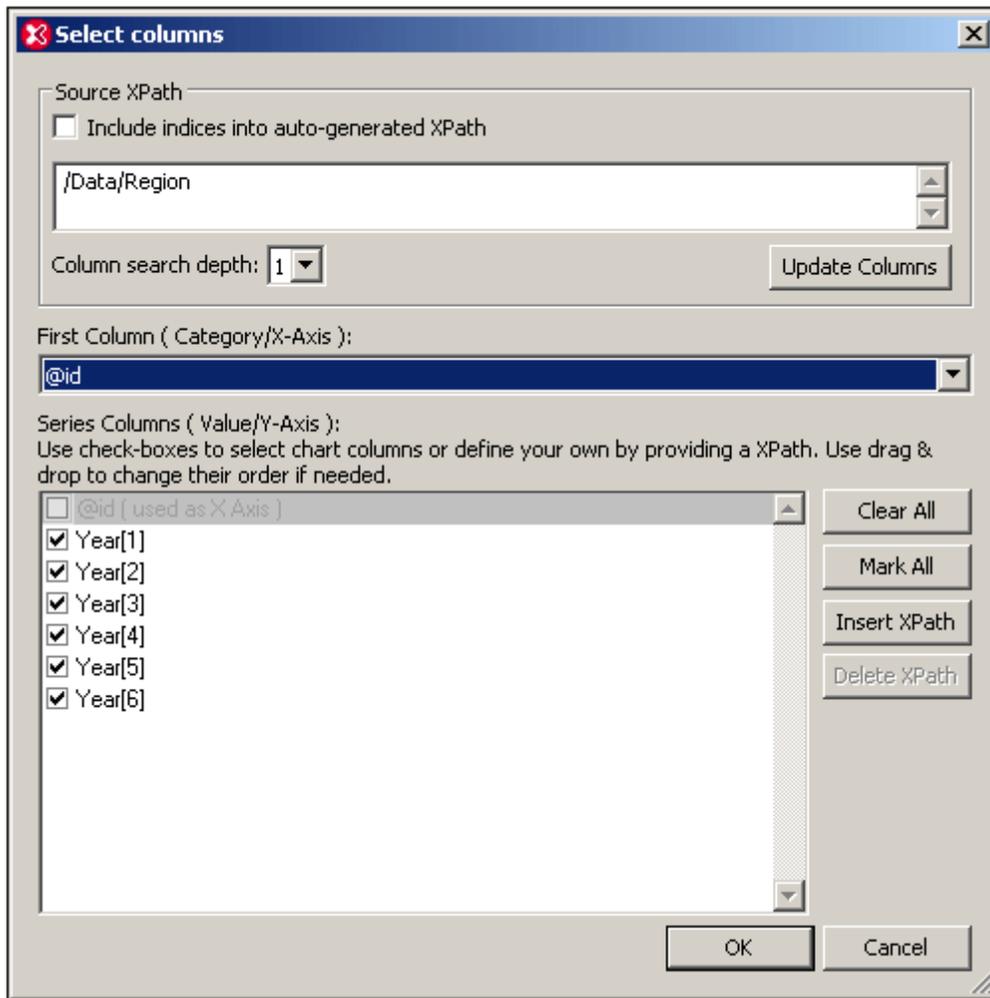
- The number of items in the sequence returned by the Source XPath determines the number of ticks on the X-Axis. The number of ticks on the X-Axis can be changed in only one other way besides by modifying the Source XPath: by selecting a number of labels for any series, which number is more than the number of ticks. See [X-Axis Selection](#) for more information about this scenario.
- The Source XPath node is the ancestor node for all nodes available for X-Axis and Y-Axis data selection and for all XPath expressions you may enter.
- As a result of the above two points, note that any change to the Source XPath expression affects not only the number of ticks on the X-Axis but also the context for any XPath expression related to the chart.

For example, here are the implications of some XPath expressions with respect to the XML document shown above.

- `/Data/Region`: Returns the three `Region` elements, so three ticks on the X-Axis. Each `Region` element will in turn be the context node for XPath expressions.
- `/Data/Region/Year`: Returns 18 `Year` elements, so 18 ticks on the X-Axis. Each `Year` element will in turn be the context node for XPath expressions.
- `/Data/Region[1]/Year`: Returns the six `Year` element children of the first `Region` element, so six ticks on the X-Axis. Each `Year` element of the first `Region` element will in turn be the context node for XPath expressions.
- `distinct-values (//Year/@id)`: Returns six items (the distinct values of the `Year/@id` attribute: 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010). However, since this XPath expression returns no node item, it cannot be a context node for any XPath expression. If the items in this sequence are to be used to target nodes in the XML document (using, say, the `current()` function (shorthand: `.`)), then the XPath expression using the current item must start from the document root in order for the context to be established. For example: `/Data/Region[1]/Year[@id eq .]`.

### 3.9.3 X-Axis Selection

The X-Axis selection is specified in the Select Columns dialog (*screenshot below*). This selection determines the labels that appear on the X-Axis. The labels can subsequently be edited in the Select Data dialog (*see below*).



Consider the following XML document example. (It is named `YearlySales.xml` and is available in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial.`) The cursor is placed in the start tag of the first `Region` element and the **New Chart** button of the Charts output window is clicked. The Select Columns dialog appears, with the Source XPath: `/Data/Region` (see screenshot above).

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
  <Region id="Americas">
    <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Europe">
    <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
  </Region>
</Data>
</xml>
```

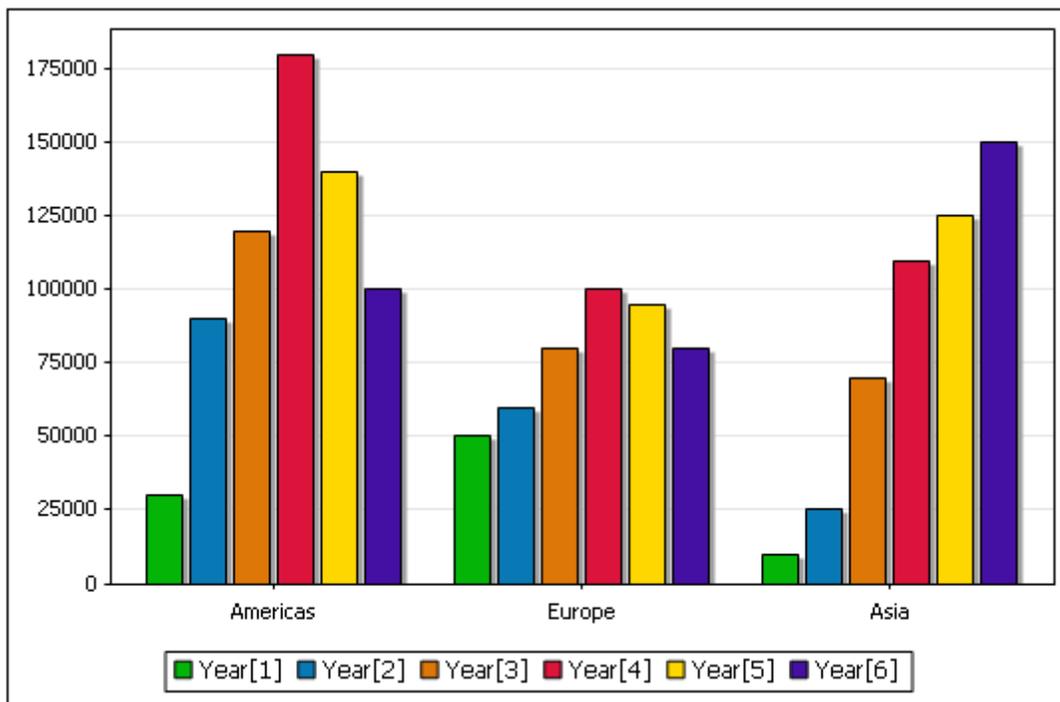
```

        <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
    </Region>
    <Region id="Asia">
        <Year id="2005">10000</Year>
        <Year id="2006">25000</Year>
        <Year id="2007">70000</Year>
        <Year id="2008">110000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">125000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">150000</Year>
    </Region>
</Data>

```

As explained in the [Source XPath](#) section, this Source XPath sets up a chart with three ticks on the X-Axis (because the Source XPath returns three items: the three `Region` elements). Since we want the labels of these three ticks in the chart to be the names of the three regions, we select the `@id` attribute in the combo box of the X-Axis selection (see *screenshot of Select Columns dialog above*).

To produce the chart data for each tick, each `Region` element is evaluated in turn. For each `Region` element, the `id` attribute generates the correct label for the X-Axis tick. The X-Axis would look something like in the screenshot below.

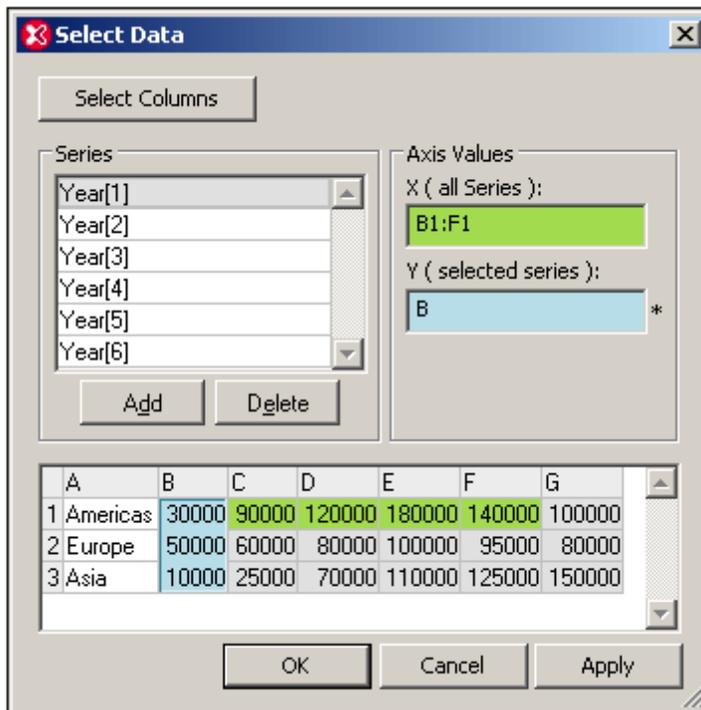


If another XPath expression is selected in the X-Axis combo box, then that expression is evaluated within the respective `Region` element context and the evaluated result will be the label of the respective tick. The *Auto-Enumerated* option generates a number sequence that corresponds to the tick number: the first tick will be numbered 1, the second 2, and so on.

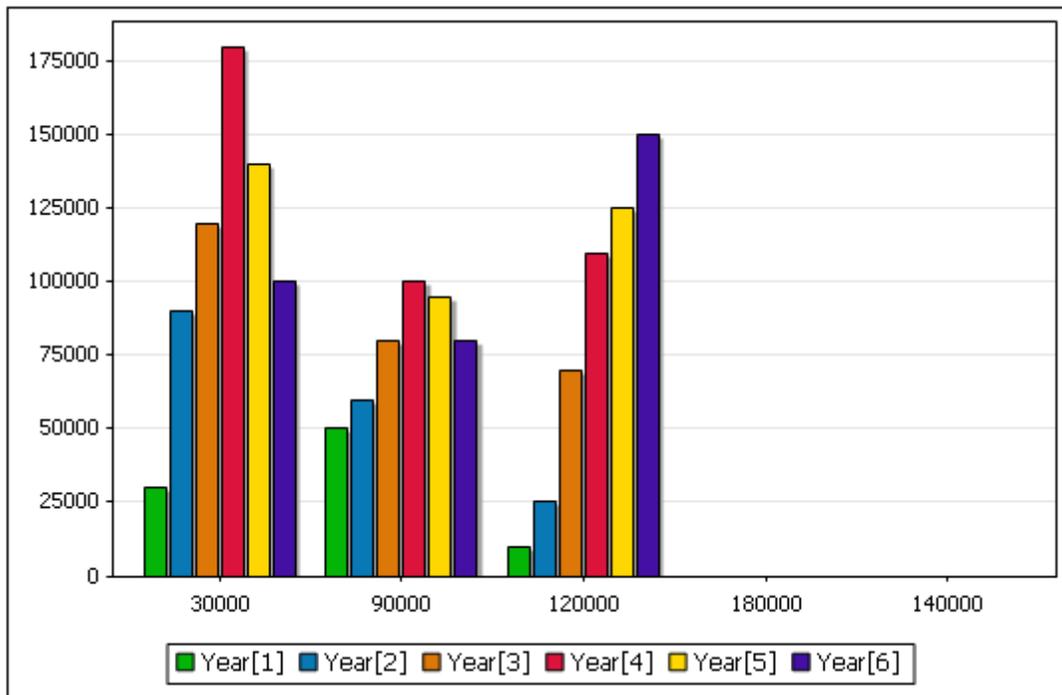
### Modifying the X-Axis labels and the number of X-Axis ticks

The selection of labels for the X-Axis can be modified in the Select Data dialog (accessed by clicking the **Select Data** button of the Charts output window).

In the Select Data dialog shown in the screenshot below, for example, click in the X-Axis text box of the Axis Values pane. This enables the X-Axis selection to be modified. Now click the B1 field and drag the mouse to F1 to make the B1:F1 selection. Click **OK** to see the new chart.



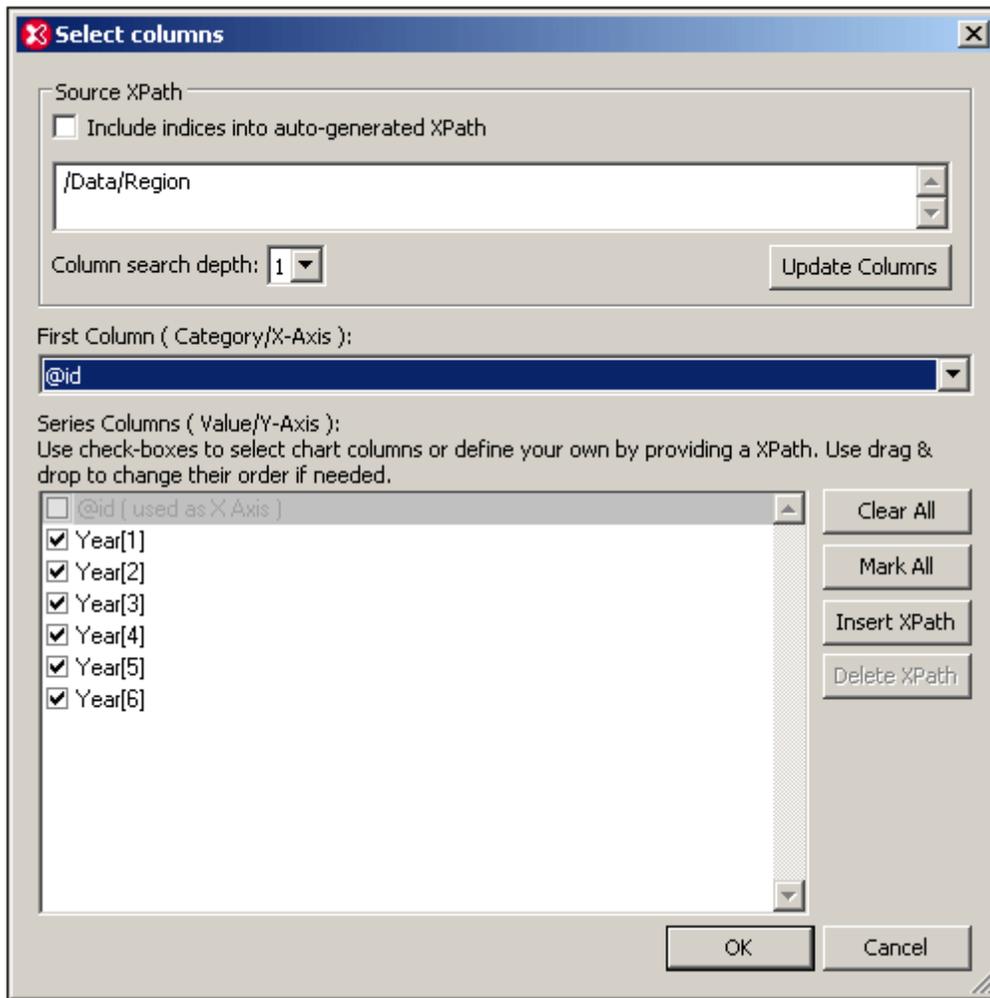
This selection will now provide the labels for the ticks, as shown in the screenshot below. Notice also that since the new selection contains five items, five ticks have been generated. However, only the first three are populated. This is because the Source XPath returns three nodes and these are the nodes that will be processed for the charts. These three nodes correspond to the [rows of the table](#) shown in the Select Data dialog. Note that the number of rows in the table can only be modified by changing the Source XPath.



For more information about how the Source XPath and X-Axis selections interact, see [How Chart Data Is Created](#).

### 3.9.4 Y-Axis Selection

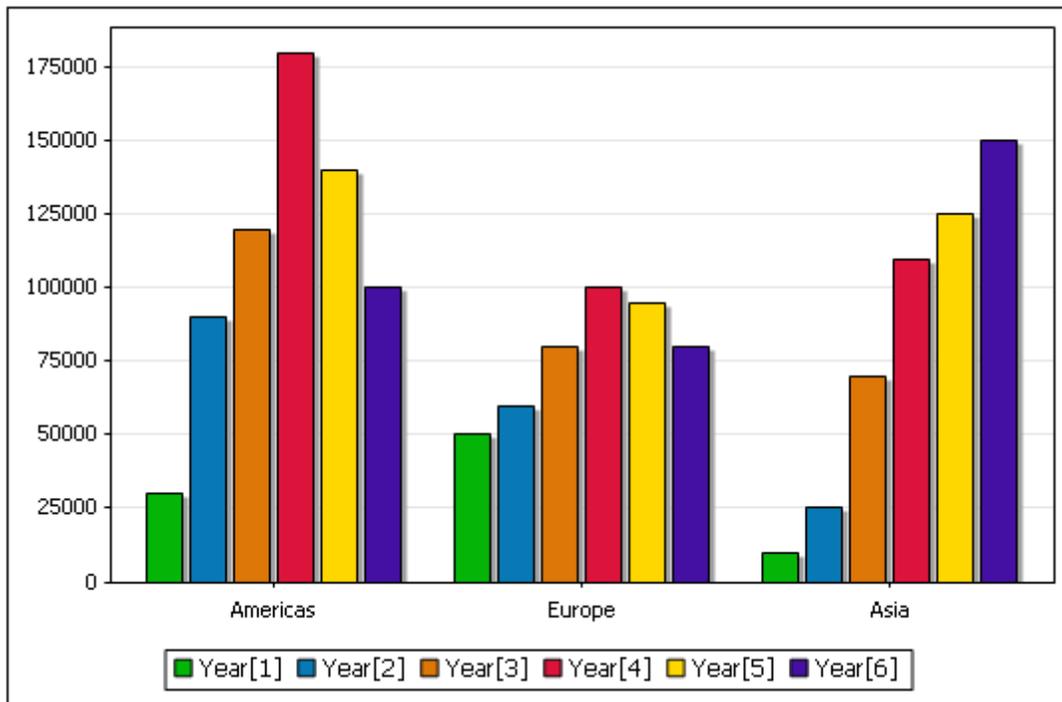
The Y-Axis (see *screenshot below*) is also known as the Series Axis.



The selection you make for this axis determines how many series are plotted for each X-Axis tick. If only one series is selected, then at each X-Axis tick, the value returned by the XPath expression for that series is plotted. If more series are selected, as in the screenshot below, in which six series are selected, then the chart data selection will be as in the table below. (The [context node](#) for the Y-Axis data selection is the respective `Region` element.)

Source XPath	X-Axis	Y-Axis (Series columns)					
Region[1]	@id	Year[1]	Year[2]	Year[3]	Year[4]	Year[5]	Year[6]
Region[2]	@id	Year[1]	Year[2]	Year[3]	Year[4]	Year[5]	Year[6]
Region[3]	@id	Year[1]	Year[2]	Year[3]	Year[4]	Year[5]	Year[6]

The resulting chart will look something like this:



There are three X-Axis ticks, labeled with the value of the respective `Region/@id` attributes. At each X-Axis tick, the XPath expression for each series is evaluated. In our example, for each X-Axis tick, each of the six series is evaluated and plotted. For example, the first series (`Year[1]`) is plotted for all three regions, so also `Year[2]` to `Year[6]`.

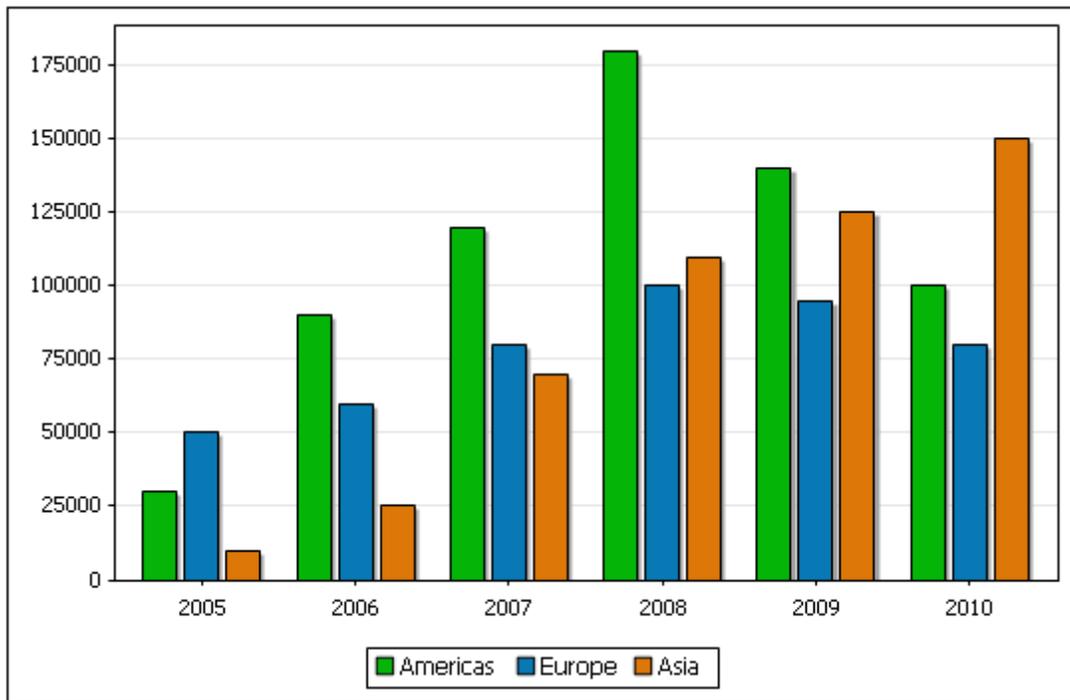
**Note:** Some charts, such as pie charts and single-bar charts, take only one axis. In a single-bar chart for example, each X-Axis tick will have just a single bar: that representing the single series. In a **pie chart**, the values of the single series will sum up to 100% of the pie, with each value being assigned to one X-Axis tick.

### Y-Axis legends

The legends that appear below the chart are the names of the series. These names can be modified in the [Select Data dialog](#).

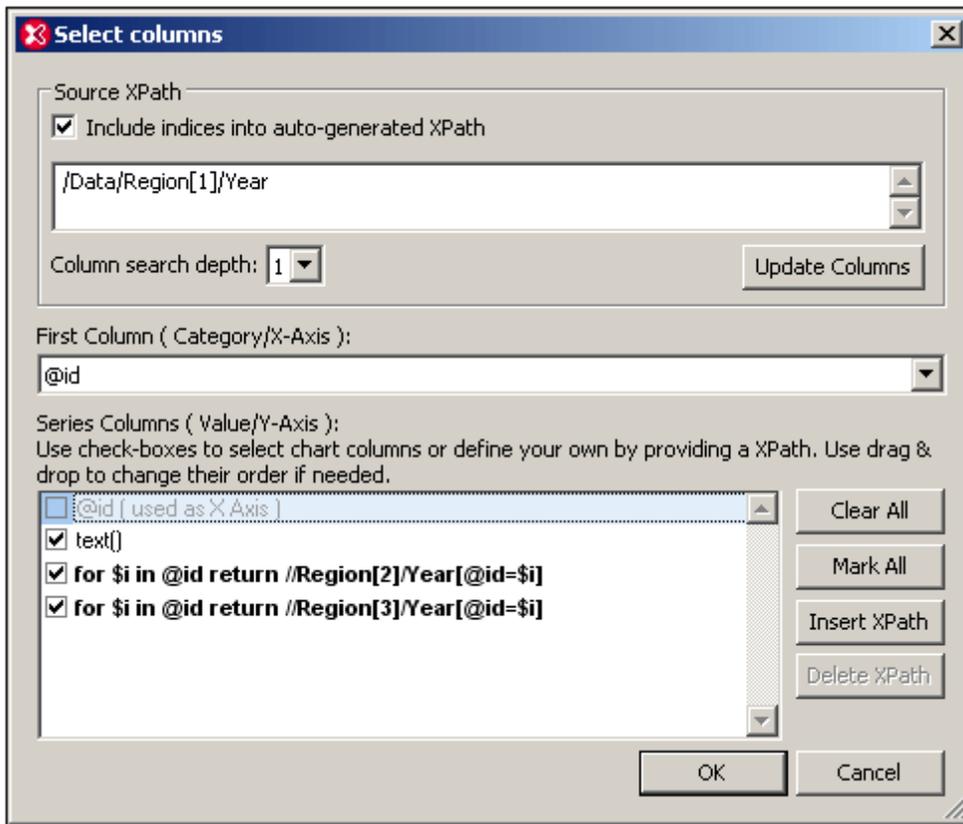
### Switching the X-Axis and Y-Axis selections

In the example above, the regions are on the X-Axis and the yearly sales are plotted on the Y-Axis for each region; the `Year` elements are the series. But what if we wished to plot the years on the X-Axis and compare the regional sales for each year as in the bar chart below? We would need six X-Axis ticks (obtained via the Source XPath selection), then to label the X-Axis ticks with the respective years, and finally to select three series (for the regions), all of which will be represented at each X-Axis tick. The screenshot below, of the Select Columns dialog, shows how this data selection might be achieved.



### Selecting the series

To make a node a series for the chart, check that node's check box. You can modify the Source XPath and the Column Search Depth to make the required node available in the Series pane. Alternatively, you can add an XPath expression to select a node, as in the screenshot below. See [Chart Example: Advanced](#) for a description of this scenario.



## Reference

The XML document used for the example in this section is given here for reference. It is named `YearlySales.xml` and is available in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial`.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
  <Region id="Americas">
    <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Europe">
    <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Asia">
    <Year id="2005">10000</Year>
```

```

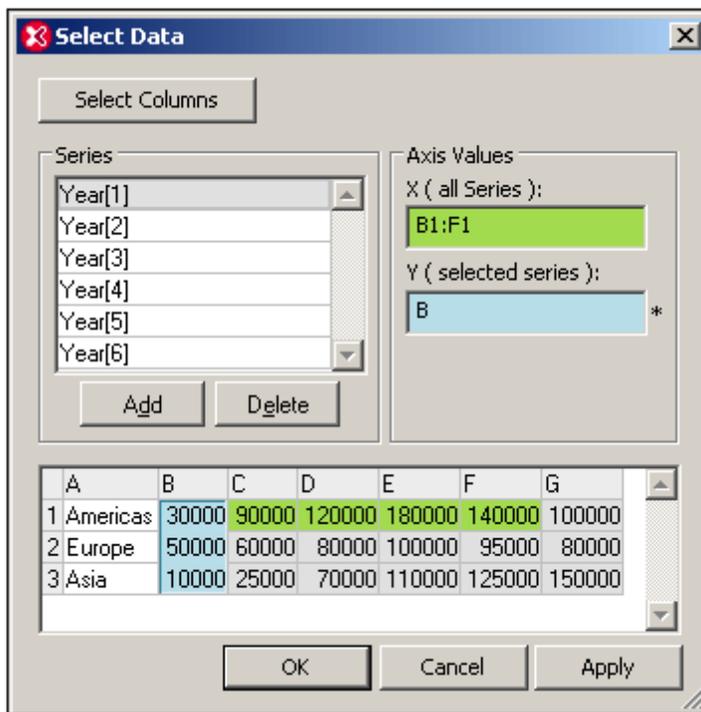
<Year id="2006">25000</Year>
<Year id="2007">70000</Year>
<Year id="2008">110000</Year>
<Year id="2009">125000</Year>
<Year id="2010">150000</Year>
</Region>
</Data>

```

### 3.9.5 Chart Data

Clicking the **Select Data** button pops up the Select Data dialog (*screenshot below*), which consists of three panes: (i) the Series pane, (ii) the Axis Values pane, and (iii) the chart data table. Each of these is described below.

The **Select Columns** button pops up the [Select Columns dialog](#), in which you can change the Source XPath and modify the data selection for the X-Axis and Y-Axis.



#### Series pane

The series contained originally in the Series pane are those that were selected in the [Select Columns dialog](#). The series present in this pane when you click **OK** will be the series that appear in the chart. In the Series pane you can carry out three operations:

- *Add and delete series:* This enables you to control the number of series appearing in the chart.
- *Edit series names:* The names of series are the legends that appear in the chart.
- *Select data for individual series:* With a series selected in the Series pane, the X-Axis and Y-Axis data can be specified in the Axis Values pane. How to do this is described below.

### Axis Values pane

The X-Axis and Y-Axis data can be specified in the respective text boxes in the Axis Values pane. When you click in either text box, the value in it can be edited; this is indicated by an asterisk to the right of the text box. The data selection is specified either as a range from the chart data table. A range can be either an entire column or row, or part of a column or a row. It can be entered via the keyboard (for example, `A` or `3` or `B1:F1`), or a range can be marked in the chart data table. To mark a range, select the first cell in the range and drag the cursor to the last cell in the range. To mark an entire column or row, select the column or row header, respectively.

The X-Axis selection determines the labels of the X-Axis nodes and applies to all series. It does not change the number of X-Axis ticks.

The Y-Axis selection determines which range of cells is to be used for the selected series. If the number of cells selected is less than the number of X-Axis ticks, then this series will be unrepresented for the latter X-Axis ticks. If the number of cells selected exceeds the number of X-Axis ticks, then additional ticks will be created. The extra ticks will be equal to the number of extra selected cells. The extra values will be represented for this series on the extra number of ticks.

### Chart data table

The structure of the chart data table (at the bottom of the Select Data dialog) is obtained from the selections in the [Select Columns dialog](#).

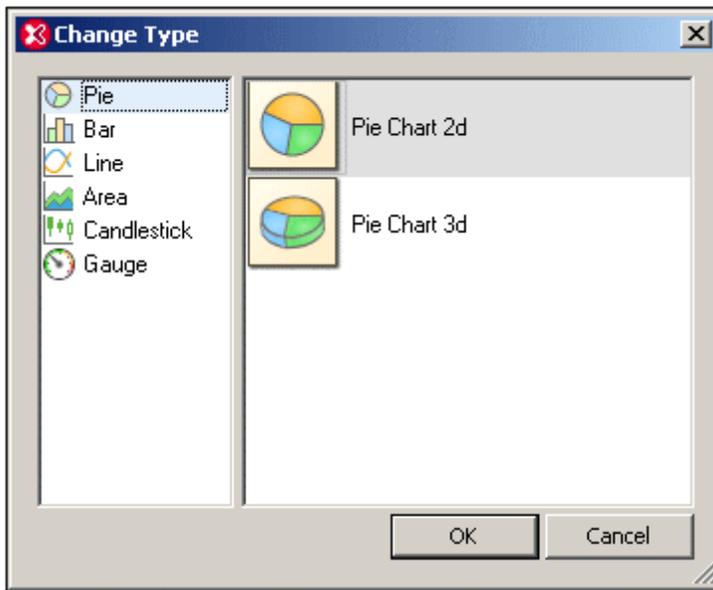
- The number of rows in the table is equal to the number of items in the sequence returned by the Source XPath.
- The columns are named starting from A. The purpose of this naming is to enable selection in the Axis Values pane (for example `B1:F1`).
- The first column is obtained by evaluating the X-Axis selection in the [Select Columns dialog](#) in the context of nodes returned by the Source XPath expression.
- All other columns except the first are obtained by evaluating the Y-Axis selections in the [Select Columns dialog](#). Each series in the Y-Axis selection of the [Select Columns dialog](#) corresponds to a column in the chart data table.

The chart data table can be viewed as a superset of data that is selected using the parameters in the [Select Columns dialog](#). From this superset, you can then select ranges of data you require (in the Axis Values pane) for individual series.

## 3.9.6 Chart Settings: Quick Reference

### Chart type

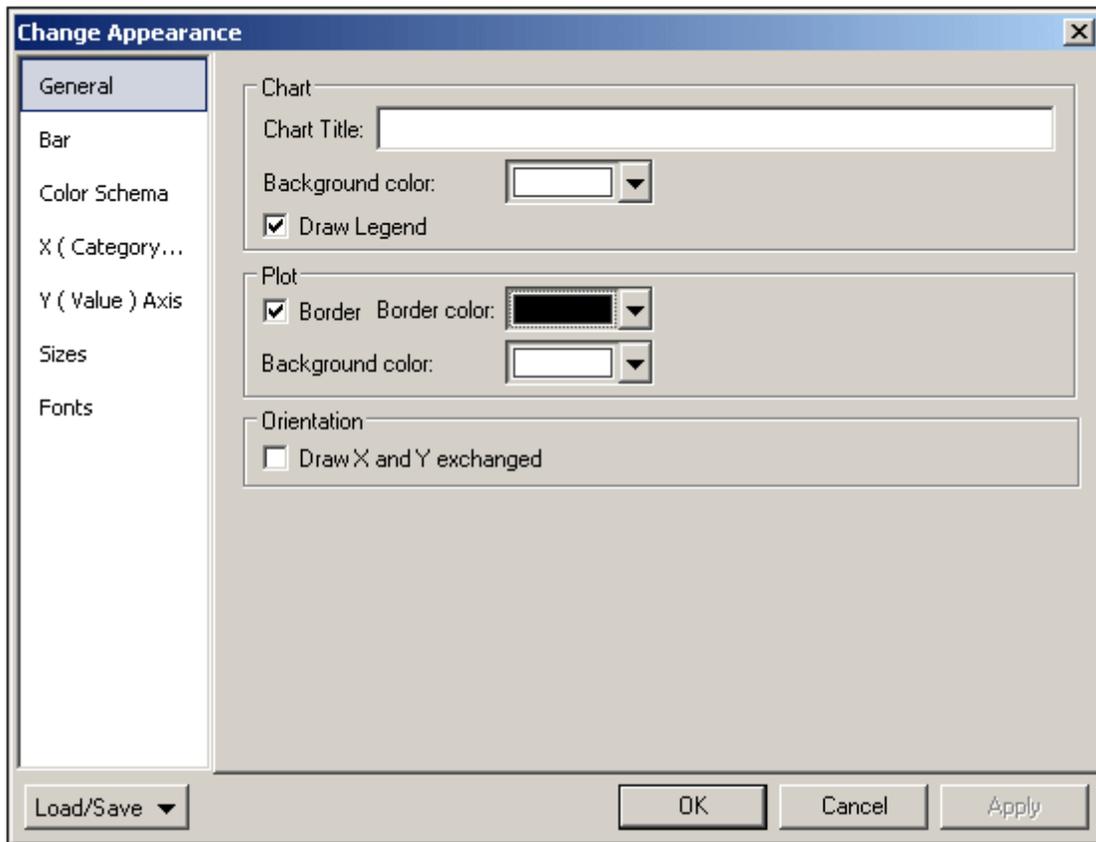
To select the chart type in the Change Type dialog (*screenshot below*), select the chart type you want and click **OK**. The Chart Type dialog is accessed by clicking the **Change Type** button.



After the chart type has been selected, chart settings (such as title, height, and width) must be made in the Change Appearance dialog (*screenshot below*) and the chart data must be specified. How data is selected for each chart type is described in the sections, [Creating a Chart](#) and [Chart Data](#).

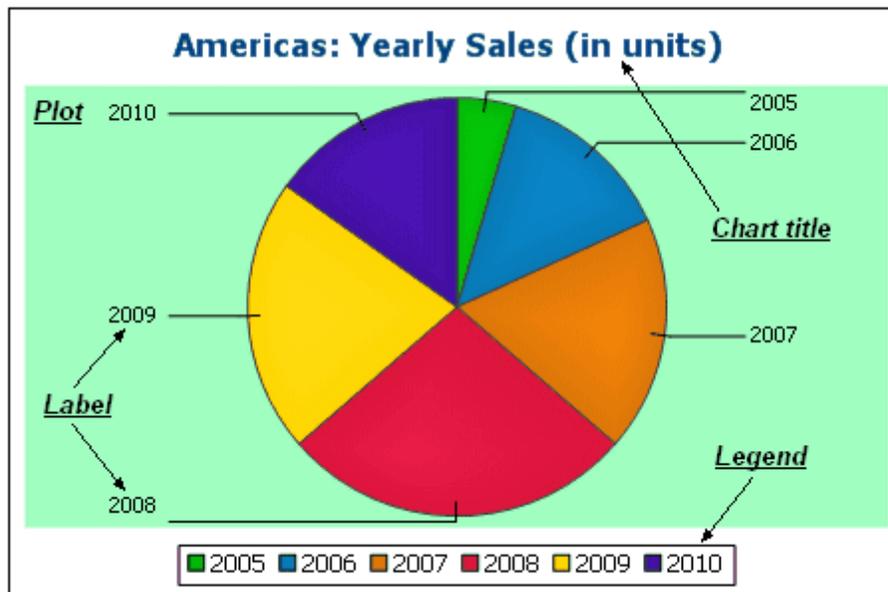
### Chart appearance

Chart settings (such as the chart's title, color scheme, and font sizes) are made in the Change Appearance dialog (*screenshot below, which shows the Settings dialog of a bar chart*). This dialog is accessed with the **Change Appearance** button and the settings in it are different according to the chart type.



The various settings are organized into the following common tabs:

- General:** The chart title (see screenshot below) can be edited in this tab, as well as the chart's background color and the plot's border and background color. In the screenshot below, the plot has been given a pale green background color. The legends are at the bottom of the chart; they explain the color codes in the chart and can be turned on or off in the dialog.



- **Color scheme:** Four predefined color schemes are available plus a user-defined color scheme. You can modify any of the color schemes by adding and/or deleting colors to a scheme. The color scheme selected in the Color Scheme tab will be used in the chart.
- **Sizes:** Sizes of various aspects of the chart can be set, either as pixels or as a percentage ratio.
- **Font:** The font properties of the chart title and of legends and labels can be specified in this tab. Sizes can be set as a percentage of the chart size or as pixels.

Additionally, each type of chart has settings specific to its type. These are listed below:

- **Pie charts:** Settings for: (i) the angle from which the first slice should be drawn; (ii) the direction in which slices should be drawn; (iii) the outline color; (iv) whether the colors receive highlights (in 3D pie charts: whether dropshadows and transparency are used); (v) whether labels should be drawn; and (vi) whether values and percentages should be added to labels and how many decimal places should be added to the percentages.
- **Bar charts:** Settings for: (*General*) Drawing the X and Y axes exchanged generates a horizontal bar chart (for 2D bar charts only); (*Bar*) Bar outlines and dropshadows (dropshadows in 2D bar charts only); (*X-Axis*) Label and color of the x-axis, and vertical gridlines; (*Y-Axis*) Label and color of the y-axis, horizontal gridlines, the range of values to be displayed, and the tick marks on the y-axis; (*Z-Axis, 3D only*) Label and color of the z-axis; (*3D*) the vertical tilt, horizontal rotation, and the width of the view.
- **Line graphs:** Settings for: (*General*) Drawing the X and Y axes exchanged; (*Line*) including the plot points or not; (*X-Axis*) Label and color of the x-axis, and vertical gridlines; (*Y-Axis*) Label and color of the y-axis, horizontal gridlines, the range of values to be displayed, and the tick marks on the y-axis.
- **Gauge:** Settings for: (i) the angle at which the gauge starts and the angular sweep of the scale (*Round Gauge only*); (ii) the range of the values displayed (*Round and Bar Gauges*); (iii) the interval and color of major and minor ticks (*Round and Bar Gauges*); (iv) colors of the dial, the needle, and the border.

### 3.9.7 Chart Settings and Appearance

Chart settings are organized as follows:

- [Basic Chart Settings](#): The most basic setting is the chart type. To select the chart type, click **Change Type** in the toolbar of the chart window. The [Change Type dialog](#) is displayed.
- [Advanced Chart Settings](#), which enable you to change the appearance of a chart (its title, legend, colors, fonts, etc). Advanced settings are defined in the [Change Appearance dialog](#). To access this dialog, click **Change Appearance** in the toolbar of the chart window.

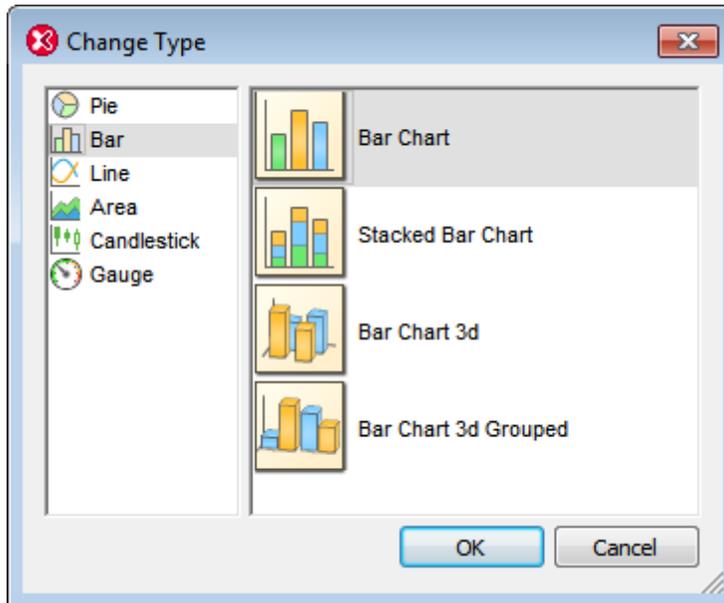
#### Basic Chart Settings

This section:

- [Setting the chart type](#)
- [List of chart types](#)
- [Other basic settings](#)

### Setting the chart type

The most basic chart setting is the chart type. To select the chart type, click **Change Type** in the toolbar of the chart window.

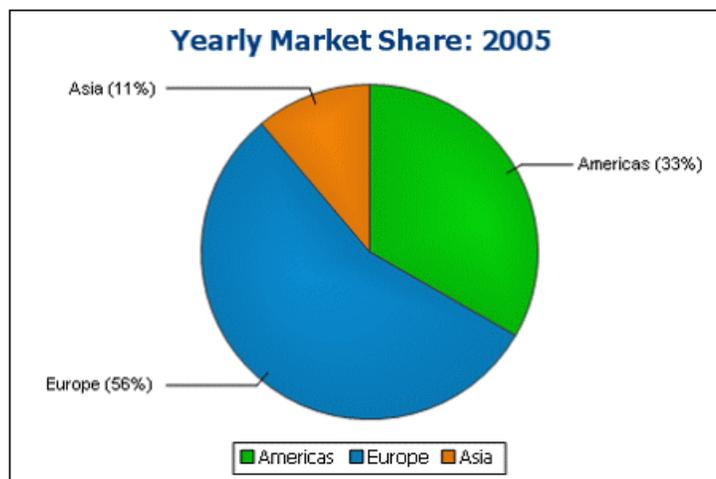


### Chart types

The various types of charts that are available are listed below. In the [Change Type dialog](#) (screenshot above), select the chart type you want and click **OK**.

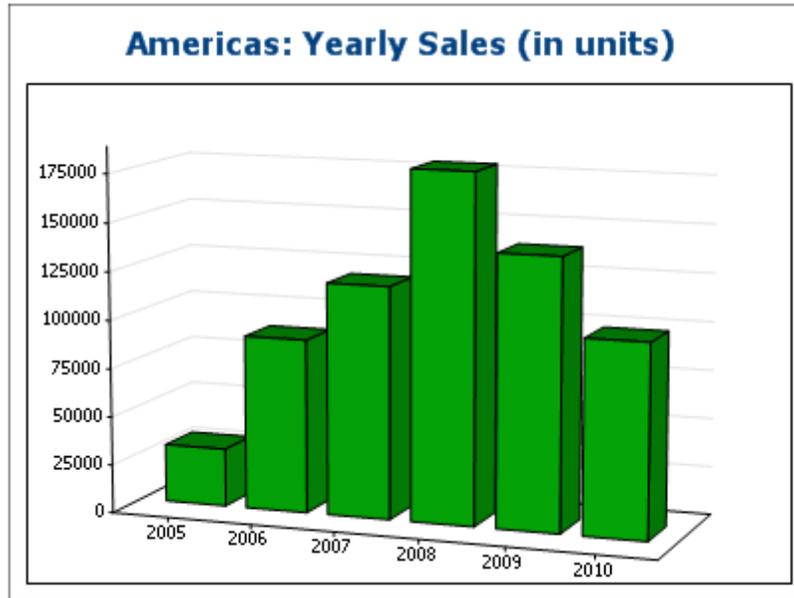
#### ▼ *Pie charts*

In pie charts, one column/axis provides the values, another column/axis provides labels for these values. The labeling column/axis can take non-numeric values.

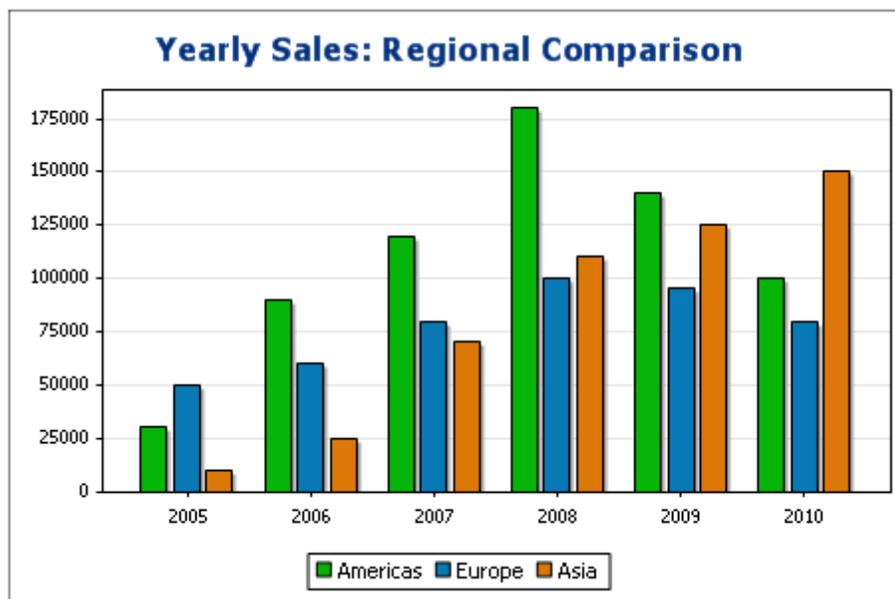


▼ Bar charts

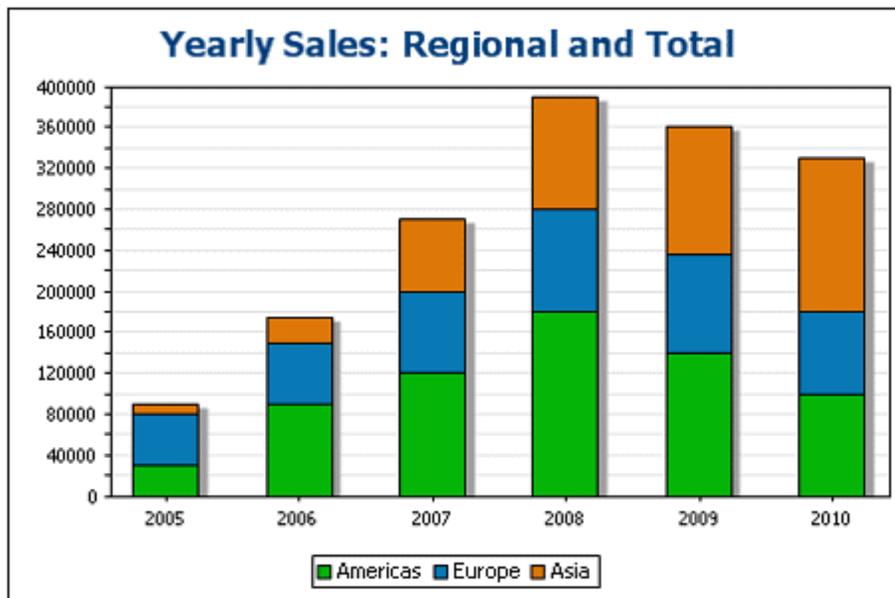
Bar charts can have two sets of values used along two axes (*below*).



They can also use three sets of values, as in the example below: (i) continent, (ii) year, (iii) sales volume. Bar charts can be displayed in 2D (*below*) or 3D (*above*).

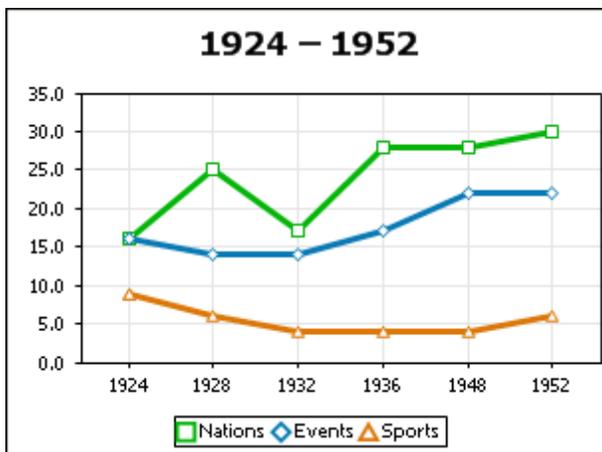


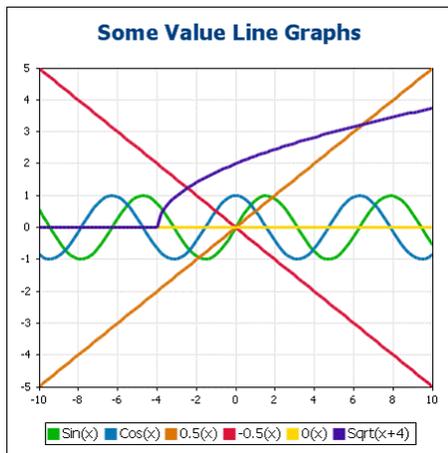
A three-axis bar chart can also be stacked if you need to show totals. Compare the stacked chart below with the chart above. The stacked chart shows the total of sales on all continents.



#### ▼ Line charts

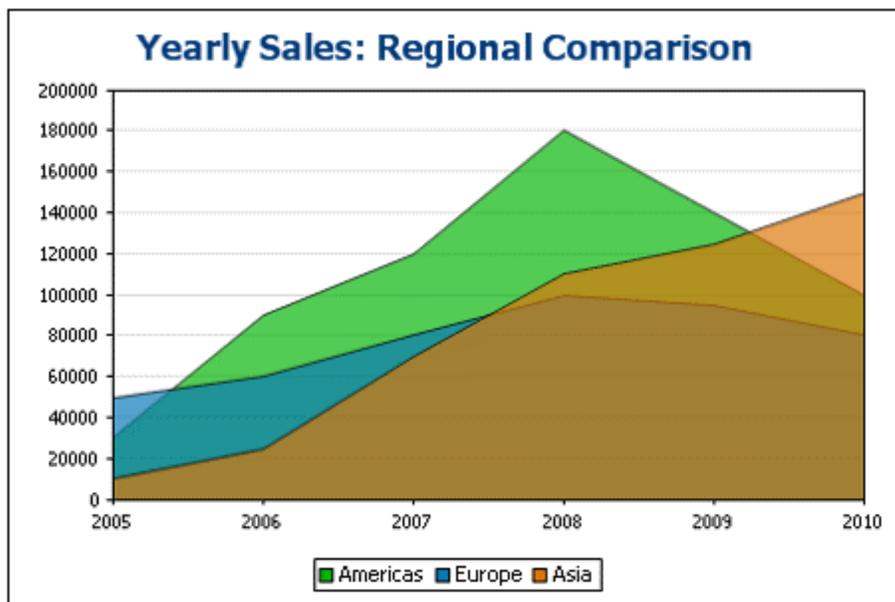
The difference between a line chart (*below left*) and a value line chart (*below right*) is that value line charts only take numerical values for the X-axis. If you need to display line charts with text values on the X-axis, use line charts.





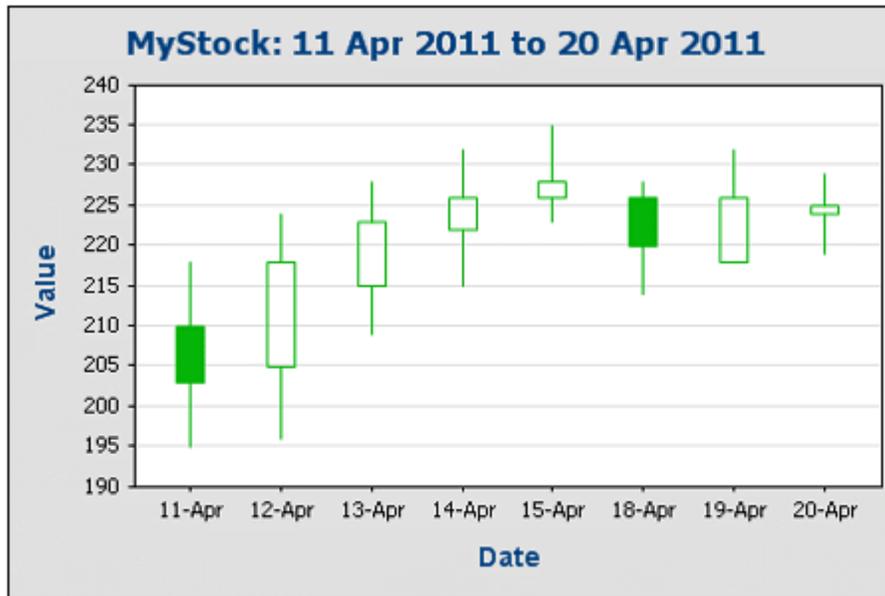
#### ▼ Area charts

Area charts are a variation of line charts, in which the areas below the lines are also colored. Note that area charts can also be stacked (see *bar graphs* above).



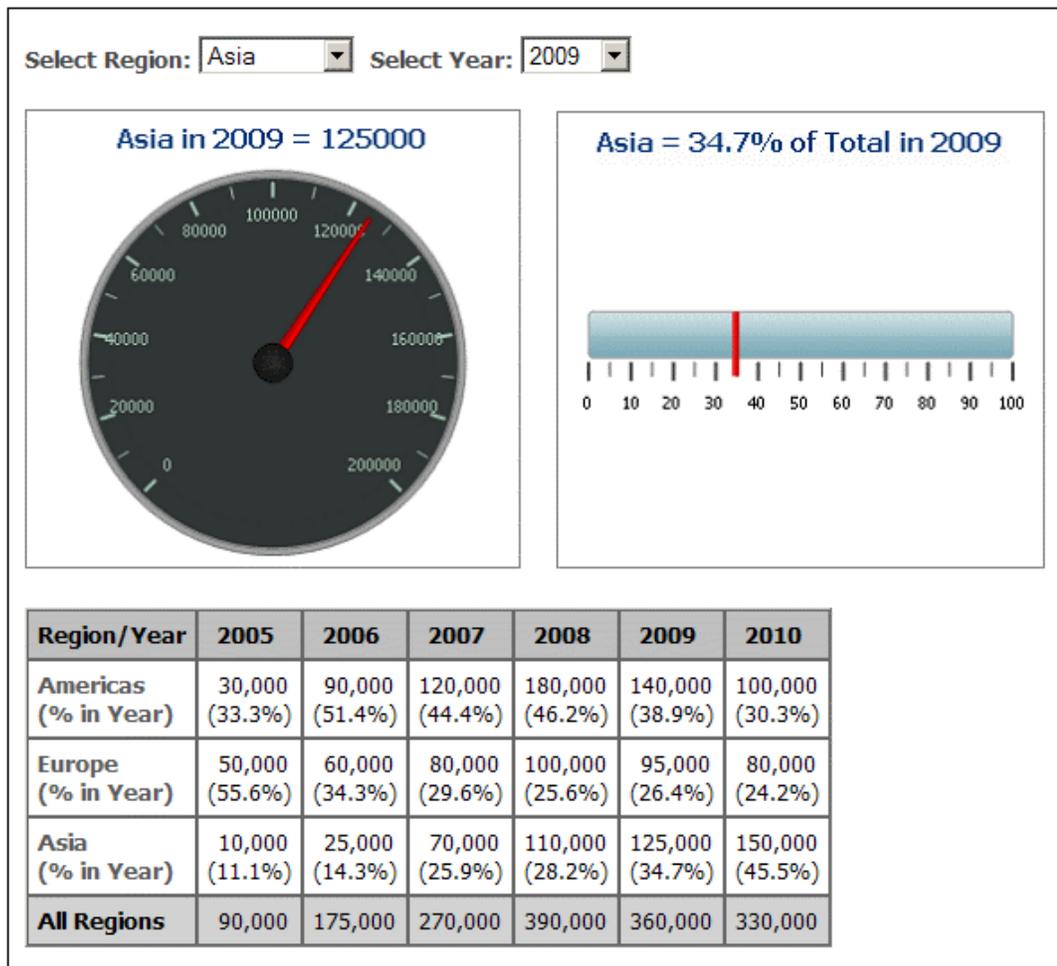
#### ▼ Candlestick charts

A candlestick chart can be used to depict price movements of securities, commodities, currencies, etc over a period of time. The chart indicates not only how prices developed over time, but also the daily close, high, low, and (optionally) open. The Y-axis takes three or four series (close, high, low, and (optionally) open). The screenshot below shows a four-series candlestick chart.



▼ Gauge charts

Gauge charts are used to illustrate a single value and show its relation to a minimum and a maximum value.



### Other basic settings

In the Chart Settings pane, you can also set the title of the chart (*see screenshot below*).

### Advanced Chart Settings

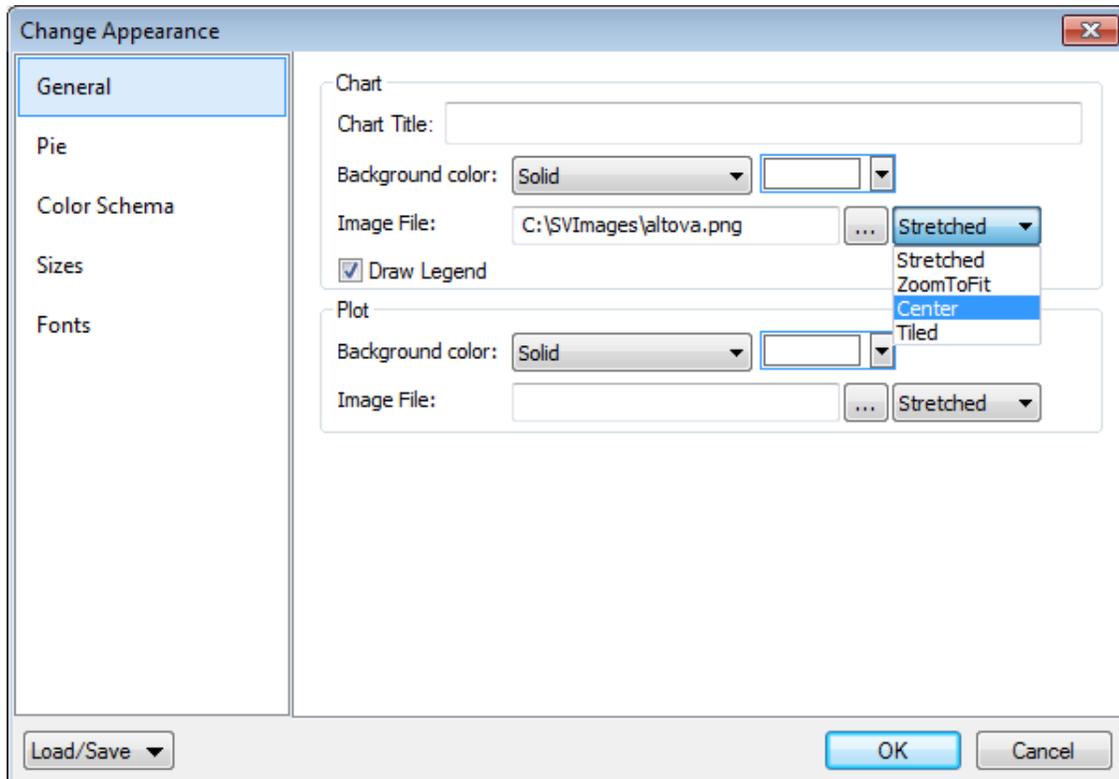
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### Accessing the advanced settings

To access a chart's advanced settings do the following: Click **Change Appearance** in the toolbar

of the chart window. This displays the Change Appearance dialog for that particular chart type (*the screenshot below shows the Change Appearance dialog of a pie chart*).



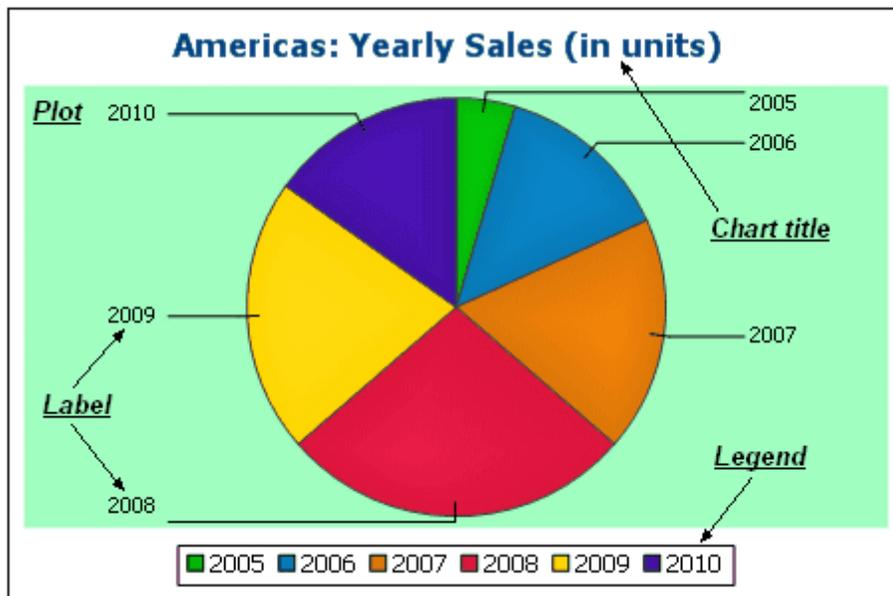
### Overview of advanced settings

The advanced settings are organized into tabs that are common to all chart types and those that are specific to a single chart type.

#### Common chart settings

##### ▼ General

The chart title (*see screenshot below*) is the same as the basic setting (*see above*) and can be edited as an advanced setting also. Other settings in this dialog are the background color of the chart and the plot. In the screenshot below, the plot has been given a pale green background color. An image file can also be set as the background image of the chart and/or the plot. This image can be stretched to cover the entire area of the chart or plot; zoomed to fit so that the zoom matches one of the two dimensions (of chart/plot); centered; or tiled. The legend is the key to the color codes in the chart, and it can be turned on or off.



▼ Color scheme

Four predefined color schemes are available plus a user-defined color scheme. You can modify any of the color schemes by adding colors to and/or deleting colors from a scheme. The color scheme selected in this tab will be used in the chart.

▼ Sizes

Sizes of various aspects of the chart can be set, either as pixels or as a percentage ratio.

▼ Font

The font properties of the chart title and of legends and labels can be specified in this tab. Sizes can be set as a percentage of the chart size or absolutely as points.

▼ Load/Save button

Settings can be saved to an XML file and can be loaded from an XML file having the correct structure. To see the structure, save the settings of a chart and then open the XML file. Clicking this button also gives you the option of resetting chart settings to the default.

Type-specific chart settings

▼ Pie charts

Settings for: (i) the angle from which the first slice should be drawn; (ii) the direction in which slices should be drawn; (iii) the outline color; (iv) whether the colors receive highlights (in 3D pie charts: whether dropshadows and transparency are used); (v) whether labels should be

drawn; and (vi) whether values and percentages should be added to labels and how many decimal places should be added to the percentages.

▼ Bar charts

Settings for: (*General*) Drawing the X and Y axes exchanged generates a horizontal bar chart; (*Bar*) Bar outlines and dropshadows (dropshadows in 2D bar charts only); (*X-Axis*) Label and color of the x-axis, and vertical gridlines; (*Y-Axis*) Label and color of the y-axis, horizontal gridlines, the range of values to be displayed, and the tick marks on the y-axis; (*Z-Axis, 3D only*) Label and color of the z-axis; (*3D*) the vertical tilt, horizontal rotation, and the width of the view.

▼ Line graphs

Settings for: (*General*) Drawing the X and Y axes exchanged; (*Line*) including the plot points or not; (*X-Axis*) Label and color of the x-axis, and vertical gridlines; (*Y-Axis*) Label and color of the y-axis, horizontal gridlines, the range of values to be displayed, and the tick marks on the y-axis.

▼ Gauge charts

Settings for: (i) the angle at which the gauge starts and the angular sweep of the scale; (ii) the range of the values displayed; (iii) the interval and color of major and minor ticks; (iv) colors of the dial, the needle, and the border.

▼ Area charts

The transparency of areas can be set as a value from 0 (no transparency) to 255 (maximum transparency). In the case of non-stacked area charts transparency makes parts of areas that lie under other areas visible to the viewer. Outlines for the areas can also be specified.

▼ Candlestick charts

The fill color can be specified for the two situations: (i) when the closing value is greater than the opening value, and (ii) when the opening value is greater than the closing value. In the latter case, the Series color is also available as an option. The Series color is specified in the Color Schema tab of the Change Appearance dialog.

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### **Loading, saving, resetting chart settings**

Chart settings that are different from the default settings can be saved in an XML file. These settings can subsequently be loaded as the settings of a chart, which can help you save time and effort. The **Load/Save** button ([see first screenshot in this section](#)) provides the following options when clicked:

- **Set to default:** Rejects changes made to the settings, and restores the default settings to **all** settings sections.
- **Load from file:** Enables settings to be imported that have been previously saved in an XML file (see *next command*). The command displays the **Open** dialog, in which you enter the location of the required file.
- **Save to file:** Opens the **Save As** dialog box. You can specify an XML file in which to save the settings. This file lists those settings that are different from the default settings.

### General

The General section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box lets you define the title of the chart, add or remove a legend, and define background pictures and colors and—for bar, line, area, and candlestick charts—orientation of the chart.

The screenshot shows the 'Change Appearance' dialog box with the following settings:

- Chart:**
  - Chart Title: Nations participating in Olympic Wintergames
  - Background color: Vertical Gradient
  - Image File: (empty) Stretched
  - Draw Legend
- Plot:**
  - Border Border color: Red
  - Background color: Solid
  - Image File: D:\images\OlympicRings.jpg Stretched
- Orientation:**
  - Draw X and Y exchanged

### Chart

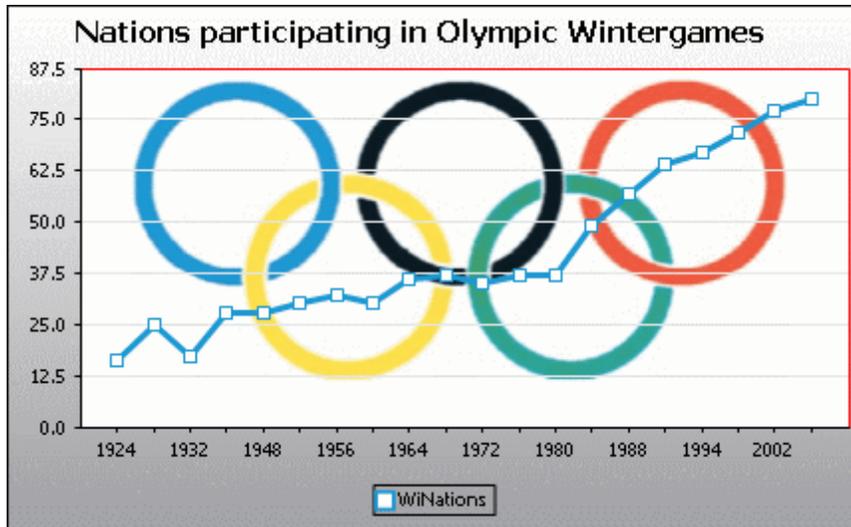
Enter a descriptive title for your chart into the `Chart Title` field and select a background color for the entire chart from the drop-down list. You can choose a solid background, vertical gradient, or horizontal gradient and define start and end colors for the gradient, if applicable. In addition, or instead of a colored background, you can also define a background image and choose one of the available display options from the drop-down list:

- **Stretched:** the image will be stretched to the height and width of the chart
- **Zoom to Fit:** the image will be fit into the frame of the chart and the aspect ratio of the image will be maintained
- **Center:** the image will be displayed in its original size in the center of the chart
- **Tiled:** if the image is smaller than the chart, duplicates of the image will be displayed to fill the background area

The `Draw Legend` check box is activated by default, clear the check box if you do not want to display a legend in your chart.

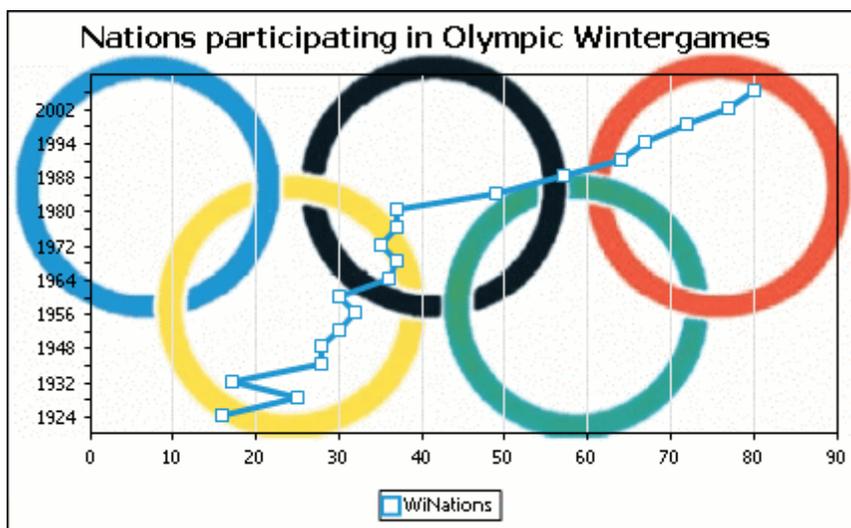
### Plot

The Plot is the area where the actual data of the chart is displayed. You can draw a border around the plot and specify a different background color and/or image for the plot area. In the screenshot below, the background color of the chart has been changed to gray (vertical gradient) whereas the plot is still white, a red border has been drawn around it, and a background image has been added.



### Orientation

If you have a small series of large values it may be convenient to swap the X and Y axis for a better illustration. Note that in the screenshot below also the background color of the plot has been set to "Transparent" and the background image has been applied to the chart.



Note that this option is not available for pie and gauge charts.

### Type-Related Features

For each of the chart types, and even for the various sub-types, the **Change Appearance** dialog box provides a section where you can define the type-related features of the chart.

### Pie chart

Most settings are the same for the 2d and 3d versions. In 2d pie charts, you can additionally draw highlights.

Start Angle: 0

Labels

Show Labels

Add Value to Labels

Add Percent to Labels    Decimal Digits: 0

Draw Outline    [Color Swatch]

Clockwise

Draw Highlights

In 3d pie charts, you can display drop shadows, add transparency and define the 3d tilt.

Start Angle: 0

Draw Dropshadow    [Color Swatch]

Transparency: 0

3d Tilt: 40

Labels

Show Labels

Add Value to Labels

Add Percent to Labels    Decimal Digits: 0

Draw Outline    [Color Swatch]

Clockwise

The `Start Angle` value defines where the first row of the selected column will be displayed in the chart. An angle of 0 degrees corresponds to 12 o'clock on a watch. You can show labels in addition to, or instead of, the legend, add values and/or percentage to the labels, and define for the percentage values the number of decimal digits to be displayed. The color that you can select next to the `Draw Outline` check box is used for the optional border drawn around the chart and the individual pie segments. The `Clockwise` check box allows you to specify whether the rows should be listed clockwise or counter-clockwise.

In 3d pie charts, you can draw a drop shadow and define its color, add transparency to the chart, and define the 3d tilt. In 2d charts, the `Draw Highlights` option adds additional structure to the chart.

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### Bar chart

For bar charts, you can add an outline to the bars and define its color. In 2d bar charts, you can also draw a drop shadow and define its color (this option is not available for 3d bar charts). By default, the shape of the bars resembles a cylinder, however you can also choose "Vertical Gradient" or "Solid" from the `Fill style` drop-down list.

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### Line chart

To draw connection shapes that mark the values in line charts, you need to activate at least one check box in the Draw Connection Shapes group box. You can use five different shapes to mark a series: square, rhomb, triangle, inverted triangle, and circle. If there are more than five series in your chart you can combine the connection shapes by selecting more than one option in the Draw Connection Shapes group box. In the screenshot below, both `Filled` and `Slashed` have been selected and the `Slashed` type is used for the sixth series and beyond.

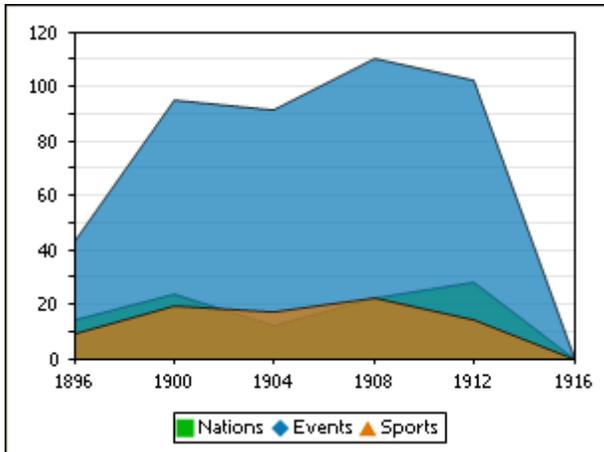


Connection shapes are available for both line charts and value line charts.

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### Area chart

Among the properties that you can change for area charts is transparency; this way you can prevent that one series is hidden by another series in the chart. In addition, you can add an outline to the individual data areas and define its color (see *screenshot below*).



### Candlestick chart

Configuration options for a candlestick chart:

- Fill Color when Close > Open**
  - Unfilled
  - [Color selection dropdown]
- Fill Color when Open > Close**
  - Use Series color
  - [Color selection dropdown]

If both opening and closing value are defined as series, you can choose the colors and whether or not the candle should be filled if the closing value is greater than the opening value.

### Gauge chart

The screenshot shows a dialog box with five sections for configuring a gauge chart:

- Angles:** Start: 225, Sweep: 270
- Value Range:** Start: 0, End: 100
- Major Ticks:** Interval: 10, Color: Green
- Minor Ticks:** Interval: 5, Color: Green
- Colors:** Dial fill: Black, Border: Gray, Needle: Red, Needle Base: Black

The `Start` value in the Angles group box defines the position of the 0 mark and the `Sweep` value is the angle that is used for display. In the Value Range group box you can define the minimum and maximum values to be displayed. Tick marks are displayed with (major ticks) or without (minor ticks) the corresponding value; you can define separate colors for them. In the Colors group box you can define colors for the dial fill, needle, needle base (hides the first part of the needle in the center of the chart), and the border that surrounds the chart.

### Colors

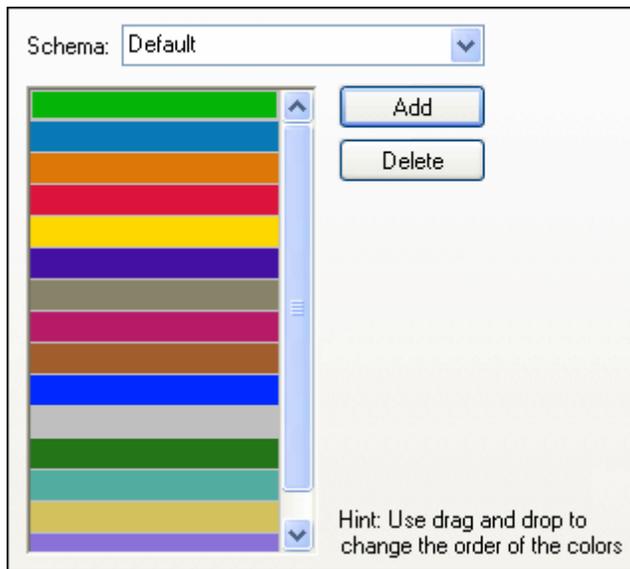
Depending on the chart type you have selected, XMLSpy provides two different sections for the definition of colors to be used in charts:

- Color Schema for pie, bar, line, area, and candlestick charts
- Color Range for gauge charts

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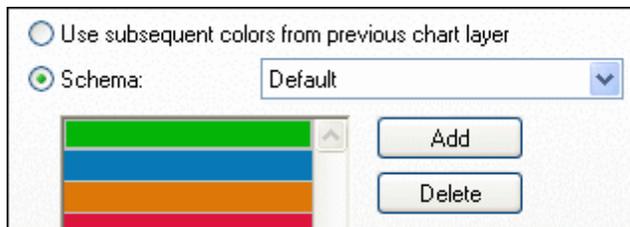
### Color Schema

The Color Schema section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box provides four predefined color schemas (i.e., default, grayscale, colorful, and pastel) that can be customized; in addition you can also define your own color schema from scratch.



The top color will be used for the first series, then the second color and so on. You can change the order or the colors by selecting a color and dragging it to its new positions with the mouse. To add a new or delete an unwanted color, click the corresponding button. In candlestick charts, only the first color will be used.

If you have appended one or several layers of overlay charts to a Charts window, the Color Schema section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box contains the additional radio button *Use subsequent colors from previous chart layer* which is activated by default.



When the radio button is activated, the color schema from the previous layer will be used and you cannot choose a separate color schema for the overlay. The series of the active layer will be displayed using subsequent colors from the color schema of the previous layer. This way, all series of the Charts window have different colors and can therefore be distinguished more easily.

You can break this link on any additional layer that you add and choose a different color schema that then can also be re-used in subsequent layers.

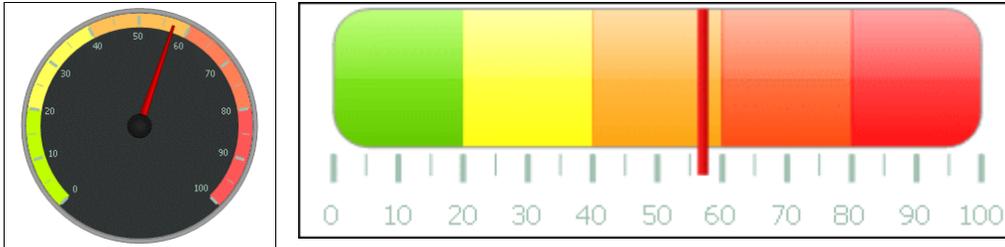
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### Color Range

In gauge charts, you can customize the appearance of the gauge by applying colors to certain value ranges.

Starting from	Fill with color	Color
0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
60	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
80	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

The definition shown in the screenshot above will appear in the gauge charts as follows:



### X-Axis

In the X-axis section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box, you can enter a label for the axis, and define colors for the axis and the grid lines (if displayed). You can also define whether or not you want to display tick marks and axis values. This section is the same for all bar, line, area, and candlestick charts.

**Label**

**Line**

**Gridlines**  
 Show Gridlines

**Tick Drawing**  
 Show Ticks  
 Show Values

**Axis Position**  
 At Value / On Category Number:

In Value Line Charts however, you can also define the value range, and define at what interval tick marks should be displayed.

The image shows a configuration dialog for a chart's X-axis. It is organized into several sections:

- Label:** A text input field for describing the X-axis.
- Range:** Includes radio buttons for 'Auto' (selected) and 'Manual'. The 'Manual' option has 'Min:' and 'Max:' input fields. A checked 'Include Zero' checkbox is also present.
- Line:** A color selection dropdown menu.
- Gridlines:** A checked 'Show Gridlines' checkbox and a color selection dropdown.
- Tick Interval:** Radio buttons for 'Auto' (selected) and 'Manual'. The 'Manual' option has an input field for the interval.
- Tick Drawing:** Checked checkboxes for 'Show Ticks' and 'Show Values'.
- Axis Position:** A dropdown menu set to 'Left/Bottom' and an input field for 'At Value / On Category Number' set to '0'.

### Label

The text entered into the `Label` field will be printed below the axis as a description of the X-axis.

### Range

By default, the `Auto` radio button is selected in the Range group box. If you want to display a fragment of the chart in greater detail, activate the `Manual` radio button and enter minimum and maximum values into the respective fields.

If the column that is used for the X-axis does not include zero, you can deactivate the `Include zero` check box and the X-axis will start with the minimum value that is available in the series.

### Line

The axis is displayed in the color that you choose from the `Line` drop-down-list. You can use one of the preselected colors, or click the **Other color...** button to choose a standard color or define a custom color. Click the **Select...** button on the Custom tab and use the pipette to pick a color that is displayed somewhere on your screen.

### Grid lines

If the `Show Grid lines` check box is activated, you can choose a color from the corresponding drop-down list box.

### Tick Interval

If you are not satisfied with the default tick marks, you can activate the `Manual` radio button in the Tick Interval group box and enter the difference between the individual tick marks into the corresponding field.

### Tick Drawing

You can switch the display of tick marks on the axis and/or axis values on or off.

### Axis Position

From the drop-down list, you can choose the position where the axis is to be displayed. When selecting "At Value / On Category Number", you can also position the axis anywhere within the plot.

### Y-Axis

In the Y-axis section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box, you can enter a label for the axis, define colors for the axis and the grid lines (if displayed), define the value range, and decide if and where tick marks should be displayed and whether or not you want to show the axis values. This section is the same for all bar and line charts.

The screenshot shows a dialog box for configuring the Y-axis. It contains the following sections and controls:

- Label:** An empty text input field.
- Range:** Radio buttons for 'Auto' (selected) and 'Manual'. A checked checkbox for 'Include Zero'. 'Min:' and 'Max:' input fields.
- Line:** A color selection dropdown menu showing a black color.
- Gridlines:** A checked checkbox for 'Show Gridlines' and a color selection dropdown menu.
- Tick Interval:** Radio buttons for 'Auto' (selected) and 'Manual'. An empty input field.
- Tick Drawing:** Checked checkboxes for 'Show Ticks' and 'Show Values'.
- Axis Position:** A dropdown menu set to 'Left/Bottom' and an input field for 'At Value / On Category Number' containing the value '0'.

### Label

The text entered into the `Label` field will be printed to the left of the axis as a description of the Y-axis.

### Range

By default, the `Auto` radio button is selected in the Range group box. If you want to display a fragment of the chart in greater detail, activate the `Manual` radio button and enter minimum and maximum values into the respective fields.

If the column that is used for the X-axis does not include zero, you can deactivate the `Include zero` check box and the X-axis will start with the minimum value that is available in the series.

### Line

The axis is displayed in the color that you choose from the `Line` drop-down-list. You can use one of the preselected colors, or click the **Other color...** button to choose a standard color or define a custom color. Click the **Select...** button on the Custom tab and use the pipette to pick a color that is displayed somewhere on your screen.

### Grid lines

If the `Show Grid lines` check box is activated, you can choose a color from the corresponding drop-down list box.

### Tick Interval

If you are not satisfied with the default tick marks, you can activate the `Manual` radio button in the Tick Interval group box and enter the difference between the individual tick marks into the corresponding field.

### Tick Drawing

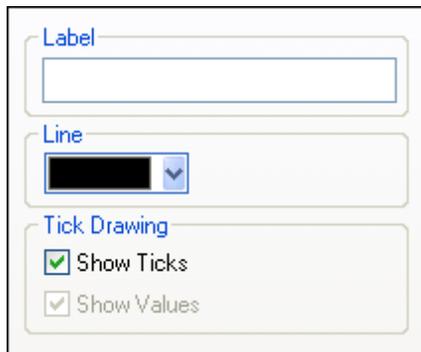
You can switch the display of tick marks on the axis and/or axis values on or off.

### Axis Position

From the drop-down list, you can choose the position where the axis is to be displayed. When selecting "At Value / On Category Number", you can also position the axis anywhere within the plot.

### Z-Axis

In the Z-axis section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box, you can enter a label for the axis, define colors for the axis, and decide whether or not you want to show tick marks on the axis. This section is the same for all 3d bar charts (Bar Chart 3d and Bar Chart 3d Grouped).



The image shows a dialog box for configuring the Z-axis. It has three main sections:

- Label:** A text input field with a blue border and a small blue 'x' icon in the top right corner.
- Line:** A color selection dropdown menu with a black color swatch and a blue arrow pointing down.
- Tick Drawing:** A group box containing two checked checkboxes:  Show Ticks and  Show Values.

### Label

The text entered into the `Label` field will be printed to the right of the axis as a description of the Z-axis.

### Line

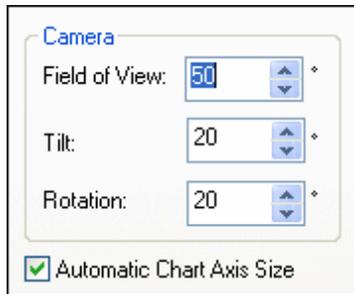
The axis is displayed in the color that you choose from the `Line` drop-down-list. You can use one of the preselected colors, or click the **Other color...** button to choose a standard color or define a custom color. Click the **Select...** button on the Custom tab and use the pipette to pick a color that is displayed somewhere on your screen.

## Tick Drawing

You can switch the display of tick marks on the axis on or off.

## 3D Angles

In 3d bar charts you can customize the 3d appearance of the chart in the 3d Angles section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box.



The `Tilt` value determines the rotation around the X-axis, whereas the `Rotation` value defines the rotation around the Y-axis. You can automatically adapt the size of the chart axis to the Chart window width by activating the corresponding check box.

If the `Automatic Chart Axis Size` check box is activated, XMLSpy will automatically calculate the optimum size of the X-axis as well as the Y-axis for the current Chart window size. The width and height of the chart will change dynamically when you resize the Chart window.

## Sizes

In the **Sizes** section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box, you can define different margins as well as the size of axis and gauge ticks. Note that not all the properties listed below are available for all chart types.

### General

Outside margin	Space between the plot and the edge of the Chart window.
Title to Plot	Space between the chart title and the upper edge of the plot.
Legend to Plot	Space between the lower edge of the plot and the legend.

### Pie

Plot to Label	In pie charts, the space between the most left and right edge of the pie and its labels.
Pie Height	In 3d pie charts, the height of the pie.
Pie Drop Shadow	In 3d pie charts, the length of the shadow (if it is activated in the Pie section).

### X-Axis

X-Axis to Axis Label	In bar and line charts, the space between the X-axis and its label.
X-Axis to Plot	In 2d bar charts and line charts, the space between the X-axis and the plot.
X-Axis Tick Size	In bar and line charts, the length of the ticks on the X-axis.

### Y-Axis

Y-Axis to Axis Label	In bar and line charts, the space between the Y-axis and its label.
Y-Axis to Plot	In 2d bar and line charts, the space between the Y-axis and the plot.
Y-Axis Tick Size	In bar and line charts, the length of the ticks on the Y-axis.

### Z-Axis

Z-Axis to Axis Label In 3d bar charts, the space between the Z-axis and its label.

Z-Axis Tick Size In 3d bar charts, the length of the ticks on the Z-axis.

### Line Drawing

Connection Shape In line charts, the size of the squares that mark the values in the chart.  
Size

### 3d Axis Sizes

Manual X-Axis Size of Base In 3d bar charts, defines the relation between the length of the X-axis and the Chart window size. Please note that the `Automatic Chart Axis Size` check box in the 3d Angles section must be deactivated, otherwise the size will still be calculated automatically.

Manual Y-Axis Size of Base In 3d bar charts, defines the relation between the length of the Y-axis and the Chart window size. Please note that the `Automatic Chart Axis Size` check box in the 3d section must be deactivated, otherwise the size will still be calculated automatically.

Z-Axis Series Margin In 3d bar charts, the distance on the Z-axis between the individual series.

### Gauge

Border Width In round gauge charts, the width of the border around the gauge.

### Gauge Ticks

Border to Tick Distance In round gauge charts, the space between the inner edge of the border and the ticks that mark the values.

Major Tick Length In round gauge charts, the length of the major ticks (i.e., ticks that show a label).

Major Tick Width In round gauge charts, the width of the major ticks (i.e., ticks that show a label).

Minor Tick Length In round gauge charts, the length of ticks that do not have a value displayed.

Minor Tick Width In round gauge charts, the width of ticks that do not have a value displayed.

### Gauge Needle

Needle Length In round gauge charts, the length of the needle. (Note that the percentage is calculated from the diameter of the gauge, so if you choose a value greater than 50%, the needle will point to somewhere outside the gauge!)

Needle Width at Base In round gauge charts, the width of the needle at the center of the gauge.

Needle Base Radius In round gauge charts, the radius of the base that covers the center of the gauge.

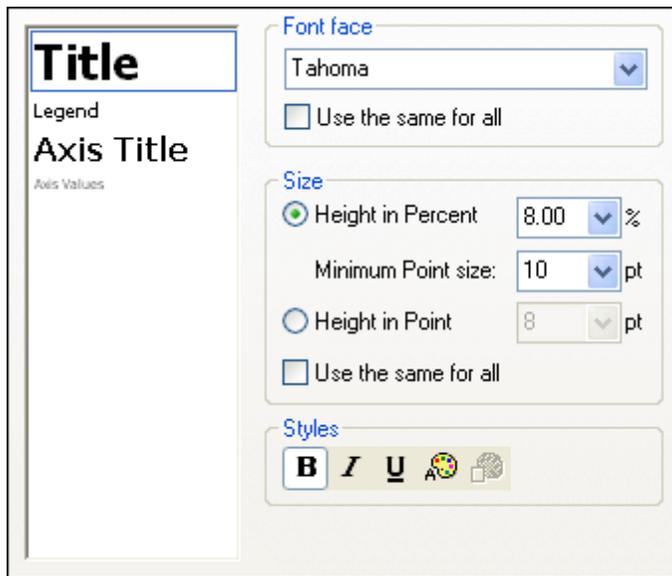
### Gauge Color Range

Border to Color Range Distance In round gauge charts, the space between the inner edge of the border and the outer edge of the [color range](#).

Color Range Width In round gauge charts, the width of the customizable color range. (Note that the percentage is calculated from the diameter of the gauge!)

### Fonts

The Fonts section of the **Change Appearance** dialog box lets you configure fonts for objects in the Chart window.



### Font settings

You can choose the font face, size, and style for the individual elements displayed in the Chart window. You can define the size as a percentage of the chart size and define a minimum size in points, or specify an absolute value (in points). To apply the same font and/or size to all text elements, activate the respective *Use the same for all* check box.

The element names in the list box are defined as follows:

- **Title:** The name of a chart
- **Legend:** The key to the colors used in the chart
- **Labels:** The designation of the pies of a pie chart
- **Axis Title:** The name of the X, Y, and Z axis in a bar or line chart
- **Axis Values:** The units displayed on an axis in a bar or line chart
- **Tick Values:** The units displayed on a gauge chart

### 3.9.8 Export

Clicking the **Export** button gives you the following options:

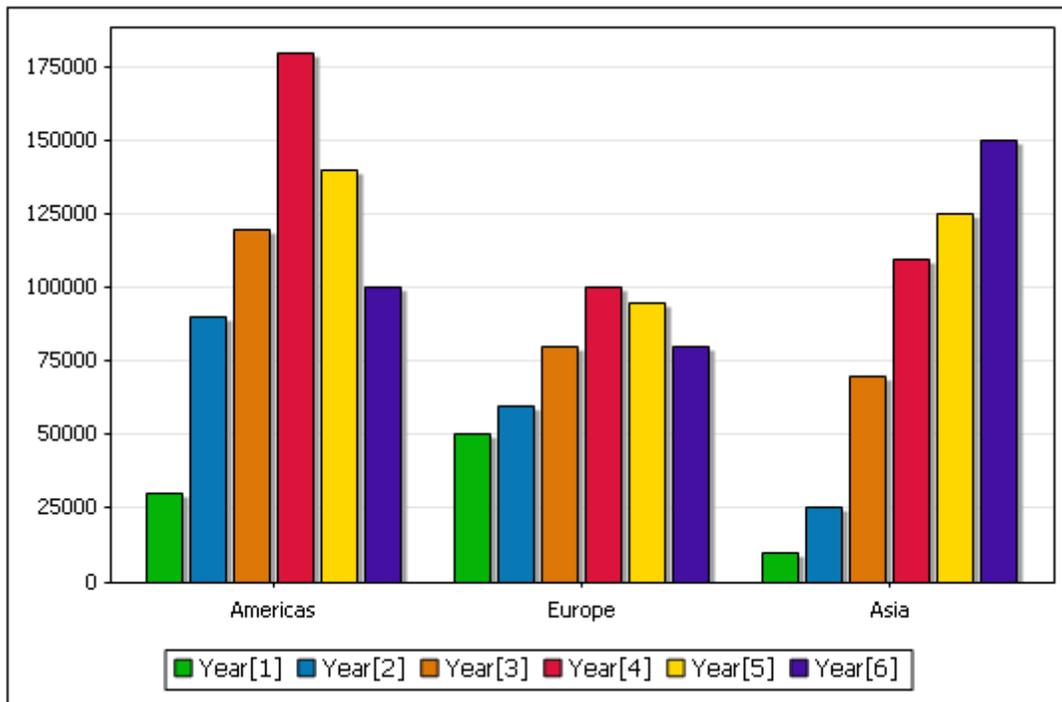
- *Save the chart as an image to file:* The image formats available are PNG, GIF, BMP, and JPG.
- *Copy the currently sized image or a resized to the clipboard:* Enables the chart to be subsequently copied from the clipboard into a report in another application.
- *Print chart:* Sends the image to a printer on your network. The height and width of the image can each be specified as a percentage of the page size.
- *Copy XSLT or XQuery code to the clipboard:* Creates an XSLT fragment or XQuery fragment. Each is essentially the Altova extension function `CreateChart`. This function can be used with other Altova extension functions and processed with XMLSpy to generate charts. To help you use the `CreateChart` extension function, a commented-out usage example is also created with each fragment.

### 3.9.9 Chart Example: Simple

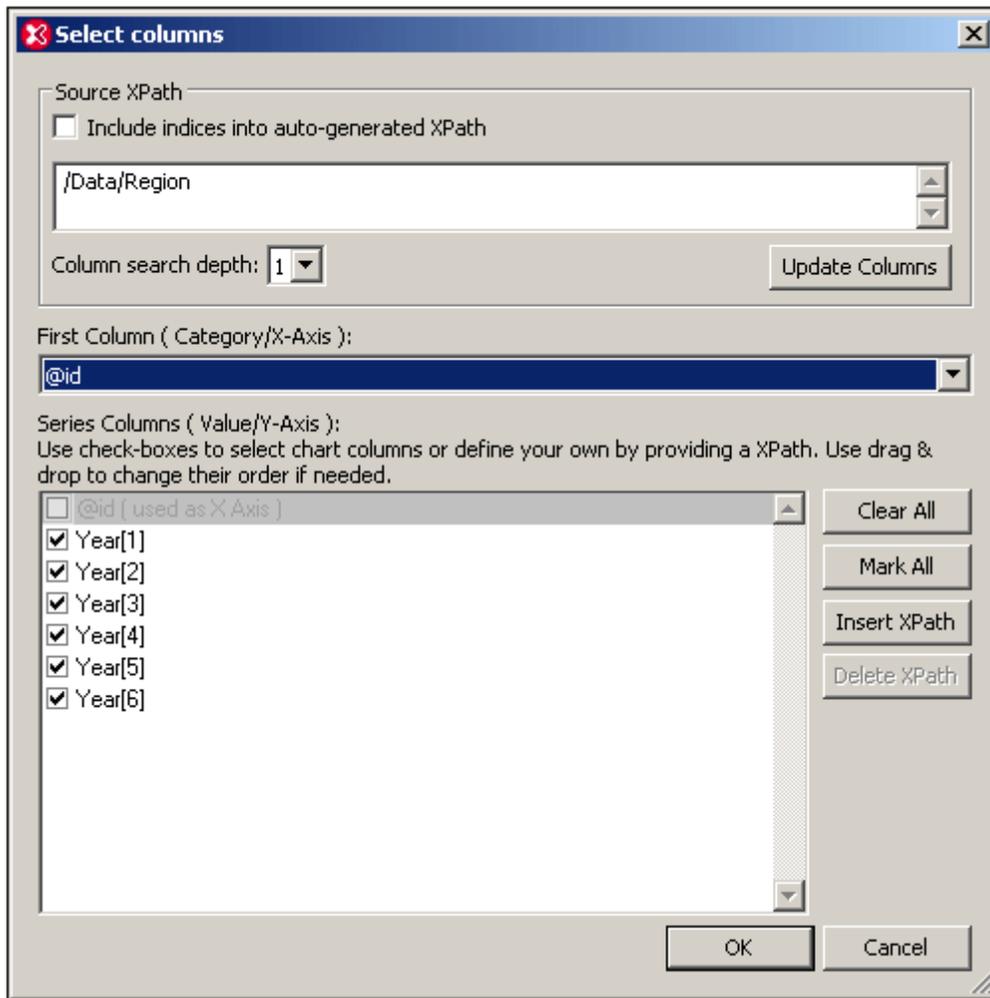
Consider the following XML document. (It is named `YearlySales.xml` and is available in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial.`)

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
      xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
  <Region id="Americas">
    <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Europe">
    <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
  </Region>
  <Region id="Asia">
    <Year id="2005">10000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">25000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">70000</Year>
    <Year id="2008">110000</Year>
    <Year id="2009">125000</Year>
    <Year id="2010">150000</Year>
  </Region>
</Data>
```

We wish to produce a chart that plots the three regions on the X-Axis and gives the yearly sales for each region. Our chart should look something like the bar chart below.



This is a simple chart to create because we can select the `Region` element as the Source XPath. The Source XPath expression returns a sequence of three items: the three `Region` elements. Each `Region` element will, in turn, be the context node for the X-Axis and Y-Axis data selections.



For the series we want the `Year` elements of each region, so a search depth of one level will suffice. We select the `Region` element's `id` attribute for the X-Axis. The `id` attribute values will therefore be used as the labels of the three X-Axis ticks. All the `Year` series are checked because we wish to include all the `Year` elements in the chart data table.

Clicking the **OK** button generates the chart we wanted. For more advanced charts, see the section, [Chart Example: Advanced](#).

### 3.9.10 Chart Example: Advanced

Consider the following XML document. (It is named `YearlySales.xml` and is available in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial`.)

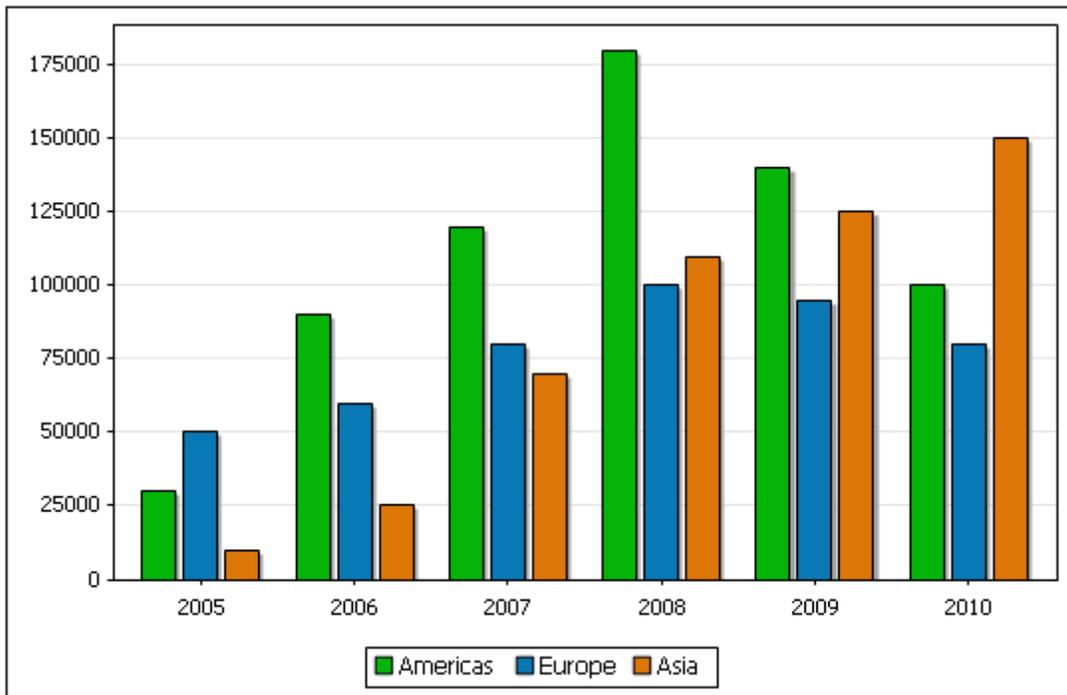
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
      xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
  <Region id="Americas">
    <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
    <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
    <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
  </Region>
</Data>
```

```

        <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
    </Region>
    <Region id="Europe">
        <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
        <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
        <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
        <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
    </Region>
    <Region id="Asia">
        <Year id="2005">10000</Year>
        <Year id="2006">25000</Year>
        <Year id="2007">70000</Year>
        <Year id="2008">110000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">125000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">150000</Year>
    </Region>
</Data>

```

We wish to produce a chart that plots the years on the X-Axis and compare the regional sales for each year. Our chart should look something like the bar chart below.

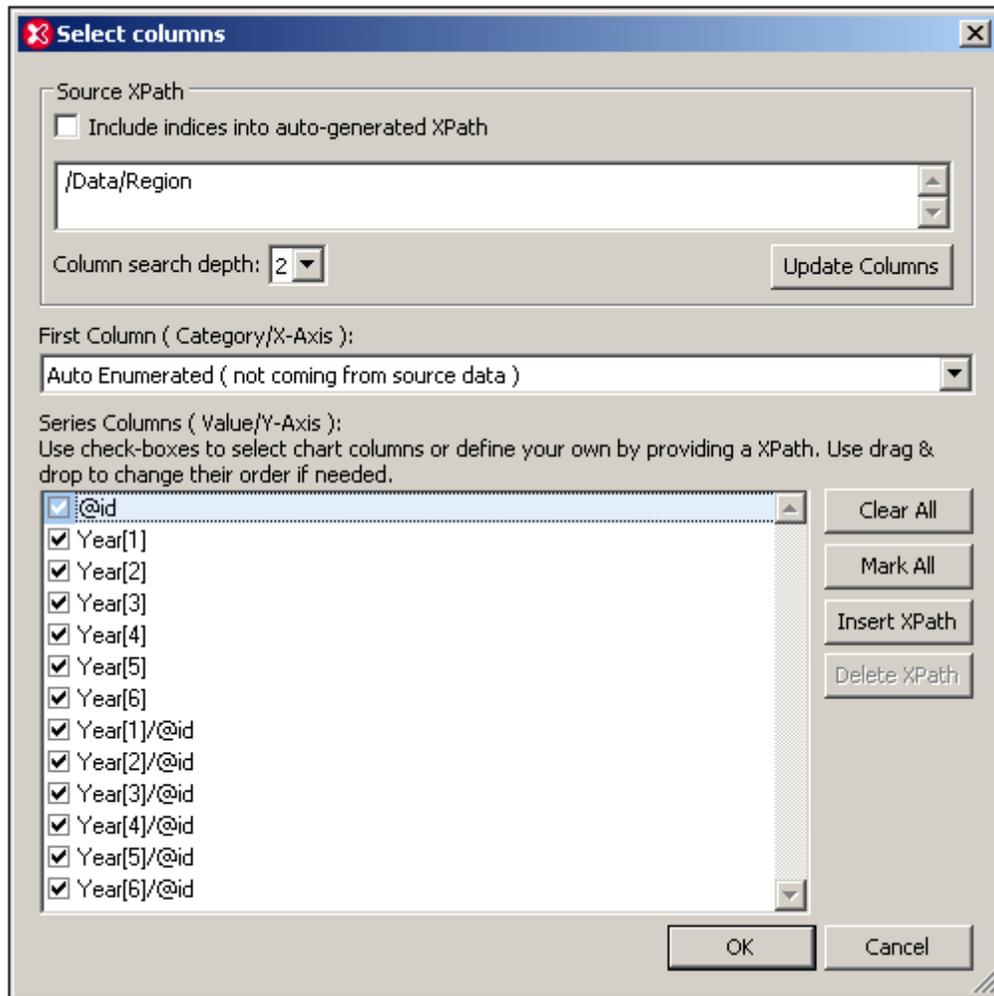


We show two ways in which this can be done. These two ways together demonstrate how the different data selection parameters can be combined to produce the required results.

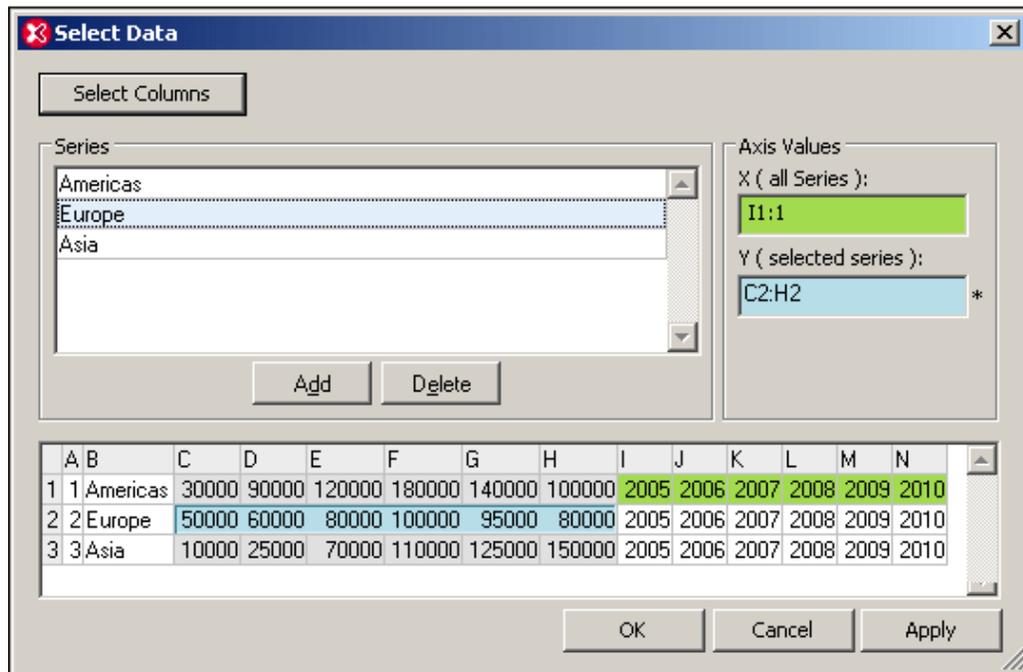
### Method 1: Modifying Axis Values

In the first method, the axes that were selected in the Select Columns dialog are modified in the Select Data dialog. All that must be ensured is that all the required data is available for selection in the chart data table in the Select Data dialog.

1. In the Select Columns dialog, makes sure that all the required nodes will be available for X-Axis and Y-Axis selection. In the screenshot below, notice that the Column Search Depth has been set to 2 so that the `Year/@id` attributes are also selected.



2. In the Select Data dialog (*screenshot below*), the chart data table has the following columns: the first column is the X-Axis selection (which is the Auto-Enumerated selection), the remaining columns are the series (Y-Axis) columns, which are the `Region/@id` attributes, the `Year` element contents, and the `Year/@id` attributes. Notice also that: (i) there are only three rows, so three X-Axis ticks; (but we need six X-Axis ticks for the six years); (ii) there are 13 series columns.

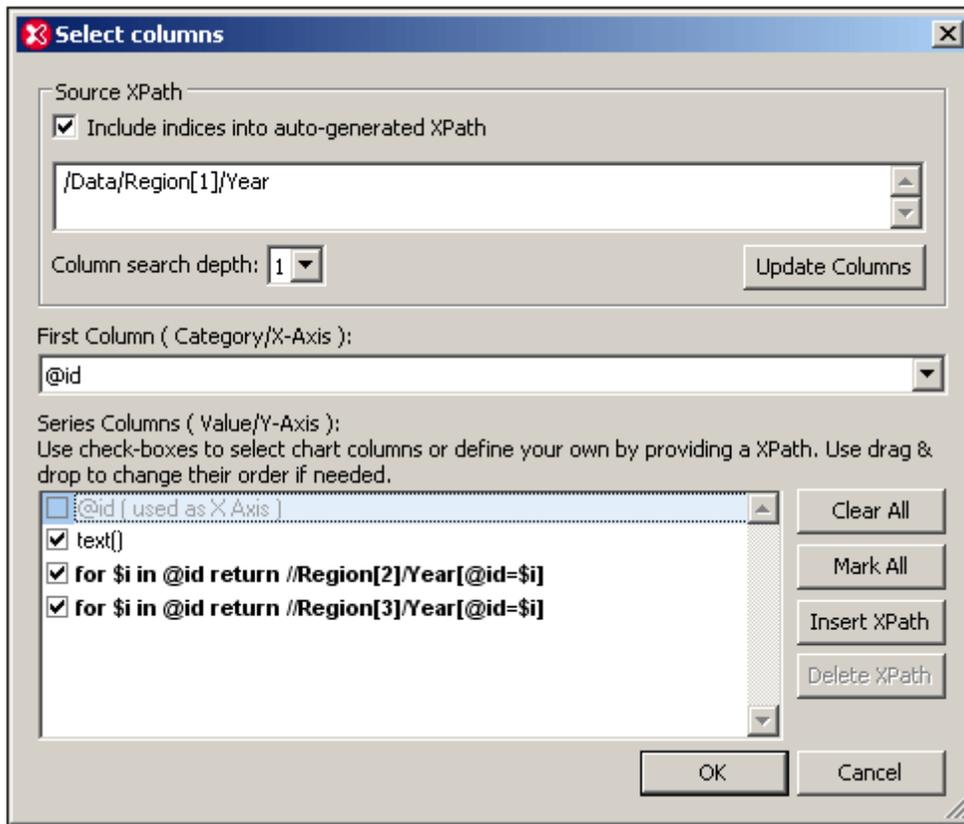


3. In the Series pane, we delete any 10 of the 13 series rows and rename the remaining three series to `Americas`, `Europe`, and `Asia`, as shown in the screenshot above. The order selected here will be the order of the X-Axis tick labeling.
4. In the Series pane, select the `Americas` series. In the Axis Values pane, click in the X-Axis box to enable modification. Then click the cell `I1` in the chart data table and drag to the cell `N1`. In the Y-Axis text box either enter `C1:H1` or make the selection by dragging from `C1` to `H1`.
5. For the `Europe` and `Asia` series, select `C2:H2` and `C3:H3`, respectively for the Y-Axis. The X-Axis selection can be the same as that for the `Americas` series.
6. Click **OK**. The required chart is generated.

**Note:** The number of X-Axis ticks (defined by default by the number of rows in the chart data table) is increased from three to six because the number of X-Axis labels is six.

### Method 2: Generating series with XPath expressions

In the second method, XPath expressions are inserted to generate series. This is necessary because the Source XPath (see screenshot below) does not have as its descendants the nodes wanted for the series. However, the Source XPath does generate six X-Axis ticks (by selecting the `Year` elements of the first `Region` element). In order for the first `Region` element to be selected using the `[1]` predicate, the *Include Indices* check box must be checked and the **Update Columns** button clicked.

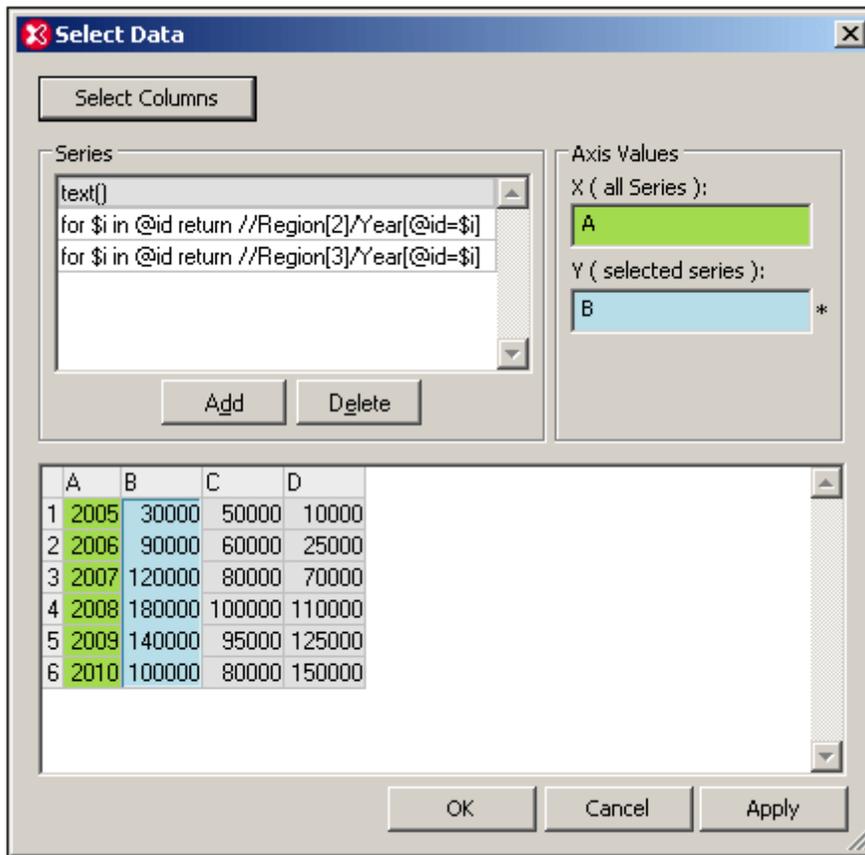


In the Select Columns dialog, the `Region[1]/Year` element has only two descendants: `@id` and `text()`. The `@id` attribute is selected for the X-Axis, thereby generating the correct X-Axis label for each of the six X-Axis ticks. The chart data table would be evaluated as follows.

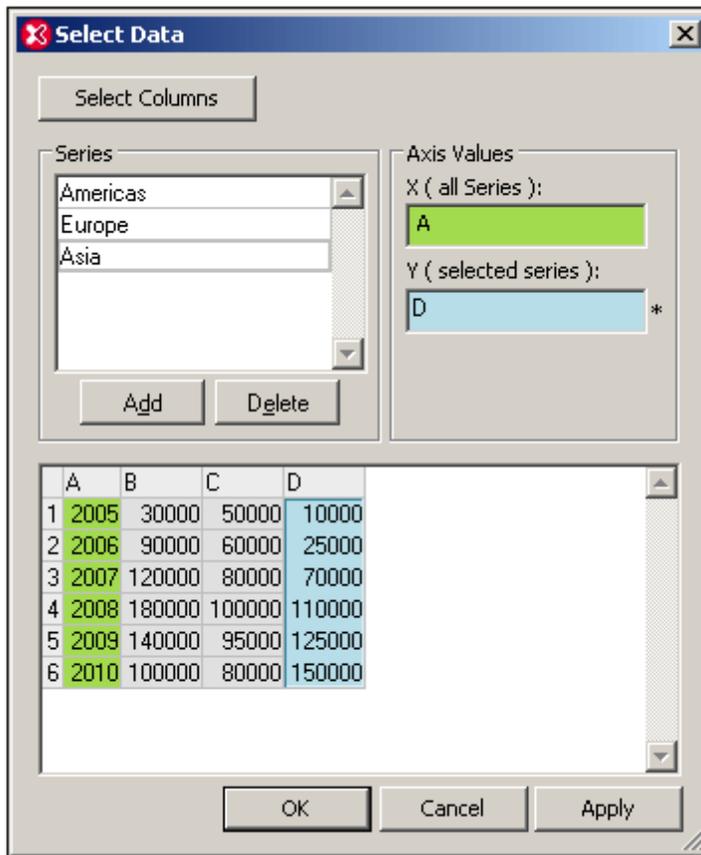
Source XPath	X-Axis	Y-Axis (Series columns)		
<code>Region[1]/Year[1]</code>	<code>@id</code>	<code>text()</code>	<code>XPath-1</code>	<code>XPath-2</code>
<code>Region[1]/Year[2]</code>	<code>@id</code>	<code>text()</code>	<code>XPath-1</code>	<code>XPath-2</code>
<code>Region[1]/Year[3]</code>	<code>@id</code>	<code>text()</code>	<code>XPath-1</code>	<code>XPath-2</code>
<code>Region[1]/Year[4]</code>	<code>@id</code>	<code>text()</code>	<code>XPath-1</code>	<code>XPath-2</code>
<code>Region[1]/Year[5]</code>	<code>@id</code>	<code>text()</code>	<code>XPath-1</code>	<code>XPath-2</code>
<code>Region[1]/Year[6]</code>	<code>@id</code>	<code>text()</code>	<code>XPath-1</code>	<code>XPath-2</code>

Note that the context node is each of the six `Region[1]/Year` elements in turn. The first XPath expression looks for the current `Year/@id` attribute value and returns the `Region[2]/Year` element that has the same `Year/@id` value as the `@id` value of the current `Region[1]/Year`. The second XPath expression does the same for the `Region[3]/Year` elements. In this way, for each of the six years: the three Y-Axis series are the `Year` element children, respectively, of each of the three `Region` elements. (The `text()` node returns the contents of the `Region[1]/Year` elements.)

The chart data table in the Select Data dialog would look something like this.



The names of the series in the Select Data dialog can be changed from XPath expressions (as in the screenshot above) into meaningful legends (screenshot below). For each series the correct data column can be assigned in the Axis Values pane (by clicking in the Y-Axis text box and then selecting the required column in the chart data table).



Both the methods shown above generate identical charts. The different approaches are intended to show how the data selection parameters are to be used.

### 3.9.11 Chart Example: Candlestick

Candlestick charts are typically used for representing the movement of share prices on the stockmarket. There are two types of candlestick charts:

- Four-series candlestick charts, representing the opening, the highest, the lowest, and the closing prices of the day.
- Three-series candlestick charts, representing the the highest, the lowest, and the closing prices of the day.

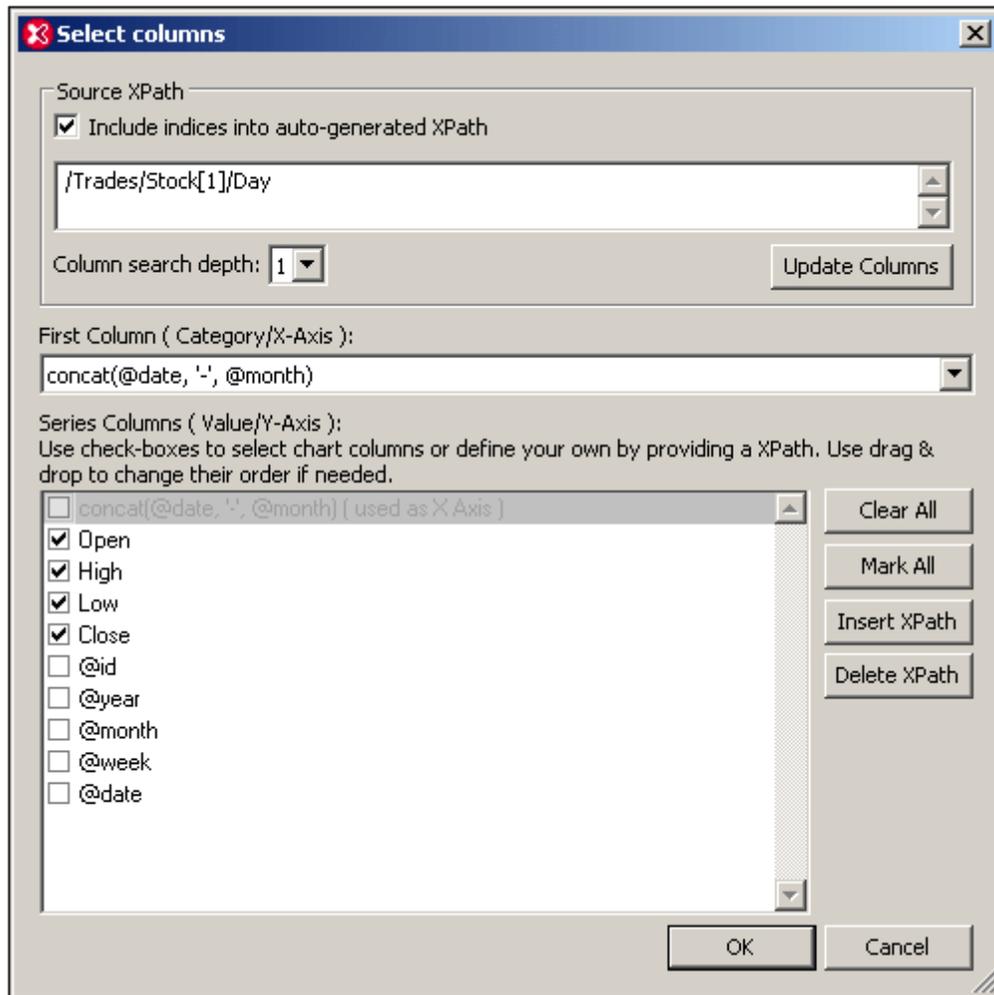
The file `Candlestick.xml`, which is available in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\Tutorial`, is an example of an XML document structure that could be used for candlestick charts. The listing below shows the essential structure of the file.

```
<Trades>
  <Stock name="MyStock">
    <Day id="20110103" year="2011" month="Jan" week="01" date="03">
      <Open>90</Open>
      <High>110</High>
      <Low>88</Low>
      <Close>105</Close>
    </Day>
    . . . . .
  </Stock>
</Trades>
```

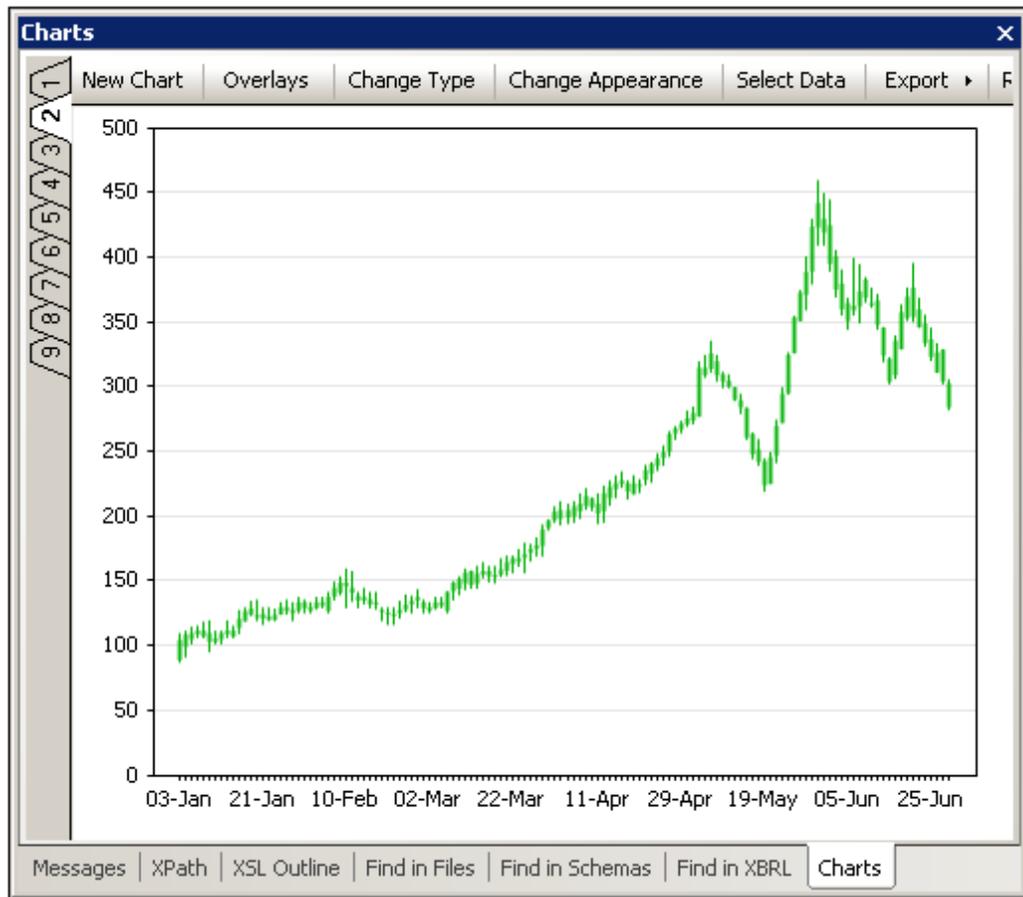
```
</Stock>
</Trades>
```

A candlestick chart can be created for the file mentioned above as follows:

1. With the cursor inside the Day element tag, click the **New Chart** button of the [Charts window](#). This pops up the Select Columns dialog (*screenshot below*). If the Include Indices check box is not checked, then check it and click **Update Columns**.

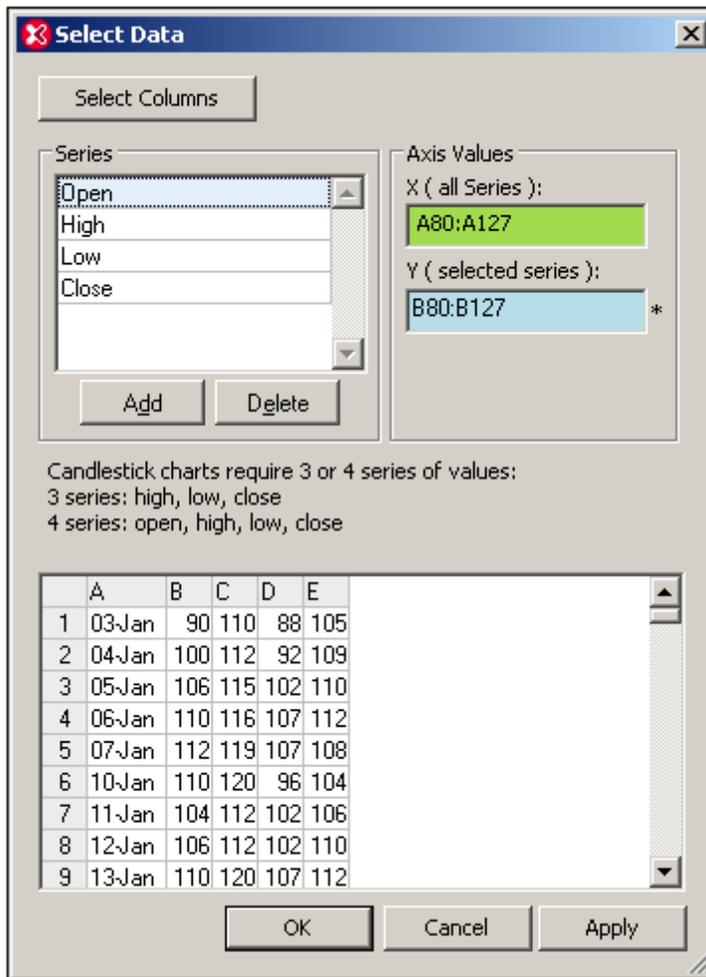


2. Click the **Insert XPath** button and insert the XPath expression: `concat(@date, '-', @month)`.
3. From the dropdown list of the First Column combo box, select the XPath expression you just entered. This will create the date and month of each `Day` element as the labels of the X-Axis ticks.
4. For the Y-Axis series, select the Open, High, Low, and Close check boxes in the Series Columns pane.
5. Click **OK**.
6. Click the **Change Type** button of the Charts window and change the chart type to Candlestick.
7. Click **OK**. This will create a candlestick chart like the one in the screenshot below.



### Selecting a data subset

If you wish to view a subset of the chart data selected in the Select Columns dialog, for example, if you wish to view a certain range of dates within the chart data selection, click the **Select Data** button of the Charts window. This pops up the Select Data dialog (*screenshot below*).



In the Axis Values pane, enter the X-Axis range, for example, the cells `A80:A127`, as in the screenshot above. For the various series, first click in the Y-Axis text box, then select the series in the Series pane, and then enter the range for that series. Do this for each of the four series. For example, the screenshot above shows the Y-Axis range selected for the Open series. For more information about the Select Data dialog, see the section, [Chart Data](#).

## 3.10 XML Signatures

An XML file can be digitally signed and the signature can be subsequently verified. If the file has been changed after it was signed, then the verification will fail. XMLSpy supports both the creation and the verification of XML signatures.

### XML signatures in XMLSpy views

XML signatures can be created for all types of XML files, including for XML Schema, WSDL, and XBRL files. The [XML | Create XML Signature](#) and [XML | Verify XML Signature](#) commands, therefore, are available in all XMLSpy views: [Text View](#), [Grid View](#), [Schema View](#), [WSDL View](#), and [XBRL View](#).

### How XML signatures work

The entire process, from signature-creation to signature-verification, works as follows:

1. The XML file is signed using either the private key of a certificate or a password. In XMLSpy you can create a signature using the [XML | Create XML Signature](#) command. The signature is obtained by processing: (i) the XML document, and (ii) the private key of a certificate, or a password.
2. The signature can be either included with the XML file or stored in a separate file.
3. The signature of the XML file is verified using the public key of the certificate or the password. The verification process works by, first, processing: (i) the XML document, and (ii) the public key of the certificate, or the password, used for signing, and, second, comparing this result with the signature. If the XML file was changed after it was signed, then the verification will fail. In XMLSpy you can verify a signature using the [XML | Verify XML Signature](#) command.

The details of how to create and verify signatures in XMLSpy are described in sub-sections of this section:

- [Creating XML Signatures](#)
- [Verifying XML Signatures](#)

### How certificates are used in XML signatures

To be used with XML signatures, certificates must have a private key and public key. The private key is used to create the XML signature, the public key is used to verify the XML signature.

In a typical scenario, the sender of an XML document has access to the private key of a certificate and creates the XML signature with it. The receiver of the document will have access to the public key of the certificate. This access can be of two types: (i) The sender sends the public key information with the signature; (ii) The receiver has access to a public-key version of the certificate used by the sender.

For more details about certificates, see the sub-section, [Working with Certificates](#).

**Note:** XMLSpy's XML Signature feature supports only certificates of type RSA-SHA1 and DSA-SHA1.

### XML document validity

If an XML signature is embedded in the XML document, a `Signature` element in the namespace `http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#` is added to the XML document. In order for the document to remain valid according to a schema, the schema must contain the appropriate element declarations. XMLSpy embeds signatures in two ways:

- *Enveloped*: The `Signature` element is created as the last child element of the root (or document) element.
- *Enveloping*: The `Signature` element is created as the root (or document) element, and the original XML document element is placed inside a child element of the signature element named `Object`.

If you do not wish to modify the schema of the XML document, the XML signature can be created in an external file. For more details, see the description of the placement options in the section, [Creating XML Signatures](#).

Given below are excerpts from XML Schemas that show how the `Signature` element of an enveloped signature can be allowed. You can use these examples as guides to modify your own schemas.

In the first of the two listings below, the XML Signature Schema is imported into the user's schema. The XML Signature Schema is located at the web address: <http://www.w3.org/TR/xmldsig-core/xmldsig-core-schema.xsd>

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xs:schema xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
           xmlns:xsig="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#"
           elementFormDefault="qualified"
           attributeFormDefault="unqualified">
  <xs:import namespace="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#"
            schemaLocation="http://www.w3.org/TR/xmldsig-core/xmldsig-core-
schema.xsd"/>
  <xs:element name="Root">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element ref="FirstChildOfRoot"/>
        <xs:element ref="SecondChildOfRoot" minOccurs="0"/>
        <xs:element ref="ThirdChildOfRoot" minOccurs="0"/>
        <xs:element ref="xsig:Signature" minOccurs="0"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
  ...
</xs:schema>
```

A second option (*listing below*) is to add a generic wildcard element which matches any element from other namespaces. Setting the `processContents` attribute to `lax` causes the validator to skip over this element—because no matching element declaration is found. Consequently, the user does not need to reference the XML Signatures Schema. The drawback of this option, however, is that any element (not just the `Signature` element) can be added at the specified location in the XML document without invalidating the XML document.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xs:schema xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
```

```
        elementFormDefault="qualified"
        attributeFormDefault="unqualified">
<xs:element name="Root">
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element ref="selection"/>
      <xs:element ref="newsitems" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xs:element ref="team" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xs:any namespace="##other" minOccurs="0" processContents="lax"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
...
</xs:schema>
```

### W3C Specification

For more details about XML signatures, see the W3C specification for XML signatures at <http://www.w3.org/TR/xmlsig-core/>.

## 3.10.1 Creating XML Signatures

To create an XML signature for an XML document, open the XML document for which you wish to create a signature. Then click the menu command **XML | Create XML Signature**. This opens the Create XML Signature dialog (*screenshot below*), the settings of which are explained below.

### Authentication method: certificate or password

The signature can be based on a certificate or a password. Select the radio button of the method you wish to use.

- *Certificate*: Click the **Select** button and browse for the certificate you want. The certificate you select must have a private key. The signature is generated using the private key of the certificate. To verify the signature, access to the certificate (or to a public-key version of it) is required. The public key of the certificate is used to verify the signature. For more details about certificates, see the section [Working with Certificates](#).
- *Password*: Enter a password with a length of five to 16 characters. This password will subsequently be required to verify the signature.

### Transformations

The XML data is transformed and the result of the transformation is used for the creation of the signature. You can specify the canonicalization algorithm to be applied to the file's XML data (the `SignedInfo` content) prior to performing signature calculations. Significant points of difference between the algorithms are noted below:

- *Canonical XML with or without comments*: If comments are included for signature calculation, then any change to comments in the XML data will result in verification failure. Otherwise, comments may be modified or be added to the XML document after the document has been signed, and the signature will still be verified as authentic.
- *Base64*: The root (or document) element of the XML document is considered to be Base64 encoded, and is read in its binary form. If the root element is not Base64, an error is returned or the element is read as empty.
- *None*: No transformation is carried out and the XML data from the binary file saved on disk is passed directly for signature creation. Any subsequent change in the data will result in a failed verification of the signature. However, if the *Strip Whitespace* check box option is selected, then all whitespace is stripped and changes in whitespace will be ignored. A major difference between the *None* option and a *Canonicalization* option is that canonicalization produces an XML data stream, in which some differences, such as attribute order, are normalized. As a result, a canonicalization transformation will normalize any changes such as that of attribute order (so verification will succeed), while no-transformation will reflect such a change (verification will fail). Note, however, that a default canonicalization is performed if the signature is embedded (enveloped or enveloping). So the XML data will be used as is (i.e. with no transformation), when the signature is detached, *None* is selected, and the *Strip Whitespaces* checkbox is unchecked.

### Signature placement

The signature can be placed within the XML file or be created as a separate file. The following options are available:

- *Enveloped*: The `Signature` element is created as the last child element of the root (document) element.
- *Enveloping*: The `Signature` element is created as the root (document) element and the XML document is inserted as a child element.
- *Detached*: The XML signature is created as a separate file. In this case, you can specify the file extension of the signature file and whether the file name is created with: (i) the extension appended to the name of the XML file (for example, `test.xml.xsig`), or (ii) the extension replacing the XML extension of the XML file (for example, `test.xsig`). You can also specify whether, in the signature file, the reference to the XML file is a relative or an absolute path.

**Note:** XML signatures for XML Schema (`.xsd`) files can be created from Schema View as detached signature files (not embedded). XML signatures for XBRL files can be created from XBRL View as detached signature files (not embedded). XML signatures for WSDL files can be created from WSDL View as detached signature files, or they can be "enveloped" in the WSDL file.

**Note:** If the XML signature is created as a detached (separate) file, then the XML file and signature file are associated with each other via a reference in the signature file. Consequently, signature verification in cases where the signature is in an external file must be done with the signature file active—not with the XML file active.

### Append key information

The *Append Keyinfo* option is available when the signature is certificate-based. It is unavailable if the signature is password-based.

If the option is selected, public-key information is placed inside the signature, otherwise key information is not included in the signature. The advantage of including key information is that the certificate itself (specifically the public-key information in it) will not be required for the verification process (since the key information is present in the signature).

## 3.10.2 Verifying XML Signatures

An XML signature will be correctly verified if the XML file has not been changed since having been signed. Otherwise the verification will fail. XML signatures can be verified in XMLSpy in the following circumstances as described below:

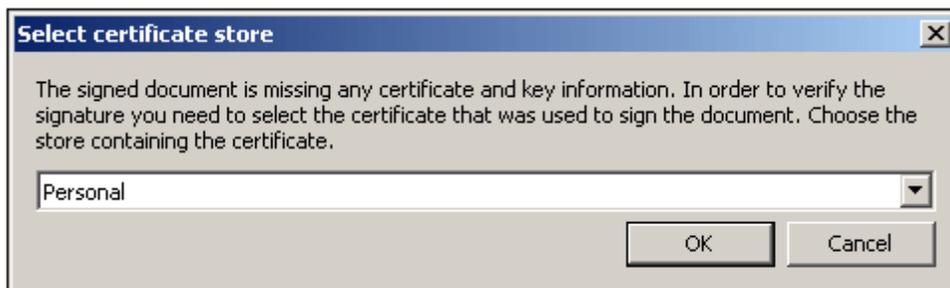
- [XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information included in signature](#)
- [XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information not contained in signature](#)
- [Certificate-based signature in external file, key information contained in signature](#)
- [Certificate-based signature in external file, key information not contained in signature](#)
- [XML file contains password-based signature](#)
- [Password-based signature in external file](#)

### XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information included in signature

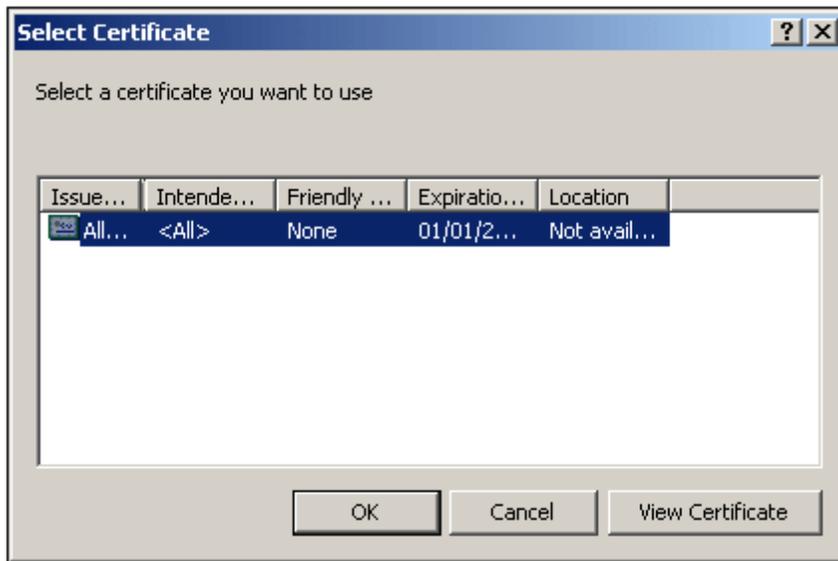
To verify the XML signature in this scenario, make the XML file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, the verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

### XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information not contained in signature

If no key information is contained in the certificate-based signature, XMLSpy will prompt you for the certificate from which public-key information for the verification can be read. Verification is done with the XML file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, you will be prompted to select the [certificate store](#) in which the certificate is stored (*screenshot below*).



On selecting a [certificate store](#) and clicking **OK**, a dialog displaying the certificates in that store pops up (*screenshot below*). Select the certificate required for the verification and click **OK**.



The verification process is executed and the result is displayed in the Messages window.

### **Certificate-based signature in external file, key information contained in signature**

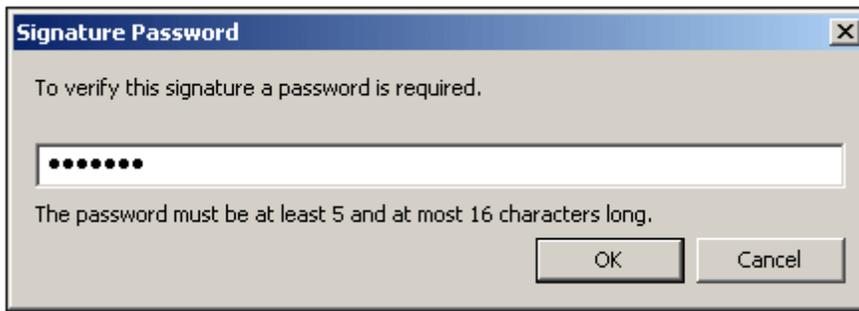
If a certificate-based XML signature is in an external file, the signature is verified with the signature file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, the verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

### **Certificate-based signature in external file, key information not contained in signature**

If a certificate-based XML signature is in an external file, the signature is verified with the signature file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, XMLSpy will prompt you for the certificate from which public-key information for the verification can be read. Select the certificate as described in the section: [XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information not contained in signature](#). The verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

### **XML file contains password-based signature**

If the XML file contains a password-based XML signature, the signature is verified with the XML file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, a dialog pops up prompting you for the password (*screenshot below*).



Enter the password, which must be five to sixteen characters long, and then click **OK**. The verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

### Password-based signature in external file

If a password-based XML signature is in an external file, the signature is verified with the signature file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, a dialog pops up prompting you for the password (*screenshot below*).



Enter the password, which must be five to sixteen characters long, and then click **OK**. The verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

## 3.10.3 Working with Certificates

Authorization certificates are commonly used to create and verify XML signatures. This section contains information about obtaining, importing, and exporting certificates. It is organized into the following sub-sections:

- [Obtaining a certificate with a private-public-key pair](#)
- [Importing a private-public-key certificate](#)
- [The certificate stores on a Windows machine](#)
- [Exporting a public-key certificate](#)

### Obtaining a certificate with a private-public-key pair

A certificate can be obtained in the following ways:

- *From a certificate authority.* The certificate authority verifies the identity of the certificate's owner. Certificates obtained in this way are in contrast to self-signed certificates, which

- can be created by anyone with a certificate creation tool.
- *By creating a self-signed certificate.* Such certificates are not verified by any authority, but often provide adequate security. A number of certificate creation tools, such as Microsoft's Visual Studio, are available.

For use with XML signatures you will need a certificate with a private-public-key pair.

**Note:** XMLSpy's XML Signature feature supports only certificates of type RSA-SHA1 and DSA-SHA1.

### Importing a private-public-key certificate

After a private-public-key certificate has been obtained, you will need to import it to your Windows certificate store. Do this as follows:

1. Double-click the certificate file to open the Certificate Import Wizard (*screenshot below*), and click **Next**.

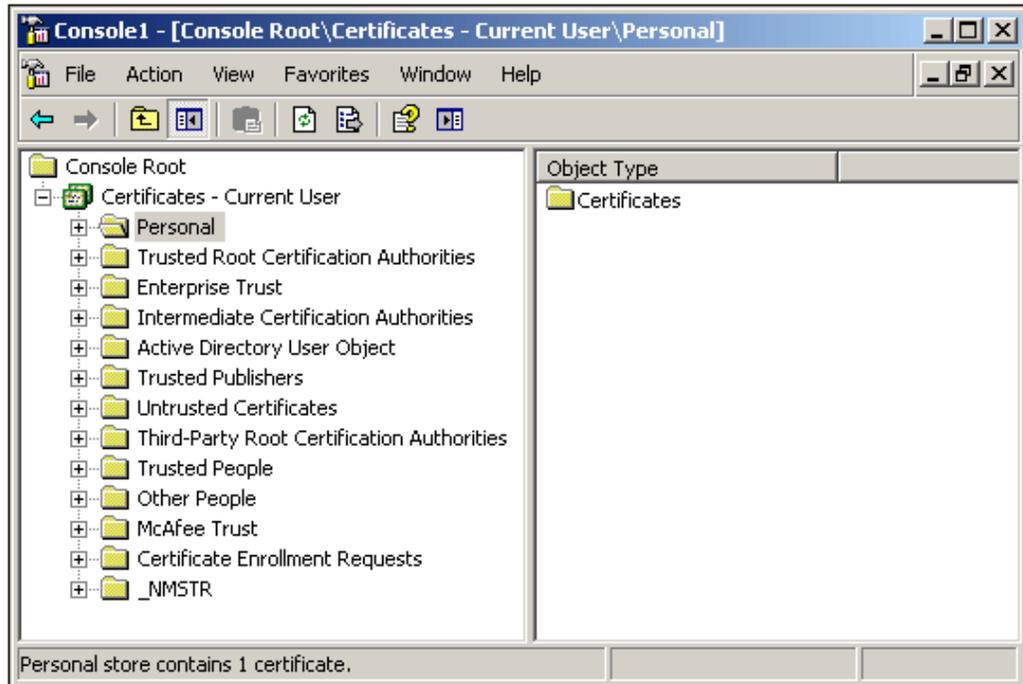


2. In the File to Import window, ensure that the certificate file is selected, then click **Next**.
3. Type in the password for the private key. You must know the password if you intend to use the private key to create an XML signature. The password for the private key will be supplied to you when you obtain the certificate. After typing in the password, click **Next**.
4. You can allow the wizard to automatically select the store in which to place the certificate—according to the certificate type—or you can select the store yourself. (It might be better to select the store yourself, so you know the location of the certificate.) Click **Next** when done.
5. Click **Finish** to complete the process.

### Certificate stores on a Windows machine

The certificate store on a Windows XP machine can be accessed as follows:

1. In the Start menu, select **Run**.
2. Type in `mmc` and click **OK**. A Console window pops up (*screenshot below*).



3. In the Console window, select the command **File | Add/Remove Snap-in**.
4. In the *Standalone* tab of the Add/Remove Snap-in dialog that pops up, click **Add**.
5. In the Add Standalone Snap-in dialog that pops up, select Certificates and click **Add**.
6. Close the Add Standalone Snap-in dialog.
7. In the Add/Remove Snap-in dialog, click **OK**.
8. The Console Root in the Console window will now contain a Certificates item (see *screenshot above*). This Certificates item contains the certificate stores of your machine.
9. Save the Console as a Microsoft Management Console File (`.msc` file) via the **File | Save** command of the Console window. You can subsequently use this MSC file (via the **File | Open** command of a Console window) to access the certificate stores on your machine.

### Exporting a public-key certificate

If you have a certificate with a private-public key, you might wish to export this certificate with only a public key. This public-key certificate can then be sent to receivers for use in verifying signatures created with the private key of the certificate.

A public-key certificate can be exported from an existing private-public-key certificate as follows:

1. Open the certificate stores in a Console window. Do this as follows: (i) Enter `mmc` on the **Start** menu's **Run** command line; (ii) In the Console window that pops up, select **File | Open**, and select the MSC file in which the certificate stores were saved (*see section immediately above this section*).

2. Browse for the certificate that you wish to export as a public-key certificate and right-click it.
3. In the context menu that pops up, select **All Tasks | Export**. This pops up the Certificate Export Wizard (*screenshot below*).



4. Select **Next**.
5. In the Export Private Key window, select *No, do not export the private key*, and click **Next**.
6. In the Export File Format window, select the required format (leave the default DER format unchanged if you are not sure), and click **Next**.
7. In the File to Export window, browse for the location where you wish to save the file and provide a name for the file (without a file extension, which will be automatically appended). Click **Next** when done.
8. Click **Finish** to complete the export.

A public-key certificate will be created at the location you specified. This public-key certificate can be sent to receivers of XML files signed with the corresponding private key. The receiver can then import this public-key certificate to a certificate store on his or her machine and use the public key of this certificate for verification.

## 3.11 Additional Features

Additional features for working with XML files are listed below.

- [Encoding](#)
- [Generating DTDs and XML Schemas](#)
- [Find and Replace](#)
- [Evaluating XPath](#)
- [Importing and exporting text](#)

### Encoding

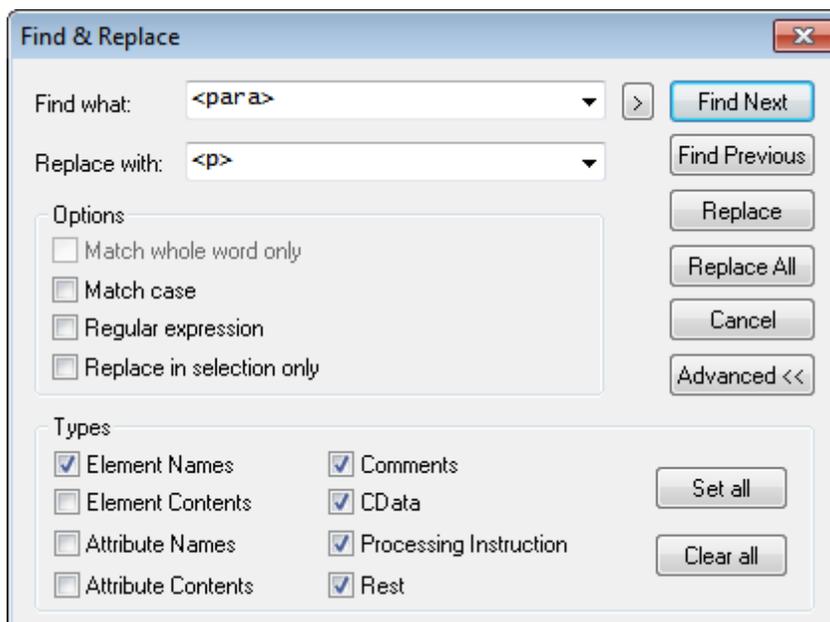
The encoding of XML files (and other types of documents) can be set via the menu command [File | Encoding](#). The default encoding of XML and non-XML files can be specified in the [Options | Encoding](#) tab.

### Generating DTDs and XML Schemas

If you wish to create a schema that describes the structure of an XML document, use the [DTD/Schema | Generate DTD/Schema](#) menu command. In the Generate DTD/Schema dialog that appears, you can select whether to generate a DTD or an XML Schema as well as certain XML Schema options, such as whether to generate enumerations from the values contained in the XML document.

### Find and Replace

The [Find](#) and [Replace](#) features (accessed via the **Edit** menu) has powerful search capabilities. The search term can be defined additionally in terms of casing and whether whole words should be matched, and it can also be expressed as a regular expression. The search range can be restricted to a selection in the document and to particular node types (see *screenshot below*).



The screenshot above shows the Find & Replace dialog in Text View. The dialog and functionality varies according to the view that is active.

**Evaluate XPath**

An XPath expression, which you enter in the XPath/XQuery Window, can be evaluated against the active XML document. The results of the evaluation are displayed in the XPath/XQuery Window, and clicking a node in the result highlights that node in the document display in the Main Window. Note that the XPath/XQuery Window can be made active by clicking **XML | Evaluate XPath** command.

**Importing and exporting text**

Text data can be imported from, and exported to, other application formats. Commands for these features are in the [Convert](#) menu.

## 4 DTDs and XML Schemas

Altova website:  [XML Schema Editor](#)

This section provides an overview of how to work with [DTDs](#) and [XML Schemas](#). It also describes [SchemaAgent](#) and the powerful [Find in Schemas](#) feature. In addition to the editing features, XMLSpy provides the following powerful DTD/Schema features:

### Catalog mechanism

Support for the OASIS [catalog mechanism](#) enables the re-direction of URIs to local addresses, thus facilitating use across multiple workstations.

### Schema rules

An XML Schema can be assigned a set of additional constraints defined by the user. XMLSpy contains a Schema Rule Editor in which a Schema Rule Set for an XML Schema can be created and edited.

### Schema subsets

Components of a large schema can, in Schema View, be created as a separate file. These smaller schema subsets can then be included in the larger schema. The reverse operation, known as flattening a schema, puts the components of included files directly in the larger schema. How to generate schema subsets and flatten schemas is described in the section, [Schema Subsets](#).

### Converting DTDs to XMLSchemas and vice versa

A DTD can be converted to an XML Schema and vice versa, and both types of documents can be flattened via commands in the [DTD/Schema](#) menu. When a DTD is flattened, components in included/imported modules are saved directly in the parent file, and unused components are deleted.

### Generate Sample XML file

You can generate, via the [DTD/Schema | Generate Sample XML File](#) menu command, a skeleton XML document based on the active DTD or XML Schema file. This is very useful for quickly creating an XML file based on the active schema.

### Go to definition

When the cursor is located within a node in an XML document, clicking the [DTD/Schema | Go to Definition](#) menu command opens the schema file and highlights the definition of the selected XML node.

## 4.1 DTDs

A DTD document can be edited in Text View and Grid View. The default view can be set in the [File Types tab](#) of the Options dialog.

### Text View

In Text View, the document is displayed with syntax coloring and must be typed in. Given below is a sample of a DTD fragment:

```
<!-- Element declarations -->
<!ELEMENT document (header, para, img, link)>
<!ELEMENT header (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT img EMPTY>
  <!ATTLIST img
    src CDATA #REQUIRED
  >

<!-- Notation Declarations -->
<!NOTATION GIF PUBLIC "urn:mime:img/gif">
```

Indentation is indicated by indentation guides and is best obtained by using the tab key. The amount of tab indentation can be set in the [Text View Settings dialog](#).

### Grid View

In Grid View, the DTD document is displayed as a table. The screenshot below shows the Grid View display of the DTD listed above.

Comment	Element declarations				
<b>document</b>	sequence of				
	<b>header</b>				
	<b>para</b>				
	<b>img</b>				
	<b>link</b>				
<b>header</b>	#PCDATA				
<b>img</b>	EMPTY				
<b>img</b>	attribute list				
		<b>Att Name</b>	<b>Att Type</b>	<b>Att Values</b>	<b>Att Presence</b>
	<b>1</b>	src	CDATA		#REQUIRED
Comment	Notation Declarations				
<b>GIF</b>	PUBLIC "urn:mime:img/gif"				

When the cursor is inside a row of the table, or if a row is selected, DTD editing commands in the **XML** menu become enabled. You can insert, append, and add child nodes to the graphical representation of the DTD. The DTD items available at a particular selection point are enabled in the respective sub-menu of the **XML** menu (**Insert**, **Append**, **Add Child**). You can also convert a selected DTD item to another item, and move the item left or right in order to change its position in the document hierarchy. When a node is selected, available DTD items are also displayed as items in the entry helpers.

### DTD features in XMLSpy

XMLSpy offers the following very useful features:

- *Convert DTD to XML Schema:* With the [DTD/Schema | Convert DTD/Schema](#) command, DTDs can be converted to XML Schemas.
- *Generate sample XML file from DTD:* With the [DTD/Schema | Generate Sample XML File](#) command, an XML document can be generated that is based on the active DTD.

## 4.2 XML Schemas

XML Schema documents can be edited in Text View, Grid View, and Schema View. The default view in which XML Schema documents open can be set in the [File Types tab](#) of the Options dialog. You can switch between views while you edit, using the view that is most useful for the current purpose. XML Schema documents are typically saved with the extension `.xsd` or `.xs`.

### Editing in Text View

In Text View an XML Schema is edited as an XML document; the [editing features available for XML documents](#) are also available for XML Schemas. As with all XML documents where the schema is identified and accessible, [Text View entry helpers](#) display the items available for addition at the cursor location point.

### Editing in Grid View

In Grid View an XML Schema is edited as an XML document; the [editing features available for XML documents](#) are also available for XML Schemas. When an item in Grid View is selected, [Grid View entry helpers](#) display the items available for addition at the cursor location point.

### Editing in Schema View

Schema View is a graphical interface for designing schemas. While you create/edit the schema in Schema View, XMLSpy generates a corresponding text document behind the interface. How to create and edit XML Schema documents in Schema View is described in detail in the section [Editing Views | Schema View](#).

### XML Schema features in XMLSpy

Additionally, XMLSpy offers the following very useful features:

- *Convert XML Schema to DTD:* With the [DTD/Schema | Convert DTD/Schema](#) command, XML Schemas can be converted to DTDs.
- *Generate sample XML file from XML Schema:* With the [DTD/Schema | Generate Sample XML File](#) command, an XML document can be generated that is based on the active XML Schema. Sample values can also be specified for elements and attributes in the sample XML.
- [XML signatures](#) for XML Schema (`.xsd`) files in Schema View can be created as external signature files. How to work with signatures is described in the section, [XML Signatures](#).

## 4.3 Schema Subsets

One or more components of an XML Schema can be created as a separate schema file, known as a schema subset. The advantage of using smaller schema subsets to compose the larger schema (by means of Includes) is that the smaller files are more manageable than the single full schema.

In Schema View, one possible work scenario that describes various aspects of the Schema Subsets feature is as follows:

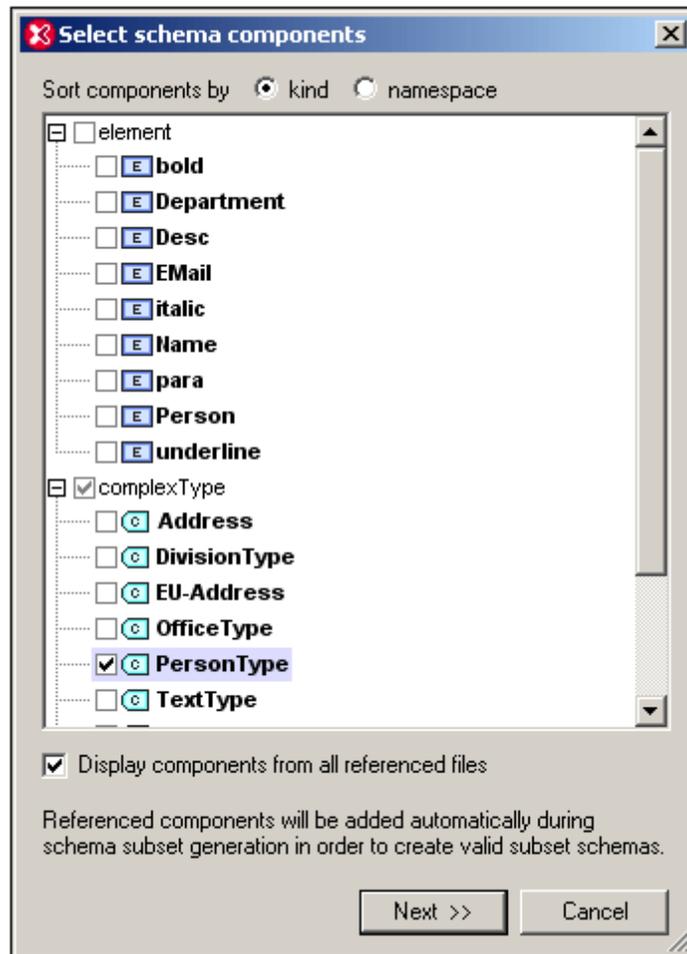
1. Create a schema subset that contains one or more components of the active schema. How to do this is [described below](#),
2. Create additional schema subsets as required.
3. Include the newly created schema subset/s to compose the larger schema. Do this for each schema subset by appending or inserting an Include component in the [Schema Overview window](#), and selecting the newly created schema subset file.
4. Delete any components that were present in the original full schema but are now duplicated because of the included subset/s.

You can also do the reverse in Schema View, that is, flatten the included schema subsets so that: (i) the components contained in the schema subsets are added directly to the main schema, and (ii) the included schema subsets are deleted from the main schema. How to flatten a schema is [described further below](#).

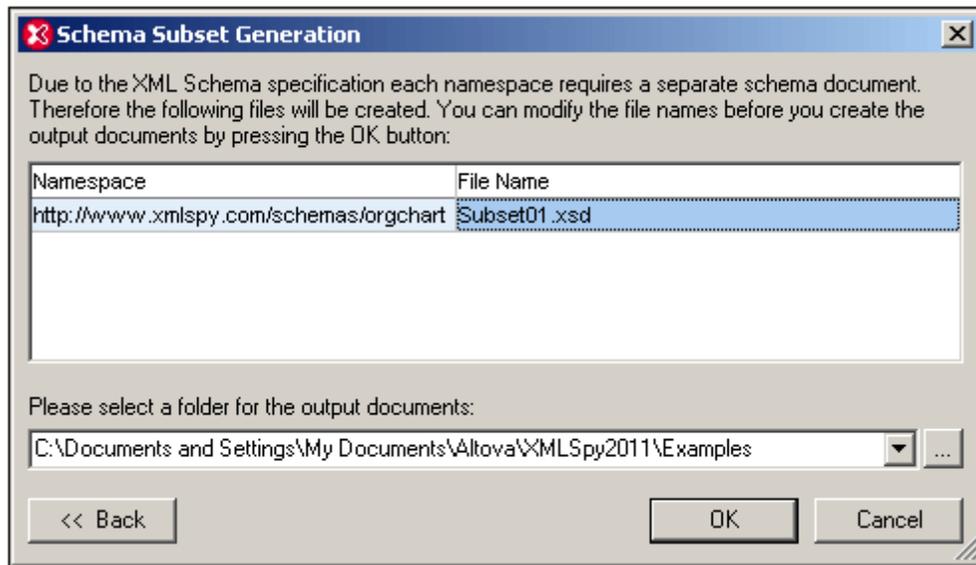
### Creating schema subsets

To create a schema subset, do the following:

1. With the required XML Schema active in Schema View, select the command **Schema Design | Create Schema Subset**. This pops up the Select Schema Components dialog (*screenshot below*).
2. In the dialog, check the component or components you wish to create as a single schema subset, then click **Next**. (Note that a check box below the pane enables components from all referenced files to also be listed for selection.)



3. In the Schema Subset Generation dialog that now appears (*screenshot below*), enter the name/s you want the file/s of the schema subset package to have. You must also specify the folder in which the new schema subset files are to be saved. A schema subset package could have multiple files if one or more of the components being created is an imported component in the original schema. A separate schema file is created for each namespace in the schema subset. The filenames displayed in the dialog are, by default, the names of the original files. But since you are not allowed to overwrite the original files, use new filenames if you wish to save the files in the same folder as the original files.

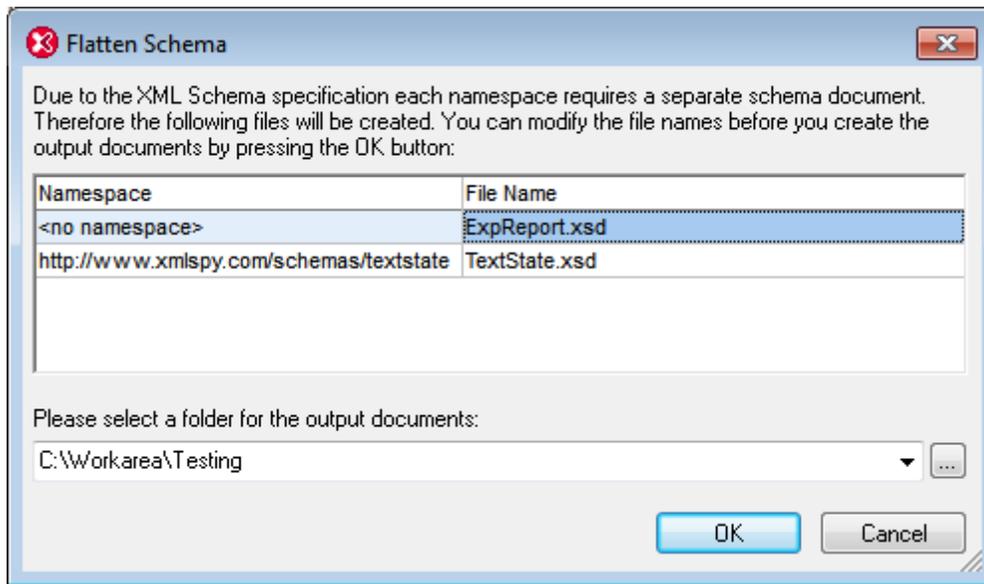


4. On clicking **OK**, the schema subset file with the namespace corresponding to that of the active file is opened in Schema View. Any other files in the package are created but not opened in Schema View.

### Flattening a schema

Flattening the active schema in Schema View is the process of: (i) adding the components of all included schemas as global components of the active schema, and (ii) deleting the included schemas.

To flatten the active schema, select the command **Schema Design | Flatten Schema**. This pops up the Flatten Schema dialog (*screenshot below*), which contains the names of separate files, one for each namespace that will be in the flattened schema. These default names are the same as the original filenames. But since you are not allowed to overwrite the original files, the filenames must be changed if you wish to save in the same folder as the active file. You can browse for a folder in which the flattened schema and its associated files will be saved.



On clicking **OK**, the flattened schema file will be opened in Schema View.

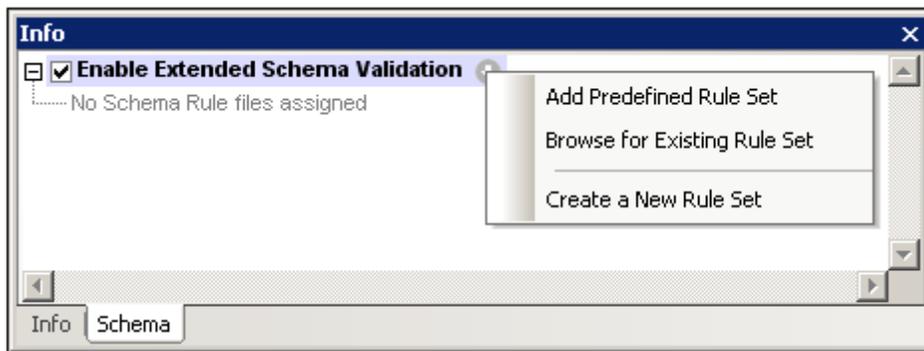
## 4.4 Schema Rules

A Schema Rule Set is a set of rules one can use to validate an XML Schema. For example, a rule can specify that attribute names, as defined in the XML Schema, begin with a lowercase alphabet, or that a given complex type can only be extended from a specific type.

A set of schema rules is saved in a Rule Set file, which is an XML (.xml) file. XMLSpy contains a [Schema Rules Editor](#) in which you can edit schema rules graphically. In XMLSpy, one or more Rule Set files can then be [assigned to an XML Schema](#). The XML Schema is validated in Schema View against the assigned Rule Sets by selecting the **XML | Validate (F8)** command.

### 4.4.1 Managing Rule Sets

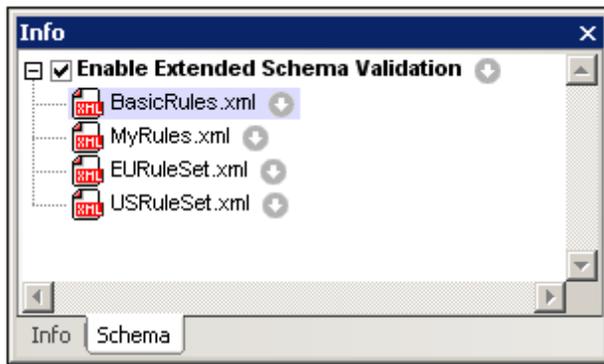
One or more Schema Rule Set files (.xml files) can be assigned to the active XML Schema (.xsd file). This is done via the Schema tab of the Info Window (*screenshot below*).



#### Adding Rule Sets for extended validation

To add a Schema Rule Set file, click the context menu  button. This pops up a menu (see *screenshot above*) in which you can select how you wish to add Schema Rule Set files to the XML Schema. The following options are available:

- **Add Predefined Rule Set:** You can select from a list of predefined Schema Rule Sets that have been supplied with XMLSpy. These Rule Set files are saved in the `Extended Schema Validation` folder in the XMLSpy application folder. Any Rule Set file added to this folder will be displayed in the Predefined Rule Set dialog and will be available for addition.
- **Browse for Existing Rule Set:** You can browse for a non-predefined Schema Rule Set file.
- **Create a New Rule Set:** Pops up the Schema Rule Editor, in which you can edit the Schema Rules in a Schema Rule Set file. How to work with the Schema Rules Editor is described in the section, [Defining a Rule Set](#). After you save a Schema Rule Set file created via this command, it is added to the listing for the active XML Schema (see *screenshot below*).



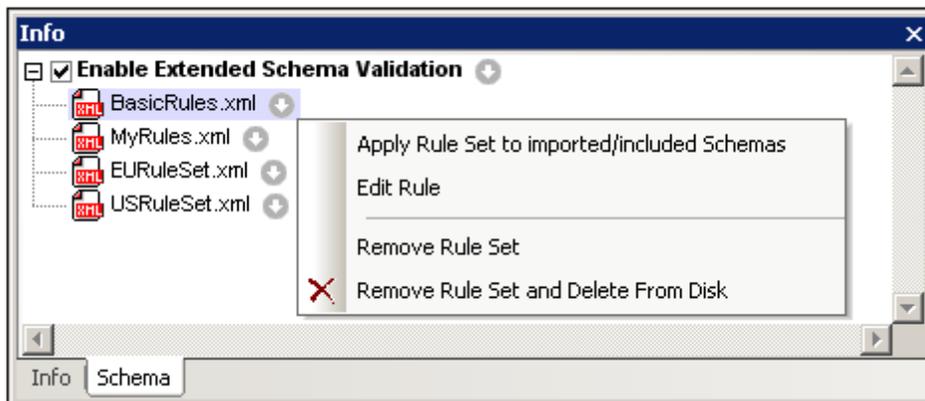
Any number of Schema Rule Sets can be added (see screenshot above). When more than one Schema Rule Set is assigned to an XML Schema, the rules in all the added Schema Rule Sets are used when the XML Schema is validated in Schema View (**XML | Validate**).

### Enabling and disabling extended schema validation

Extended schema validation can be enabled or disabled by clicking the Enable Extended Schema Validation check box.

### Editing and removing Rule Sets

Individual Rule Sets assigned to an XML Schema can be managed via the context menu that appears on clicking the context menu  button (screenshot below).



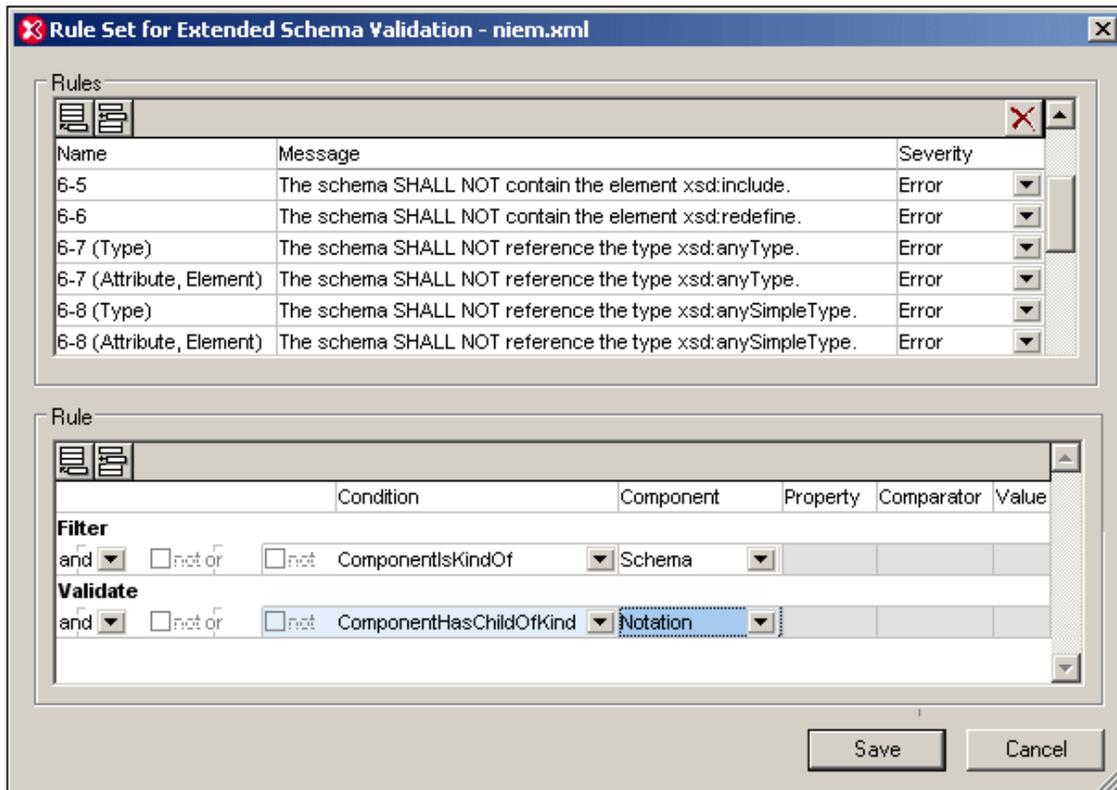
The following options are available:

- *Apply Rule Set to imported and included schemas*: If a Rule Set is applied, rules in it will be used for all schemas that the main schema imports or includes.
- *Edit Rule*: Opens the Schema Rule Set in the Schema Rules Editor.
- *Remove Rule Set*: Removes the Rule Set from the list of added Rule Sets.
- *Remove Rule Set and delete from disk*: This command is enabled for all non-predefined Rule Sets. In addition to removing the Rule Set from the list of added Rule Sets, this command also deletes the Rule Set.

## 4.4.2 Defining a Rule Set

A Schema Rule Set can be opened for editing in the Schema Rules Editor (*screenshot below*). You can then create, edit, and delete schema rules in that Schema Rule Set file. To open a Rule Set in the Schema Rules Editor, do the following:

1. Select the Rule Set in the list of Rule Sets in the Info window.
2. Clicking the context menu  button of that Rule Set.
3. In the context menu that appears, select Edit Rule.



The Schema Rules Editor dialog has two panes:

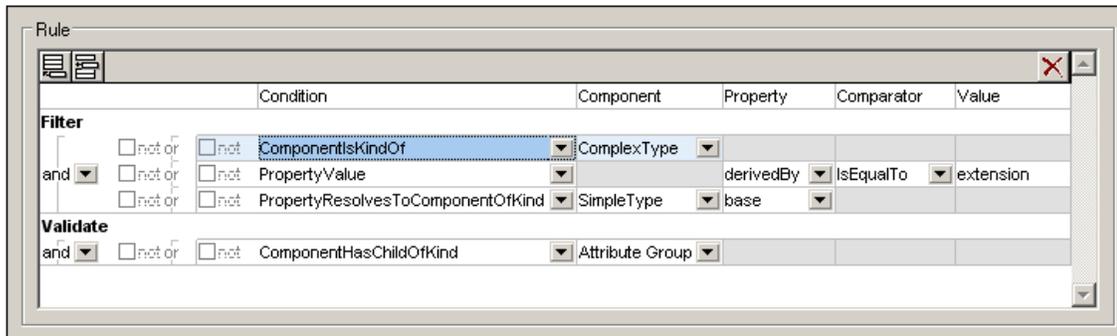
- A Rules pane (in the top part of the Editor), in which you can add and delete rules. An empty line for a rule can be appended or inserted by clicking on the respective button (**Append** or **Insert**) in the top left of the pane. A rule can be deleted by selecting it and clicking the **Delete** button in the top right of the pane. Each rule in this pane has a name, a descriptive message text, and a severity level (if the rule is contradicted, validation can be set to return an error or a warning).
- A Rule pane (in the bottom part of the Editor). This pane displays the details of the rule that has been selected in the Rules pane above it, and enables the details of the rule to be edited. For details about defining rules, see the section, [Defining a Rule](#), below.

After the rules in a Rule Set file have been edited, click **Save** to save the rules to the Rule Set File.

### Defining a rule

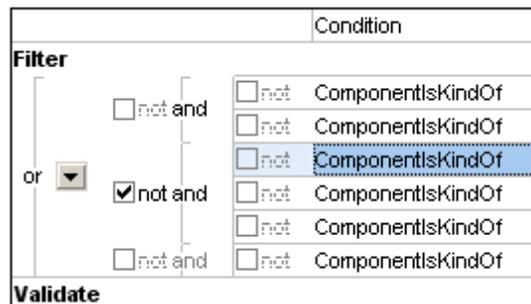
To define or edit a rule, select the rule from the listing in the upper Rules pane. The definition of

the rule will be displayed in the Rule pane and can be edited. The screenshot below displays a rule which can be defined as follows: *If a complex type is an extension of a simple type, then it must have a child kind AttributeGroup.*



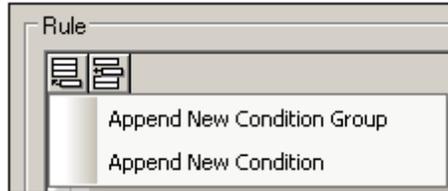
#### The Validate condition set and Filter condition set:

- Each rule has one set of Validate conditions and one set of Filter conditions (see first column in screenshot above).
- The set of Filter conditions must eventually evaluate to true in order for the Validate condition to be evaluated.
- Each set of conditions (Validate or Filter) consists of one or more Condition Groups, with each Condition Group containing one or more conditions. In the screenshot above, the Validate set contains one Condition Group of one condition, and the Filter set contains three Condition Groups, each having one condition. In the screenshot below, the Filter set contains three Condition Groups: The first contains two conditions, the second contains three conditions, and the third contains one condition.



- Each individual condition can be negated by checking its *Not* check box (located to the left of the condition).
- Within a Condition Group, the logical connectors **and** or **or** indicate, respectively, whether all conditions in the group or one condition in the Condition Group must evaluate to true in order for the entire Condition Group to evaluate to true. In the GUI, these logical operators are the inner of the two columns of logical operators.
- Each Condition Group can be negated by checking its *Not* check box (located to the left of the Condition Group's logical operator).
- The outer logical connector **and** or **or** indicates, respectively, whether all the Condition Groups in the set (Validate or Filter) or one Condition Group must evaluate to true in order for the entire set (Validate or Filter) to evaluate to true.
- Logical connectors can be changed by selecting the appropriate option in the combo box for the outer logical connector (the Condition Group connector). The value of the inner logical connectors (the connectors for conditions within a Condition Group) are all

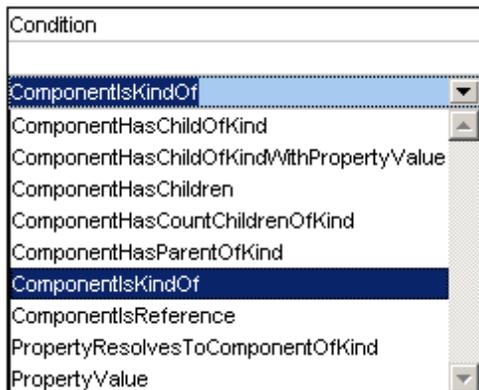
- switched to the opposite value as that of the outer logical connector.
- A Condition Group or Condition can be appended or inserted relative to the selected condition. Do this by selecting a condition, then clicking the **Append** or **Insert** button (at the top left of the pane) and then selecting the required item (Condition Group or Condition) from the menu (*see screenshot below*).



### **Kinds of condition**

A condition can belong to one of three groups (*also see screenshot below*):

- Component kind (in the dropdown list the kinds beginning with *Component*; *see screenshot below*)
- Property kind (*Property Value*)
- A combination of component and property kinds (kinds with *Property* and *Component* in their names)



The kind of a condition is selected from the dropdown list in the *Condition* column of the condition (*screenshot above*). Each of the three groups of conditions is described below.

### **Conditions of Component kind**

For conditions of the Component kind (kinds beginning with *Component*), the component must be specified subsequently in the *Component* column (*see screenshot below*). The component is selected from the dropdown list in the Component field of a sub-condition. Since no other field (Property, Comparator Value) is to be defined for conditions of the Component kind, all other fields are grayed out.

Condition	Component
ComponentIsKindOf	Element
ComponentHasChildOfKind	Element

In the screenshot above, the Filter condition specifies that the rule concerns components of kind *Element*. If the Validate condition then specifies that the component must have a child of kind *Notation*, then the complete rule can be stated as: An *Element* component must have a child of kind *Notation*. If the Validate condition had its **NOT** option checked, then the rule would be stated as: An *Element* component must not have a child of kind *Notation*.

### Conditions of Property kind

The condition of the Property kind is *Property Value* (see screenshot below). This kind of condition specifies the nature of a property. It therefore requires entries in the *Property* and *Comparator* columns, and, optionally, an entry in the *Value* column. No entry is required in the *Component* column, which is therefore grayed out. Properties listed in the dropdown lists of the *Property* column include not only XML attributes (such as `default` and `maxOccurs`) but also the logical properties of components (such as `derivedBy`).

	Condition	Component	Property	Comparator	Value
<b>Filter</b>	or <input type="checkbox"/> not and <input type="checkbox"/> not	ComponentIsKindOf	Model group		
<b>Validate</b>	or <input type="checkbox"/> not and <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not	Property Value	model	IsEqualTo	all

The screenshot above shows a rule in which the *Model* property has a value equal to *All* and is negated (via the *Not* check box). Taken in conjunction with the filter on the *Model Group* component, this rule simply states that a schema must not contain any `xsd:all` element.

**Note:** The following points should be noted:

- When using the `IsQNameEqualTo` comparator, the corresponding value must be written in the form: `{URI}localName`. For example, a value could be: `{http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema}NOTATION`.
- The `default` property can be present and empty (`<element name default="" />`) or it can be absent (`<element name />`).

### Conditions that combine Component and Property kinds

Conditions that are a combination of Component and Property kinds are:

- `ComponentHasChildOfKindWithPropertyValue`: Specifies the component kind of a child element and the property's value.
- `PropertyResolvesToComponentOfKind`: A property is specified that resolves to a

component kind. The *Comparator* and *Value* columns are empty.

**Negating a condition**

A condition is negated by checking the *Not* check box to its immediate left (the inner *Not* check boxes). A Condition Group is negated by checking the *Not* check box to the left of the logical connector for conditions in that Condition Group..

## 4.5 Catalogs in XMLSpy

XMLSpy supports a subset of the OASIS XML catalogs mechanism. The catalog mechanism enables XMLSpy to retrieve commonly used schemas (as well as stylesheets and other files) from local user folders. This increases the overall processing speed, enables users to work offline (that is, not connected to a network), and improves the portability of documents (because URIs would then need to be changed only in the catalog files.)

The catalog mechanism in XMLSpy works as outlined below.

### RootCatalog.xml

When XMLSpy starts, it loads a file called `RootCatalog.xml` (structure shown in listing below), which contains a list of catalog files that will be looked up. You can modify this file and enter as many catalog files to look up as you like, each in a `nextCatalog` element. Each of these catalog files is looked up and the URIs in them are resolved according to the mappings specified in them.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<catalog xmlns="urn:oasis:names:tc:entity:xmlns:xml:catalog"
          xmlns:spy="http://www.altova.com/catalog_ext"
          xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
          xsi:schemaLocation="urn:oasis:names:tc:entity:xmlns:xml:catalog
Catalog.xsd">
  <nextCatalog catalog="%PersonalFolder%/Altova/%AppAndVersionName%/
CustomCatalog.xml"/>
  <nextCatalog catalog="CoreCatalog.xml"/>
  <!-- Include all catalogs under common schemas folder on the first directory
level -->
  <nextCatalog spy:recurseFrom="%AltovaCommonFolder%/Schemas"
catalog="catalog.xml" spy:depth="1"/>
  <!-- Include all catalogs under common XBRL folder on the first directory
level -->
  <nextCatalog spy:recurseFrom="%AltovaCommonFolder%/XBRL" catalog="catalog.xml"
spy:depth="1"/>
</catalog>
```

In the listing above, notice that in the `Schemas` and `XBRL` folders of the folder identified by the variable `%AltovaCommonFolder%` are catalog files named `catalog.xml`. (The value of the `%AltovaCommonFolder%` variable is given in the table below.)

The catalog files in the Altova Common Folder map the pre-defined public and system identifiers of commonly used schemas (such as SVG and WSDL) and XBRL taxonomies to URIs that point to locally saved copies of the respective schemas. These schemas are installed in the Altova Common Folder when XMLSpy is installed. You should take care not to duplicate mappings in these files, as this could lead to errors.

### CoreCatalog.xml, CustomCatalog.xml, and Catalog.xml

In the `RootCatalog.xml` listing above, notice that `CoreCatalog.xml` and `CustomCatalog.xml` are listed for lookup:

- `CoreCatalog.xml` contains certain Altova-specific mappings for locating schemas in the

#### Altova Common Folder.

- `CustomCatalog.xml` is a skeleton file in which you can create your own mappings. You can add mappings to `CustomCatalog.xml` for any schema you require but that is not addressed by the catalog files in the Altova Common Folder. Do this using the supported elements of the OASIS catalog mechanism (*see below*).
- There are a number of `Catalog.xml` files in the Altova Common Folder. Each is inside the folder of a specific schema or XBRL taxonomy in the Altova Common Folder, and each maps public and/or system identifiers to URIs that point to locally saved copies of the respective schemas.

### Location of catalog files and schemas

The files `RootCatalog.xml` and `CoreCatalog.xml` are installed in the XMLSpy application folder. The file `CustomCatalog.xml` is located in your `MyDocuments\Altova\XMLSpy` folder. The `catalog.xml` files are each in a specific schema folder, these schema folders being inside the folders: `%AltovaCommonFolder%\Schemas` and `%AltovaCommonFolder%\XBRL`.

### Shell environment variables and Altova variables

Shell environment variables can be used in the `nextCatalog` element to specify the path to various system locations (*see RootCatalog.xml listing above*). The following shell environment variables are supported:

<code>%AltovaCommonFolder%</code>	<code>C:\Program Files\Altova\Common2016</code>
<code>%DesktopFolder%</code>	Full path to the Desktop folder for the current user.
<code>%ProgramMenuFolder%</code>	Full path to the Program Menu folder for the current user.
<code>%StartMenuFolder%</code>	Full path to Start Menu folder for the current user.
<code>%StartupFolder%</code>	Full path to Start Up folder for the current user.
<code>%TemplateFolder%</code>	Full path to the Template folder for the current user.
<code>%AdminToolsFolder%</code>	Full path to the file system directory that stores administrative tools for the current user.
<code>%AppDataFolder%</code>	Full path to the Application Data folder for the current user.
<code>%CommonAppDataFolder%</code>	Full path to the file directory containing application data for all users.

% FavoritesFolder%	Full path of the Favorites folder for the current user.
% PersonalFolder%	Full path to the Personal folder for the current user.
%SendToFolder%	Full path to the SendTo folder for the current user.
%FontsFolder%	Full path to the System Fonts folder.
% ProgramFilesFolder%	Full path to the Program Files folder for the current user.
% CommonFilesFolder%	Full path to the Common Files folder for the current user.
%WindowsFolder%	Full path to the Windows folder for the current user.
%SystemFolder%	Full path to the System folder for the current user.
% LocalAppDataFolder%	Full path to the file system directory that serves as the data repository for local (nonroaming) applications.
% MyPicturesFolder%	Full path to the MyPictures folder.

### How catalogs work: DTDs

Catalogs are commonly used to redirect a call to a DTD to a local URI. This is achieved by mapping, in the catalog file, public or system identifiers to the required local URI. So when the DOCTYPE declaration in an XML file is read, the public or system identifier locates the required local resource via the catalog file mapping.

For popular schemas, the `PUBLIC` identifier is usually pre-defined, thus requiring only that the URI in the catalog file point to the correct local copy. When the XML document is parsed, the `PUBLIC` identifier in it is read. If this identifier is found in a catalog file, the corresponding URL in the catalog file will be looked up and the schema will be read from this location. So, for example, if the following SVG file is opened in XMLSpy:

```
<?xml version="1.0" standalone="no"?>
<!DOCTYPE svg PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD SVG 1.1//EN"
"http://www.w3.org/Graphics/SVG/1.1/DTD/svg11.dtd">

<svg width="20" height="20" xml:space="preserve">
  <g style="fill:red; stroke:#000000">
    <rect x="0" y="0" width="15" height="15"/>
    <rect x="5" y="5" width="15" height="15"/>
  </g>
</svg>
```

This document is read and the catalog is searched for the `PUBLIC` identifier. Let's say the catalog

file contains the following entry:

```
<catalog>
...
  <public publicId="-//W3C//DTD SVG 1.1//EN" uri="schemas/svg/svg11.dtd"/>
...
</catalog>
```

In this case, there is a match for the `PUBLIC` identifier, so the lookup for the SVG DTD is redirected to the URI `schemas/svg/svg11.dtd` (this path is relative to the catalog file), and this local file will be used as the DTD. If there is no mapping for the `Public ID` in the catalog, then the URL in the XML document will be used (in the example above: `http://www.w3.org/Graphics/SVG/1.1/DTD/svg11.dtd`).

### How catalogs work: Schemas

In XMLSpy, you can also use catalogs to **redirect to an XML Schema**. In the XML instance file, the reference to the schema will occur in the `xsi:schemaLocation` attribute of the top-level document element of the XML document. For example,

```
xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart orgChart.xsd"
```

Normally, the URI part of the attribute's value (bold in the example above) is a path to the actual schema location. However, if the schema is referenced via a catalog, the URI part need not point to an actual XML Schema, but it does need to exist so that the lexical validity of the `xsi:schemaLocation` attribute is maintained. A value of `foo`, for example, would be sufficient for the URI part of the attribute's value. The schema is located in the catalog by means of the namespace part of the `xsi:schemaLocation` attribute's value. In the example above, the namespace part is `http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart`. In the catalog, the following entry would locate the schema on the basis of that namespace part.

```
<uri name="http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart" uri="C:\MySchemas  
orgChart.xsd"/>
```

### The catalog subset supported by XMLSpy

When creating entries in `CustomCatalog.xml` (or any other catalog file that is to be read by XMLSpy), use only the following elements of the OASIS catalog specification. Each of the elements below is listed with an explanation of their attribute values. For a more detailed explanation, see the [XML Catalogs specification](#). Note that each element can take the `xml:base` attribute, which is used to specify the base URI of that element.

- `<public publicId="PublicID of Resource" uri="URL of local file"/>`
- `<system systemId="SystemID of Resource" uri="URL of local file"/>`
- `<uri name="filename" uri="URL of file identified by filename"/>`
- `<rewriteURI uriStartString="StartString of URI to rewrite" rewritePrefix="String to replace StartString"/>`
- `<rewriteSystem systemIdStartString="StartString of SystemID" rewritePrefix="Replacement string to locate resource locally"/>`

In cases where there is no public identifier, as with most stylesheets, the system identifier can be directly mapped to a URL via the `system` element. Also, a URI can be mapped to another URI

using the `uri` element. The `rewriteURI` and `rewriteSystem` elements enable the rewriting of the starting part of a URI or system identifier, respectively. This allows the start of a filepath to be replaced and consequently enables the targeting of another directory. For more information on these elements, see the [XML Catalogs specification](#).

From release 2014 onwards, XMLSpy adheres closely to the [XML Catalogs specification \(OASIS Standard V1.1, 7 October 2005\)](#) specification. This specification strictly separates external-identifier look-ups (those with a Public ID or System ID) from URI look-ups (URIs that are not Public IDs or System IDs). Namespace URIs must therefore be considered simply URIs—not Public IDs or System IDs—and must be used in URI look-ups rather than external-identifier look-ups. In XMLSpy versions prior to version 2014, schema namespace URIs were translated through `<public>` mappings. From version 2014 onwards, `<uri>` mappings have to be used.

```
Prior to v2014: <public publicID="http://www.MyMapping.com/ref"
uri="file:///C:/MyDocs/Catalog/test.xsd"/>
V-2014 onwards: <uri name="http://www.MyMapping.com/ref" uri="file:///C:/
MyDocs/Catalog/test.xsd"/>
```

### File extensions and intelligent editing according to a schema

Via catalog files you can also specify that documents with a particular file extension should have XMLSpy's intelligent editing features applied in conformance with the rules in a schema you specify. For example, if you create a custom file extension `.myhtml` for (HTML) files that are to be valid according to the HTML DTD, then you can enable intelligent editing for files with these extensions by adding the following element of text to `CustomCatalog.xml` as a child of the `<catalog>` element.

```
<spy:fileExtHelper ext="myhtml" uri="schemas/xhtml/xhtml1-transitional.dtd"/>
```

This would enable intelligent editing (auto-completion, entry helpers, etc) of `.myhtml` files in XMLSpy according to the XHTML 1.0 Transitional DTD. Refer to the `catalog.xml` file in the `%AltovaCommonFolder%\Schemas\xhtml` folder, which contains similar entries.

### XML Schema specifications

XML Schema specification information is built into XMLSpy and the validity of XML Schema (`.xsd`) documents is checked against this internal information. In an XML Schema document, therefore, no references should be made to any schema that defines the XML Schema specification.

The `catalog.xml` file in the `%AltovaCommonFolder%\Schemas\schemas` folder contains references to DTDs that implement older XML Schema specifications. You should not validate your XML Schema documents against these schemas. The referenced files are included solely to provide XMLSpy with entry helper info for editing purposes should you wish to create documents according to these older recommendations.

### More information

For more information on catalogs, see the [XML Catalogs specification](#).

## 4.6 Working with SchemaAgent

XMLSpy can be set up to work with Altova's SchemaAgent technology.

### SchemaAgent technology

The SchemaAgent technology enables users to build and edit relationships between multiple schemas. It consists of:

- A SchemaAgent Server, which holds and serves information about the relationships among schemas in one or more search path/s (folder/s on the network) that you specify.
- A SchemaAgent client, Altova's SchemaAgent product, which uses schema information from the SchemaAgent server to which it is connected (i) to build relationships between these schemas; and (ii) to manage these schemas (rename, move, delete schemas, etc).

Two types of SchemaAgent server are available:

- Altova SchemaAgent Server, which can be installed on, and accessed from, a network, and
- Altova SchemaAgent, which is the SchemaAgent client product. It includes a lighter server version, called LocalServer, which can only be used on the same machine on which SchemaAgent is installed.

XMLSpy uses SchemaAgent technology to directly edit schemas in Schema View using information about other schemas it gets from a SchemaAgent server. In this setup, XMLSpy is connected to a SchemaAgent server, and, in interaction with SchemaAgent Client, sends requests to SchemaAgent Server. When XMLSpy has been set up to work with SchemaAgent, the Entry Helpers in Schema View not only list components from the schema currently active in Schema View but also list components from other schemas in the search paths of the SchemaAgent server to which it is connected. This provides you with direct access to these components. You can view the content model of a component belonging to another schema in Schema View, and reuse this component with or without modifications. You can also build relationships between schemas, thereby enabling you to modularize and manage complex schemas directly from within XMLSpy.

### Installing SchemaAgent and SchemaAgent Server

For details about installing SchemaAgent and SchemaAgent Server and configuring search paths on servers, see the SchemaAgent user manual.

### Setting up XMLSpy as a SchemaAgent client

In order for XMLSpy to work as a SchemaAgent client, you must do the following:

- Download SchemaAgent from the [Altova website](#). You can now use SchemaAgent's LocalServer to serve schemas. For information about configuring search paths on LocalServer, see the SchemaAgent user manual.  
**Please note:** SchemaAgent requires a valid license, which must be purchased after the free trial period runs out. Also note that Altova MissionKit product packages each includes the SchemaAgent product and a license key for it. (The SchemaAgent Server application, however, is not included in Altova MissionKit packages.)
- Additionally, you might want to download and install the network-based SchemaAgent Server from the [Altova website](#).
- Define the search path(s) for SchemaAgent server (also known as configuring SchemaAgent Server). A detailed description of how to do this is given in the

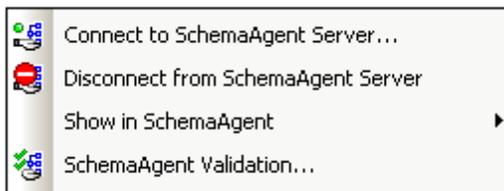
SchemaAgent user manual. (A search path is a path to the folder containing the XML schemas that will be mapped for their relationships with each other.)

- Start a connection from within XMLSpy to a SchemaAgent server.

**Important:** All SchemaAgent and SchemaAgent-related products from Altova (including XMLSpy) starting with Version 2005 release 3 are **not compatible** with previous versions of SchemaAgent or SchemaAgent-related products.

### SchemaAgent commands in XMLSpy

The SchemaAgent functionality in XMLSpy is available only in Schema View and is accessed via menu commands in the Schema Design menu (see *screenshot*) and by using the Entry Helpers in Schema View.



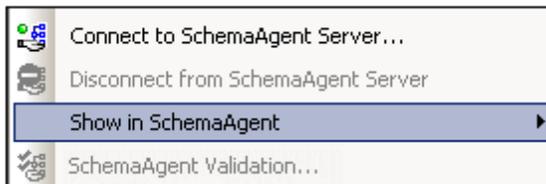
The menu commands provide general administrative functionality. The Entry Helpers (and standard GUI mechanisms, such as drag-and-drop) are used to actually edit schemas.

This section describes how to use the SchemaAgent functionality available in Schema View.

## 4.6.1 Connecting to SchemaAgent Server

**Please note:** SchemaAgent Client must be installed in order for you to be able to make a connection.

Before you connect to SchemaAgent Server, only the **Connect to SchemaAgent Server** command is enabled in the **Schema Design** menu; other SchemaAgent commands in the **Schema Design** menu are disabled (see *screenshot*). The other menu items become enabled once a connection to a SchemaAgent Server has been successfully made.



### Connection steps

To connect to a SchemaAgent server:

1. Click the Connect to SchemaAgent server toolbar icon  (**Schema Design | Connect to SchemaAgent Server**). The Connect to SchemaAgent Server dialog (*screenshot below*) opens:



2. You can use either the local server (the SchemaAgent server that is packaged with Altova SchemaAgent) or a network server (the Altova SchemaAgent Server product, which is available free of charge). If you select Work Locally, the local server of SchemaAgent will be started when you click **OK** and a connection to it will be established. If you select Connect to Network Server, the selected SchemaAgent Server must be running in order for a connection to be made.

**Note on servers running with Windows XP SP2**  
 If the SchemaAgent Server name is listed in the Connect to SchemaAgent Server dialog but you cannot connect to it, it is possible that your server is not taking part in the name resolution process of your network. Name resolution is blocked by the default settings of the Windows XP SP2 Firewall.

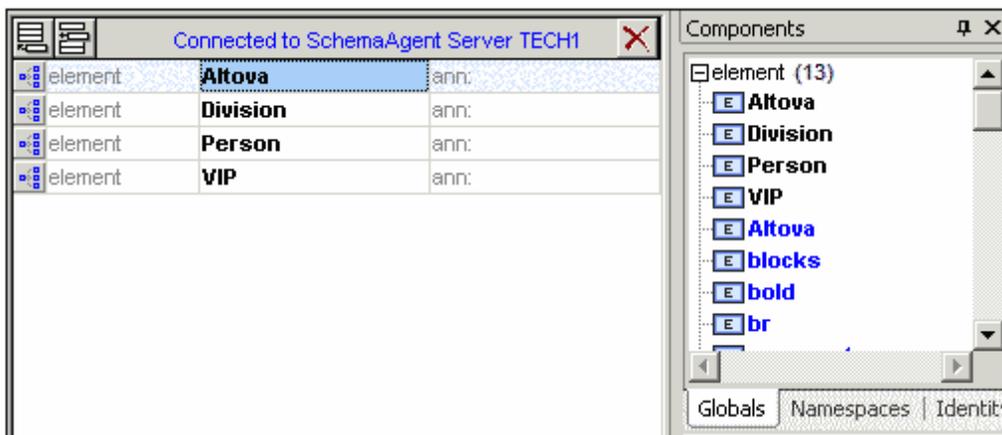
To connect to such a server, do one of the following:

- Change the server settings to enable the name resolution process, or
- Enter the IP address of the server in the Edit field of the Connect Dialog box.

This need be done only once as SchemaAgent Client stores the connection string of the last successful connection.

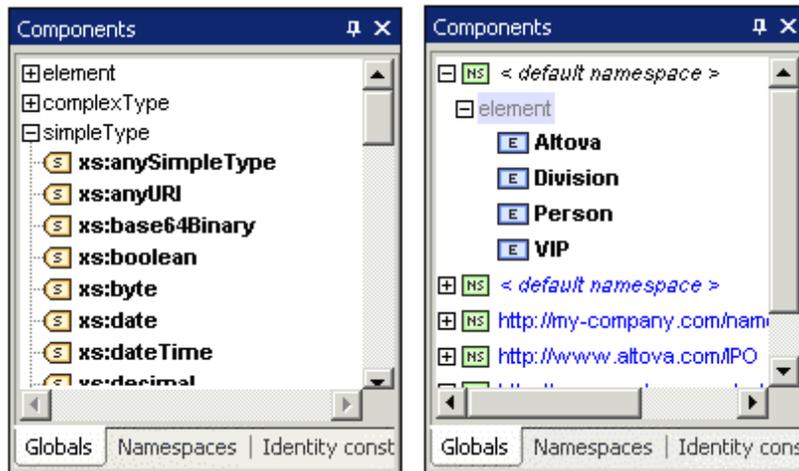
**Schema View after connecting to SchemaAgent server**

After a connection to a SchemaAgent server is established, Schema View will look something like this:



**Please note:**

- At the top of the Globals view the text "Connected to SchemaAgent Server" appears, specifying the server to which the connection has been made.
- You now have full access to all schemas and schema constructs available in the server search path. SchemaAgent schema constructs such as global elements, complexTypes, and simpleTypes are visible in **bold blue text**, below the constructs of the active schema (**bold black text**).

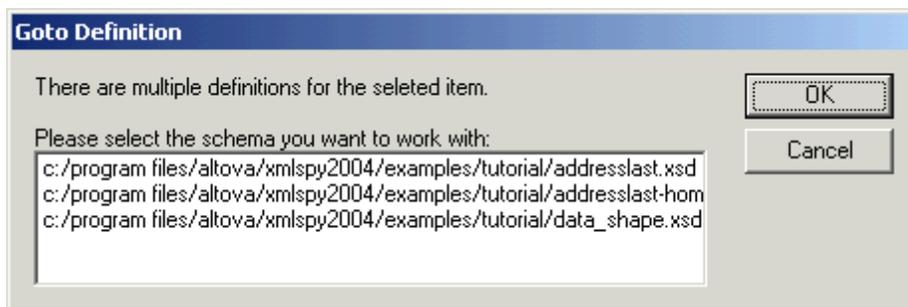


Schema constructs can be viewed by Type (Globals), by Namespace, or by Identity Constraints in the respective tabs of the Components entry helper.

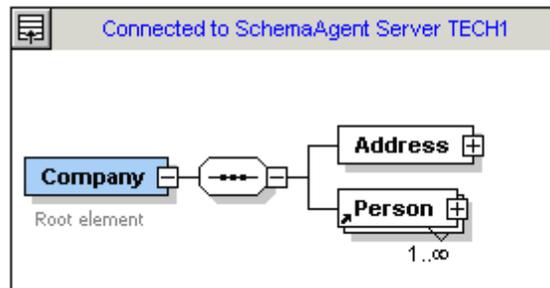
#### 4.6.2 Opening Schemas Found in the Search Path

This example demonstrates how to open a schema found in a search path defined in SchemaAgent Server. It uses the `DB2schema.xsd` file available in the `..\Tutorial` folder as the active schema. The `Global` tab of the Components entry helper is active.

1. Scroll down to the blue `Company` entry in the Components entry helper, and double-click it. The Goto Definition dialog box is opened.



2. Click the `Addresslast.xsd` entry, and click **OK** to confirm. This opens the `addresslast.xsd` schema and displays the content model of the `Company` element.



**Please note:** Double-clicking a SchemaAgent schema construct, such as Element, complexType, or simpleType, opens the associated schema (as well as all other included schemas) in XMLSpy.

### 4.6.3 Using IIRs

XML schema provides Import, Include, and Redefine (IIR) statements to help modularize schemas. Each method has different namespace requirements. These requirements are automatically checked by SchemaAgent Client and XMLSpy when you try to create IIRs.

#### Imports, Includes, and Redefines (IIRs)

Schema constructs can be "inserted" by different methods:

- Global elements can be dragged directly from the Components Entry Helper into the content model of a schema component (in Schema View).
- Components, such as complexTypes and simpleTypes, can be selected from the list box that automatically opens when defining new elements/attributes, etc.
- Components, such as complexTypes, can be selected from the Details Entry Helper when creating/updating these type of constructs.

#### Incorporating schema components

This example uses the `DB2schema.xsd` file available in the `..\Tutorial` folder as the active schema; the `Global` tab of the Components Entry Helper is active.

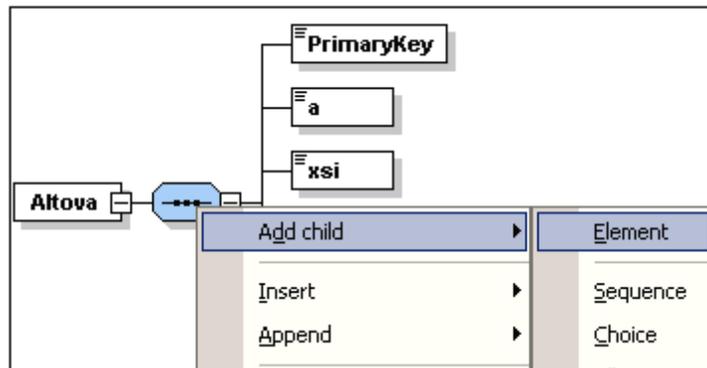
To use schema constructs from SchemaAgent Server schemas:

1. Make sure you are connected to a SchemaAgent server (see [Connecting to SchemaAgent server](#)).
2. Open and rename the `DB2Schema.xsd` file for this example, for example to `Altova-office`.

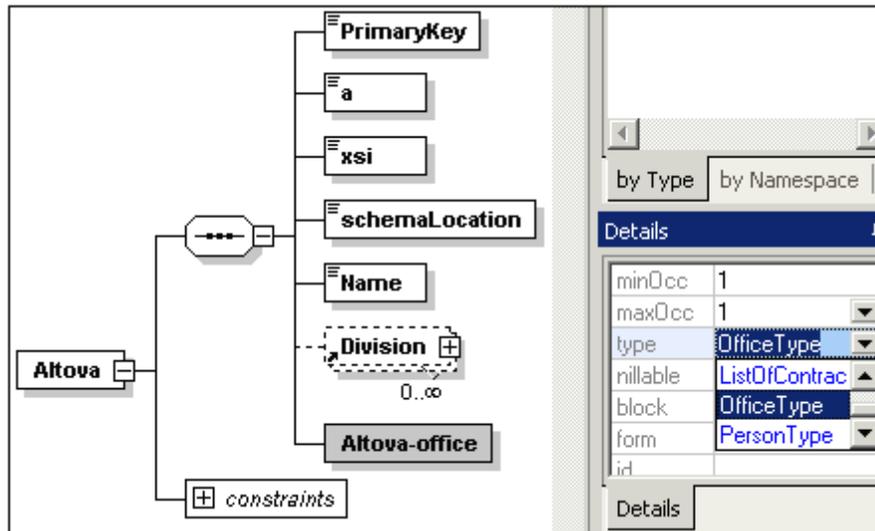
Connected to SchemaAgent Server TECH1		
element	Altova	ann:
element	Division	ann:
element	Person	ann:
element	VIP	ann:

3. Click the  icon of the `Altova` element in the Schema Overview to see its content model.
4. Right-click the `Altova` sequence compositor and select the menu option **Add Child |**

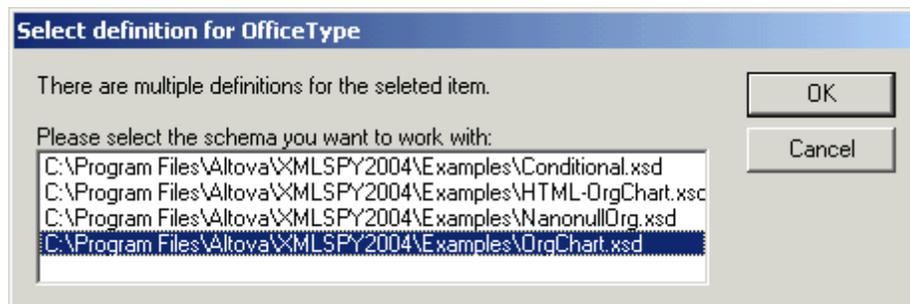
**Element.** Note that a list box containing all global elements within the server path opens automatically at this point. Selecting one would incorporate that element.



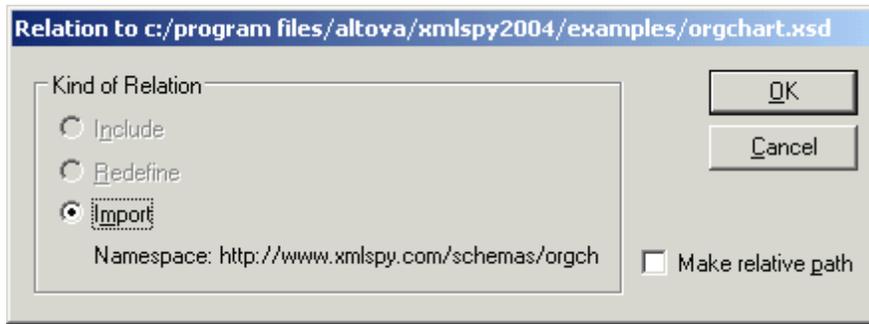
5. Enter `Altova-office` as the name for this new element and press **Enter**.
6. Using the Details Entry Helper, click the `type` combo box and select the entry `OfficeType`.



This opens the Select Definition For OfficeType dialog box.



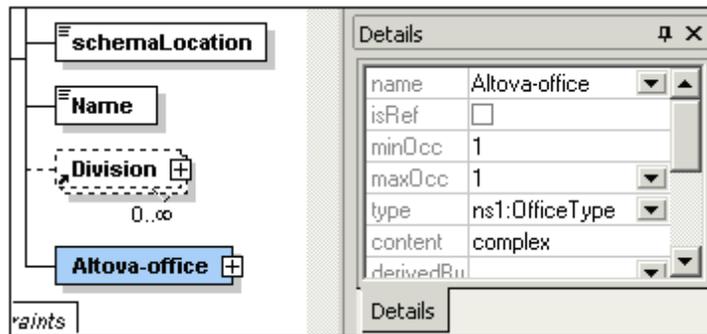
7. Select `Orgchart.xsd` and click **OK** to confirm.



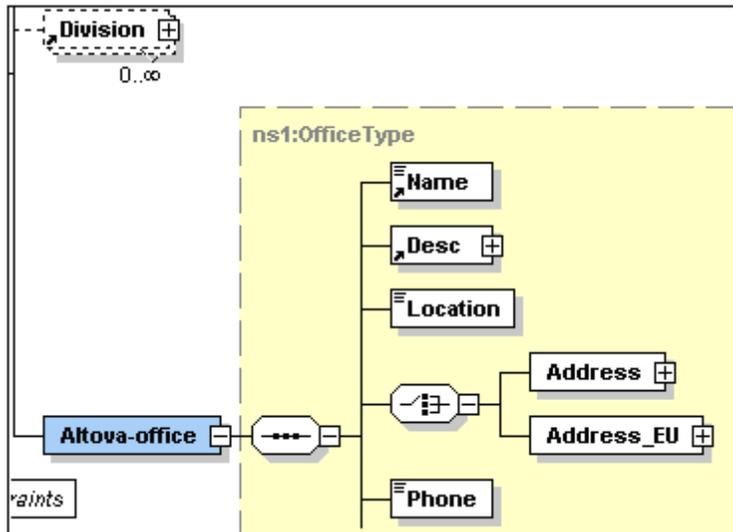
- Click **OK**. The Import command was automatically selected for you. An expand icon appears in the `Altova-office` element.



**Please note:** The `type` entry in the Details entry helper has changed; it is now displayed as `ns1:OfficeType` due to the fact that the `Orgchart.xsd` schema file has been imported and the target namespaces must be different in both schemas. An Import command has also been added to the schema.



- Click the Expand button to see the `OfficeType` content model.

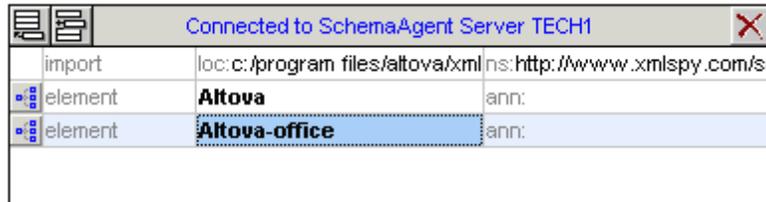


- Press **F8** to validate the schema. The "Schema is valid" message should appear at this

stage.

### Cleaning up the schema:

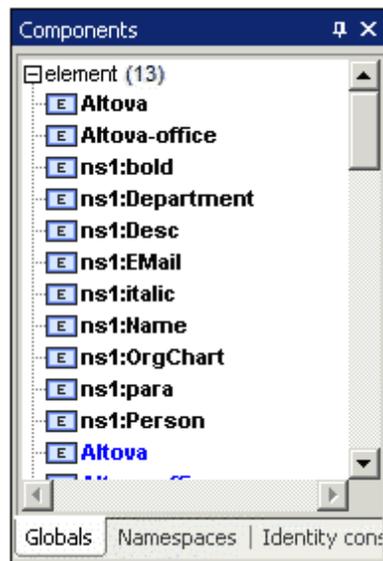
1. Delete the `Division` element in the content model.
2. Click the Return to globals icon  to switch to the Schema Overview.
3. Delete the following global elements: `Division`, `Person` and `VIP`.



4. Select the menu option **Schema Design | Schema settings** to see how the namespace settings have changed.



The `ns1` prefix has been automatically added to the `www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart` namespace. The Components (see screenshot) and Details Entry Helpers displays all imported constructs with the `ns1:` namespace prefix.



### Please note:

- Changes made to schemas under SchemaAgent Server control using XMLSpy automatically update other schemas in the SchemaAgent Server path that referenced the

- changed schema.
- It is possible to see duplicates of constructs element, simpleTypes etc. in entry helpers (in black and blue), if the schema you are working on is also in the SchemaAgent Server path.

#### 4.6.4 Viewing Schemas in SchemaAgent

To work with the active schema and its related schemas in SchemaAgent, select the menu option **Schema Design | Show in SchemaAgent | *schema or related schemas*** (see *screenshot*).

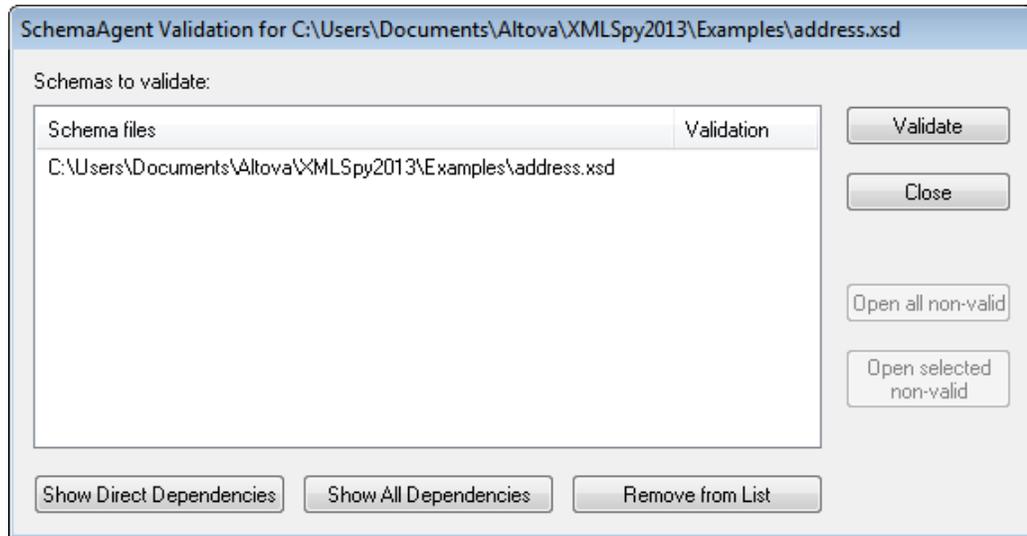
You have the option of opening only the active schema in SchemaAgent (**File only** command), or the active schema together with either (i) all directly referenced schemas, or (ii) all directly referencing schemas, or (iii) all directly related schemas.

#### 4.6.5 SchemaAgent Validation

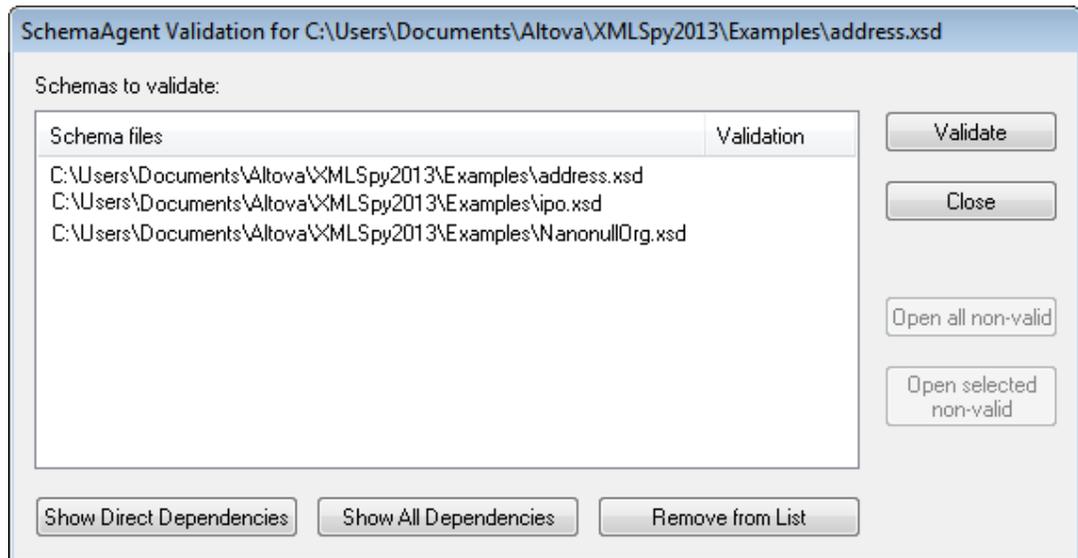
XMLSpy, in conjunction with SchemaAgent, allows you to validate not only the currently active schema but also schemas related to the currently active schema. We call this SchemaAgent validation. There are two types of related schemas that SchemaAgent distinguishes for extended validation: (i) directly dependent schemas (directly referenced and directly referencing schemas), and (ii) all dependent schemas (in addition to direct dependencies, these include indirect dependencies, which is the set of schemas that are related to another schema via an intermediary schema.

How to carry out SchemaAgent validation is demonstrated below by means of an example. This example assumes that the schema file `address.xsd` is the active schema in Schema View of XMLSpy. For the **SchemaAgent Validation** command to be enabled, make sure that the search paths on SchemaAgent Server contain the active file and some dependent files. Then do the following:

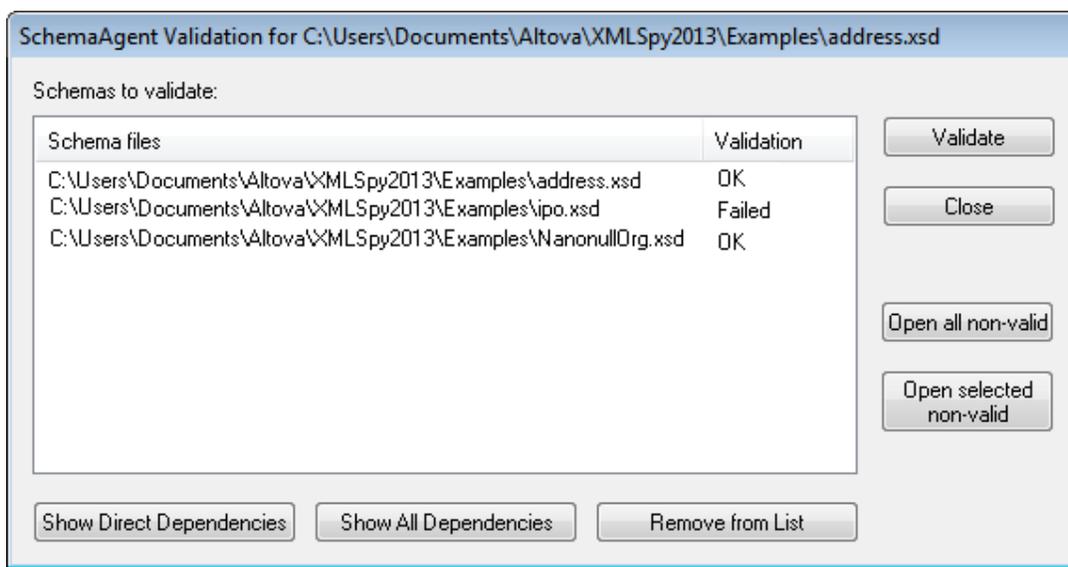
1. Click the **SchemaAgent Validation** icon  in the toolbar or the menu item **Schema Design | SchemaAgent Validation**. This opens the SchemaAgent Validation dialog box (*screenshot below*), in which you can choose whether to validate the active schema only or one or more related schemas as well.



2. To insert schemas into the list, click the **Show Direct Dependencies** or **Show All Dependencies** button as required. In this example, we have clicked the **Show All Dependencies** button, and this inserts all files that are directly referenced or indirectly referenced into the list.



- At this point, you can remove a schema from the list (**Remove from List**) if you wish to.
3. Click the **Validate** button to validate all the schemas in the list box.



The Validate column displays whether the validation was successful or whether it failed.

You can now open all the non-valid schemas or a set of selected non-valid schemas in XMLSpy.

## 4.7 Find in Schemas

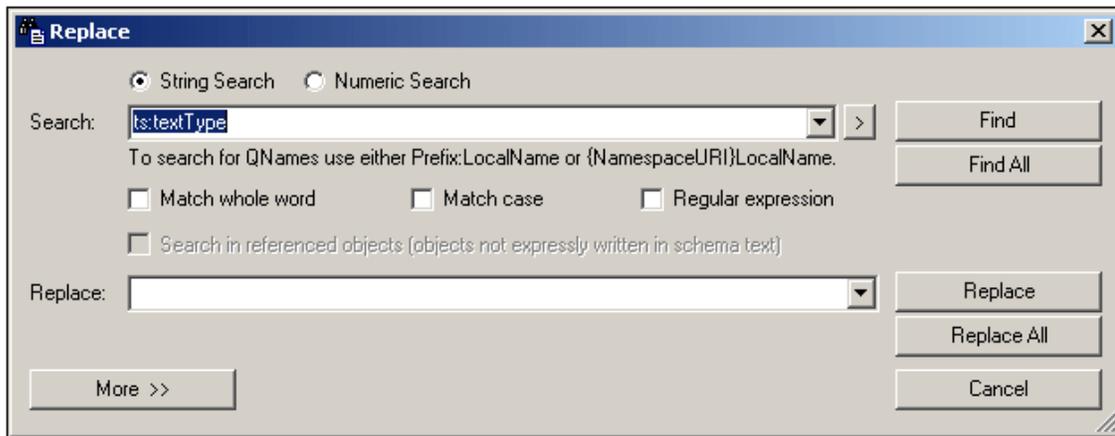
In Schema View, XML Schemas can be searched intelligently using XMLSpy's Find & Replace in Schema View feature.

The Find and Replace in Schema View feature is enabled when a schema is active in Schema View. It is accessed in one of two ways:

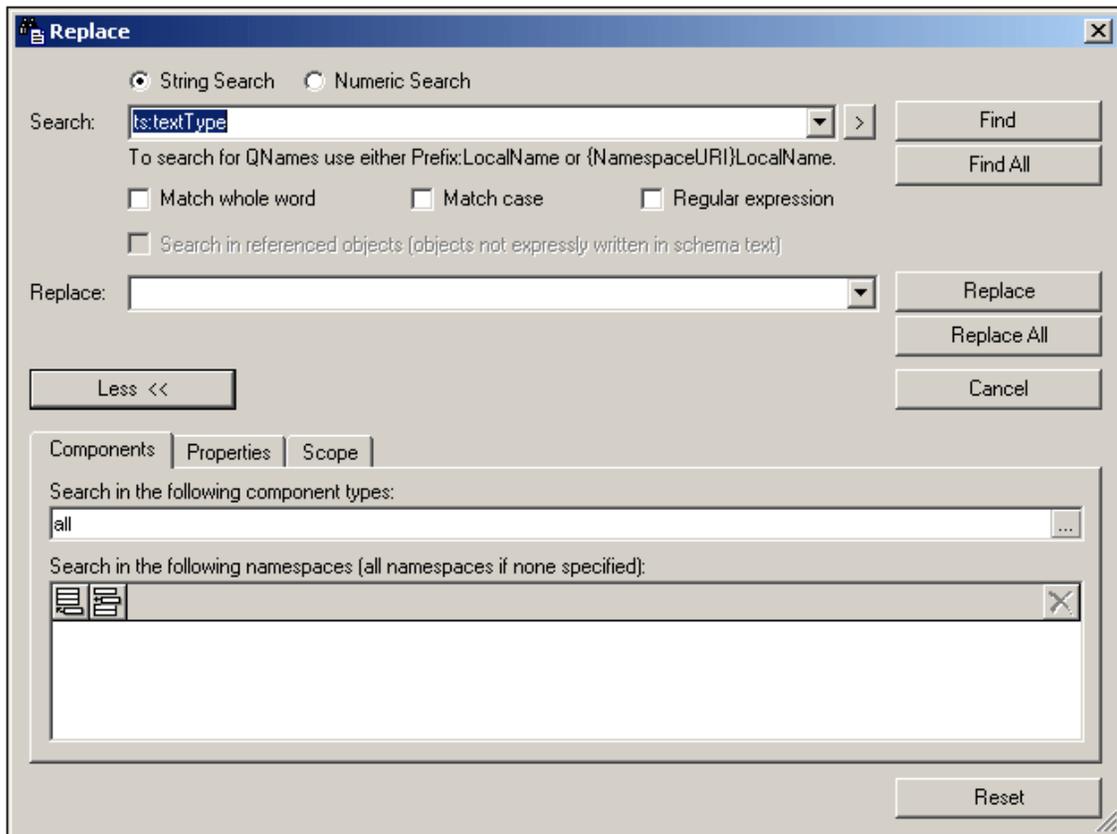
- Via the **Edit | Find** and **Edit | Replace** menu commands.
- Via the **Find** and **Replace** buttons in the Find in Schemas window.

Clicking a command or a button pops up the Find or the Replace dialog, according to which command/button was clicked. The Replace dialog (*screenshots below*) is different from the Find dialog in that it has a text entry field for the Replace term.

The standard Replace dialog looks like this:



Clicking the **More** button expands the dialog to show additional search criteria (*screenshot below*).



Usage is as follows:

- [Enter the search and replace terms](#) in the Search and Replace text fields
- [Specify the schema components to be searched](#) in the Components tab
- [Specify the properties of the components to be searched](#); this helps to narrow the search
- [Set the scope of the search](#) to the current document or project, or specify a folder to search
- [Execute the command](#)
- [Use the Find in Schemas window](#) to navigate to a component quickly

The **Reset** button at the bottom of the dialog resets the original settings, which are as follows:

- No search term, no replace term
- Components: `all`
- Namespaces: none specified
- Property restrictions: `anywhere`
- Additional property restrictions: none
- Scope: current file

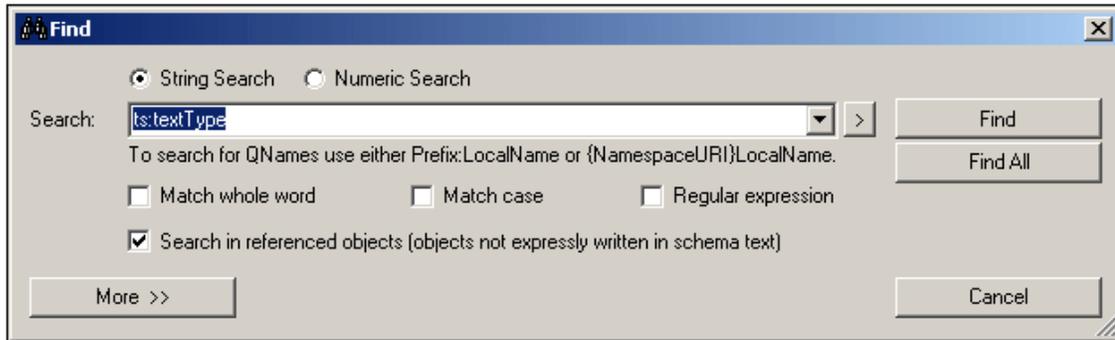
**Note:** Regular expressions are not supported in the Replace field.

#### 4.7.1 Search Term

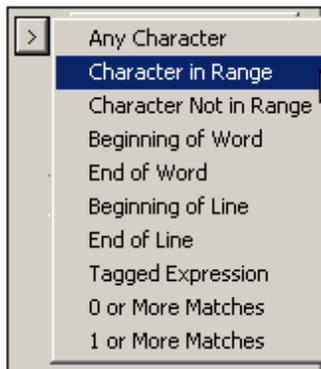
The search term can be entered as a string (select the **String** radio button) or as a number (**Numeric** radio button).

### String search

In a string search (*screenshot below*), the entry can be: (i) text; (ii) a QName; or (iii) a regular expression. For QName searches, the namespace is determined on the basis of either the prefix used in the document or by the namespace URI, either of which must be entered. In the screenshot below, the `ts:` prefix is the prefix used in the document to identify a certain namespace.



To search using a regular expression, check the Regular Expression check box and then enter the regular expression. Entry helpers for regular expressions are available in a menu that is activated by clicking the right-pointing arrowhead at the right of the Search entry field (*screenshot below*).

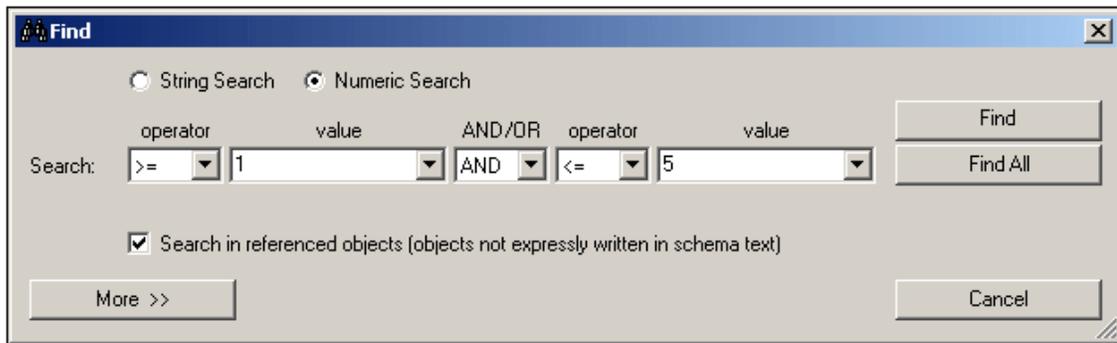


You can also select whether a search term must match a whole word in the document and/or whether the casing in the document must match. Use the check boxes below the text entry field to specify these options.

If you wish to search in referenced objects (such as a complexType definition or a global element), then check the Search In Referenced Objects check box. This option is available only in the Find dialog; it is disabled in the Replace dialog.

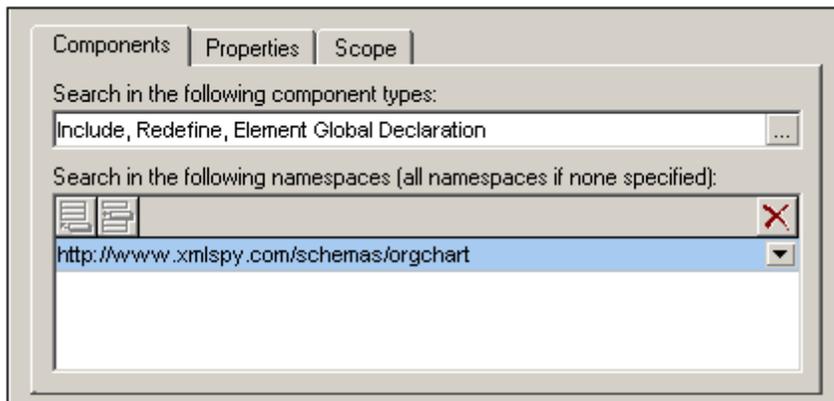
### Numeric search

When the Numeric Search radio button is selected, the search term can be a single operator-and-number search parameter, or a set of two such operator-and-number search parameters joined by the logical connector `AND` or `OR`. In the screenshot below, there are two search term parameters which create a search term for all integers between, and including, 1 and 5.



## 4.7.2 Components

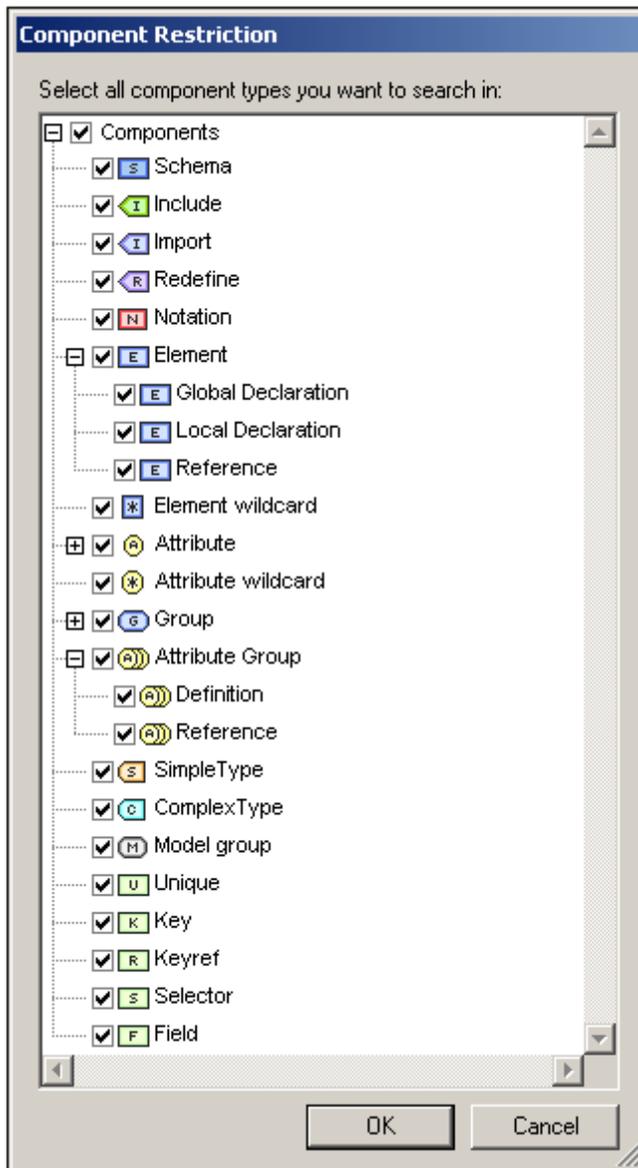
The search can be restricted to one or more component types and to one or more target namespaces. These options are available in the Components tab. Expand the Find or Replace dialog by clicking the **More** button. This will bring up the tabs for refining the search, one of which is the Components tab (*screenshot below*).



The Components tab consists of two parts: (i) for selecting the component types to be searched, and (ii) for selecting the target namespaces to be searched.

### Component selection

You can enter the component types to be searched by clicking the **Add** icon  located to the right of the text field (*see screenshot above*). This pops up the Component Restriction dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can select the components to be searched by checking them. Checking the `Components` item at the top of the list selects all components (text entry: `all`). Unchecking it de-selects all components (text entry: `none`)—including individually selected components. Individual components, therefore, can be selected only when the `Components` item is unchecked. The selected components are entered in the text field as a comma-separated list (*see screenshot above*).



**Note:** Each time the Components tab or the Find/Replace dialog is opened, the previous component selection is retained.

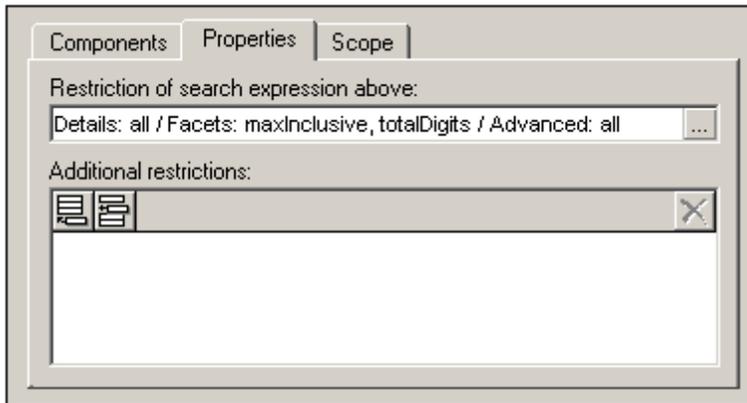
### Namespace selection

To select one or more target namespaces to be searched, click the **Add** or **Insert** icons and enter the required namespace/s. If no target namespace is specified, then all target namespaces are searched. To delete a target namespace that has been entered in this pane, select the target namespace and click the **Delete** icon.

### 4.7.3 Properties

The search can be restricted to one or more component properties (details and facets) by using options in the Properties tab, as well as to match the contents of properties. Expand the Find or

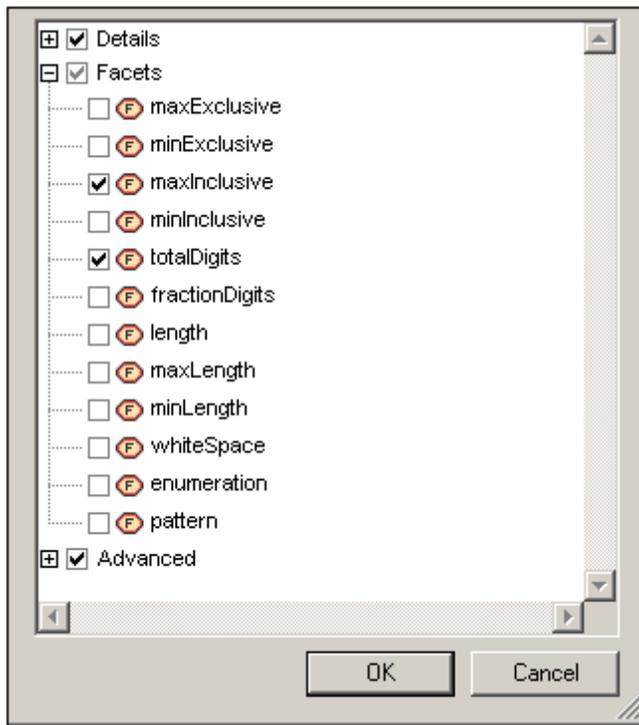
Replace dialog by clicking the **More** button, and then select the Properties tab (*screenshot below*).



The Properties tab consists of two parts: (i) for restricting the main search term (entered in the Find text box); and (ii) for adding additional content restrictions (which have their own match term); see the section [Additional Restrictions](#) below.

### Properties selection

You can enter the property types to be searched by clicking the **Add** icon , which is to the right of the text field (see *screenshot above*). This pops up the Property Restriction dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can select the properties to be searched by checking them. The properties are organized in three groups: (i) Details; (ii) Facets; (iii) Advanced (such as the DerivedFrom property). Checking Details, Facets, or Advanced selects all properties in that group. Unchecking a group de-selects all properties in that group, including individually selected properties. Individual properties, therefore, can be selected only when the group item is unchecked. The selected properties are entered in the text field (see *screenshot above*).

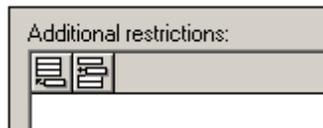


**Note:** Each time the Properties tab or the Find/Replace dialog is opened, the previous properties selection is retained.

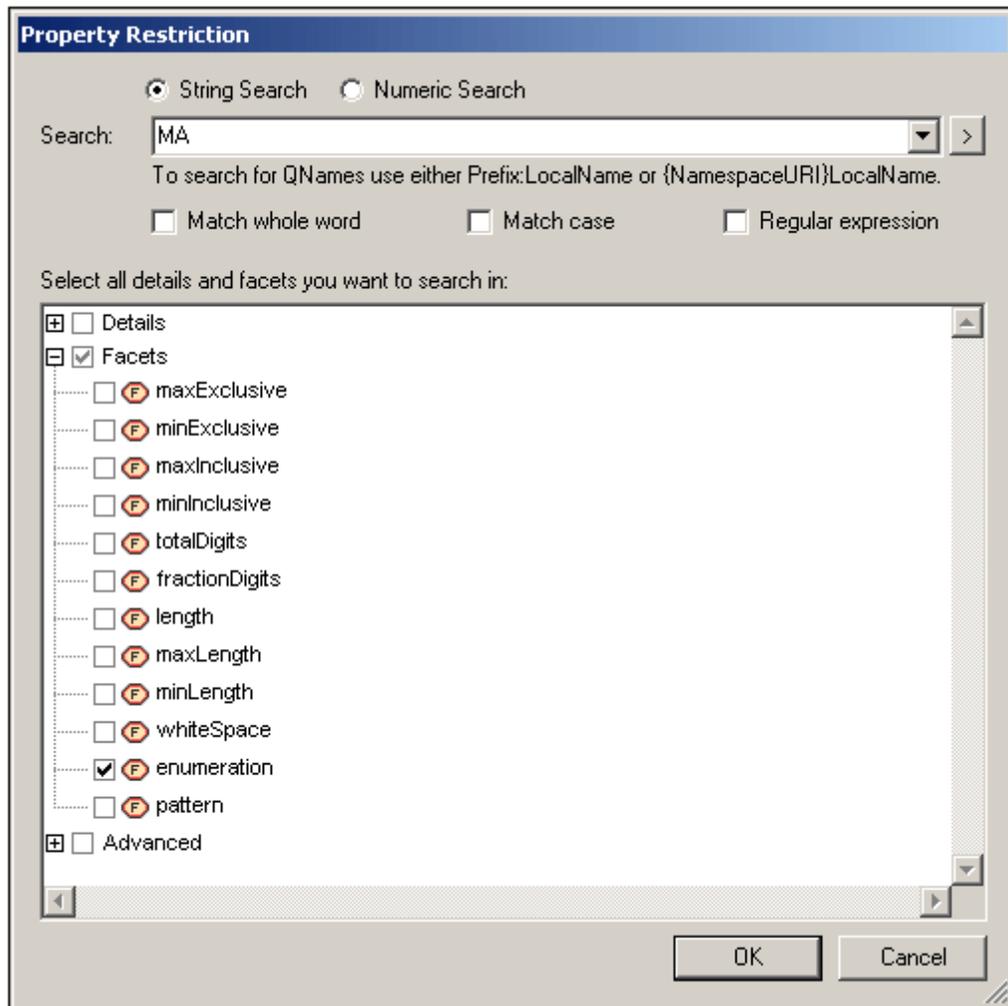
### Additional restrictions

An additional restriction enables you to specify the value of the property to search for. For example, if you are looking for an element called `state` which has an enumeration `MA` (for the US state of Massachusetts), you could specify the value `MA` of the property `enumeration` with the Addition Restrictions option. You would do this as follows:

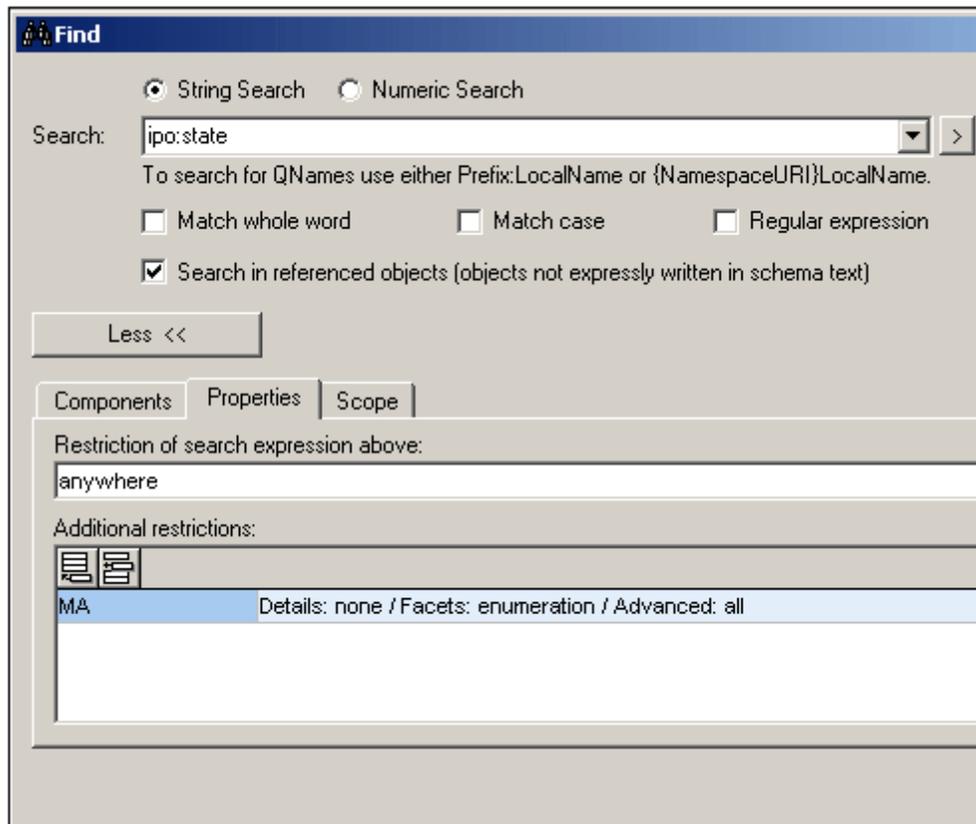
1. In the Additional Restrictions pane, click the the **Add** or **Insert** icon (*screenshot below*).



2. This adds a row to the pane and pops up the Property Restriction dialog. Deselect all properties and select only the `enumeration` property (*screenshot below*).



3. In the text field at the top of the dialog, enter the enumeration value to be searched for, in this case, `MA` (see screenshot above).
4. Click **OK**. The additional restriction is entered in the newly created row in the Additional Restrictions pane (screenshot below).



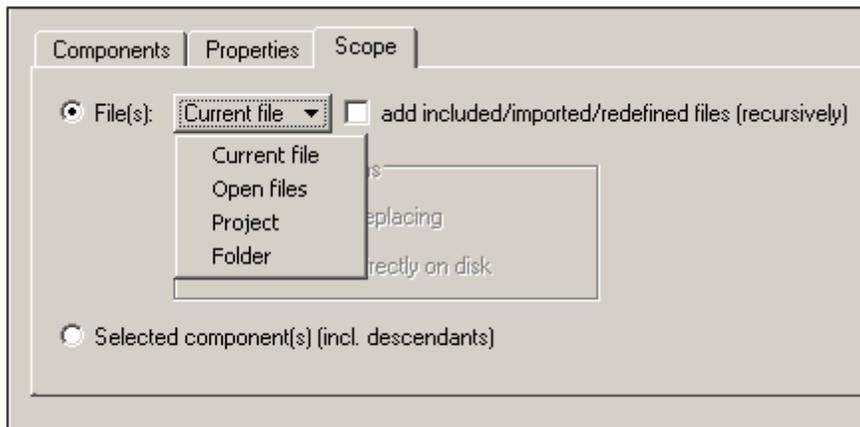
In the screenshot above, notice that the search term is `ipo:state`. In the Properties tab, the `anywhere` specifies that all properties will be searched, but the additional restriction specifies that the search should be restricted to enumerations having a value of `MA`.

Multiple additional restrictions can be added to further narrow the search. To delete an additional restriction, select the additional restriction and click the **Delete** icon.

**Note:** Each time the Properties tab or the Find/Replace dialog is opened, the previous additional restriction/s are retained.

#### 4.7.4 Scope

The scope of the search can be set in the Scope tab (*screenshot below*). You can select either file/s or the currently selected schema component in Schema View.



If the File/s option is selected, you can further specify one from among the following options:

- *Current file*: An additional option to search included, imported and redefined files is also available.
- *Open files*: All XML Schema (XSD) files that are open in XMLSpy. Only the Find All and Replace All commands are enabled; single-step searching is not available.
- *Project*: The currently active project is selected, with the option to skip external folders. Only the Find All and Replace All commands are enabled; single-step searching is not available. If the default view for the `.xsd` file extension (**Tools | Options | File Types | Default View**) is not Schema View, then the `.xsd` files are not searched.
- *Folder*: You can browse for the required folder; an option to search sub-folders is also available. Only the Find All and Replace All commands are enabled; single-step searching is not available. If the default view for the `.xsd` file extension (**Tools | Options | File Types | Default View**) is not Schema View, then the `.xsd` files are not searched.
- *Included, imported, and redefined files* can be included in the scope by checking the option for adding them to the scope.

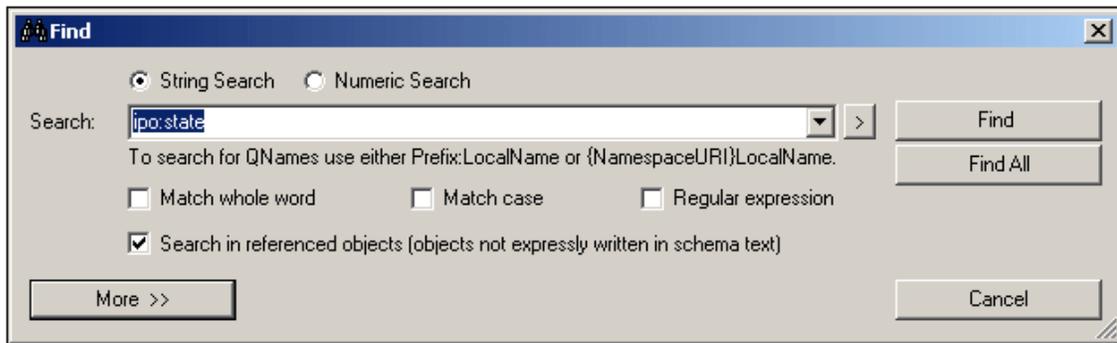
In the Replace dialog, you can choose whether to copy the replacement to the file on disk or whether to open the file in XMLSpy. Do this by selecting the appropriate button in the dialog.

#### 4.7.5 Find and Replace Commands

The **Find** command behaves differently in the Find and Replace dialogs. The behavior of the **Find** command in both dialogs and of the **Replace** command is described below.

##### Find dialog

After you have entered the search term and, optionally, other criteria to refine the search, you can click either the **Find (F3)** or **Find All** command (*screenshot below*).



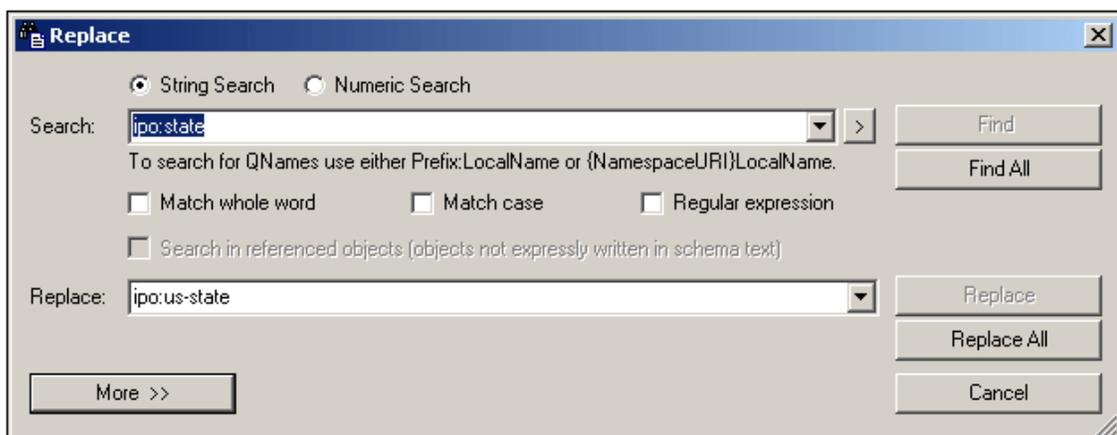
Clicking the **Find (Ctrl+F)** command in the dialog closes the Find dialog and finds the next occurrence of the search term within the specified scope and refinement criteria. The next occurrence is found relative to the currently selected component in Schema View. If the search reaches the end of the scope, it will not start automatically from the beginning of the scope. Therefore, you should make sure that the currently selected component in Schema View before starting the search is located before the document part you wish to search.

The result of the **Find** is highlighted in Schema View and the result is also reported in the Find In Schemas window. In the Find In Schemas window, you can click a result to highlight that item in Schema View.

Clicking the **Find All** command closes the Find dialog and lists all the search results in the Find In Schemas window.

### Replace dialog

In the Replace dialog (*screenshot below*), clicking the **Find** command finds the next occurrence of the search term relative to the current selection in Schema View. You can then click **Replace** to replace this occurrence.



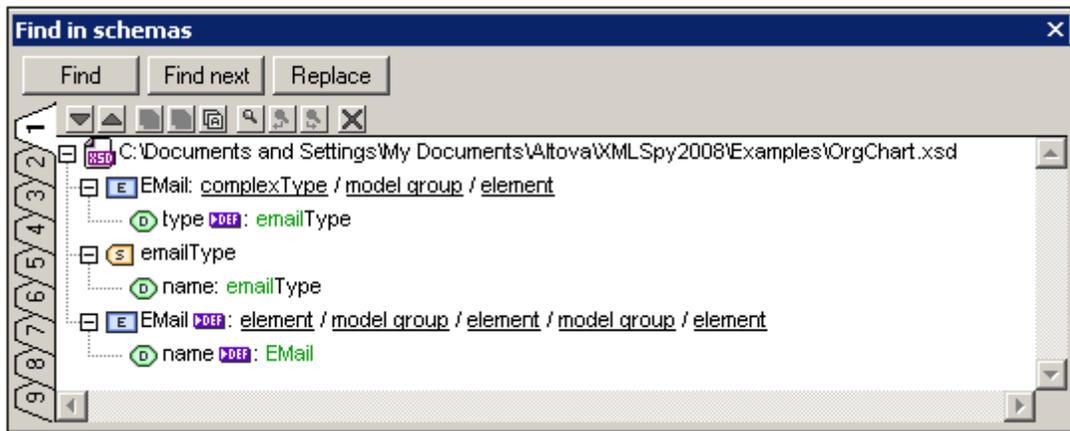
The **Find All** command closes the Replace dialog and lists all the search results in the Find In Schemas window.

The **Replace All** command replaces all occurrences of the found term, closes the Replace dialog, and lists the found terms in the Find In Schemas window.

**Note:** Regular expressions are not supported in the Replace field.

#### 4.7.6 Results and Information

Each time a **Find**, **Find All**, **Replace**, or **Replace All** command is executed the results of the command execution are displayed in the Find In Schemas window (*screenshot below*). The term that was searched for is displayed in green; (in the screenshot below, it can be seen that `email` was the search term, with no case restriction specified). Notice that the location of the schema file is also given.



The **Find All** and **Replace All** commands list all the found occurrences in the document.

**Note:** The **Find** and **Replace** buttons at the top of this window bring up the Find dialog and the Replace dialog, respectively. The **Find** button can be used to find the next occurrence of the search term.

#### Features of the Find In Schemas window

Results are displayed in nine separate tabs (numbered 1 to 9). So you can keep the results of one search in one tab, do a new search, and compare results. Clicking on a result in the Find In Schemas window pops up and highlights the relevant component in the Main Window of Schema View. In this way you can search and navigate quickly to the desired component.

The following Find In Schema toolbar commands are available:

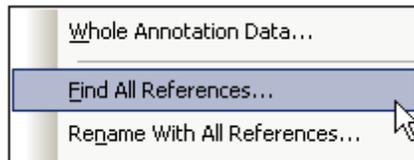
- The **Next** and **Previous** icons select, respectively, the next and previous messages to the currently selected message.
- The **Copy Messages** commands copy, respectively, the selected message, the selected message and its children messages, and all messages, to the clipboard.
- The **Find** commands find text in the Find In Schemas window.
- The **Clear** command deletes all messages in the currently active tab.

### 4.7.7 Finding and Renaming Globals

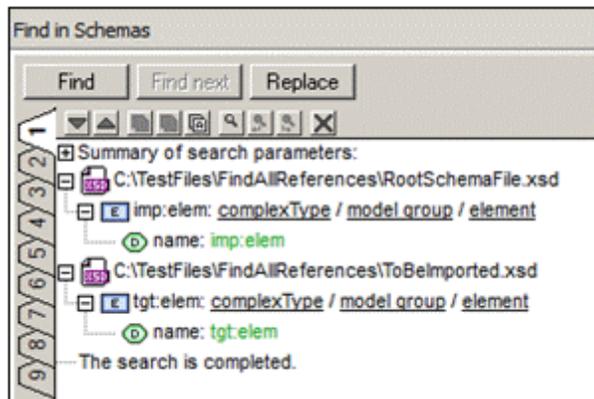
Named global components of XML Schemas can be found and renamed in a selected file and in all schema files related to the selected file. Named global components are all global components except: Include, Import, Redefine, Annotation, Comment, and PI components

The process works as follows:

1. In Schema Overview, the global component to be found or renamed is selected.
2. In the context menu that pops up on right-clicking the selected component, select the required command (**Find All References** or **Rename with All References**).



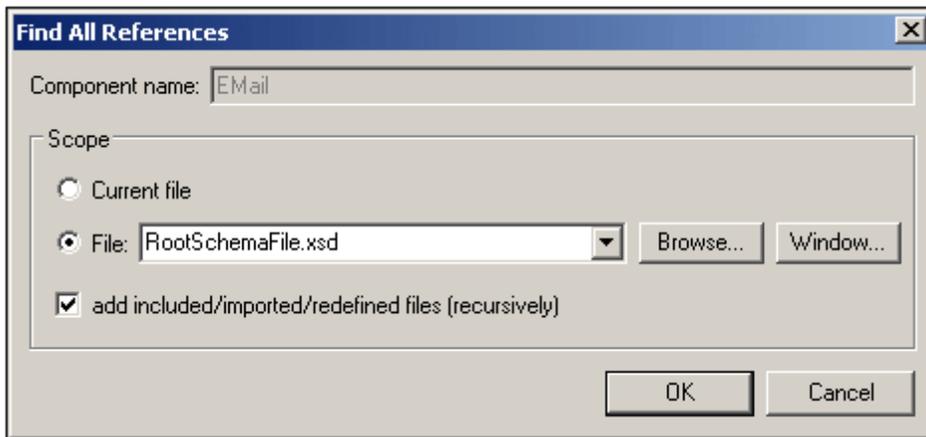
3. In the dialog that pops up, select the scope of the search (or rename operation). In the case of a Rename operation, enter the new name of the global component.
4. On clicking **OK**, the search results are displayed in the Find in Schemas window (*screenshot below*).



The locations of all files in which references to the global component are found are listed (see *screenshot above*). All renamed components that were found and renamed are also listed.

#### Find All References

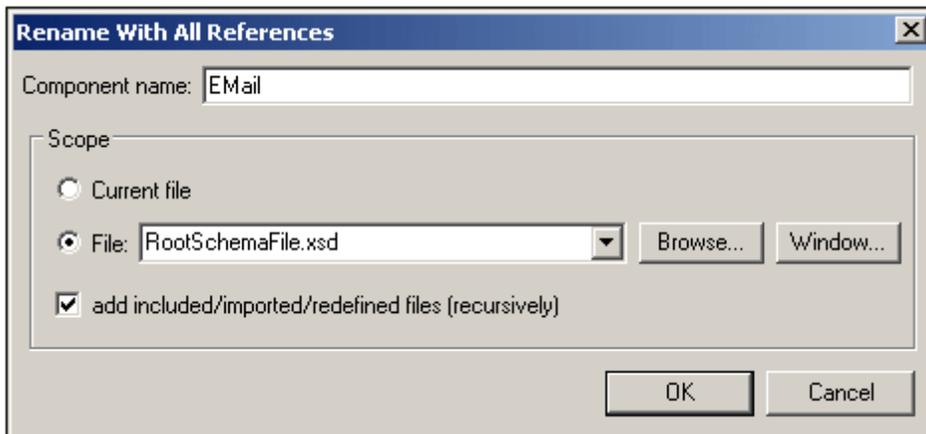
To open the Find All References dialog (*screenshot below*), do the following: (i) Right-click the global component in Schema Overview, (ii) In the context menu that pops up select the **Find All References** command.



The global component name is displayed in the *Component Name* field, which is grayed out and cannot be edited. You can choose whether the search should be carried out in the current file or in another file you can browse for (or select from a list of open files). You can also then specify whether related files (included, imported, redefined) should be searched, by checking the Add IIR Files check box at the bottom of the dialog.

### Rename with All References

To rename a global component, right-click it and select **Rename with All References** from the context menu that pops up. This pops up the Rename with All References dialog (*screenshot below*).



The new name you wish to give the selected global component must be entered in the *Component Name* text field. You can choose whether the search and renaming should be carried out in the current file or in another file you can browse for (or select from a list of open files). You can also then specify whether related files (included, imported, redefined) should be searched, by checking the Add IIR Files check box at the bottom of the dialog.

## 5 XSLT

Altova website:  [XSLT Editor](#)

This section on XSLT is organized into the following sections:

- [Editing XSLT documents](#): describes the editing support for XSLT documents in XMLSpy
- [XSLT Processing](#): shows the various ways in which XSLT transformations can be carried out in the XMLSpy GUI using engines of your choice. This section also explains important XSLT settings in XMLSpy.
- [XSL Outline](#): describes the XSL Outline and XSL Info Windows, which together provide a powerful way to view, navigate, and manage a collection of XSLT files.

### XPath Evaluation

When an XML document is active, you can use the [XPath/XQuery Window](#) to evaluate XPath expressions. This is a very useful feature to quickly check how an XPath expression will be evaluated. Type in an XPath expression and specify whether it should be evaluated relative to the document root or to a selected context node in the XML document. The result of the evaluation will be displayed immediately in the XPath/XQuery Window. How to use the XPath/XQuery Window is described in the section [Introduction | XPath/XQuery Window](#).

### XSLT Profiler and Debugger

XMLSpy also contains an [XSLT Profiler](#) and [XSLT Debugger](#) to help you create correct and efficient XSLT stylesheets faster. These two features are described in the section [XSLT and XQuery](#).

### Additional XSLT features

Additional and more detailed information about the various features described in this section is in the descriptions of the [relevant menu commands](#) (in the User Reference section).

### Altova XSLT Engines

For details about how the Altova XSLT 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 Engines are implemented, see [XSLT and XQuery Engine Information](#) in the [Appendices](#).

### RaptorXML for command line and batch processing

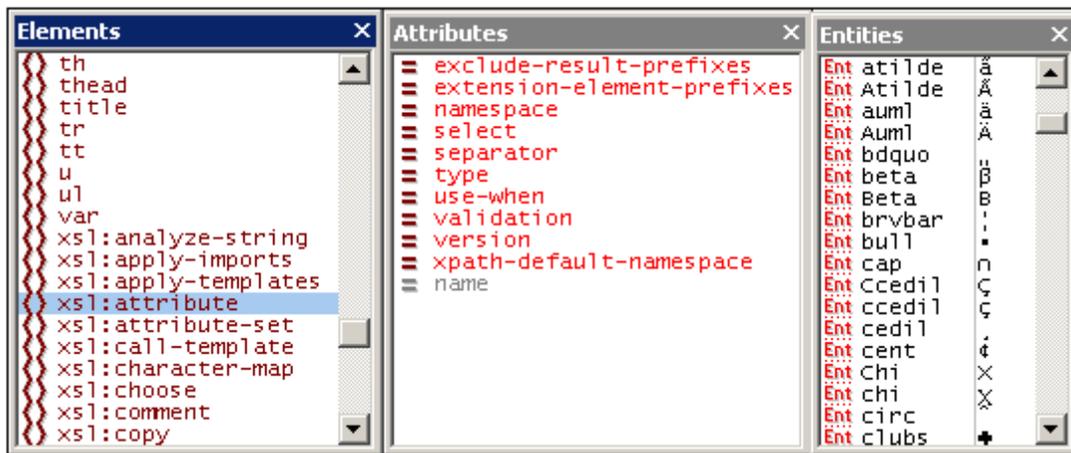
The XMLSpy GUI enables batch processing via the projects functionality. However, if you are looking for more flexibility, you should try [Altova's RaptorXML product](#), which provides fast XML validation, XSLT transformation, and XQuery execution functionality. RaptorXML is ideal if you wish to perform XSLT transformations from the command line, or batch processing.

## 5.1 XSLT Documents

XSLT 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 documents can be edited in [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#), and are edited like any other XML document in [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#). The default view in which an XSLT document is opened can be set in the File Types tab of the Options dialog.

### Entry helpers

Entry helpers are available for elements, attributes, and entities. Information about the items displayed in the entry helpers is built into XMLSpy, and is not dependent on references contained in the XSLT document.



The following points should be noted:

1. If a new XSLT document is created via the Create a New Document dialog (**File | New**), then the appropriate XSLT elements and attributes (XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, or XSLT 3.0, depending upon which document type was created) are loaded into the entry helpers. Additionally, HTML elements and attributes are loaded, as well as the HTML 4.0 entity sets, [Latin-1](#), [special characters](#), and [symbols](#).
2. If an XML document is created via the Create a New Document dialog (**File | New**) and given XSLT content, no entry helper items are available except for XML character entities.
3. If an XSLT document is opened that was created as an XSLT document via the Create a New Document dialog (**File | New**), then the entity helpers will be as in Point 1 above.
4. If an XSLT document is opened that was **not** created as an XSLT document via the Create a New Document dialog (**File | New**), then the entity helpers will be as in Point 1 above. Additionally, XSL-FO elements and attributes will be listed in the Text View entry helpers.
5. The prefixes of elements in the Elements entry helper are as follows and are invariable:
  - xsl: prefix for XSLT elements; no prefix for HTML elements; fo: prefix for XSL-FO elements. Consequently, in order to use the entry helpers, the namespace declarations in the XSLT document must define prefixes that match the built-in prefixes shown in the entry helpers.

### Auto-completion

In Text View, auto-completion is available in a pop-up as you type, with the first item in the pop-up list being highlighted that matches the typed text. When an element is being typed, a list of elements pops up with the first nearest match in alphabetical order being highlighted. Similarly, when an attribute is being typed in, a list of applicable attributes pops up. The items in the list are

determined according to the rules described in the previous section on entry helpers.

### **XPath intelligent editing**

At locations in the XSLT document where XPath expressions can be entered (for example, the value of a `select` attribute), intelligent XPath editing is available. XPath functions and XPath axes become available in popup as you type. Additionally, if an XML file has been assigned in the [Info window](#), the elements and attributes of the XML file will also be available in the popup.

### **Validating XSLT documents**

The XSLT document can be validated against the XSLT schema built into XMLSpy (click **XML | Validate (F8)**). The correct built-in schema is automatically selected according to whether the XSLT document is XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, or XSLT 3.0 (specified in the `version` attribute of the `xsl:stylesheet` element).

## 5.2 XSLT Processing

In the XMLSpy GUI, two types of XSLT transformation are available:

- The **XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation (F10)** command is used for straightforward XML transformations with an XSLT stylesheet to result formats specified and described in the stylesheets.
- The **XSL/XQuery | XSL-FO Transformation** command is used: (i) for transformations of XML to FO to PDF in two steps, and (ii) for one-step transformations of FO to PDF.

### Specifying the XSLT processor for the transformation

The XSLT engine that will be used for transformations is specified in the [XSL tab of the Options dialog](#) (*screenshot below*).

Built-in RaptorXML XSLT engine (Important: the built-in engine is always used for XSLT debugging)

Validate XML files used in transformation

Microsoft® XML Parser (MSXML):
  v3.0
  v4.0
  v6.0
  Choose version automatically

External XSL transformation program:

Please enter the command line for executing an external XSL transformation program in the form:

Program.exe %1 %2 %3

where %1 will be replaced with the XML input file name, %2 with the output file name and %3 (optional) with XSL style-sheet file name. Feel free to add any other parameters that are required by the external program.

Show external program output in Messages window after transformation

Show external program error output in Messages window after transformation

Default file extension of output file:   Reuse output window

Use file extension from <xsl:output method=""> attribute if provided

Please enter path to XSL-FO transformation engine (if using FOP enter path to fop.bat):

Use XSLT engine selected above to perform XSLT part and then XSL-FO engine for FO part

Use XSL-FO engine for both XSLT and FO parts of transformation

The available options are explained in the [User Reference](#) section. The engine specified in the XSL tab will be used for all XSLT transformations. Note that for the XSL-FO transformation, an additional XSLT engine option is available: the XSLT engine that is packaged with some FO processors. To select this option, select the corresponding radio button at the bottom of the XSL tab (*see screenshot above*).

### Specifying the FO processor

The FO processor that will be used for transformations of FO to PDF is specified in the text box at the bottom of the [XSL tab of the Options dialog](#) (*screenshot above*).

### XSLT 1.0, 2.0, 3.0 and Altova's XSLT engines

The XSLT version of a stylesheet is specified in the `version` attribute of the `xsl:stylesheet` (or `xsl:transform`) element. XMLSpy contains the built-in Altova XSLT 1.0, Altova XSLT 2.0, and Altova XSLT 3.0 engines, and the appropriate engine is selected according to the value of the

version attribute (1.0 or 2.0 or 3.0).

### XSLT Transformation

The **XSLT Transformation (F8)** command can be used in the following scenarios:

- To transform an XML document that is active in the GUI and has an XSLT document [assigned](#) to it. If no XSLT document is assigned, you are prompted to make an assignment when you click the **XSLT Transformation (F8)** command.
- To transform an XSLT document that is active in the GUI. On clicking the **XSLT Transformation (F8)** command, you are prompted for the XML file you wish to process with the active XSLT stylesheet.
- To transform project folders and files. Right-click the project folder or file and select the command.

### XSL:FO Transformation

The **XSL:FO Transformation** command can be used in the following scenarios:

- To transform an XML document that is active in the GUI and has an XSLT document [assigned](#) to it. The XML document will first be transformed to FO using the specified XSLT engine. The FO document will then be processed with the specified FO processor to produce the PDF output. If no XSLT document is assigned, you are prompted to make an assignment when you click the **XSL:FO Transformation** command.
- To transform an FO document to PDF using the specified FO processor.
- To transform an XSLT document that is active in the GUI. On clicking the **XSL:FO Transformation** command, you are prompted for the XML file you wish to process with the active XSLT stylesheet.
- To transform project folders and files. Right-click the project folder or file and select the command.

For a description of the options in the [XSL:FO output dialog](#), see the [User Reference section](#).

### Parameters for XSLT

If you are using the Altova XSLT engines, XSLT parameters can be stored in a convenient GUI dialog. All the stored parameters are passed to the XSLT document each time you transform. For more information, see the description of the [XSLT Parameters / XQuery Variable](#) command.

### Batch processing with RaptorXML

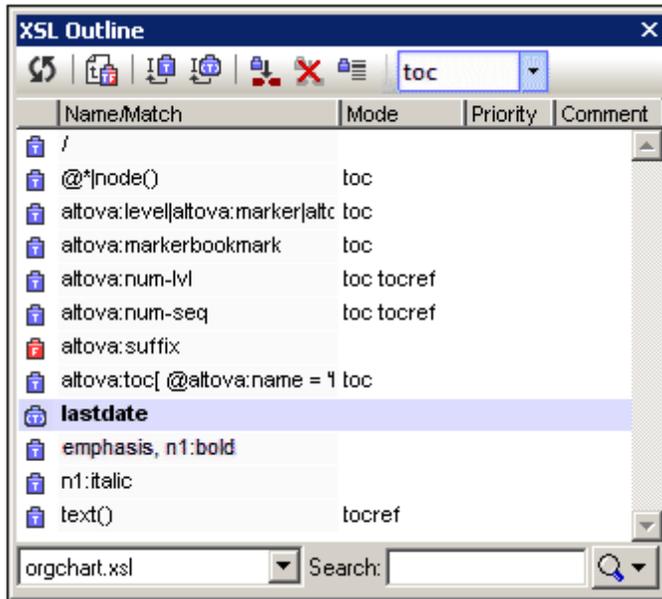
RaptorXML is a standalone application that contains Altova's newest XML validator, XSLT engines, and XQuery engines. It can be used from the command line, via a COM interface, in Java programs, and in .NET applications to validate XML documents, transform XML documents using XSLT stylesheets, and execute XQuery documents.

XSLT transformation tasks can therefore be automated with the use of RaptorXML. For example, you can create a batch file that calls RaptorXML to transform a set of documents. See the [RaptorXML documentation](#) for details.

## 5.3 XSL Outline

When an XSLT document is the active document in XMLSpy, information about the structure of the document is displayed in the [XSL Outline window](#) and information about the files related to the active XSLT document is displayed in the [XSLT tab of the Info Window](#) (which is displayed only when an XSLT document is the active document in XMLSpy). Additionally, via these two windows, a number of commands are available that facilitate editing the XSLT document and managing files related to it.

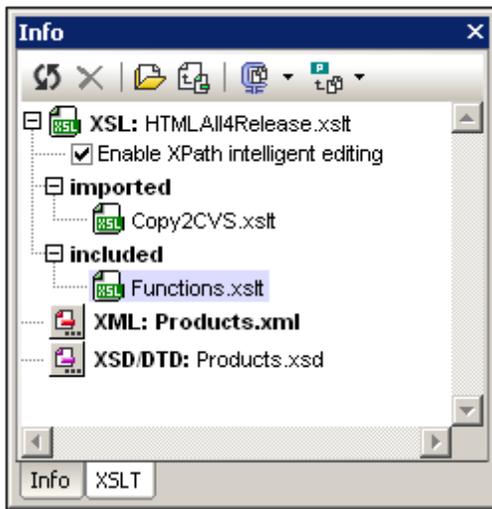
In the [XSL Outline window](#) (screenshot below), you can do the following:



- View the templates and functions in the active XSLT document and in all imported and included XSLT documents.
- Sort the templates and functions on the basis of their names or match expressions, mode, priority, or comments.
- Search for specific templates on the basis of their names/expressions.
- Use the XSL Outline to navigate to the corresponding template in the XSLT document.
- Quickly insert calls to named templates.
- Set a selected named template as the entry point for transformations.

See the section [XSL Outline window](#) for details.

In the [XSLT tab of the Info Window](#) (screenshot below), you can do the following:

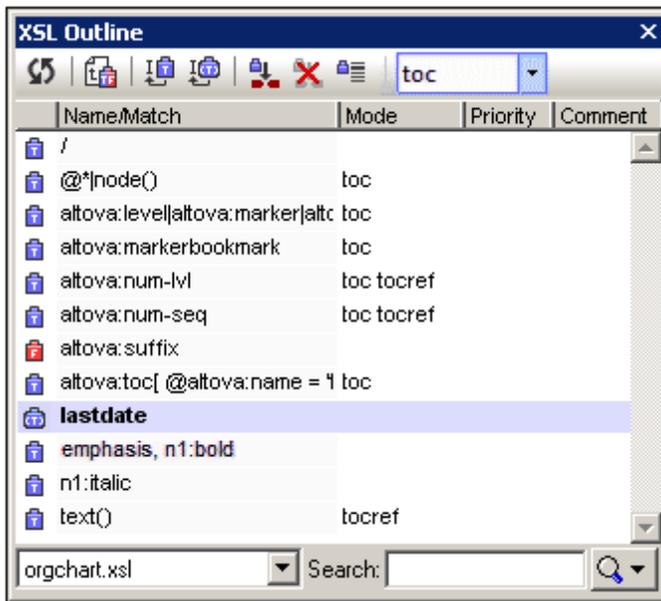


- View information about all the files related to the active XSLT document, such as the locations of imported and included files.
- Set an XML file for transformation with the active XSLT document. Also, the schema (XSD/DTD) file can be set for validating the selected XML file.
- Open a related file from within the Info Window.
- Quickly organize all related files into XMLSpy projects.
- Zip all related files to a user-defined location.

The [XSL Outline window](#) and the [XSLT tab of the Info Window](#) are described in detail in the subsections of this section.

### 5.3.1 XSL Outline Window

In the XSL Outline Window (*screenshot below*), all templates and functions in the active XSLT document are listed. Templates are indicated with blue icons ( templates without a parameter; and templates containing parameters). Functions are indicated with a red icon. In the combo box in the bottom left-hand of the window, you can select whether the templates and functions listed are from: (i) only the active XSLT document (as in the screenshot below), or (ii) the active XSLT document and all included and imported stylesheets.



There are two types of templates: (i) named templates, and (ii) templates that match an XPath expression. Each template is listed with:

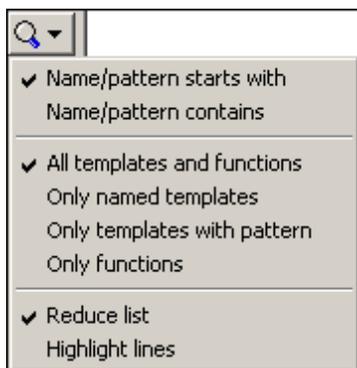
- Its name (if the template has a `name` attribute) and/or XPath expression (if the template has a `match` attribute). If the template has both, a `name` and a `match` attribute, then both are listed, with the value of the `name` attribute first: `namevalue, matchvalue` (see the template named `bold` in the screenshot above).
- Its mode, if any. Note that a template may have more than one mode (see screenshot above).
- Its priority, if any;
- The comment that directly precedes the template or function, if any.

Functions in the stylesheet are listed by their names. Functions have neither mode nor priority.

## Operations

The following operations can be performed in the XSL Outline Window:

- *Filtering*: The list displayed in the window can be filtered to show one of the following: (i) all templates and functions (the default setting each time XMLSpy is started); (ii) named templates only; (iii) XPath-expression templates only; (iv) functions only. To select the required filter, click the dropdown arrow to the right of the Search box at bottom right of the window (screenshot below), and select the required filter (the second group of commands in the menu). The selected filter is applied immediately and applies from this moment onwards till it is modified or till XMLSpy is closed.



- **Sorting and locating:** Each column can be sorted alphabetically by clicking the column header. Each subsequent click reverses the previous sorting order. After a column has been sorted in this way, if you select any item in the list and then quickly type in a term from the sorted column, the first item in the list that contains that term will be highlighted. In this way, you can quickly go to templates of a particular name/expression, mode, or priority.
- **Searching:** Enter in the Search box (at bottom right) the name or XPath expression for which you wish to search. The search results are displayed as you type. The following search options are available in the dropdown list of the Search box (*screenshot above*): (i) whether the name or expression either starts with or contains the search term (the first group of commands in the menu); the starts-with option is the default each time XMLSpy is started; (ii) whether the search results should be displayed as a reduced list or be highlighted (the third group of commands in the menu); the reduced-list option is the default each time XMLSpy is opened. These selections are applied immediately and remain in effect till changed or till XMLSpy is closed.
- **Reloading:** After the stylesheet has been modified, click the **Synchronize** icon  in the window's toolbar to update the XSL outline.
- **Go to item:** When a template or function is selected in the XSL Outline window, clicking the **Go to Definition** icon  in the window's toolbar highlights the template or function in the document in Design View. Alternatively, double-click an entry to go to it.
- **Named template actions:** Two groups of actions can be carried out involving named templates: (i) Calls to the named template (with `xsl:call-template`) can be inserted in the stylesheet at the cursor insertion point; and (ii) A named template can be set as the entry point for a transformation. The commands for these actions are carried out via icons in the toolbar and are described below.

### Template mode for transformation

The combo box in the toolbar, called *Set mode for transformation*, lists (i) all the modes in the stylesheet, plus (ii) an empty entry (which selects the default mode) and, in the case of XSLT 3.0 stylesheets, (iii) the `#unnamed` mode. Selecting a mode from the dropdown list, sets the selected mode as the mode for the transformation. The `#unnamed` mode (for all XSLT versions) applies to all templates that have no `mode` attribute.

In the case of XSLT 1.0 and XSLT2.0 stylesheets, the default mode is the `#unnamed` mode. So selecting the empty entry selects the default mode (which is the `#unnamed` mode and which therefore applies to all templates with no `mode` attribute).

In XSLT 3.0 stylesheets, the top-level `xslt` element can have a `default-mode` attribute, which holds the default mode for the transformation. If, in the *Set mode for transformation* combo box, the empty entry (default mode) is selected, then the mode specified in the `default-mode` attribute will be used as the transformation mode. If `#unnamed` mode is selected in the combo box, then the transformation will be applied to all templates with an unnamed mode, that is, to templates with no mode attribute.

**Note:** A template can be given a mode value of `#all` to make it applicable to all modes.

### Named templates

When a named template is selected, one or more commands in the window's toolbar relating to named templates become enabled (*screenshot below*).

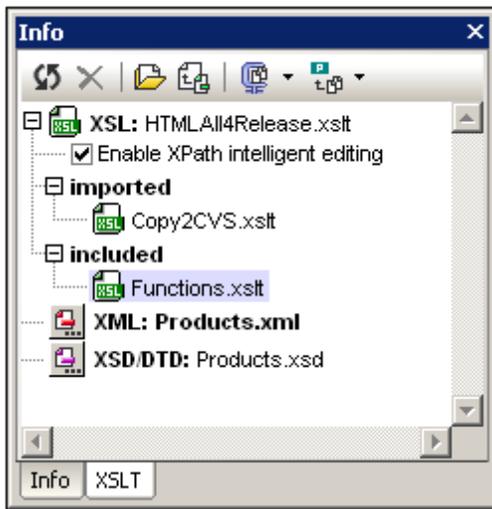


The commands in the toolbar (*screenshot above*) are, from left to right:

- *Insert xsl:call-template:* This command becomes active when a named template is selected in the XSL Outline window. The command inserts an `xsl:call-template` element at the cursor insertion point in the stylesheet. The `name` attribute of the `xsl:call-template` element that is inserted in the stylesheet is given a value that is the value of the `name` attribute of the selected named template. This makes the `xsl:call-template` a call to the selected named template.
- *Insert xsl:call-template with param:* This command becomes active when a named template having one or more `xsl:param` child elements is selected in the XSL Outline window. As with the **Insert xsl:call-template** command, the command inserts an `xsl:call-template` element, but in this case with a corresponding `xsl:with-param` child element for every `xsl:param` child element of the selected named template. The names of the inserted `xsl:call-template` and its `xsl:with-param` child elements correspond to the names of the selected named template and its `xsl:param` children.
- *Set the selected named template as entry point for transformation:* When a named template is set as the entry point for a transformation, transformations executed in XMLSpy start at this named template. In the XSL Outline Window, such a named template is indicated in boldface (see screenshot at the start of this section).
- *Clear named template as entry point for transformation:* Becomes active once a named template has been set as the entry point for transformations.
- *Jump to the named template selected as the entry point for transformations:* Becomes active once a named template has been set as the entry point for transformations. When the focus in the XSL Outline window is at some other point than the named template set as the entry point for transformations, clicking this icon highlights the named template in the XSL Outline window, thus making access to it faster.

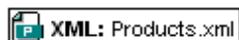
## 5.3.2 Info Window

The XSLT tab of the Info Window, which is displayed only when an XSLT document is the active document in XMLSpy, displays all the imported and included XSLT files related to the active XSLT document, and enables the selection of an XML file that can be used as the source XML document on which the XSLT document is used for the transformation.

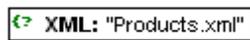


The following files are displayed in the XSLT tab of the Info Window:

- XSLT files:** All imported and included XSLT files are listed (see screenshot above). The location of each file is displayed in a pop-up when the mouse cursor is placed over the file. Double-clicking an imported or included file, or selecting it and then clicking the **Open** icon in the Info Window toolbar, opens the file in a new window. The **Go to Include/Import Location** icon in the toolbar highlights the include/import declaration in the active XSLT document.
- XML file:** An XML file can be assigned to the active XSLT stylesheet for transformations. The location of the assigned XML file is displayed in a pop-up when the mouse cursor is placed over the file. If an XML file is specified and the menu command **XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation (F10)** is clicked, a transformation is executed on the defined XML file using the active XSLT document as the stylesheet. The XML file can be selected by clicking the **XML** icon and browsing; the selected file is displayed in bold face. Alternatively, the XML file can be assigned via the Project Properties dialog (*XSL transformation of XSL files*) or via a processing instruction in the XSLT document of the form: `<?altova_samplexml "Products.xml"?>`. In each case, the XML file will be shown in the Info Window with the relevant icon:



assigned via the Project Properties dialog



assigned via a processing instruction in the XSLT document



assigned by clicking the XML icon and browsing for the required file; entry is in bold font face

In the event that more than one of the above assignments exists, the selection priority is: (i) project; (ii) processing instruction; (iii) browsed by user. The XML file can be opened by double-clicking it or by selecting it and clicking the **Open** toolbar icon.

- XSD/DTD file:** If the selected XML file has a reference to a schema (XML Schema or DTD), then this schema file is displayed in the XSD/DTD entry. Alternatively, just as with the XML file, the schema file can be selected via the Project Properties dialog (*Validation*)

or by clicking the **XSD/DTD** icon and browsing for the required schema file. If the schema file is selected via the Projects Properties dialog, a Projects icon is displayed next to the entry, otherwise the clickable **XSD/DTD** icon is displayed with the file entry either in a normal font face (when the schema is referenced from the XML file) or bold font face (schema browsed for by the user via the **XSD/DTD** icon). Should the schema file be assigned via more than one method, then the order of priority is as follows: (i) project; (ii) browsed by user; (iii) reference in XML document. The location of the assigned XSD file is displayed in a pop-up when the mouse cursor is placed over the file. The schema file can be opened by double-clicking it or by selecting it and clicking the **Open** toolbar icon.

**Note:** If an XML or XSD/DTD file is selected via the Project Properties dialog, then to clear this selection, you must go to the Project Properties dialog and clear the setting there. If the selection has been made by browsing via the **XML** or **XSD/DTD** icons, then to clear this setting, select the file and click the **Clear** icon in the Info Window toolbar.

### Options

**XPath intelligent editing:** If an XML file has been assigned, the structure of the XML document is known and [intelligent XPath editing](#) will extend to elements and attributes. At locations in the XSLT document where an XPath expression can be entered, available elements and attributes will be shown in a popup. This option is switched on by default. To disable XPath intelligent editing, uncheck the check box. The setting is saved for each XSLT file separately when the file is closed, and will be used each time the file is opened.

### Toolbar icons

The Info Window toolbar icons (*screenshot below*) are, from left to right:



- **Reload info:** Updates the Info Window to reflect modifications made in the XSLT document.
- **Clear XML/XSD assignment:** Clears an XML or XSD/DTD assignment made by the user by browsing via the XML or XSD/DTD icons, respectively. Select the file to clear and then click this icon.
- **Open document:** Opens the selected document.
- **Go to import/include location:** When an imported or included file is selected, clicking this icon highlights the relevant import or include declaration in the XSLT document.
- **Zip all local documents:** Zips all the documents listed in the Info Window to a user-defined location. Alternatively, only the selected documents can be zipped; do this by selecting, in the dropdown menu of this icon, the command **Zip selected local documents**.
- **Add all files to projects:** Adds all files to the current projects. Alternatively, only the selected documents can be added; do this by selecting, in the dropdown menu of this icon, the command **Add selected files to project**.

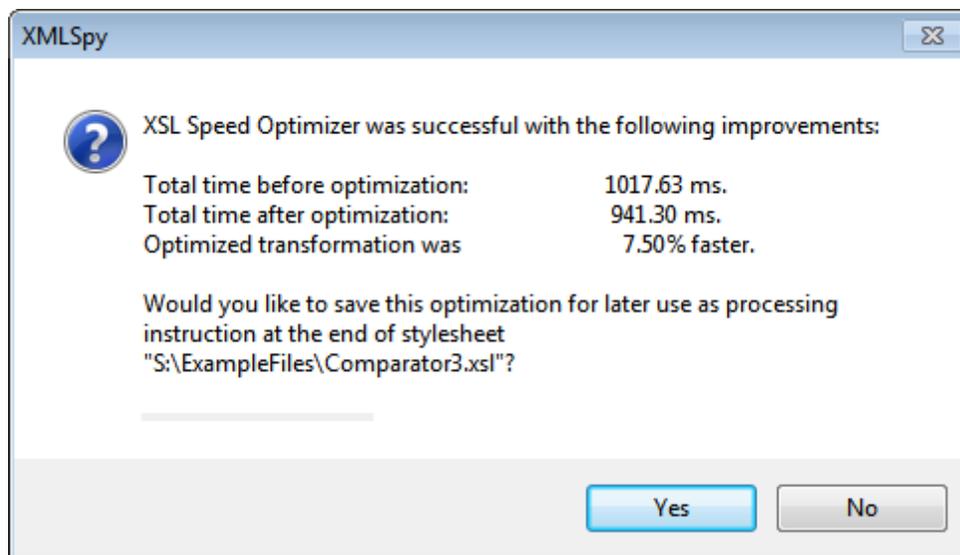
## 5.4 XSL Speed Optimizer

The XSL Speed Optimizer (also referred to in this section as the Optimizer) enables XSLT stylesheets to be optimized so that transformations are carried out faster. The Optimizer works by running the XSLT stylesheet to be optimized over an XML dataset (one or more XML documents), and analyzing the stylesheet's performance. An optimization strategy is derived from this analysis and can be saved with the XSLT stylesheet (as a processing instruction at the end of the stylesheet). The optimized stylesheet can be used subsequently to produce faster transformations.

### Optimizing an XSLT stylesheet

To optimize an XSLT stylesheet, you will need, in addition to the XSLT stylesheet, an XML document that will serve as a sample dataset. The dataset must be large enough for all parts of the XSLT stylesheet to be used and so for the XSLT stylesheet to be properly analysed. Do the optimization as follows:

1. With either the XSLT stylesheet or the XML document active, click the menu command [XSL/XQuery | XSL Speed Optimizer](#) or click the Optimizer's icon in the main toolbar.
2. You will be prompted to select, depending on whether an XSLT or XML document is active, respectively, an XML document or XSLT stylesheet. On clicking **OK**, the analysis starts. (If the XSLT or XML document already has, respectively, an [XML assignment](#) or [XSLT assignment](#) in the document, this step is skipped; the analysis is started directly the command is invoked.)
3. If the optimization analysis is unsuccessful, a message to that effect is displayed. (The [possible reasons for an unsuccessful optimization analysis](#) are described below.) If the analysis is successful, a dialog showing the results of the analysis pops up (*screenshot below*).



The dialog gives you the option of saving the optimization (instructions) in the XSLT stylesheet (as a processing instruction at the end of the stylesheet). Click **Yes** to save the optimization, **No** to discard it. Whenever an optimization is saved, it overwrites any

previously saved optimization.

The optimized stylesheet can now be used to carry out faster transformations.

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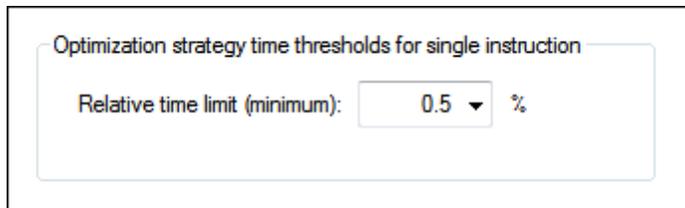
### Reasons for unsuccessful optimization analysis

If the XSL Speed Optimizer is unable to derive an optimization, this could be for one or more of the following reasons:

- The XSLT stylesheet is already time-efficient and does not need to be optimized.
  - The XML dataset submitted is too small to optimize. Try again with a larger dataset.
  - The threshold/s for optimization might be too high. Change the thresholds in the [XSL Speed Optimizer tab of the Options dialog](#). See *below*.
  - Optimizations for this specific XSLT structure are not available to the Optimizer. Please contact Altova Support.
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### XSL Speed Optimizer settings

Settings for the Optimizer are made in the [XSL Speed Optimizer tab of the Options dialog](#) (**Tools | Options, screenshot below**).

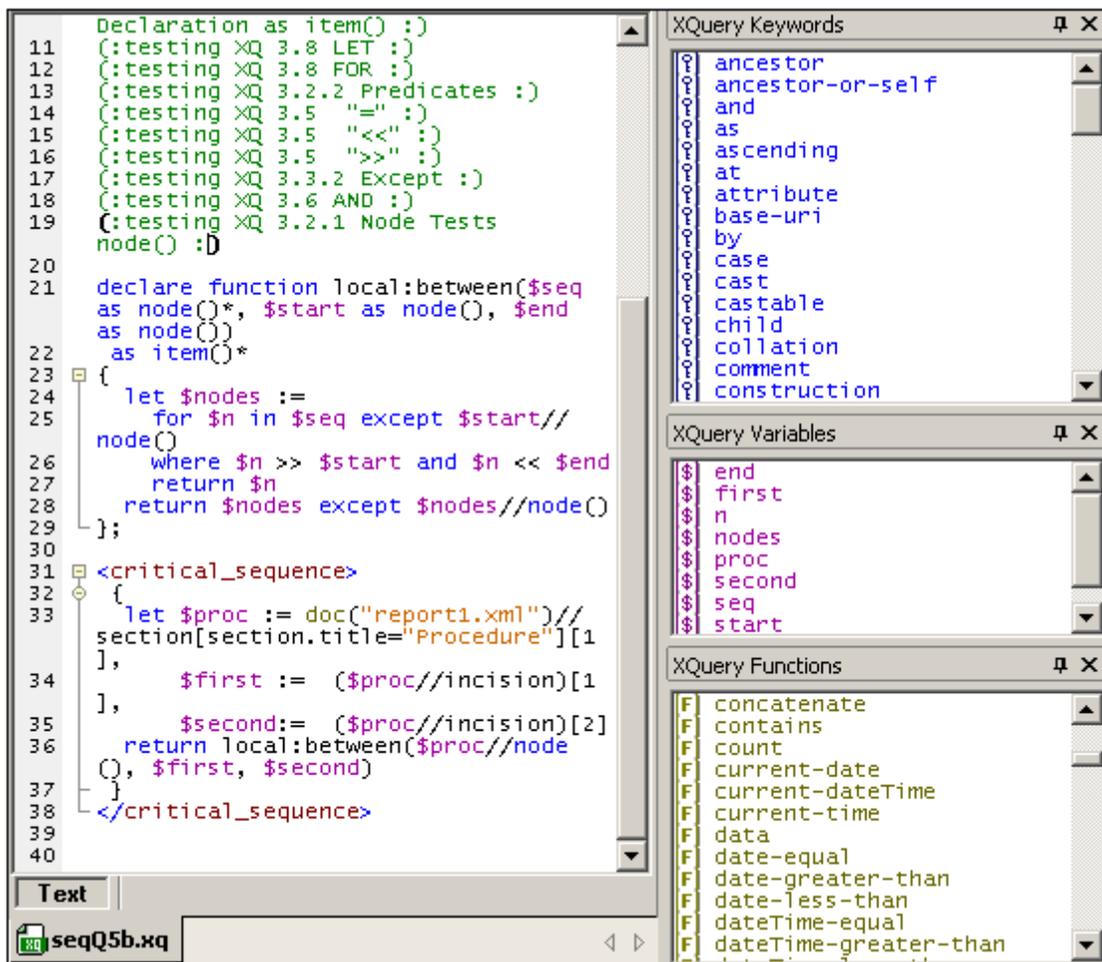


A time threshold for single XSLT instructions in an XSLT stylesheet can be specified for the Optimizer. Values range from 0.1% of total transformation time to 99% of total time. If an instruction takes more time to execute than that specified as the threshold, then optimization analysis is invoked. Otherwise no analysis is carried out. If optimization analysis is unsuccessful, the reason might be that the time threshold in the Optimizer settings is too high. Consider lowering it.

## 6 XQuery

Altova website:  [XQuery Editor](#)

XQuery and [XQuery Update](#) documents can be edited in Text View. This view (see screenshot) provides entry helpers, syntax coloring, and intelligent editing to make editing easy. In addition, you can validate your XQuery document and run it (with an optional XML file if required) using the built-in Altova XQuery Engine.



**Note:** XQuery and XQuery Update files can be edited only in Text View. No other views of XQuery files are available.

### XQuery and XQuery Update file associations

In XMLSpy, XQuery and XQuery Update documents are recognized as two different document types. Typically XQuery documents have the **.xq** extension, while XQuery Update documents have the **.xqu** file extension. You can associate additional file extensions with these filetypes,

and also change filetype associations, at any time, in the *File Type* tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options | FileType](#)).

The document type association of a file extension is important because, depending on the this association, either an XQuery execution or an [XQuery Update](#) will be carried out when the **XQuery/ Update Execution** command is run.

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### **In this section**

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- [Editing XQuery Documents](#)
- [XQuery Evaluation](#)
- [XQuery Validation](#)
- [XQuery Execution/Update](#)
- [XQuery Update Facility](#)
- [XQuery and XML Databases](#)

*Other related features and information:*

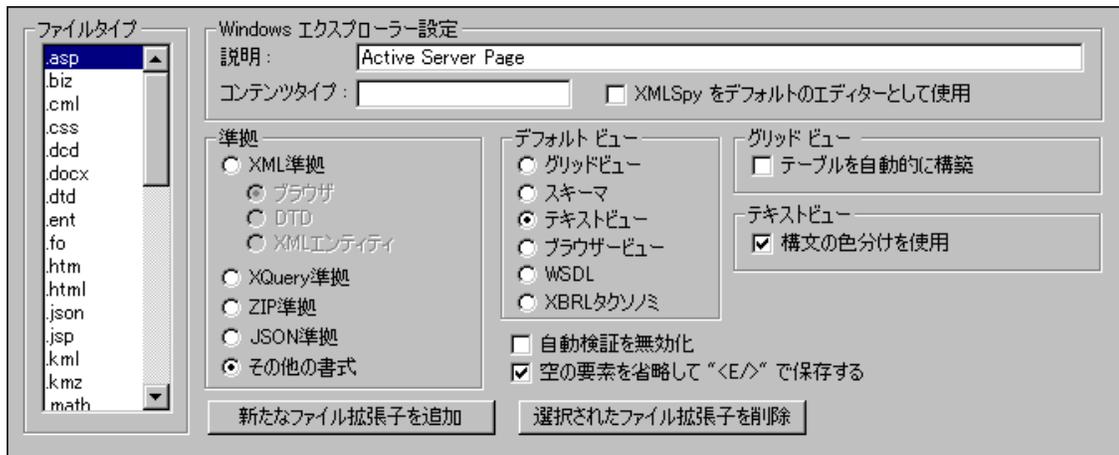
- [XSLT/XQuery Debugger and Profiler](#)
  - [XQuery Engine Implementation](#)
  - [Output Window: XPath/XQuery](#)
  - [Tools | Options | File Types](#)
  - [Tools | Options | XQuery](#)
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### **RaptorXML for command line and batch processing**

The XMLSpy GUI enables batch processing via the projects functionality. However, if you are looking for more flexibility, you should try [Altova's RaptorXML product](#), which contains Altova's newest XQuery Engine. RaptorXML is ideal if you wish to perform XQuery executions from the command line, or batch processing.

## 6.1 Editing XQuery Documents

In XMLSpy, XQuery and XQuery Update documents are recognized as two different document types. The document type (XQuery or XQuery Update) is assigned to a file extension in the *File Types* tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options | FileType](#), *screenshot below*). When a file of XQuery or XQuery Update type is opened in XMLSpy, the XQuery editing features of Text View are available for that file.



*File extensions currently defined as XQuery and XQuery Update in XMLSpy*

XQuery	.xq	.xql	.xqr	.xquery
XQuery Update	.xqu			

**Note:** The editing features described in this section are identical for XQuery and XQuery Update documents.

### XQuery Execution/Update

The GUI command **XSL/XQuery | XQuery/ Update Execution** automatically runs either an XQuery execution or XQuery update depending on the filetype of the XQuery file that is selected to be run. See the section [XQuery Execution/Update](#) for more details.

#### 6.1.1 XQuery Documents

An XQuery or XQuery Update document is opened automatically in XQuery editing mode of Text View if it is XQuery or XQuery Update conformant. A file is defined as conforming to a certain document type in the *File Types* tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options | FileType](#), *screenshot below*).

*File extensions currently defined as XQuery and XQuery Update in XMLSpy*

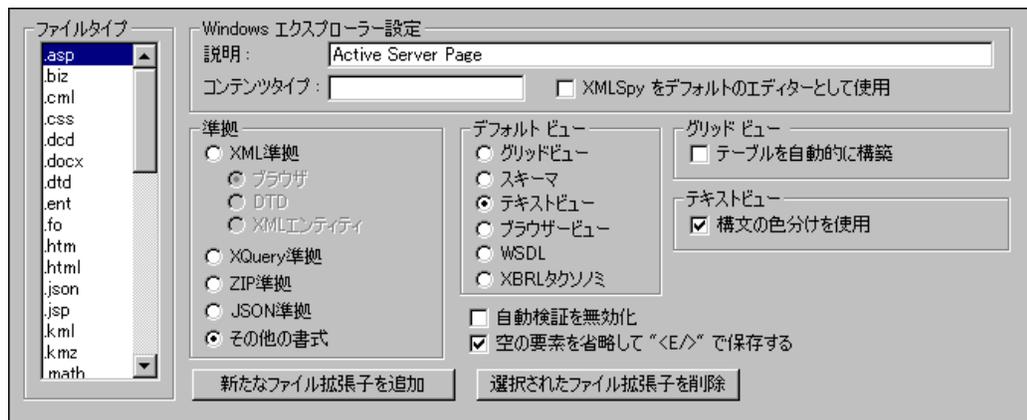
XQuery	.xq	.xql	.xqr	.xquery
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XQuery Update .xqu

### Setting additional file extensions to be XQuery conformant

To set additional file extensions to be XQuery conformant:

1. Select **Tools | Options**. The Options dialog appears (*screenshot below*).



2. Select the **File Types** tab.
3. Click **Add new file extension** to add the new file extension to the list of file types.
4. Under *Conformance*, select *XQuery conformant.*, and then *XQuery* or *XQuery Update*.

You should also make the following settings:

- **Description:** XML Query Language or XQuery Update Facility
- **Content type:** text/xml
- If you wish to use XMLSpy as the default editor for XQuery files, activate the *Use XMLSpy as default editor* check box.

## 6.1.2 XQuery Entry Helpers

There are three Entry Helpers in XQuery mode of Text View: XQuery Keywords (blue), XQuery Variables (purple), and XQuery Functions (olive).



Note the following points:

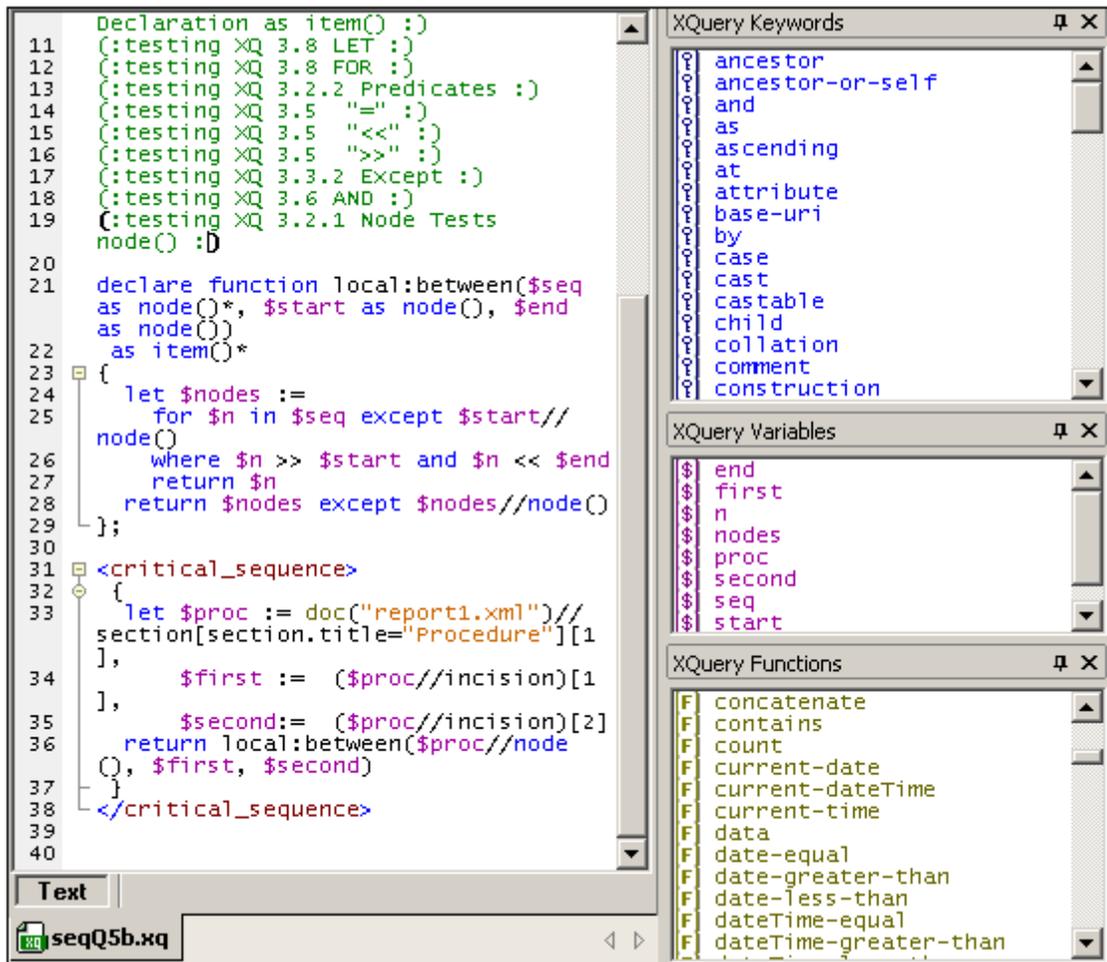
- The color of items in the three Entry Helpers are different and correspond to the syntax

- coloring used in the text. These colors cannot be changed.
- The listed keywords and functions are those supported by the Altova XQuery Engines.
  - The variables are defined in the XQuery document itself. When a \$ and a character are entered in Text View, the character is entered in the Variables Entry Helper (unless a variable consisting of exactly that character exists). As soon as a variable name that is being entered matches a variable name that already exists, the newly entered variable name disappears from the Entry Helper.
  - To navigate in any Entry Helper, click an item in the Entry Helper, and then use either the scrollbar, mouse wheel, or page-down and page-up to move up and down the list.

To insert any of the items listed in the Entry Helpers into the document, place the cursor at the required insertion point and double-click the item. In XQuery, some character strings represent both a keyword and a function (`empty`, `unordered`, and `except`). These strings are always entered as keywords (in blue)—even if you select the function of that name in the Functions Entry Helper. When a function appears in blue, it can be distinguished by the parentheses that follow the function name.

### 6.1.3 XQuery Syntax Coloring

An XQuery document can consist of XQuery code as well as XML code. The default syntax coloring for the XQuery code is described in this section. The syntax coloring for XML code in an XQuery document is the same as that used for regular XML documents. All syntax coloring (for both XQuery code and XML code) is set in the Text Fonts tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**). Note that XQuery code can be contained in XML elements by enclosing the XQuery code in curly braces { } (*see screenshot for example*).



In XQuery code in the XQuery Mode of Text View, the following default syntax coloring is used:

- `(: Comments, including 'smiley' delimiters, are in green :)`
- XQuery Keywords are in blue: `keyword`
- XQuery Variables, including the dollar sign, are in purple: `$start`
- XQuery Functions, but **not** their parentheses, are in olive: `function()`
- Strings are in orange: `"Procedure"`
- All other text, such as path expressions, is black (*shown underlined below*). So:  
`for $s in doc("report1.xml")//section[section.title =  
"Procedure"]  
return ($s//incision)[2]/instrument`

You can change these default colors and other font properties in the Text Fonts tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).

**Note:** In the screenshot above, one pair of colored parentheses for a comment is displayed black and bold. This is because of the bracket-matching feature (see [XQuery Intelligent Editing](#)).

## 6.1.4 XQuery Intelligent Editing

The XQuery mode of Text View provides the following intelligent editing features.

- [Bracket-matching](#)
- [Keywords](#)
- [Variables](#)
- [Functions](#)
- [Visual guides](#)

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### Bracket-matching

The bracket-matching feature highlights the opening and closing brackets of a pair of brackets, enabling you to clearly see the contents of a pair of brackets. This is particularly useful when brackets are nested, as in XQuery comments (see *screenshot below*).

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1  [ (: (: (Filename: seqQ5b.xq :))
2  | (: (Source: http://www.w3.org/TR/xquery-use-cases :):)]
```

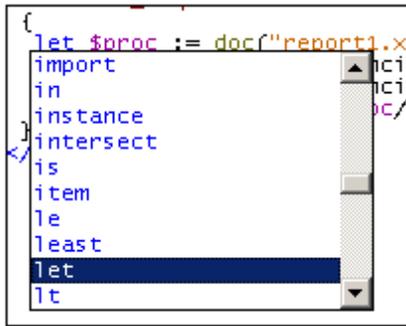
- Bracket-matching is activated when the cursor is placed either immediately before or immediately after a bracket (either opening or closing). That bracket is highlighted (bold black) together with its corresponding bracket. Notice the cursor position in the screenshot above.
- Bracket-matching is enabled for round parentheses ( ), square brackets [ ], and curly braces { }. The exception is angular brackets <>, which are used for XML tags.

**Note:** When you place the cursor just inside a start or end bracket, both brackets are highlighted. Pressing **Ctrl+E** moves the cursor to the other member of the pair. Pressing **Ctrl+E** repeatedly enables you to switch between the start and end brackets. This is another aid to quickly navigating your document.

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### Keywords

XQuery keywords are instructions used in query expressions, and they are displayed in blue. You select a keyword by placing the cursor inside a keyword, or immediately before or after it. With a keyword selected, pressing **Ctrl+Space** causes a complete list of keywords to be displayed in a pop-up menu. You can scroll through the list and double-click a keyword you wish to have replace the selected keyword.

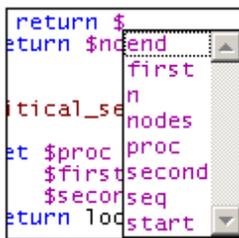


In the screenshot above, the cursor was placed in the `let` keyword. Double-clicking a keyword from the list causes it to replace the `let` keyword.

### Variables

Names of variables are prefixed with the `$` sign, and they are displayed in purple. This mechanism of the intelligent editing feature is similar to that for keywords. There are two ways to access the pop-up list of all variables in a document:

- After typing a `$` character, press **Ctrl+Space**
- Select a variable and press **Ctrl+Space**. (A variable is selected when you place the cursor immediately after the `$` character, or within the name of a variable, or immediately after the name of a variable.)



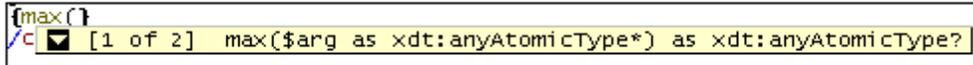
To insert a variable after the `$` character (when typing), or to replace a selected variable, double-click the variable you want in the pop-up menu.

### Functions

Just as with keywords and variables, a pop-up menu of built-in functions is displayed when you select a function (displayed in olive) and press **Ctrl+Space**. (A function is selected when you place the cursor within a function name, or immediately before or after a function name. The cursor must not be placed between the parentheses that follow the function's name.) Double-clicking a function name in the pop-up menu replaces the selected function name with the function from the pop-up menu.

To display a tip containing the signature of a function (*screenshot below*), place the cursor immediately after the opening parenthesis and press **Ctrl+Space**. Note that the signature can be

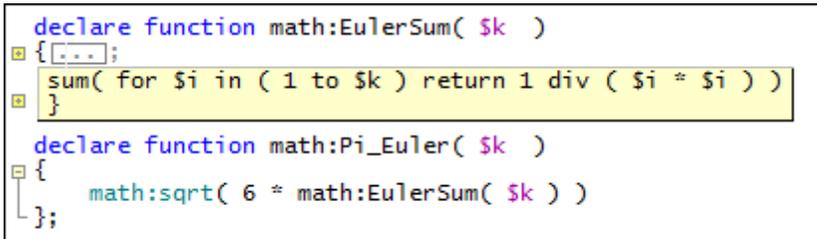
displayed only for standard XQuery functions.



The downward-pointing arrowhead indicates that there is more than one function with the same name but with different arguments or return types. Click on the arrowhead to display the signature of the next function (if available); click repeatedly to cycle through all the functions with that name. Alternatively, you can use the **Ctrl+Shift+Up** or **Ctrl+Shift+Down** key-combinations to move through a sequence.

### Visual guides

Text folding (or source folding) is enabled on XQuery curly braces, XQuery comments, XML elements, and XML comments, and refers to the ability to expand and collapse these nodes. Such nodes are indicated in the source folding margin by a +/- sign (see *screenshot below*). The margin can be toggled on and off in the [Text View Settings dialog](#). When a node is collapsed, this is visually indicated by an ellipsis (see *screenshot below*). If the mouse cursor is placed over an ellipsis, the content of the collapsed node is displayed in a popup (see *screenshot*). If the content is too large for a popup, this is indicated by an ellipsis at the bottom of the popup.



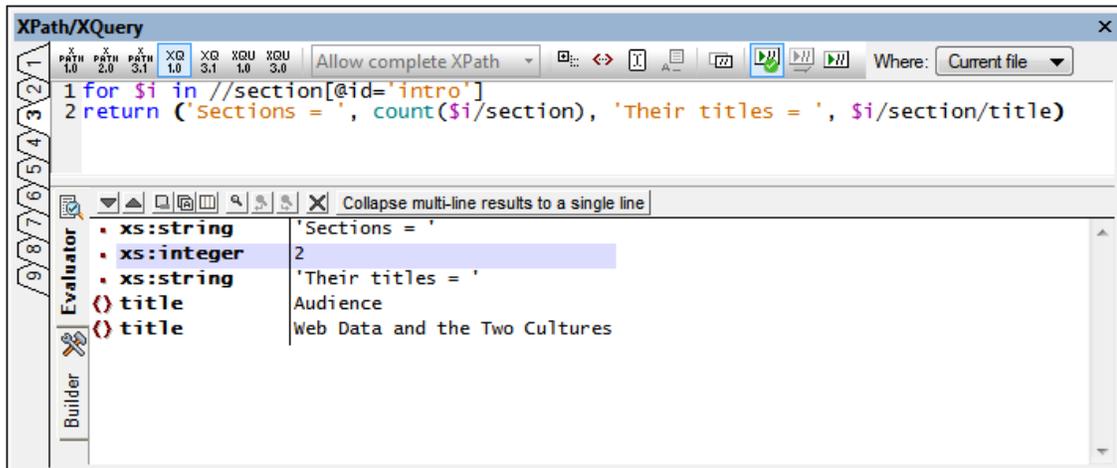
The **Toggle All Folds** icon  in the Text toolbar toggles **all** nodes to their expanded forms or collapses all nodes to the top-level document element.

The following options are available when clicking on the node's +/- icon:

<b>Click [-]</b>	Collapses the node.
<b>Click [+]</b>	Expands the node so that descendant nodes are shown expanded or collapsed according to how they were before the node was collapsed.
<b>Shift+Click [-]</b>	Collapses all descendant nodes, but leaves the node that was clicked in its expanded form.
<b>Ctrl+Click [+]</b>	Expand the clicked node as well as all its descendant nodes.

## 6.2 XQuery Evaluation

XQuery expressions can be evaluated against one or more documents in the XPath/XQuery Output Window (*screenshot below*).



Do this as follows:

1. Enter the XQuery expression in the top pane of the window.
2. In the *Where* combo box (see *screenshot above*), select where the XML document to be queried is located. The options are: (i) Current file; (ii) Open files; (iii) Project; (iv) Folder.
3. Click **Evaluate XPath/XQuery Expression (F5)**. The expression is evaluated against the XML file/s. If the specified (*Where*) location contains more than one XML file, all the XML files are searched for data structures or content matching the expression. Results of all available matches are displayed in the lower pane.

In the screenshot above, a query is made for a section element that has the attribute `@id='intro'`. The query returns the number of sub-sections of this `intro` section, and their titles.

For more information, see also [Output Window: XPath/XQuery](#) and [Previewing and Applying XQuery Updates](#).

## 6.3 XQuery Validation

To validate an XQuery or XQuery Update document, do the following:

1. Make the XQuery document the active document.
2. Select **XML | Validate**, or press the **F8** key, or click the **Validate** toolbar icon.



*Validate toolbar icon*

The document will be validated for correct XQuery syntax.

## 6.4 XQuery/Update Execution

An XQuery or XQuery Update document can be run in the following ways:

- When the XQuery or XQuery Update document is active.
- When an XML document is active.

**Note:** Whether a document is an XQuery document or XQuery Update document is determined by the document's file extension. XMLSpy recognizes file type associations according to the definitions made in Filetypes tab of the Options dialog. ([Tools | Options | Filetypes](#)).

**Note:** For XQuery Update, you can also enter Update expressions in the XPath/XQuery output window and preview updates. If the updates are acceptable, you can apply the updates and then save the updated file. See [XQuery Update Facility](#) and [Previewing and Applying Updates](#) for more details.

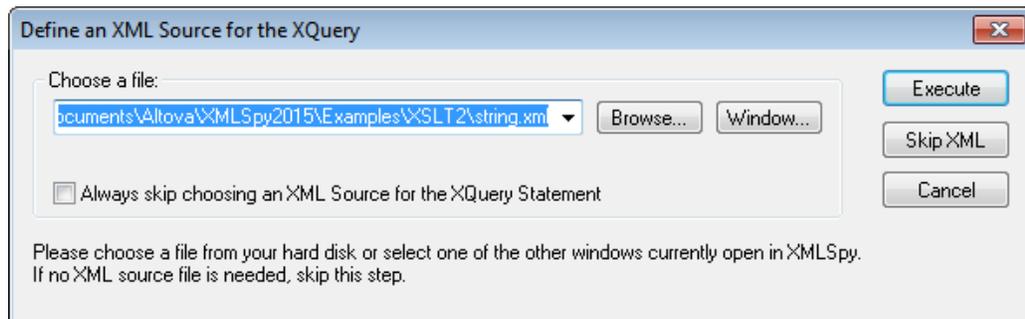
### Execution with XQuery or XQuery Update document active

To execute an XQuery or XQuery Update document with the *XQuery / XQuery Update document active*, do the following

1. Make the XQuery or XQuery Update document the active document.
2. Select **XSL/XQuery | XQuery/ Update Execution** or click the command's toolbar icon. This opens the Define an XML Source for the XQuery dialog (*screenshot below*).



*XQuery/ Update Execution toolbar icon*



3. Either browse for an XML file and execute, or skip the selection of an XML source.

Typically, an XQuery document is **not** associated with any single XML document. This is because XQuery expressions can select any number of XML documents with the `doc()` function. In XMLSpy, however, before executing individual XQuery documents you can select a source XML document for the execution. In such cases, the document node of the selected XML source is the starting context item available at the root level of the XQuery document. Paths that begin with a leading slash are resolved with this document node as its context item.

**Note:** The **XQuery/ Update Execution** command is also available in the context menu of

[Project window](#) items.

#### *Result of execution / update*

- *XQuery execution*: The result document is generated as a temporary file that can be saved to any location with the desired file format and extension.
- *XQuery update*: The update is saved to file, or the updated file is opened, allowing you to preview it, and then either save or close without saving. You can specify which of the two actions to carry out. This is done in the the *XQuery* tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options | XQuery](#)).

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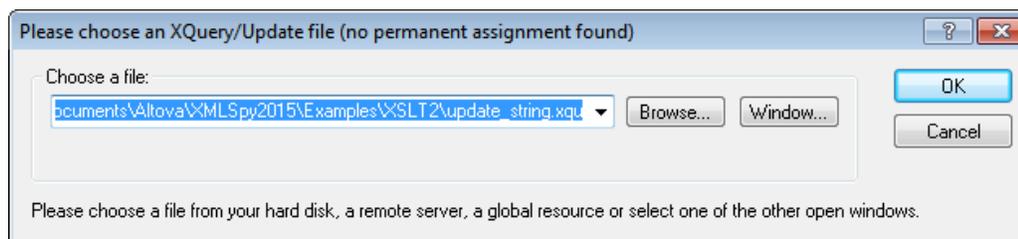
### Execution with XML document active

To execute an XQuery or XQuery Update document on an *active XML document*, do the following

1. Make the XML document the active document.
2. Select **XSL/XQuery | XQuery/ Update Execution** or click the command's toolbar icon. This opens the Choose XQuery/Update File dialog (*screenshot below*).



*XQuery/ Update Execution toolbar icon*



3. Browse for the XQuery or XQuery Update file and click **OK**.

#### *Result of execution / update*

- *XQuery execution*: The result document is generated as a temporary file that can be saved to any location with the desired file format and extension.
- *XQuery update*: The update is saved to file, or the updated file is opened, allowing you to preview it, and then either save or close without saving. You can specify which of the two actions to carry out. This is done in the the *XQuery* tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options | XQuery](#)).

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### XQuery Variables

If you are using the Altova XQuery engines, XQuery variables can be stored in a convenient GUI dialog. All the stored variables are passed to the XQuery document each time you execute an XQuery document via XMLSpy. For more information, see the description of the [XSLT Parameters / XQuery Variable](#) command.

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**Altova XQuery Engines**

For details about how the Altova XQuery Engines are implemented and will process XQuery files, see [XQuery Engine Implementation](#).

## 6.5 XQuery Update Facility

The XQuery Update Facility is an extension of the XQuery language that enables parts of XML documents to be modified. In normal XQuery execution, the entire document is regenerated, and has to be stored back to its location. This could be inefficient when only small parts of the document need to be modified. With the Update Facility, only those parts of the document that need to be modified are updated.

The XQuery Update Facility is described as extensions to XQuery 1.0 and XQuery 3.1, in the following specifications, respectively:

- [XQuery Update Facility 1.0 \(W3C Recommendation of 17 March 2011\)](#)
- [XQuery Update Facility 3.0 \(W3C Working Draft of 08 January 2013\)](#)

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### The XQuery Update Facility in XMLSpy

The following points explain how XQuery Update works in XMLSpy:

- An update is carried out by an update expression. For example, an update expression can specify that a node in an XML document is renamed:  
`rename node /documents/doc-01 as "document-01"`
- In practice, multiple update expressions are entered in a single document—the XQuery Update document.
- As each update expression in the update document executes, the result is not applied immediately, but is added to a *Pending Updates List (PUL)*. As a result, the PUL contains the results of all the update expressions. All updates in the PUL are then applied all together at once.
- In XMLSpy, the PUL updates are applied in one of two ways:
  - (i) *After being previewed by the user in the GUI. The advantage is that the update can be aborted if the preview shows undesirable results. Previewing is available on running the [XQuery/Update Execution command](#), or on evaluating XQuery Update expressions in the [XPath/XQuery output window](#). How to set the preview option is explained in the respective descriptions.*
  - (ii) *Directly and without any user intervention. The advantage is that the update is carried out silently without requiring user intervention. The direct application of updates (without a preview) is available on running the [XQuery/Update Execution command](#), or on evaluating XQuery Update expressions in the [XPath/XQuery output window](#). How to set the direct-update option is explained in the respective descriptions.*

XMLSpy provides a powerful XQuery Update Preview feature, which enables you to preview the effect of update expressions on the active XML document and then apply it. This feature is described the section [Previewing and Applying Updates](#).

### 6.5.1 Previewing and Applying Updates

If you wish to modify an XML document using XQuery Update, you can preview updates before applying them to the XML document and saving the modified document.

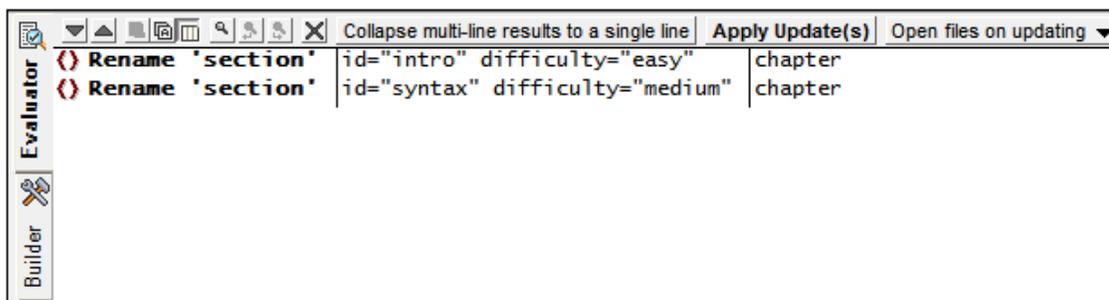
In the XPath/XQuery output window (*screenshot below*), you can enter one or more update



- not.
- The *Show Complete Result* toggle specifies whether to show the entire node content or only attributes of the node.
  - The *Set XPath/XQuery Origin*, if selected, sets the cursor location in the active file as the origin of relative XPath expressions. The expression is evaluated relative to this node.
  - Instead of manually entering the locator path expression of a node, you can let XMLSpy enter it for you. Do this as follows: (i) Place the cursor at the point in the XPath expression where you want to enter the locator path; (ii) Place the cursor in the start tag of the node you want to target; (iii) Click the *Copies the XPath of the Current Selection to the Edit Field* icon  to enter the locator path in the expression. The locator path will be entered as an absolute path starting at the root node of the document.
  - The *Validate XML File* toggles on/off XML file validation.
  - The *Evaluate XPath/XQuery Expression on Typing* command is enabled when the parse option is *Current File*. If the command is toggled on, the PUL is generated even as the update expression is being entered.
  - The *Evaluate XPath/XQuery Expression* command evaluates the update expression/s and generates the PUL.
  - The *Scan Location* combo box option is described above.

### The Pending Update List (PUL) pane

The PUL pane shows all the updates that will be carried out. If the Show Header option has been toggled on in the window's toolbar, the locations of target files are displayed. The PUL display is divided into three vertical sections (see *screenshot below*): (i) the update action to carry out; (ii) the content of the target node to be updated; (iii) the update action result.



The following PUL pane toolbar commands are available:

- The *Next* and *Previous* icons select, respectively, the next and previous messages to the currently selected message.
- The *Copy Line/s* commands copy, respectively, the selected line and all lines to the clipboard.
- The *Find* commands find text in the PUL pane.
- The *Clear* command deletes all lines in the PUL pane.
- The *Collapse Multiline Results* command collapses multiline update list items to single lines.
- The *Apply Update(s)* command applies the pending updates to the target locations. On updating, the updates can be saved to file, or the updated file can be displayed (and subsequently saved manually or not). See the next option.

- The *Update Files Directly* combo box allows you to select (i) whether files are updated silently on disk, or (ii) whether updated files are opened and made active. If the latter option is selected, non-active target files are made active. You then have the choice of saving the modified document or not.

**Note:** If one or more files have been updated directly on disk, a list of changed files is displayed. Each item in the list shows the location of the file and is a clickable link to the file.

## 6.5.2 Update Operations and Syntax

The XQuery Update Facility enables the following operations:

- [Delete](#) one or several nodes
- [Insert](#) one or more nodes before, after, or inside a specified node
- [Rename](#) a node
- [Replace](#) a node with a sequence of items
- [Replace Value](#) of a node with the string value of a sequence of items

The keywords and syntax of these operations are described in the sub-sections of this section.

### Delete Nodes

#### Description and syntax

Deletes one or more nodes.

```
delete node nodeSequence
delete nodes nodeSequence
```

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#### Details

- The expression *nodeSequence* returns a sequence of the node/s to delete. All selected nodes will be marked for deletion.
- It does not matter whether the singular `node` or plural `nodes` is used. No correspondence is needed with the number of items in *nodeSequence*.

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#### Examples

```
for $i in /book/section return
delete nodes $i/@id
```

## Insert Nodes

### Description and syntax

Inserts one or more nodes before, after, or inside the specified target node.

```
insert (node|nodes) items into targetNode
insert (node|nodes) items as first into targetNode
insert (node|nodes) items as last into targetNode
insert (node|nodes) items before targetNode
insert (node|nodes) items after targetNode
```

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### Details

- The expression *items* must return a sequence of items. Even though the keyword `node|nodes` is used, *items* can be a sequence of non-node items.
  - The expression *targetNode* must point to a single target node.
  - If the keyword `into` is used, *targetNode* must be an element node or document-element node.
  - If the keyphrase `as first` or `as last` is used, the insertion is as first or last children, respectively.
  - If the keyword `into` is used alone, then attributes are appended to existing attributes, and elements are inserted as first children.
  - If the keyword `before` or `after` is used, *targetNode* can be of any type.
  - If an attribute is being inserted, its name must not duplicate that of an already existing attribute.
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### Examples

```
for $i in /book/section return
insert nodes (attribute id { 'somevalue' }, <newelement>some content including
the numbers "{ 1 to 3}"</newelement>)
into $i
```

## Rename Node

### Description and syntax

Renames an element, attribute, or processing instruction node.

```
rename node targetNode as name
```

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### Details

- The expression *targetNode* must point to a single target node, which can be an element, attribute, or processing instruction.
  - The expression *name* must evaluate to a QName or string.
  - If a QName is constructed, the mandatory namespace is declared locally.
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### Examples

```
rename node /book/title as 'header-1'
```

```
rename node /book/title as QName("http://www.altova.com/xquf", "header-1")
```

## Replace Node

### Description and syntax

Replaces a node with a sequence of any kind of items.

```
replace node targetNode with items
```

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### Details

- The expression *targetNode* must point to a single target node.
  - The expression *items* must return a sequence of items. This sequence will replace the target node.
  - Except for attribute nodes, a target node can be replaced by any type of sequence.
  - An attribute node can only be replaced with an attribute node. *See example below.*
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### Examples

```
replace node //hr with '<line/>'
```

```
for $i in //@height return  
replace node $i with (attribute line-height{'12pt'})
```

## Replace Value of Node

### Description and syntax

Replaces the value of a node with the string value of a sequence of items.

```
replace value of node targetNode with items
```

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### Details

- The expression `targetNode` must point to a single target node.
  - The expression `items` must return a sequence of items.
  - The contents of the target node are replaced by the string value of the sequence returned by the `items` expression. This means that the target node will contain one text node only.
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### Examples

```
for $i in //title return
replace value of node $i with ('Draft Title')
```

## The fn:put Function

The `fn.put` function is provided by XQuery Update Facility 1.0 as an extension to the XQuery built-in function library. (The `fn:` namespace prefix in this section is assumed to be bound to the namespace: `http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions.`)

```
fn:put($node as node(), $uri as xs:string) as empty-sequence()
```

The function stores a document or element to the location specified by `$uri`. It is normally invoked to create a resource on an external storage system such as a file system or a database. The external effects of `fn:put` are implementation-defined, since they occur outside the domain of XQuery. The intent is that, if `fn:put` is invoked on a document node and no error is raised, a subsequent query can access the stored document by invoking `fn:doc` with the same URI.

See the [specification](#) for more details.

## 6.6 XQuery and XML Databases

An XQuery document can be used to query an XML database (XML DB). Currently this XQuery functionality is supported only for IBM DB2 databases. The mechanism for querying an XML DB using XQuery essentially involves: (i) indicating to the XQuery engine that XML in a DB is to be queried—as opposed to XML in an XML document; and (ii) accessing the XML data in the DB.

The steps for implementing this mechanism are as follows and are described in detail below:

1. [Set up the XQuery document](#) to query the XML DB by inserting the `XQUERY` keyword at the start of the document.
2. For the active XQuery document, [enable DB support](#) (via the Info window) and [connect to the DB](#) (using the Quick Connect dialog).
3. In the XQuery document, insert [DB-specific XQuery extensions](#) so as to access the DB data and make it available for XQuery operations.
4. [Execute the XQuery](#) document in XMLSpy.

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### Setting up the XQuery document to query the XML DB

To set up the XQuery document to query an XML DB, open the XQuery document (or create a new XQuery document) and enter the keyword `XQUERY` (casing is irrelevant) at the start of the document (before the prolog); *see examples below*.

```
XQUERY (: Retrieve details of all customers :)
declare default element namespace "http://www.altova.com/xquery/databases/db2";
<a> {db2-fn:xmlcolumn("CUSTOMER.INFO")} </a>
```

If the document uses the optional `xquery version` expression, the `XQUERY` keyword is still required:

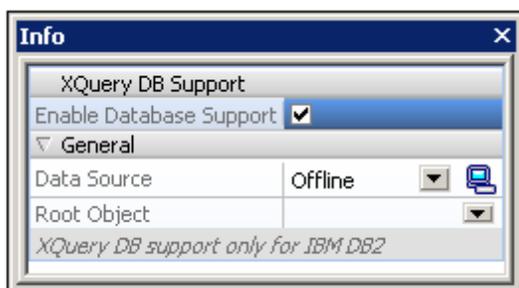
```
XQUERY xquery version "1.0"; (: Retrieve details of all customers :)
declare default element namespace "http://http://www.altova.com/xquery/
databases/db2";
<a> {db2-fn:xmlcolumn("CUSTOMER.INFO")} </a>
```

**Note:** XMLSpy's built-in XQuery Engines read the `XQUERY` keyword as indicating that an XML DB is to be accessed. As a result, attempting to execute an XQuery document containing the `XQUERY` keyword on any XML document other than one contained in an XML DB will result in an error.

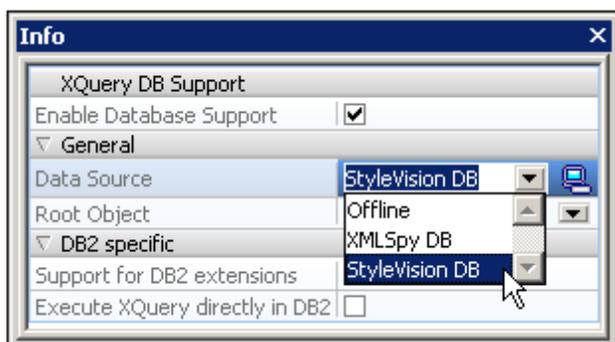
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### Enable DB support for XQuery and connect to the DB

DB support for an XQuery document is enabled by checking the Enable Database Support check box in the Info window (*screenshot below*). Note that DB Support must be enabled for each XQuery document separately and each time an XQuery document is opened afresh.



When you enable DB support in the Info window, a Quick Connect dialog pops up, which enables you to connect to a database. Currently, only IBM DB2 databases are supported. How to connect to a DB is described in the section, [Connecting to a Database](#). If connections to data sources already exists, then these are listed in the Data Sources combo box of the Info window (*screenshot below*), and one of these data sources can be selected as the data source for the active XQuery document. In the Info window, you can also select the root object from among those available in the Root Object combo box.



The Quick Connect dialog (which enables you to connect to a DB) can be accessed at any time by clicking the  icon in the Info window.

**Note:** When you close an XQuery document the connection to the DB is closed as well. If you subsequently re-open the XQuery document, you will also have to re-connect to the DB.

### IBM DB2-specific XQuery language extensions

Two IBM DB2-specific functions can be used in XQuery documents to retrieve data from an IBM DB2 database:

- `db2-fn:xmlcolumn` retrieves an entire XML column without searching or filtering the column.
- `db2-fn:sqlquery` retrieves values based on an SQL `SELECT` statement

The XML data retrieved using these functions can then be operated on using standard XQuery constructs. *See examples below.*

**db2-fn:xmlcolumn:** The argument of the function is a case-sensitive string literal that identifies an XML column in a table. The string literal argument must be a qualified column name of type XML. The function returns all the XML data in the column as a sequence, without applying a

search condition to it. In the following example, all the data of the `INFO` (XML) column of the `CUSTOMER` table is returned within a top-level `<newdocelement>` element:

```
XQUERY (: Retrieve details of all customers :)
declare default element namespace "http://www.altova.com/xquery/databases/db2";
<newdocelement> {db2-fn:xmlcolumn("CUSTOMER.INFO")} </newdocelement>
```

The retrieved data can then be queried with XQuery constructs. In the example below, the XML data retrieved from the `INFO` (XML) column of the `CUSTOMER` table is filtered using an XQuery construct so that only the profiles of customers from Toronto are retrieved.

```
XQUERY (: Retrieve details of Toronto customers :)
declare default element namespace "http://www.altova.com/xquery/databases/db2";
<newdocelement> {db2-fn:xmlcolumn("CUSTOMER.INFO")/customerinfo[addr/city='Toronto']} </newdocelement>
```

**Note:** In the example above, the document element of the XML files in each cell is `customerinfo` and the root node of the XML sequence returned by `db2-fn:xmlcolumn` is considered to be an abstract node above the `customerinfo` nodes.

**db2-fn:sqlquery:** The function takes an SQL Select statement as its argument and returns a sequence of XML values. The retrieved sequence is then queried with XQuery constructs. In the following example, the `INFO` column is filtered for records in the `CUSTOMER` table that have a `CID` field with a value between 1000 and 1004. Note that while SQL is not case-sensitive, XQuery is.

```
XQUERY (: Retrieve details of customers by Cid:)
declare default element namespace "http://www.altova.com/xquery/databases/db2";
<persons>
  {db2-fn:sqlquery("SELECT info FROM customer WHERE CID>1000 AND CID<1004")}/
  <person>
    <id>{data(@Cid)}</id>
    <name>{data(name)}</name>
  </person>
</persons>
```

The XQuery document above returns the following output:

```
<persons xmlns="http://www.altova.com/xquery/databases/db2">
  <person>
    <id>1001</id>
    <name>Kathy Smith</name>
  </person>
  <person>
    <id>1002</id>
    <name>Jim Jones</name>
  </person>
  <person>
    <id>1003</id>
    <name>Robert Shoemaker</name>
  </person>
</persons>
```

Note the following points:

- The default element namespace declaration in the prolog applies for the entire XQuery

document and is used for navigation of the XML document as well as for construction of new elements. This means that the XQuery selector `name` is expanded to `<default-element-namespace>:name`, and that constructed elements, such as `persons`, are in the default element namespace.

- The SQL Select statement is not case-sensitive.
- The `WHERE` clause of the Select statement should reference another database item—not a node inside the XML file being accessed.
- The `"/` after the `db2-fn:sqlquery` function represents the first item of the returned sequence, and this item is the context node for further navigation.

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### Execute the XQuery

To execute the XQuery document, select the **XQuery Execution** command (**XSL/XQuery** menu). Alternatively, press **Alt+F10** or click the XQuery Execution icon . The result of the execution is displayed in a new document.

## 7 XSLT/XQuery Debugger and Profiler

XMLSpy contains an [XSLT/XQuery Debugger](#) and an [XSLT/XQuery Profiler](#) to help you create correct XQuery documents faster.

These two features are described in the sub-sections of this section.

## 7.1 XSLT and XQuery Debugger

Altova website:  [XSLT Debugger](#), [XQuery Debugger](#)

The XSLT and XQuery Debugger enables you to test and debug XSLT stylesheets and XQuery documents. The XSLT and XQuery Debugger interface presents simultaneous views of the XSLT/XQuery document, the result document, and the source XML document. You can then go step-by-step through the XSLT/XQuery document. The corresponding output is generated step-by-step, and, if a source XML file is displayed, the corresponding position in the XML file is highlighted for each step. At the same time, windows in the interface provide debugging information.

The XSLT and XQuery Debugger always opens within a **debugging session**. Debugging sessions can be of the following types:

- XSLT 1.0, which uses the built-in Altova XSLT 1.0 engine
- XSLT 2.0, which uses the built-in Altova XSLT 2.0 engine
- XSLT 3.0, which uses the built-in Altova XSLT 3.0 engine
- XQuery 1.0, which uses the built-in Altova XQuery 1.0 engine
- XQuery 3.1, which uses the built-in Altova XQuery 3.1 engine

**Note:** XQuery Update Facility 1.0 and XQuery Update Facility 3.0 are currently not supported in XSLT and XQuery Debugger.

Which kind of debugging session is opened is determined automatically by the type of document from which the debugging session is opened (hereafter called the *active document* or *active file*). XSLT debugging sessions are opened from XSLT files (which version depends on the value of the `version` attribute of the `xsl:stylesheet` (or `xsl:transform`) element in the XSLT stylesheet ("1.0" for XSLT 1.0, "2.0" for XSLT 2.0, and "3.0" for XSLT 3.0)). XQuery debugging sessions are opened from XQuery files in a similar way. If the active file is an XML file, the selection depends on whether you choose to run an XSLT or XQuery file on the XML file; if the former, the selection further depends on whether the stylesheet is an XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, or XSLT 3.0 stylesheet.

This information is summarized in the table below.

Active File	Associated File	Debugging Session
XSLT 1.0	XML; (required)	XSLT 1.0 (using built-in Altova XSLT 1.0 engine)
XSLT 2.0	XML; (required)	XSLT 2.0 (using built-in Altova XSLT 2.0 engine)
XSLT 3.0	XML; (required)	XSLT 3.0 (using built-in Altova XSLT 3.0 engine)
XQuery 1.0	XML; (optional)	XQuery 1.0 (using built-in Altova XQuery 1.0 engine)
XQuery 3.1	XML; (optional)	XQuery 3.1 (using built-in Altova XQuery 3.0 engine)
XML	XSLT 1.0, 2.0, or 3.0, or XQuery 1.0 or 3.1; (required)	XSLT 1.0, 2.0 or 3.0, or XQuery 1.0 or 3.1. XSLT version depends on value of <code>version</code> attribute of <code>xsl:stylesheet</code> (or <code>xsl:transform</code> ) element of XSLT stylesheet.

For details about the three Altova engines, please see the [XSLT and XQuery Engine Information](#) section in the [Appendices](#).

### Automating XSLT and XQuery tasks with Altova RaptorXML Server 2016

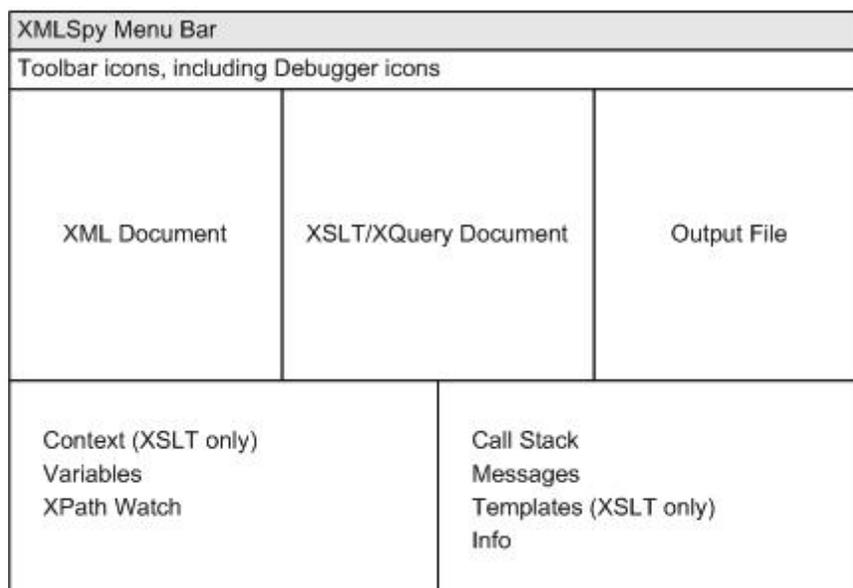
**Altova RaptorXML Server** contains Altova's XML Validator, XSLT 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 engines, and XQuery 1.0 and 3.1 engines. It can be used from the command line, via a COM interface, in Java programs, and in .NET applications to validate XML documents, transform XML documents using XSLT stylesheets, and execute XQuery documents.

XSLT and XQuery tasks can therefore be automated with the use of Altova RaptorXML Server. For example, you can create a batch file that calls Altova RaptorXML to transform a set of XML documents or to execute a set of XQuery documents. See the [RaptorXML Server documentation](#) for details.

## 7.1.1 Mechanism and Interface

The broad mechanism used for debugging XSLT and XQuery files using the XSLT and XQuery Debugger is given below. Note that there is a difference between a debugging session and the debugger, even though both are started with the **XSL/XQuery | Start Debugger / Go** command. You must first start the debugging session, and then step through the XSLT or XQuery document with the debugger.

- Open a debugging session (with the **XSL/XQuery | Start Debugger / Go** command). The appropriate session (XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, XSLT 3.0, XQuery 1.0 or XQuery 3.1) is selected on the basis of the active file (see [XSLT and XQuery Debugger](#)). The XSLT and XQuery Debugger works only in Text View and Grid View. If the view of the active document is not Text View or Grid View when you start the debugging session, you will be prompted for permission to change the view to Text View, which is the default view of the XSLT and XQuery Debugger. You can, in the [Debugger Settings dialog](#), also choose to have this option set permanently.
- Step through the XSLT or XQuery document using the **Step Into**, **Step Out**, and **Step Over** commands in the **XSL/XQuery** menu. (If you click the **Start Debugger / Go** command at this point, the debugger will go through the entire transformation or execution, stopping only at breakpoints. If no breakpoint has been set, it will go through the transformation in one step, without showing any debug results.) If an XML file is associated with the session, the corresponding locations in the XML file are highlighted. Simultaneously, output for corresponding steps is generated in the result file and the result document is built up step-by-step. In this way, you can analyse what each statement of the XSLT or XQuery file does.



Alternatively to the view of the three documents (XML, XSLT/XQuery, Output) shown above, a view of two documents (XSLT/XQuery and Output), or a view of any one of the documents can be selected.

- While a debugging session is open, information windows in the interface provide information about various aspects of the transformation/execution (Variables, XPath Watch, Call Stack, Messages, Info, etc).
- While a debugging session is open, you can stop the debugger (not the same as stopping the debugging session) to make changes to any of the documents. All the editing features that are available in your XMLSpy environment are also available while editing a file during a debugging session. When the debugger is stopped, the XSLT and XQuery Debugger interface stays open, and you have access to all the information in the information windows. After stopping the debugger in a debugging session, you can restart the debugger (from the beginning of the XSLT/XQuery document) within the same debugging session.
- Breakpoints can be set in the XSLT file to interrupt the processing at selected points. This speeds up debugging sessions since you do not have to step through each statement in the XSLT or XQuery document manually.
- Tracepoints can be set in the XSLT file. For instructions where a tracepoint is set, the value of that instruction is output when the instruction is reached.
- Stop a debugging session. This closes the XSLT and XQuery Debugger interface and returns you to your previous XMLSpy environment. The information in the information windows is no longer available. Breakpoint and tracepoint information, however, is retained in the respective files till the file is closed. (So if you start another debugging session involving a file containing breakpoints, the breakpoints will apply in the newly opened debugging session.)

**Please note:** The Debugger toolbar with Debugger icons appears automatically when a debugging session is started.

### 7.1.2 Commands and Toolbar Icons

Debugger commands are available in the **XSL/XQuery** menu and as toolbar icons. The debugger icons are automatically made available in the toolbar when a debugging session is opened. These

icons are listed below.

**Start Debugger/Go (Alt+F11)**

Starts or continues processing the XSLT/XQuery document till the end. If breakpoints have been set, then processing will pause at that point. If the debugger session has not been started, then this button will start the session and stop at the first node to be processed. If the session is running, then the XSLT/XQuery document will be processed to the end, or until the next breakpoint is encountered. If tracepoints have been set, the value of the instruction for which the tracepoint was set is displayed in the Trace window when that instruction is reached.

**View the active document only**

Maximizes the window of the currently active document in the Debugger interface.

**View XSLT/XQuery and Output**

Displays the XSLT and Output documents in their windows, while hiding the XML document.

**View XML, XSLT/XQuery and Output**

Displays the XML, XSLT/XQuery, and Output documents. This is the default view when an XML document is associated for the debugging session.

**Stop Debugger**

Stops the debugger. This is not the same as stopping the debugger session in which the debugger is running. This is convenient if you wish to edit a document in the middle of a debugging session or to use alternative files within the same debugging session. After stopping the debugger, you must restart the debugger to start from the beginning of the XSLT/XQuery document.

**Step into (F11)**

Proceeds in single steps through all nodes and XPath expressions in the stylesheet. This command is also used to re-start the debugger after it has been stopped.

**Step Over (Ctrl+F11)**

Steps over the current node to the next node at the same level, or to the next node at the next higher level from that of the current node. This command is also used to re-start the debugger

after it has been stopped.



### Step Out (Shift+F11)

Steps out of the current node to the next sibling of the parent node, or to the next node at the next higher level from that of the parent node.



### Show current execution node

Displays/selects the current execution node in the XSLT/XQuery document and the corresponding context node in the XML document. This is useful when you have clicked in other tabs which show or mark specific code in the XSLT stylesheet or XML file, and you want to return to where you were before you did this.



### Restart Debugger

Clears the output window and restarts the debugging session with the currently selected files.



### Insert/Remove Breakpoint (F9)

Inserts or removes a breakpoint at the current cursor position. Inline breakpoints can be defined for nodes in both the XSLT/XQuery and XML documents, and determine where the processing should pause. A dashed red line appears above the node when you set a breakpoint. Breakpoints cannot be defined on closing nodes, and breakpoints on attributes in XSLT documents will be ignored. This command is also available by right-clicking at the breakpoint location.



### Insert/Remove Tracepoint (Shift+F9)

Inserts or removes a tracepoint at the current cursor position. Inline tracepoints can be defined for nodes in XSLT documents. During debugging, when a statement with a tracepoint is reached, the result of that statement is output in the Trace window. A dashed blue line appears above the node when you set a tracepoint. Tracepoints cannot be defined on closing nodes. This command is also available by right-clicking at the tracepoint location.



### Enable/Disable Breakpoint (CTRL+F9)

This command (no toolbar icon exists) enables or disables already defined breakpoints. The red breakpoint highlight turns to gray when a breakpoint is disabled. The debugger does not stop at disabled breakpoints. To disable/enable a breakpoint, place the cursor in that node name and click the Enable/Disable Breakpoint command. This command is also available by right-clicking at the breakpoint location.



### Enable/Disable Tracepoint (Shift+CTRL+F9)

This command (no toolbar icon exists) enables or disables already defined tracepoints. The blue tracepoint highlight turns to gray when a tracepoint is disabled. No output is made in the Trace window for disabled tracepoints. To disable/enable a tracepoint, place the cursor in that node name and click the Enable/Disable Tracepoint command. This command is also available by right-clicking at the tracepoint location.



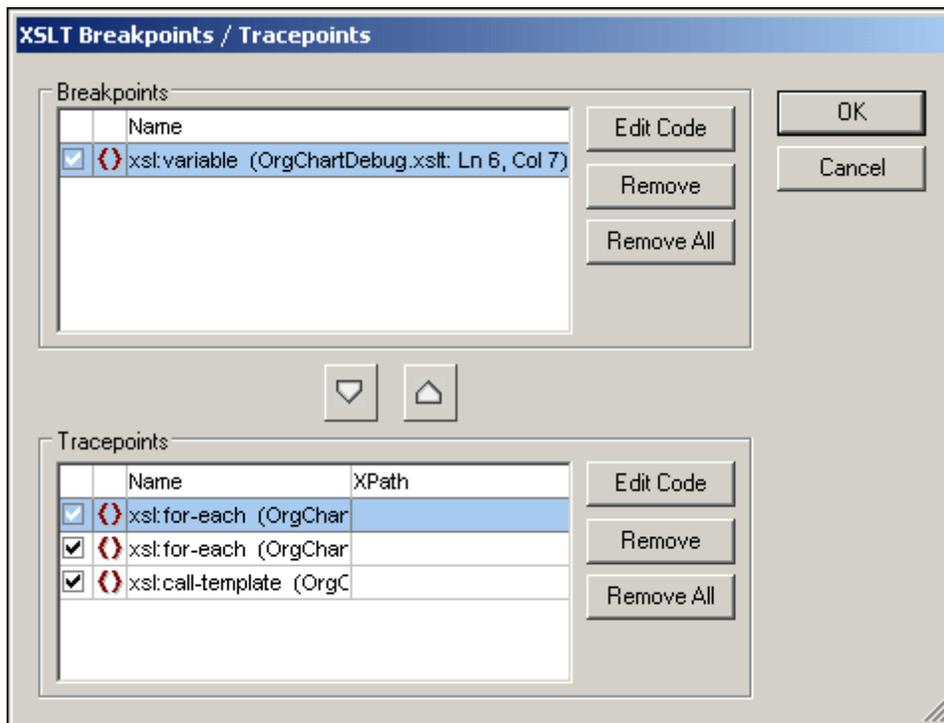
### End Debugger Session

Ends the debugging session and returns you to the normal XMLSpy view that was active before you started the debugging session. Whether the output documents that were opened for the debugging session stay open depends on a setting you make in the [XSLT/XQuery Debugger Settings](#) dialog.



### XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints Dialog

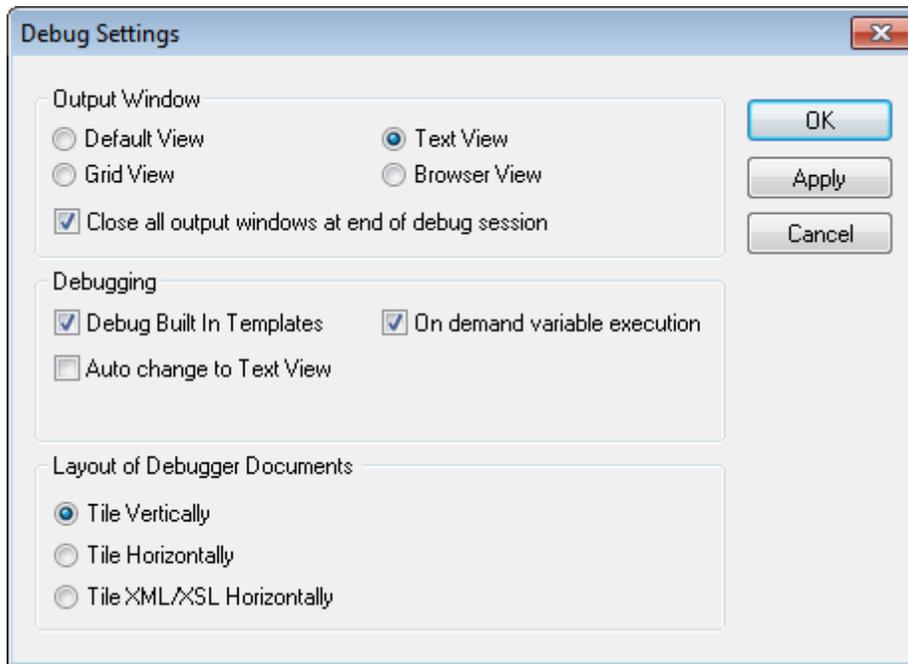
This command opens the XSLT/XQuery Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog, which displays a list of all currently defined breakpoints/tracepoints (including disabled ones) in all files in the current debugging session.



The check boxes indicate whether a breakpoint/tracepoint is enabled (checked) or disabled. You can remove the highlighted breakpoint/tracepoint by clicking the corresponding **Remove** button and remove all breakpoints or tracepoints by clicking the corresponding **Remove All** button. The corresponding **Edit Code** button takes you directly to the selected breakpoint/tracepoint in the file.

### 7.1.3 Debugger Settings

The XSLT and XQuery Debugger Settings dialog enables you to set debugging and output options that are applicable to all debugging sessions. To access the Settings dialog, click **XSL/XQuery | Debug Settings** or click the  icon in the toolbar. The different settings are described below.



#### Output Window

Sets the view of the output document window (Default, Text, Grid, or Browser). The Default View is that selected for a file type (identified by its file extension, for example, `.xslt` or `.xq`) in the *File Types* tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options](#)). For XSLT transformations, the output file type is defined in the XSLT file. For XQuery executions, the output file type is determined by the serialization format you choose in the XQuery setting of this dialog (*see below*).

The Close All Output Windows option gives you the opportunity to keep open the output document windows that were opened in the debugging session when the debugging session ends.

#### Debugging

The Debug Built-in Templates setting causes the debugger to **step into** built-in templates code whenever appropriate. It is not related to the **display** of built-in templates when clicking this type of template entry in the Templates tab, or if the callstack shows a node from the built-in template file.

The XSLT Debugger works only in Text View or Grid View. The Auto Change to Text View option enables you to automatically switch to the Text View of a document for debugging if a document is not in Text View or Grid View. (The XQuery Debugger works in Text View only.) If the *On demand variable execution* check box is checked, the definition of a variable will be stepped into when the variable is called. Otherwise, the Debugger will not step into the variable definition when

it encounters a call to a variable, but will carry on to the next step.

### Layout of Debugger Documents

The Debugger Documents are the documents that are open in the Debugger. You can select whether these documents should be tiled vertically, horizontally, or XML/XSLT horizontally with the result document tiled vertically relative to the XML and XSLT.

## 7.1.4 Starting a Debugging Session

The simplest way to start a debugging session is to start one from an XSLT, XQuery, or XML file. If the required associated file (see [Table of associated files](#)) has already been assigned to the active file, then the debugging session is started immediately. Otherwise you are prompted to select the required associated file. Since XQuery files neither require nor contain an XML file association, you can choose to be prompted for an optional XML file association each time you start an XQuery debugging session from an XQuery file, or to not be prompted.

### Predefined associations

Predefined associations are relevant only for XSLT debugging sessions, and refer to cases in which the associated file assignment is already present in the active file. To make an assignment in an XML or XSLT file, do the following:

- In XML files: Open the file, click **XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL**, and select the XSLT file.
- In XSLT files: Open the file, click **XSL/XQuery | Assign sample XML file...**, and select the XML file.

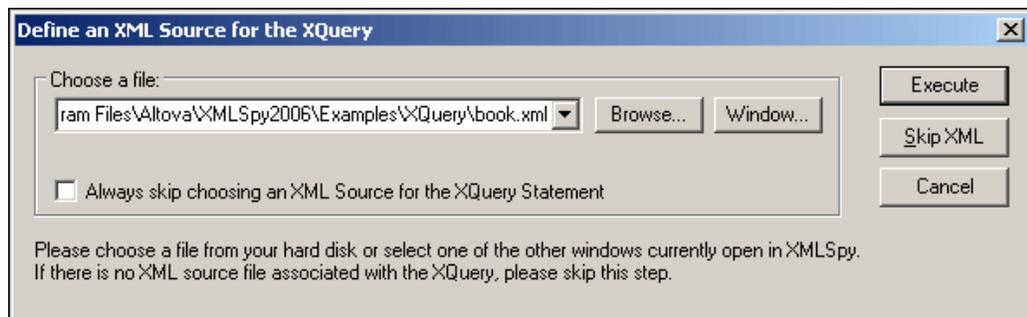
When you click **XSL/XQuery | Start Debugger/Go**, the debugging session is started directly, i.e. without you being prompted for any file to associate with the active file.

### Direct assignment

If no predefined association is present in the active file, you are prompted for an association.

When you select **XSL/XQuery | Start Debugger/Go**, the following happens:

- For XML files: You are prompted to select an XSLT or XQuery file.
- For XSLT files: You are prompted to select an XML file.
- For XQuery files: You are given the option of selecting an XML file, which you can skip.



*(The dialog shown in the screenshot appears when you start a debugging session from an XQuery file.)*

After you select the required associated file or skip an optional association, the debugging session is started.

### Alternative method of file association

In the Project Properties dialog, you can make predefined associations. Click **Project | Project properties**, and assign the required files by clicking the **Use this XSL / Use this XML** check box.

### Debugger View

The XSLT and XQuery Debugger works only in Text View and Enhanced Grid View. If either your XML or XSLT file is open in some other view than Text or Grid View, or if an SPS file is associated with an XML file, the following dialog pops up when you start a debugging session involving one of these files.

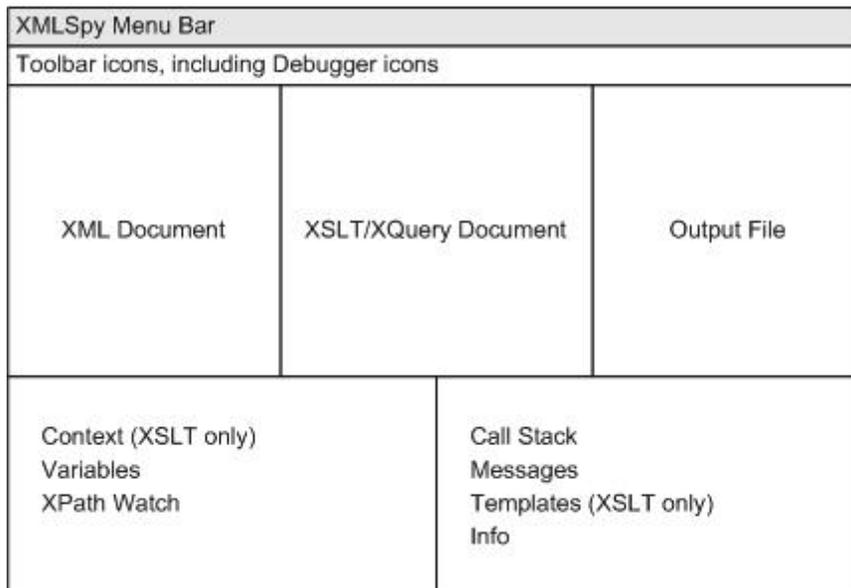


Clicking **OK** causes the document to open in Text View. Note that XQuery files are always displayed in Text View.

## 7.1.5 Information Windows

Information windows that are opened in the XSLT and XQuery Debugger interface during a debugging session contain information about various aspects of the XSLT transformation or XQuery execution. This information is important in helping you debug your XSLT and XQuery files.

There are eight information windows in XSLT debugging sessions and five information windows in XQuery debugging sessions. These windows are organized into two groups by default, which are located at the bottom of the XSLT and XQuery Debugger interface (*see illustration below*). These windows and the information they display are described in detail in this section.



*The default layout of the XSLT and XQuery Debugger interface.*

The first group of information windows displays the following windows as tabs in a single window:

- [Context](#) (for XSLT debugging sessions only)
- [Variables](#)
- [XPath-Watch](#)

The second group of information windows displays the following windows as tabs in a single window

- [Call Stack](#)
- [Messages](#)
- [Templates](#) (for XSLT debugging sessions only)
- [Info](#)
- [Trace](#)

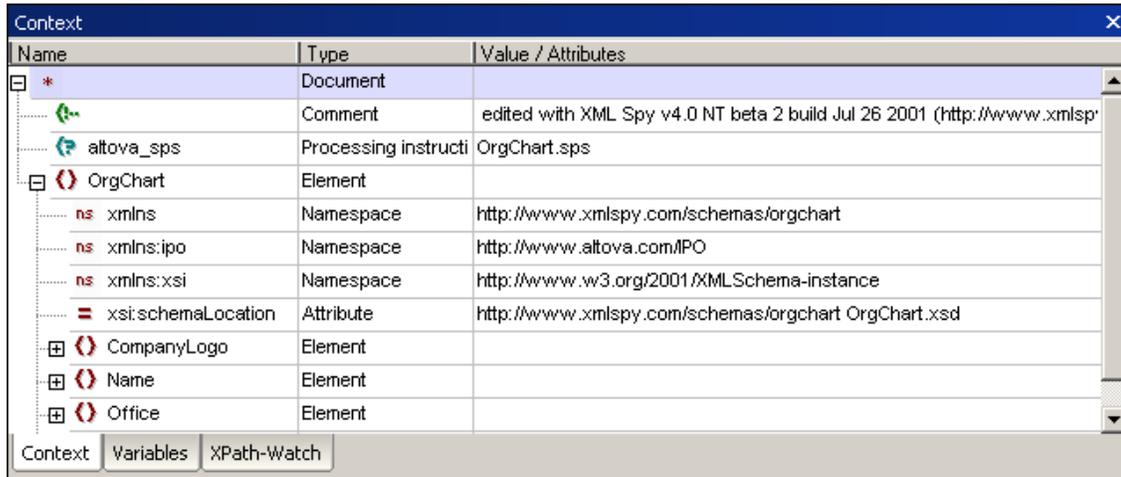
In the default layout, therefore, there are two window groups, each having tabs for the different windows in them. One tab is active at a time. So, for example, to display information about Variables in the first information window group, click the **Variables** tab. This causes the Variables information window to be displayed and the Context and XPath-Watch information windows to be hidden. Note that in some tabs, you can use the information display as navigation tools: clicking an item can take you to that item in the XML, XSLT, or XQuery file. See the documentation of the respective information windows ([Context](#), [Call Stack](#), [Templates](#)) for details.

The two information window groups can be resized by dragging their borders. Individual windows can be dragged out of the containing group by clicking the tab name and dragging the window out of the group. A window can be added to a group by dragging its title bar onto the title bar of the group. Note that there is no reset button to return the layout to the default layout.

## Context Window

The Context Window is available in XSLT debugging sessions only; it is not available in XQuery debugging sessions.

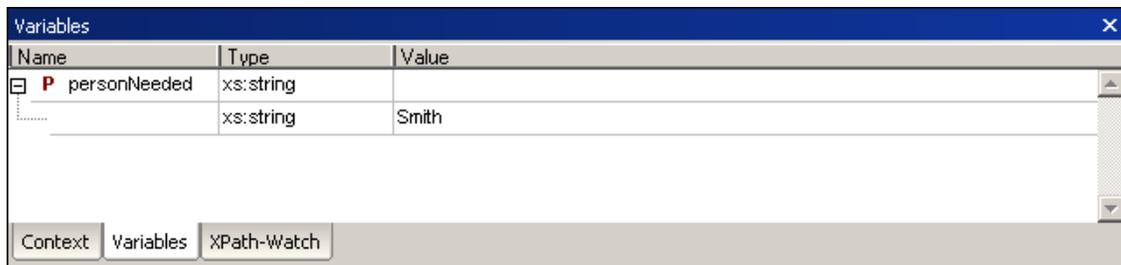
During the processing of the XSLT stylesheet, the processor's context is always within a template that matches some sequence (of nodes or atomic values). The Context Window displays the current processing context, which could be a sequence of nodes, a single node, or an atomic value (such as a string). Depending on the kind of a context item, its value or attribute/s is/are displayed. For example, if the context item is an element, the element's attributes are displayed. If the context item is an attribute or text node, the node's value is displayed.



Clicking an entry in the Context Window, displays that item in the XML document. If the XML document is not currently displayed in the interface, a window for the XML document will be opened.

### Variables Window

The Variables Window is available in XSLT and XQuery debugging sessions. It displays the variables and parameters that are used in the XSLT/XQuery document when they are in scope, and their values.



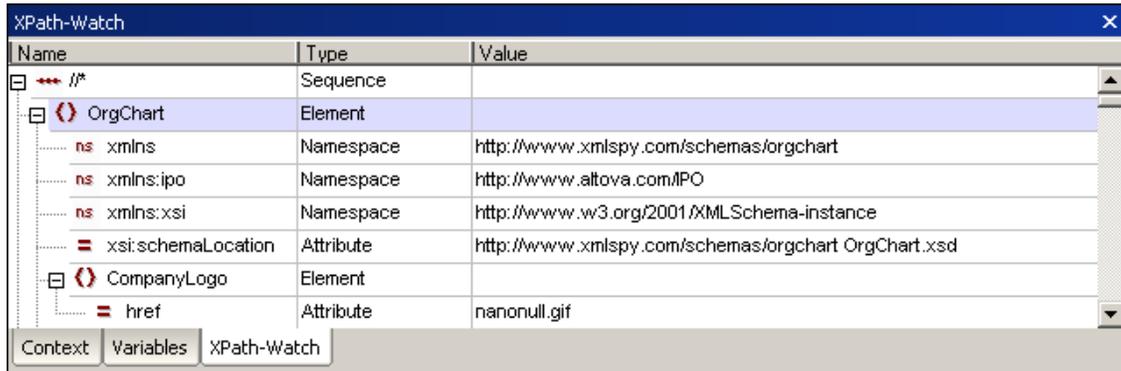
Parameters are indicated with **P**, global variables (declared at top-level of a stylesheet) are indicated with **G**, and local variables (declared within an XSLT template) are indicated with **L**. The type of the values of variables and parameters is also indicated by icons in the Value field. The following types are distinguished: Node Set, Node Fragment, String, Number, and Boolean.

### XPath-Watch Window

The XPath-Watch Window is available in XSLT and XQuery debugging sessions.

It enables you to enter XPath expressions that you wish to evaluate in one or more contexts. As you step through the XSLT document, the XPath expression is evaluated in the current context

and the result is displayed in the Value column.



Name	Type	Value
/	Sequence	
OrgChart	Element	
ns xmlns	Namespace	http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart
ns xmlns:ipo	Namespace	http://www.altova.com/IPO
ns xmlns:xsi	Namespace	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance
xsi:schemaLocation	Attribute	http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart OrgChart.xsd
CompanyLogo	Element	
href	Attribute	nanonull.gif

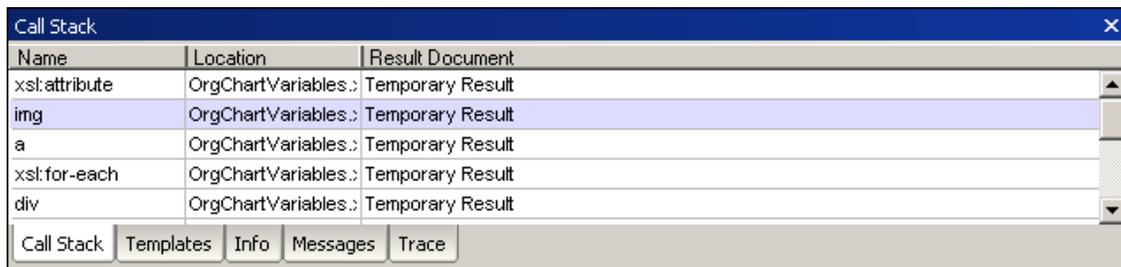
To enter an XPath expression, double-click in the text field under the Name column and enter the XPath. Alternatively, drag an XPath expression from a file and drop it into the XPath-Watch Window. Use expressions that are correct according to the XPath version that corresponds to the XSLT version of the XSLT stylesheet (XPath 1.0 for XSLT 1.0, XPath 2.0 for XSLT 2.0, and XPath 3.0 for XSLT 3.0).

**Note:** If namespaces have been used in the XML file or XSLT file, you must use the correct namespace prefixes in your XPath expressions.

## Call Stack Window

The Call Stack Window is displayed in XSLT and XQuery debugging sessions.

The Call Stack Window displays a list of previously processed XSLT templates and instructions, with the current template/instruction appearing at the top of the list.



Name	Location	Result Document
xsl:attribute	OrgChart/Variables.:	Temporary Result
img	OrgChart/Variables.:	Temporary Result
a	OrgChart/Variables.:	Temporary Result
xsl:for-each	OrgChart/Variables.:	Temporary Result
div	OrgChart/Variables.:	Temporary Result

Clicking an entry in this window, causes the selected XSLT template/instruction to be displayed in the XSLT document window. Clicking a template/instruction that references a built-in template highlights the built-in template in a separate window that displays all built-in templates.

## Messages Window

The Messages Window is displayed in XSLT and XQuery debugging sessions.

### XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, and XSLT 3.0

In XSLT debugging sessions, the Messages tab displays error messages, the `xsl:message` instruction(s), or any error messages that may occur during debugging.



### XQuery

In XQuery debugging sessions, the Messages Window displays error messages.

### Templates Window

The Templates Window (see *screenshot*) is available in XSLT debugging sessions only; it is not available in XQuery debugging sessions.

The Templates Window displays the various templates used in the XSLT stylesheet, including built-in templates and named templates. Matched templates are listed by the nodes they match. Named templates are listed by their name. For both types of template, the mode, priority, and location of the template are displayed.

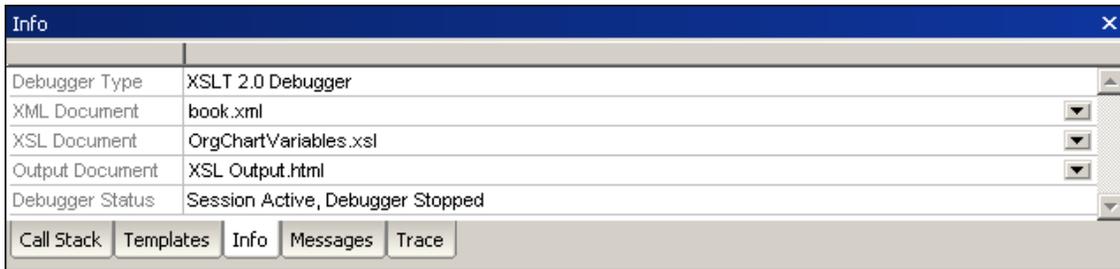
Match	Mode	Name	Priority	Location
n1:italic			0	OrgChart.xsl
n1:bold			0	OrgChart.xsl
/			-0.5	OrgChart.xsl
processing-instruction()	#all		0	Built In Templates
processing-instruction()			0	Built In Templates

In the screenshot above, there are three matched templates in the XSLT stylesheet: a template which matches the document node `/`, and templates that match the `n1:italic` and `n1:bold` nodes. All the other templates are built-in templates (indicated with an entry to that effect in the *Location* field).

Clicking an entry in this window, causes the template to be highlighted in the XSLT document window. If you click a built-in template, the template is highlighted in a separate window that displays all the built-in templates.

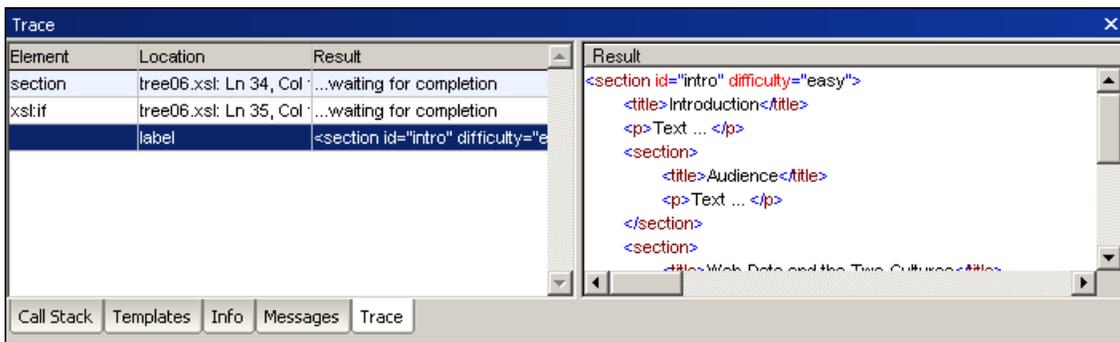
### Info Window

The Info Window is available in XSLT and XQuery debugging sessions. It provides meta information about the current debugging session. This information includes what debugger is being used, the names of the source and output documents, and the status of the debugger.



## Trace Window

The Trace Window is displayed in XSLT and XQuery debugging sessions.



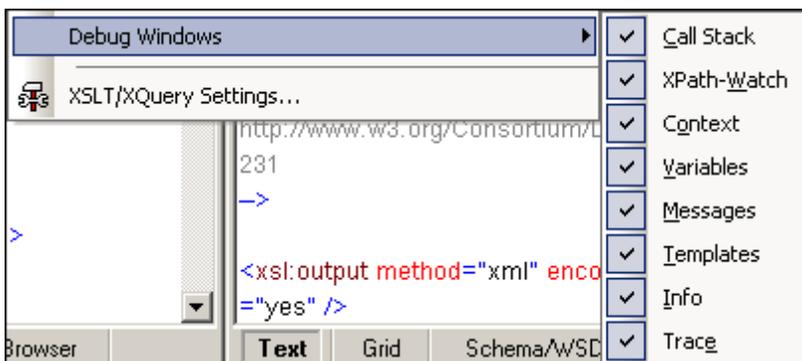
The Trace Window contains the element the tracepoint is set for, its location in the XSLT stylesheet and the result generated when that element is executed. Click on a row in the left side of the window to display the full result on the right.

## Arranging the Info Windows

The Information Windows can be arranged inside the XSLT and XQuery Debugger interface. Windows can be docked in the interface, can float in it, and can be arranged as a collection of panes in a window. You can use the following mechanisms to arrange the windows.

### Menu

In the **XSL/XQuery** menu, placing the cursor over the item **Debug Windows** pops up the list of Info Windows. You can hide or show individual windows by clicking the window.



This toggles the display of the window on and off.

### Context Menu

The context menu can be accessed by right-clicking a window tab or title bar.



Click the required option to cause that window to float, be docked or be hidden.

### Drag-and-drop

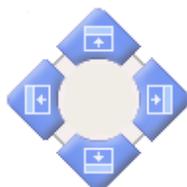
You can drag a window by its tab or title bar and place it at a desired location.

Additionally, you can dock the window in another window or in the interface using placement controls that appear when you drag a window:

- When you drag a window over another window, a circular placement control appears (see *screenshot below*). This control is divided into five placement sectors. Releasing the mouse key on any of these sectors docks the dragged window into the respective sector of the **target window**. The four arrow sectors dock the dragged window into the respective sides of the target window. The center button docks the dragged window as a tab of the target window. You can also dock a window as a tab in another window by dragging it to the tab bar and dropping it there.



- When you drag a window, a placement control consisting of four arrows appears. Each arrow corresponds to one side of the **Debugger interface**. Releasing a dragged window over one of these arrows docks the dragged window into one side of the Debugger interface.



You can also double-click the title bar of a window to toggle it between its docked and floating positions.

## 7.1.6 Breakpoints

The XSLT and XQuery Debugger enables you to define breakpoints in XSLT, XQuery, and XML documents. Breakpoints are displayed as a dashed red line (*shown in the screenshot below*).

**Please note:** It is possible to set a tracepoint and a breakpoint for the same instruction. This appears as a dashed blue and red line (see *screenshot*).

```

<!-- Local Variable reused -->
<xsl:variable name="OfficeName" select="n1:Name"/>
<!-- Display the company name if the variable is true ***** -->
<xsl:if test="$Show_Company_Name">
  <h3>
    <xsl:value-of select="$OfficeName"/>
  </h3>
  <xsl:message>
    <xsl:text>Company Named Displayed</xsl:text>
  </xsl:message>
</xsl:if>

```

When you start the debugger within a debugging session, the debugging will pause at each encountered breakpoint. In this way, you can identify specific areas to debug, and restrict attention to these areas in either the XSLT, XQuery, and/or XML documents. You can set any number of breakpoints.

**Please note:** Breakpoints set for a document remain in that document until it is closed. However, if you switch to Schema View (for example, in the case of XSD documents), then the breakpoints are deleted; when you switch back to Text View or Grid View (from Schema View), there will be no breakpoint.

### Breakpoints in XML documents

You can set breakpoints on any node in an XML document. The break in processing will occur at the start of that node.

### Breakpoints in XSLT documents

You can set breakpoints at the following points in an XSLT document:

- At the beginning of templates and template instructions (e.g., `xsl:for-each`).
- On an XPath expression (XPath 1.0 or XPath 2.0).
- On any node in a literally constructed XML fragment. The break in processing will occur at the start of that node.

### Breakpoints in XQuery documents

You can set breakpoints at the following points in an XQuery document:

- At the beginning of XQuery statements.
- In an XQuery expression.
- On any node in a literally constructed XML fragment. The break in processing will occur at the start of that node.

### Inserting/removing breakpoints

To insert a breakpoint:

1. Place the cursor at the point in the document where you wish to insert the breakpoint (see *paragraphs above*). In XSLT debugging sessions, you can set breakpoints in both

Text View and Grid View. XQuery debugging sessions are available only in Text View.

2. Do one of the following:
  - Select **XSL/XQuery | Insert/Remove Breakpoint**.
  - Press **F9**.
  - Right-click and select **Insert/Remove Breakpoint**.

To remove a breakpoint:

1. Place the cursor at the point in the document containing the breakpoint.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select **XSL/XQuery | Insert/Remove Breakpoint**.
  - Press **F9**.
  - Right-click and select **Insert/Remove Breakpoint**.

Alternatively, you can use the Breakpoints dialog to remove a breakpoint:

1. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | Breakpoints...**
2. Click the breakpoint in the dialog box and click **Remove**.

The **Remove All** button deletes all the breakpoints from the dialog box (and all XSLT stylesheets).

#### **Disabling/enabling breakpoints:**

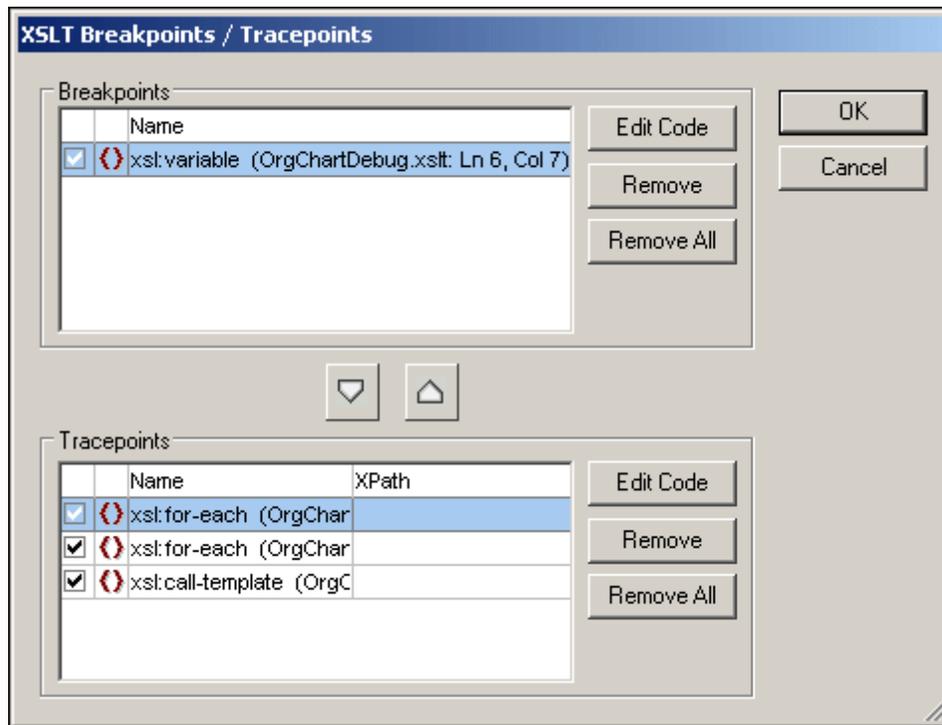
After inserting breakpoints, you can disable them if you wish to skip over breakpoints without having to delete them. You can enable them again when necessary.

To disable a breakpoint:

1. Place the cursor in the node or expression containing the breakpoint.
2. Select **XSL/XQuery | Enable/Disable Breakpoint** (or press **Ctrl+F9**). The breakpoint changes from red to gray, indicating that it has been disabled.

Alternatively, you can use the Breakpoints dialog to disable a breakpoint:

1. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | Breakpoints/Tracepoint...** This opens the XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog box which displays the currently defined breakpoints in all open XML source and XSLT stylesheet documents.



2. Remove the check mark of the breakpoints you wish to disable, and click **OK** to confirm. The breakpoint changes from red to gray, indicating that it has been disabled.

To enable a breakpoint:

1. Place the cursor in the node or expression containing the breakpoint.
2. Select **XSL/XQuery | Enable/Disable Breakpoint** (or press **Ctrl+F9**). The breakpoint changes from gray to red, indicating that it has been enabled.

### Finding a specific breakpoint

To find a specific breakpoint:

1. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | Breakpoints/Tracepoints...**. The XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog appears.
2. Click the required breakpoint in the breakpoint list.
3. Click the **Edit Code** button. The Breakpoints dialog box is closed and the text cursor is placed directly in front of the breakpoint in Text view. In the Enhanced Grid view, the table cell containing the breakpoint is highlighted in red.

### Continuing debugging after a breakpoint

To continue debugging after a breakpoint:

- Select the **XSL/XQuery | Step into** or **XSL/XQuery | Start Debugger/Go** command.

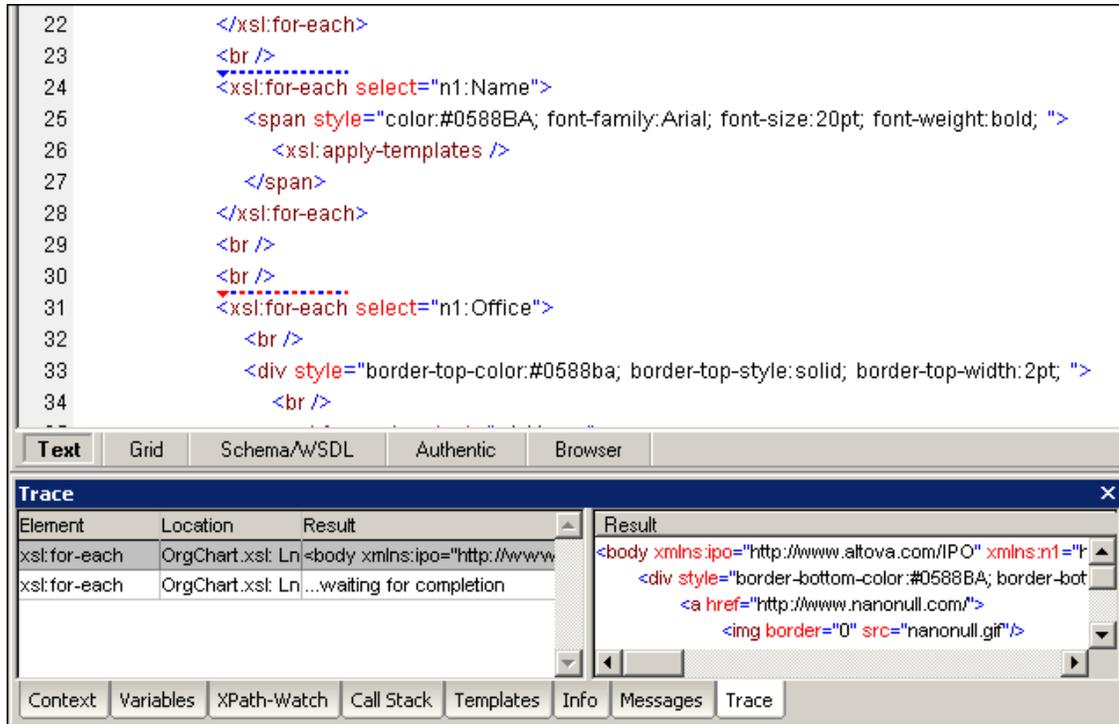
## 7.1.7 Tracepoints

The XSLT and XQuery Debugger enables you to define tracepoints in XSLT documents.

Tracepoints allow you to trace content generated by an instruction or view the result of an XPath expression at the point where the tracepoint is set without having to edit the XSLT stylesheet, for example, using the `xsl:message` element to output debugging messages.

Tracepoints are displayed as a dashed blue line in XSLT stylesheets (*shown in the screenshot below*).

**Please note:** It is possible to set a tracepoint and a breakpoint for the same instruction. This appears as a dashed blue and red line (*see screenshot*).



The debugger outputs the content generated by each instruction that has a tracepoint set for it. This output is visible in the Trace window. You can set any number of tracepoints in an XSLT stylesheet.

**Please note:** Tracepoints set for a document remain in that document until it is closed.

### Tracepoints in XSLT documents

You can set tracepoints on XSL instructions and literal results in an XSLT stylesheet.

### Tracepoints in XML and XQuery documents

You can set tracepoints in XML and XQuery documents.

### Inserting/removing tracepoints

To insert a tracepoint:

1. Place the cursor at the point in the XSLT document where you wish to insert the tracepoint. During debugging sessions, you can set tracepoints in both Text View and Grid View.

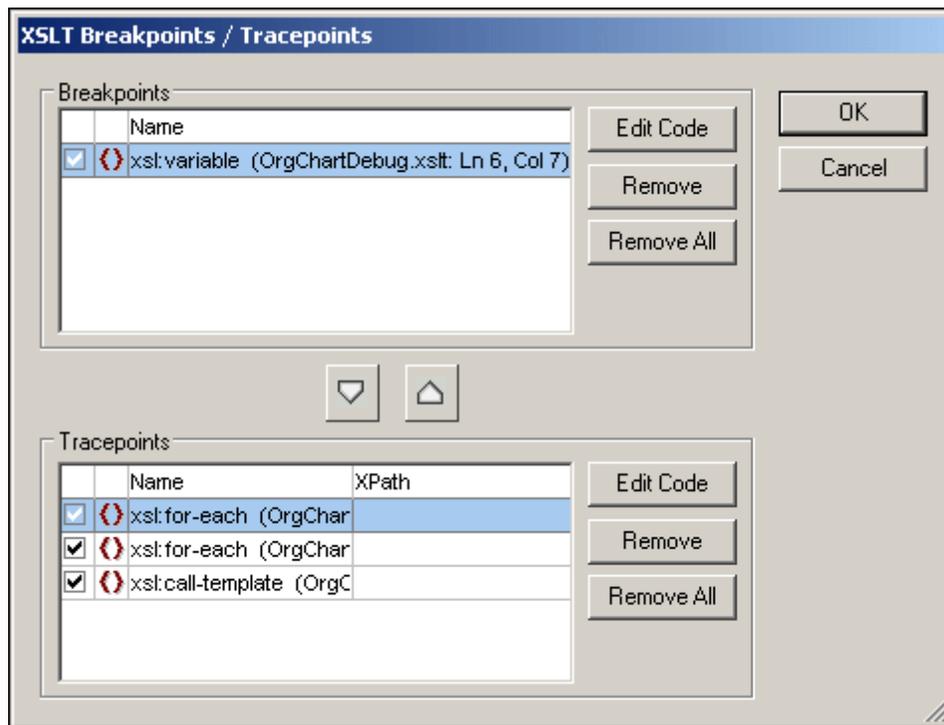
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select **XSL/XQuery | Insert/Remove Tracepoint**.
  - Press **Shift+F9**.
  - Right-click and select **Insert/Remove Tracepoint**.

To remove a tracepoint:

1. Place the cursor at the point in the XSLT document containing the tracepoint.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select **XSL/XQuery | Insert/Remove Tracepoint**.
  - Press **Shift+F9**.
  - Right-click and select **Insert/Remove Tracepoint**.

Alternatively, you can use the XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog to remove a tracepoint:

1. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | Breakpoints/Tracepoints...**
2. Click the tracepoint in the dialog box (see *screenshot*) and click **Remove**.



The **Remove All** button in the Tracepoints pane deletes all the tracepoints from the dialog box (and from all XSLT stylesheets).

### Setting an XPath for a tracepoint

You can set an XPath for a tracepoint. When you set an XPath for a tracepoint, the result of the evaluation of the XPath is displayed in the Trace window instead of the content generated by the statement for which the tracepoint is set. The XPath is evaluated relatively to the context node at the point where the tracepoint is set.

To set an XPath for a tracepoint:

1. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | Breakpoints/Tracepoints...** This opens the

XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog box which displays the currently defined tracepoints in all open XSLT stylesheet documents.

2. Enter the XPath in the **XPath** column in the row that corresponds to the tracepoint.

### Example

In the example below, the tracepoint is set such that the context node is Person. The Person element contains a Shares element. We want to display the number of shares that each person has, multiplied by 125 (the value of each share).

The screenshot shows the XSLT/XQuery Debugger interface. The top pane displays XSLT code with line numbers 554 through 559. A blue arrow points to line 555, indicating a tracepoint. The code is as follows:

```

554 <xsl:for-each select="n1:Person">
555   <xsl:if test="n1:Shares &lt;= 0 or not (n1:Shares)">
556     <xsl:for-each select="n1:First">
557       <span style="color:#004040; font-family:Arial;
558         <xsl:apply-templates />
559       </span>

```

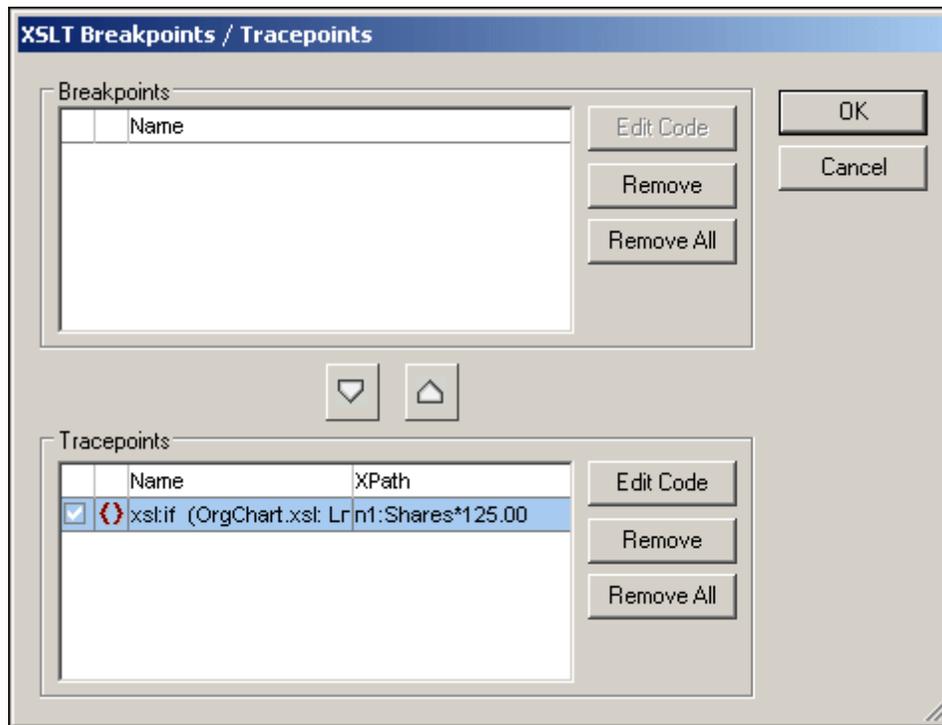
The bottom pane shows the Trace window with a table of execution results:

Element	Location	Result
xsl:if	OrgChart.xsl: Ln	xs:decimal( 187500.0 )
xsl:if	OrgChart.xsl: Ln	xs:decimal( 0.0 )
xsl:if	OrgChart.xsl: Ln	
xsl:if	OrgChart.xsl: Ln	xs:decimal( 250000.0 )
xsl:if	OrgChart.xsl: Ln	xs:decimal( 125000.0 )

The Trace window also includes a 'Result' pane on the right showing the current result: xs:decimal( 187500.0 ). At the bottom, there are tabs for Context, Variables, XPath-Watch, Call Stack, Templates, Info, Messages, and Trace.

Do the following:

1. Set a tracepoint at the line just after the `xsl:for-each` instruction that selects the `n1:Person` element (line 555 in the screenshot above).
2. Open the XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog and enter the XPath `n1:Shares*125.00` for the tracepoint you just set.

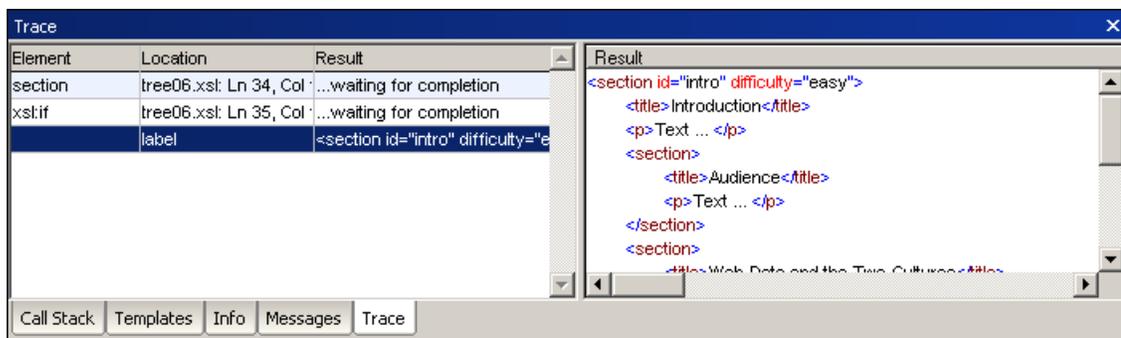


3. Start the Debugger. The results of the XPath you entered for the tracepoint appear in the Trace window.

### The Trace window

Select **XSL/XQuery | Start Debugger/Go** to start debugging. The output of instructions for which tracepoints are set is displayed in the [Trace window](#) (see *screenshot*). Click a row in the Trace window to display the full result of that statement in the right side of the window (see *screenshot*).

**Please note:** Results are displayed in the Trace window only after the traced instruction is completed.



### Disabling/enabling tracepoints

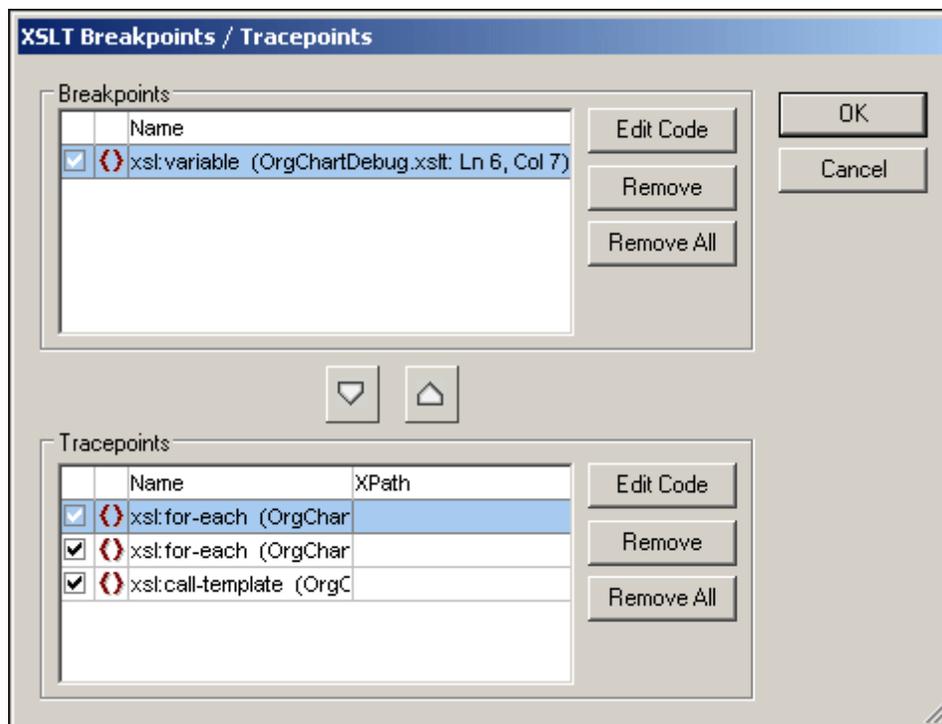
After inserting tracepoints, you can disable them if you wish to skip over them without having to delete them. You can enable them again when necessary.

To disable a tracepoint:

1. Place the cursor at the point in the XSLT stylesheet containing the tracepoint.
2. Select **XSL/XQuery | Enable/Disable Tracepoint** (or press **Ctrl+Shift+F9**). The tracepoint changes from blue to gray, indicating that it has been disabled.

Alternatively, you can use the XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog to disable a tracepoint:

1. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | Breakpoints/Tracepoints...**. This opens the XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog box which displays the currently defined tracepoints in all open XSLT stylesheet documents.



2. Remove the check mark of each tracepoint you wish to disable, and click **OK** to confirm. The tracepoints change from blue to gray, indicating that they have been disabled.

To enable a tracepoint:

1. Place the cursor at the point in the XSLT document containing the tracepoint.
2. Select **XSL/XQuery | Enable/Disable Tracepoint** (or press **Ctrl+Shift+F9**). The tracepoint changes from gray to blue, indicating that it has been enabled.

### Finding a specific tracepoint

To find a specific tracepoint:

1. Select the menu option **XSL/XQuery | Breakpoints/Tracepoints...**. The XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog appears.
2. Click the required tracepoint in the tracepoint list.
3. Click the **Edit Code** button. The XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog box is closed and the text cursor is placed directly in front of the tracepoint in Text view of the XSLT document. In Enhanced Grid view, the table cell containing the tracepoint is highlighted in blue.

## 7.2 XSLT and XQuery Profiler

Altova website:  [XSLT Profiler](#), [XQuery Profiler](#)

The XSLT/XQuery Profiler is a tool that is used to analyze the execution times of XSLT (1.0 and 2.0) stylesheets and XQuery documents from within XMLSpy. It tells you how much time each instruction in the XSLT stylesheet or XQuery document takes to execute, and you can use this information to optimize the execution time of these files.

The Profiler is used to find the instructions that have the highest total execution time so that this information can then be used to optimize these instructions. Instructions can have a high total execution time for one or both of the following reasons:

- the instruction is time-intensive
- the instruction is evaluated often (high hit count)

### Hitcount and Callgraph Profiling

The Profiler lets you choose between *hitcount* and *callgraph* profiling. Both types of profiling show execution time statistics for each instruction.

For optimization purposes, you normally use hitcount profiling, which displays one line in the profiler for each instruction.

Callgraph profiling shows the entire execution history of an XSLT transformation or XQuery execution, i.e., which templates/functions were called, and in which order, during the transformation. In the results of callgraph profiling, there is one line for each time an instruction is called, rather than one line for each instruction.

To use the XSLT/XQuery Profiler, see [XSLT Profiling](#) or [XQuery Profiling](#).

### Profiler Views

The results of the analysis can be viewed in either of the following views by clicking the corresponding tab:

- **List View:** The profiling statistics are displayed as a list that can be sorted by, e.g., duration of instruction execution or duration of execution of the instruction and its descendants.

List								
Index	Name	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Des...	Descendants an...	%	XPath
0	xsl:stylesheet	1	3.69	1.17	311.83	315.52	99.99	0.00
1	xsl:output	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	xsl:template	1	0.02	0.01	311.81	311.83	98.82	0.00
3	html	1	0.11	0.03	311.70	311.81	98.82	0.00
4	head	1	0.06	0.02	0.05	0.11	0.03	0.00
5	title	1	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.05	0.02	0.00
6	body	1	0.04	0.01	311.55	311.60	98.75	0.00
7	xsl:for-each	1	0.22	0.07	311.33	311.55	98.74	0.18
8	xsl:for-each	1	0.18	0.06	1.30	1.49	0.47	0.17
9	div	1	0.05	0.02	1.25	1.30	0.41	0.00
10	style	1	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.00

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- **Tree View:** The statistics are displayed in a tree-like structure. It is possible to see, e.g.,

how long a function took to execute, and then expand the tree for that function and see how much time each instruction in the function took to execute, and how many times it was executed.

Tree								
Name	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Descendants (ms)	Descendants and Self...	%	XPath	
[-] xsl:stylesheet	1	3.69	1.17	311.83	315.52	99.99	0.00	
xsl:output	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
[-] xsl:template	1	0.02	0.01	311.81	311.83	98.82	0.00	
[-] html	1	0.11	0.03	311.70	311.81	98.82	0.00	
[-] head	1	0.06	0.02	0.05	0.11	0.03	0.00	
[-] body	1	0.04	0.01	311.55	311.60	98.75	0.00	
[-] xsl:template	1	0.01	0.00	0.29	0.30	0.10	0.00	
[-] span	1	0.05	0.02	0.24	0.29	0.09	0.00	
style	1	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	
xsl:apply-temp...	1	0.16	0.05	0.06	0.22	0.07	0.07	
[-] xsl:template	2	0.02	0.01	0.48	0.50	0.16	0.00	

Tree List

### Sorting Results

After you have run the Profiler, you can sort by the amount of time an instruction took to execute, or by the number of times that instruction was called.

To sort information in the Profiler:

1. Click the **List** tab.
2. Click the column header of the column you want to sort by (e.g., **Hit Count** to sort by the number of times an instruction was called or **Duration** to sort by the time the instruction takes to execute).

This screenshot shows the contents of the Profiler sorted by instruction duration in descending order.

List									
Index	Name	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Des...	Descendants an...	%	XPath	
740	xsl:value-of	7	18.33	5.81	0.00	18.33	5.81	18.02	
706	xsl:value-of	7	10.46	3.31	0.00	10.46	3.31	10.16	
712	xsl:value-of	7	9.60	3.04	0.00	9.60	3.04	8.90	
830	xsl:apply-templates	30	7.94	2.52	2.02	9.96	3.16	3.51	
734	xsl:value-of	7	7.77	2.46	0.00	7.77	2.46	7.38	
549	Text	2	7.19	2.28	0.00	7.19	2.28	0.00	
790	xsl:apply-templates	20	7.15	2.27	1.43	8.58	2.72	0.95	
806	xsl:apply-templates	10	7.01	2.22	1.14	8.15	2.58	3.34	
857	xsl:value-of	30	6.28	1.99	0.00	6.28	1.99	5.09	
835	span	27	5.00	1.58	5.21	10.21	3.24	0.00	
819	xsl:apply-templates	30	4.57	1.45	2.24	6.81	2.16	1.12	

Tree List

### Optimizing Your XSLT Stylesheets and XQuery Documents

Keep in mind the following guidelines when optimizing the execution time of instructions in XSLT stylesheets and XQuery documents:

- Avoid using variables in an instruction if the variable is used only once, because initializing a variable can be time-consuming.

The following XSLT code fragments show an example of how to optimize code by removing unnecessary variables. Both do the same thing, but the second example does so without using the variables `name` and `containsResult`:

Code fragment 1:

```
<xsl:for-each select="row">
  <xsl:variable name="row" select="."/>
  <xsl:for-each select="@name">
    <xsl:variable name="name" select="."/>
    <xsl:variable name="containsResult"
select="fn:contains($name, '.exe')"/>
    <xsl:if test="string($containsResult)='true'">
      ...
    </xsl:if>
  </xsl:for-each>
</xsl:for-each>
```

The screenshot below shows the results of the analysis of the file that contains this code fragment, sorted by duration of instructions. The instruction in which the variable `containsResult` is initialized needs about 19 seconds total execution time.

The screenshot displays the XSLT/XQuery Profiler interface. The top pane shows the XSLT code from the previous block, with line numbers 7 through 19. The bottom pane shows a performance list table with columns: Index, Name, Hit Count, Duration (ms), %, Descendants (ms), Descendants and Self (ms), %, and XPath. The table is sorted by Duration (ms) in descending order.

Index	Name	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Descendants (ms)	Descendants and Self (ms)	%	XPath
8	xsl:for-each	11238	78020.29	44.32	60755.94	138776.23	78.83	77372.08
11	xsl:if	11238	59036.65	33.54	1719.30	60755.94	34.51	58914.32
6	xsl:for-each	1	36958.65	20.99	138776.23	175734.89	99.83	45.40
10	xsl:variable	11238	19369.42	11.00	0.00	19369.42	11.00	19120.45
9	xsl:variable	11238	1768.70	1.00	0.00	1768.70	1.00	1588.65
15	xsl:for-each	262	966.90	0.55	180.34	1147.24	0.65	963.30
12	row	262	500.50	0.28	1218.80	1719.30	0.98	0.00
0	xsl:stylesheet	1	153.46	0.09	175887.34	176040.81	100.00	0.00
17	xsl:value-of	262	131.44	0.07	0.00	131.44	0.07	5.98
16	xsl:attribute	262	48.90	0.03	131.44	180.34	0.10	0.00
7	xsl:variable	262	48.73	0.03	0.00	48.73	0.03	43.36

The screenshot below shows the results in the tree view. Here we can see that the if-statement that uses the variable containsResult needs about 50 seconds total execution time:

The screenshot displays the XSLT code in the top pane and the performance tree view in the bottom pane. The code fragment is as follows:

```

7     <xsl:for-each select="row">
8         <xsl:variable name="row" select="."/>
9         <xsl:for-each select="@name">
10            <xsl:variable name="name" select="."/>
11            <xsl:variable name="containsResult" select="fn:contains($name, '.exe')"/>
12            <xsl:if test="string($containsResult)=true">
13                <row>
14                    <xsl:attribute name="name">
15                        <xsl:value-of select="."/>
16                    </xsl:attribute>
17                    <xsl:for-each select="$row/@amount">
18                        <xsl:attribute name="amount">

```

The performance tree view below the code shows the following data:

Name	Hit Count	Duration [ms]	%	Descendants [ms]	Descendants and Self ...	%	XPath
xsl:stylesheet	1	11.00	0.01	76949.70	76960.70	100.00	0.00
xsl:output	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
xsl:template	1	0.01	0.00	76911.73	76911.74	99.94	0.00
root	1	82.97	0.11	76828.76	76911.73	99.94	0.00
xsl:attribute	1	54.04	0.07	0.02	54.06	0.07	0.00
xsl:for-each	1	2614.55	3.40	74160.15	76774.70	99.76	43.30
xsl:variable	262	44.36	0.06	0.00	44.36	0.06	39.17
xsl:for-each	11238	22196.25	28.84	51963.90	74160.15	96.36	21573.19
xsl:variable	11238	1619.42	2.10	0.00	1619.42	2.10	1448.78
xsl:variable	11238	13286.12	17.26	0.00	13286.12	17.26	13083.39
xsl:if	11238	50441.78	65.54	1522.12	51963.90	67.52	50330.88
row	262	199.53	0.26	1322.59	1522.12	1.98	0.00

The XSLT transformation takes a total of about 74 seconds:

The performance tree view shows the following data:

Name	Hit Count	Duration [ms]	%	Descendants [ms]	Descendants an...	%	XPath
xsl:stylesheet	1	20.33	0.03	73882.64	73902.97	100.00	0.00
xsl:output	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
xsl:template	1	0.01	0.00	73856.08	73856.09	99.94	0.00

Code fragment 2:

```

<xsl:for-each select="row">
    <xsl:variable name="row" select="."/>
    <xsl:for-each select="@name">
        <xsl:if test="fn:contains(., '.exe')">
            ...
        </xsl:if>
    </xsl:for-each>
</xsl:for-each>

```

After the stylesheet is rewritten without using these variables, its total execution time is only about 4.3 seconds:

Name	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Descendants (ms)	Descendants an...	%	XPath
xsl:stylesheet	1	0.67	0.02	4274.71	4275.38	100.00	0.00
xsl:output	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
xsl:template	1	0.01	0.00	4274.43	4274.44	99.98	0.00

- Use variables if a value or expression is used repeatedly.
- Avoid creating local constant variables within a function; create global variables instead.
- Avoid creating constant tree fragments inside a function; create them globally instead.
- Limit your use of predicates, since filtering with predicates is evaluated separately for every node. You can reduce the number of calls to predicates, for example, by prefiltering using names. In this example, \* is used with two predicates:

```
//*[node-name()=Book][author="Steve"]
```

In this equivalent statement, the name `Book` and only one predicate are used:

```
//Book[@Author="Steve"]
```

- Split up instructions such that parts of the instruction that only need to be executed once are only executed once. Create global variables from parts that are only dependent on the global context.

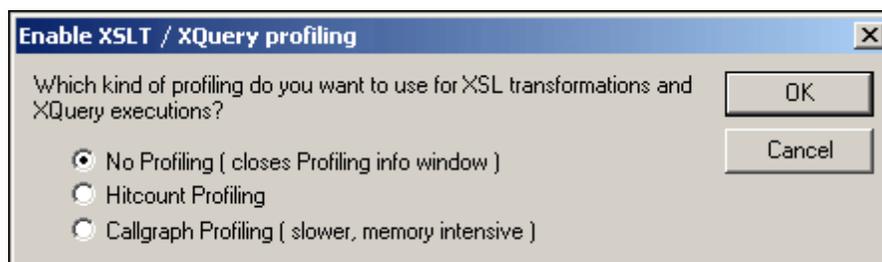
## 7.2.1 XSLT Profiling

### Starting the Profiler

**Please note:** Execution time results displayed in the Profiler may be influenced by other applications that are running on your computer. When analyzing files using the Profiler, it is best to run only the XMLSpy application.

To analyze an XSLT stylesheet:

1. In XMLSpy, open the XML file that will be used as input data for the XSLT transformation.
2. Activate the Profiler by selecting **XSL/XQuery | Enable XSLT / XQuery profiling**. A dialog opens.



3. Select **Hitcount Profiling** or **Callgraph Profiling**. Click **OK** to confirm. An empty Profiler window appears.
4. Run the XSL transformation (**XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation**). A dialog opens in

which you select the path to the XSLT stylesheet you want to analyze. When the transformation is finished, the execution time statistics appear in the Profiler.

- Click the "+" icons to expand rows in the Profiler to view the execution time statistics for the XSLT stylesheet (see *screenshot*). Note that in the case of these screenshots, **Hitcount Profiling** was selected.

Click on a row in the Profiler to highlight the corresponding instruction in the file that was analyzed.

The following screenshot shows the Tree View in the Profiler:

The screenshot shows the XSLT Profiler interface. At the top, there is a code editor displaying XSLT code. A portion of the code is highlighted in blue, corresponding to the selected row in the Tree View below. The code includes an `<xsl:for-each select="@href">` block containing an `<a>` element with an `<xsl:attribute name="href">` and an `<img border="0">` element. Below this is another `<xsl:for-each select="n1:Name">` block containing a `<span style="color:#0588BA; font-family:Arial; font-size:20pt; font-weight:bold; ">` element. The Tree View below the code shows a hierarchical structure of the XSLT document. The selected row is highlighted in blue.

Name	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Descendants (ms)	Descendants and Self...	%	XPath
xsl:stylesheet	1	3.69	1.17	311.83	315.52	99.99	0.00
xsl:output	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
xsl:template	1	0.02	0.01	311.81	311.83	98.82	0.00
html	1	0.11	0.03	311.70	311.81	98.82	0.00
head	1	0.06	0.02	0.05	0.11	0.03	0.00
body	1	0.04	0.01	311.55	311.60	98.75	0.00
xsl:for-each	1	0.22	0.07	311.33	311.55	98.74	0.18
xsl:for-each	1	0.18	0.06	1.30	1.49	0.47	0.17
br	1	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.00
xsl:for-each	1	0.19	0.06	0.78	0.97	0.31	0.18
br	1	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.00

The following screenshot shows List View in the Profiler for the same XSLT stylesheet:

```

        <xsl:for-each select="@href">
            <a>
                <xsl:attribute name="href"><xsl:text disable-output-escaping="yes">http:
                <img border="0">
                    <xsl:attribute name="src"><xsl:value-of select="." /></xsl:attribute>
                </img>
            </a>
        </xsl:for-each>
    </div>
</xsl:for-each>
<br />
<xsl:for-each select="n1:Name">
    <span style="color:#0588BA; font-family:Arial; font-size:20pt; font-weight:bold; ">
        <xsl:apply-templates />
    </span>
</xsl:for-each>
<br />
<br />
<xsl:for-each select="n1:Office">

```

Text	Grid	Schema/WSDL	Authentic	Browser
OrgChart.xsl	OrgChart.html			

List									
Index	Name	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Des...	Descendants an...	%	XPath	
14	xsl:text	1	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.00	
15	Text	1	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	
16	img	1	0.04	0.01	0.78	0.82	0.26	0.00	
17	border	1	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	
18	xsl:attribute	1	0.10	0.03	0.66	0.76	0.24	0.00	
19	xsl:value-of	1	0.66	0.21	0.00	0.66	0.21	0.58	
20	br	1	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.00	
21	xsl:for-each	1	0.19	0.06	0.78	0.97	0.31	0.18	
22	span	1	0.06	0.02	0.72	0.78	0.25	0.00	
23	style	1	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	
24	xsl:apply-templates	1	0.60	0.19	0.10	0.70	0.22	0.15	

Tree List

### Using the Information in the Profiler

The Profiler displays the following information about each instruction in the XSLT stylesheet:

- **Index:** A number assigned to each instruction in the order in which the instruction was called.
- **Name:** The name of the XSLT instruction.
- **Hit Count:** The total number of times the instruction was called during the transformation.
- **Duration (ms) and %:** The number of milliseconds that the instruction took to execute without taking the execution time of its descendants into account, and the percentage of the total execution time.
- **Descendants (ms):** The number of milliseconds that the descendants of the instruction took to execute.
- **Descendants and Self and %:** The number of milliseconds that the instruction and its

descendants took to execute, and the percentage of the total execution time.

- **XPath:** If the instruction contains an XPath statement, this column contains the time it took that statement to execute.

**Please note:** When using hitcount profiling, the times in the Profiler window are the sum total of execution time for all the hits to the instruction. When using callgraph profiling, because each call of the instruction is listed separately, the times shown in the Profiler window are the duration of a single execution of the instruction.

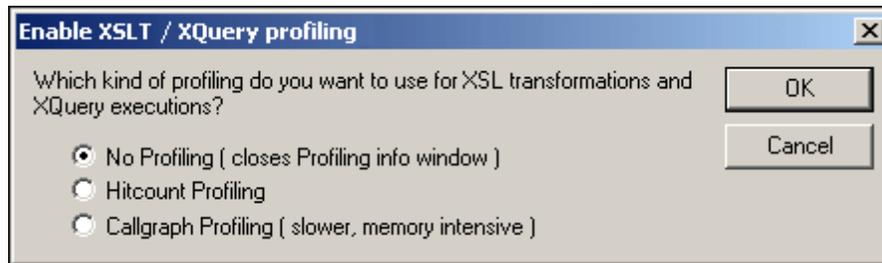
## 7.2.2 XQuery Profiling

### Starting the Profiler

**Please note:** Execution time results displayed in the Profiler may be influenced by other applications that are running on your computer. When analyzing files using the Profiler, it is best to run only the XMLSpy application.

To analyze an XQuery document:

1. In XMLSpy, open the XQuery document that you want to analyze.
2. Activate the Profiler by selecting **XSL/XQuery | Enable XSLT 2 / XQuery profiling**. A dialog opens.



3. Select **Hitcount Profiling** or **Callgraph Profiling**. Click **OK** to confirm. An empty Profiler window appears.
4. Execute the XQuery (**XSL/XQuery | XQuery Execution**). When execution is finished, the execution time statistics appear in the Profiler.
5. Click the "+" icons to expand rows in the Profiler to view the execution time statistics for the instructions in the XQuery document (see *screenshot*). Note that in the case of these screenshots, **Hitcount Profiling** was selected.

Click on a row in the Profiler to highlight the corresponding instruction in the file that was analyzed.

The following screenshot shows the Tree View in the Profiler:

```

module namespace c="http://www.example.com/calc" ;
declare namespace ipo="http://www.example.com/IPO";

declare function c:total-price( $i as element()* )
  as xs:decimal
{
  let $subtotals := for $s in $i return $s/quantity * $s/USPrice
  return sum( $subtotals )cast as xs:decimal
}
declare function c:quantity( $i as element()* )
  as xs:decimal
{
  $i/quantity cast as xs:decimal
}

declare function c:price( $i as element()* )
  as xs:decimal
{
  $i/USPrice cast as xs:decimal
}
    
```

Text

strongQ11\_callingfunction.xq OrgChart.xml XQuery Output.xml strongQ11.xq

Tree

Name	Info	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Descendants and Self (ms)	%
[-] MainModule	strongQ11_callingfunction.xq					
[-] FLWORExpr	for \$p in doc("ipo.xml")/ele...	1	0.08	1.46	5.40	99.79
[-] LibraryModule	strongQ11.xq					
[-] Function	c:total-price( \$i as element()...	1	0.03	0.61	0.32	5.82
[-] Function	c:quantity( \$i as element()* )...	1	0.04	0.75	0.11	2.10
[-] Function	c:price( \$i as element()* ) a...	1	0.03	0.63	0.10	1.79

Tree List

The following screenshot shows List View in the Profiler for the same XQuery document:

```

module namespace c="http://www.example.com/calc" ;
declare namespace ipo="http://www.example.com/IPO";
declare function c:quantity( $i as element()* )
  as xs:decimal
{
  $i/quantity cast as xs:decimal
}
declare function c:total-price( $i as element()* )
  as xs:decimal
{
  let $subtotals := for $s in $i return $s/quantity * $s/USPrice
  return sum( $subtotals )cast as xs:decimal
};
;

declare function c:price( $i as element()* )
  as xs:decimal
{
  $i/USPrice cast as xs:decimal
};

```

Text

strongQ11\_callingfunction.xq OrgChart.xml XQuery Output.xml strongQ11.xq

List

Index	Name	Info	Hit Count	Duration (ms)	%	Descendants ...	%
59	SequenceType	element()*	1	0.01	0.21	0.02	0.31
58	TypeDeclaration	as element()*	1	0.00	0.07	0.02	0.38
57	Function	c:quantity( \$i as element()* )...	1	0.04	0.75	0.11	2.10
56	VarRef	\$subtotals	1	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.05
55	FunctionCall	sum( \$subtotals )	1	0.03	0.48	0.03	0.53
54	CastExpr	sum( \$subtotals )cast as xs...	1	0.07	1.32	0.10	1.84
53	NameTest	USPrice	1	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.08
52	VarRef	\$s	1	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.05
51	RelativePathExpr	\$s/USPrice	1	0.01	0.15	0.02	0.28

Tree List

### Using the Information in the Profiler

The Profiler displays the following information about each instruction in the XQuery document:

- **Index:** A number assigned to each instruction in the order in which the instruction was called.
- **Name:** The name of the XQuery instruction.
- **Info:** Information about the instruction. For example, if the instruction is a variable declaration, this column contains the name of the variable and its value; if it is a function, then this contains the name and parameters of the function.
- **Hit Count:** The total number of times the instruction was called during execution.

- **Duration (ms) and %:** The number of milliseconds that the instruction took to execute without taking the execution time of its descendants into account, and the percentage of the total execution time.
- **Descendants and Self (ms) and %:** The total time spent executing the instruction and its descendants, and the percentage of the total execution time.

**Please note:** When using hitcount profiling, the times in the Profiler window are the sum total of execution time for all the hits to the instruction. When using callgraph profiling, because each call of the instruction is listed separately, the times shown in the Profiler window are the duration of a single execution of the instruction.

### 7.2.3 Profiler Results: Exports and Charts

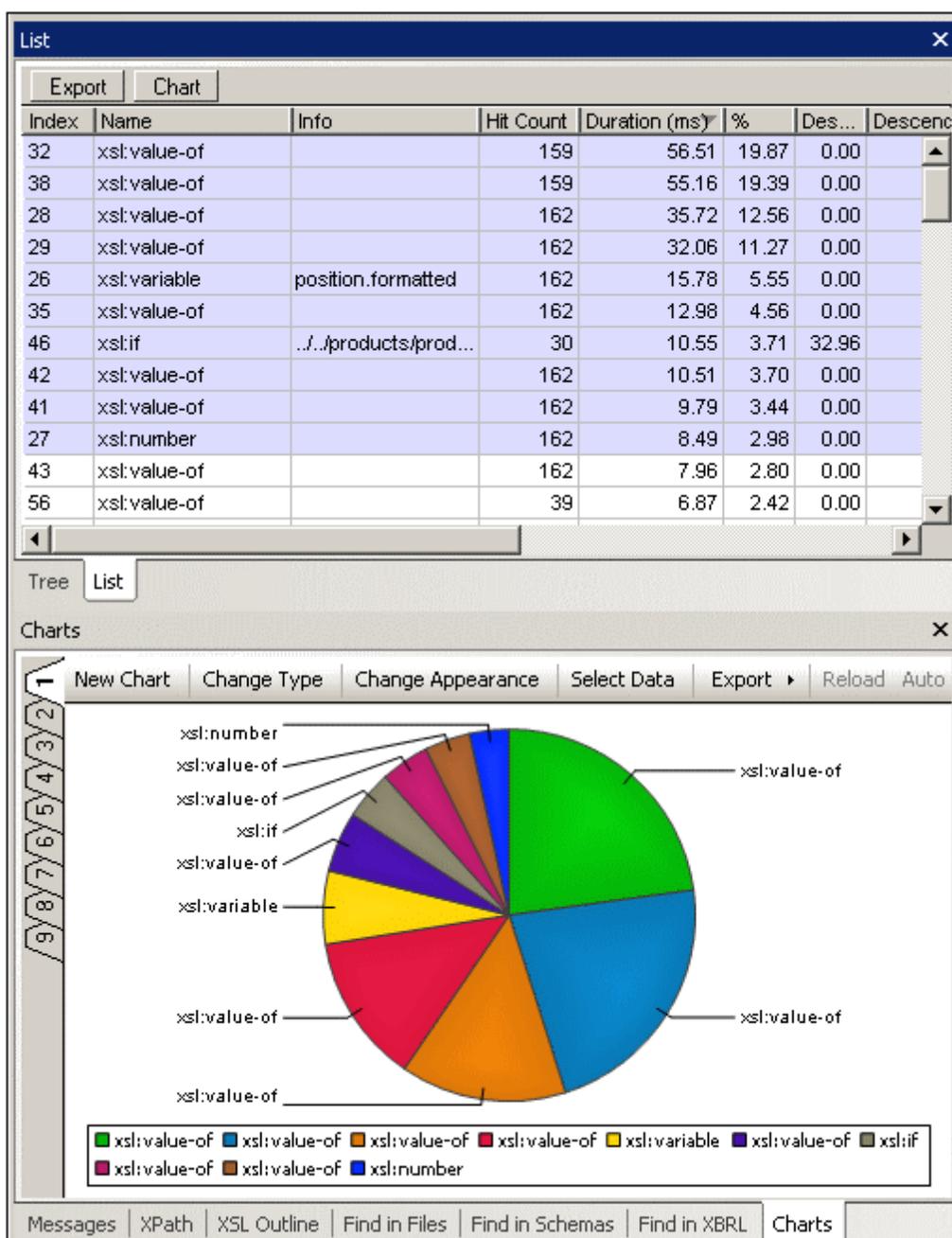
After running the XSLT/XQuery Profiler, the results can be exported to an XML file and to a chart that can be saved as an image file.

#### Export

On clicking the **Export** button, you will be prompted to select a location and filename for the XML file to which profiler results can be saved. To get a clearer view of the structure, it is best to view the XML file in Grid View. For example, when viewing an XSLT Profiler result in Grid View, you will see the structure of the XML document as consisting of three hierarchical levels, each identified by a `node` element. The first `node` element represents the document root, the second `node` element the `xsl:stylesheet` element, and the third `node` element the global elements (such as `xsl:output` and `xsl:template`). The profiling data is stored in attributes of each of the `node` elements.

#### Chart

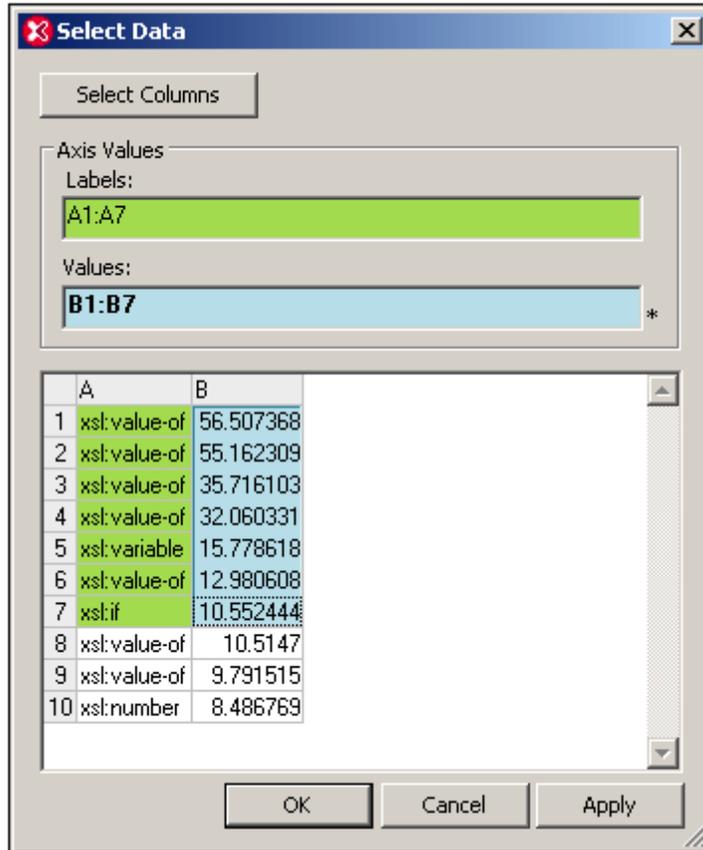
After running the XSLT/XQuery Profiler, a chart of the results or a subset of the results can be generated. In the Profiler window (see *screenshot below*), click the **Chart** button to generate the chart in the Charts output window (see *screenshot below*).



Note the following points:

- In the Profiler window (Tree View or List View), a subset of the results can be selected by marking them. Click with the **Ctrl** and/or **Shift** keys to mark multiple items. In List View the results can be sorted on the basis of a column's values by clicking on that column's header. This can be useful, for example, for ordering result items according to the most time-intensive items and then selecting a subset that takes up most of the transformation time. By selecting subsets unwanted result items can be filtered out. In the screenshot above, the highlighted result items have been selected.
- After a chart has been created its type (pie chart, bar chart, line chart, etc) can be changed by clicking the [Change Type](#) button of the Charts output window. The various

- types of charts are described in detail in the [Charts](#) section of the documentation.
- Clicking the **Select Data** button of the Charts output window pops up the Select Data dialog (*screenshot below*). In this dialog, you can select data for the X-Axis and Y-Axis from the data table that is produced by the Select Columns process. To select data for the X-Axis click in the Axis Values text box and then either enter the range of table values (for example, A1:A7) or drag the cursor from the start of the range to the end of the range. Do the same for the Y-Axis.



Clicking the **Select Columns** button enables you to change the data selection for the data table. See the [Source XPath](#), [X-Axis Selection](#), and [Y-Axis Selection](#) for information about how column selection works.

For more detailed information about charts see the [Charts](#) section of the documentation.

## 8 Authentic

Authentic View (*screenshot below*) is a graphical representation of your XML document. It enables XML documents to be displayed without markup and with appropriate formatting and data-entry features such as input fields, combo boxes, and radio buttons. Data that the user enters in Authentic View is entered into the XML file.

<b>Nanonull, Inc.</b>	
Location: <input type="text" value="US"/>	
<b>Street:</b>	119 Oakstreet, Suite 4876
<b>City:</b>	Vereno
<b>State &amp; Zip:</b>	<input type="text" value="DC"/> <input type="text" value="29213"/>
<b>Phone:</b>	+1 (321) 555 5155 0
<b>Fax:</b>	+1 (321) 555 5155 4
<b>E-mail:</b>	<a href="mailto:office@nanonull.com">office@nanonull.com</a>
<b><u>Vereno Office Summary: 4 departments, 15 employees.</u></b>	
<p>The company was established <b>in Vereno in 1995</b> as a privately held software company. Since 1996, Nanonull has been actively involved in developing nanoelectronic software technologies. It released the first version of its acclaimed <i>NanoSoft Development Suite</i> in February 1999. Also in 1999, Nanonull increased its capital base with investment from a consortium of private investment firms. The company has been expanding rapidly ever since.</p>	

To be able to view and edit an XML document in Authentic View, the XML document must be associated with a **StyleVision Power Stylesheet (SPS)**, which is created in Altova's StyleVision product. An SPS (.sps file) is, in essence, an XSLT stylesheet. It specifies an output presentation for an XML file that can include data-entry mechanisms. Authentic View users can, therefore, write data back to the XML file or DB. An SPS is based on a schema and is specific to it. If you wish to use an SPS to edit an XML file in Authentic View, you must use one that is based on the same schema as that on which the XML file is based.

### Using Authentic View

- If an XML file is open, you can switch to Authentic View by clicking the **Authentic** button at the bottom of the Main Window. If an SPS is not already assigned to the XML file, you will be prompted to assign one to it. You must use an SPS that is based on the same schema as the XML file.
- A new XML file is created and displayed in Authentic View by selecting the **File | New** command and then clicking the "Select a StyleVision Stylesheet" button. This new file is a template file associated with the SPS you open. It can have a variable amount of starting data already present in it. This starting data is contained in an XML file (a Template XML File) that may optionally be associated with the SPS. After the Authentic

- View of an XML file is displayed, you can enter data in it and save the file.
- You can also open an SPS via the **Authentic | New Document** command. If a Template XML File has been assigned to the SPS, then the data in the Template XML File is used as the starting data of the XML document template created in Authentic View.

**In this section**

This section contains an Authentic View tutorial, which shows you how to use Authentic View. It is followed by the section, Editing in Authentic View, which explains individual editing features in detail.

**More information about Authentic View**

For more information about Authentic View, see (i) the section [Authentic | Authentic View Interface](#), which describes the Authentic View editing window, and (ii) the [Authentic menu](#) section of the User Reference part of this documentation.

## 8.1 Authentic View Tutorial

In Authentic View, you can edit XML documents in a graphical WYSIWYG interface (*screenshot below*), just like in word-processor applications such as Microsoft Word. In fact, all you need to do is enter data. You do not have to concern yourself with the formatting of the document, since the formatting is already defined in the stylesheet that controls the Authentic View of the XML document. The stylesheet (StyleVision Power Stylesheet, shortened to SPS in this tutorial) is created by a stylesheet designer using Altova's StyleVision product.

<b>Nanonull, Inc.</b>	
Location: <input type="text" value="US"/>	
<b>Street:</b>	119 Oakstreet, Suite 4876
<b>City:</b>	Vereno
<b>State &amp; Zip:</b>	<input type="text" value="DC"/> <input type="text" value="29213"/>
<b>Phone:</b>	+1 (321) 555 5155 0
<b>Fax:</b>	+1 (321) 555 5155 4
<b>E-mail:</b>	<a href="mailto:office@nanonull.com">office@nanonull.com</a>

**Vereno Office Summary: 4 departments, 15 employees.**

The company was established **in Vereno in 1995** as a privately held software company. Since 1996, Nanonull has been actively involved in developing nanoelectronic software technologies. It released the first version of its acclaimed *NanoSoft Development Suite* in February 1999. Also in 1999, Nanonull increased its capital base with investment from a consortium of private investment firms. The company has been expanding rapidly ever since.

Editing an XML document in Authentic View involves two user actions: (i) editing the structure of the document (for example, adding or deleting document parts, such as paragraphs and headlines); and (ii) entering data (the content of document parts).

This tutorial takes you through the following steps:

- Opening an XML document in Authentic View. The key requirement for Authentic View editing is that the XML document be associated with an SPS file.
- A look at the Authentic View interface and a broad description of the central editing mechanisms.
- Editing document structure by inserting and deleting nodes.
- Entering data in the XML document.
- Entering (i) attribute values via the Attributes entry helper, and (ii) entity values.
- Printing the document.

Remember that this tutorial is intended to get you started, and has intentionally been kept simple. You will find additional reference material and feature descriptions in the [Authentic View interface](#) section.

### Tutorial requirements

All the files you need for the tutorial are in the `Examples` folder of your Altova application folder. These files are:

- `NanonullOrg.xml` (the XML document you will open)
- `NanonullOrg.sps` (the StyleVision Power Stylesheet to which the XML document is linked)
- `NanonullOrg.xsd` (the XML Schema on which the XML document and StyleVision Power Stylesheet are based, and to which they are linked)
- `nanonull.gif` and `Altova_right_300.gif` (two image files used in the tutorial)

**Please note:** At some points in the tutorial, we ask you to look at the XML text of the XML document (as opposed to the Authentic View of the document). If the Altova product edition you are using does not include a Text View (as with Authentic Desktop and Authentic Browser), then use a plain **text editor** like Wordpad or Notepad to view the text of the XML document.

**Caution:** We recommend that you use a copy of `NanonullOrg.xml` for the tutorial, so that you can always retrieve the original should the need arise.

## 8.1.1 Opening an XML Document in Authentic View

In Authentic View, you can edit an existing XML document or create and edit a new XML document. In this tutorial, you will open an existing XML document in Authentic View (described in this section) and learn how you can edit it (subsequent sections). Additionally, in this section is a description of how a new XML document can be created for editing in Authentic View.

### Opening an existing XML document

The file you will open is `NanonullOrg.xml`. It is in the `Examples` folder of your Altova application. You can open `NanonullOrg.xml` in one of two ways:

- Click **File | Open** in your Altova product, then browse for `NanonullOrg.xml` in the dialog that appears, and click **Open**.
- Use Windows Explorer to locate the file, right-click, and select your Altova product as the application with which to open the file.

The file `NanonullOrg.xml` opens directly in Authentic View (*screenshot below*). This is because

1. The file already has a StyleVision Power Stylesheet (SPS) assigned to it, and
2. In the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**), in the View tab, the option to open XML files in Authentic View if an SPS file is assigned has been checked. (Otherwise the file would open in Text View.)



**Remember:** It is the SPS that defines and controls how an XML document is displayed in Authentic View. Without an SPS, there can be no Authentic View of the document.

### Creating a new XML document based on an SPS

You can also create a new XML document that is based on an SPS. You can do this in two ways: via the **File | New** menu command and via the **Authentic | New Document** menu command. In both cases an SPS is selected.

#### *Via File | New*

1. Select **File | New**, and, in the Create a New Document dialog, select XML as the new file type to create.
2. Click **Select a STYLEVISION Stylesheet**, and browse for the desired SPS.

#### *Via Authentic | New Document*

1. Select **Authentic | New Document**.
2. In the Create a New Document dialog, browse for the desired SPS.

If a Template XML File has been assigned to the SPS, then the data in the Template XML File is used as the starting data of the XML document template created in Authentic View.

## 8.1.2 The Authentic View Interface

The Authentic View editing interface consists of a main window in which you enter and edit the document data, and three entry helpers. Editing a document is simple. If you wish to see the markup of the document, switch on the markup tags. Then start typing in the content of your document. To modify the document structure, you can use either the context menu or the Elements entry helper.

### Displaying XML node tags (document markup)

An XML document is essentially a hierarchy of nodes. For example:

```
<DocumentRoot>
  <Person id="ABC001">
    <Name>Alpha Beta</Name>
    <Address>Some Address</Address>
```

```

    <Tel>1234567</Tel>
  </Person>
</DocumentRoot>

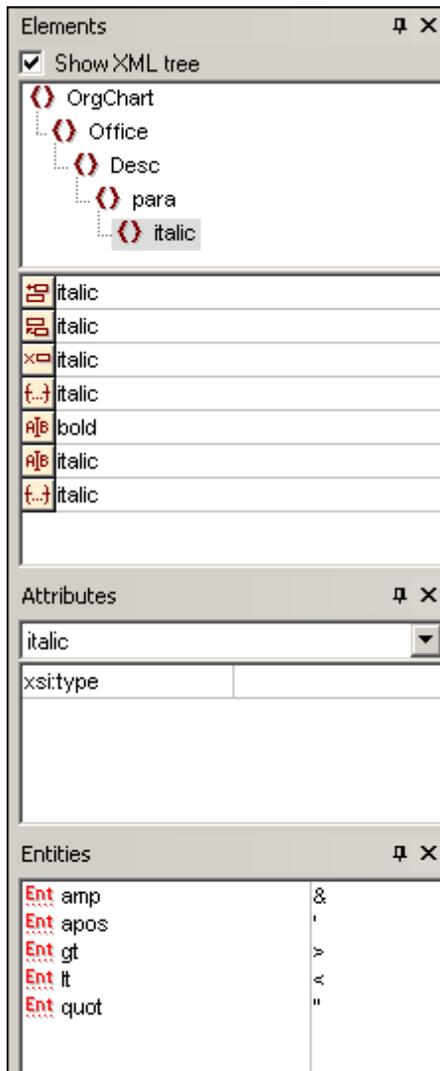
```

By default, the node tags are not displayed in Authentic View. You can switch on the node tags by selecting the menu item **Authentic | Show Large Markup** (or the  toolbar icon). Large markup tags contain the names of the respective nodes. Alternatively, you can select small markup (no node names in tags) and mixed markup (a mixture of large, small, and no markup tags, which is defined by the designer of the stylesheet; the default mixed markup for the document is no markup).

You can view the text of the XML document in the Text View of your Altova product or in a text editor.

### Entry helpers

There are three entry helpers in the interface (*screenshot below*), located by default along the right edge of the application window. These are the Elements, Attributes, and Entity entry helpers.



**Elements entry helper:** The Elements entry helper displays elements that can be inserted and removed with reference to the current location of the cursor or selection in the Main Window. Note that the entry helper is context-sensitive; its content changes according to the location of the cursor or selection. The content of the entry helper can be changed in one other way: when another node is selected in the XML tree of the Elements entry helper, the elements relevant to that node are displayed in the entry helper. The Elements entry helper can be expanded to show the XML tree by checking the Show XML Tree check box at the top of the entry helper (see *screenshot above*). The XML tree shows the hierarchy of nodes from the top-level element node all the way down to the node selected in the Main Window.

**Attributes entry helper:** The Attributes entry helper displays the attributes of the element selected in the Main Window, and the values of these attributes. Attribute values can be entered or edited in the Attributes entry helper. Element nodes from the top-level element down to the selected element are available for selection in the combo box of the Attributes entry helper. Selecting an element from the dropdown list of the combo box causes that element's attributes to be displayed in the entry helper, where they can then be edited.

**Entities entry helper:** The Entities entry helper is not context-sensitive, and displays all the entities declared for the document. Double-clicking an entity inserts it at the cursor location. How to add entities for a document is described in the section [Authentic View interface](#).

### Context menu

Right-clicking at a location in the Authentic View document pops up a context menu relevant to that (node) location. The context menu provides commands that enable you to:

- Insert nodes at that location or before or after the selected node. Submenus display lists of nodes that are allowed at the respective insert locations.
- Remove the selected node (if this allowed by the schema) or any removable ancestor element. The nodes that may be removed (according to the schema) are listed in a submenu.
- Insert entities and CDATA sections. The entities declared for the document are listed in a submenu. CDATA sections can only be inserted within text.
- Cut, copy, paste (including pasting as XML or text), and delete document content.

**Note:** For more details about the interface, see [Authentic View interface](#)

## 8.1.3 Node Operations

There are two major types of nodes you will encounter in an Authentic View XML document: **element nodes** and **attribute nodes**. These nodes are marked up with tags, which you can [switch on](#). There are also other nodes in the document, such as text nodes (which are not marked up) and CDATA section nodes (which are marked up, in order to delimit them from surrounding text).

The node operations described in this section refer only to element nodes and attribute nodes. When trying out the operations described in this section, it is best to have [large markup switched on](#).

**Note:** It is important to remember that **only same- or higher-level elements** can be inserted before or after the selected element. Same-level elements are **siblings**. Siblings of a

paragraph element would be other paragraph elements, but could also be lists, a table, an image, etc. Siblings could occur before or after an element. Higher-level elements are **ancestor** elements and siblings of ancestors. For a paragraph element, ancestor elements could be a section, chapter, article, etc. A paragraph in a valid XML file would already have ancestors. Therefore, adding a higher-level element in Authentic View, creates the new element as a sibling of the relevant ancestor. For example, if a section element is inserted after a paragraph, it is created as a sibling of the section that contains the current paragraph element.

### Carrying out node operations

Node operations can be carried out by selecting a command in the [context menu](#) or by clicking the node operation entry in the [Elements entry helper](#). In some cases, an element or attribute can be added by clicking the [Add Node link](#) in the Authentic View of the document. In the special cases of elements defined as paragraphs or list items, pressing the [Enter key](#) when within such an element creates a new sibling element of that kind. This section also describes how nodes can be created and deleted by using the [Apply Element](#), [Remove Node](#), and [Clear Element](#) mechanisms.

### Inserting elements

Elements can be inserted at the following locations:

- The cursor location within an element node. The elements available for insertion at that location are listed in a submenu of the context menu's **Insert** command. In the Elements entry helper, elements that can be inserted at a location are indicated with the  icon. In the `NanonullOrg.xml` document, place the cursor inside the `para` element, and create `bold` and `italic` elements using both the context menu and Elements entry helper.
- Before or after the selected element or any of its ancestors, if allowed by the schema. Select the required element from the submenu/s that roll out. In the Elements entry helper, elements that can be inserted before or after the selected element are indicated with the  and  icons, respectively. Note that in the Elements entry helper, you can insert elements before/after the selected element only; you cannot insert before/after an ancestor element. Try out this command, by first placing the cursor inside the `para` element and then inside the table listing the employees.

### Add Node link

If an element or attribute is included in the document design, and is not present in the XML document, an `Add Node` link is displayed at the location in the document where that node is specified. To see this link, in the line with the text, *Location of logo*, select the `@href` node within the `CompanyLogo` element and delete it (by pressing the **Delete** key). The `add @href` link appears within the `CompanyLogo` element that was edited (*screenshot below*). Clicking the link adds the `@href` node to the XML document. The text box within the `@href` tags appears because the design specifies that the `@href` node be added like this. You still have to enter the value (or content) of the `@href` node. Enter the text `nanonull.gif`.



If the content model of an element is ambiguous, for example, if it specifies that a sequence of child elements may appear in any order, then the `add...` link appears. Note that no node name is specified. Clicking the link will pop up a list of elements that may validly be inserted.

**Note:** The Add Node link appears directly in the document template; there is no corresponding entry in the context menu or Elements entry helper.

### Creating new elements with the Enter key

In cases where an element has been formatted as a paragraph or list item (by the stylesheet designer), pressing the Enter key when inside such a node causes a new node of that kind to be inserted after the current node. You can try this mechanism in the `NanonullOrg.xml` document by going to the end of a `para` node (just before its end tag) and pressing **Enter**.

### Applying elements

In elements of mixed content (those which contain both text and child elements), some text content can be selected and an allowed child element be applied to it. The selected text becomes the content of the applied element. To apply elements, in the context menu, select **Apply** and then select from among the applicable elements. (If no elements can be applied to the selected text, then the **Apply** command does not appear in the context menu.) In the Elements entry helper, elements that can be applied for a selection are indicated with the  icon. In the `NanonullOrg.xml` document, select text inside the mixed content `para` element and experiment with applying the `bold` and `italic` elements.

The stylesheet designer might also have created a toolbar icon to apply an element. In the `NanonullOrg.xml` document, the `bold` and `italic` elements can be applied by clicking the bold and italic icons in the application's Authentic toolbar.

### Removing nodes

A node can be removed if its removal does not render the document invalid. Removing a node causes a node and all its contents to be deleted. A node can be removed using the **Remove** command in the context menu. When the Remove command is highlighted, a submenu pops up which contains all nodes that may be removed, starting from the selected node and going up to the document's top-level node. To select a node for removal, the cursor can be placed within the node, or the node (or part of it) can be highlighted. In the Elements entry helper, nodes that can be removed are indicated with the  icon. A removable node can also be removed by selecting it and pressing the **Delete** key. In the `NanonullOrg.xml` document, experiment with removing a few nodes using the mechanisms described. You can undo your changes with **Ctrl+Z**.

### Clearing elements

Element nodes that are children of elements with mixed content (both text and element children) can be cleared. The entire element can be cleared when the node is selected or when the cursor is placed inside the node as an insertion point. A text fragment within the element can be cleared of the element markup by highlighting the text fragment. With the selection made, select **Clear** in the context menu and then the element to clear. In the Elements entry helper, elements that can be cleared for a particular selection are indicated with the  icon (insertion point selection) and  icon (range selection). In the `NanonullOrg.xml` document, try the clearing mechanism with the `bold` and `italic` child elements of `para` (which has mixed content).

### Tables and table structure

There are two types of Authentic View table:

- *SPS tables (static and dynamic)*. The broad structure of SPS table is determined by the stylesheet designer. Within this broad structure, the only structural changes you are allowed are content-driven. For example, you could add new rows to a dynamic SPS table.
- *XML tables*, in which you decide to present the contents of a particular node (say, one for person-specific details) as a table. If the stylesheet designer has enabled the creation of this node as an XML table, then you can determine the structure of the table and edit its contents. XML tables are discussed in detail in the [Tables in Authentic View](#) section.

## 8.1.4 Entering Data in Authentic View

Data is entered into the XML document directly in the main window of Authentic View. Additionally for attributes, data (the value of the attribute) can be [entered in the Attributes entry helper](#). Data is entered (i) directly as text, or (ii) by selecting an option in a data-entry device, which is then mapped to a predefined text entry.

### Adding text content

You can enter element content and attribute values directly as text in the main window of Authentic View. To insert content, place the cursor at the location where you want to insert the text, and type. You can also copy text from the clipboard into the document. Content can also be edited using standard editing mechanisms, such as the **Caps** and **Delete** keys. For example, you can highlight the text to be edited and type in the replacement text with the **Caps** key on.

For example, to change the name of the company, in the `Name` field of `Office`, place the cursor after `Nanonull`, and type in `USA` to change the name from `Nanonull, Inc.` to `Nanonull USA, Inc.`



If text is editable, you will be able to place your cursor in it and highlight it, otherwise you will not be able to. Try changing any of the **field names** (not the field values), such as "Street", "City", or "State/Zip," in the address block. You are not able to place the cursor in this text because such text is not XML content; it is derived from the StyleVision Power Stylesheet.

### Inserting special characters and entities

When entering data, the following type of content is handled in a special way:

- *Special characters that are used for XML markup* (ampersand, apostrophe, greater than, less than, and quotes). These characters are available as [built-in entities](#) and can be entered in the document by double-clicking the respective entity in the Entities entry helper. If these characters occur frequently (for example, in program code listings), then they can be entered within CDATA sections. To insert a CDATA section, right-click at the location where you wish to enter the CDATA section, and select **Insert CDATA Section** from the context menu. The XML processor ignores all markup characters within CDATA sections. This also means that if you want a special character inside a CDATA section, you should enter that character and not its entity reference.
- *Special characters that cannot be entered via the keyboard* should be entered by copying them from the character map of your system to the required location in the document.
- *A frequently used text string* can be [defined as an entity](#), which appears in the Entities entry helper. The [entity is inserted](#) at the required locations by placing the cursor at each required location and double-clicking the entity in the entry helper. This is useful for maintenance because the value of the text string is held in one location; if the value needs to be changed, then all that needs to be done is to change the entity definition.

**Note:** When markup is hidden in Authentic View, an empty element can easily be overlooked. To make sure that you are not overlooking an empty element, [switch large or small markup on](#).

Try using each type of text content described above.

### Adding content via a data-entry device

In the content editing you have learned above, content is added by directly typing in text as content. There is one other way that **element content** (or attribute values) can be entered in Authentic View: via data-entry devices.

Given below is a list of data-entry devices in Authentic View, together with an explanation of how data is entered in the XML file for each device.

Data-Entry Device	Data in XML File
Input Field (Text Box)	Text entered by user
Multiline Input Field	Text entered by user
Combo box	User selection mapped to value
Check box	User selection mapped to value
Radio button	User selection mapped to value
Button	User selection mapped to value

In the static table containing the address fields (*shown below*), there are two data-entry devices: an input field for the `zip` field and a combo-box for the State field. The values that you enter in the text fields are entered directly as the XML content of the respective elements. For other data-entry devices, your selection is mapped to a value.

<b>Street:</b>	119 Oakstreet, Suite 4876	
<b>City:</b>	Vereno	
<b>State &amp; Zip:</b>	DC	29213
<b>Vereno Office Summary</b> departments, 15 employees.		

For the Authentic View shown above, here is the corresponding XML text:

```
<Address>
  <ipo:street>119 oakstreet, suite 4876</ipo:street>
  <ipo:city>Vereno</ipo:city>
  <ipo:state>DC</ipo:state>
  <ipo:zip>29213</ipo:zip>
</Address>
```

Notice that the combo-box selection DC is mapped to a value of DC. The value of the zip field is entered directly as content of the `ipo:zip` element.

### 8.1.5 Entering Attribute Values

An attribute is a property of an element, and an element can have any number of attributes. Attributes have values. You may sometimes be required to enter XML data as an attribute value. In Authentic View, you enter attribute values in two ways:

- As content in the main window if the attribute has been created to accept its value in this way
- In the Attributes entry helper

#### Attribute values in the main window

Attribute values can be entered as normal text or as text in an input field, or as a user selection that will be mapped to an XML value. They are entered in the same way that element content is entered: see [Entering Data in Authentic View](#). In such cases, the distinction between element content and attribute value is made by the StyleVision Power Stylesheet and the data is handled appropriately.

#### Attribute values in the Attributes Entry Helper

If you wish to enter or change an attribute value, you can also do this in the Attributes Entry Helper. First, the attribute node is selected in Authentic View, then the value of the attribute is entered or edited in the Attributes entry helper. In the `NanonullOrg.xml` document, the location of the logo is stored as the value of the `href` attribute of the `CompanyLogo` element. To change the logo to be used:

1. Select the `CompanyLogo` element by clicking a `CompanyLogo` tag. The attributes of the `CompanyLogo` element are displayed in the Attributes Entry Helper.
2. In the Attributes Entry Helper, change the value of the `href` attribute from `nanonull.gif` to `Altova_right_300.gif` (an image in the `Examples` folder).

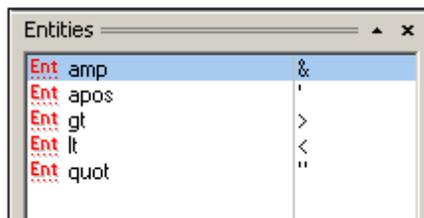


This causes the Nanonull logo to be replaced by the Altova logo.

**Note:** Entities cannot be entered in the Attributes entry helper.

### 8.1.6 Adding Entities

An entity in Authentic View is typically XML data (but not necessarily), such as a single character; a text string; and even a fragment of an XML document. An entity can also be a binary file, such as an image file. All the entities available for a particular document are displayed in the Entities Entry Helper (*screenshot below*). To insert an entity, place the cursor at the location in the document where you want to insert it, and then double-click the entity in the Entities entry helper. Note that you cannot enter entities in the Attributes entry helper.



The ampersand character (&) has special significance in XML (as have the apostrophe, less than and greater than symbols, and the double quote). To insert these characters, entities are used so that they are not confused with XML-significant characters. These characters are available as entities in Authentic View.

In `NanonullOrg.xml`, change the title of Joe Martin (in Marketing) to Marketing Manager Europe & Asia. Do this as follows:

1. Place the cursor where the ampersand is to be inserted.
2. Double-click the entity listed as "amp". This inserts an ampersand (*screenshot below*).

Marketing (2)		
First	Last	Title
Joe	Martin	Marketing Manager Europe &

**Note:** The Entities Entry Helper is not context-sensitive. All available entities are displayed no matter where the cursor is positioned. This does not mean that an entity can be inserted at all locations in the document. If you are not sure, then validate the document after inserting the entity: **XML | Validate XML (F8)**.

## Defining your own entities

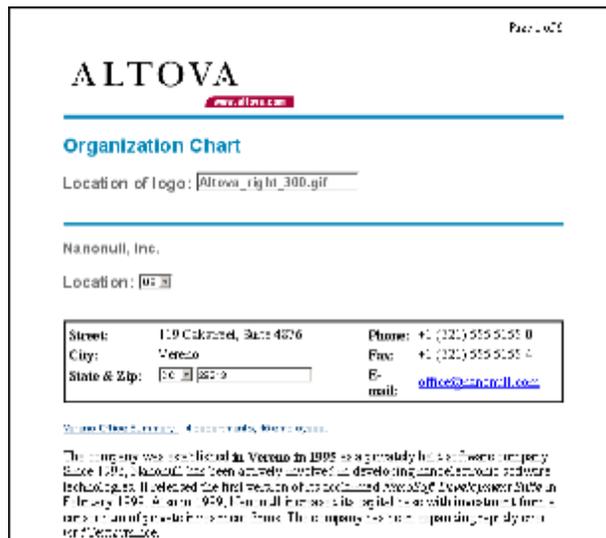
As a document editor, you can define your own document entities. How to do this is described in the section [Defining Entities in Authentic View](#).

### 8.1.7 Printing the Document

A printout from Authentic View of an XML document preserves the formatting seen in Authentic View.

To print `NanonullOrg.xml`, do the following:

1. Switch to Hide Markup mode if you are not already in it. You must do this if you do not want markup to be printed.
2. Select **File | Print Preview** to see a preview of all pages. Shown below is part of a print preview page, reduced by 50%.



Notice that the formatting of the page is the same as that in Authentic View.

3. To print the file, click **File | Print**.

Note that you can also print a version of the document that displays markup. To do this, switch Authentic View to Show small markup mode or Show large markup mode, and then print.

## 8.2 Authentic View Interface

Authentic View is enabled by clicking the Authentic tab of the active document. If no SPS has been assigned to the XML document, you are prompted to assign one. You can assign an SPS at any time via the **Authentic | Assign a Stylevision Stylesheet** command.

This section provides:

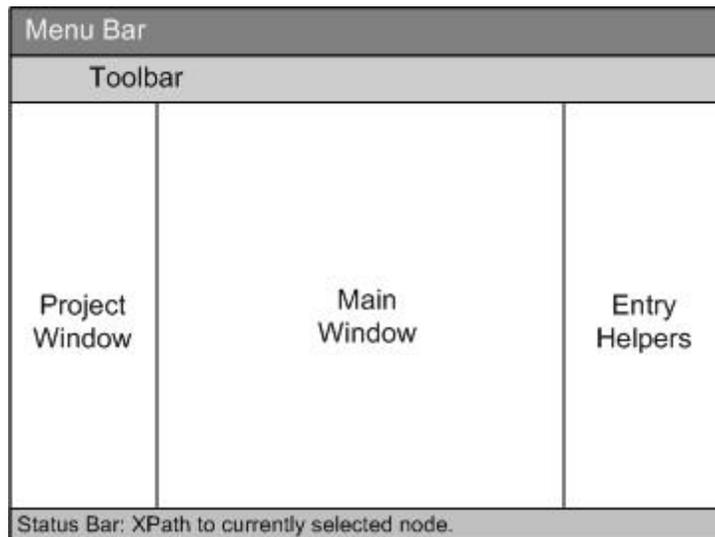
- An overview of the interface
- A description of the toolbar icons specific to Authentic View
- A description of viewing modes available in the main Authentic View window
- A description of the Entry Helpers and how they are to be used
- A description of the context menus available at various points in the Authentic View of the XML document

Additional sources of Authentic View information are:

- An Authentic View Tutorial, which shows you how to use the Authentic View interface. This tutorial is available in the documentation of the Altova XMLSpy and Altova Authentic Desktop products (see the Tutorials section), as well as [online](#).
- For a detailed description of Authentic View menu commands, see the User Reference section of your product documentation.

### 8.2.1 Overview of the GUI

Authentic View has a menu bar and toolbar running across the top of the window, and three areas that cover the rest of the interface: the Project Window, Main Window, and Entry Helpers Window. These areas are shown below.



#### Menu bar

The menus available in the menu bar are described in detail in the User Reference section of your product documentation.

#### Toolbar

The symbols and icons displayed in the toolbar are described in the section, [Authentic View toolbar icons](#).

### Project window

You can group XML, XSL, XML schema, and Entity files together in a project. To create and modify the list of project files, use the commands in the **Project** menu (described in the User Reference section of your product documentation). The list of project files is displayed in the Project window. A file in the Project window can be accessed by double-clicking it.

### Main window

This is the window in which the XML document is displayed and edited. It is described in the section, [Authentic View main window](#).

### Entry helpers

There are three entry helper windows in this area: Elements, Attributes, and Entities. What entries appear in these windows (Elements and Attributes Entry Helpers) are context-sensitive, i.e. it depends on where in the document the cursor is. You can enter an element or entity into the document by double-clicking its entry helper. The value of an attribute is entered into the value field of that attribute in the Attributes Entry Helper. See the section [Authentic View Entry Helpers](#) for details.

### Status Bar

The Status Bar displays the XPath to the currently selected node.

### Context menus

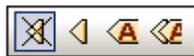
These are the menus that appear when you right-click in the Main Window. The available commands are context-sensitive editing commands, i.e. they allow you to manipulate structure and content relevant to the selected node. Such manipulations include inserting, appending, or deleting a node, adding entities, or cutting and pasting content.

## 8.2.2 Authentic View Toolbar Icons

Icons in the Authentic View toolbar are command shortcuts. Some icons will already be familiar to you from other Windows applications or Altova products, others might be new to you. This section describes icons unique to Authentic View. In the description below, related icons are grouped together.

### Show/hide XML markup

In Authentic View, the tags for all, some, or none of the XML elements or attributes can be displayed, either with their names (large markup) or without names (small markup). The four markup icons appear in the toolbar, and the corresponding commands are available in the **Authentic** menu.



Hide markup. All XML tags are hidden except those which have been collapsed. Double-clicking on a collapsed tag (which is the usual way to expand it) in Hide markup mode will cause the node's content to be displayed and the tags to be hidden.

-  Show small markup. XML element/attribute tags are shown without names.
-  Show large markup. XML element/attribute tags are shown with names.
-  Show mixed markup. In the StyleVision Power Stylesheet, each XML element or attribute can be specified to display (as either large or small markup), or not to display at all. This is called mixed markup mode since some elements can be specified to be displayed with markup and some without markup. In mixed markup mode, therefore, the Authentic View user sees a customized markup. Note, however, that this customization is created by the person who has designed the StyleVision Power Stylesheet. It cannot be defined by the Authentic View user.

### Editing dynamic table structures

Rows in a **dynamic SPS table** are repetitions of a data structure. Each row represents an occurrence of a single element. Each row, therefore, has the same XML substructure as the next.

The dynamic table editing commands manipulate the rows of a dynamic SPS table. That is, you can modify the number and order of the element occurrences. You cannot, however, edit the columns of a dynamic SPS table, since this would entail changing the substructure of individual element occurrences.

The icons for dynamic table editing commands appear in the toolbar, and are also available in the **Authentic** menu.



-  Append row to table
-  Insert row in table
-  Duplicate current table row (i.e. cell contents are duplicated)
-  Move current row up by one row
-  Move current row down by one row
-  Delete the current row

**Please note:** These commands apply only to **dynamic SPS tables**. They should not be used inside static SPS tables. The various types of tables used in Authentic View are described in the [Using Tables in Authentic View](#) section of this documentation.

### Creating and editing XML tables

You can insert your own tables should you want to present your data as a table. Such tables are inserted as XML tables. You can modify the structure of an XML table, and format the table. The icons for creating and editing XML tables are available in the toolbar, and are shown below. They

are described in the section [XML table editing icons](#).



The commands corresponding to these icons are **not available as menu items**. Note also that for you to be able to use XML tables, this function must be enabled and suitably configured in the StyleVision Power Stylesheet.

A detailed description of the types of tables used in Authentic View and of how XML tables are to be created and edited is given in [Using Tables in Authentic View](#).

### Text formatting icons

Text in Authentic View is formatted by applying to it an XML element or attribute that has the required formatting. If such formatting has been defined, the designer of the StyleVision Power Stylesheet can provide icons in the Authentic View toolbar to apply the formatting. To apply text formatting using a text formatting icon, highlight the text you want to format, and click the appropriate icon.

### DB Row Navigation icons



The arrow icons are, from left to right, Go to First Record in the DB; Go to Previous Record; Open Go to Record # dialog; Go to Next Record; and Go to Last Record.



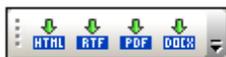
This icon opens the Edit Database Query dialog in which you can enter a query. Authentic View displays the queried record/s.

### XML database editing

The **Select New Row with XML Data for Editing** command enables you to select a new row from the relevant table in an XML DB, such as IBM DB2. This row appears in Authentic View, can be edited there, and then saved back to the DB.

### Portable XML Form (PXF) toolbar buttons

The following PXF toolbar buttons are available in the Authentic View of XMLSpy and Authentic Desktop:



Clicking the individual buttons generates HTML, RTF, PDF, and/or DocX output.

These buttons are enabled when a PXF file is opened in Authentic View. Individual buttons are enabled if the PXF file was configured to contain the XSLT stylesheet for that specific output format. For example, if the PXF file was configured to contain the XSLT stylesheets for HTML and RTF, then only the toolbar buttons for HTML and RTF output will be enabled while those for PDF and DocX (Word 2007+) output will be disabled.

### 8.2.3 Authentic View Main Window

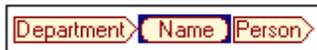
There are four viewing modes in Authentic View: Large Markup; Small Markup; Mixed Markup; and Hide All Markup. These modes enable you to view the document with varying levels of markup information. To switch between modes, use the commands in the **Authentic** menu or the icons in the toolbar (see the previous section, [Authentic View toolbar icons](#)).

#### Large markup

This shows the start and end tags of elements and attributes with the element/attribute names in the tags:



The element `Name` in the figure above is **expanded**, i.e. the start and end tags, as well as the content of the element, are shown. An element/attribute can be **contracted** by double-clicking either its start or end tag. To expand the contracted element/attribute, double-click the contracted tag.



In large markup, attributes are recognized by the equals-to symbol in the start and end tags of the attribute:



#### Small markup

This shows the start and end tags of elements/attributes without names:

ⓧ Nanonull, Inc. ⓧ

Location: ⓧ US ⓧ

<p>ⓧ</p> <p><b>Street:</b> ⓧ 119 Oakstreet, Suite 4876 ⓧ</p> <p><b>City:</b> ⓧ Vereno ⓧ</p> <p><b>State &amp; Zip:</b> ⓧ DC ⓧ  <input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="29213"/></p>	<p><b>Phone:</b> ⓧ +1 (321) 555 5155 0 ⓧ</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> ⓧ +1 (321) 555 5155 4 ⓧ</p> <p><b>E-mail:</b> ⓧ <a href="mailto:office@nanonull.com">office@nanonull.com</a> ⓧ</p>
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The company was established ⓧ in Vereno in 1995 ⓧ as a privately held software company. Since 1996, Nanonull has been actively involved in developing nanoelectronic software technologies. It released the first version of its acclaimed ⓧ *NanoSoft Development Suite* ⓧ in February 1999. Also in 1999, Nanonull increased its capital base with investment from a consortium of private investment firms. The company has been expanding rapidly ever since.

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Notice that start tags have a symbol inside it while end tags are empty. Also, element tags have an angular-brackets symbol while attribute tags have an equals sign as its symbol (see screenshot below).

ⓧ ⓧ 2006-04-01 ⓧ: ⓧ Boston ⓧ, ⓧ USA ⓧ ⓧ ⓧ

To collapse or expand an element/attribute, double-click the appropriate tag. The example below shows a collapsed element (highlighted in blue). Notice the shape of the tag of the collapsed element and that of the start tag of the expanded element to its left.

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### Mixed markup

Mixed markup shows a customized level of markup. The person who has designed the StyleVision Power Stylesheet can specify either large markup, small markup, or no markup for individual elements/attributes in the document. The Authentic View user sees this customized markup in mixed markup viewing mode.

### Hide all markup

All XML markup is hidden. Since the formatting seen in Authentic View is the formatting of the printed document, this viewing mode is a WYSIWYG view of the document.

### Content display

In Authentic View, content is displayed in two ways:

- Plain text. You type in the text, and this text becomes the content of the element or the value of the attribute.



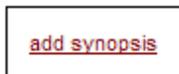
- Data-entry devices. The display contains either an input field (text box), a multiline input field, combo box, check box, or radio button. In the case of input fields and multiline input fields, the text you enter in the field becomes the XML content of the element or the value of the attribute.



In the case of the other data-entry devices, your selection produces a corresponding XML value, which is specified in the StyleVision Power Stylesheet. Thus, in a combo box, a selection of, say, "approved" (which would be available in the dropdown list of the combo box) could map to an XML value of "1", or to "approved", or anything else; while "not approved" could map to "0", or "not approved", or anything else.

### Optional nodes

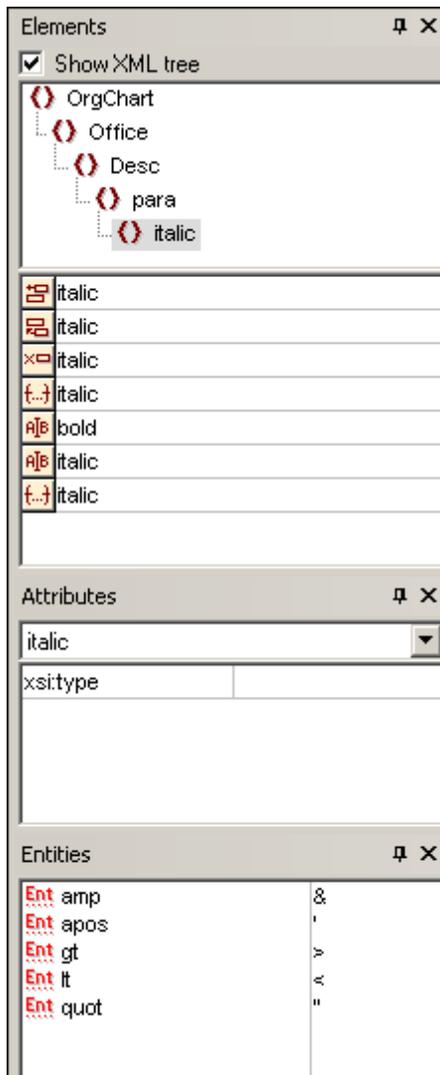
When an element or attribute is **optional** (according to the referenced schema), a prompt of type `add [element/attribute]` is displayed:



Clicking the prompt adds the element, and places the cursor for data entry. If there are multiple optional nodes, the prompt `add...` is displayed. Clicking the prompt displays a menu of the optional nodes.

## 8.2.4 Authentic View Entry Helpers

There are three entry helpers in Authentic View: for Elements, Attributes, and Entities. They are displayed as windows down the right side of the Authentic View interface (*see screenshot below*).



The Elements and Attributes Entry Helpers are context-sensitive, i.e. what appears in the entry helper depends on where the cursor is in the document. The entities displayed in the Entities Entry Helper are not context-sensitive; all entities allowed for the document are displayed no matter where the cursor is.

Each of the entry helpers is described separately below.

### Elements Entry Helper

The Elements Entry Helper consists of two parts:

- The upper part, containing an XML tree that can be toggled on and off using the **Show XML tree** check box. The XML tree shows the ancestors up to the document's root element for the current element. When you click on an element in the XML tree, elements corresponding to that element (as described in the next item in this list) appear in the lower part of the Elements Entry Helper.
- The lower part, containing a list of the nodes that can be inserted within, before, and after; removed; applied to or cleared from the selected element or text range in Authentic View. What you can do with an element listed in the Entry Helper is indicated by the icon to the

left of the element name in the Entry Helper. The icons that occur in the Elements Entry Helper are listed below, together with an explanation of what they mean.

To use node from the Entry Helper, click its icon.



#### Insert After Element

The element in the Entry Helper is inserted after the selected element. Note that it is appended at the correct hierarchical level. For example, if your cursor is inside a `//sect1/para` element, and you append a `sect1` element, then the new `sect1` element will be appended not as a following sibling of `//sect1/para` but as a following sibling of the `sect1` element that is the parent of that `para` element.



#### Insert Before Element

The element in the Entry Helper is inserted before the selected element. Note that, just as with the Insert After Element command, the element is inserted at the correct hierarchical level.



#### Remove Element

Removes the element and its content.



#### Insert Element

An element from the Entry Helper can also be inserted within an element. When the cursor is placed within an element, then the allowed child elements of that element can be inserted. Note that allowed child elements can be part of an elements-only content model as well as a mixed content model (text plus child elements).

An allowed child element can be inserted either when a text range is selected or when the cursor is placed as an insertion point within the text.

- When a text range is selected and an element inserted, the text range becomes the content of the inserted element.
- When an element is inserted at an insertion point, the element is inserted at that point.

After an element has been inserted, it can be cleared by clicking either of the two Clear Element icons that appear (in the Elements Entry Helper) for these inline elements. Which of the two icons appears depends on whether you select a text range or place the cursor in the text as an insertion point (see below).



#### Apply Element

If you select an element in your document (by clicking either its start or end tag in the Show large markup view) and that element can be replaced by another element (for example, in a mixed content element such as `para`, an `italic` element can be replaced by the `bold` element), this icon indicates that the element in the Entry Helper can be applied to the selected (original) element. The **Apply Element** command can also be applied to a text range within an element of mixed content; the text range will be created as content of the applied element.

- If the applied element has a **child element with the same name** as a child

of the original element and an instance of this child element exists in the original element, then the child element of the original is retained in the new element's content.

- If the applied element has **no child element with the same name** as that of an instantiated child of the original element, then the instantiated child of the original element is appended as a sibling of any child element or elements that the new element may have.
- If the applied element has **a child element for which no equivalent exists** in the original element's content model, then this child element is not created directly but Authentic View offers you the option of inserting it.

If a text range is selected rather than an element, applying an element to the selection will create the applied element at that location with the selected text range as its content. Applying an element when the cursor is an insertion point is not allowed.



#### Clear Element (when range selected)

This icon appears when text within an element of mixed content is selected. Clicking the icon clears the element from around the selected text range.



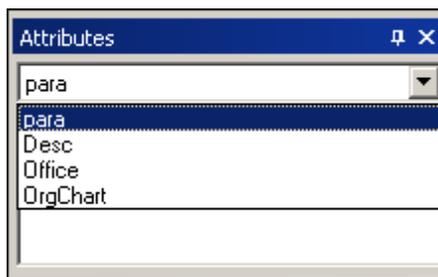
#### Clear Element (when insertion point selected)

This icon appears when the cursor is placed within an element that is a child of a mixed-content element. Clicking the icon clears the inline element.

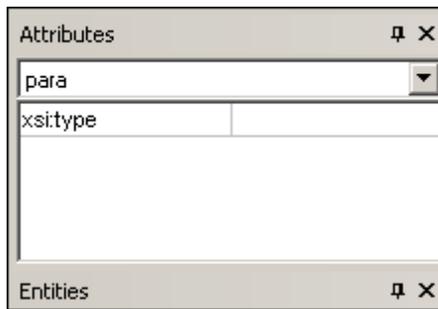
### Attributes Entry Helper

The Attributes Entry Helper consists of a drop-down combo box and a list of attributes. The element that you have selected (you can click the start or end tag, or place the cursor anywhere in the element content to select it) appears in the combo box.

The Attributes Entry Helper shown in the figures below has a `para` element in the combo box. Clicking the arrow in the combo box drops down a list of all the `para` element's **ancestors up to the document's root element**, which in this case is `OrgChart`.



Below the combo box, a list of valid attributes for that element is displayed, in this case for `para`. If an attribute is mandatory on a given element, then it appears in bold. (In the example below, there are no mandatory attributes except the built-in attribute `xml:type`.)



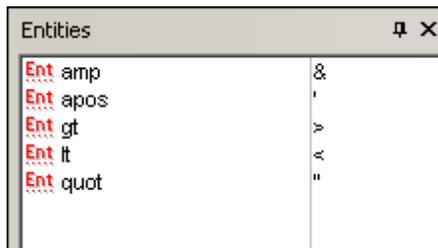
To enter a value for an attribute, click in the value field of the attribute and enter the value. This creates the attribute and its value in the XML document.

In the case of the `xsi:nil` attribute, which appears in the Attributes Entry Helper when a nillable element has been selected, the value of the `xsi:nil` attribute can only be entered by selecting one of the allowed values (`true` or `false`) from the dropdown list for the attribute's value.

The `xsi:type` attribute can be changed by clicking in the value field of the attribute and then selecting, from the dropdown list that appears, one of the listed values. The listed values are the available abstract types defined in the XML Schema on which the Authentic View document is based.

### Entities Entry Helper

The Entities Entry Helper allows you to insert an entity in your document. Entities can be used to insert special characters or text fragments that occur often in a document (such as the name of a company). To insert an entity, place the cursor at the point in the text where you want to have the entity inserted, then double-click the entity in the Entities Entry Helper.



**Note:** An internal entity is one that has its value defined within the DTD. An external entity is one that has its value contained in an external source, e.g. another XML file. Both internal and external entities are listed in the Entities Entry Helper. When you insert an entity, whether internal or external, the entity—not its value—is inserted into the XML text. If the entity is an internal entity, Authentic View displays **the value of the entity**. If the entity is an external entity, Authentic View displays the entity—and not its value. This means, for example, that an XML file that is an external entity will be shown in the Authentic View display as an entity; its content does not replace the entity in the Authentic View display.

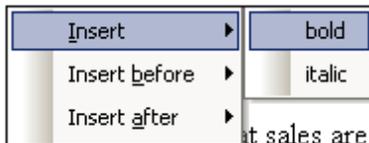
You can also **define your own entities** in Authentic View and these will also be displayed in the entry helper: see [Define Entities](#) in the Editing in Authentic View section.

## 8.2.5 Authentic View Context Menus

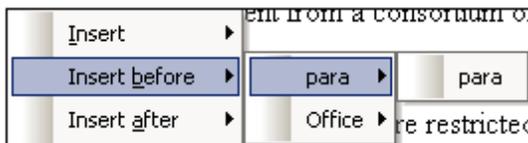
Right-clicking on some selected document content or node pops up a context menu with commands relevant to the selection or cursor location.

### Inserting elements

The figure below shows the **Insert** submenu, which is a list of all elements that can be inserted at that current cursor location. The **Insert Before** submenu lists all elements that can be inserted before the current element. The **Insert After** submenu lists all elements that can be inserted after the current element. In the figure below, the current element is the `para` element. The **bold** and **italic** elements can be inserted within the current `para` element.



As can be seen below, the `para` and `Office` elements can be inserted before the current `para` element.



The node insertion, replacement (**Apply**), and markup removal (**Clear**) commands that are available in the context menu are also available in the [Authentic View entry helpers](#) and are fully described in that section.

### Insert entity

Positioning the cursor over the Insert Entity command rolls out a submenu containing a list of all declared entities. Clicking an entity inserts it a the selection. See [Define Entities](#) for a description of how to define entities for the document.

### Insert CDATA Section

This command is enabled when the cursor is placed within text. Clicking it inserts a CDATA section at the cursor insertion point. The CDATA section is delimited by start and end tags; to see these tags you should switch on large or small markup. Within CDATA sections, XML markup and parsing is ignored. XML markup characters (the ampersand, apostrophe, greater than, less than, and quote characters) are not treated as markup, but as literals. So CDATA sections are useful for text such as program code listings, which have XML markup characters.

### Remove node

Positioning the mouse cursor over the **Remove** command pops up a menu list consisting of the selected node and all its removable ancestors (those that would not invalidate the document) up to the document element. Click the element to be removed. This is a quick way to delete an element or any removable ancestor. Note that clicking an ancestor element will remove all its descendants, including the selected element.

### Clear

The **Clear** command clears the element markup from around the selection. If the entire node is selected, then the element markup is cleared for the entire node. If a text segment is selected, then the element markup is cleared from around that text segment only.

### Apply

The **Apply** command applies a selected element to your selection in the main Window. For more details, see [Authentic View entry helpers](#).

### Copy, Cut, Paste

These are the standard Windows commands. Note, however, that the **Paste** command pastes copied text either as XML or as Text, depending on what the designer of the stylesheet has specified for the SPS as a whole. For information about how the **Copy as XML** and **Copy as Text** commands work, see the description of the **Paste As** command immediately below.

### Paste As

The **Paste As** command offers the option of pasting as XML or as text an Authentic View XML fragment (which was copied to the clipboard). If the copied fragment is pasted as XML it is pasted together with its XML markup. If it is pasted as text, then only the text content of the copied fragment is pasted (not the XML markup, if any). The following situations are possible:

- An **entire node together with its markup tags** is highlighted in Authentic View and copied to the clipboard. (i) The node can be pasted as XML to any location where this node may validly be placed. It will not be pasted to an invalid location. (ii) If the node is pasted as text, then only the node's *text content* will be pasted (not the markup); the text content can be pasted to any location in the XML document where text may be pasted.
- A **text fragment** is highlighted in Authentic View and copied to the clipboard. (i) If this fragment is pasted as XML, then the XML markup tags of the text—even though these were not explicitly copied with the text fragment—will be pasted along with the text, but only if the XML node is valid at the location where the fragment is pasted. (ii) If the fragment is pasted as text, then it can be pasted to any location in the XML document where text may be pasted.

**Note:** Text will be copied to nodes where text is allowed, so it is up to you to ensure that the copied text does not invalidate the document. The copied text should therefore be:

- (i) lexically valid in the new location (for example, non-numeric characters in a numeric node would be invalid), and
- (ii) not otherwise invalidate the node (for example, four digits in a node that accepts only three-digit numbers would invalidate the node).

If the pasted text does in any way invalidate the document, this will be indicated by the text being displayed in red.

### Delete

The **Delete** command removes the selected node and its contents. A node is considered to be selected for this purpose by placing the cursor within the the node or by clicking either the start or end tag of the node.

## 8.3 Editing in Authentic View

This section describes important features of Authentic View in detail. Features have been included in this section either because they are frequently used or because the mechanisms or concepts involved require explanation.

The section explains the following:

- There are three distinct types of tables used in Authentic View. The section [Using tables in Authentic View](#) explains the three types of tables (static SPS, dynamic SPS, and XML), and when and how to use them. It starts with the broad, conceptual picture and moves to the details of usage.
- The Date Picker is a graphical calendar that enters dates in the correct XML format when you click a date. See [Date Picker](#).
- An entity is shorthand for a special character or text string. You can define your own entities, which allows you to insert these special characters or text strings by inserting the corresponding entities. See [Defining Entities](#) for details.
- In the Enterprise and Professional editions of Altova products, Authentic View users can sign XML documents with [digital XML signatures](#) and verify these signatures.
- What [image formats](#) can be displayed in Authentic View.

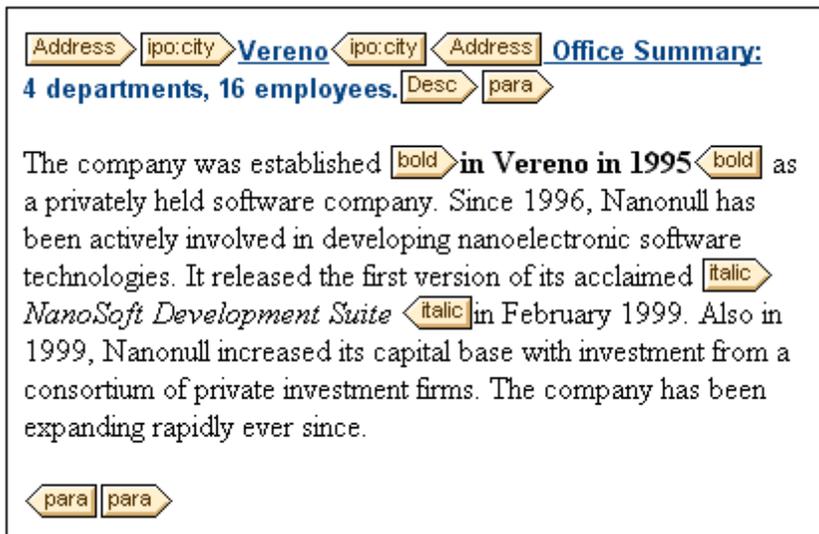
### 8.3.1 Basic Editing

When you edit in Authentic View, you are editing an XML document. Authentic View, however, can hide the structural XML markup of the document, thus displaying only the content of the document (*first screenshot below*). You are therefore not exposed to the technicalities of XML, and can edit the document as you would a normal text document. If you wish, you could switch on the markup at any time while editing (*second screenshot below*).

**[Vereno Office Summary: 4 departments, 16 employees.](#)**

The company was established **in Vereno in 1995** as a privately held software company. Since 1996, Nanonull has been actively involved in developing nanoelectronic software technologies. It released the first version of its acclaimed *NanoSoft Development Suite* in February 1999. Also in 1999, Nanonull increased its capital base with investment from a consortium of private investment firms. The company has been expanding rapidly ever since.

***An editable Authentic View document with no XML markup.***

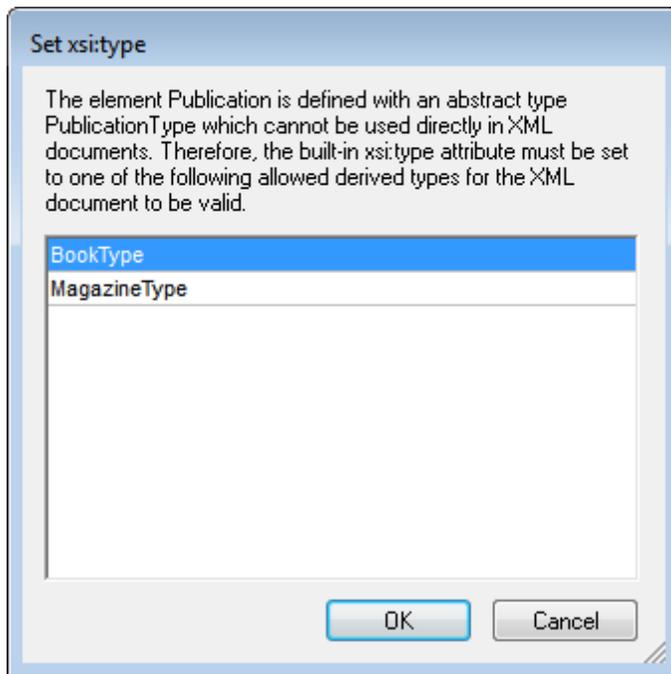


**An editable Authentic View document with XML markup tags.**

### Inserting nodes

Very often you will need to add a new node to the Authentic XML document. For example, a new `Person` element might need to be added to an address book type of document. In such cases the XML Schema would allow the addition of the new element. All you need to do is right-click the node in the Authentic View document before which or after which you wish to add the new node. In the context menu that appears, select **Insert Before** or **Insert After** as required. The nodes available for insertion at that point in the document are listed in a submenu. Click the required node to insert it. The node will be inserted. All mandatory descendant nodes are also inserted. If a descendant node is optional, a clickable link, [Add NodeName](#), appears to enable you to add the optional node if you wish to.

If the node being added is an element with an abstract type, then a dialog (*something like in the screenshot below*) appears containing a list of derived types that are available in the XML Schema.



The screenshot above pops up when a `Publication` element is added. The `Publication` element is of type `PublicationType`, which is an abstract complex type. The two complex types `BookType` and `MagazineType` are derived from the abstract `PublicationType`. Therefore, when a `Publication` element is added to the XML document, one of these two concrete types derived from `Publication`'s abstract type must be specified. The new `Publication` element will be added with an `xsi:type` attribute:

```
<Publication xsi:type="BookType"> ... </Publication>
<Publication xsi:type="MagazineType"> ... </Publication>
...
<Publication xsi:type="MagazineType"> ... </Publication>
```

Selecting one of the available derived types and clicking **OK** does the following:

- Sets the selected derived type as the value of the `xsi:type` attribute of the element
- Inserts the element together with the descendant nodes defined in the content model of the selected derived type.

The selected derived type can be changed subsequently by changing the value of the element's `xsi:type` attribute in the Attributes Entry Helper. When the element's type is changed in this way, all nodes of the previous type's content model are removed and nodes of the new type's content model are inserted.

### Text editing

An Authentic View document will essentially consist of text and images. To edit the text in the document, place the cursor at the location where you wish to insert text, and type. You can copy, move, and delete text using familiar keystrokes (such as the **Delete** key) and drag-and-drop mechanisms. One exception is the **Enter** key. Since the Authentic View document is preformatted, you do not—and cannot—add extra lines or space between items. The **Enter** key in Authentic View therefore serves to append another instance of the element currently being edited, and should be used exclusively for this purpose.

### Copy as XML or as text

Text can be copied and pasted as XML or as text.

- If text is pasted as XML, then the XML markup is pasted together with the text content of nodes. The XML markup is pasted even if only part of a node's contents has been copied. For the markup to be pasted it must be allowed, according to the schema, at the location where it is pasted.
- If text is pasted as text, XML markup is not pasted.

To paste as XML or text, first copy the text (**Ctrl+C**), right-click at the location where the text is to be pasted, and select the context menu command **Paste As | XML** or **Paste As | Text**. If the shortcut **Ctrl+V** is used, the text will be pasted in the default Paste Mode of the SPS. The default Paste Mode will have been specified by the designer of the SPS. For more details, see the section [Context Menus](#).

Alternatively, highlighted text can be dragged to the location where it is to be pasted. When the text is dropped, a pop-up appears asking whether the text is to be pasted as text or XML. Select the desired option.

### Text formatting

A fundamental principle of XML document systems is that content be kept separate from presentation. The XML document contains the content, while the stylesheet contains the presentation (formatting). In Authentic View, the XML document is presented via the stylesheet. This means that all the formatting you see in Authentic View is produced by the stylesheet. If you see bold text, that bold formatting has been provided by the stylesheet. If you see a list or a table, that list format or table format has been provided by the stylesheet. The XML document, which you edit in Authentic View contains only the content; it contains no formatting whatsoever. The formatting is contained in the stylesheet. What this means for you, the Authentic View user, is that you do not have to—nor can you—format any of the text you edit. You are editing content. The formatting that is automatically applied to the content you edit is linked to the semantic and/or structural value of the data you are editing. For example, an email address (which could be considered a semantic unit) will be formatted automatically in a certain way because it is an email. In the same way, a headline must occur at a particular location in the document (both a structural and semantic unit) and will be formatted automatically in the way the stylesheet designer has specified that headlines be formatted. You cannot change the formatting of either email address or headline. All that you do is edit the content of the email address or headline.

In some cases, content might need to be specially presented; for example, a text string that must be presented in boldface. In all such cases, the presentation must be tied in with a structural element of the document. For example, a text string that must be presented in boldface, will be structurally separated from surrounding content by markup that the stylesheet designer will format in boldface. If you, as the Authentic View user, need to use such a text string, you would need to enclose the text string within the appropriate element markup. For information about how to do this, see the Insert Element command in the [Elements Entry Helper](#) section of the documentation.

### Using RichEdit in Authentic View

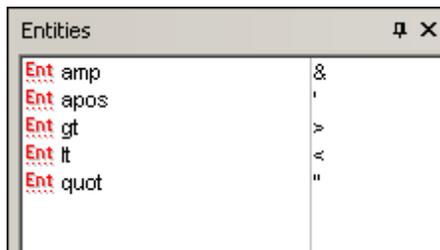
In Authentic View, when the cursor is placed inside an element that has been created as a RichEdit component, the buttons and controls in the RichEdit toolbar (*screenshot below*) become enabled. Otherwise they are grayed out.



Select the text you wish to style and specify the styling you wish to apply via the buttons and controls of the RichEdit toolbar. RichEdit enables the Authentic View user to specify the font, font-weight, font-style, font-decoration, font-size, color, background color and alignment of text. The text that has been styled will be enclosed in the tags of the styling element.

### Inserting entities

In XML documents, some characters are reserved for markup and cannot be used in normal text. These are the ampersand (&), apostrophe ('), less than (<), greater than (>), and quote (") characters. If you wish to use these characters in your data, you must insert them as entity references, via the [Entities Entry Helper](#) (screenshot below).



XML also offers the opportunity to create custom entities. These could be: (i) special characters that are not available on your keyboard, (ii) text strings that you wish to re-use in your document content, (iii) XML data fragments, or (iv) other resources, such as images. You can [define your own entities](#) within the Authentic View application. Once defined, these entities appear in the [Entities Entry Helper](#) and can then be inserted as in the document.

### Inserting CDATA sections

CDATA sections are sections of text in an XML document that the XML parser does not process as XML data. They can be used to escape large sections of text if replacing special characters by entity references is undesirable; this could be the case, for example, with program code or an XML fragment that is to be reproduced with its markup tags. CDATA sections can occur within element content and are delimited by `<![CDATA[` and `]]>` at the start and end, respectively. Consequently the text string `]]>` should not occur within a CDATA section as it would prematurely signify the end of the section. In this case, the greater than character should be escaped by its entity reference (`&gt;`). To insert a CDATA section within an element, place the cursor at the desired location, right-click, and select **Insert CDATA Section** from the context menu. To see the CDATA section tags in Authentic View, [switch on the markup display](#). Alternatively, you could highlight the text that is to be enclosed in a CDATA section, and then select the **Insert CDATA section** command.

**Note:** CDATA sections cannot be inserted into input fields (that is, in text boxes and multiline text boxes). CDATA sections can only be entered within elements that are displayed in Authentic View as text content components.

### Editing and following links

A hyperlink consists of two parts: the link text and the target of the link. You can edit the link text

by clicking in the text and editing. But you cannot edit the target of the link. (The target of the link is set by the designer of the stylesheet (either by typing in a static target address or by deriving the target address from data contained in the XML document).) From Authentic View, you can go to the target of the link by pressing **Ctrl** and clicking the link text. (Remember: merely clicking the link will set you up for editing the link text.)

### 8.3.2 Tables in Authentic View

The three table types fall into two categories: SPS tables (static and dynamic) and CALS/HTML Tables.

**SPS tables** are of two types: static and dynamic. SPS tables are designed by the designer of the StyleVision Power Stylesheet to which your XML document is linked. You yourself cannot insert an SPS table into the XML document, but you can enter data into SPS table fields and add and delete the rows of dynamic SPS tables. The section on [SPS tables](#) below explains the features of these tables.

**CALS/HTML tables** are inserted by you, the user of Authentic View. Their purpose is to enable you to insert tables at any allowed location in the document hierarchy should you wish to do so. The editing features of [CALS/HTML Tables](#) and the [CALS/HTML Table editing icons](#) are described below.

#### SPS Tables

Two types of SPS tables are used in Authentic View: static tables and dynamic tables.

**Static tables** are fixed in their structure and in the content-type of cells. You, as the user of Authentic View, can enter data into the table cells but you cannot change the structure of these tables (i.e. add rows or columns, etc) or change the content-type of a cell. You enter data either by typing in text, or by selecting from options presented in the form of check-box or radio button alternatives or as a list in a combo-box. After you enter data, you can edit it.

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**Please note:** The icons or commands for editing dynamic tables **must not** be used to edit static tables.

**Dynamic tables** have rows that represent a repeating data structure, i.e. each row has an identical data structure (not the case with static tables). Therefore, you can perform row operations: append row, insert row, move row up, move row down, and delete row. These commands are available under the **Authentic** menu and as icons in the toolbar (shown below).



To use these commands, place the cursor anywhere in the appropriate row, and then select the required command.

Administration								
First	Last	Title	Ext	EMail	Shares	Leave		
						Total	Used	Left
Vernon	Callaby	Office Manager	581	v.callaby@nanonull.com	1500	25	4	21
Frank	Further	Accounts Receivable	471	f.further@nanonull.com	0	22	2	20
Loby	Matise	Accounting Manager	963	l.matise@nanonull.com	<a href="#">add Shares</a>	25	7	18
<b>Employees: 3 (20% of Office, 9% of Company)</b>					<b>Shares: 1500 (13% of Office, 6% of Company)</b>			
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To move among cells in the table, use the Up, Down, Left, and Right arrow keys. To move forward from one cell to the next, use the **Tab** key. Pressing the **Tab** key in the last cell of the last row creates a new row.

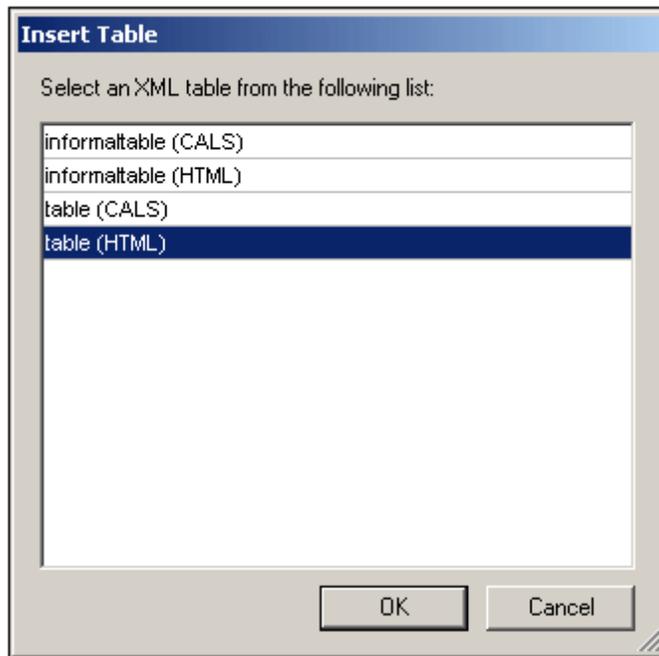
## CALS/HTML Tables

CALS/HTML tables can be inserted by you, the user of Authentic View, for certain XML data structures that have been specified to show a table format. There are three steps involved when working with CALS/HTML tables: inserting the table; formatting it; and entering data. The commands for working with CALS/HTML tables are available as icons in the toolbar (see [CALS/HTML table editing icons](#)).

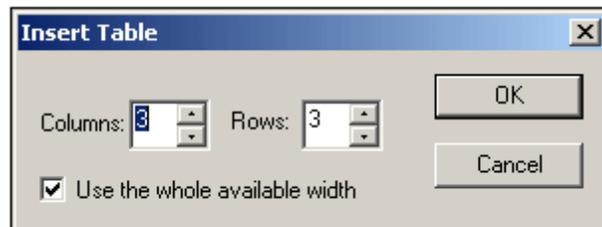
### Inserting tables

To insert a CALS/HTML table do the following:

1. Place your cursor where you wish to insert the table, and click the  icon. (Note that where you can insert tables is determined by the schema.) The Insert Table dialog (*screenshot below*) appears. This dialog lists all the XML element data-structures for which a table structure has been defined. For example, in the screenshot below, the `informaltable` element and `table` element have each been defined as both a CALS table as well as an HTML table.



2. Select the entry containing the element and table model you wish to insert, and click **OK**.
3. In the next dialog (*screenshot below*), select the number of columns and rows, and specify whether a header and/or footer is to be added to the table and whether the table is to extend over the entire available width. Click **OK** when done.



For the specifications given in the dialog box shown above, the following table is created.


By using the **Table** menu commands, you can add and delete columns, and create row and column joins and splits. But to start with, you must create the broad structure.

### Formatting tables and entering data

The table formatting will already have been assigned in the document design. However, you might, under certain circumstances, be able to modify the table formatting. These circumstances are as follows:

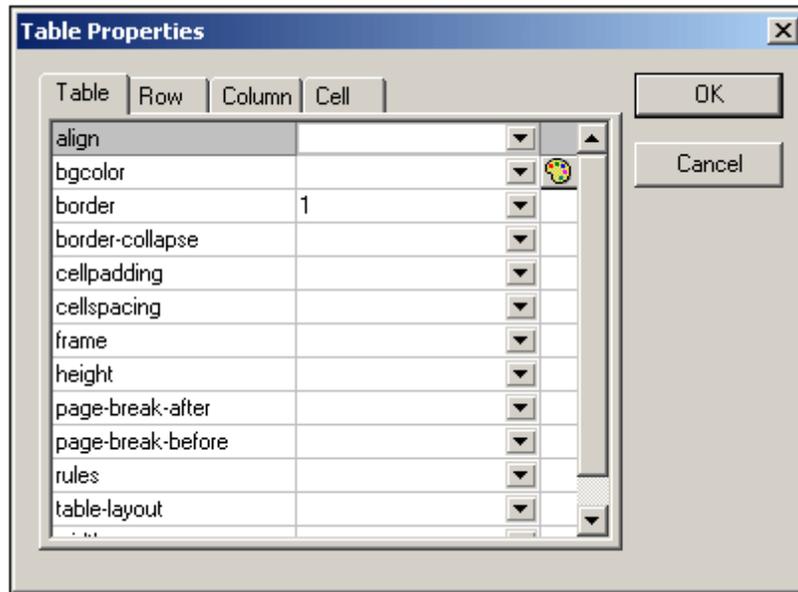
- The elements corresponding to the various table structure elements must have the relevant CALS or HTML table properties defined as attributes (in the underlying XML Schema). Only those attributes that are defined will be available for formatting. If, in the

design, values have been set for these attributes, then you can override these values in Authentic View.

- In the design, no `style` attribute containing CSS styles must have been set. If a style attribute containing CSS styles has been specified for an element, the `style` attribute has precedence over any other formatting attribute set on that element. As a result, any formatting specified in Authentic View will be overridden.

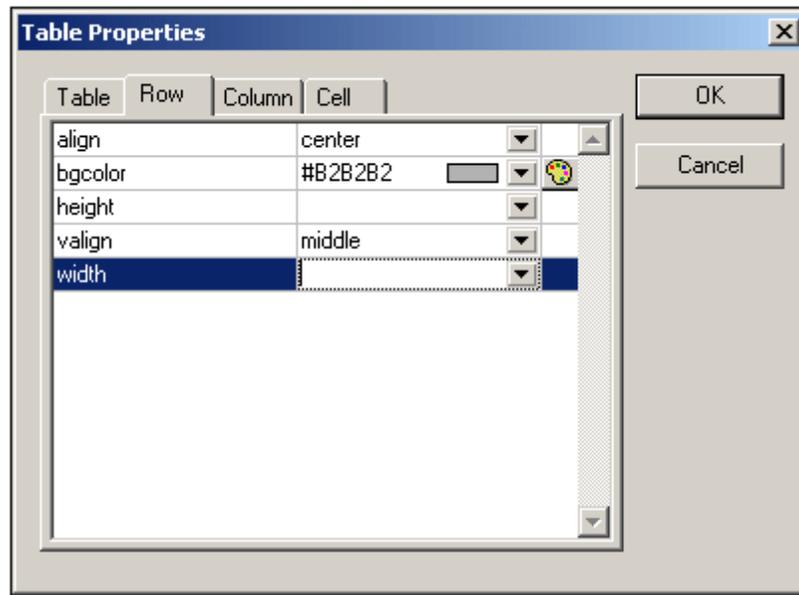
To format a table, row, column, or cell, do the following:

1. Place the cursor anywhere in the table and click the  (Table Properties) icon. This opens the Table Properties dialog (see *screenshot*), where you specify formatting for the table, or for a row, column, or cell.



2. Set the cellspacing and cellpadding properties to "0". Your table will now look like this:


3. Place the cursor in the first row to format it, and click the  (Table Properties) icon. Click the **Row** tab.



Since the first row will be the header row, set a background color to differentiate this row from the other rows. Note the Row properties that have been set in the figure above. Then enter the column header text. Your table will now look like this:

Name	Telephone	Email

Notice that the alignment is centered as specified.

4. Now, say you want to divide the "Telephone" column into the sub-columns "Office" and "Home", in which case you would need to split the horizontal width of the Telephone column into two columns. First, however, we will split the vertical extent of the header cell to make a sub-header row. Place the cursor in the "Telephone" cell, and click the  (Split vertically) icon. Your table will look like this:

Name	Telephone	Email

5. Now place the cursor in the cell below the cell containing "Telephone", and click the  (Split horizontally) icon. Then type in the column headers "Office" and "Home". Your table will now look like this:

Name	Telephone		Email
	Office	Home	

Now you will have to split the horizontal width of each cell in the "Telephone" column.

You can also add and delete columns and rows, and vertically align cell content, using the table-editing icons. The CALS/HTML table editing icons are described in the section titled, [CALS/HTML Table Editing Icons](#).

### Moving among cells in the table

To move among cells in the CALS/HTML table, use the Up, Down, Right, and Left arrow keys.

### Entering data in a cell

To enter data in a cell, place the cursor in the cell, and type in the data.

### Formatting text

Text in a CALS/HTML table, as with other text in the XML document, must be formatted using XML elements or attributes. To add an element, highlight the text and double-click the required element in the Elements Entry Helper. To specify an attribute value, place the cursor within the text fragment and enter the required attribute value in the Attributes Entry Helper. After formatting the header text bold, your table will look like this.

Name	Telephone		Email
	Office	Home	

The text above was formatted by highlighting the text, and double-clicking the element `strong`, for which a global template exists that specifies bold as the font-weight. The text formatting becomes immediately visible.

**Please note:** For text formatting to be displayed in Authentic View, a global template with the required text formatting must have been created in StyleVision for the element in question.

### CALS/HTML Table Editing Icons

The commands required to edit CALS/HTML tables are available as icons in the toolbar, and are listed below. Note that no corresponding menu commands exist for these icons.

For a full description of when and how CALS/HTML Tables are to be used, see [CALS/HTML Tables](#).

#### Insert table



The "Insert Table" command inserts a **CALS/HTML table** at the current cursor position.

#### Delete table



The "Delete table" command deletes the currently active table.

#### Append row



The "Append row" command appends a row to the end of the currently active table.

### Append column



The "Append column" command appends a column to the end of the currently active table.

### Insert row



The "Insert row" command inserts a row above the current cursor position in the currently active table.

### Insert column



The "Insert column" command inserts a column to the left of the current cursor position in the currently active table.

### Join cell left



The "Join cell left" command joins the current cell (current cursor position) with the cell to the left. The tags of both cells remain in the new cell, the column headers remain unchanged and are concatenated.

### Join cell right



The "Join cell right" command joins the current cell (current cursor position) with the cell to the right. The contents of both cells are concatenated in the new cell.

### Join cell below



The "Join cell below" command joins the current cell (current cursor position) with the cell below. The contents of both cells are concatenated in the new cell.

### Join cell above



The "Join cell above" command joins the current cell (current cursor position) with the cell above. The contents of both cells are concatenated in the new cell.

### Split cell horizontally



The "Split cell Horizontally" command creates a new cell to the right of the currently active cell. The size of both cells, is now the same as the original cell.

### Split cell vertically



The "Split cell Vertically" command creates a new cell below the currently active cell.

### Align top



This command aligns the cell contents to the top of the cell.

### Center vertically



This command centers the cell contents.

### Align bottom

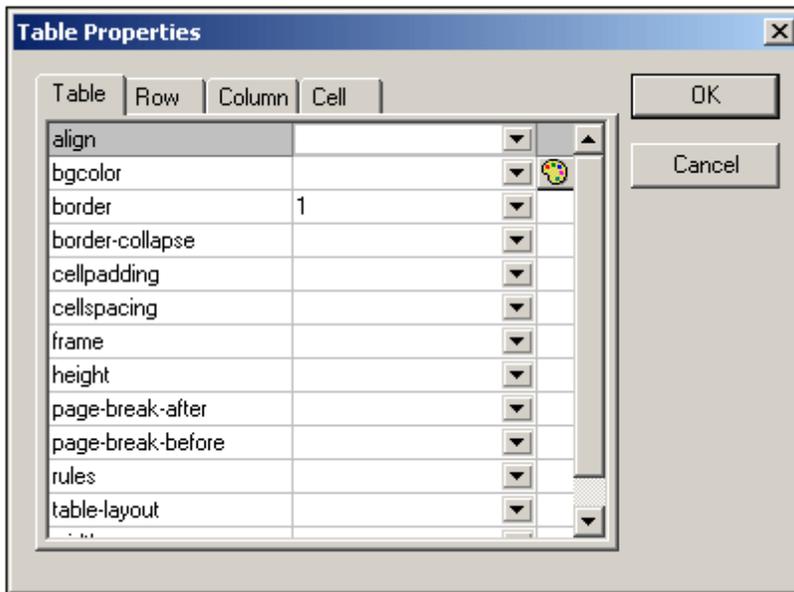


This command aligns the cell contents to the bottom of the cell.

### Table properties



The "Table properties" command opens the Table Properties dialog box. This icon is only made active for HTML tables, it cannot be clicked for CALS tables.



### 8.3.3 Editing a DB

In Authentic View, you can edit database (DB) tables and save data back to a DB. This section contains a full description of interface features available to you when editing a DB table. The following general points need to be noted:

- The number of records in a DB table that are displayed in Authentic View may have been deliberately restricted by the designer of the StyleVision Power Stylesheet in order to make the design more compact. In such cases, only that limited number of records is initially loaded into Authentic View. Using the DB table row navigation icons (see [Navigating a DB Table](#)), you can load and display the other records in the DB table.
- You can [query the DB](#) to display certain records.
- You can add, modify, and delete DB records, and save your changes back to the DB. See [Modifying a DB Table](#).

To open a DB-based StyleVision Power Stylesheet in Authentic View:

- Click **Authentic | Edit Database Data**, and browse for the required StyleVision Power Stylesheet.

**Note:** In Authentic view, data coming from a SQLite database is not editable. When you attempt

to save SQLite data from the Authentic view, a message box will inform you of this known limitation.

### Navigating a DB Table

The commands to navigate DB table rows are available as buttons in the Authentic View document. Typically, one navigation panel with either four or five buttons accompanies each DB table.



The arrow icons are, from left to right, Go to First Record in the DB Table; Go to Previous Record; Open the Go to Record dialog (see *screenshot*); Go to Next Record; and Go to Last Record.



To navigate a DB table, click the required button.

### XML Databases

In the case of XML DBs, such as IBM DB2, one cell (or row) contains a single XML document, and therefore a single row is loaded into Authentic View at a time. To load an XML document that is in another row, use the [Authentic | Select New Row with XML Data for Editing](#) menu command.

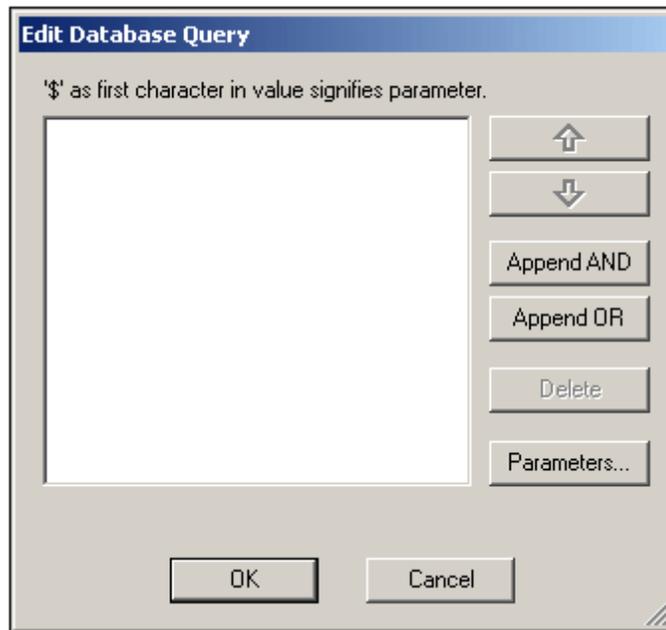
### DB Queries

A DB query enables you to query the records of a table displayed in Authentic View. A query is made for an individual table, and only one query can be made for each table. You can make a query at any time while editing. If you have unsaved changes in your Authentic View document at the time you submit the query, you will be prompted about whether you wish to save **all** changes made in the document or discard **all** changes. Note that even changes made in other tables will be saved/discarded. After you submit the query, the table is reloaded using the query conditions.

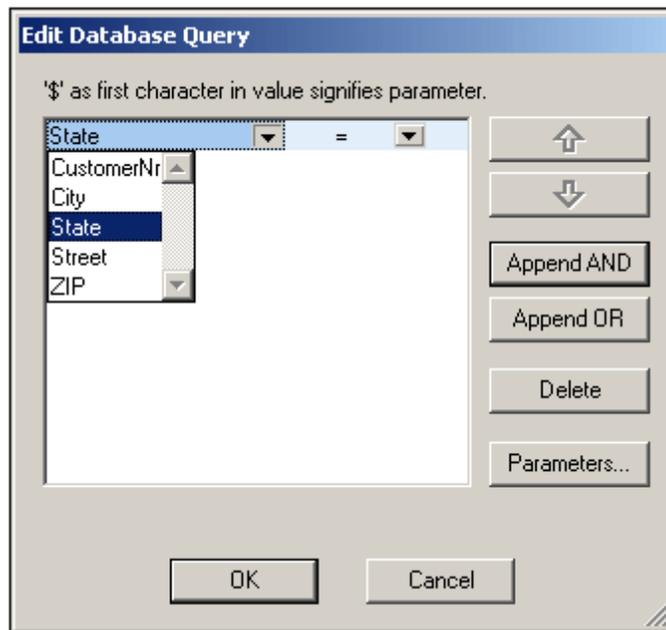
**Please note:** If you get a message saying that too many tables are open, then you can reduce the number of tables that are open by using a query to filter out some tables.

To create and submit a query:

1. Click the Query button  for the required table in order to open the Edit Database Query dialog (see *screenshot*). This button typically appears at the top of each DB table or below it. If a Query button is not present for any table, the designer of the StyleVision Power Stylesheet has not enabled the DB Query feature for that table.



2. Click the **Append AND** or **Append OR** button. This appends an empty criterion for the query (shown below).



4. Enter the expression for the criterion. An expression consists of: (i) a field name (available from the associated combo-box); (ii) an operator (available from the associated combo-box); and (iii) a value (to be entered directly). For details of how to construct expressions see the [Expressions in criteria](#) section.
5. If you wish to add another criterion, click the **Append AND** or **Append OR** button according to which logical operator (AND or OR) you wish to use to join the two criteria. Then add the new criterion. For details about the logical operators, see the section [Re-ordering criteria in DB Queries](#).

### Expressions in criteria

Expressions in DB Query criteria consist of a field name, an operator, and a value. The **available field names** are the child elements of the selected top-level data table; the names of these fields are listed in a combo-box (see *screenshot above*). The **operators** you can use are listed below:

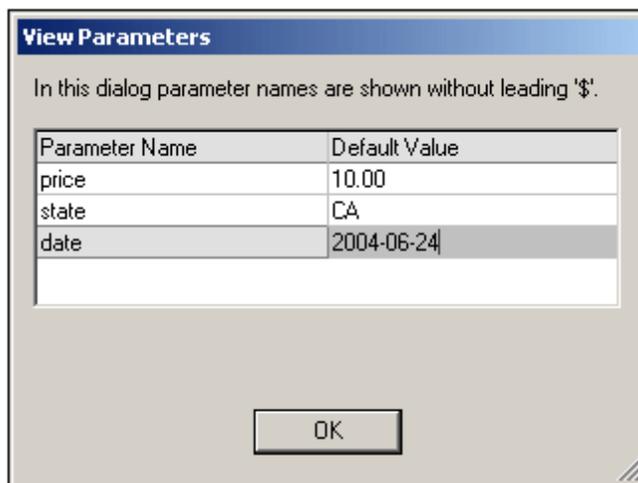
=	Equal to
<>	Not equal to
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
LIKE	Phonetically alike
NOT LIKE	Phonetically not alike
IS NULL	Is empty
NOT NULL	Is not empty

If IS NULL or NOT NULL is selected, the Value field is disabled. **Values** must be entered without quotes (or any other delimiter). Values must also have the same formatting as that of the corresponding DB field; otherwise the expression will evaluate to `FALSE`. For example, if a criterion for a field of the `date` datatype in an MS Access DB has an expression `StartDate=25/05/2004`, the expression will evaluate to `FALSE` because the `date` datatype in an MS Access DB has a format of `YYYY-MM-DD`.

### Using parameters with DB Queries

You can enter the name of a **parameter** as the value of an expression when creating queries. Parameters are variables that can be used instead of literal values in queries. When you enter it in an expression, its value is used in the expression. Parameters that are available have been defined by the SPS designer in the SPS and can be viewed in the View Parameters dialog (see *screenshot below*). Parameters have been assigned a default value in the SPS, which can be overridden by passing a value to the parameter via the command line (if and when the output document is compiled via the command line).

To view the parameters defined for the SPS, click the **Parameters** button in the Edit Database Query dialog. This opens the **View Parameters** dialog (see *screenshot*).

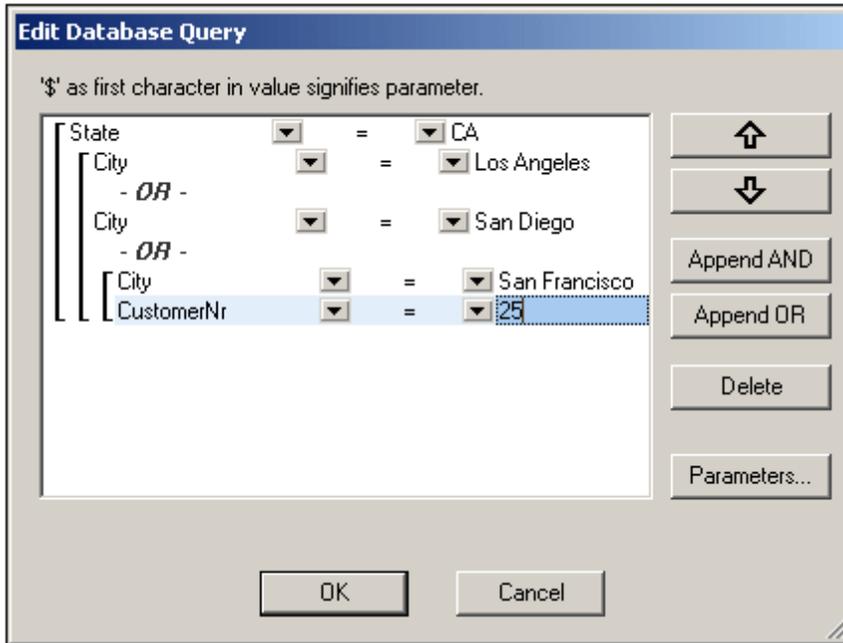


The View Parameters dialog contains **all** the parameters that have been defined for the stylesheet

in the SPS and parameters must be edited in the stylesheet design.

### Re-ordering criteria in DB Queries

The logical structure of the DB Query and the relationship between any two criteria or sets of criteria is indicated graphically. Each level of the logical structure is indicated by a square bracket. Two adjacent criteria or sets of criteria indicate the AND operator, whereas if two criteria are separated by the word OR then the OR operator is indicated. The criteria are also appropriately indented to provide a clear overview of the logical structure of the DB Query.



The DB Query shown in the screenshot above may be represented in text as:

```
State=CA AND (City=Los Angeles OR City=San Diego OR (City=San Francisco AND CustomerNr=25))
```

You can re-order the DB Query by moving a criterion or set of criteria up or down relative to the other criteria in the DB Query. To move a criterion or set of criteria, do the following:

1. Select the criterion by clicking on it, or select an entire level by clicking on the bracket that represents that level.
2. Click the Up or Down arrow button in the dialog.

The following points should be noted:

- If the adjacent criterion in the direction of movement is at the same level, the two criteria exchange places.
- A set of criteria (i.e. criterion within a bracket) changes position within the same level; it does not change levels.
- An individual criterion changes position within the same level. If the adjacent criterion is further outward/inward (i.e. not on the same level), then the selected criterion will move outward/inward, **one level at a time**.

To delete a criterion in a DB Query, select the criterion and click **Delete**.

## Modifying a DB Query

To modify a DB Query:

1. Click the Query button . The Edit Database Query dialog box opens. You can now edit the expressions in any of the listed criteria, add new criteria, re-order criteria, or delete criteria in the DB Query.
2. Click **OK**. The data from the DB is automatically re-loaded into Authentic View so as to reflect the modifications to the DB Query.

## Modifying a DB Table

### Adding a record

To add a record to a DB table:

1. Place the cursor in the DB table row and click the  icon (to append a row) or the  icon (to insert a row). This creates a new record in the temporary XML file.
2. Click the **File | Save** command to add the new record in the DB. In Authentic View a row for the new record is appended to the DB table display. The `AltovaRowStatus` for this record is set to `A` (for Added).

When you enter data for the new record it is entered in bold and is underlined. This enables you to differentiate added records from existing records—if existing records have not been formatted with these text formatting properties. Datatype errors are flagged by being displayed in red.

The new record is added to the DB when you click **File | Save**. After a new record is saved to the DB, its `AltovaRowStatus` field is initialized (indicated with `---`) and the record is displayed in Authentic View as a regular record.

### Modifying a record

To modify a record, place the cursor at the required point in the DB table and edit the record as required. If the number of displayed records is limited, you may need to navigate to the required record (see [Navigating a DB Table](#)).

When you modify a record, entries in all fields of the record are underlined and the `AltovaRowStatus` of all primary instances of this record is set to `U` (for Updated). All secondary instances of this record have their `AltovaRowStatus` set to `u` (lowercase). Primary and secondary instances of a record are defined by the structure of the DB—and correspondingly of the XML Schema generated from it. For example, if an Address table is included in a Customer table, then the Address table can occur in the Design Document in two types of instantiations: as the Address table itself and within instantiations of the Customer table. Whichever of these two types is modified is the type that has been primarily modified. Other types—there may be more than one other type—are secondary types. Datatype errors are flagged by being displayed in red.

The modifications are saved to the DB by clicking **File | Save**. After a modified record is saved to the DB, its `AltovaRowStatus` field is initialized (indicated with `---`) and the record is displayed in Authentic View as a regular record.

### Please note:

- If even a single field of a record is modified in Authentic View, the entire record is updated when the data is saved to the DB.

- The date value 0001-01-01 is defined as a NULL value for some DBs, and could result in an error message.

### Deleting a record

To delete a record:

1. Place the cursor in the row representing the record to be deleted and click the  icon. The record to be deleted is marked with a strikethrough. The `AltovaRowStatus` is set as follows: primary instances of the record are set to `D`; secondary instances to `d`; and records indirectly deleted to `X`. Indirectly deleted records are fields in the deleted record that are held in a separate table. For example, an Address table might be included in a Customer table. If a Customer record were to be deleted, then its corresponding Address record would be indirectly deleted. If an Address record in the Customer table were deleted, then the Address record in the Customer table would be primarily deleted, but the same record would be secondarily deleted in an independent Address table if this were instantiated.
2. Click **File | Save** to save the modifications to the DB.

**Please note:** Saving data to the DB resets the Undo command, so you cannot undo actions that were carried out prior to the save.

## 8.3.4 Working with Dates

There are two ways in which dates can be edited in Authentic View:

- Dates are entered or modified using the [Date Picker](#).
- Dates are entered or modified by [typing in the value](#).

The method the Authentic View user will use is defined in the SPS. Both methods are described in the two sub-sections of this section.

### Note on date formats

In the XML document, dates can be stored in one of several date datatypes. Each of these datatypes requires that the date be stored in a particular lexical format in order for the XML document to be valid. For example, the `xs:date` datatype requires a lexical format of `YYYY-MM-DD`. If the date in an `xs:date` node is entered in anything other than this format, then the XML document will be invalid.

In order to ensure that the date is entered in the correct format, the SPS designer can include the graphical Date Picker in the design. This would ensure that the date selected in the Date Picker is entered in the correct lexical format. If there is no Date Picker, the Authentic View should take care to enter the date in the correct lexical format. Validating the XML document could provide useful tips about the required lexical format.

### Date Picker

The Date Picker is a graphical calendar used to enter dates in a standard format into the XML document. Having a standard format is important for the processing of data in the document. The Date Picker icon appears near the date field it modifies (*see screenshot*).

**Organization Chart**

Location of logo:

Last Updated: 2003-09-01 

To display the Date Picker (see *screenshot*), click the Date Picker icon.

Location of logo:

Last Updated: 2003-09-01

**Nanonull, Inc.**

Location:

September 2003

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

Today No Timezone

To select a date, click on the desired date, month, or year. The date is entered in the XML document, and the date in the display is modified accordingly. You can also enter a time zone if this is required.

### Text Entry

For date fields that do not have a Date Picker (see *screenshot*), you can edit the date directly by typing in the new value.

**Please note:** When editing a date, you must not change its format.

Invoice Number: 001  
2006-03-10  
Customer: The ABC Company  
Invoice Amount: 40.00

If you edit a date and change it such that it is out of the valid range for dates, the date turns red to alert you to the error. If you place the mouse cursor over the invalid date, an error message appears (see *screenshot*).

Invoice Number: 001  
2006-03-32  
Customer: ERROR: Invalid value for datatype date in element 'InvoiceDate'  
Invoice Amount: 40.00

If you try to change the format of the date, the date turns red to alert you to the error (see *screenshot*).

Invoice Number: 001
2006/03/10
Customer: The ABC Company
Invoice Amount: 40.00

### 8.3.5 Defining Entities

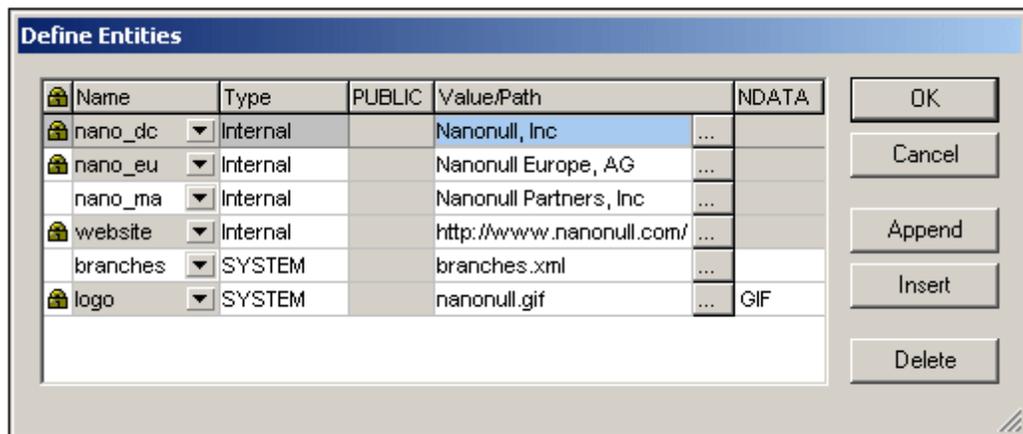
You can define entities for use in Authentic View, whether your document is based on a DTD or an XML Schema. Once defined, these entities are displayed in the Entities Entry Helper and in the **Insert Entity** submenu of the context menu. When you double-click on an entity in the Entities Entry Helper, that entity is inserted at the cursor insertion point.

An entity is useful if you will be using a text string, XML fragment, or some other external resource in multiple locations in your document. You define the entity, which is basically a short name that stands in for the required data, in the Define Entities dialog. After defining an entity you can use it at multiple locations in your document. This helps you save time and greatly enhances maintenance.

There are two broad types of entities you can use in your document: a **parsed entity**, which is XML data (either a text string or a fragment of an XML document), or an **unparsed entity**, which is non-XML data such as a binary file (usually a graphic, sound, or multimedia object). Each entity has a name and a value. In the case of parsed entities the entity is a placeholder for the XML data. The value of the entity is either the XML data itself or a URI that points to a .xml file that contains the XML data. In the case of unparsed entities, the value of the entity is a URI that points to the non-XML data file.

To define an entity:

1. Click **Authentic | Define XML Entities...** This opens the Define Entities dialog (*screenshot below*).



2. Enter the name of your entity in the Name field. This is the name that will appear in the Entities Entry Helper.
3. Enter the type of entity from the drop-down list in the Type field. The following types are possible: An **Internal** entity is one for which the text to be used is stored in the XML document itself. Selecting **PUBLIC** or **SYSTEM** specifies that the resource is located outside the XML file, and will be located with the use of a public identifier or a system identifier, respectively. A system identifier is a URI that gives the location of the resource.

A public identifier is a location-independent identifier, which enables some processors to identify the resource. If you specify both a public and system identifier, the public identifier resolves to the system identifier, and the system identifier is used.

4. If you have selected PUBLIC as the Type, enter the public identifier of your resource in the PUBLIC field. If you have selected Internal or SYSTEM as your Type, the PUBLIC field is disabled.
5. In the Value/Path field, you can enter any one of the following:
  - If the entity type is Internal, enter the text string you want as the value of your entity. Do not enter quotes to delimit the entry. Any quotes that you enter will be treated as part of the text string.
  - If the entity type is SYSTEM, enter the URI of the resource or select a resource on your local network by using the Browse button. If the resource contains parsed data, it must be an XML file (i.e., it must have a .xml extension). Alternatively, the resource can be a binary file, such as a GIF file.
  - If the entity type is PUBLIC, you must additionally enter a system identifier in this field.
6. The NDATA entry tells the processor that this entity is not to be parsed but to be sent to the appropriate processor. The NDATA field must therefore contain some value to indicate that the entity is an unparsed entity.

### Dialog features

You can do the following in the Define Entities dialog:

- Append entities
- Insert entities
- Delete entities
- Sort entities by the alphabetical value of any column by clicking the column header; clicking once sorts in ascending order, twice in descending order.
- Resize the dialog box and the width of columns.
- Locking. Once an entity is used in the XML document, it is locked and cannot be edited in the Define Entities dialog. Locked entities are indicated by a lock symbol in the first column. Locking an entity ensures that the XML document valid with respect to entities. (The document would be invalid if an entity is referenced but not defined.)
- Duplicate entities are flagged.

### Limitations of entities

- An entity contained within another entity is not resolved, either in the dialog, Authentic View, or XSLT output, and the ampersand character of such an entity is displayed in its escaped form, i.e. `&amp;`.
- External unparsed entities that are not image files are not resolved in Authentic View. If an image in the design is defined to read an external unparsed entity and has its URI set to be an entity name (for example: 'logo'), then this entity name can be defined in the Define Entities dialog (see *screenshot above*) as an external unparsed entity with a value that resolves to the URI of the image file (as has been done for the logo entity in the screenshot above).

## 8.3.6 XML Signatures

An SPS can be designed with an XML signature configured for Authentic View. When XML signatures are enabled in the SPS, the Authentic View user can digitally sign the Authentic XML file with the enabled signature. After the document has been signed, any modification to it will cause the verification of the signature to fail. Whenever a signed Authentic XML document is

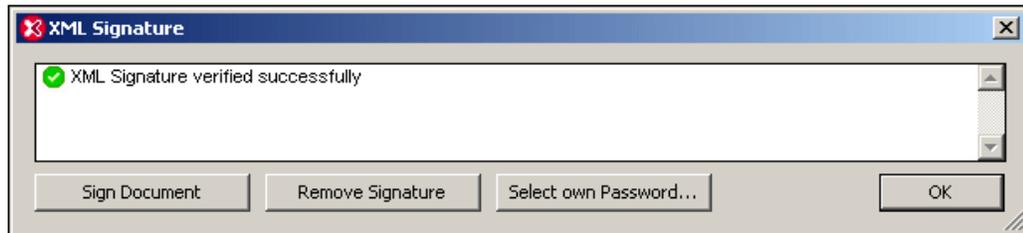
opened in the Authentic View of any Altova product, the verification process will be run on the document and the result of the verification will be displayed in a window.

**Note:** XML signatures can be used, and will be verified, in the Authentic View of Enterprise and Professional editions of the following Altova products: Authentic Desktop, Authentic Browser, XMLSpy, and StyleVision.

### XML signature actions

The following Authentic View user actions for signatures are possible:

- *Choosing the certificate/password:* Signatures are authenticated with either a certificate or a password. The authentication object (certificate or password) is required when the signature is created and again when it is verified. If an Authentic XML document has a signature-enabled SPS assigned to it, the SPS might specify a default certificate or password for the signature. Whether a default certificate or password has been specified or not, the signature can be configured to allow the Authentic View user to select an own certificate/password. The Authentic View user can do this at any time in the XML Signature dialog (*screenshot below*). Selecting an own certificate/password overrides the default certificate/password. The own certificate/password is stored in memory and is used for the current session. If, after an own certificate/password has been selected, the Authentic View user closes the file or the application, the SPS reverts to its default setting for the certificate/password.



- *Signing the document:* The Authentic XML document can be signed either automatically or manually. Automatic signing will have been specified in the signature configuration by the SPS designer and causes the Authentic XML document to be signed automatically when it is saved. If the automatic-signing option has not been activated, the document can be signed manually. This is done by clicking the XML Signature toolbar icon  or the **Authentic | XML Signature** command, and, in the XML Signature dialog that then pops up (*screenshot above*), clicking the **Sign Document** button. Note that signing the document with an embedded signature would require the schema to allow the `Signature` element as the last child element of the root (document) element. Otherwise the document will be invalid against the schema. When signing the document, the authentication object and the placement of the signature are determined according to the signature configuration. You must ensure that you have access to the authentication information. For more information about this, consult your SPS designer.
- *Verifying the Authentic XML document:* If an SPS has XML Signatures enabled, the verification process will be run on the signature each time the Authentic View XML document is loaded. If the password or certificate key information is not saved with the SPS and signature, respectively, the Authentic View user will be prompted to enter the password or select a certificate for verification. Note that if an embedded signature is generated, it will be saved with the XML file when the XML file is saved. The generated

signature must be explicitly removed (via the **Remove Signature** button of the XML Signature dialog; see *screenshot above*) if you do not wish to save it with the XML file. Similarly, if a detached signature is generated, it too must be explicitly removed if it is not required.

### 8.3.7 Images in Authentic View

Authentic View allows you to specify images that will be used in the final output document (HTML, RTF, PDF and Word 2007). You should note that some image formats might not be supported in some formats or by some applications. For example, the SVG format is supported in PDF, but not in RTF and would require a browser add-on for it to be viewed in HTML. So, when selecting an image format, be sure to select a format that is supported in the output formats of your document. Most image formats are supported across all the output formats (see *list below*).

Authentic View is based on Internet Explorer, and is able to display most of the image formats that your version of Internet Explorer can display. The following commonly used image formats are supported:

- GIF
- JPG
- PNG
- BMP
- WMF (Microsoft Windows Metafile)
- EMF (Enhanced Metafile)
- SVG (for PDF output only)

#### Relative paths

Relative paths are resolved relative to the SPS file.

### 8.3.8 Keystrokes in Authentic View

#### Enter key

In Authentic View the **Enter** key is used to append additional elements when it is in certain cursor locations. For example, if the chapter of a book may (according to the schema) contain several paragraphs, then pressing **Enter** inside the text of the paragraph causes a new paragraph to be appended immediately after the current paragraph. If a chapter can contain one title and several paragraphs, pressing **Enter** inside the chapter but outside any paragraph element (including within the title element) causes a new chapter to be appended after the current chapter (assuming that multiple chapters are allowed by the schema).

**Please note:** The **Enter** key does **not** insert a new line. This is the case even when the cursor is inside a text node, such as paragraph.

#### Using the keyboard

The keyboard can be used in the standard way, for typing and navigating. Note the following special points:

- The **Tab** key moves the cursor forward, stopping before and after nodes, and highlighting node contents; it steps over static content.
- The `add...` and `add Node` hyperlinks are considered node contents and are highlighted when tabbed. They can be activated by pressing either the spacebar or the **Enter** key.



## 8.4 Authentic Scripting

The **Authentic Scripting** feature provides more flexibility and interactivity to SPS designs. These designs can be created or edited in StyleVision Enterprise and Professional editions, and can be viewed in the Authentic View of the Enterprise and Professional editions of Altova products.

A complete listing of support for this feature in Altova products is given in the table below. Note, however, that in the trusted version of Authentic Browser plug-in, internal scripting is turned off because of security concerns.

Altova Product	Authentic Scripts Creation	Authentic Scripts Enabled
StyleVision Enterprise	Yes	Yes
StyleVision Professional	Yes	Yes
StyleVision Standard *	No	No
XMLSpy Enterprise	No	Yes
XMLSpy Professional	No	Yes
XMLSpy Standard	No	No
AuthenticDesktop Enterprise	No	Yes
AuthenticDesktop Community	No	No
Authentic Browser Plug-in Community **	No	No
Authentic Browser Plug-in Enterprise Trusted ***	No	Yes
Authentic Browser Plug-in Enterprise Untrusted	No	Yes

\* *No AuthenticView*

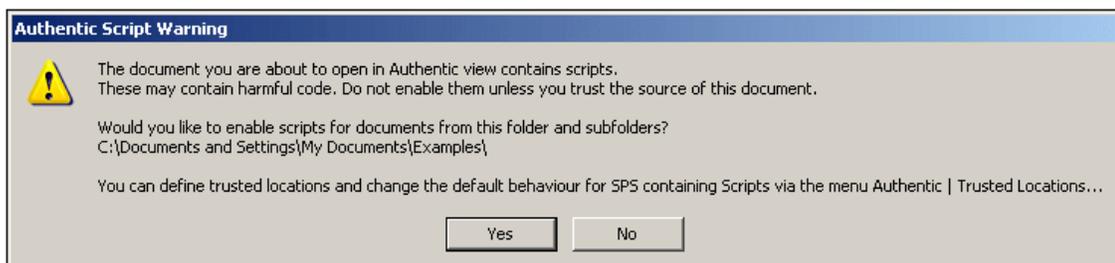
\*\* *Both Trusted and Untrusted versions*

\*\*\* *Scripted designs displayed. No internal macro execution or event handling. External events fired.*

Authentic Scripts behave in the same way in all Altova products, so no product-specific code or settings are required.

### Authentic Script Warning Dialog

If a PXF file, or an XML file linked to an SPS, contains a script and the file is opened or switched to Authentic View, then a warning dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up.



You can choose one of the following options:

- Click **Yes**. to add the folder containing the file to the Trusted Locations list for Authentic scripts. Subsequently, all files in the trusted folder will be opened In Authentic View without this warning dialog being displayed first. The Trusted Locations list can be accessed via the menu command [Authentic | Trusted Locations](#), and modified.
- Click **No** to not add the folder containing the file to the Trusted Locations list. The file will be displayed in Authentic View with scripts disabled. The Authentic Script Warning dialog will appear each time this file is opened in Authentic View. To add the file's folder to the Trusted Locations list subsequently, open the Trusted locations dialog via the menu command [Authentic | Trusted Locations](#), and add the folder or modify as required.

For a description of the Trusted Locations dialog, see the description of the [Authentic | Trusted Locations](#) menu command in the User Reference.

**Note:** When XMLSpy is accessed via its COM interface (see [Programmers' Reference](#) to see how this can be done), **the security check is not done** and the **Authentic Script Warning dialog is not displayed**.

### How Authentic Scripting works

The designer of the SPS design can use Authentic Scripting in two ways to make Authentic documents interactive:

- By assigning scripts for user-defined actions (macros) to design elements, toolbar buttons, and context menu items.
- By adding to the design event handlers that react to Authentic View events.

All the scripting that is required for making Authentic documents interactive is done within the StyleVision GUI (Enterprise and Professional editions). Forms, macros and event handlers are created within the Scripting Editor interface of StyleVision and these scripts are saved with the SPS. Then, in the Design View of StyleVision, the saved scripts are assigned to design elements, toolbar buttons, and context menus. When an XML document based on the SPS is opened in an Altova product that supports Authentic Scripting (see *table above*), the document will have the additional flexibility and interactivity that has been created for it.

### Documentation for Authentic Scripting

The documentation for Authentic Scripting is available in the documentation of StyleVision. It can be viewed online via the [Product Documentation page](#) of the [Altova website](#).

## 9 HTML and CSS

XMLSpy provides intelligent editing features for [HTML](#), [CSS](#), and [JSON](#) documents. All three types of documents can be edited in [Text View](#). Additionally, JSON documents can be edited in [Grid View](#), and the active HTML document can be previewed in Browser View.

The intelligent editing features of each type of document is described separately in the sub-sections of this section: [HTML](#), [CSS](#), and [JSON](#).

## 9.1 HTML

HTML documents can be edited in Text View, and the edited page can then be viewed immediately in Browser View. Text View provides a number of useful HTML editing features. These are described in detail in [Text View](#), but the main features, as well as HTML-specific options, are listed below.

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### Support level

XMLSpy supports HTML 4.0 and HTML 5.0. Entry-helper and intelligent editing are available for the respective HTML versions. These features are described below.

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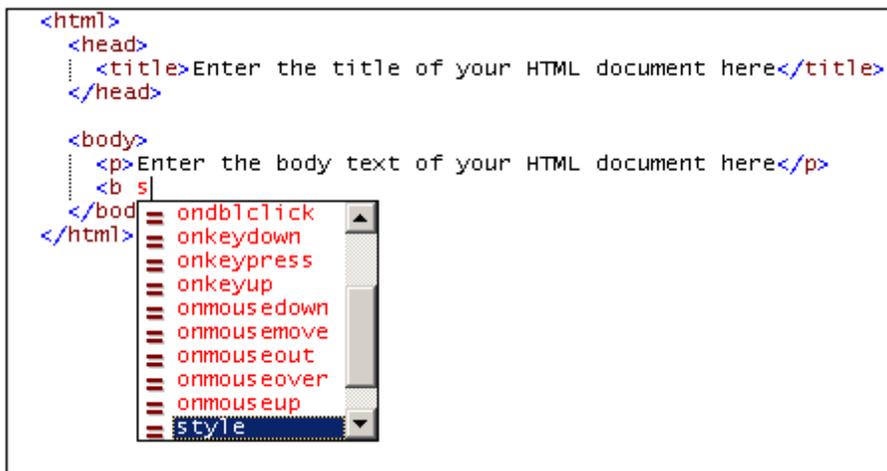
### Entry helpers

Elements, Attributes and Entities entry helpers are available when an HTML document is active. The entry helpers are context-sensitive; the items displayed in the entry helpers are those available at the current cursor location. Use the HTML entry helpers as described in [Text View](#).

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### Auto-completion

As you type markup text into your HTML document, XMLSpy provides Auto-completion help. A pop-up containing a list of all nodes available at the cursor insertion point is displayed. As you type, the selection jumps to the first closest match in the list (*see screenshot below*). Click the selected item to insert it at the cursor insertion point.



Auto-completion for elements appears when the left bracket of node tags is entered. When the start tag of an element node is entered in the document, the end tag is automatically inserted as well. This ensures well-formedness.

Auto-completion for attributes appears when a space is entered after the element name in a start tag. When you click an attribute name in the Auto-completion pop-up, the attribute is entered with

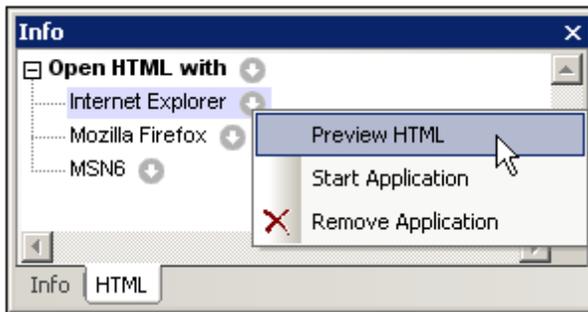
quotes characters and the cursor positioned between the quotes.

The Entities entry helper contains character entities from the HTML 4.0 and HTML 5.0 entity sets, [Latin-1](#), [special characters](#), and [symbols](#).

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### HTML Info window

The HTML Info window (*screenshot below*) lists applications that can be used to quickly access the active HTML file. For example, if an HTML file is active in XMLSpy, double-clicking the Mozilla Firefox item in the HTML Info Window starts an instance of Mozilla Firefox and loads the active HTML document in it.



Note the following usage points:

- The icon to the right of the *Open HTML With* item enables applications to be added to the *Open HTML With* list. All the browsers installed on the system, or any other application (such as a text editor), can be added via the menu commands accessed via the *Open HTML With* icon. The associated applications would typically be browser or editor applications.
- After an application has been added to the *Open HTML With* list (except when added with the **Add Installed Browsers** command), its name in the *Open HTML With* list can be changed by selecting it, pressing **F2**, and editing the name.
- The icons to the right of each application listed in the *Open HTML With* list each opens a menu containing commands to: (i) open the application; (ii) open the application and load the linked HTML file; (iii) remove the application from the list. Double-clicking an application name opens the linked HTML file in that application.
- Applications added to or removed from the *Open HTML With* list are also added to or removed from the CSS Info window.

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### Assigning a DTD

For XHTML documents, a DTD or XML Schema can be assigned via the **DTD/Schema** menu, which enables you to browse for the required DTD or XML Schema file. An XHTML document can be [edited exactly like an XML document](#).

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### Browser View commands

Browser View commands are available in the **Browser** menu.

## 9.2 CSS

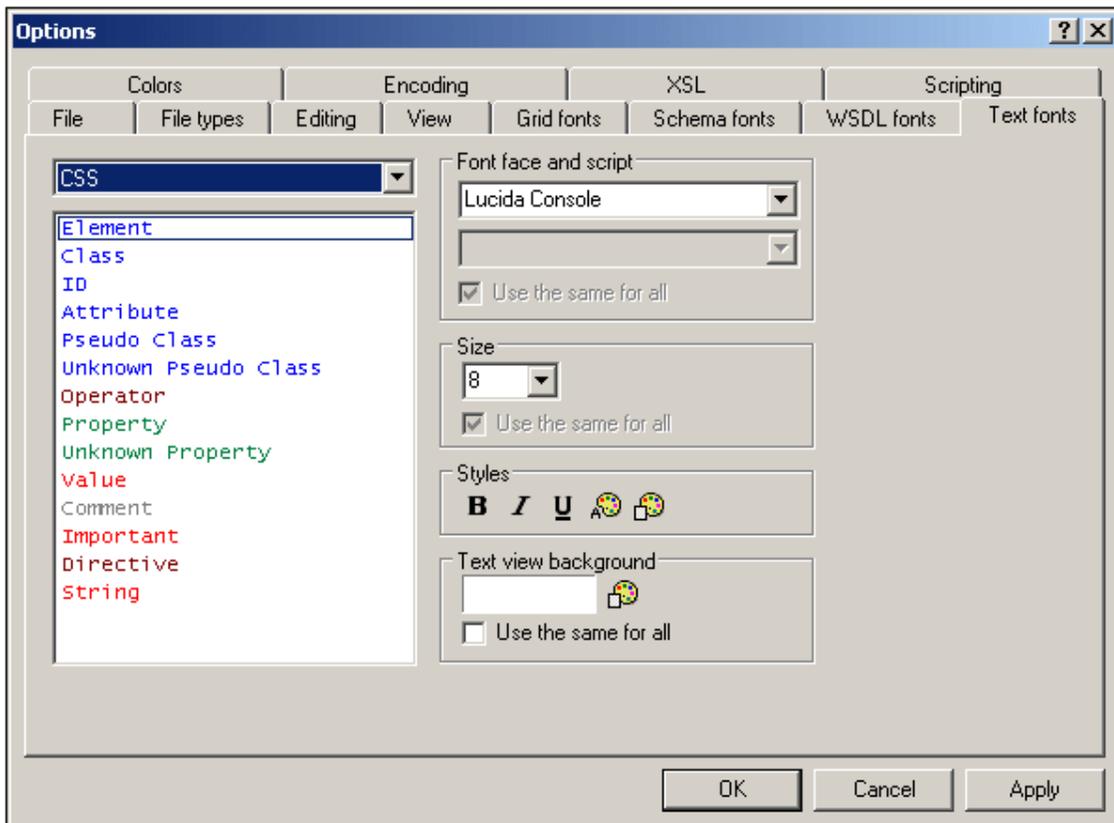
CSS documents can be edited using Text View's intelligent editing features. These features, as they apply to the editing of CSS documents, are listed below.

### Syntax coloring

A CSS rule consists of a selector, one or more properties, and the values of those properties. These three components may be further sub-divided into more specific categories; for example, a selector may be a class, pseudo-class, ID, element, or attribute. Additionally, a CSS document can contain other items than rules: for example, comments. In Text View, each such category of items can be displayed in a different color (*screenshot below*) according to settings you make in the Options dialog (*see below*).

```
.header
{
  font-family: "Arial", sans-serif;
  font-weight: bold;
  color: red;
}
```

You can set the colors of the various CSS components in the Text Fonts tab of the Options dialog (*screenshot below*). In the combo box at top left, select CSS, and then select the required color (in the Styles pane) for each CSS item.



### Source folding

Source folding refers the ability to expand and collapse each CSS rule, which is indicated in the source folding margin by a +/- sign. The margin can be toggled on and off in the [Text View Settings dialog](#). When a rule is collapsed, this is visually indicated by an ellipsis. If the mouse cursor is placed over an ellipsis, the content of the collapsed rule is displayed in a popup. If the content is too large for a popup, this is indicated by an ellipsis at the bottom of the popup.

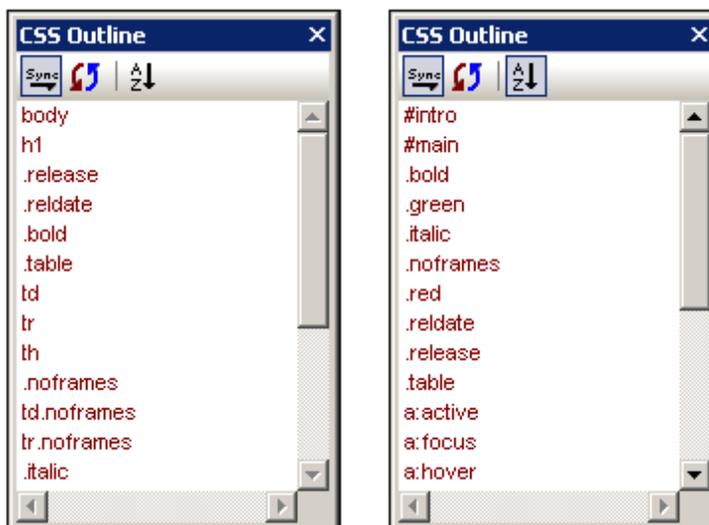
The **Toggle All Folds** icon  in the Text toolbar toggles **all** rules to their expanded forms or collapses all rules to the top-level document element.

**Note:** that the pair of curly braces that delimit a rule (*screenshot above*) turns bold when the cursor is placed either before or after one of the curly braces. This indicates clearly where the definition of a particular rule starts and ends.

### CSS outline

The CSS Outline entry helper (*screenshots below*) provides an outline of the document in terms of its selectors. Clicking a selector in the CSS Outline highlights it in the document. In the screenshot at left below, the selectors are unsorted and are listed in the order in which they appear in the document. In the screenshot at right, the Alphabetical Sorting feature has been toggled on (using the toolbar icon), and the selectors are sorted alphabetically.

You should note the following points: (i) For evaluating the alphabetical order of selectors, all parts of the selector are considered, including the period, hash, and colon characters; (ii) If the CSS document contains several selectors grouped together to define a single rule (e.g. `h4, h5, h6 { . . . }`), then each selector in the group is listed separately.

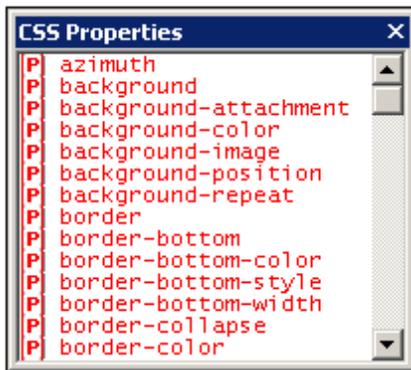


The icons in the toolbar of the CSS Outline entry helper, from left to right, do the following:

	Toggles automatic synchronization (with the document) on and off. When auto-synchronization is switched on, selectors are entered in the entry helper even as you type them into the document.
	Synchronizes the entry helper with the current state of the document.
	Toggles alphabetical sorting on and off. When off, the selectors are listed in the order in which they appear in the document. When sorted alphabetically, ID selectors appear first because they are prefaced by a hash (e.g. #intro).

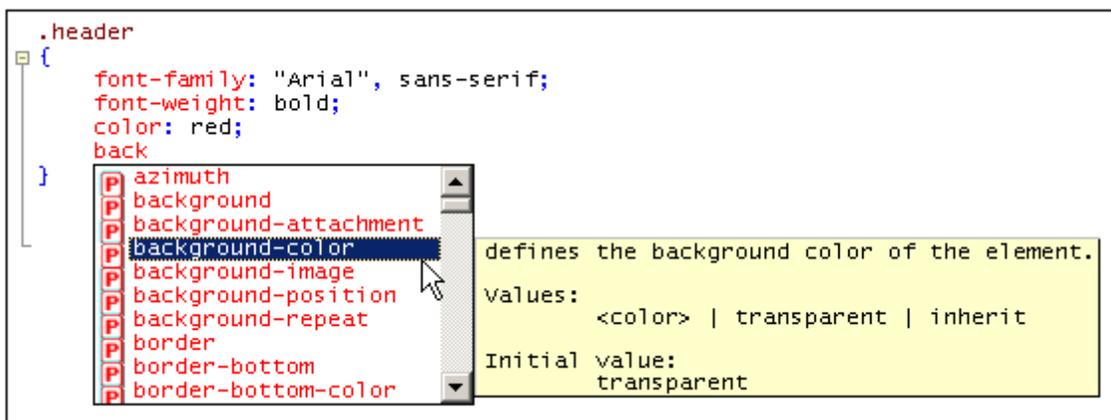
### Properties entry helper

The Properties entry helper (*screenshot below*) provides a list of all CSS properties, arranged alphabetically. A property can be inserted at the cursor insertion point by double-clicking the property.



### Auto-completion of properties and tooltips for properties

As you start to type the name of a property, XMLSpy prompts you with a list of properties that begin with the letters you have typed (*screenshot below*). Alternatively, you can place the cursor anywhere inside a property name and then press **Ctrl+Space** to pop up the list of CSS properties.

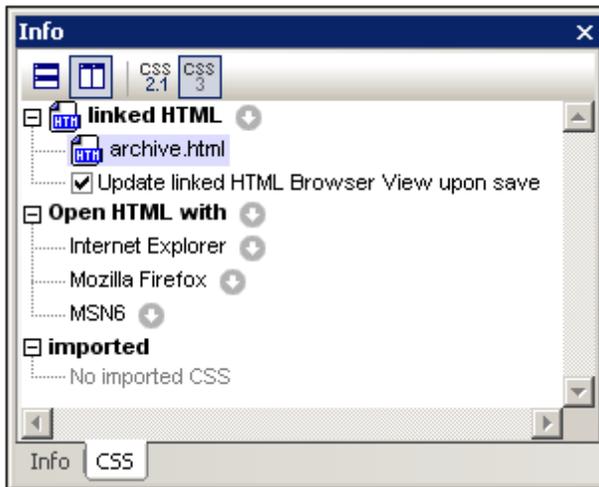


You can view a tooltip containing the definition of a property and its possible values by scrolling down the list or navigating the list with the Up and Down keys of your keyboard. The tooltip for the highlighted property is displayed. To insert a property, either press **Enter** when it is selected, or click it.

### CSS Info window

When a CSS file is active, the CSS Info window (*screenshot below*) is enabled. The CSS Info window provides the following functionality:

- It enables you to switch between CSS 2.1 and CSS 3.0. The entry helpers and intelligent editing features of the GUI will be switched according to the CSS version selected in the toolbar of the Info window.
- It enables the CSS file to be linked to an HTML file. This functionality enables you to modify the CSS document and view the effect of changes immediately. Additionally, the linked HTML file can be opened in multiple browsers via the CSS Info window, thus enabling changes in the CSS document to be viewed in multiple browsers.
- The CSS Info window lists the imported CSS stylesheets, thus giving you an overview of the import structure of the active CSS stylesheet.



Note the following usage points:

- The toolbar of the Info window contains icons for CSS 2.1 and CSS 3.0. Select the version you want in order to switch entry helpers and intelligent editing features to the selected CSS version.
- Only one HTML file can be linked to the active CSS document. Do this by clicking the icon to the right of the *Linked HTML* item, then selecting the command **Set Link to HTML** and browsing for the required HTML file. The linked HTML file will be listed under the *Linked HTML* item in the Info window (*see screenshot above*). Creating this link does not modify the CSS document or the HTML document in any way. The link serves to set up an HTML file to which the active CSS document can be applied for testing.
- Double-clicking the Linked HTML file listing opens the HTML file in XMLSpy.
- The toolbar icons enable you to horizontally and vertically tile the CSS document and the HTML file.
- When changes to the CSS document are saved, the HTML file that is open in XMLSpy can be automatically updated. To enable these automatic updates, check the *Update*

*Linked HTML Browser* check box. Note that these updates will only occur if the HTML file contains a reference to the CSS document being edited.

- To change the linked HTML file, select another HTML file via the **Set Link to HTML** command.
- To remove the link to the HTML file, click the icon to the right of the *Linked HTML* item and select the command **Remove Link**.
- The icon to the right of the *Open HTML With* item enables applications to be added to the *Open HTML With* list. All the browsers installed on the system, or any other application (such as a text editor), can be added via the menu commands accessed via the *Open HTML With* icon. The associated applications would typically be browser or editor applications.
- After an application has been added to the *Open HTML With* list (except when added with the **Add Installed Browsers** command), its name in the *Open HTML With* list can be changed by selecting it, pressing **F2**, and editing the name.
- The icons to the right of each application listed in the *Open HTML With* list each opens a menu containing commands to: (i) open the application; (ii) open the application and load the linked HTML file; (iii) remove the application from the list. Double-clicking an application name opens the linked HTML file in that application.
- Applications added to or removed from the *Open HTML With* list are also added to or removed from the HTML Info window.
- The *Imported* item displays a list of the CSS files imported by the active CSS document.

## 10 JSON and JSON Schema

JSON (*JavaScript Object Notation*) is a lightweight data storage and interchange format that uses JavaScript syntax, and, like XML, is a human-readable, text-only format. Since JSON text can be read and used by any programming language, it has come to be used widely as a data exchange format, especially on the web.

As part of its IDE functionality, XMLSpy provides support for the editing and validation of [JSON data documents \(instance documents\)](#) and for the creation of syntactically and semantically correct [JSON Schema](#) documents.

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### JSON and JSON Schema in XMLSpy

A JSON document can be edited in [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#), and a JSON Schema document can be edited in those two views as well as in JSON Schema View, which is a graphical schema editor. XMLSpy provides the following support for working with JSON instance and JSON schema documents:

- In [Text View](#), syntax coloring and syntax checks, auto-completion in instance documents if there is a schema association, folding margins, and structural markings; all of these ease and speed up the editing of valid JSON documents. [Text View](#) provides validation of both instance and schema documents.
- In [Grid View](#), a tabular grid structure that helps to better visualize document structure. You can edit directly in [Grid View](#). You can also switch between [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#) to suit your editing needs. [Grid View](#) provides validation of both instance and schema documents.
- JSON instance document validation in [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#). The validation is carried out against a JSON schema that is assigned in the [Info Window](#).
- [JSON Schema View](#) displays JSON schemas in a graphical layout. This enables the use of drag-and-drop functionality (in addition to text entry) for the quick creation of JSON schemas. Entry helpers within the view provide editing input. Additionally, the schema is continuously checked for validity, and errors are flagged.

#### JSON instances: opening existing instance documents and creating new instance documents

- In the [Options | File types](#) tab, you can set the default view ([Text View](#) or [Grid View](#)) for opening JSON instance documents. You can switch to [Grid View](#) at any time.
- To create a new JSON instance document, click **File | New**, and select `json: JavaScript Object Notation`. You will be prompted to optionally choose a JSON schema file for the new instance file. If you assign a schema, the assignment will be entered in the [Info Window](#). The new JSON instance document will be opened in [Text View](#) or [Grid View](#), depending on the settings in the [Options | File types](#) and [Options | File](#) tabs.

#### JSON schemas: opening existing schemas and creating new schemas

- An existing JSON schema document opens in [JSON Schema View](#). You can switch to [Text View](#) or [Grid View](#) at any time.

- To create a new JSON schema document, click **File | New**, and select `json: JSON Schema`. The new JSON schema document will be opened in [JSON Schema View](#), with the `$schema` keyword at the start of the document. You can switch to [Text View](#) or [Grid View](#) at any time.

All these views ([Text](#), [Grid](#), and [JSON Schema](#)) are described in the sub-sections of this section.

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### **In this section**

This section is organized into the following topics:

- [About JSON Data](#) explains the basics of JSON documents
- [About JSON Schema](#) describes what a JSON schema is and how it works
- [JSON Documents in Text View](#) shows you how to work with the JSON-relevant features of Text View
- [JSON Documents in Grid View](#) describes how to edit JSON documents in Grid View
- [Validating JSON Data/Documents](#) describes how to assign a JSON schema to a JSON document and how to validate JSON documents
- [Generating JSON Schema from a JSON Instance](#) describes the functionality to generate a schema from an instance
- [JSON Schema View](#) explains the JSON-schema-editing features of the view and how you can use it when creating your JSON projects

## 10.1 About JSON Data

This section contains a brief description of how JSON data is structured. JSON data is typically stored in a JSON (instance) document but can also be stored as a JSON data fragment in a document of another type. A JSON data fragment or document is a JSON data structure, which is broadly defined as set out below.

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### JSON objects and arrays

A JSON document (saved typically with the file extension `.json`) is built on the following core data structures:

#### Object

An **object** is delimited by curly braces, and is an unordered collection of zero or more `key:value` pairs. These `key:value` pairs are the **properties of the object**. The key must always be a string and must therefore always be enclosed in quotes. The key (also called the name of the property) is separated from its value by a colon. A property value can be of any JSON datatype ([see list below](#)). A property is separated from the next by a comma. The listing below is an example of an object with three properties (all of which have atomic-type values):

```
{
  "emailtype": "home",
  "emailaddress": "contact01.home@altova.com",
  "citycode": 22
}
```

#### Array

An **array** is delimited by square brackets, and is a comma-separated ordered list of zero or more **items**. These items can be of any JSON datatype ([see list below](#)).

#### ▣ An array containing two objects

The array below consists of two objects (each enclosed in curly braces). The array itself is indicated with square brackets.

```
[
  {
    "emailtype": "home",
    "emailaddress": "contact01.office@altova.com",
    "citycode": 22
  },
  {
    "emailtype": "office",
    "emailaddress": "contact01.office@altova.com",
    "citycode": 22
  }
]
```

### ☐ Arrays that are the values of an object's properties

The listing below is of an object with three `key:value` pairs. Each value is an array that contains a **tuple (sequence)**. (A tuple can be considered to be a one-dimensional array.) The three items in each tuple are atomic types.

```
{
  "x": [ 1, 2, "abc" ],
  "y": [ 3, 4, "def" ],
  "z": [ 5, 6, "ghi" ]
}
```

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## JSON data types

Object property values and array items can be of the following types:

- `string` (must be enclosed in quotes). A string can additionally be specified to have a [format](#), such as a `date-time` or `email` format
- `number`: A number with a fractional part; it includes integers
- `integer`: A number with no fractional part; a subset of the `number` type
- `boolean` (`true/false`, not enclosed in quotes)
- `object`: When used within another object, allows data to be nested
- `array`: Provides the ability to build more complex structures than allowed by objects
- `null` (`null`, not enclosed in quotes)

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## Example of JSON data

Here is an example of a JSON data fragment. Note how the document is structured into objects and arrays. Also note the data type of key values; string values are in quotes, other types are colored green.

```
{
  "first": "Jason",
  "last": "Jones"
  "isManager": true,
  "age": 35,
  "address": {
    "street": "Jason Avenue",
    "city": "Jasonville",
    "state": "JS",
    "postcode": "JS12 ON34"
  },
  "phone": [
    {
      "type": "home",
      "number": "12 3456-7890"
    }
  ]
}
```

```
        "type": "office",
        "number": "789 012-34567"
    }
],
"children": [],
"partner": null
}
```

## 10.2 About JSON Schema

In the same way that an XML Schema specifies the structure and content of an XML document, a JSON schema specifies how the JSON data in a JSON document is organized. It specifies what data fields are expected and how the values are represented. The JSON Schema specification and more information about JSON Schema is available [here](#).

A JSON schema is itself a JSON object. Lexically, the entire schema is contained within curly braces (*see listing below*), which are the delimiters of JSON objects. The schema is written in JSON syntax and will be saved typically in a file with a `.json` extension. It is indicated as a JSON schema, by the `$schema` keyword, which should be the first keyword of the top-level object, and should have the value: `"http://json-schema.org/draft-04/schema#"`. (The `$schema` keyword is optional but recommended, and can occur anywhere within the top-level object.)

```
{
  "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-04/schema#",
  ...
}
```

**Note:** Although the `$schema` keyword can have the value `"http://json-schema.org/schema#"`—which specifies the latest version of the schema—it is best to use a URL that identifies the specific version, currently: `"http://json-schema.org/draft-04/schema#"`.

In XMLSpy, you can create JSON schemas graphically in JSON Schema View. How to do this is described in the section [JSON Schema View](#). Besides the schema editing features available in JSON Schema View, the following schema-related features are available:

- Validation with the JSON Validator of XMLSpy: Assign a JSON schema to a JSON instance document, and validate the instance document from within XMLSpy. See [Validating JSON Documents](#) for information.
- [Generating JSON Schema from a JSON Instance](#): If a JSON instance document already exists, you can generate a JSON schema from it. You can subsequently edit the schema if you need to.
- [Converting between JSON and XML](#): You can convert between documents of the two formats.

### Terminology

Given below are definitions of common terms used in the GUI and this documentation.

Term	Definition
Schema	The top-level schema object in a JSON schema document; the schema file.
Object	A JSON type containing zero or more properties.
Property	A <a href="#">key:value</a> pair of an object. Its value can be any JSON datatype.
Keyword	The <code>key</code> part of an object's <a href="#">key:value</a> pair. It is always a string.

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Sub-schema	An object that is a child of an operator or a dependency.
Definition	The complete description of any JSON type. Definitions can be <a href="#">global or local</a> .
Array	A comma-separated ordered list of zero or more <code>items</code> of any JSON datatype.
Atomic types	The <code>string</code> , <code>number</code> , <code>integer</code> , <code>boolean</code> , and <code>null</code> JSON datatypes.
Type selectors	The <code>any</code> and <code>multiple</code> types, which <a href="#">select any and multiple types</a> , respectively
Operators	Occurrence selectors that can be added as children of definitions. See <i>the section <a href="#">Operators</a></i> .

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- `integer`: A number with no fractional part; a subset of the `number` type
- `boolean` (`true/false`, not enclosed in quotes)
- `object`: When used within another object, allows data to be nested
- `array`: Provides the ability to build more complex structures than allowed by objects
- `null` (`null`, not enclosed in quotes)

## 10.3 JSON Documents in Text View

Altova website:  [JSON Editor](#)

JSON schemas and JSON instance documents can be edited using the intelligent editing features of Text View. These features include: [folding margins](#), [structural marking](#), [syntax coloring](#), [syntax checking](#), and [auto-completion](#). XMLSpy also provides [conversion between JSON and XML](#) in both directions, and enables you to [generate a JSON schema from a JSON instance](#).

### Folding margins

Source folding is enabled on JSON keywords and definitions, and refers to the ability to expand and collapse these nodes. Such nodes are indicated in the source folding margin by a +/- sign (see *screenshot below*). The margin can be toggled on and off in the [Text View Settings dialog](#). When a node is collapsed, this is visually indicated by an ellipsis (see *screenshot below*). If the mouse cursor is placed over an ellipsis, the content of the collapsed node is displayed in a popup (see *screenshot*). If the content is too large for a popup, this is indicated by an ellipsis at the bottom of the popup.



```

1  {
2  "Artists": [
3  {
4  "Name": "Queen",
5  "Albums": [
6  {
7  "Name": "A Night at the Opera",
8  "Genre": [
9  "Rock"
10 ],
11 "ReleaseDate": "1975-11-21",
12 "Label": "EMI / Hollywood Records",
13 "Tracks": [
14 {
15 "Title": "Death on Two Legs",
16 "Duration": "03:43",
17 "Writer": "Freddie Mercury"
18 },
19 {
20 "Title": "I'm in Love with My Car",
21 "Duration": "03:05",
22 "Writer": "Roger Taylor"
23 },
24 {
25 "Title": "...",
26 "Duration": "...",
27 "Writer": "..."
28 },
29 {
30 "Title": "...",
31 "Duration": "...",
32 "Writer": "..."
33 },
34 {
35 "Title": "...",
36 "Duration": "...",
37 "Writer": "..."
38 },
39 {
40 "Title": "...",
41 "Duration": "...",
42 "Writer": "..."
43 },
44 {
45 "Title": "...",
46 "Duration": "...",
47 "Writer": "..."
48 },
49 {
50 "Title": "...",
51 "Duration": "...",
52 "Writer": "..."
53 },
54 {
55 "Title": "...",
56 "Duration": "...",
57 "Writer": "..."
58 }
59 ]
60 }
61 ]
62 }

```

The **Toggle All Folds** icon  in the Text toolbar toggles **all** nodes to their expanded forms or collapses all nodes to the top-level document element.

The following options are available when clicking on the node's +/- icon:

<b>Click [-]</b>	Collapses the node.
<b>Click [+]</b>	Expands the node so that descendant nodes are shown expanded or collapsed according to how they were before the node was collapsed.
<b>Shift+Click</b>	Collapses all descendant nodes, but leaves the node that was clicked in its

<b>[-]</b>	expanded form.
<b>Ctrl+Click</b> <b>[+]</b>	Expand the clicked node as well as all its descendant nodes.

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### Structural marking

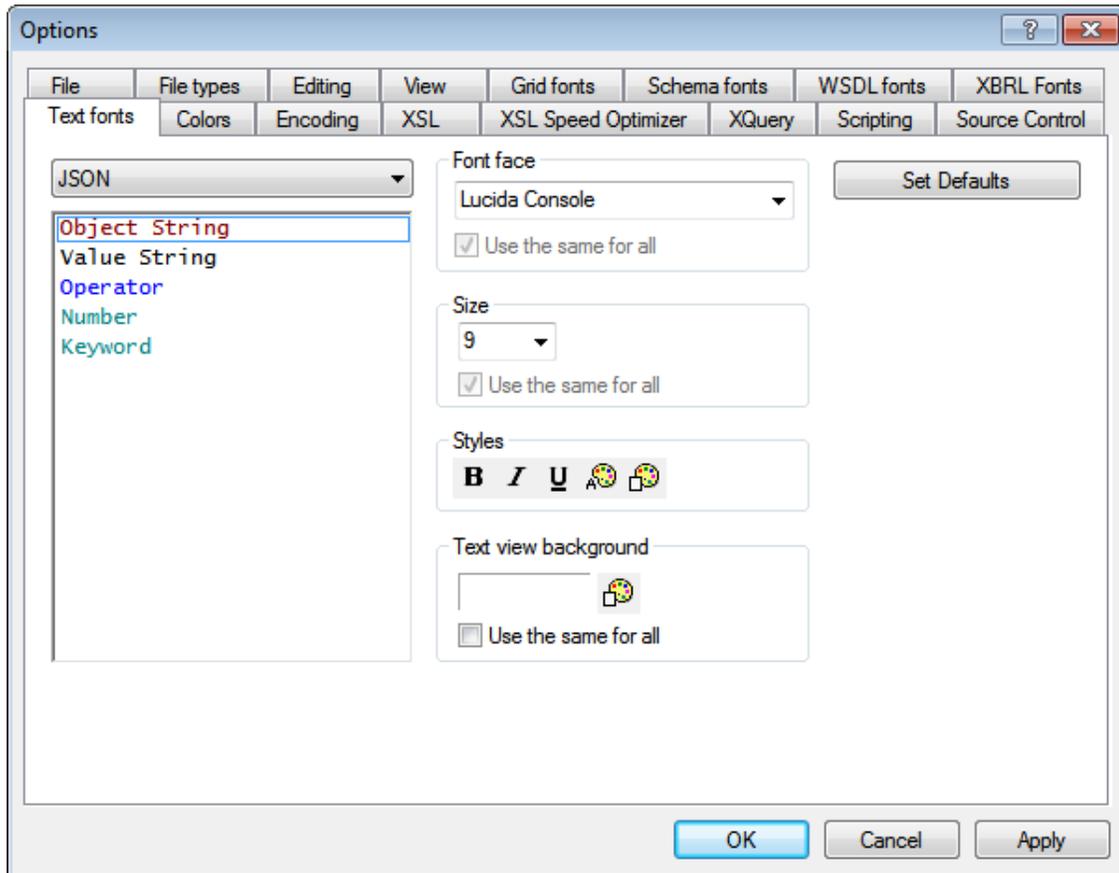
The pair of curly braces or square brackets that delimit a JSON object or array, respectively, (see *screenshot below*) turns bold when the cursor is placed either before or after one of the braces or brackets. This indicates where the definition of a particular element starts and ends.

```
"Department": [ { "Name": "Administration",
  "Person": [ { "First": "Vernon",
    "Last": "Callaby",
    "Title": "Office Manager",
    "PhoneExt": 582,
    "EMail": "v.callaby@nanonull.com",
    "Shares": 1500,
    "LeaveTotal": 25,
    "LeaveUsed": 4,
    "LeaveLeft": 21},
```

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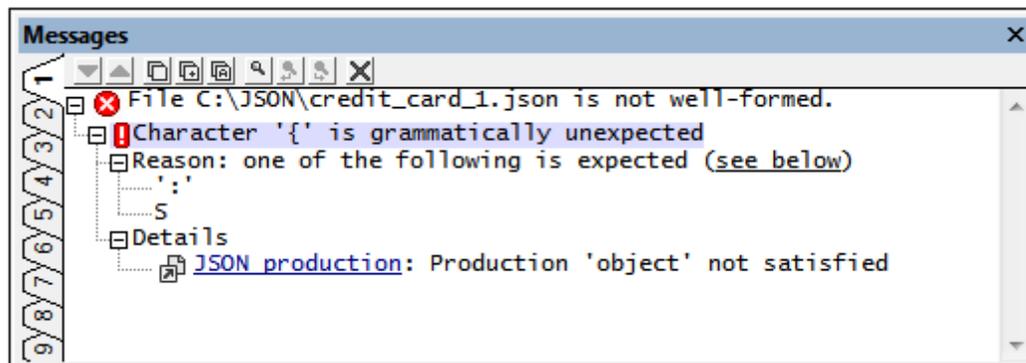
### Syntax coloring

A JSON document is made up of object strings, value strings, operators, numbers and keywords. In Text View, each category of items can be displayed in a different color (see *screenshot above*) according to settings you make in the [Options dialog](#) (*screenshot below*). You can set the colors of the various JSON components in the Text Fonts tab of the Options dialog (*screenshot below*). In the combo box at top left, select *JSON*, and then select the required color (in the Styles pane) for each JSON item.



### Syntax checking

The syntax of a JSON document can be checked by selecting the command **XML | Check Well-Formedness (F7)**. The results of the well-formed check are displayed in the Messages window (screenshot below).

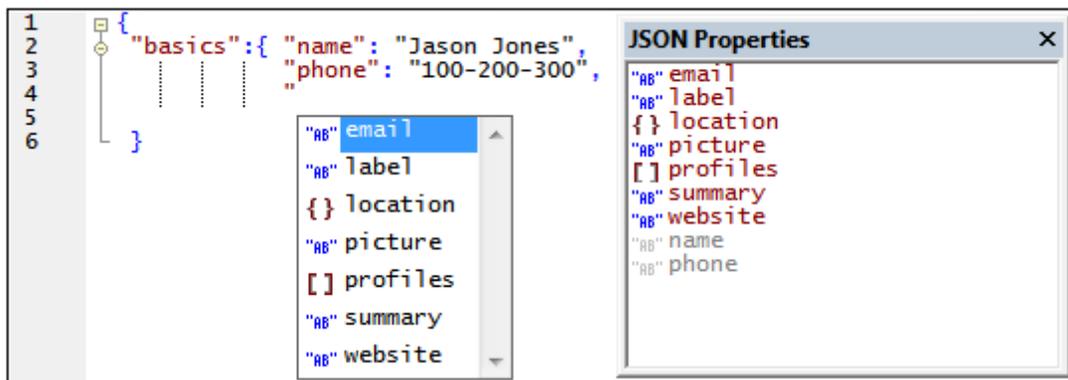


The error message in the screenshot above points out an error in the document: An opening curly brace occurs at a location where a colon is expected.

## Auto-completion

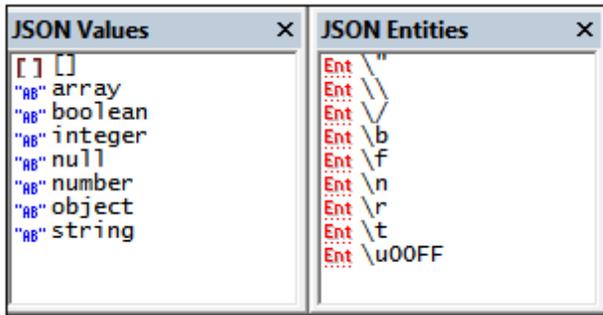
Auto-completion is enabled when the JSON document being edited is associated with a schema. If the document is a JSON schema, then it is automatically associated with the schema for JSON Schema (JSON's [Core/Validation Meta-Schema](#)), and auto-completion is based on this schema. If the document is a JSON instance, then a [JSON schema must be assigned to the instance](#) in order for auto-completion to be enabled.

Auto-completion provides you with the available entry options at the cursor location. It does this (i) via pop-ups in the main window, and (ii) via the entry helpers (*see screenshot below*). The pop-ups and entry helpers each display a list of entries that are valid at that cursor location. To move through the entries in the pop-up list, use the arrow keys. If the schema contains a description of the entry (in the entry's `description` keyword in the schema), then the description is displayed next to the highlighted pop-up entry. Select an entry from the pop-up window or double-click an entry in the entry helper to insert it.



In the instance document shown in the screenshot above, the pop-up and JSON Properties entry helper are shown when the cursor is located after the quotes that indicate the start of a property's name. The entry helper displays all the properties allowed at that point; the properties that have already been entered are shown grayed out and disabled. The pop-up displays only the properties that are allowed at that point.

There are two other entry helpers: JSON Values and JSON Entities (*screenshot below*). These show, respectively, the allowed values of `key:value` pairs and entities for escaping characters in JSON strings. The JSON Values entry helper in the screenshot below shows the values allowed for the `type` keyword while editing a JSON schema. The last entry in the JSON Entities entry helper, `\u00FF`, is a placeholder that stands for a Unicode character. Replace the part highlighted in blue with the code of the Unicode character you want.



Other context-sensitive auto-completion entries or hints include the following, when these are specified in the schema: enumerations, descriptions, required occurrences, and default values.

## 10.4 JSON Documents in Grid View

Grid View enables you to see the structure of the JSON document in a grid and to restructure blocks of structured text. This provides you with an overview and editing capability that is not always present in Text View, especially in the case of long and complexly structured documents. In the case of JSON documents, such complexity can occur in the form of arrays and objects being nested within other arrays and objects at multiple levels. For example, compare the JSON text listed below (as it would appear in Text View) and its representation in Grid View (as shown in the screenshot further below).

### JSON code listing in Text View

```
{
  "web-app": {
    "servlet": [
      {
        "servlet-name": "altovaCDS",
        "servlet-class": "org.altova.cds.CDSServlet",
        "init-param": {
          "configGlossary:installationAt": "Philadelphia, PA",
          "configGlossary:adminEmail": "ksm@pobox.com",
          "configGlossary:poweredBy": "Altova",
          "configGlossary:poweredByIcon": "/images/altova.gif",
          "configGlossary:staticPath": "/content/static",
          "templateProcessorClass": "org.altova.WysiwygTemplate",
          "templateLoaderClass": "org.altova.FilesTemplateLoader",
          "templatePath": "templates",
          "templateOverridePath": "",
          "defaultListTemplate": "listTemplate.htm",
          "defaultFileTemplate": "articleTemplate.htm",
          "useJSP": false,
          "jspListTemplate": "listTemplate.jsp",
          "jspFileTemplate": "articleTemplate.jsp",
          "cachePackageTagsTrack": 200,
          "cachePackageTagsStore": 200,
          "cachePackageTagsRefresh": 60,
          "cacheTemplatesTrack": 100,
          "cacheTemplatesStore": 50,
          "cacheTemplatesRefresh": 15,
          "cachePagesTrack": 200,
          "cachePagesStore": 100,
          "cachePagesRefresh": 10,
          "cachePagesDirtyRead": 10,
          "searchEngineListTemplate": "forSearchEnginesList.htm",
          "searchEngineFileTemplate": "forSearchEngines.htm",
          "searchEngineRobotsDb": "WEB-INF/robots.db",
          "useDataStore": true,
          "dataStoreClass": "org.altova.SqlDataStore",
          "redirectionClass": "org.altova.SqlRedirection",
          "dataStoreName": "altova",
          "dataStoreDriver": "com.microsoft.jdbc.sqlserver.SQLServerDriver",
          "dataStoreUrl": "jdbc:microsoft:sqlserver://
LOCALHOST:1433;DatabaseName=goon",
          "dataStoreUser": "sa",
          "dataStorePassword": "dataStoreTestQuery",
          "dataStoreTestQuery": "SET NOCOUNT ON;select test='test';",
        }
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

```

        "dataStoreLogFile": "/usr/local/tomcat/logs/datastore.log",
        "dataStoreInitConns": 10,
        "dataStoreMaxConns": 100,
        "dataStoreConnUsageLimit": 100,
        "dataStoreLogLevel": "debug",
        "maxUrlLength": 500
    }
}, {
    "servlet-name": "altovaEmail",
    "servlet-class": "org.altova.cds.EmailServlet",
    "init-param": {
        "mailHost": "mail1",
        "mailHostOverride": "mail2"
    }
}, {
    "servlet-name": "altovaAdmin",
    "servlet-class": "org.altova.cds.AdminServlet"
}, {
    "servlet-name": "fileServlet",
    "servlet-class": "org.altova.cds.FileServlet"
}, {
    "servlet-name": "altovaTools",
    "servlet-class": "org.altova.cms.AltovaToolsServlet",
    "init-param": {
        "templatePath": "toolstemplates/",
        "log": 1,
        "logLocation": "/usr/local/tomcat/logs/AltovaTools.log",
        "logMaxSize": "",
        "dataLog": 1,
        "dataLogLocation": "/usr/local/tomcat/logs/dataLog.log",
        "dataLogMaxSize": "",
        "removePageCache": "/content/admin/remove?cache=pages&id=",
        "removeTemplateCache": "/content/admin/remove?
cache=templates&id=",
        "fileTransferFolder": "/usr/local/tomcat/webapps/content/
fileTransferFolder",
        "lookInContext": 1,
        "adminGroupID": 4,
        "betaServer": true
    }
}
],
"servlet-mapping": {
    "altovaCDS": "/",
    "altovaEmail": "/altovautil/aemail/*",
    "altovaAdmin": "/admin/*",
    "fileServlet": "/static/*",
    "altovaTools": "/tools/*"
},
>taglib": {
    "taglib-uri": "altova.tld",
    "taglib-location": "/WEB-INF/tlds/altova.tld"
}
}
}

```

While the document structure in Text View (*listing above*) is difficult to make out without a longer, more careful reading, the structure in Grid View (*screenshot below*) is more readily seen at a glance.

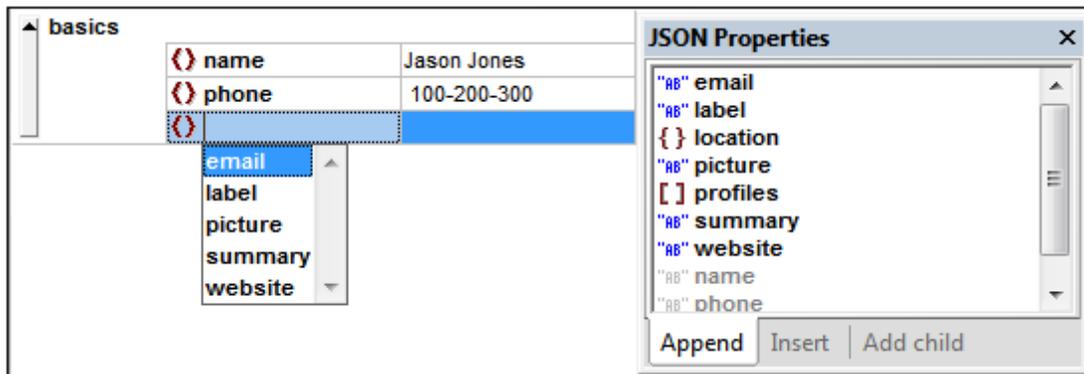
web-app	
servlet (5)	
servlet-name	servlet-class
1 altovaCDS	org.altova.cds.CDSServlet
2 altovaEmail	org.altova.cds.EmailServlet
3 altovaAdmin	org.altova.cds.AdminServlet
4 fileServlet	org.altova.cds.FileServlet
5 altovaTools	org.altova.cms.AltovaToolsServlet
servlet-mapping	
altovaCDS	/
altovaEmail	/altovautil/aemail/*
altovaAdmin	/admin/*
fileServlet	/static/*
altovaTools	/tools/*
taglib	
taglib-uri	altova.tld
taglib-location	/WEB-INF/tlds/altova.tld

Additionally, the structure can be easily modified by adding, deleting, or moving objects in the grid. Entire blocks of text can be reorganized (for example, by sorting them or moving them). Content, too, can be edited in Grid View. For a detailed explanation of how to work with structured text in Grid View, see the section [Grid View](#).

### Auto-completion

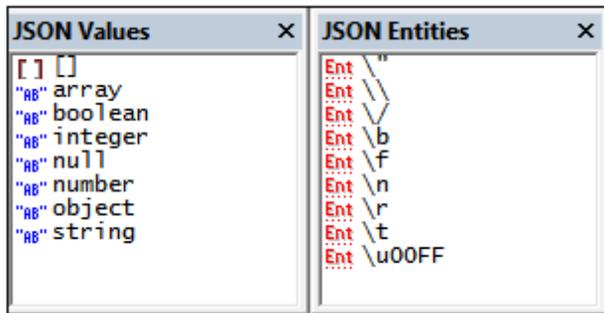
Auto-completion is enabled when the JSON document being edited is associated with a schema. If the document is a JSON schema, then it is automatically associated with the schema for JSON Schema (JSON's [Core/Validation Meta-Schema](#)), and auto-completion is based on this schema. If the document is a JSON instance, then a [JSON schema must be assigned to the instance](#) in order for auto-completion to be enabled.

Auto-completion provides you with the available entry options at the cursor location. It does this (i) via pop-ups in the main window, and (ii) via the entry helpers (*see screenshot below*). The pop-ups and entry helpers each display a list of entries that are valid at that cursor location. To move through the entries in the pop-up list, use the arrow keys. Select an entry from the pop-up window or double-click an entry in the entry helper to insert it.



In the instance document shown in the screenshot above, the pop-up window and JSON Properties entry helper are shown when the cursor is located in the third property's `name` field. The entry helper displays all the properties allowed at that point; the properties that have already been entered are shown grayed out and disabled. The pop-up displays only the properties that are allowed at that point.

There are two other entry helpers: JSON Values and JSON Entities (*screenshot below*). These show, respectively, the allowed values of `key:value` pairs and entities for escaping characters in JSON strings. The JSON Values entry helper in the screenshot below shows the values allowed for the `type` keyword while editing a JSON schema. The last entry in the JSON Entities entry helper, `\u00FF`, is a placeholder that stands for a Unicode character. Replace the part highlighted in blue with the code of the Unicode character you want.



Other context-sensitive auto-completion entries or hints include the following (if these are specified in the schema): enumerations, descriptions, required occurrences, and default values.

## 10.5 Validating JSON Documents

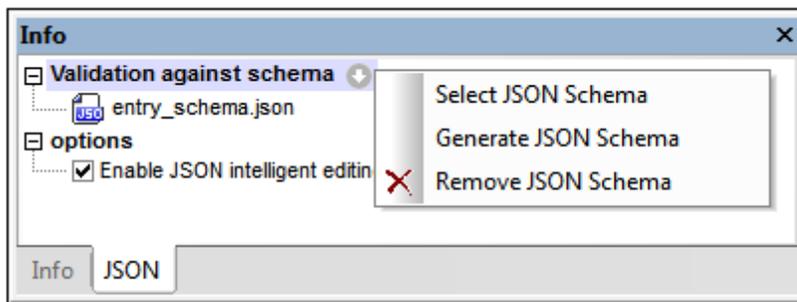
XMLSpy contains a JSON validation engine that can be invoked to do the following:

- *If a JSON schema is the active document:* Validates the JSON schema against the JSON Schema specification (so no schema assignment is needed); the validation can be carried out in any of the three views ([Text](#), [Grid](#), and [JSON Schema](#))
- *If a JSON instance is the active document:* Validates the JSON instance against a JSON schema in [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#); a JSON schema must be assigned to the JSON instance (see below)

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### Assigning a JSON schema to a JSON instance

In order to validate a JSON instance against a JSON schema, the schema must be assigned to the active instance document. The assignment is entered in the Info window (screenshot below) of the active JSON instance document, or via the [Project Properties](#) dialog (the *Validate With* option).



In the JSON tab of the Info Window, click the arrow icon next to *Validation against schema*, and, in the menu that appears, click **Select JSON Schema** (see screenshot above). Browse for the schema, and click **OK**. The schema will be assigned to the active JSON instance document, and the schema's filename will be entered in the Info window. If the JSON instance document is empty, the assignment of a JSON schema to the instance will automatically fill the JSON instance with sample data based on the JSON schema.

To remove the assignment, select the command **Remove JSON Schema** from the same menu (see screenshot above).

For information about generating JSON schema, see the section [Generating JSON Schema from a JSON Instance](#).

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### Validating JSON instance and schema documents

Select the command **XML | Validate XML (F8)** or click the **Validate (F8)** icon  in the toolbar to validate the active JSON document, whether instance or schema. If an instance document is being validated, a schema document must be assigned to the instance (see above). Validation results are displayed in the [Messages window](#).

To go to the schema document from the instance document, double-click the schema in the Info window (*see screenshot above*), or select the command **DTD/Schema | Go to Schema**. To go directly to the definition of a JSON keyword or object, select the keyword or object in the instance document and select **DTD/Schema | Go to Definition**.

You can also validate a [project folder](#) containing JSON files by using the **Validate** command.

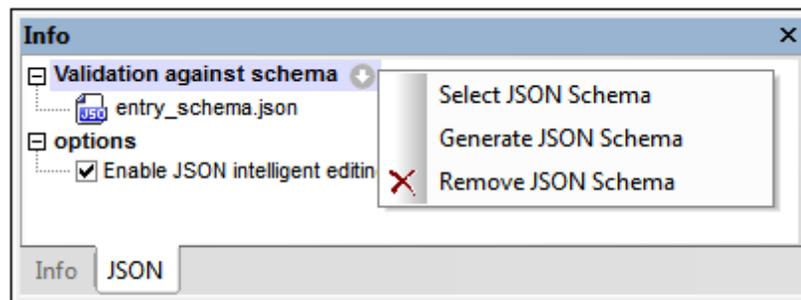
## 10.6 Generating JSON Schema from a JSON Instance

XMLSpy can generate a JSON schema from a JSON instance document. This feature is very useful since it quickly provides you with a schema based on an already existing JSON instance, and saves you the trouble of manually creating a schema from scratch. You can then modify or extend the generated schema according to your requirements.

### Generating the schema

To generate a JSON schema from a JSON instance, do the following:

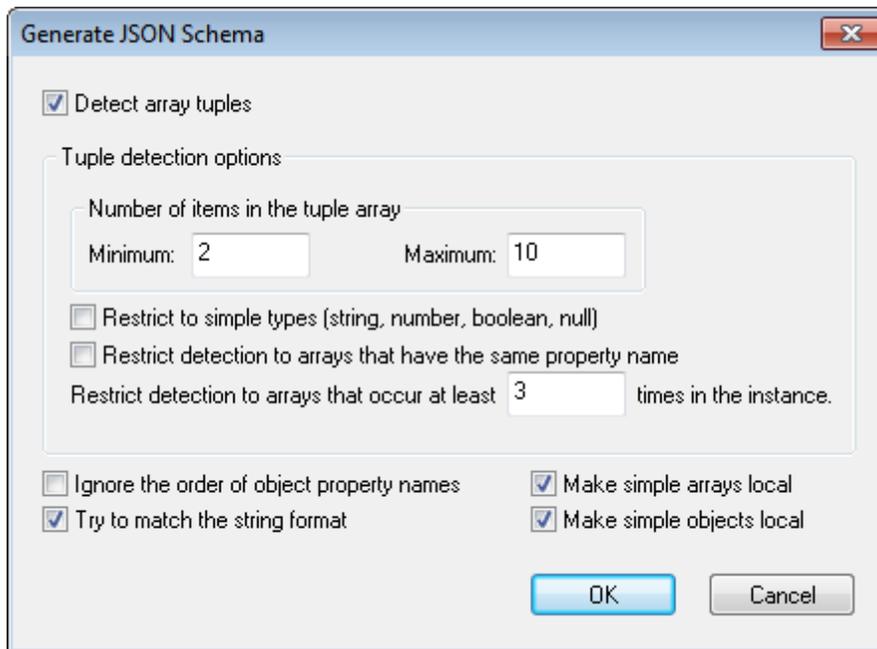
1. Make the JSON instance document the active document.
2. In the JSON tab of the Info Window, click the arrow icon next to *Validation against schema*, and, in the menu that appears, click **Generate JSON Schema** (see screenshot below). Alternatively, select the menu command **DTD/Schema | Generate DTD/Schema**.



3. In the Generate JSON Schema dialog that now appears (see next section below), modify the settings as you want (see below for details). Click **OK** when done.
4. You will be prompted to provide a path and filename for the generated JSON schema. On clicking **Save**, the schema is generated and becomes the active document. In the instance document, the generated schema file will be assigned as the schema to use for validation; any previous assignment will be overwritten. To change the assignment, use the [Select JSON Schema](#) command of the context menu (see screenshot above).

### Settings for generating the schema

You can specify options for schema generation in the Generate JSON Schema dialog (screenshot below). See the [previous section](#) for information about how to access this dialog.



### Detect array tuples

An array tuple is the sequence of items in an array. For example, the following array has a tuple with three items: `[ 1, 2, "abc" ]`. For the validation of arrays, the schema can specify whether the order and datatype of array (tuple) items are to be considered or not. If the *Detect Array Tuples* option is checked (see screenshot above), then the order and datatype of items will be detected. Based on what is detected, a corresponding definition will be created in the schema. The options for this setting are as follows:

- *Number of tuple items:* A minimum and maximum number of tuple items can be specified. If a tuple in the instance has an item-count within this range, then this array will be detected and defined.
- *Simple types only:* Only tuples that have simple-type items (the atomic types `string`, `number`, `integer`, `boolean`, and `null`) are to be considered for detection.
- *Identically named arrays:* Only arrays that are defined as values of properties that have the same name are considered for detection. For example, in the following JSON data fragment, the arrays marked with red-shaded brackets are all values of properties named `a1` (shaded in blue): `{ "object1": [ { "a1": [ 1, 2, "abc" ] }, { "a1": [ 3, 4, "def" ] }, { "a1": [ 5, 6, "ghi" ] } ] }`.
- *Minimum number of arrays:* A minimum number of arrays for enabling array detection can be specified.

### Other settings

- *Ignore order of object property names:* If selected, the order of an object's properties is checked and recreated as closely as possible. Otherwise, the order is not checked.
- *Try to match the string format:* The schema can specify that string datatypes must have a particular [format](#). If this option is selected, then XMLSpy will try to detect the string format and add a format definition for strings wherever possible.
- *Make simple arrays local:* A simple array is one in which all items are of the same simple

datatype. If selected, all simple arrays will be defined locally in the schema, instead of using global definitions that are referenced locally.

- *Make simple objects local:* A simple object is one in which all property values are of the same simple datatype. If selected, all simple objects will be defined locally in the schema, instead of using global definitions that are referenced locally.

**Note:** After the JSON schema has been generated, you can make local definitions of individual objects and arrays global, and vice versa. For more information, see the section [Global and Local Definitions](#).

## 10.7 Generating a JSON Instance from a JSON Schema

You can generate a JSON instance from a JSON schema when the JSON schema is the active file in Text View, Grid View, or Schema View. Click the [DTD/Schema | Generate Sample XML/JSON File](#).

## 10.8 Converting between JSON and XML

The following conversion options are available:

- [Convert XML Instance to JSON](#): When an XML instance document is the active document, a JSON instance document is generated from the XML instance by clicking [Convert | Convert XML Instance to/from JSON](#).
- [Convert JSON Instance to XML](#): When a JSON instance document is the active document, an XML instance document is generated from the JSON instance by clicking [Convert | Convert XML Instance to/from JSON](#).
- [Convert XML Schema to JSON Schema](#): When an XML Schema document is the active document, a JSON schema document is generated from the XML Schema by clicking [Convert | Convert XML Schema to/from JSON Schema](#).
- [Convert JSON Schema to XML Schema](#): When a JSON schema document is the active document, an XML Schema document is generated from the JSON schema by clicking [Convert | Convert XML Schema to/from JSON Schema](#).

All these conversions are enabled in both Text View and Grid View. Click the links above to see descriptions of the respective functionality.

## 10.9 JSON Schema View

JSON Schema View can be used to view and edit JSON schema documents. The main parts of the JSON Schema View window are:

- A main window that switches between a [Definitions Overview Grid](#) and a [Design View](#)
- Three [entry helper windows](#) (located by default on the right-hand side of the main window): Overview, Details, and Constraints
- A Messages window (located by default below the main window)
- An [Info window](#) (located by default at bottom left of the application window)

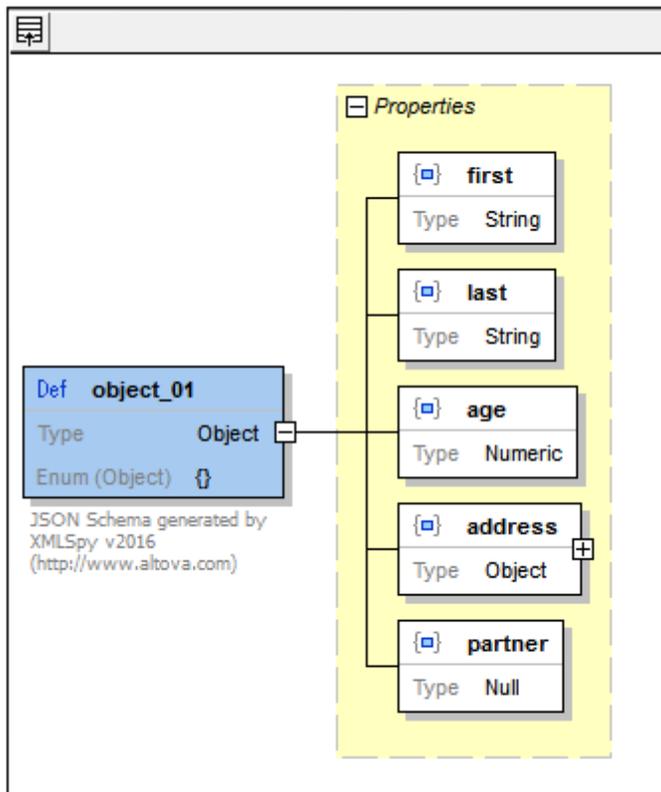
The screenshot below shows the main window and the Overview entry helper.



### The main window

The main window switches between a [Definitions Overview Grid](#) (shown in screenshot above) and a [Design View](#) (screenshot below). Definitions Overview Grid shows the current document's main schema (listed as "Document Schema"), plus any definitions that you add to the schema. (A definition is a description of a JSON data structure. In the screenshot above, `object_01` and `array_01` are definitions, of an object and an array, respectively.) Definitions are also listed in the Overview entry helper (see screenshot above).

While Definitions Overview Grid provides a high level view of the JSON schema, it does not show what is within any definition listed in the overview. To view and edit a definition in Design View (screenshot below), click the definition's icon (see screenshot above) or double-click the definition in the Overview entry helper (see screenshot above).



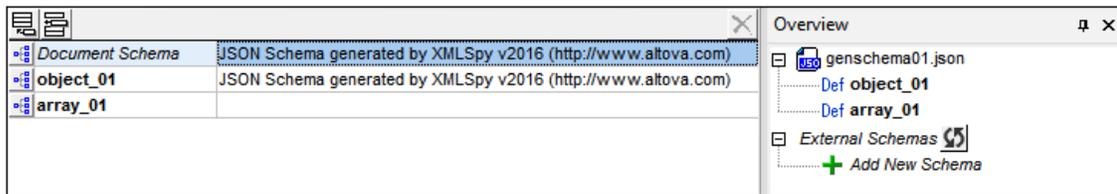
To switch back to Definitions Overview Grid from Design View, click the **Switch to Definitions Grid** icon at the top left of Design View (see *screenshot above*). To configure Design View, click the menu command [Schema Design | Configure View](#).

### The entry helpers

Both modes of Schema View (Definitions Overview Grid and Design View) have three entry helpers: Overview, Details, and Constraints. These entry helpers provide mechanisms for: (i) displaying information about the schema and its definitions, and (ii) entering information and values related to definitions. They are described in detail in the section [Entry Helpers: Overview, Details, Constraints](#).

## 10.9.1 Adding Global Definitions

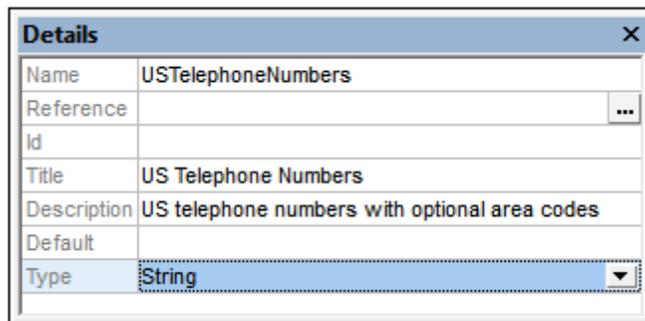
The [Definitions Overview Grid](#) in the main window (*screenshot below*) displays a list of the schema's global definitions. These global definitions are: (i) the **main document schema** definition, and (ii) definitions of **global JSON types**, such as objects, arrays, strings, etc. Defining a [JSON type](#) globally is useful if that type needs to be reused within the same schema or in another schema. For example, you can define a JSON string type for US telephone numbers in one JSON schema—say, a library of such definitions—and then reference this definition from within the same schema as well as from other JSON schemas.



### Adding a definition, and related actions

The following actions are available for adding and editing definitions in the Definitions Overview Grid.

- *To add a definition:* Click the **Append Named Schema Definition** or **Insert Named Schema Definition** icon at the top left of the Definitions Overview Grid (see screenshot above). A new empty definition will be created in the grid; it will have a default name. The new definition will also be listed in the Overview entry helper as a *Def* (see screenshot above).
- *To change the type of a definition:* Every new definition is created with a type of `Any`. You can change its type in the Details entry helper (see screenshot below, where the type is 'String') or by editing the definition in [Design View](#).



- *To rename a definition:* Double-click its name and edit the name. Alternatively, edit the *Name* field in the [Details entry helper](#).
- *To enter a description of the definition:* Edit the *Description* field in the [Details entry helper](#). The description appears in the Definitions Overview Grid next to the name of the definition (see screenshot below). You can also double-click in the Description field of Definitions Overview Grid to edit a description.



- *To reference a definition:* See the description of the [Overview entry helper](#) and the section [Global and Local Definitions](#).
- *To edit a definition:* Click the definition's icon in the Definitions Overview Grid or double-click the definition in the [Overview entry helper](#). This opens the definition in Design View, where it can be edited.

## 10.9.2 Entry Helpers: Overview, Details, Constraints

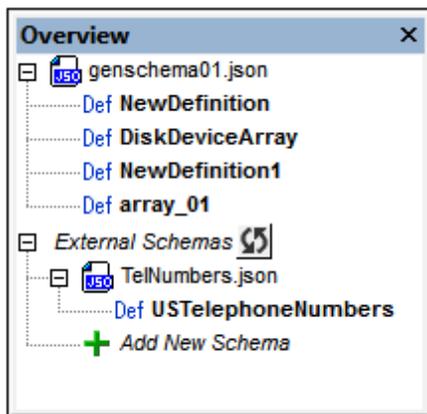
The JSON Schema View entry helpers are located by default on the right-hand side of the application window. They are available in [both modes of the main window](#): (i) Definitions Overview Grid, and (ii) Design View. You can drag entry helper windows by their title bars to other locations on the screen, and you can double-click an entry helper's title bar to alternatively dock and undock that entry helper. For more information about these actions, see the section [Entry Helpers](#).

### Overview entry helper

The Overview entry helper (*screenshot below*) lists the current schema definition and all the global definitions of the current schema. Double-clicking a definition, opens that definition in [Design View](#), where it can be edited. If you wish to use definitions from external schemas, first add the external schema, then reuse the definition you want.

#### *Adding the external schema*

Add the external schema by clicking the **Add New Schema** icon in the Overview entry helper and then browsing for the schema you wish to add. Once a schema has been added, its definitions are displayed in the Overview entry helper. The screenshot below, for example, shows that the schema `TelNumbers.json` has been added, and that this schema has one definition named `USTelephoneNumbers`. You can add as many external schemas as you like.



#### *Reusing an external definition*

After an external schema has been added, its definitions become available for reuse in the definitions of the importing schema. When one definition reuses another definition (by referencing it), it takes on the properties of that definition. The referencing can be done in two ways:

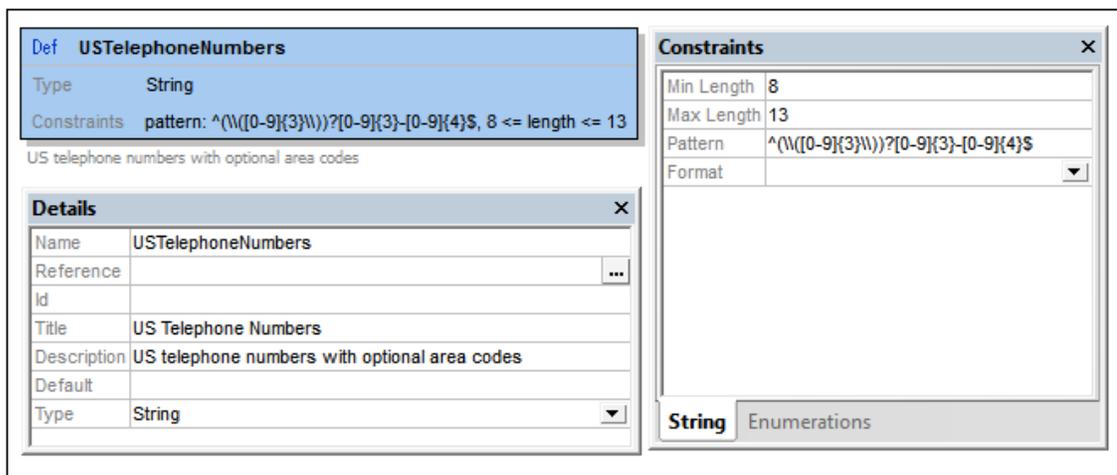
- *In Design View*: By dragging a definition from the Overview entry helper onto the definition where it is wanted
- *In Definitions Overview Grid or Design View*: Via the *Reference* field of the Details entry helper of the definition where the reuse is wanted. This is explained below in the description of the [Details entry helper](#).

**Note:** The **Refresh** icon next to the *External Schemas* entry in the Overview window updates all

added external schemas. Note that, if no definition from an added external schema has been reused, then that schema will be removed from the list when the list is refreshed.

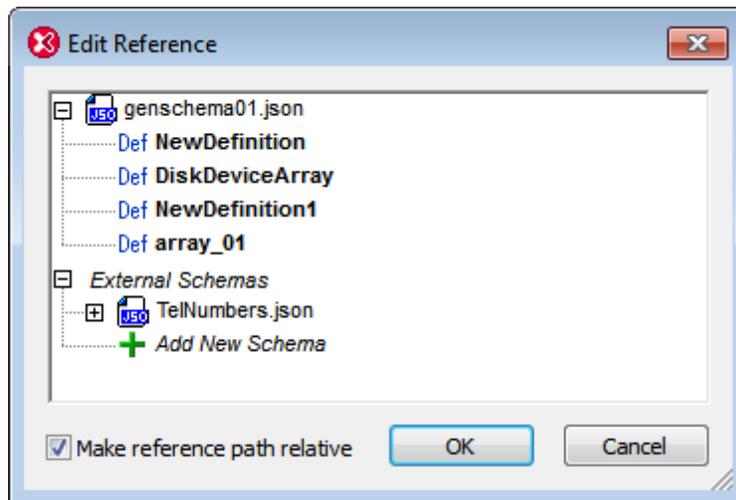
### Details entry helper

The properties of a definition can be entered in the Details and Constraints windows when the definition is selected in either mode of the main window: [Definitions Overview Grid](#) or [Design View](#). The screenshot below shows the definition of `USTelephoneNumbers` in [Design View](#), together with the Detail and Constraints entry helpers. Notice that the information in the two entry helpers is also displayed in the definition's (blue) box in Design View. The properties that can be set in these two entry helpers are listed below.



The following details can be entered in the Details entry helper:

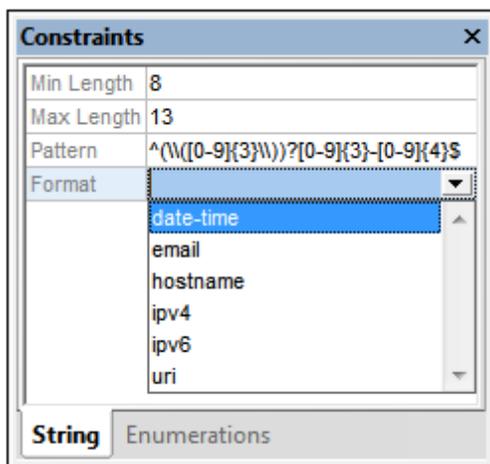
- *Name*: The name of the definition.
- *Reference*: If you want a definition to reuse another definition, click the **Additional Dialog** button of the *Reference* field. This displays the Edit Reference dialog (*screenshot below*), which lists all available definitions (from the current schema and external schemas). Select the definition you want to reuse, select the *Relative Path* option if you want a relative path, and click **OK**.



- *ID*: This is an optional keyword that is used to alter the resolution scope of the current definition (which can be regarded as a sub-schema within its parent schema). The ID value must be a string that is a URI. Note that the Altova JSON validator uses canonical de-referencing only. See the [JSON specification](#) for more information.
- *Title, Description*: The values of these two keywords are used for descriptive purposes.
- *Default*: The default value of the definition.
- *Type*: Select the definition's [datatype](#) from the dropdown list of the combo box. Note that changing the type will lead to the removal of keywords specific to the previous type. If you wish to go back to the previous definitions, press **Undo (Ctrl-Z)**.

### Constraints entry helper

A definition's constraints depends on its type. The constraints of each type are described below. (See also [Atomic Types](#).)



If a type does not appear in the list below, no constraint can be defined for it. Note, however, that enumerations can be defined for all types:

- *String*: The length of the string, and the pattern of the string; the pattern is specified by

means of a regular expression. In the *Format* field, you can select one of the [string formats defined in the specification](#) (see *screenshot above*)

- *Numeric*: The range of allowed values
- *Array*: The number of items allowed in the array
- *Object*: The number of allowed properties

The Constraints entry helper for all types has an Enumerations tab. In it, you can specify a list of allowed items of that definition's type.

### 10.9.3 Global and Local Definitions

JSON schema definitions can be created globally or locally.

- **Global definitions** are created in the [Definitions Overview Grid](#) of the main window by [adding a definition and then specifying its properties](#). A global definition can be referenced by other definitions in the same schema or by definitions in other schemas. This enables the reuse of definitions across your project. All the global definitions of the current schema are displayed in the schema's [Definitions Overview Grid](#). Global definitions from other schemas can be made available for reuse by [adding the external schema](#) in the Overview entry helper.
- **Local definitions** are created within global definitions, that is, by adding descendant or sibling definitions to a global definition.

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#### Reusing a global definition

To reuse a global definition, do one of the following:

- In Design View, drag the global definition from the [Overview entry helper](#) onto the definition where it is to be used.
- In the [Definitions Overview Grid or in Design View](#), select the definition for which you want the reuse. In the *Reference* field of the Details entry helper, select the global definition you want to reuse. See the description of the [Details entry helper](#) for details.

**Note:** If you change the name of a global definition after it has been referenced by another definition in the same schema, then the name is also changed in the reference. References from other schemas, however, will need to be edited manually to reflect the name change.

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#### Converting local definitions to global definitions

To convert a local definition, right-click it in [Design View](#) and select **Make Global**. A global definition is created and a reference to it will be created on the local definition. Since the name of the global definition is generated automatically, you can edit it and the change will be passed to the reference of the local definition.

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### Changing a ref to a global definition into a local definition

A reference to a global definition can exist on both local and global definitions. To remove the reference and make its properties local, right-click the (local or global) definition in [Design View](#) and select **Make Local**. The global definition's properties are created locally on the definition.

## 10.9.4 Design View

In Design View, you can specify the structure and allowed values of individual global definitions. The definitions are specified via the following GUI components or mechanisms:

- the [Details entry helper](#) (also available in Definitions Overview Grid)
- the [Constraints entry helper](#) (also available in Definitions Overview Grid)
- the definition's context menu (accessed by right-clicking the definition's box in the main window)

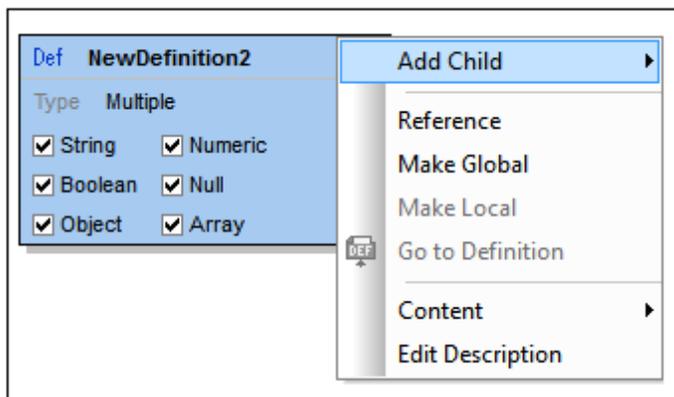
The definitions that can be specified via the Details and Constraints entry helpers are described in the section [Entry Helpers: Overview, Details, Constraints](#). Some of these properties can also be specified within the definition's box in the main window. In this section, and the next three sections, we describe the mainly graphical mechanism available in the main window.

**Note:** If you need to undo an inadvertent or unwanted change, press **Ctrl+Z**.

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### Context menu

The context menu of a definition (*blue box in screenshot below*) enables you to design the structure of the definition and edit its properties.



The following commands are available:

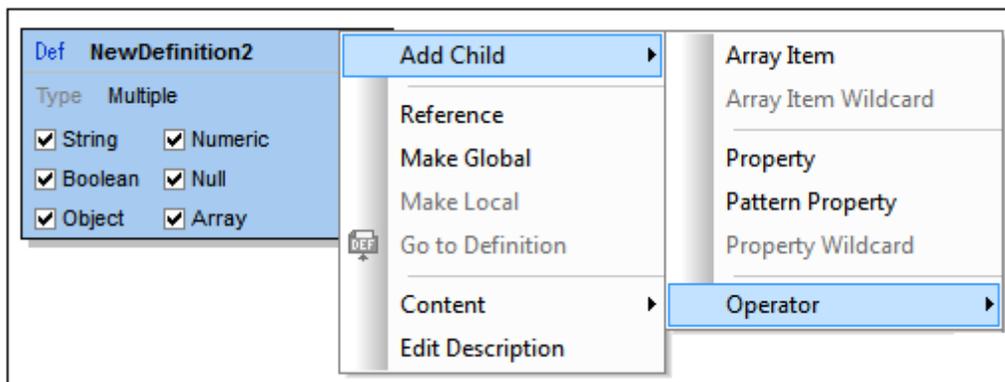
- *Add Child*: What child can be added depends on the type of the definition (see [Add Child: creating structure](#) below).
- *Reference*: Enables the definition to reference a global definition and take on the properties of that global definition. The Edit Reference dialog that the command opens is the same as that accessed via the [Details entry helper](#) and is described in the section [Entry Helpers: Overview, Details, Constraints](#).
- *Make Global*: This command is enabled when the definition is a [local definition](#). It makes the currently selected definition a [global definition](#) and adds a reference to that global

definition in the current selection.

- *Make Local*: This command is enabled when the definition is a [global definition](#). It converts the currently selected definition to a [local definition](#) by creating a reference to the original global definition.
- *Go to Definition*: If the selected definition is contained within a definition that references a global definition, then this command is enabled. Clicking it takes you to the global definition.
- *Content*: The **Content** command displays a submenu containing commands to cut, copy and reset the contents of the selected definition.
- *Edit Description*: Enables the definition's *Description* field to be edited.

### Add Child: creating structure

The structure of a definition is created by adding multiple levels of descendants. These levels are created with the **Add Child** command of the context menu. The children that can be added to a definition depends on its type:



- [Objects](#): take properties and operators
- [Arrays](#): take array items and operators
- [Atomic types \(string, number, boolean, null\)](#): take operators
- [Any](#): takes properties, array items, and operators
- [Multiple](#): varies according to what types are included; takes the union of allowed children for the selected types
- [Operators](#): enables logical operators to be used to determine the structure

The structures that can be created for each type are described in detail in the sections that are linked to from the list above.

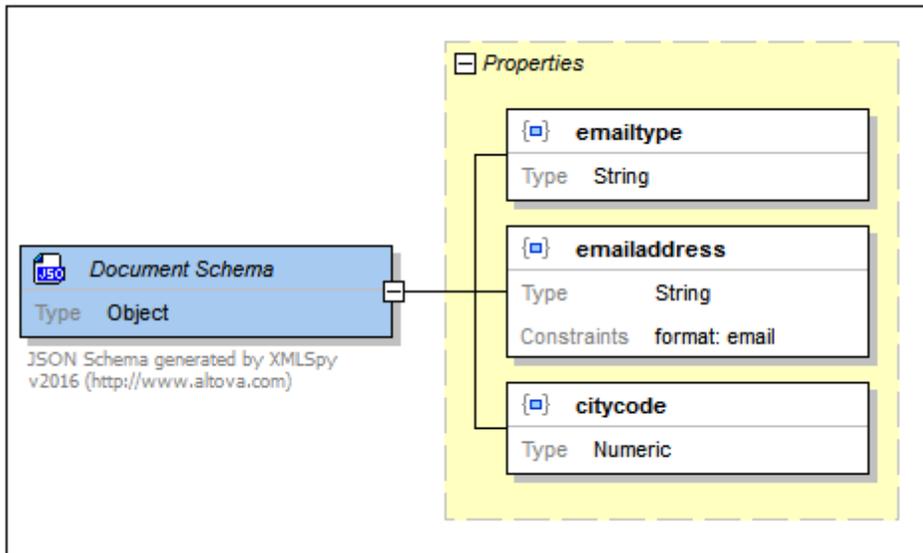
## 10.9.5 Objects and Properties

An object is enclosed in curly braces and maps a key to a value, like this: `"MyKey": Value`. The key must always be a string and must therefore be enclosed in quotes. The value can be any [JSON data type](#). Each `key:value` pair is known as a [property](#) of the object (see [screenshot below](#)).

Here is an example of an instantiated object that has three properties:

```
{
  "emailtype": "home",
  "emailaddress": "contact01.home@altova.com",
  "citycode": 22
}
```

The schema for the object would look something like this in Design View.



Notice the following:

- Each of the properties must be present in the instance. This is indicated by the solid borders of the properties. If a property is optional, the border is a dashed line. You can set whether a property is required or optional in the property's context menu or via the Details entry helper.
- The order in which properties must occur in the instance is not—and cannot be—defined in the schema. This means that the order in which properties are defined in the schema is irrelevant.
- The blue-square-within-braces symbol signifies a property (as opposed to a pattern property or property wildcard, both of which are indicated by other symbols; [see below](#)).
- The type of a property can be edited by double-clicking the type in the diagram and selecting an option from the dropdown list that appears. Alternatively, the type can be selected in the Details entry helper.
- The constraint value of the `emailaddress` property is defined in the Constraints entry helper.

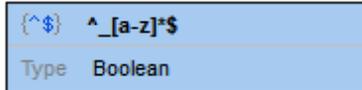
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### Properties, pattern properties, and property wildcards

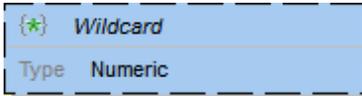
An object can have properties, pattern properties, and property wildcards. These can be added to the object via the context menus: (i) of the object, (ii) of the yellow properties box (right-click the *Properties* title of the box), and (iii) of individual properties. Properties have been described above. We now look at pattern properties and property wildcards.

A **pattern property** (*screenshot below*) defines the property's name as a regular expression. In

the screenshot below, for example, the regular expression specifies that the property must: (i) have a name that begins with an underscore, and (ii) have a boolean as its value. There is no requirement constraint for a pattern property. You can add any number of pattern properties. Notice the icon for pattern properties.



A **property wildcard** (*screenshot below*) specifies that any number of properties can occur in addition to the other properties of the object's property set. The wildcard can however define a type for these occurrences. The screenshot below left shows a property wildcard that defines properties with any name but having numeric values. There can be only one property wildcard per object. If the wildcard is set to *Any* type, however, then you can set constraints for each type in the Constraints entry helper. Notice the icon for property wildcards.



**Note:** There are no minimum or maximum occurrence settings for a pattern property or property wildcard. See the section about [property validation](#) to understand this better.

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## How properties are validated

When a property is encountered in the instance, it is validated as follows:

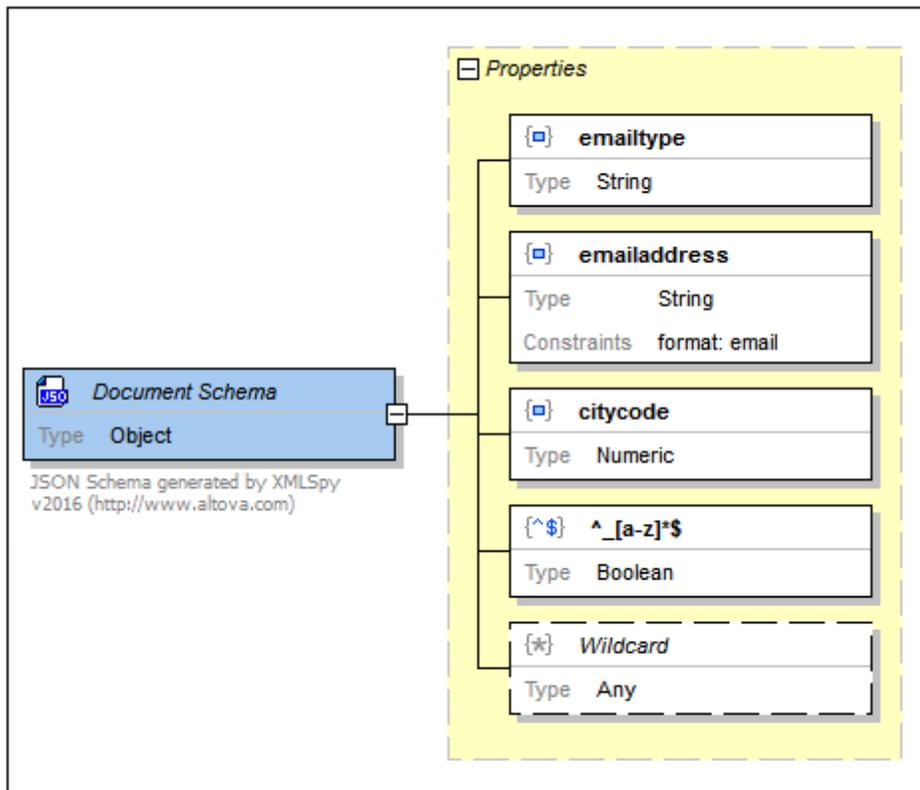
1. The property's name is checked in the schema against all the named properties of that object.
2. If no match is found, the name is checked against all pattern properties in the object's property set.
3. If still no match is found, then the wildcard is invoked if it exists.
4. If still no match is found for the name, a validity error is reported. If the name matches that of a property or pattern property, or if a wildcard exists, then the value is checked against the value of the corresponding property definition.
5. If the instance value matches the type and constraints of the corresponding property definition, then the property is valid. Otherwise it is invalid.

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## Example

The screenshot below defines an object which:

- must have three properties named `emailtype`, `emailaddress`, and `citycode`
- can have one or more properties with a name that begins with an underscore and a value that is a boolean (see the pattern property in the screenshot below)
- can have one or more additional properties with any name and any value



## 10.9.6 Unspecified Properties

In the code listing below, the `required` keyword specifies that four properties are required for this object. However, only three of these four properties are defined. The fourth property, `city`, is undefined. The defined properties are said to be **specified**, while the undefined property is said to be **unspecified**. See the screenshots below the listing.

### Code listing: specified and unspecified properties

```
{
  "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-04/schema#",
  "description": "JSON Schema generated by XMLSpy v2016 (http://
www.altova.com)",
  "type": "object",
  "properties": {
    "emailtype": {
      "type": "string"
    },
    "emailaddress": {
      "type": "string",
      "format": "email"
    },
    "citycode": {
      "type": "number"
    }
  }
}
```

```

    },
    "required": [
      "emailtype",
      "emailaddress",
      "citycode",
      "city"
    ],
    "additionalProperties": false
  }

```

The image displays two screenshots of a JSON Schema editor interface, showing the 'Properties' and 'Details' panels.

**Top Screenshot:** The 'Properties' panel shows four properties: 'emailtype' (Type: String), 'emailaddress' (Type: String, Constraints: format: email), 'citycode' (Type: Numeric), and 'city' (Type: Unspecified). The 'Details' panel shows the details for the 'emailtype' property: Name: emailtype, Occurrence: Required, Specified: , Reference: ..., Id: , Title: , Description: , Default: , Type: String.

**Bottom Screenshot:** The 'Properties' panel shows the same four properties. The 'Details' panel shows the details for the 'city' property: Name: city, Occurrence: Required, Specified:

In Design View, the unspecified property is flagged in red because it is required by the schema, but is not defined. Although the JSON schema itself is valid, an instance document that is

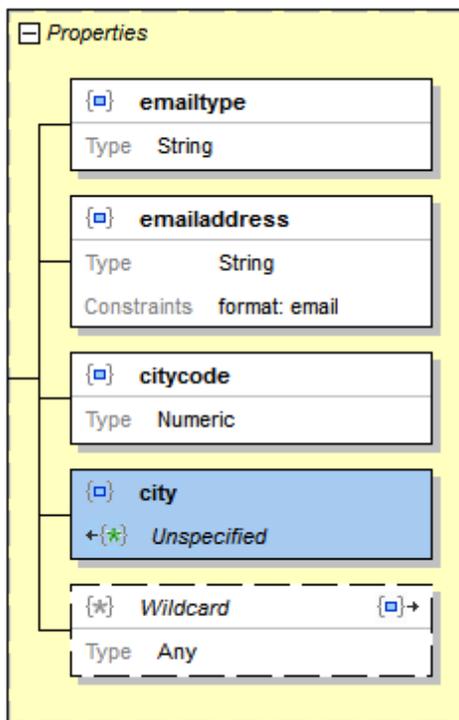
validated against it will not be valid. This is because: (i) If the `city` property is not present, the document will be invalid because the `city` property is required; (ii) If the `city` property is present, the document will be invalid because the `city` property is undefined and there is no property wildcard to allow its presence (see [Implicitly Specifying a Property](#) below).

To create a definition for an unspecified property, do the following:

1. Select the unspecified property in Design View.
2. In the Details entry helper, check the *Specified* check box (see *screenshot above*). Alternatively, the *Specified* flag can be modified via the context menu.
3. Modify the property's definition as required.

### Implicitly specifying a property

A property can be implicitly specified by adding a suitable pattern property or property wildcard. The screenshot below shows that a property wildcard has been added. An instance property named `city` will match this wildcard. In the schema, therefore, the `city` property is said to be implicitly specified by the wildcard. An instance file containing the `city` property will be valid against this schema.



Notice the respective icons in the implicitly specified property and in the property wildcard. Each icon is a link to the other property. Double-clicking one icon selects the other property.

### 10.9.7 Objects and Dependencies

Within the definition of an object, you might want to specify that a certain property is to be present only if another property is present. The first property is said to be dependent on the second property. Here is a scenario containing a dependency. An object (named, say, `member`) has a property called `credit_card`, which is defined as optional. The object's `billing_address` property can be made dependent on the `credit_card` property: Only if the `credit_card` property is present will the `billing_address` property be present.

This kind of dependency can be specified in one of two ways:

- as a property dependency (the dependent structure is a property)
- as a schema dependency (the dependent structure is a schema)

#### Property dependencies

The screenshot below shows an object having a `name` property (required), a `credit_card` property (optional), and a `billing_address` property (dependent). The `billing_address` property is dependent on the `credit_card` property. The code of this JSON object definition is listed below the screenshot. How to create a property dependency is described further below.

The screenshot displays a JSON Schema editor interface. On the left, a 'Properties' panel shows three properties: 'name' (Type: String), 'credit\_card' (Type: Numeric), and 'billing\_address' (Type: String). The 'billing\_address' property is highlighted in blue. On the right, a 'Details' panel for the 'billing\_address' property is shown. It includes fields for Name (billing\_address), Occurrence (Dependent), Dependent On (credit\_card), Specified (checked), Reference, Id, Title, Description, Default, and Type (String).

#### Code listing of a JSON object with a property dependency

```
{
  "type": "object",
  "properties": {
    "name": {
      "type": "string"
    },
    "credit_card": {
      "type": "number"
    },
    "billing_address": {
      "type": "string"
    }
  }
},
```

```
"required": [ "name" ],
"dependencies": {
  "credit_card": [ "billing_address" ]
},
"additionalProperties": false
}
```

To create a property dependency, do the following:

1. Right-click the property on which the dependency will be based. (In our example this is the `credit_card` property.)
2. In the context menu that appears, select **Add Dependency | Dependent Property**. A new property is added with an Occurrence value of *Dependent*.
3. Define the name and value of this property, and add any additional details or constraints you want.

To specify a property as being dependent on another property, do the following:

1. Right-click the property you want to make dependent on another property. (In our example this is the `billing_address` property.)
2. In the context menu that appears, select **Dependent**. Alternatively, in the Details entry helper, go to the *Occurrence* entry, and select *Dependent* (see screenshot above).
3. In the Details entry helper, click the dropdown list icon of the *Dependent On* entry. The dropdown list displays all the other properties of the object. Select the property on which you want the current property to depend.

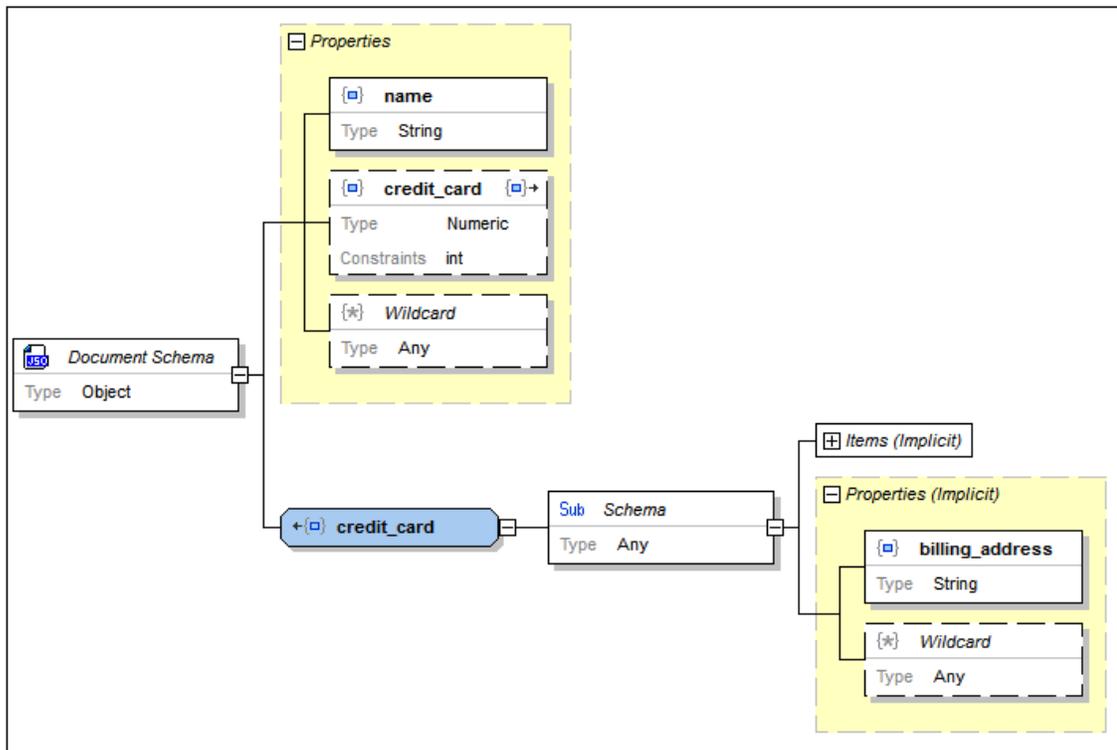
**Note:** An icon appears in the boxes of both properties involved in a dependency (see screenshot above). Double-clicking the icon of one property takes you to the other property.

**Note:** A property can have multiple dependent properties.

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### Schema dependencies

The screenshot below shows an object that describes the same instance data structure as the object discussed in the previous section. The definitions of the two objects, however, are different. While the previous definition used a *property dependency* to define the `billing_address` property as being dependent on the `credit_card` property, the current definition uses a *schema dependency* to define this dependency. The code of this latter JSON object definition is listed below the screenshot. How to create a schema dependency is described further below



▣ Code listing of a JSON object with a schema dependency

```

{
  "type": "object",
  "properties": {
    "name": {
      "type": "string"
    },
    "credit_card": {
      "type": "integer"
    }
  },
  "required": [ "name" ],
  "dependencies": {
    "credit_card": {
      "properties": {
        "billing_address": {
          "type": "string"
        }
      },
      "required": [ "billing_address" ]
    }
  }
}

```

To create a schema dependency, do the following:

1. Right-click the property on which the dependency will be based. (In our example this is

- the `credit_card` property.)
2. In the context menu that appears, select **Add Dependency | Schema Dependency**. A new object definition is created. It will have the same name as the property on which it is dependent (in our example, `credit_card`), and it will have a child sub-schema.
  3. Define the sub-schema the way you want it, adding any additional details or constraints you may want.

**Note:** An icon appears in the boxes of the property and object involved in a dependency (see *screenshot above*). Double-clicking the icon in one box takes you to the other box.

**Note:** If you wish to set multiple dependencies, do this within the dependent sub-schema (see *screenshot above*).

## 10.9.8 Arrays

An array is a list of zero or more ordered items; it is delimited by square brackets. Each item in the list is assigned a type. The instance listing below is of an object with three properties. The value of each property is an array (*delimiters highlighted in yellow*).

```
{  
  "x": [ 1, 2, "abc" ],  
  "y": [ 3, 4, "def" ],  
  "z": [ 5, 6, "ghi" ]  
}
```

All three arrays in the listing above have the same definition. Each contains three ordered items in the following order: (i) a number item, a (ii) a number item, (iii) a string item. A schema description of this object is shown in the screenshot below. Since the definition is the same for all three arrays, the definition has been created in a global array named `array_01`. Each of the three arrays (`x`, `y`, and `z`) [references the global array](#) `array_01`.

The screenshot displays a JSON Schema editor interface. On the left, a schema definition for `object_01` is shown, which is an object containing three array properties: `x`, `y`, and `z`. Each array property is defined with a type of `Array` and constraints of `3 <= items <= 3`. The `x` array is highlighted in blue. On the right, two panels are open: **Constraints** and **Details**. The **Constraints** panel shows `Min Items` and `Max Items` both set to 3, and `Unique Items` checked. The **Details** panel shows the `Name` as `x`, `Occurrence` as `Required`, `Specified` checked, `Reference` as `array_01`, `Title` as `x`, `Description` as `tuple type`, and `Type` as `Array`.

In the screenshot above, array `x` is selected (indicated by its blue highlight), and its details and constraints are shown in the respective entry helpers (see screenshot above). Notice the constraint on the number of allowed items. The number can be edited in the Constraints entry helper and is displayed in the diagram. The array items can be defined in the definition of the array itself, which in this case is the global definition `array_01` (screenshot below).

The screenshot shows the definition of the `array_01` property. The array is defined with a type of `Array` and constraints of `3 <= items <= 3`. The items are defined as an array of three elements: `[0]` (Type `Numeric`), `[1]` (Type `Numeric`), and `[2]` (Type `String`). The **Constraints** panel on the right shows `Min Items` and `Max Items` both set to 3, and `Unique Items` checked.

Note the following points:

- The `unique` constraint specifies that all items in the array must be unique.
- The numbering of items starts with 0.
- The following phrasing in the diagram, `3 <= items <= 3` and `Items: 3..3` (see screenshot above), both indicate the minimum and maximum allowed items. In this case, exactly

three items must be present

## 10.9.9 Atomic Types

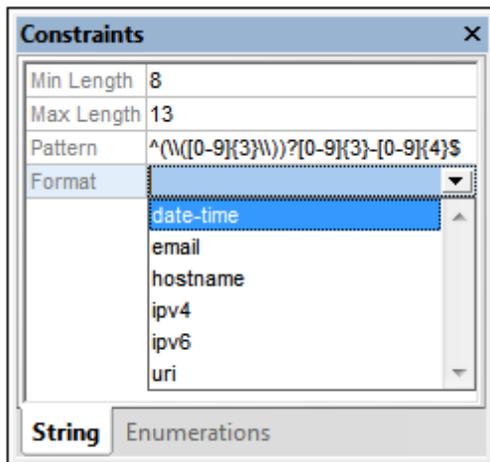
There are five JSON atomic (aka simple or primitive) types: (i) `string`, (ii) `number`, (iii) `integer`, (iv) `boolean`, and (v) `null`. To specify that a definition is one of these atomic types, do one of the following:

- Double-click the *Type* value field in the definition's box, and select the type
- In the Details entry helper, select the type from the dropdown list in the *Type* field.

The constraints of each atomic type are described below.

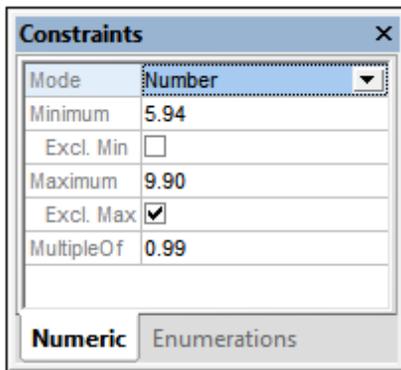
### String

For the string type, you can specify the following constraints: (i) length of the string, (ii) a regular expression that describes the pattern of the string, (iii) a [predefined format from the specification](#).



### Numeric

The numeric type is a collective name for two types (`number` and `integer`; *see screenshot below*). The actual type is set in the *Mode* field (the default of which is `number`). The difference between the two types is that the `number` type allows decimals, whereas the `integer` type does not. If a value exists in the [MultipleOf](#) field, then the instance value must be an integer multiple of the *MultipleOf* value.



Mode	Number
Minimum	5.94
Excl. Min	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maximum	9.90
Excl. Max	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MultipleOf	0.99

**Numeric** Enumerations

Valid values for the `number` type defined in the screenshot above are: 5.94, 6.93, 7.92, and 8.91.

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### Boolean and Null

The `boolean` type takes either `true` or `false` as its values. The `null` type takes `null` as its value. Neither type takes any constraint.

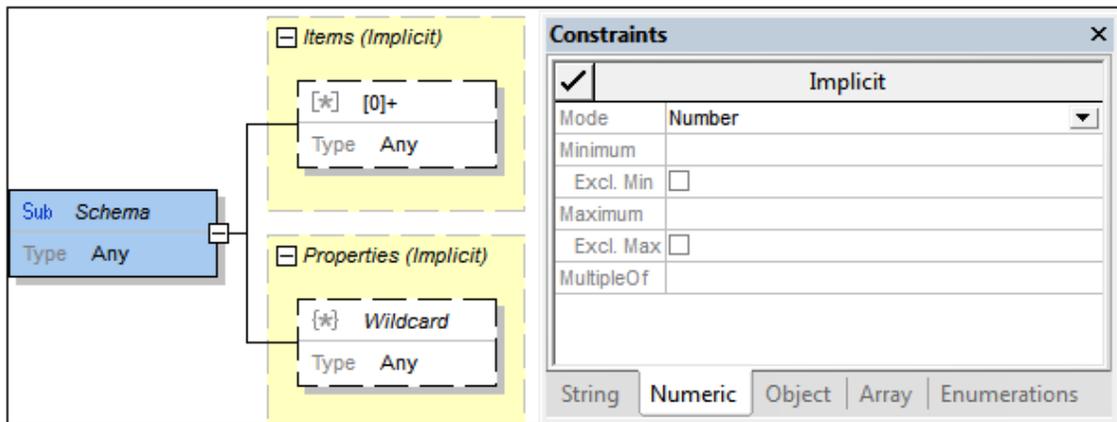
### 10.9.10 Type Selectors (Any, Multiple)

In the dropdown lists of the Type combo boxes of JSON Schema View, there are two "types" that are not JSON types: `any` and `multiple`. These are actually type selectors.

- The `any` type selector selects any JSON type. This means that, in the instance, any JSON type will be valid for that particular definition.
- The `multiple` type selector selects one or more JSON types. This means that if the instance type is one of the JSON types selected in the schema, then the instance type will be valid for that particular definition.

#### The `any` type selector

The `any` type selector can be selected everywhere that a type can be selected. When a definition is added to the schema, `any` is the default type selection. It specifies that any of the JSON types is valid. This means that the instance type could validly be an object, an array, or any of the atomic types (`string`, `number`, `integer`, `boolean`, and `null`).



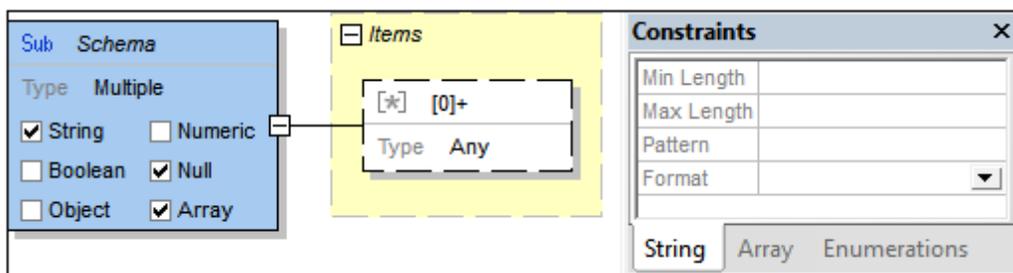
In the screenshot above, the sub-schema has a type of `Any`. So, all JSON types are valid for this definition. The following is implied and is implemented accordingly in the UI:

- Since objects are allowed, a properties box is automatically created (see screenshot above). The properties box is defined by default to allow any number of properties of any type (via a property wildcard with a type of `Any`). You can modify the property definitions as you like.
- Since arrays are allowed, an items box is automatically created (see screenshot above). The array items box is defined by default to allow any number of array items of any type (via an array item wildcard with a type of `Any`). You can modify the item definitions as you like.
- Since string and numeric (number and integer) types are allowed, constraints for these atomic types can be defined in the Constraints entry helper.

All of these types are therefore implicitly defined with the `Any` type selector. In order to change the type to a specific type, select that type. There is an alternative way to specify objects and arrays as the type: Right-click the object or array, and select **Make Explicit**. This makes that type the selected type and removes the other types or makes defined object/array types inactive.

### The multiple type selector

The multiple type selector can be selected everywhere that a type can be selected. It allows you to select one or more JSON types by checking the types you want to allow (see screenshot below). You can then specify constraints for the selected types in the Constraints entry helper.



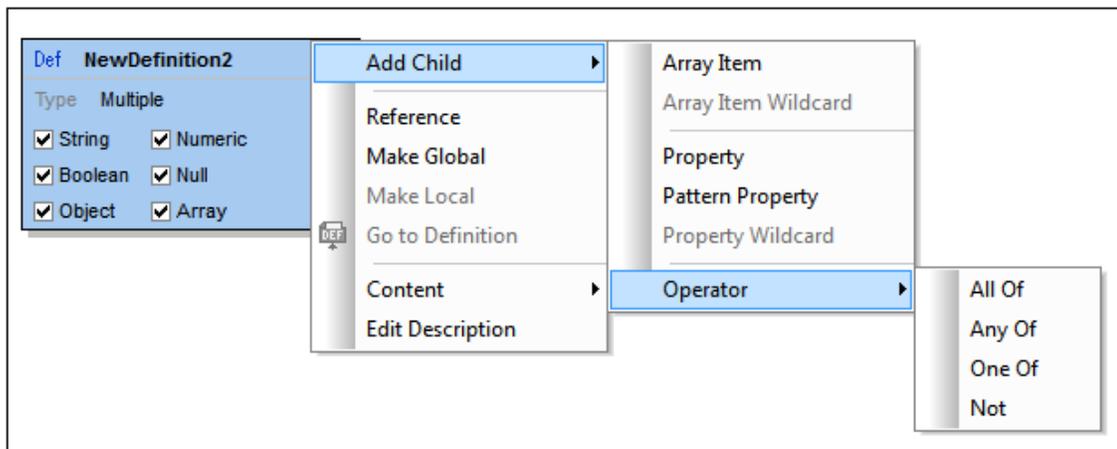
In the screenshot above, the sub-schema allows types of `string`, `null`, and `array`. Constraints for these types can be defined in the Constraints entry helper (see screenshot).

- String constraints are defined in the Constraints entry helper.
- The null type takes no further constraints.
- An array items box is automatically created. You can define the number and types of allowed array items.

In an instance document, the selected types will be allowed at the location corresponding to that of the sub-schema.

### 10.9.11 Operators

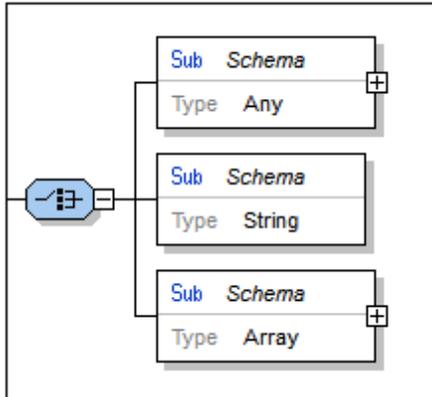
There are four operators: (i) `allOf`, (ii) `anyOf`, (iii) `oneOf`, and (iv) `not`. Operators are used to specify conditions of validity as explained below. You can add an operator to any definition. To access the operator sub-menu, right-click the definition to which you wish to add an operator, and then select **Add Child | Operator** (see screenshot below).



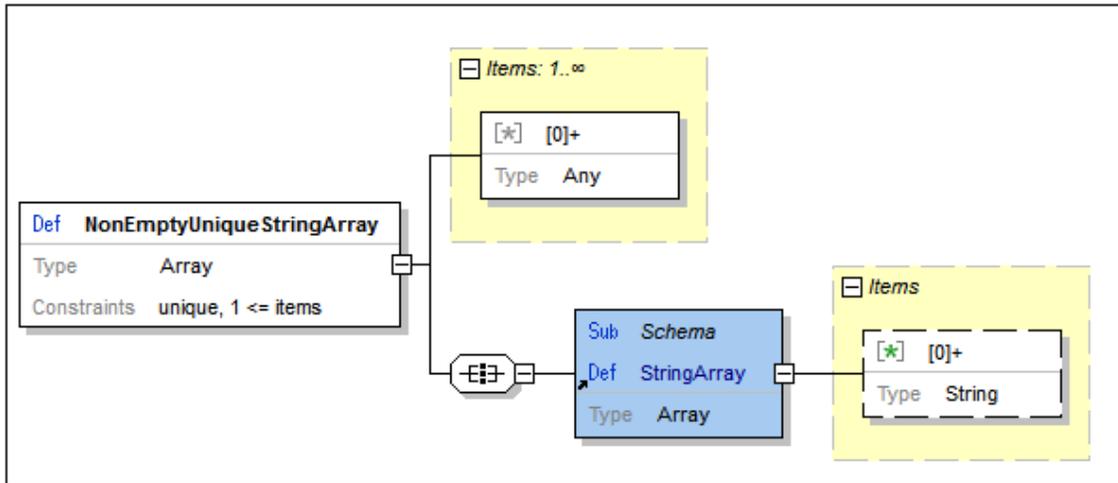
These operators specify conditions for successful validation, as follows:

Operator	Icon	Description
	<i>All Of</i>	Contains one or more sub-schemas (definitions), added as children of the operator. An instance is valid if it is valid against all these sub-schemas.
	<i>Any Of</i>	Contains one or more sub-schemas (definitions), added as children of the operator. An instance is valid if it is valid against at least one of these sub-schemas.
	<i>One Of</i>	Contains one or more sub-schemas (definitions), added as children of the operator. An instance is valid if it is valid against exactly one of these sub-schemas.
	<i>Not</i>	Contains exactly one sub-schema (definition), added as a child of the operator. An instance is valid if it is invalid against the given definition.

The screenshot below shows a *One Of* operator that contains three child sub-schemas (definitions). For the instance to be valid, it must have one JSON data structure (at this point in the document structure) that matches one of the three sub-schema definitions.

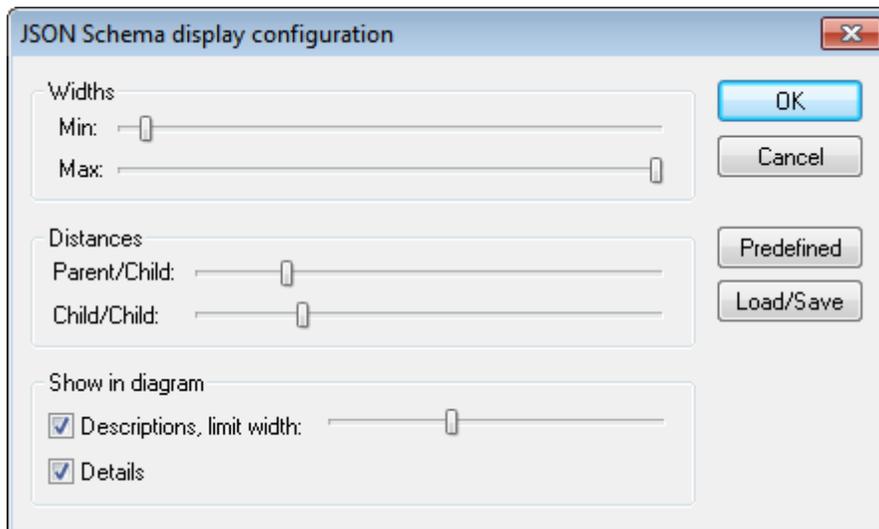


Operators can be useful for specifying inheritance and restriction. The screenshot below, for example, shows how to use the *All Of* operator to define an array containing non-empty unique strings.



### 10.9.12 Configuring Design View

When the main window is in Design View mode, you can access the Display Configuration dialog (*screenshot below*). Here you can configure the appearance of Design View.



You can configure the following aspects of Design View:

- *Widths*: Two sliders determine, respectively, the minimum and maximum widths of boxes in Design View. Together they determine the allowed width of boxes.
- *Parent/child distances*: Sets the horizontal distance between each level in the hierarchy.
- *Child/child distances*: Sets the vertical distances between boxes.
- *Width of descriptions*: Sets the width of description lines. If text length exceeds this width, the text wraps to the next line.
- *Details display*: The details of definitions can be switched to display or not in the definitions' boxes by checking or unchecking this option.

### 10.9.13 Generating JSON Schema Documentation

If a JSON schema is the active document, you can generate documentation for it by clicking the **Schema Design | Generate Documentation** command. You can output the documentation as an HTML, MS Word, or RTF file and specify the components you want to include. Related JSON components are hyperlinked in the generated documentation, allowing easy navigation.

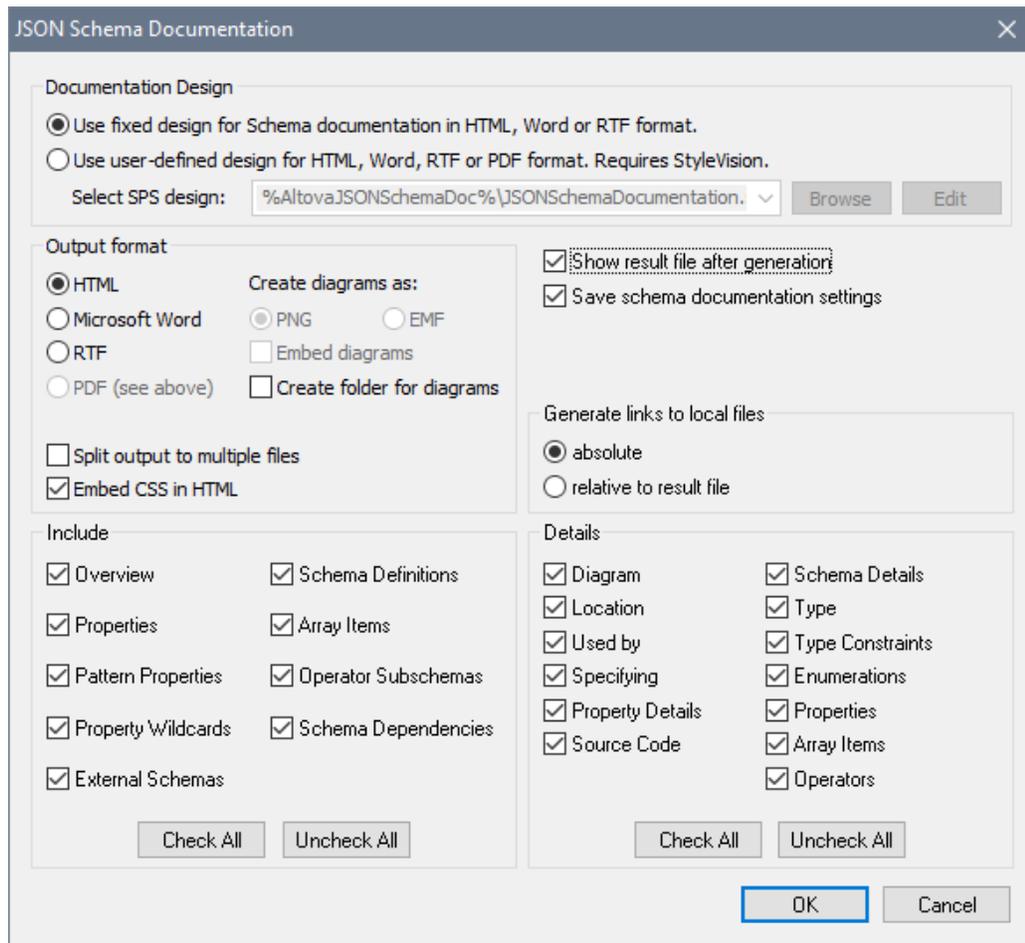
**Note:** In order to generate documentation in MS Word format, you must have MS Word (version 2000 or later) installed.

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#### Steps to generate JSON schema documentation

To generate documentation for a JSON schema file, do the following:

1. Make the JSON schema the active document.
2. Switch to Schema View.
3. Select the menu command **Schema Design | Generate Documentation**. This opens the JSON Schema Documentation dialog box (*screenshot below*).
4. Select the type of output you want to generate, HTML, MS Word, or RTF.
5. Select the specific components and details you want to include in the documentation, and set other options (*see JSON Schema Documentation Options below*).



- Click **OK** and enter the name of the JSON schema documentation file in the Save As dialog box that appears.

### JSON schema documentation options

You can select from among the following documentation options:

- The design template can be the built-in (fixed) XMLSpy design, or it can be a user-defined design that is saved in an SPS file. For a description of how to use a user-defined design, see the section [User-Defined Design](#).
- The required format is specified in the Output Format pane: either HTML, Microsoft Word, or RTF. The documentation can be generated either as a single file or be split into multiple files. When multiple files are generated, each file corresponds to a component. What components are included in the output is specified using the check boxes in the *Include* pane.
- The *Embed Diagrams* option is enabled for the MS Word and RTF output options. When this option is checked, diagrams are embedded in the result file, either in PNG or EMF format. Otherwise diagrams are created as PNG or EMF files, which are displayed in the result file via object links. When the output is HTML, all diagrams are created as

document-external PNG files.

- In the *Include* pane, you select which items you want to include in the documentation. The *Overview* option lists all components, organized by component type, at the top of the file. If *Schema Definitions* is not selected, then all child components are disabled (that is, everything except *External Schemas*).
- The *Details* pane lists the details that may be included for each component. If *Schema Definitions* is not selected, then all details are disabled. Select the details you wish to include in the documentation.
- The *Show Result File* option is enabled for all three output options. When this option is checked, the result files are displayed in Browser View (HTML output), MS Word (MS Word output), and the default application for `.rtf` files (RTF output).

## 11 WSDL and SOAP

Altova website:  [WSDL Editor](#)

This section describes XMLSpy's WSDL and SOAP functionality.

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### WSDL

A WSDL document is an XML document that describes a web service. XMLSpy supports WSDL 1.1 and WSDL 2.0. You can create and edit both WSDL 1.1 and WSDL 2.0 documents in XMLSpy's WSDL View, which automatically provides the correct editing environment for whichever WSDL version is being edited.

In XMLSpy's WSDL View a WSDL document can be constructed using graphical building blocks, thus greatly simplifying their creation. [WSDL View](#) is described in the section, [Editing Views](#). For a hands-on description of creating a WSDL document, see the [WSDL Tutorial](#) in this documentation. You can also view and edit WSDL documents in [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#). In these two views, WSDL documents are edited as straightforward [XML documents](#).

[XML signatures](#) for WSDL files in WSDL View can be created as external files and can be "enveloped" in the WSDL file. How to work with signatures is described in the section, [XML Signatures](#).

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### SOAP

SOAP is an XML messaging specification, and it is used to transmit messages between applications. In XMLSpy, not only can you create and edit a SOAP document in [Text View](#) and [Grid View](#) with XMLSpy's intelligent editing features for [XML documents](#), but you can generate a SOAP request file from a WSDL file. How to generate a SOAP request from a WSDL file is described in the [WSDL Tutorial](#). XMLSpy is able to also send and receive SOAP requests (using commands in the [SOAP menu](#)). Additionally, you can debug SOAP requests with XMLSpy's [SOAP Debugger](#), which is described in a sub-section of this section.

## 11.1 WSDL Tutorial

This tutorial is divided into two parts:

- In the first part, we show how a WSDL 1.1 document is created in the graphical WSDL View of XMLSpy. In this part, you will: (i) create a rudimentary WSDL 1.1 document using the **File | New** menu option; (ii) create a PortType; (iii) create a binding; (iv) create a service and a port; (v) validate the document and save it.
- In the second part, we show how to connect to a web service, save the WSDL file locally, and send a SOAP request to the web service

You can do all this in the graphical [WSDL View](#) and do not have to use the Text View. You can directly manipulate the WSDL components using drag and drop, as well as enter values of properties in the Entry Helpers of the WSDL View.

**See also:** More information about working with WSDL documents is available in the sections, [WSDL View](#) and [User Reference | WSDL Menu](#).

### 11.1.1 Creating a New Document

To create a new WSDL document, select the **File | New** command. In the Create New Document dialog that pops up, select `WSDL` (WSDL Web Service Description v1.1) as the type of document you wish to create and click **OK**. This creates a skeleton new document (*screenshot below*), which opens in the graphical WSDL View (called WSDL View in this tutorial).



#### Assigning a target namespace

Switch to Text View. The start tag of the `wsdl:definitions` element will look something like this:

```

1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <wsdl:definitions xmlns:wsdl="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/"
3      xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap/"
4      xmlns:http="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/http/"
5      xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
6      xmlns:soapenc="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/"
7      xmlns:mime="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/mime/"
8      xmlns:tns="http://new.webservice.namespace"
9      targetNamespace="http://new.webservice.namespace">
10

```

Change the target namespace (`targetNamespace`) attribute to `http://mywebservice.namespace` or anything else you like (since this tutorial focuses on showing how to create a WSDL document and does not provide an actual service). You should then also change the namespace value of the `tns` attribute to `http://mywebservice.namespace` (or the namespace you selected for the

target namespace).

**Note:** In the skeleton starter document, WSDL elements are in the target namespace while references to WSDL elements are made using the `tns` prefix. For example:

```
<wsdl:binding name="NewBinding" type="tns:NewPortType">. In order for the tns prefix to match the target namespace, its namespace value should be identical with the target namespace.
```

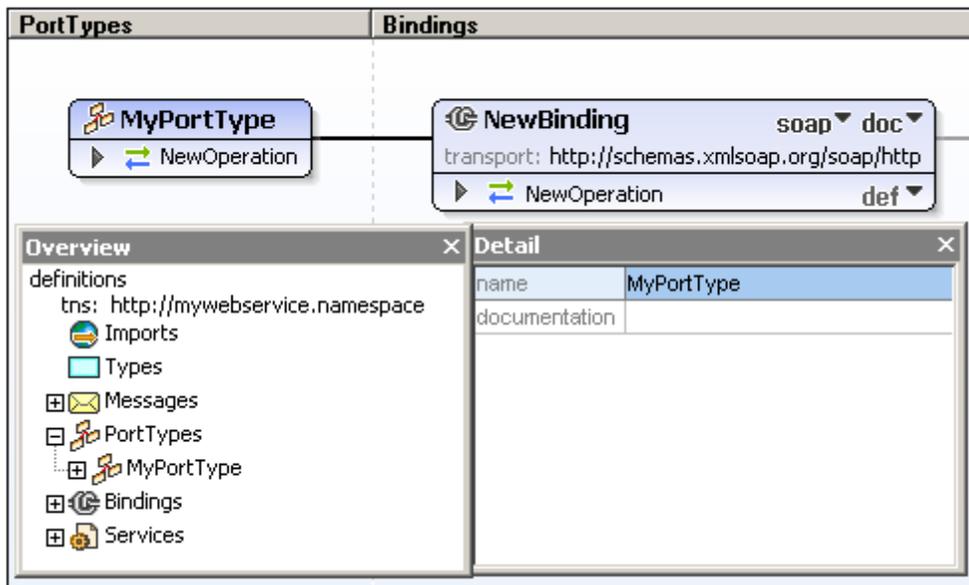
### 11.1.2 Creating a PortType

Creating a PortType involves the following:

- Naming the PortType
- Inserting an operation
- Adding input and output messages
- Adding parameters to messages

#### Naming the PortType

Rename `NewPortType` to `MyPortType` by double-clicking in the title bar of the `NewPortType` box in the design, then editing the name and pressing **Return**. Notice that the name of the PortType also changes in the Overview and Detail entry helper (*screenshot below*).



#### Inserting an operation

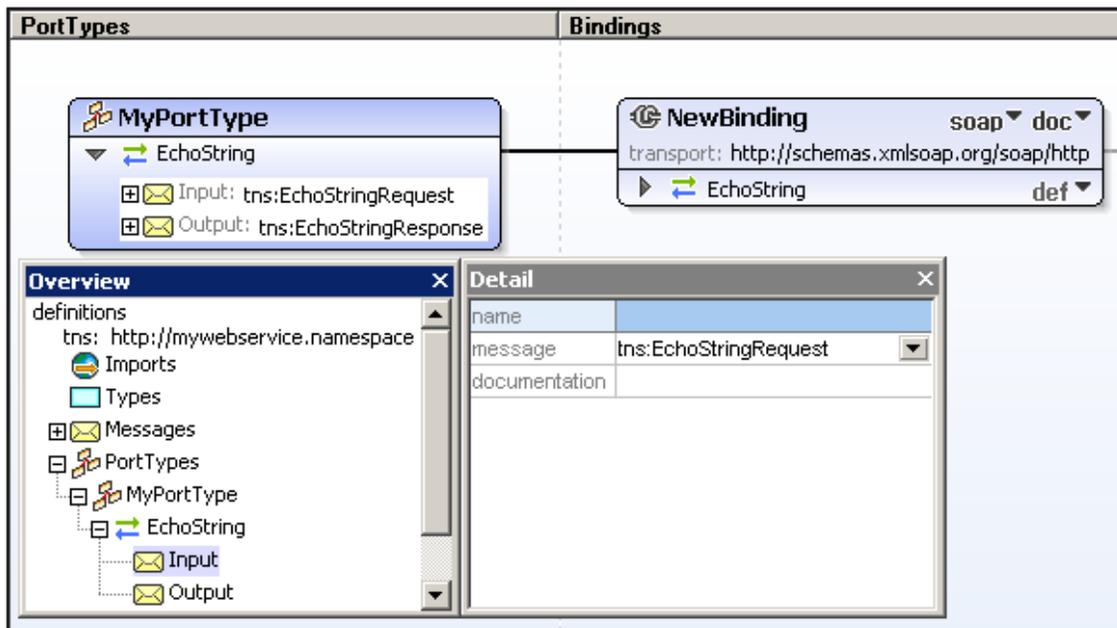
In the case of `MyPortType`, an operation, `NewOperation`, is already present, so we will work with this. Start by renaming `NewOperation` to, say, `EchoString` (double-click its name, edit, and press **Return**). (To insert additional operations for a PortType, right-click the PortType box, select **Append Operation**, and then click the required type of operation.)

#### Adding input and output messages

When an operation is appended to a PortType, you can select whether the operation should be one of five types:

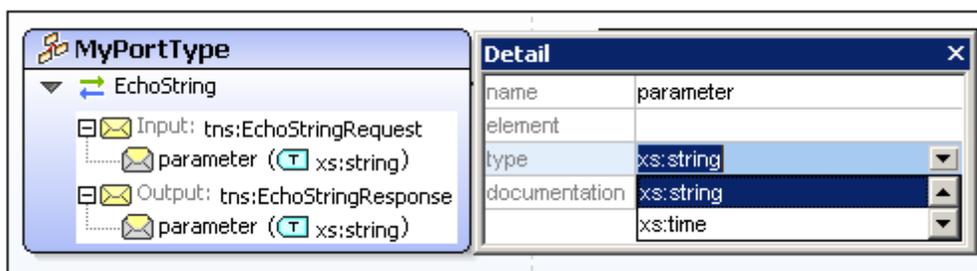
- Request response
- Solicit response
- One-way
- Notification
- Empty operation

For each type, input and output messages are added automatically according to the operation type. When **Empty operation** is selected, right-clicking the operation allows you to select a message type to insert. A message can be deleted by right-clicking and selecting **Delete input/output/fault element**. In the case of the `EchoString` operation, rename the input and output messages to `EchoStringRequest` and `EchoStringResponse`, respectively.



### Adding parameters to messages

Each input or output message is created with a single default message part (or parameter) of type `xs:string` (see screenshot below). To add another parameter, right-click either the message or one of its parameters and select **Add message part (parameter)**.



To edit a parameter do one of the following: (i) double-click the text to edit it; or (ii) right-click the parameter and select **Edit**, or (iii) use the Detail entry helper (see screenshot above).

### 11.1.3 Creating a Binding

A binding is a concrete protocol and data format specification for a particular PortType. Creating a binding therefore involves the following:

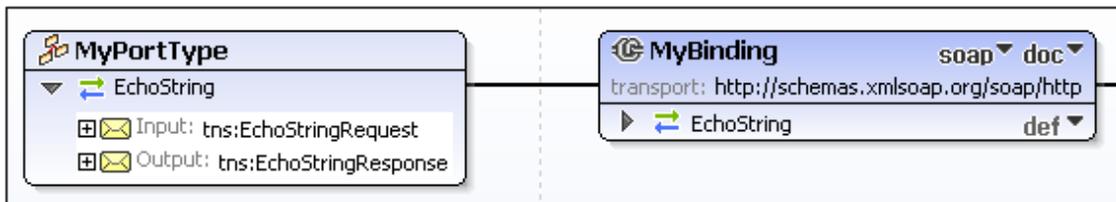
- Associating the binding with a PortType.
- Defining the binding's protocol and data format specification.
- Associating the binding with a port.

#### Associating a binding with a PortType

When a new binding is created (to create one, right-click anywhere in an empty area of the design and select **Insert Binding**), it has no PortType associated with it (*screenshot below*). (If you have created a new WSDL document, the binding created by default will be associated, by default, with the PortType that was created by default, and the association will be shown by a line joining the two boxes.)

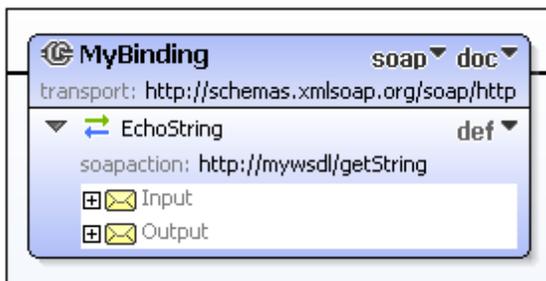


To associate a PortType with a binding, in the new Binding box click the Down arrow of the PortType entry (see *screenshot above*). This pops up a list of PortTypes defined in the document. Select the PortType with which you wish to associate the binding. When a PortType has been associated with the binding, the association is indicated by a line joining the box of the the selected PortType to the Binding box, like this:



#### Selecting the protocol and data format

The protocol of the binding is selected by clicking the down arrow in the title bar of the Binding box (that of the `soap/http` entry), and selecting one of the four available protocols: `SOAP`, `SOAP 1.2`, `HTTP-GET`, and `HTTP-POST` (*screenshot below*). When the SOAP 1.1 or 1.2 protocol is chosen, you can select `document` or `rpc` as its data format (using the list options list popped up by the dropdown arrow to the right of the protocol selection).



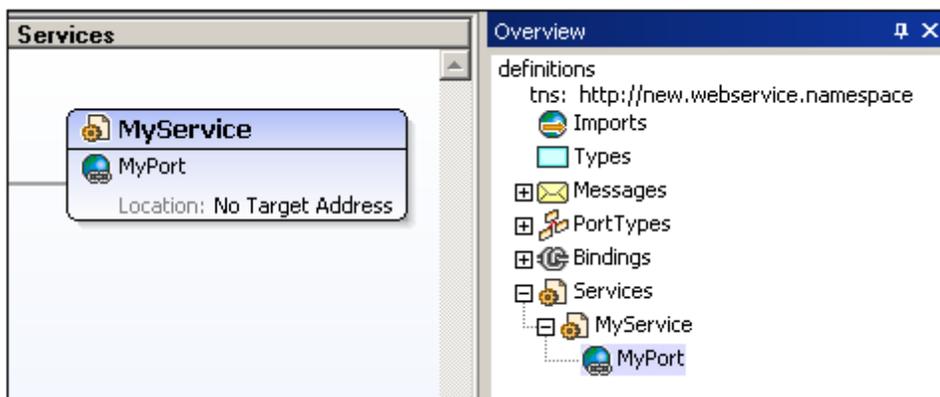
The `soapAction` for each operation in the binding can be defined in the design (see *screenshot above*) or in the Detail entry helper when that operation is selected.

### Associating the binding with a port

To associate the binding with a port, the port has to be first defined. How to create a port within a service and associate a port with a binding is described in the section [Creating a Service and Ports](#).

## 11.1.4 Creating a Service and Ports

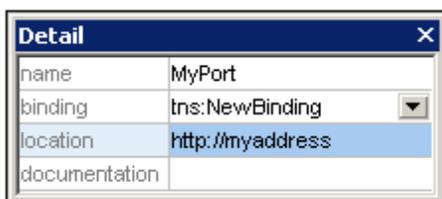
To add a new service, right-click in an empty space of the design and select **Insert Service** from the context menu. If you have created a new WSDL document, a service will already be present in the design. You can rename the service by double-clicking in its name, editing the name, and pressing **Return**. Notice that the name of the service also changes in the Overview entry helper (*screenshot below*).



In the Overview entry helper, double-click the `NewPort` entry, change it to `MyPort`., and press **Return**. Notice that the name of the port also changes in the `MyService` box in the design (*screenshot above*). To add additional ports, right-click either the service or the port, and, from the context menu, select **Insert Port**.

### Entering the address of a port

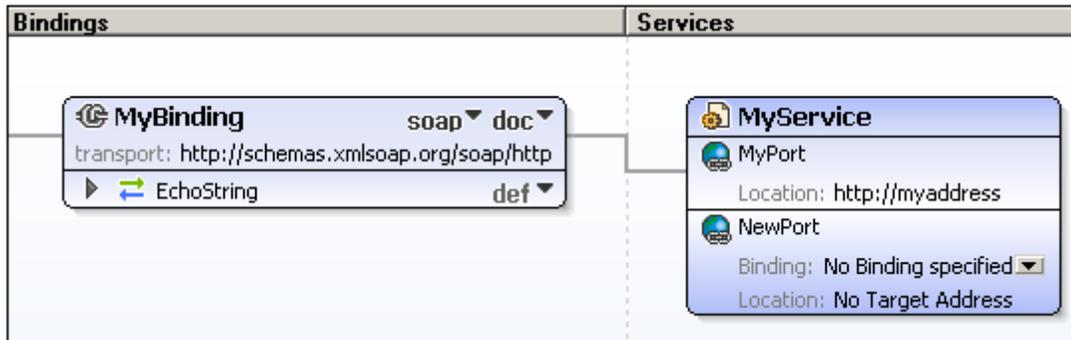
The address of a port can be entered either: (i) directly in the design, as the value of the `Location` item (see *screenshot above*), or (ii) in the Detail entry helper (by double-clicking in the `Location` field and entering the address (*screenshot below*)).



### Associating a binding with a port

A port is the endpoint that combines a binding with a network address. Once a port's address has been defined, all that needs to be done is associate a binding with the port. To associate a

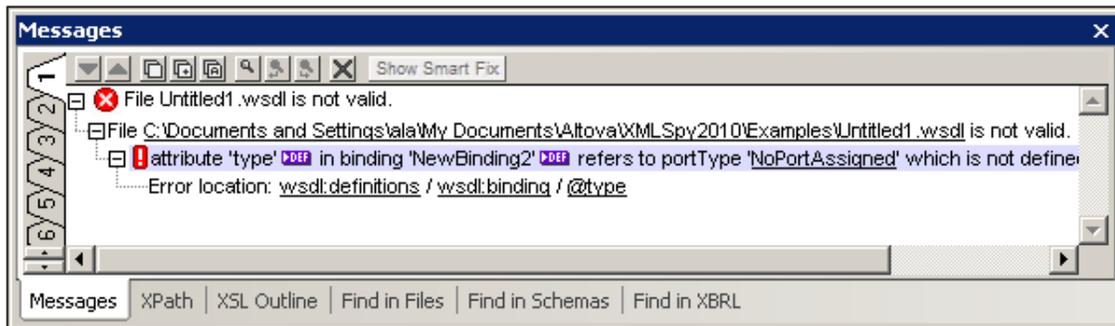
binding with a port, click the down arrow of the Binding item of a port and select from the list of bindings defined in the document.



**Note:** If a binding is already associated with a port and you wish to associate another binding, you have to remove the binding reference (using the port's right-click menu), and then insert the new binding reference.

### 11.1.5 Validating the WSDL Document

After completing the WSDL document, it can be validated by selecting the **XML | Validate XML (F8)** command. The results of the validation are displayed in the Messages window (*screenshot below*).



Detailed information about any error detected is displayed, enabling you to quickly locate the error and fix it.

### 11.1.6 Connecting to a Web Service and Opening Files

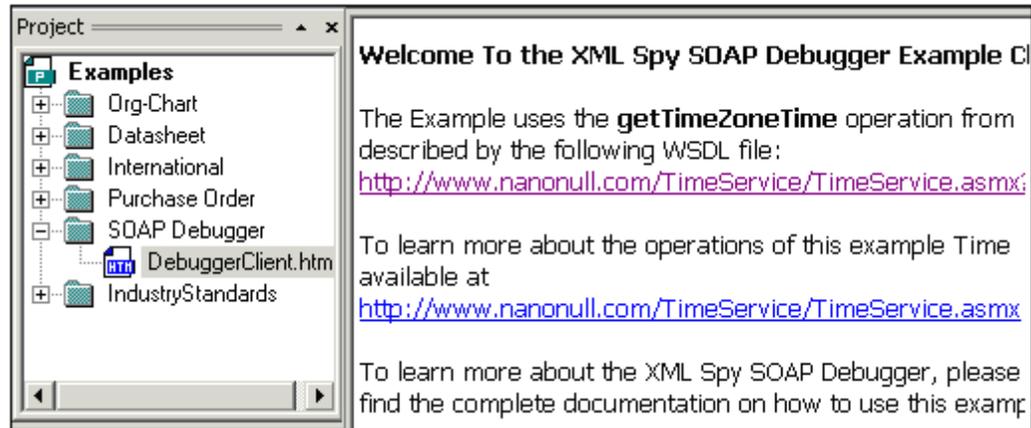
In this section, you will learn how:

- A web service can be accessed using XMLSpy
- A WSDL file on the web can be opened in XMLSpy
- An XML Schema associated with the WSDL document can be opened in XMLSpy

#### Accessing a web service

A web service is typically accessed via an HTML page. One such page is `DebuggerClient.htm`, which is in the project `Examples/SoapDebugger`. To access the web service displayed on this page, do the following:

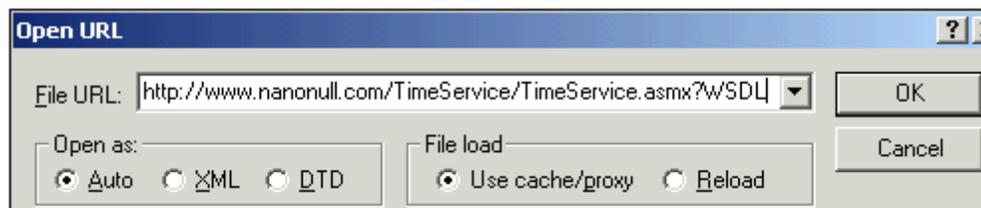
1. Activate the Project window if it is not visible (using the menu option **Window | Project window**).
2. Click the expand icon next to the SOAP Debugger folder, and double-click the file `DebuggerClient.htm`. This opens the SOAP Debugger Example Client in the Main Window.



### Opening a WSDL file in XMLSpy

To open a web-based WSDL file in XMLSpy, do the following:

1. Select the menu option **File | Open** and, in the Open dialog, click the **Switch to URL** button. Then enter or copy the address `http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx?WSDL` into the File URL field of the dialog box.



2. Click **OK** to load the WSDL file. The WSDL file is displayed in Text View.
3. Select the menu option **File | Save As**, and save the file locally, naming it, say, `timeservice.wsdl`.
4. Click the WSDL View tab to display the file in the graphical WSDL editor.

### Viewing the schema file associated with the active WSDL file

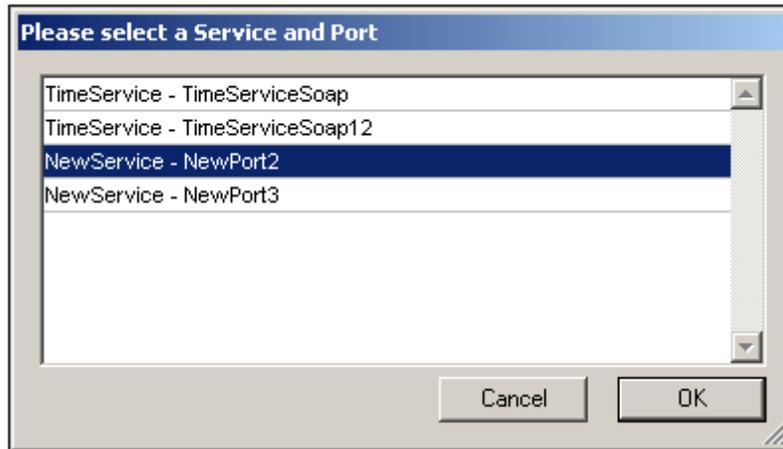
With the `timeservice.wsdl` file as the active document in WSDL View, select the menu option **WSDL | Types | Edit Schema(s) in Schema View**. This opens the schema file that defines all the datatypes used in the `timeservice.wsdl` file. You can modify the schema and save changes. These changes will take effect as soon as the WSDL file is re-parsed.

## 11.1.7 Sending a SOAP Request from the WSDL File

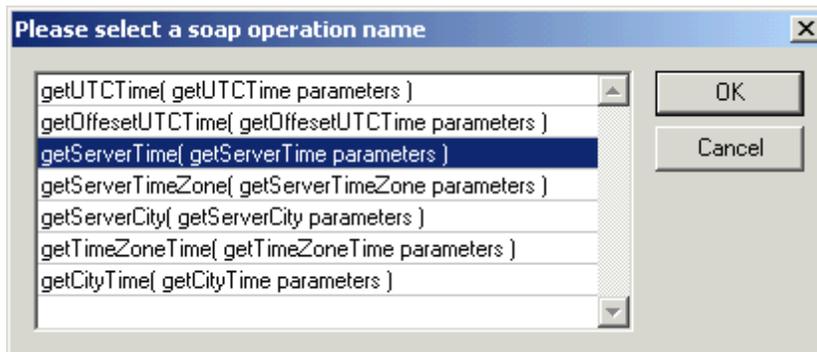
To send a SOAP request from the `timeservice.wsdl` file, do the following:

1. Make `timeservice.wsdl` the active file in the Main Window.
2. Select the menu option **SOAP | Create new SOAP request**.

3. Browse for the file `timeservice.wsdl` and confirm with **OK**.
4. If, among the various services defined in the document, there is more than one port that references a SOAP 1.1 or 1.2 binding, then a popup appears (*screenshot below*) prompting you to select the required Service and Port. After making the selection, click **OK**.



5. In the dialog box that then pops up (*screenshot below*), select a SOAP operation, for example, `getServerTime`, and click **OK**.



This creates a SOAP request document containing the `getServerTime` operation. You can save it if you like.

6. Make the request document the active document and select the menu option **SOAP | Send request to server**. The SOAP response document appears in the Main Window, containing the element `getServerTimeResult`, which displays the current server time of the Nanonull.com time service.

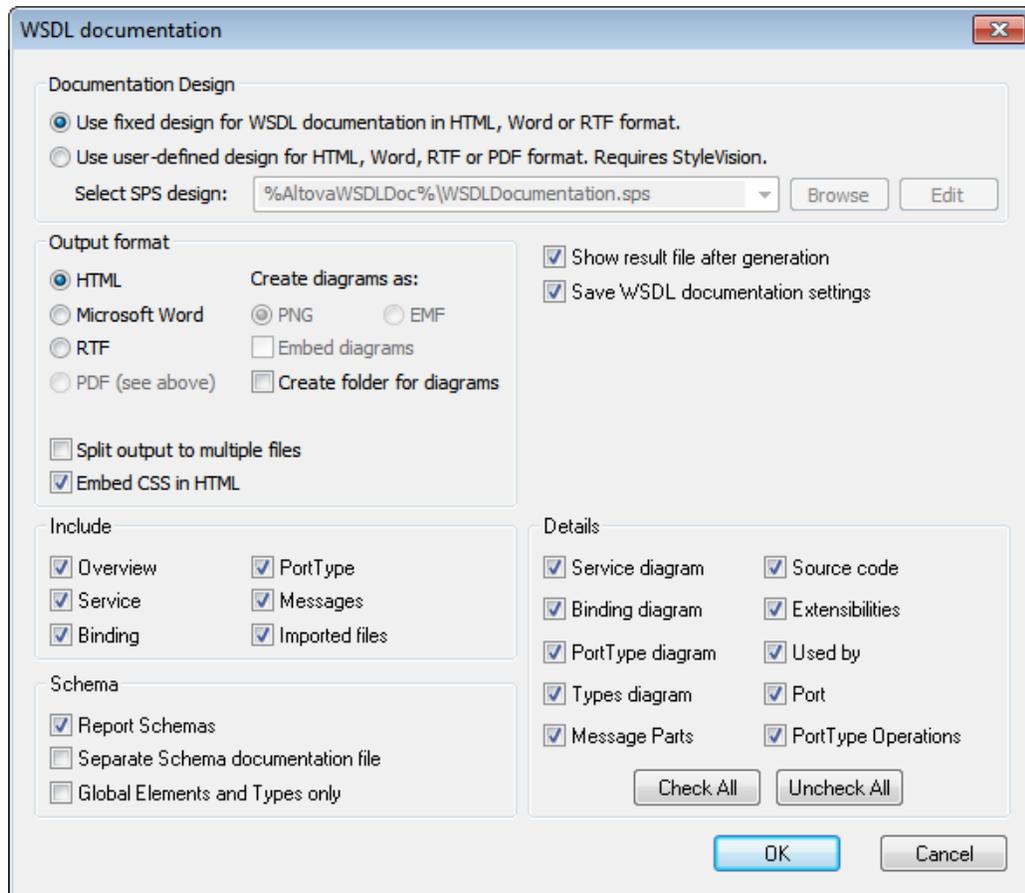
### 11.1.8 Creating WSDL Documentation

The **WSDL | Generate Documentation** option allows you to produce detailed documentation of the current WSDL document. You can output the documentation as an HTML, MS Word, or RTF file and specify the components you want to include. Related WSDL elements are hyperlinked in the generated documentation, allowing easy navigation.

**Note:** In order to generate documentation in MS Word format, you must have MS Word (version 2000 or later) installed.

To generate documentation for the WSDL file, do the following:

1. Make `timeservice.wsdl` the active document.
2. Switch to **WSDL** view.
3. Select the menu option **WSDL | Generate Documentation**.  
This opens the WSDL Documentation dialog box (*screenshot below*).
4. Select the type of output you want to generate, HTML, MS Word, or RTF.
5. Select the specific WSDL components you want to include in the documentation, and set other options (see WSDL Documentation Options below).



6. Click **OK** and enter the name of the WSDL documentation file in the Save as dialog box.

### WSDL documentation options

You can select from among the following documentation options:

- The required format is specified in the Output Format pane: either HTML, Microsoft Word, or RTF. The documentation can be generated either as a single file or be split into multiple files. When multiple files are generated, each file corresponds to a component. What components are included in the output is specified using the check boxes in the Include pane.
- The *Embed Diagrams* option is enabled for the MS Word and RTF output options. When this option is checked, diagrams are embedded in the result file, either in PNG or EMF format. Otherwise diagrams are created as PNG or EMF files, which are displayed in the result file via object links. When the output is HTML, all diagrams are created as document-external PNG files.

- In the Include pane, you select which items you want to include in the documentation. The *Overview* option lists all components, organized by component type, at the top of the file. If the *Imported Files* option is checked, then components in imported files are included in the schema documentation.
- In the Schema pane, you can select whether schemas in the file are reported or not. If you choose to have schemas reported, you can further choose: (i) whether the schema documentation should be reported in a separate file or in the main documentation file, and (ii) whether the full schema should be reported or only global elements, simple types, and complex types.
- The Details pane lists the details that may be included for each component. Select the details you wish to include in the documentation.
- The *Show Result File* option is enabled for all three output options. When this option is checked, the result files are displayed in Browser View (HTML output), MS Word (MS Word output), and the default application for `.rtf` files (RTF output).

### 11.1.9 Converting to WSDL 2.0

In XMLSpy you can easily convert an existing WSDL 1.1 document to the WSDL 2.0 format. Try this with the `TimeService.wsdl` example, as follows:

1. Make the file `TimeService.wsdl` the active file. (This file is in the `WSDL Editor` folder in the `Examples` project of XMLSpy.)
2. Click the command **WSDL | Convert to WSDL 2.0**.
3. In the Save As dialog that appears, enter the name with which you wish to save the WSDL 2.0 file, for example, `TimeService20.wsdl`.
4. The new file is generated, automatically validated, and displayed in WSDL View.

## 11.2 SOAP

Altova website:  [SOAP Debugger](#)

In this section you will learn how to:

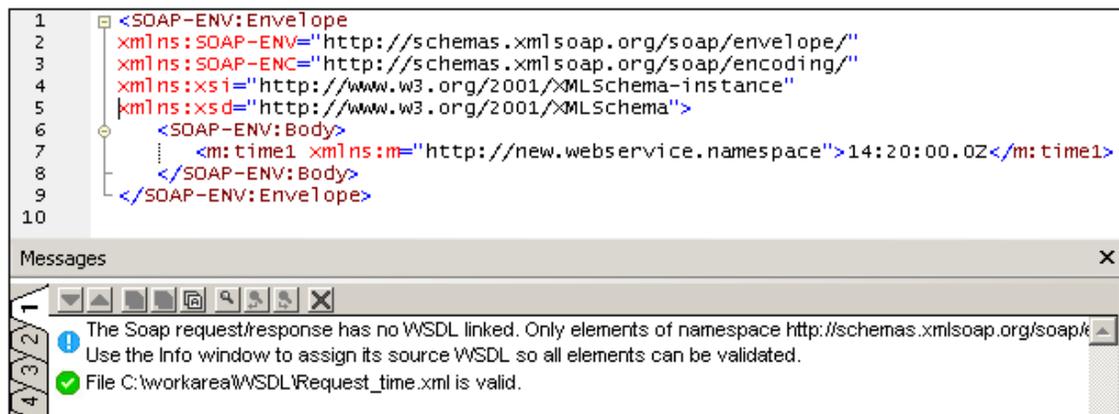
- Validate SOAP messages against WSDL. SOAP messages can be checked for validity not only against the SOAP specification but as well as against any XML Schemas referenced in the corresponding WSDL definition
- Send and receive SOAP requests using the SOAP Debugger
- Set breakpoints for sending and receiving SOAP requests
- Edit an incorrect SOAP request before sending it on to the web service

### 11.2.1 SOAP Validation

SOAP messages can be checked for validity not only against the SOAP specification, but also against any XML Schema referenced in the corresponding WSDL definition.

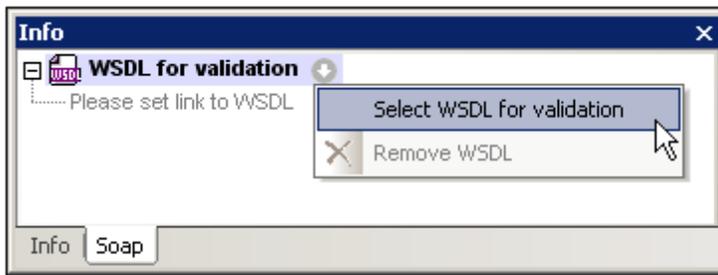
#### Validating against SOAP rules only

To validate a SOAP message, open the SOAP message file (*screenshot below*) and press **F8** (or the menu command **XML | Validate**). Since no WSDL file has been linked to the SOAP message file, the SOAP message is validated according to the rules for SOAP messages. The file is found to be valid if it is valid according to these rules (*see the Messages Window in the screenshot below*).

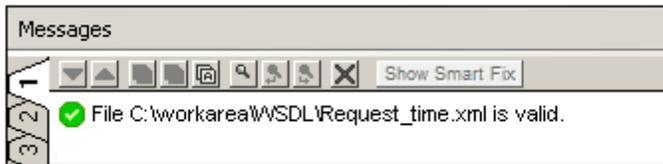


#### Validating against SOAP rules and linked WSDL

To validate a SOAP message additionally according to the linked WSDL, the WSDL file must be linked to the SOAP file. This is done in the SOAP tab of the Info Window (*screenshot below*). Click the button to the right of the *WSDL for Validation* item and select the command **Select WSDL for Validation**. In the dialog that pops up, browse for the WSDL file you want and click **OK**. The WSDL file will be entered in the Info Window and the SOAP message file will be linked to it.



On pressing **F8** (or the menu command **XML | Validate**) the SOAP message will be validated not only against the rules for SOAP messages but also against the rules in the linked WSDL file.



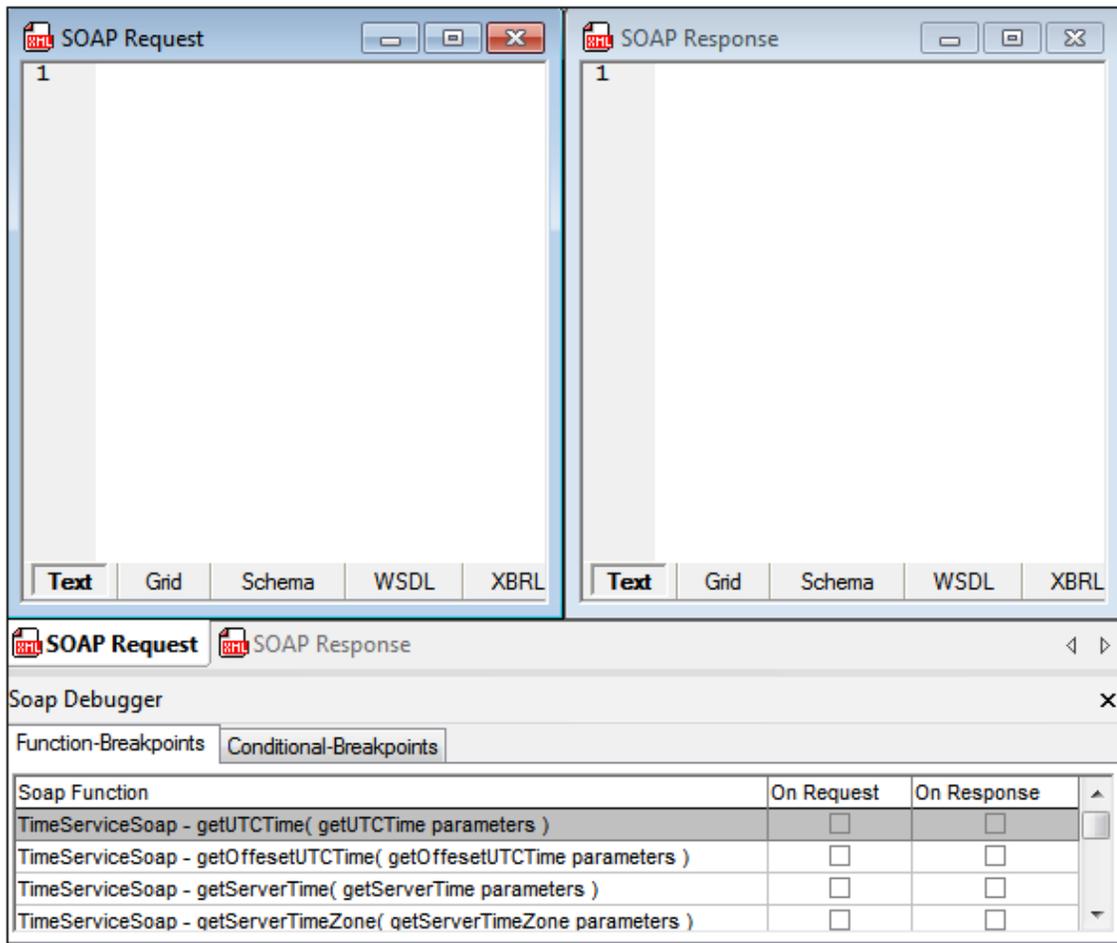
The file is found to be valid if it is valid according to both sets of rules (see screenshot above).

**Note:** The SOAP tab is visible in the Info window if the SOAP request was created using XMLSpy's SOAP-request creation feature from a WSDL file (**SOAP | Create new SOAP request**). If the SOAP tab is not visible in the Info window (because the SOAP request was not created with XMLSpy), then saving the SOAP-request file will make the SOAP tab visible.

## 11.2.2 SOAP Debugger

The SOAP Debugger (*screenshot below*) can be used to view and analyze SOAP requests and responses. It works as a **proxy server** between your client and the web service. You can do the following:

- Step through SOAP requests and responses
- Modify SOAP requests and responses
- Forward modified requests to the client or server
- Allow breakpoints for every request and response message, including conditional breakpoints via XPath expressions



The SOAP Debugger works as follows:

- [SOAP Debugger options](#) should be set before you start a SOAP Debugger session. These options include the computer's IP Address, and layout and timeout options for the SOAP Debugger.
- To [open the SOAP Debugger \(start a session\)](#), select the toggle command **SOAP | SOAP Debugger Session**. At this point, you must (i) provide the location of the WSDL file that will be used to provide the relevant SOAP information, and (ii) information about the source and target ports.
- In the SOAP Debugger Breakpoints window, [set the required breakpoints](#).
- Now you can open the file that makes the SOAP request and [run the SOAP Debugger](#).
- You can then [analyse the results](#), and, if there are any errors, fix them.
- To close the SOAP Debugger, select the toggle command **SOAP | SOAP Debugger Session**.

In the sub-sections of this section, we describe how to use the SOAP Debugger.

The file `DebuggerClient.htm`, which is located in the `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples` folder, is used as an example file. For this example file, the browser window acts as the client application which sends and receives SOAP messages. The Nanonull Time Service service is the web service server and is located at: <http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx?WSDL>.

## SOAP Communications Process

Once the proxy server (SOAP debugger) has been started, the SOAP communication process is as follows:

### Proxy server listens continually to a socket/port for incoming *client requests*

- Client application sends a request to proxy server
- Client requests can be modified if/when breakpoints have been triggered
- Proxy server request data is forwarded to the web service server

### The *webservice server responds* to the proxy request, and sends the response data back to the proxy server

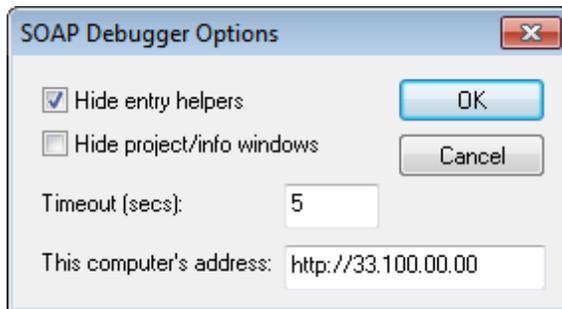
- Server responses can be modified if/when breakpoints have been triggered
- Proxy server response data is forwarded to the client application
- Client application receives response data from proxy server

### Port settings

The SOAP debugger uses the 8080 port to monitor clients' requests. The port can only be altered when a new SOAP debugging session is started. If this port is disabled by personal firewalls, you will need to either disable these programs or select a different port address.

## SOAP Debugger Options

The SOAP Debugger Options dialog (*screenshot below*) enables you to specify the computer's IP address, and other debugger options, which are listed below. Access the dialog with the **SOAP | SOAP Debugger Options** menu command.



- *Computer Address*: The address of the proxy server from which the debugger runs. The debugger on the proxy server takes requests from machines on the network and sends them to the web service. Since the debugger runs inside XMLSpy, the machine on which XMLSpy is installed also serves as the proxy server. The IP address of the machine is automatically detected and entered in this field. Only if the IP address cannot be detected automatically, do you need to enter the IP address (as an `http` address) in this field. To find out your computer's IP address, open a command prompt window, enter the command `ipconfig /all`, and press **Enter**.
- *Timeout*: This value is the amount of time the SOAP Debugger stays in a breakpoint. The default is 5 seconds.
- *Hide entry helpers; Hide project/info windows*: These options are useful for providing more

screen space for the SOAP Debugger window.

## Starting a Debugger Session

A SOAP Debugger session can be started when any file is active in XMLSpy; neither a SOAP file nor a [SOAP-request entry-point file](#) need to be active when the SOAP Debugger is started. On starting a SOAP Debugger session, you will be prompted for:

1. the location of the WSDL file that will be used to provide SOAP information, and
2. the connection settings.

These steps are described below.

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### WSDL file location

When a debugger session is started, you will be prompted for the URL of the WSDL file that will be used to provide the SOAP information. Our [example file](#), `DebuggerClient.html`, uses the following WSDL file url:

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http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx?WSDL
```

Start the SOAP Debugger by selecting the menu command **SOAP | SOAP Debugger Session**. This opens the WSDL File Location dialog box (*screenshot below*).



Enter the URL of the WSDL file and click **OK**. The Source and Target Ports dialog (*screenshot below*) is displayed.

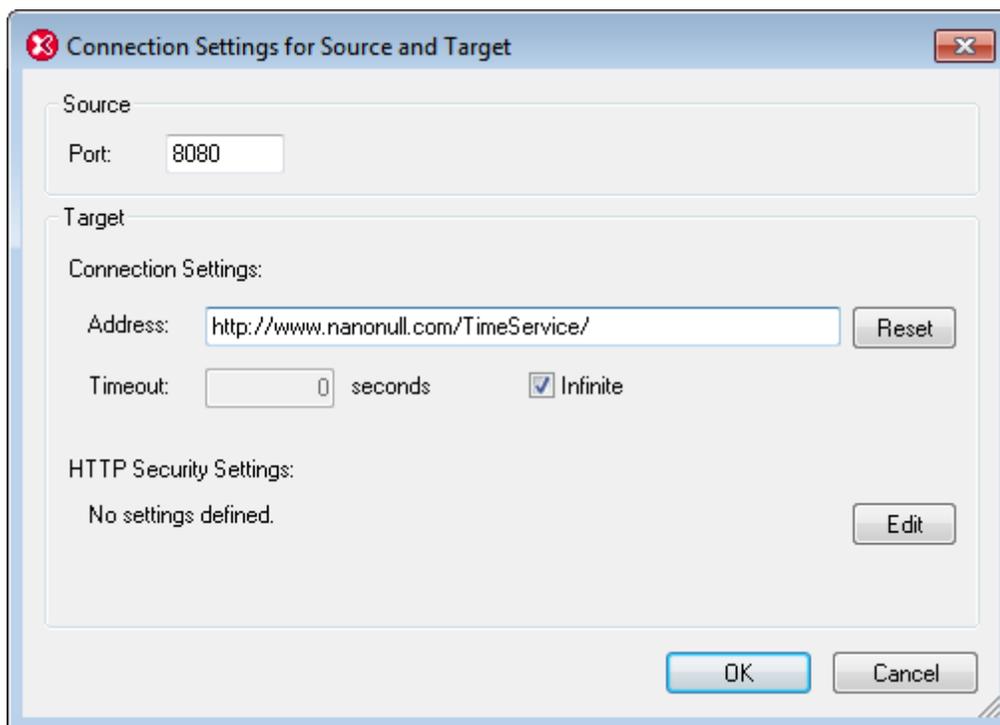
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### Connection settings

The Connection Settings for Source and Target dialog (*screenshot below*) provides the settings listed below.

- **Source Port:** The port on a proxy server (which can be your computer) that will be used for communication. The default is 8080. This setting can be changed every time the SOAP Debugger is started.
- **Target Port and Address:** These settings are supplied by the WSDL file selected in the previous step; they are entered automatically in the dialog. The default port is the standard HTTP port 80. You can set a timeout for the connection or check the *Infinite* option for no timeout. To define HTTP security settings, click the **Edit** button of the HTTP Security Settings pane, and enter the security settings. For information about these

settings, see the section [SOAP Request Settings](#).



After you have checked these settings—and edited them if necessary—click **OK** to start the SOAP Debugger session. The SOAP Debugger starts but the proxy server is inactive (indicated by the proxy server icon  in the SOAP Debugger toolbar being grayed out). To start the proxy server (the debugging), click the **Go** icon in the XMLSpy toolbar, or select the menu command **SOAP | Go**. See the section, [Debugging](#), for more information about the actual debugging.

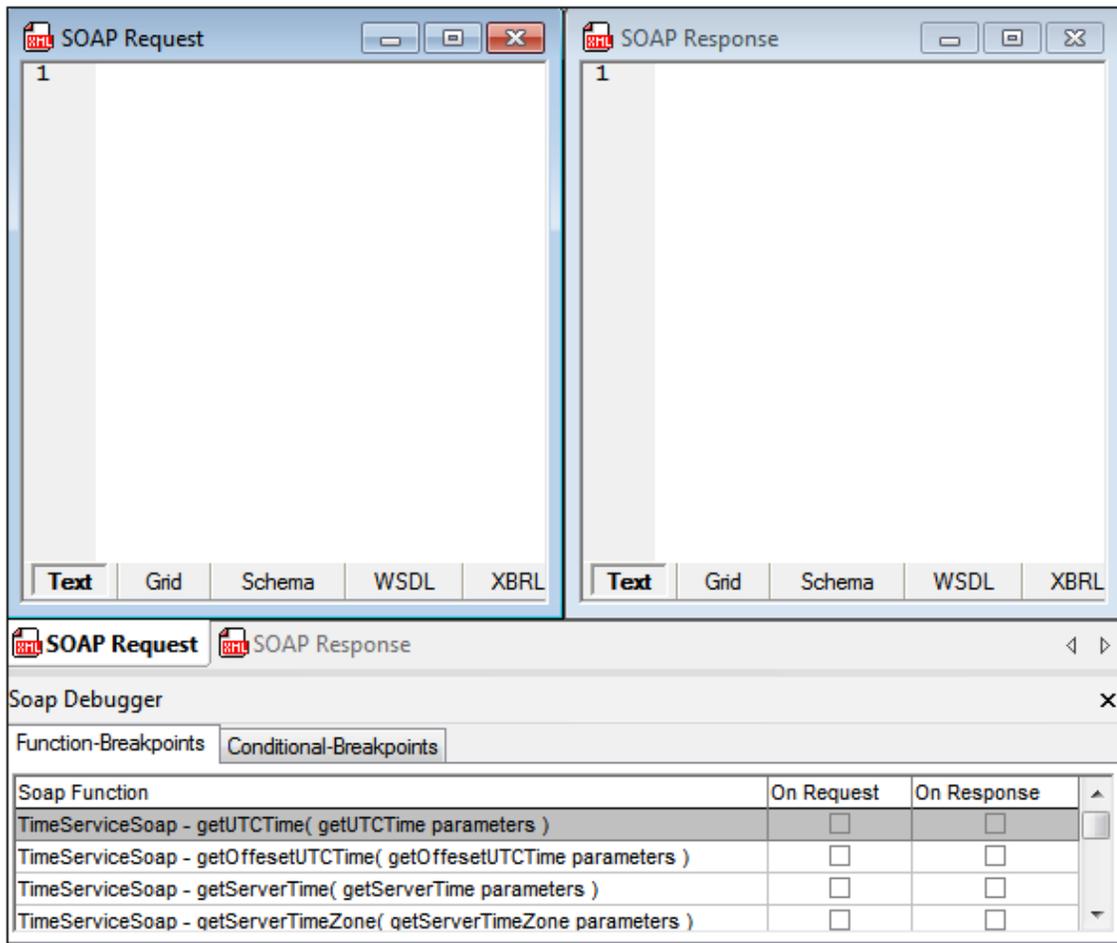
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### SOAP Debugger layout

The SOAP Debugger has three windows (*see screenshot below*):

- a SOAP Request window,
- a SOAP Response window, and
- a SOAP Debugger Breakpoint-Settings window.

By default, the Request and Response windows are opened in the top part of the XMLSpy interface with the Breakpoint-Settings window spanned along the bottom. The screenshot below shows the default layout.



The SOAP Debugger windows can be given more screen space by hiding the XMLSpy sidebar windows (Project, Info, and Entry Helper windows). The settings for hiding/showing these windows are available in the [SOAP Debugger Options dialog](#) (accessed via the **SOAP | SOAP Debugger Options** menu command).

### About trusted certificates

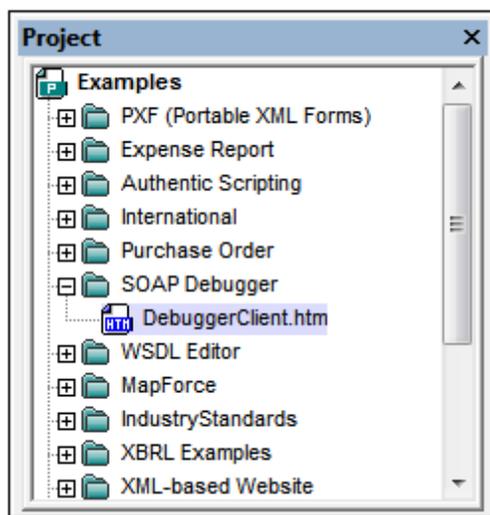
Altova products use Internet Explorer (IE) to access and manage trusted certificates of secure Web servers. Installing the certificate of a Web server in IE allows IE to access the Web server without issuing a warning or aborting the process. The basic steps to install the certificate of a secure Web server is as listed below. The steps could be more involved depending on the browser version being used.

1. In Internet Explorer 9 (or higher version), open the secure website.
2. Select **File | Properties**, and click the Certificates button.
3. Click **Install Certificate** and start the Import Certificate Wizard. (This Wizard can also be accessed via **Tools | Internet Options | Content | Certificates | Import.**)
4. The certificate should be placed in the Trusted Root Certification Authorities store, for which you can browse manually.
5. Finish the Wizard steps, close the Certificates and Properties dialogs respectively by clicking **OK**. You might need to restart Internet Explorer.

## SOAP-Request Entry-Point

An HTML file in the Examples project (`DebuggerClient.htm`) contains a script that shows how the SOAP Debugger can be used. This file enables the user to send a SOAP request to a Web service and then displays the response from the Web service. You can open this file in XMLSpy as follows:

1. Select the menu command **Project | Open Project**.
2. Browse to the `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples` folder and select the `Examples.spp` file. This loads the Examples project in the Project window (*screenshot below*).



3. Click the + sign of the SOAP Debugger folder to see its contents. Double-click `DebuggerClient.htm` to open the file in XMLSpy.

**Note:** Alternatively, you can open this file (`DebuggerClient.htm`) via the **File | Open** menu command. The file is located in the `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples` folder.

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### The sample file

The file `DebuggerClient.htm` will look something like this in the Browser View of XMLSpy. When one of the radio buttons is selected, a SOAP request is sent to the Nanonull Time Web Service. The response from the Web service is displayed in the colored box to the right of the radio buttons.

**Welcome To the XML Spy SOAP Debugger Example Client.**

The Example uses the **getTimeZoneTime** operation from the [NanoNull](http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx?WSDL) Time Web Service which is described by the following WSDL file:  
<http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx?WSDL>

To learn more about the operations of this example Time Web Service, view the .NET description available at:  
<http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx>

To learn more about the XML Spy SOAP Debugger, please visit the XML Spy online help, where you can find the complete documentation on how to use this example to experiment with the SOAP Debugger.

This example client automatically queries the Time Web Service every 5 seconds to request the time for the selected timezone:

Eastern Standard Time (US & Canada)  
 Central Standard Time (US & Canada)  
 Mountain Standard Time (US & Canada)  
 Pacific Standard Time (US & Canada)  
 Central European Time  
 GMT (Greenwich Mean Time, UTC)

**6:23 AM**

Debugging Server:   
 Debugging Port :

Notice that the response to an Eastern Standard Time request is displayed (6:23) in a blue "clock box" in the screenshot above. Now select the GMT radio button. Instead of the GMT value being displayed in the clock box (the Web service response box), an error message is displayed and the clock box turns red (see *screenshot below*).

Eastern Standard Time (US & Canada)  
 Central Standard Time (US & Canada)  
 Mountain Standard Time (US & Canada)  
 Pacific Standard Time (US & Canada)  
 Central European Time  
 GMT (Greenwich Mean Time, UTC)

**Unknown Time zone**

The SOAP Debugger can now be used to analyse SOAP messages to locate the error. The following three sections discuss, respectively, (i) how to [set breakpoints](#), (ii) how to [run the SOAP Debugger](#) with `DebuggerClient.htm`, and (iii) how to [analyse the SOAP Debugger output in order to locate errors](#).

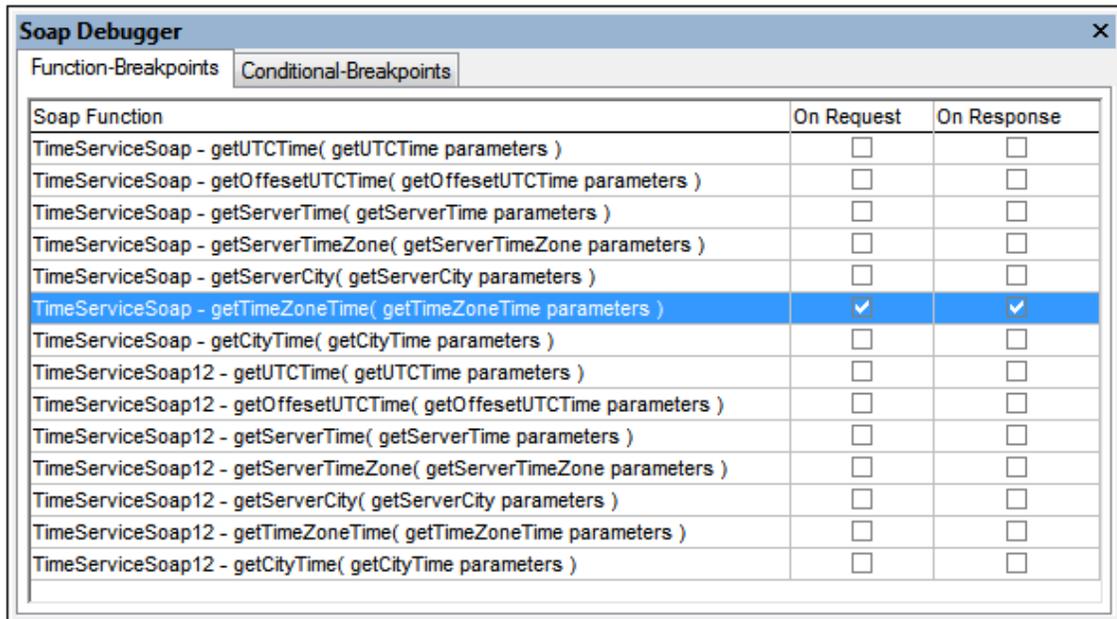
## Setting Breakpoints

Before you start debugging, you must set breakpoints in the SOAP Debugger. When debugging starts, the SOAP Debugger will show the requests and responses at breakpoints it encounters.

The SOAP Debugger lists breakpoints (in its *Function-Breakpoints* and *Conditional-Breakpoints* panes) according to information obtained from the WSDL file that was selected at the time the [SOAP Debugger was started](#). These breakpoints relate to SOAP requests that can be generated by the WSDL file. For each SOAP request, a breakpoint on request and on response can be selected by checking the check boxes in the respective columns (see *screenshot below*).

In our example, we use:

- `DebuggerClient.htm` as the [SOAP-request entry-point](#), and
- the WSDL file `http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx?WSDL` that was selected when the [SOAP Debugger was started](#).



The Web service requested by `DebuggerClient.htm` uses the method `getTimeZoneTime` to find the time in the selected timezone. In the SOAP Debugger, SOAP requests that can be generated from the selected WSDL file are listed as breakpoints. We set breakpoints at `getTimeZoneTime` for both *On Request* and *On Response* (see *screenshot below*). This enables you to analyze both SOAP requests and Web service responses for errors.

For more detailed information about setting breakpoints, see the section, [More About Breakpoints](#).

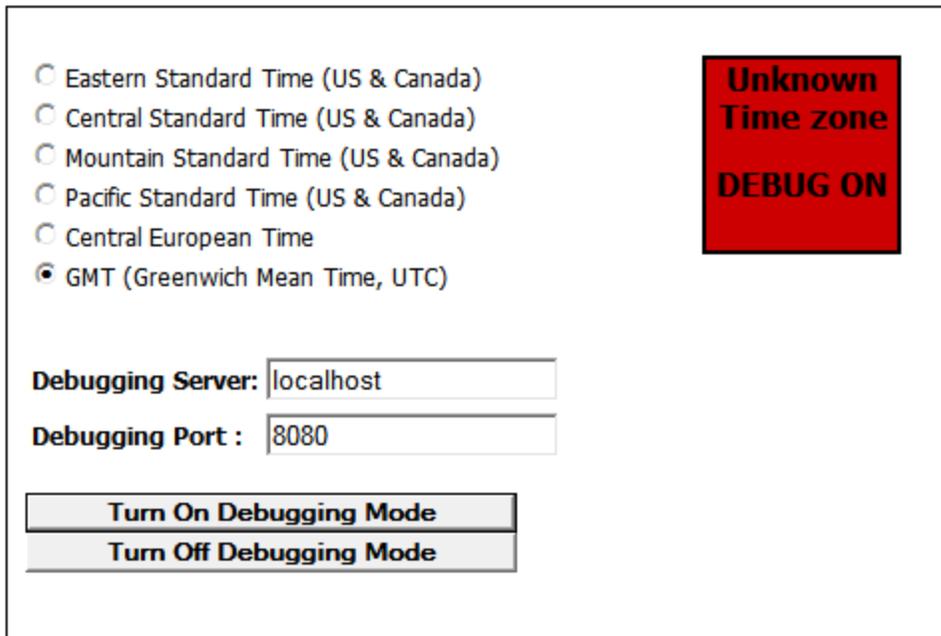
## Debugging

In our example, we use:

- `DebuggerClient.htm` as the [SOAP-request entry-point](#), and

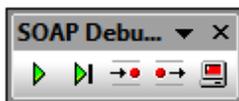
- the WSDL file <http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx?WSDL> that was selected when the [SOAP Debugger was started](#).

After [setting breakpoints](#), click the **GO** icon  (or use the menu command **SOAP | GO**). Then click the *DebuggerClient.htm* tab to switch to the SOAP entry-point file. Make sure that the GMT option is selected, and click the **Turn On Debugging Mode** button (see screenshot below). This displays a *Debug On* message, and sends the SOAP request to the SOAP Debugger. Debugger results are displayed in the SOAP Request and SOAP Response windows, and are described in the next section, [Analyzing Debugger Results for Errors](#).



### SOAP Debugger controls

The SOAP Debugger toolbar (screenshot below) contains icons to operate the SOAP Debugger.



These icons are, from left:

- Go*: Starts debugging.
- Single Step*: Steps through the Request-Response process, stopping at breakpoints.
- Break on Next Request*: Stops at next SOAP Request.
- Break on Next Response*: Stops at next response from the Web service.
- Stop the Proxy Server*: Stops debugging. Note that this is not the same as ending the SOAP Debugger session. To end/start the SOAP Debugger session, select the menu command **SOAP | SOAP Debugger Session**.

## Analyzing Results and Fixing Errors

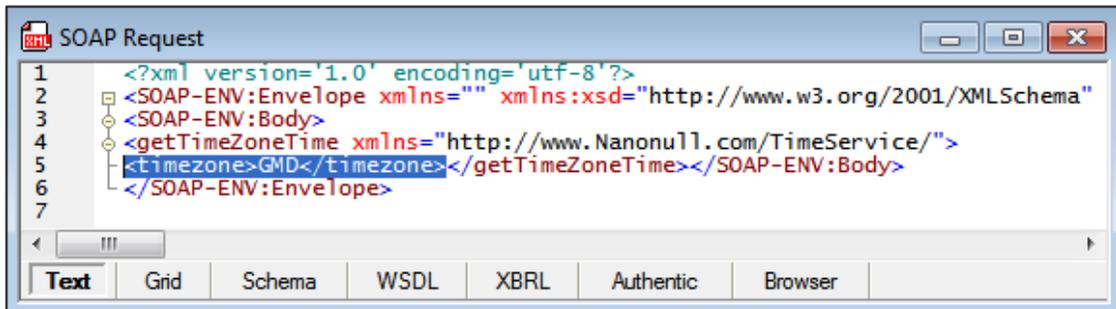
SOAP Debugger results are displayed in two windows: SOAP Request and SOAP Response. Breakpoints are set in the SOAP Debugger Breakpoints panes that are located, by default, at the bottom of the SOAP Debugger window. According to the breakpoints that have been set, the SOAP Debugger will display results in the appropriate results window: SOAP Request or SOAP Response.

In our example, we use:

- DebuggerClient.htm as the [SOAP-request entry-point](#), and
- the WSDL file <http://www.nanonull.com/TimeService/TimeService.asmx?WSDL> that was selected when the [SOAP Debugger was started](#).

## Detecting the error and testing a fix

Debugging has been started as described in the previous section, [Debugging](#). The SOAP request for the GMT selection appears in the SOAP request window of the debugger, in Text View. Let us examine this request and edit any errors it might contain.



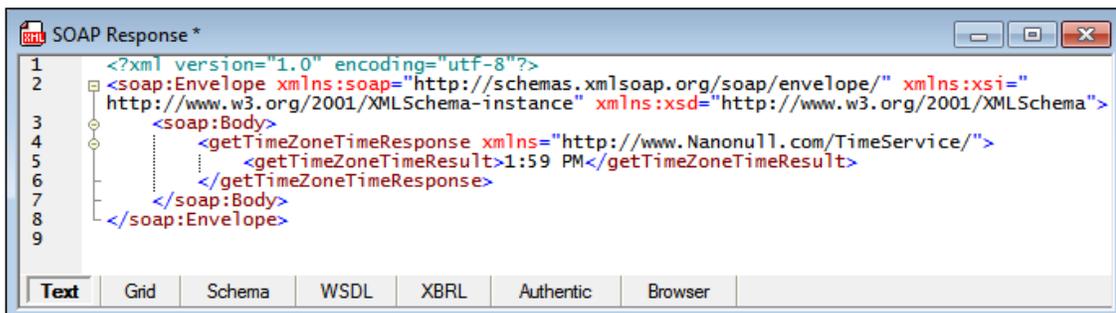
```

1 <?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8'?>
2 <SOAP-ENV:Envelope xmlns="" xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
3 <SOAP-ENV:Body>
4 <getTimeZoneTime xmlns="http://www.Nanonull.com/TimeService/">
5 <timezone>GMD</timezone></getTimeZoneTime></SOAP-ENV:Body>
6 </SOAP-ENV:Envelope>
7

```

Looking at the `timezone` element, we notice that the value is `GMD`. This is incorrect, so we will change it to `GMT`. Do this by double-clicking in the `timezone` element, and changing the element's contents to `GMT`.

To test the fix, click the **GO** icon in the SOAP Debugger toolbar (or use the menu command **SOAP | GO**) to send the corrected request to the web service. After a few seconds, the web service response to the SOAP request appears in the SOAP response window. Select **View | Word Wrap** to see the entire SOAP response (*screenshot below*).



```

1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2 <soap:Envelope xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/" xmlns:xsi="
3 http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
4 <soap:Body>
5 <getTimeZoneTimeResponse xmlns="http://www.Nanonull.com/TimeService/">
6 <getTimeZoneTimeResult>1:59 PM</getTimeZoneTimeResult>
7 </getTimeZoneTimeResponse>
8 </soap:Body>
9 </soap:Envelope>

```

Now switch to the `DebuggerClient.htm` tab, and click the **GO** icon in the SOAP Debugger

toolbar. The error message disappears and the correct GMT time is displayed (*screenshot below*).



You can close the SOAP Debugger session now by selecting the menu command **SOAP | SOAP Debugger Session**.

### Fixing the error

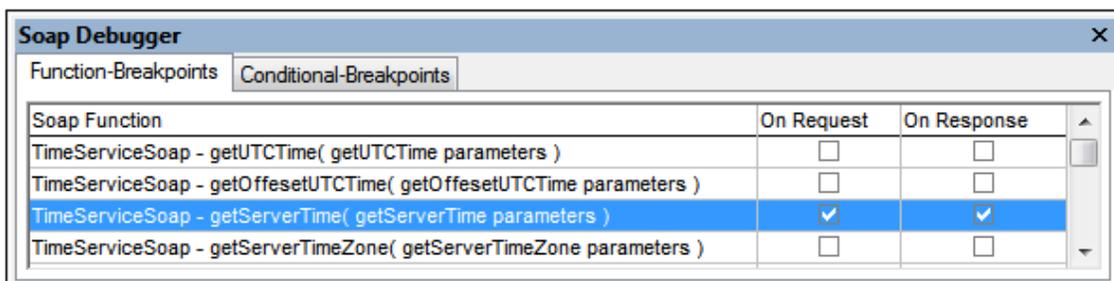
Now we know that an invalid value of `GMD` instead of `GMT` is being generated in the SOAP request. If we look in the SOAP-request entry-point file and run a search for `GMD` (via the Find dialog, **Ctrl+F** or **Edit | Find**), we find the typo in the code fragment shown in the screenshot below.

```
function changeZones(){
    if (timezone[0].checked)
        msCurrentTimeZone='EST';
    else if (timezone[1].checked)
        msCurrentTimeZone='CST';
    else if (timezone[2].checked)
        msCurrentTimeZone='MST';
    else if (timezone[3].checked)
        msCurrentTimeZone='PST';
    else if (timezone[4].checked)
        msCurrentTimeZone='CET';
    else if (timezone[5].checked)
        msCurrentTimeZone='GMD';
}
```

If this error is corrected and the GMT radio button is then selected, the *Unkown Timezone* error is not displayed any more. The correct GMT time is displayed instead.

### More About Breakpoints

The SOAP Debugger window is where you set and delete breakpoints. It is separated into two tabs (*screenshot below*).



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### Function-Breakpoints tab

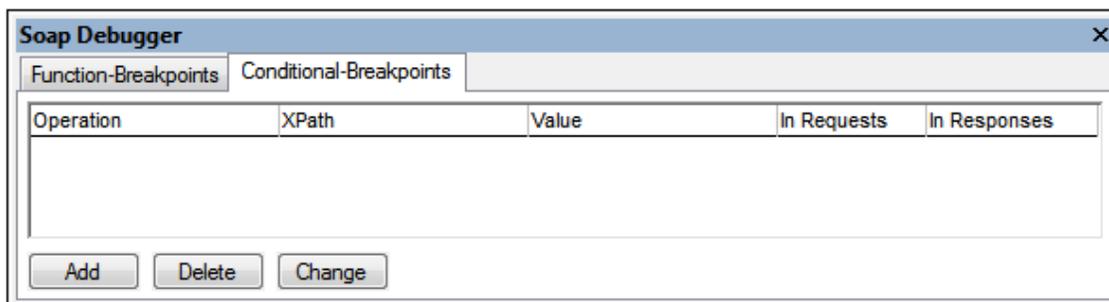
The Function-Breakpoints tab allows you to set a breakpoint on Requests and/or Responses to SOAP methods. The debugger highlights the function which triggered the breakpoint. Data packets to and from the client are analyzed and matched to the corresponding functions from the WSDL file. If a breakpoint is set for a specific method, then this is where the SOAP debugger stops. The toolbar buttons are enabled at this point.

The data is displayed in the SOAP Request or SOAP Response document window. The SOAP documents displayed in the SOAP windows can be modified at this point. The data is sent the moment you click one of the toolbar icons (except for the Stop Server icon).

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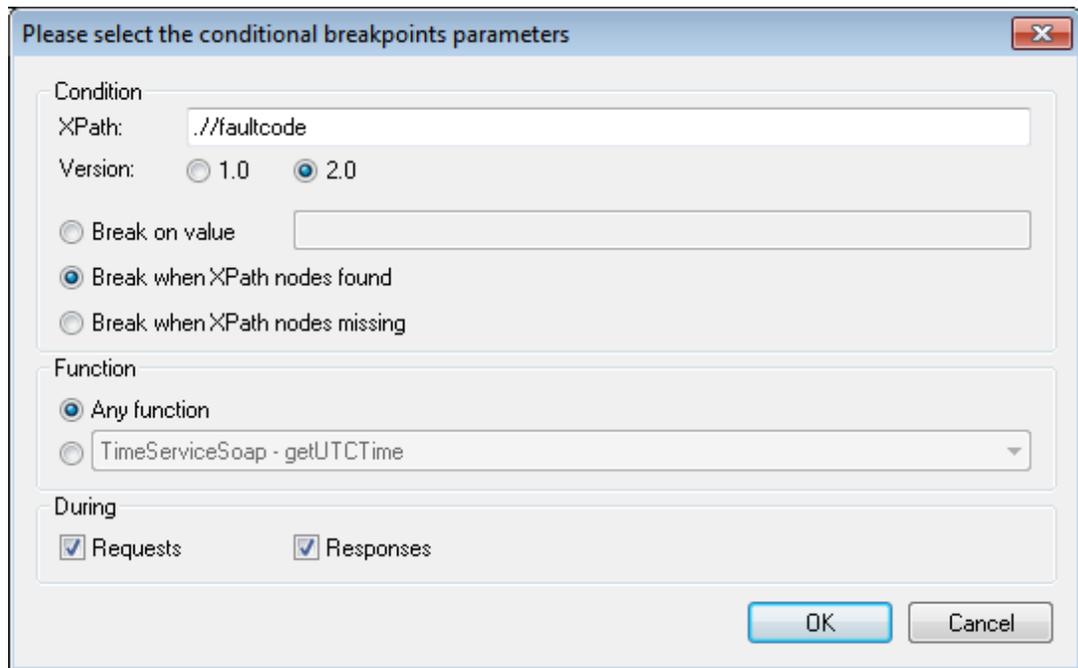
### Conditional-Breakpoints

The Conditional-Breakpoints tab (*screenshot below*) allows you to use XPath expressions to define breakpoints. If a SOAP request causes an error, the SOAP response must contain a `faultcode` element. We therefore would like to have a breakpoint triggered whenever a `faultcode` element appears.



To add a conditional breakpoint, do the following:

1. Click the Conditional Breakpoints tab, and then the **Add** button. The dialog shown below appears.

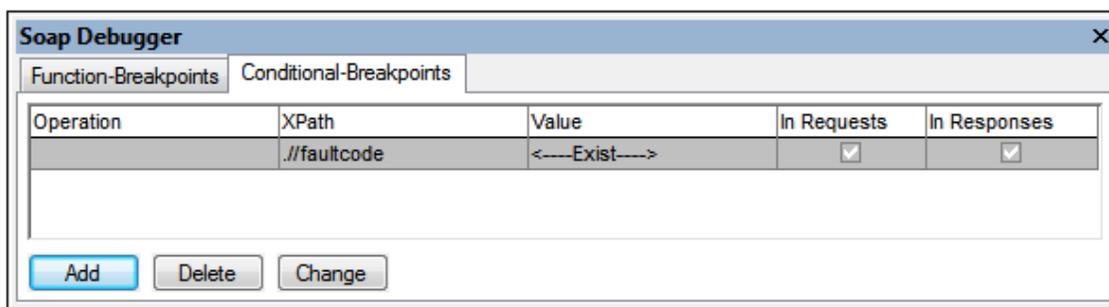


2. Enter the XPath expression (for example, `//*[faultcode]`) in the XPath field.
3. Select the required XPath version (1.0 or 2.0) and the *Break when XPath nodes found* radio button.
4. Click **OK** to confirm the settings. The SOAP debugger will stop whenever a `//*[faultcode]` element appears in a SOAP request or response.

The various options in this dialog are described below:

- *XPath expression field:* Enter the specific XPath expression/node here. An XPath has to be entered here to be able to use any of the specific radio button options.
- *Version:* The XPath version you wish to use for the XPath expression.
- *Break instruction radio buttons:* The debugger stops when the selected option occurs. The available options are: (i) Break when the targeted XPath node matches the value entered in this field; (ii) Break when the specified XPath node exists in the SOAP request or response; and (iii) Break when the specified XPath node does not exist in the SOAP request or response.
- *Requests and Responses:* Specifies whether the options in the dialog are to be applied in SOAP responses and/or requests.
- *Functions:* Either all methods/functions are scanned for the condition you define (*Any function* radio button) or you enter a specific method/function to scan.

For the condition defined in the dialog displayed above, the following conditional breakpoint will be listed in the Conditional-Breakpoints tab.



Given below is a description of the columns in this tab:

- The *Operation* column contains the method/function being searched. If you selected the *Any function* radio button then this field remains empty. If you selected a specific method/function, then this method/function is displayed here.
- The *XPath* column contains the XPath expression you defined.
- The *Value* column contains the XPath value against which the returned nodes are checked for a match. If you selected *Break on value*, the specific string you entered is displayed here. If you selected *Break when XPath nodes found*, then <---Exist---> is displayed. If you selected *Break when XPath nodes missing*, then <---Missing---> is displayed.
- The *In Requests* and *In Responses* check boxes indicate where the condition is checked. You can change the settings by directly clicking the check box in the column.

To edit a conditional breakpoint, double-click its line in the tab or click the **Change** button (see *screenshot above*). To delete a conditional breakpoint, select the line you want to delete and click **Delete**.

## 12 XBRL

Altova website:  [XBRL Taxonomy Editor](#), [XBRL Validator](#)

XMLSpy's [XBRL View](#) is an XBRL taxonomy editor that provides a graphical overview of XBRL taxonomies as well as intelligent taxonomy editing features. In this section, we describe the various features of XBRL View, and how to create and edit taxonomies in XBRL View.

This section is organized as follows:

- [Basic Procedures](#), which describes how to create taxonomies that contain the most essential components.
- [XBRL Formula Editor](#), which shows how to use XBRL View to work with XBRL formulas.
- [XBRL Table Definitions Editor](#), which describes [table structure](#), how to use the editor to define XBRL tables, and how the [Table Layout Preview](#) works. This section also explains how to use [table parameters](#), including how table parameters are used with table sets.
- [Find in XBRL](#), which describes the powerful XBRL-specific search capabilities of XMLSpy.
- [Notes about validating XBRL instances and taxonomies](#).

For more related information, see the sections: [Editing Views | XBRL View](#) and the description of commands in the [XBRL menu](#). For example, information about generating documentation for the taxonomy (as seen in XBRL View) will be found in the section [Menu Commands | XBRL Menu | Generate Documentation](#).

[XML signatures](#) for XBRL files in XBRL View can be created as external signature files. How to work with signatures is described in the section, [XML Signatures](#).

### Support in XMLSpy for US-GAAP and other taxonomies

XMLSpy supports the following taxonomies:

- US-GAAP 1.0/2009/2011/2012/2013/2014/2015
- IFRS

The latest versions of US-GAAP (2013 and 2014) are installed with XMLSpy. Additional taxonomies, including older US-GAAP taxonomies, are available for installation via a taxonomy installer that you can download free of charge from the [Altova website](#).

## 12.1 Basic Procedures

The Basic Procedures section describes how to create taxonomies that contain the most essential components. It is structured as follows:

- It starts with a brief look at the distinction between [new and existing taxonomies](#) and the significance of this distinction. This is followed by an explanation of [the files that constitute an XBRL taxonomy](#) and how these are displayed in XBRL View.
- Starting with the section [Creating a New Taxonomy](#), we describe, step-by-step, how to build a taxonomy in XBRL View. How to use the New Taxonomy Wizard is also explained in the process. At the end of each section is a set of instructions to guide you with the creation of your own taxonomy in XBRL View. Each set of instructions helps you put into practice or test the information given in that section, and it builds upon the taxonomy created till that point using instructions in previous sections.

### 12.1.1 Taxonomies: New and Existing

In XMLSpy's XBRL View you can edit existing taxonomies and create new taxonomies.

- *Existing taxonomies:* There are two types of existing taxonomies: (i) standard taxonomies that should not be edited; and (ii) non-standard taxonomies which may be edited; these might have been created by you or another party.
- *New taxonomies:* New taxonomies can be created in XMLSpy. These are of two types: (i) taxonomies that are created from scratch; and (ii) taxonomies that extend a standard taxonomy.

Both kinds of taxonomies can be viewed and edited in XBRL View. In some cases, such as when a standard taxonomy is imported into a taxonomy you are creating (in order to extend the imported taxonomy), you will not be allowed to edit the imported taxonomy. Elements from imported taxonomies that are not allowed to be edited are displayed in gray.

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#### Steps for creating a new taxonomy

A new taxonomy typically will build on an existing one. In the new taxonomy, new elements will be added, and relationships between these new elements and between new elements and imported elements will be created. The general requirements of a new taxonomy and how you would go about creating one are outlined below:

1. The new taxonomy must be created in its own namespace in order to distinguish it from other taxonomies. If the new taxonomy is to extend an existing one, the existing taxonomy must be imported into the new taxonomy.
2. New concepts (elements) are defined in the new taxonomy.
3. Relationship files (or linkbases) are created to contain the definition, presentation, calculation, label, and reference relationships of the new taxonomy.
4. Relationships for the new taxonomy must be built from scratch.

In the description above, we have used the term *taxonomy* to denote the entire taxonomy, which comprises several files: the concept definitions files and the relationship files. (See the section [Taxonomy Document Files](#) for a description of the various files that comprise a taxonomy.)

## Using XBRL View

In the sections that follow, we describe how to use the features of XBRL View to create and edit taxonomies. Starting with the section, [Creating a New Taxonomy](#), we provide instructions, at the end of each section, for creating your own taxonomy. The instructions in each successive section build upon the work of previous sections. By the time you reach the section [Creating Relationships: Part 1](#), you will have become familiar with XBRL View and be able to use it confidently.

The taxonomy you will be creating leads, with additional work, to the taxonomy supplied with XMLSpy (Nanonull.xsd) and which is located in the folder C:\Documents and Settings \<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\XBRLExamples\Nanonull. (Note that the main taxonomy file always has the extension .xsd. The file extension .xbrl is used for XBRL instance files and not for taxonomy files.)

### 12.1.2 Taxonomy Files Overview

A well-designed XBRL taxonomy stores taxonomy concepts in a separate file from the taxonomy relationships. We call this file the main taxonomy file or the concept definitions file. Furthermore, since there are different kinds of relationships, relationships will be stored in separate files for each kind. The table below lists the different kinds of files that normally constitute a taxonomy document.

XBRL File	Description	File Type
Concepts	Each concept is defined in an XML Schema element element.	XML Schema file (.xsd) Concept definitions file
Definition Relationships	A <code>definitionLink</code> element contains all locators and definition arcs for concept relationships.	XML file (.xml)
Calculation Relationships	A <code>calculationLink</code> element contains all the locators and calculation arcs.	XML file (.xml)
Presentation Relationships	A <code>presentationLink</code> element contains all the locators and presentation arcs.	XML file (.xml)
Labels	A <code>labelLink</code> element contains all the locators, label arcs, and labels.	XML file (.xml)
References	A <code>referenceLink</code> element contains all the locators, reference arcs, and reference resources.	XML file (.xml)

The locations of the relationship files are specified in the concept definitions file (the .xsd file) inside a `/schema/annotation/appinfo` element:

```
<xsd:annotation>
  <xsd:appinfo>
    <link:linkbaseRef xlink:arcrole="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink/properties/
linkbase"
      xlink:href="NanonullLabels.xml" xlink:type="simple"
```

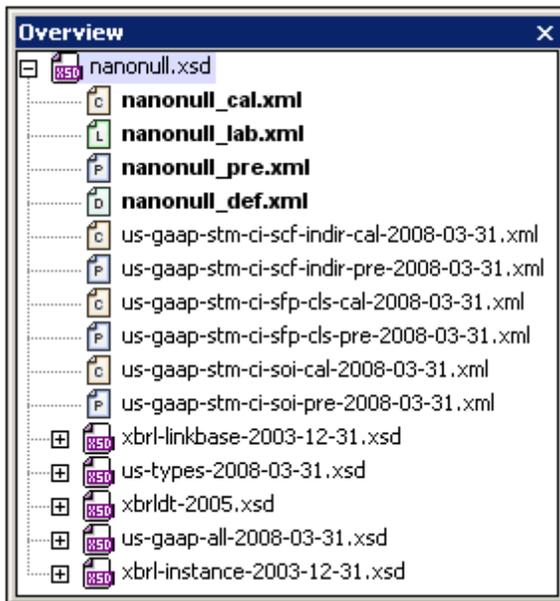
```

        xlink:role="http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/labelLinkbaseRef" />
    <link:linkbaseRef xlink:arcrole="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink/properties/
linkbase"
        xlink:href="NanonullDefinitions.xml" xlink:type="simple"
        xlink:role="http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/definitionLinkbaseRef" />
    <link:linkbaseRef xlink:arcrole="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink/properties/
linkbase"
        xlink:href="NanonullPresentations.xml" xlink:type="simple"
        xlink:role="http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/presentationLinkbaseRef" />
    <link:linkbaseRef xlink:arcrole="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink/properties/
linkbase"
        xlink:href="NanonullCalculations.xml" xlink:type="simple"
        xlink:role="http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/calculationLinkbaseRef" />
    <link:linkbaseRef xlink:arcrole="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink/properties/
linkbase"
        xlink:href="NanonullReferences.xml" xlink:type="simple"
        xlink:role="http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/referenceLinkbaseRef" />

</xsd:appinfo>
</xsd:annotation>

```

When the concept definitions file (the .xsd file) is open in XBRL View, the various taxonomy files are displayed in a tree structure in the [Overview entry helper](#) (screenshot below).



In the screenshot above, notice the icons to the left of the file names. XML Schema (.xsd) files are indicated with an XSD icon. The relationship files have a colored file icon with a character corresponding to the initial character of the relationship kind. For example, a icon indicates a Definition relationships file, a icon indicates a Presentation relationships file, and so on. Double-clicking any of these files opens it in XMLSpy, where it can be edited in Grid View (screenshot below) or Text View.

▲ labelLink	
= xlink:type	extended
= xlink:role	http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/link
▲ loc	
= xlink:type	locator
= xlink:href	Company.xsd#company_AllProducts
= xlink:label	company_AllProducts
▲ labelArc	
= xlink:type	arc
= xlink:arcrole	http://www.xbrl.org/2003/arcrole/concept-label
= xlink:from	company_AllProducts
= xlink:to	company_AllProducts_lbl
▲ label	
= xlink:type	resource
= xlink:role	http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/label
= xlink:label	company_AllProducts_lbl
= xml:lang	en
abc Text	All Products

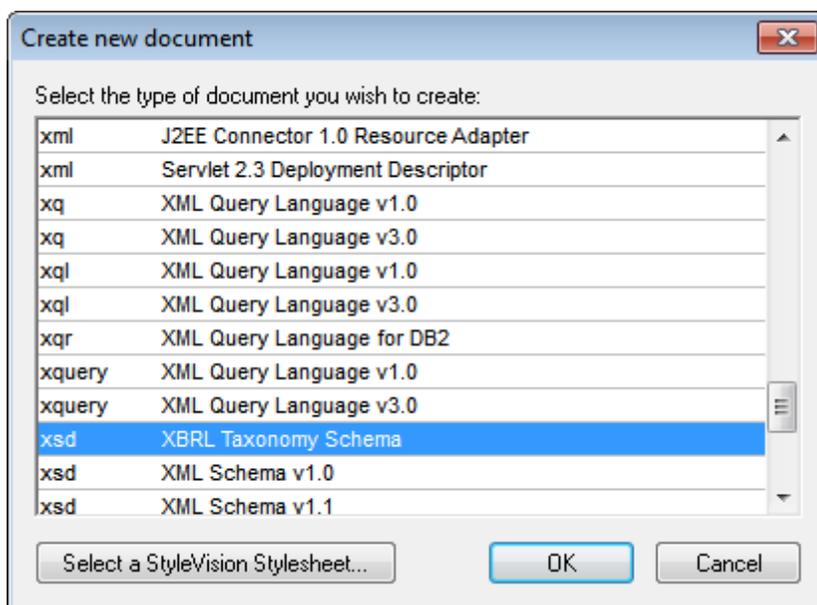
### 12.1.3 Creating a New Taxonomy

A new taxonomy would typically be created to extend one or more standard taxonomies. If a new taxonomy builds upon a standard taxonomy or an already existing taxonomy, it must import the existing taxonomy. Alternatively, a new taxonomy can be built from scratch. In XMLSpy's XBRL View, you can easily import US-GAAP and IFRS taxonomies using the New Taxonomy Wizard. The taxonomy can then be modified using the graphical interface of XBRL View.

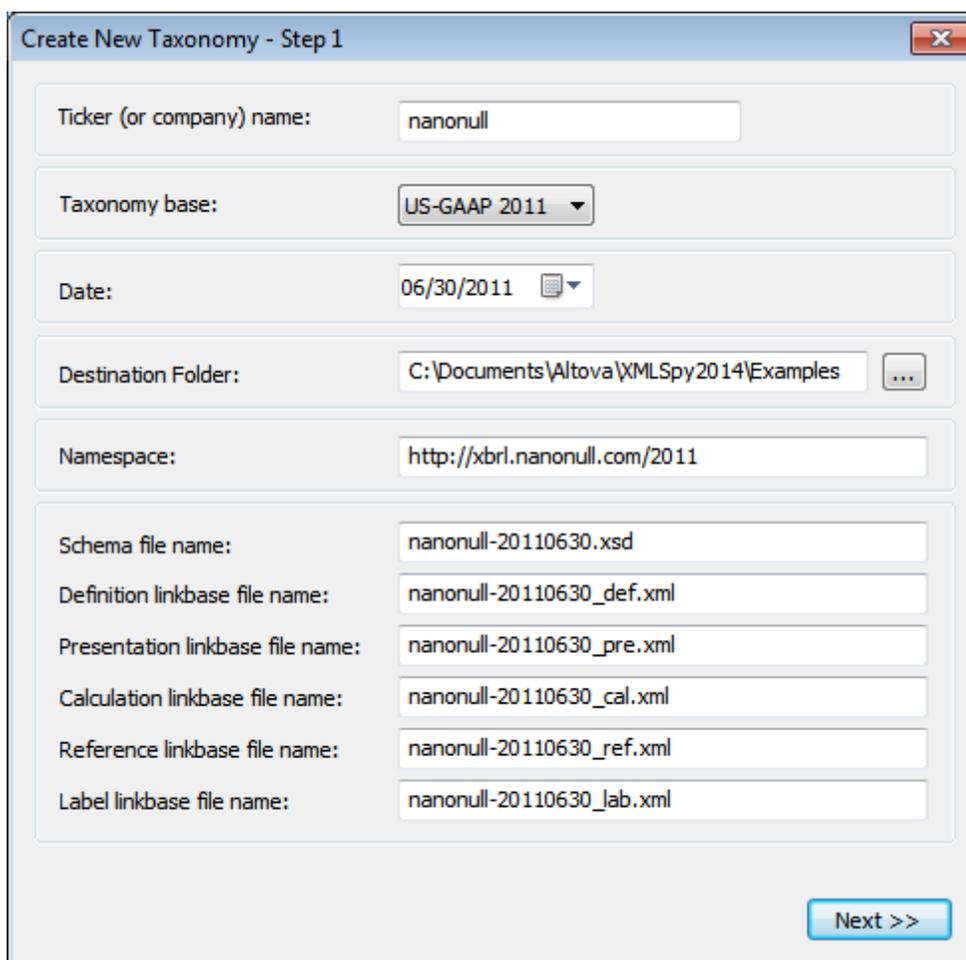
The first step in creating a new taxonomy is to create its concept definitions file, which is an XML Schema (.xsd) file. Besides containing concept definitions, this file defines and declares the namespace of the new taxonomy, locates taxonomies to be imported, locates the relationships files of the taxonomy, and declares the namespace of imported taxonomies and other namespaces used.

#### Creating the concept definitions file

To create a new XBRL taxonomy, select the menu command **File | New**. This pops up the Create a New Document dialog (*screenshot below*).



Select *xsd: XBRL Taxonomy Schema* and then click **OK**. This pops up the first screen of the New Taxonomy Wizard (*screenshot below*).



The New Taxonomy Wizard helps you create XBRL taxonomies that are conformant with US-GAAP and IFRS requirements. Essentially it imports the taxonomies you specify. Subsequently, the file can be edited as required.

In the first dialog of the wizard, enter the following:

- The ticker symbol (or name) of the company for which the taxonomy is being created. Listed companies typically have a unique ticker symbol, and a number of important taxonomy properties and components will be named on the basis of the ticker symbol you enter. For example, the ticker symbol you enter in the *Ticker Name* field will be used to automatically generate the taxonomy namespace and the names of the taxonomy's relationship files (see *screenshot above*). If the company has no ticker symbol, you can enter in this field the name of the company for which you are creating this taxonomy.
- The taxonomy base. Options are: *US-GAAP 2012*, *US-GAAP 2011*, *US-GAAP 2009*, *US-GAAP 1.0*, *IFRS*, and *None*. The taxonomy that you select in this combo box will form the base of your taxonomy. The next dialog that the wizard displays will depend on what taxonomy base you select. The various taxonomy bases are explained in the description of the second screen of the wizard.
- The date. This can either be entered directly or be selected via a date-picker available in the dropdown of the combo box. The date, like the ticker symbol, will be used to generate the taxonomy namespace and the names of the taxonomy's relationship files.
- The destination folder is the location where the main taxonomy file and associated files will be saved.
- The taxonomy namespace (target namespace of the main taxonomy concepts file, which is a *.xsd* file) and the names of the concept definitions file (*Schema File*) and the of relationship files are generated automatically from: (i) the ticker symbol (or company name) and (ii) the date. If you try to edit any of these, you will receive a warning to the effect that changing the values in these fields would lead to non-conformance with the rules of the relevant taxonomy.

After you have finished, click **Next**. The dialog that is displayed next depends on what you selected as the base for your taxonomy. There are three possibilities:

- If you selected a *US-GAAP* taxonomy, then the US-GAAP-specific second screen of the New Taxonomy Wizard appears (*screenshot below*). You can now select the entry points you wish to include in the taxonomy, as well as specify whether the US-GAAP Core Schema should be imported (check box at the bottom of the dialog).

**Create New Taxonomy - Step 2**

Select the US-GAAP 2011 entry points:

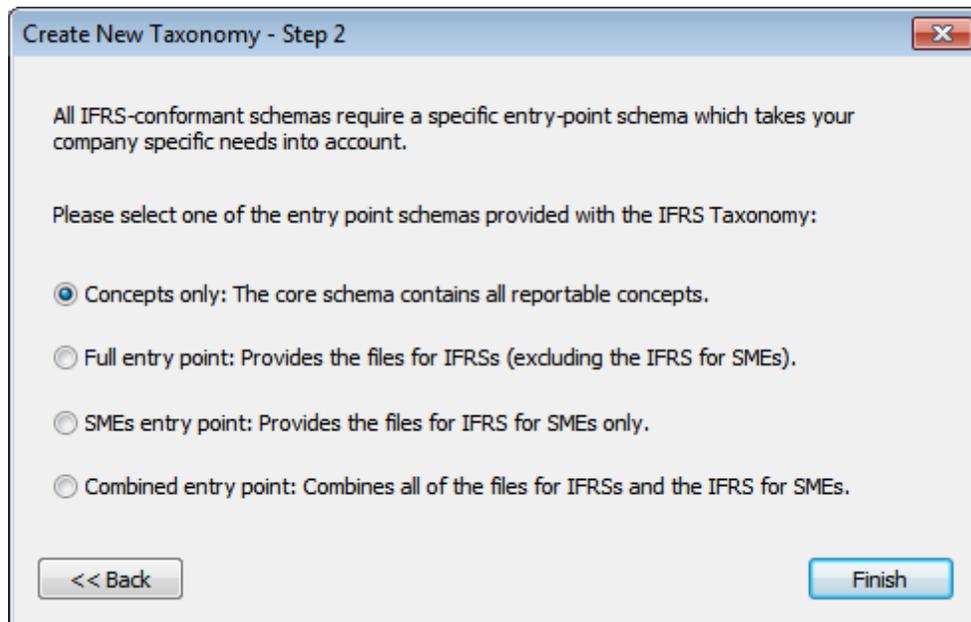
- All Taxonomies
  - US-GAAP 2011 Industry Entry Point Taxonomies
    - Banking and Savings Institutions
    - Brokers and Dealers
    - Commercial and Industrial
    - Insurance
    - Real Estate
  - US-GAAP 2011 View Entry Point Taxonomies
    - Schedule of Investments
  - Non GAAP 2011 Entry Point Taxonomies
    - Country Code
    - Currency
    - Document and Entity Information
    - Exchange
    - Investment
    - North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS)
    - Standardized Industrial Classification (SIC)
    - State or Province

Import US-GAAP 2011 Core Schema

<< Back      Finish

When you click **Finish**, a new concept definitions (.xsd) file that imports the selected entry-point schemas is created in the destination folder you specified in the wizard. The taxonomy opens in XBRL View and is ready to be edited.

- If you selected IFRS as the base for your taxonomy, the IFRS-specific second screen of the New Taxonomy Wizard appears (*screenshot below*). Select the entry-point schema option you want and click **Finish**.



When you click **Finish**, a new concept definitions (.xsd) file that imports the selected entry-point schema is created in the destination folder you specified in the wizard. The taxonomy opens in XBRL View and is ready to be edited.

- If you selected `None` (that is, no base taxonomy), a new concept definitions (.xsd) file is created in the destination folder you specified in the wizard and opens in XBRL View. Notice that two elements (`xbrldt:hypercube` and `xbrldt:dimension`) are automatically created and that the basic schemas required for every taxonomy have been imported automatically (see [Overview entry helper](#)).

After you have created your base taxonomy, the next steps are: (i) to [create a namespace for the taxonomy](#) (the target namespace of the schema); and (ii) to [import the taxonomy or taxonomies](#) on which the new taxonomy is to be built. If you have used the New Taxonomy Wizard, a default taxonomy namespace will have been created and the relevant taxonomies will have been imported.

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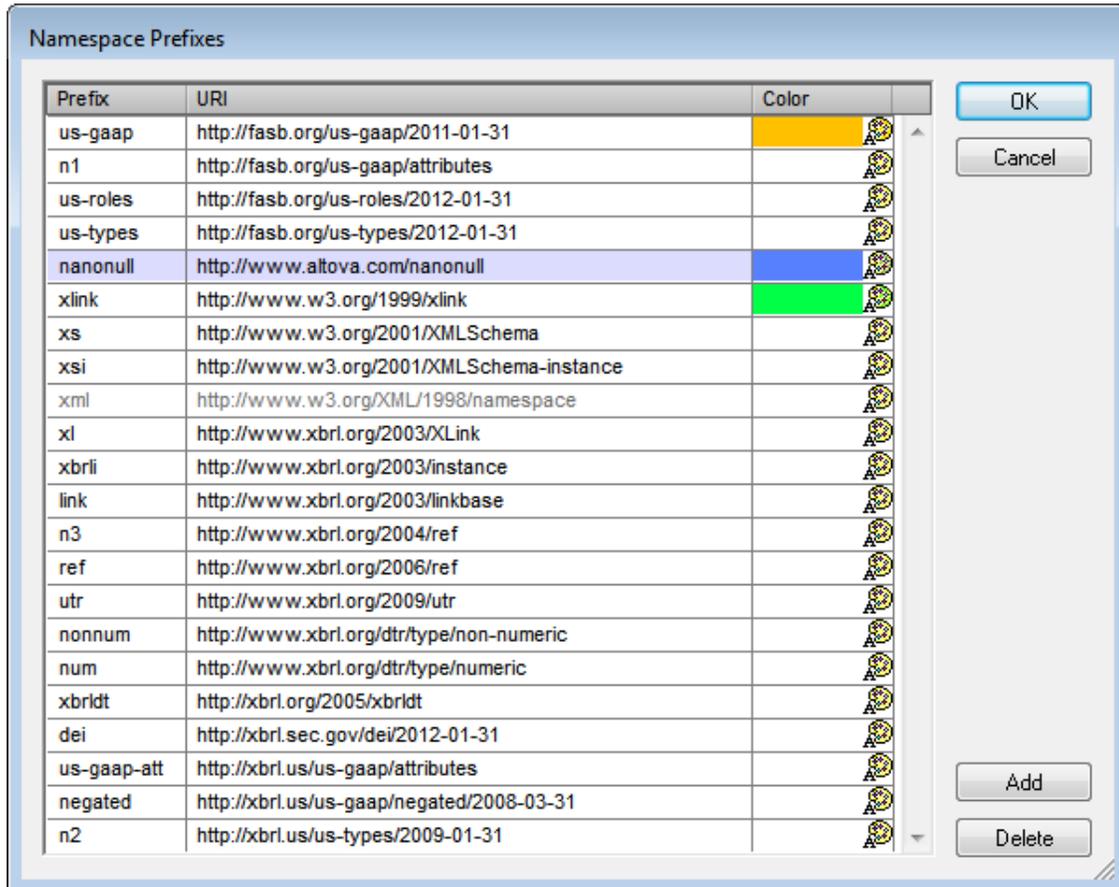
### Example file: Step 1

Create a new taxonomy document using the New Taxonomy Wizard as described above (using US-GAAP 2011 as the base taxonomy and importing the US-GAAP 2011 Core Schema), and save the taxonomy with any name to a suitable location. This file is the main taxonomy file, or concept definitions file. It is an XML Schema file and must have a .xsd file extension. We will refer to the file we are creating as `Nanonull.xsd`. This is the same name as that of the supplied example in `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\XBRLExamples\Nanonull`. We have also simplified the names of the relationship files by leaving out the date-generated part of their names.

In the next step we will [modify the target namespace](#) of the taxonomy that was automatically created by the New Taxonomy Wizard.

### 12.1.4 Namespaces in the Taxonomy

Taxonomy namespaces can be managed in the Namespaces Prefixes dialog (*screenshot below*), which is accessed in XBRL View via the menu command **XBRL | Namespace Prefixes**. In the dialog, you can declare namespaces and associate prefixes and background colors for each namespace. Edits made in this dialog modify the declarations of namespaces in the taxonomy.



The Namespace Prefixes dialog lists all the namespaces in the taxonomy.

- To add or delete a namespace, use the **Add** or **Delete** buttons, respectively. After adding a namespace, edit the default prefix and default URI by double-clicking in the respective field and entering the changes.
- A color can be assigned to a namespace via the color palette for that namespace. If a color has been assigned to a namespace, all components in that namespace will be displayed with this color as its background in the Main Window and entry helpers of XBRL View. Note that a color setting for a given namespace applies for that namespace across all taxonomy documents opened in XBRL View.

When you have finished editing in the Namespaces dialog, click **OK** to make your editing changes take effect.

### The target namespace

The target namespace of a taxonomy is **defined** in the `xs:targetNamespace` attribute of the taxonomy's `xs:schema` element (see listing below). (The `xs:schema` element is the document element of the concept definitions file.)

```
<xs:schema targetNamespace="http://www.altova.com/XBRL/Taxonomies">
    ...
</xs:schema>
```

In addition to defining the target namespace (specifying it, that is), the target namespace must also be **declared** on the `xs:schema` element so that it is in scope for the entire length of the document. The listing below declares the namespace that is the target namespace.

```
<xs:schema targetNamespace="http://www.altova.com/XBRL/Taxonomies"
xmlns:ns1="http://www.altova.com/XBRL/Taxonomies" >
    ...
</xs:schema>
```

In the listing above, the namespace is declared on the `xs:schema` element and is given a prefix of `ns1`.

### Setting the target namespace

When a new taxonomy is created using the New Taxonomy Wizard, a default target namespace and prefix are automatically created for the taxonomy. The default target namespace is based on data you entered in the New Taxonomy Wizard. The prefix of the default target namespace will be of the form `nX`, where `X` is an integer. The declaration of the default target namespace and prefix can then be edited by accessing the Set Target Namespace dialog (via the **XBRL | Set Target Namespace** command) and editing it there (screenshot below). These edits will modify not only the **definition** of the target namespace (the value of the `targetNamespace` attribute) but also the **declaration** of the target namespace.



To modify only the declaration of the target namespace (but not its definition) or the declaration of any namespace, edit the prefix and value of the namespace in the Namespace Prefixes dialog (**XBRL | Namespace Prefixes** command).

### Example file: Step 2

Open the Set Target Namespace dialog via the **XBRL | Set Target Namespace** command. The default target namespace is `http://xbrl.nanonull.com/2011` and it has a prefix of `n1`. Double-click the namespace and edit it as required, then do the same with the prefix. We have used the namespace `http://www.altova.com/nanonull` and assigned it a prefix of `nanonull` (see

*screenshot above*). On clicking **OK** in the dialog, the target namespace will be assigned and the target namespace will be declared with the prefix you have assigned. In our case the target namespace and prefix are, respectively, `http://www.altova.com/nanonull` and `nanonull`.

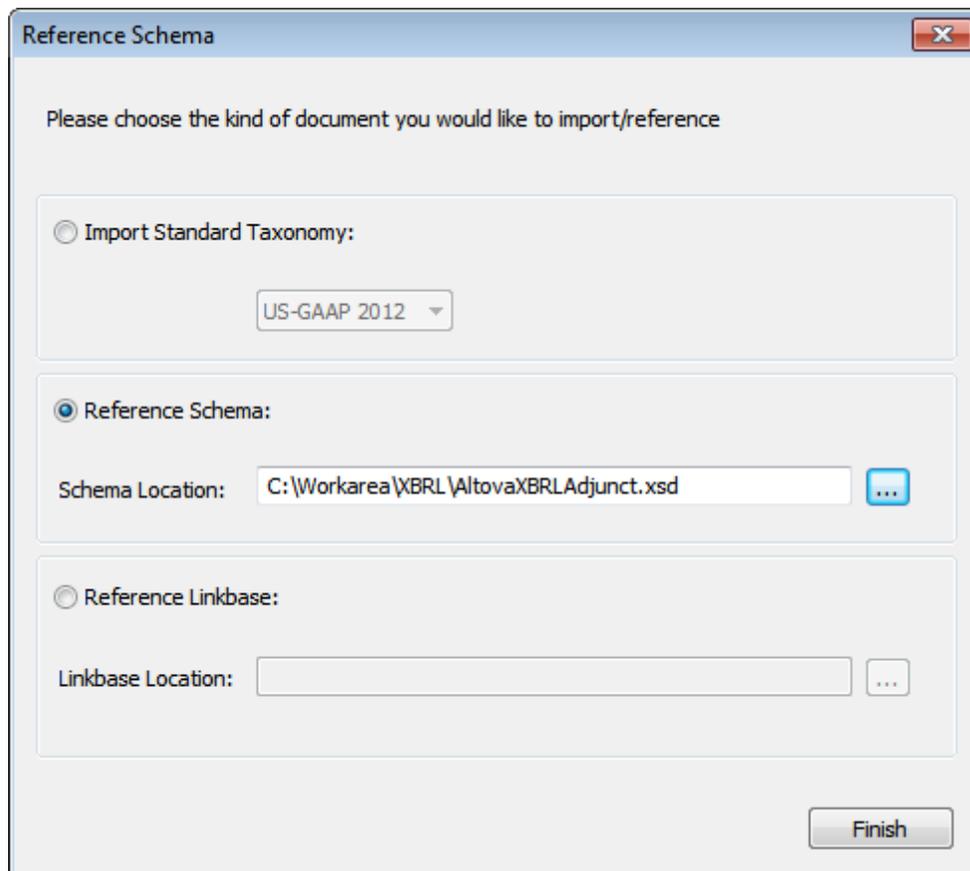
In the next step we will take a closer look at the [import mechanism](#) of XBRL View.

### 12.1.5 Importing a Taxonomy

If a new taxonomy is to build upon an existing taxonomy, the existing taxonomy must be imported into the extending taxonomy. If a new taxonomy is created with the New Taxonomy Wizard, then US-GAAP-based and IFRS-based taxonomies can be imported at the time the taxonomy is created. Whether this has been done or not, a taxonomy can always be imported at a subsequent time.

To import a taxonomy, do the following:

1. Right-click in the Overview entry helper in XBRL View and select the menu command **Import/Reference**.
2. In the Import Standard Taxonomy dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), you can specify a taxonomy to import or a linkbase to reference. (The name of the dialog will change according to the option you select.)



There are three import/reference options: (i) a standard taxonomy (US-GAAP or IFRS); (ii) any other taxonomy (reference schema); and (iii) a linkbase. If you are importing a non-standard taxonomy, select the Reference Schema radio button, click the **Browse** button of the Schema Location text box, and browse for the taxonomy you want.

3. When you are done, click **Finish**. The selected taxonomy will be imported and its elements and relationships will be displayed in XBRL View.

Note the following:

- The Overview entry helper lists taxonomies that the imported taxonomy itself imports, as well as linkbases that the imported taxonomy uses.
- In the Global Elements entry helper, concepts defined in the imported taxonomy are listed.
- In the Design window and Details entry helper, imported concepts are indicated with a gray font color.
- You can delete an imported taxonomy by right-clicking it in the Overview entry helper and selecting **Remove**.

After you have imported a taxonomy, you can extend the taxonomy as required.

**Note:** If you find that a large taxonomy such as US-GAAP slows down your editing, use the [filter in the main window](#) to limit the display to elements created in the new, extending taxonomy. This will speed up editing considerably.

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### Import mechanism

The effect of adding a standard import as described above is to add an `xs:import` element to the new taxonomy file. The `xs:import` element specifies the namespace and location of the imported taxonomy (*listing below*).

```
<xs:import namespace="http://fasb.org/us-gaap/2011-01-31"
           schemaLocation="http://xbrl.fasb.org/us-gaap/2011/elts/us-gaap-2011-01-31.xsd"/>
```

In the listing above, the `schemaLocation` attribute specifies that the taxonomy is to be loaded via the Internet. But this URI maps, via [XMLSpy's catalog mechanism](#), to a local copy of the US-GAAP taxonomy (that is delivered with your XMLSpy package).

To locate a locally saved taxonomy, a local address can be used directly to locate the taxonomy. Alternatively, a web address can be used which is mapped to a local address via [a catalog file](#). Accessing taxonomies from local locations will greatly speed up your work.

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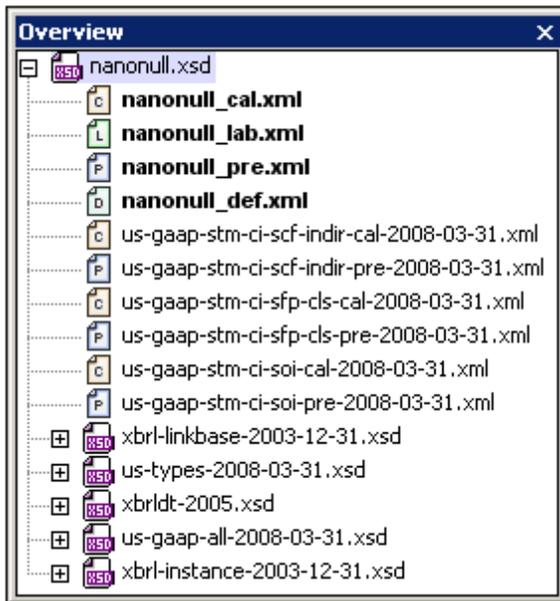
### Example file: Step 3

In the example we are creating, we use the US-GAAP 2011 taxonomy. This taxonomy has already been imported during the [creation of the initial taxonomy](#). In the Overview entry helper, take a close look at all the imported taxonomies and referenced linkbases. Switch to Text View and look for the `xs:import` elements. In the Main Window of XBRL View, notice that imported concepts are indicated with a gray font color. Also notice that the Overview entry helper lists the linkbases and the imported schemas of the US-GAAP taxonomy.

In the [next step](#), we will take a closer look at linkbase files and the referencing mechanism.

## 12.1.6 Setting Up the Taxonomy Files

The Overview entry helper displays in a tree structure the files that constitute the taxonomy (*screenshot below*). At the root of the tree is the main taxonomy file (the concept definitions file); this is the currently active file. The files on the next level are of two types: (i) linkbase files that specify the various relationships in the taxonomy; these are indicated by [colored icons](#); and (ii) imported schemas (the `.xsd` files).



In the section, [Importing a Taxonomy](#), you have seen how a taxonomy can be imported via the Overview entry helper. The imported taxonomy is listed among the imported schemas in the Overview entry helper.

In this section, we show how the Overview entry helper can be used to manage linkbase files. The four operations for managing linkbases are all accessed via the Overview entry helper's context menu. They are:

- [Adding new linkbases](#) and [saving them with the taxonomy](#).
- [Setting the linkbase kind](#). In cases where the linkbase type (calculation, definition, presentation, label, or reference) is not known to XMLSpy, the linkbase type can be explicitly specified.
- Setting a linkbase as the [default linkbase](#) for a particular type of relationship linkbase. If there is more than one linkbase for a particular type of relationship, say, label relationships, then new labels that you create in the Taxonomy Editor will be created in the default label linkbase.
- [Deleting linkbases](#).

**Note:** There are five types of relationships: (i) definition, (ii) calculation, (iii) presentation, (iv) label, and (v) reference. Separate linkbase files can be created for each of these relationship types.

### Adding a new linkbase

To add a new linkbase, do the following:

1. Right-click in the Overview entry helper and select **Add New Linkbase | <relationship type>**. A new linkbase file of the selected relationship type is created in the Overview entry helper with a default name. Note that the new linkbase is created as the default linkbase of its relationship type (indicated by the filename being in boldface).
  2. Right-click the default name, select **Rename**, and edit the name.
  3. A newly created linkbase file is physically saved at a particular location only when the main taxonomy file is saved the next time. See below for details.
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### Saving linkbase files

If a linkbase file has not been saved, this is indicated by an asterisk after the name of the linkbase file. When you save the main taxonomy file, the following will happen:

1. The Confirm Linkbase Paths dialog appears. This dialog contains the names and locations (paths) of all the linkbases in the taxonomy, including the newly created linkbase files. Any unsaved linkbase file will have a default path to the folder in which the main taxonomy file will be, or has been, saved. You can edit the path of individual linkbase files if you wish to save a linkbase file to another location. You can also edit the name of the file.
  2. Click **OK** when done. The linkbase files will be saved to the specified locations.
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### Setting linkbase kind

The linkbase kind of a file (also referred to as a file's linkbase type) can be set by using this command. Right-click the file for which the linkbase kind is to be changed, and, from the context menu, select the command **Set Linkbase Kind | <relationship type>**. The **All** option enables you to specify that the linkbase file can contain more than one kind of relationship.

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### Setting a default linkbase

A default linkbase file can be set for each relationship type. When a relationship of that type is defined in the Taxonomy Editor, the relationship is saved to the default linkbase file of that relationship type. To set a linkbase file as the default linkbase, right-click it and select **Set Default Linkbase**. The names of default linkbases are displayed in bold.

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### Deleting a linkbase

A linkbase can be removed from the taxonomy by right-clicking it and selecting **Remove**.

### Example file: Step 4

The taxonomy we are creating already has linkbase files. These were created when the taxonomy was [created with the New Taxonomy Wizard](#). The original default names were changed to the following:

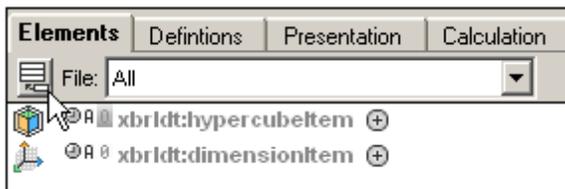
- Calculation linkbase: nanonull\_cal.xml
- Definition linkbase: nanonull\_def.xml
- Label linkbase: nanonull\_lab.xml
- Presentation linkbase: nanonull\_pre.xml

In order to test some of the commands introduced in this section, do the following: Create a linkbase file by using the **Add New Linkbase** command and creating any linkbase kind you like. Rename it as described above. Notice that the newly created linkbase becomes the default linkbase of its relationship type (indicated by its name being displayed in bold). Select it and set it to be some other relationship type (using the **Set Linkbase Kind** command). Notice that the file is **not** the default linkbase of its new relationship type. Now delete the linkbase (using the **Remove** command). Since one of the original linkbase files is now no longer a default linkbase, set a file of that relationship type as the default linkbase of its relationship type.

In the next step, we will [add new elements to the main taxonomy file](#) (or concept definitions file).

## 12.1.7 Adding Elements to a Taxonomy

To add an element (concept) to the taxonomy, click the **Add New Element** icon in the Main Window (*screenshot below*).



The new element with a substitution group of `xbrli:item` and with a default name is added to the list of elements in the display (*screenshot below*).



For a description of the element box, see [Main Window: Elements Tab](#). You can now edit the properties of the element in the [main window](#) in the following ways.

- The name of the element can be changed by double-clicking the default name and entering the correct name. Note that you must also enter the correct [namespace prefix](#) for the name.

- The substitution group of the element can be changed by expanding the element box—click the arrow icon to do this—and then selecting the required substitution group from this field's dropdown list (*screenshot below*).



- To change the Balance, Period, Abstract, or Nillable property, click the corresponding icon to the left of the element name and select one of the options from the box that pops up.
- To add a label linkrole for the element, right-click anywhere in the element box and select the **Add Label Linkrole** command. A row for the label linkrole is added; in this row you can enter the label linkrole or select an option from the combo box. Note that if no label linkbase file is associated with the taxonomy, one will be created now and will be displayed in the [Overview entry helper](#).
- A label can be added for a label linkrole by right-clicking the label linkrole and selecting the **Add Label** command. To enter the details of the label, either double-click in the field to be edited and enter the new value, or select the new value from the respective combo boxes. The changes you make to labels will be saved to the label linkbase when the main taxonomy file is saved.
- References are added to the reference linkbase in the same way that labels are added to the label linkbase. First, a reference linkrole is added for the element, then a reference is added for a specific reference linkrole.

Element properties can also be edited in the Details entry helper. See [Entry Helpers in XBRL View](#) for a description of how to do this.

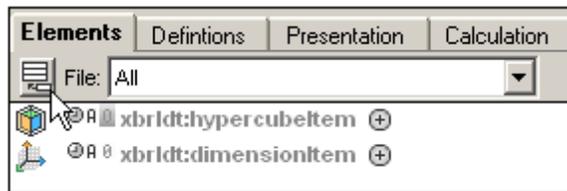
### Example file: Step 5

In this section, we will extend the US-GAAP taxonomy by creating new elements.

The first element we will create is the item `nanonull:OnboardAndOther`, which represents revenues from the sale of items on board Nanonull's cruise ships. This specific revenue head is not available in the US-GAAP taxonomy, which is why it must now be created as an extension of US-GAAP. As a new element created specially for the Nanonull taxonomy, it must be created in the Nanonull namespace (<http://www.altova.com/nanonull>), which has been declared with a prefix of `nanonull`. Creating the element with this prefix will put this element in the Nanonull namespace.

To create the element, do the following:

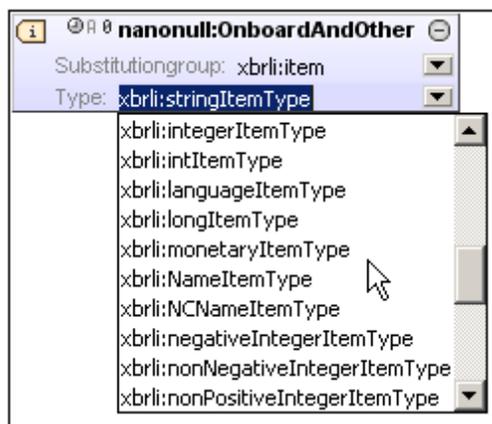
- Click the **Add New Element** icon in the Main Window (*screenshot below*).



A new element with a substitution group of `xbrli:item` and with a default name is added to the list of elements in the display (*screenshot below*).



2. Double-click the element name and enter the name `nanonull:OnboardAndOther` (*screenshot below*). This creates the element `OnboardAndOther` in the `Nanonull` namespace.
3. Expand the element box and, since the element will contain a monetary amount, change the `Type` attribute to `xbrli:monetaryItemType` (*screenshot below*).



4. Now click to the left of the clock icon and, from the popup that appears, select `credit` (*screenshot below*).



This sets the value of the `xbrli:balance` attribute to `credit`.

5. Click on the clock, `A`, and `0` icons, and set the values of the `xbrli:duration`, `xs:abstract`, and `xs:niltable` attributes to `duration`, `NOT Abstract`, `Niltable`, respectively. (In the `.xsd` file, the actual attribute values will be: `credit`, `duration`, `false`, and `true`, respectively.)
6. Right-click the element box and, from the menu that pops up, select **Add Label Linkrole**. This creates a label linkrole row at the bottom of the element box (*screenshot below*).



7. Select the XBRL link URI.
8. Right-click the label linkrole row and from the menu that pops up select **Add Label**. This creates a label row within the label linkrole.
9. Double-click in the language field of the newly created label row (*screenshot below*) and enter `en-us`; in the next field which is the linkrole field, select the `documentation` role from the dropdown list; in the label field, enter the text that should appear in documentation. Then create another label row for the `label` linkrole by repeating Step 9. When the display of an element has been expanded (by clicking the arrowhead to its left), the display of the `label` role can be switched on/off by clicking the plus/minus symbol to the right of the label (Show/Hide Labels).



The element `nanonull:OnboardAndOther` has now been successfully created.

Notice that `OnboardAndOther` had an `xbrli:balance` value of `credit`. This is because it is a revenue item: money is coming in. Since the items being sold on board will have costs attached to them, i.e. cost the company to procure, we will also create a debit-side element called `nanonull:CostOfOnboardAndOther`. Create this element the same way as `nanonull:OnboardAndOther` was created, with one difference, however: set the value of `xbrli:balance` to `debit` instead of `credit`.

Another cost to be included is for commissions to agents. This should be taken care of with a debit element called `nanonull:CruiseCommissionsTransportationAndOther`. Create this element exactly as you did `nanonull:CostOfOnboardAndOther`.

Finally, we add three abstract elements, `Asia`, `Europe`, and `US`, so that concepts can be grouped by region. Since the elements are used only for grouping purposes and will not themselves have values, they are known as abstract elements. What type such an element has is therefore immaterial. It is best to give an abstract element a type that matches its semantics. For example, we have given the abstract elements `Asia`, `Europe`, and `US`, a type of `stringItemType`. Create the `nanonull:Asia`, `nanonull:Europe`, and `nanonull:USA` elements just as you created the previous elements. The only difference this time will be that the value of the `Abstract` attribute must be set to *Abstract* (actual attribute value in the XSD file will be `true`) and there will be no `xbrli:balance` attribute.

**Note:** If an `xbrli:balance` attribute is present on an abstract element, this abstract element must be of type `monetaryItemType`, otherwise the taxonomy will be invalid. It is best to omit the optional `xbrli:balance` attribute from all abstract elements.

In the next step we will [specify linkroles](#) for the new taxonomy. These linkroles will be needed when we create new relationships.

## 12.1.8 Relationships and Linkroles

When a set of relationships is created these relationships are created within a containing element. For example, when definition relationships are created, the elements defining the definition relationships (the locators and definition arcs) are all created within a `definitionLink` element, which looks something like this:

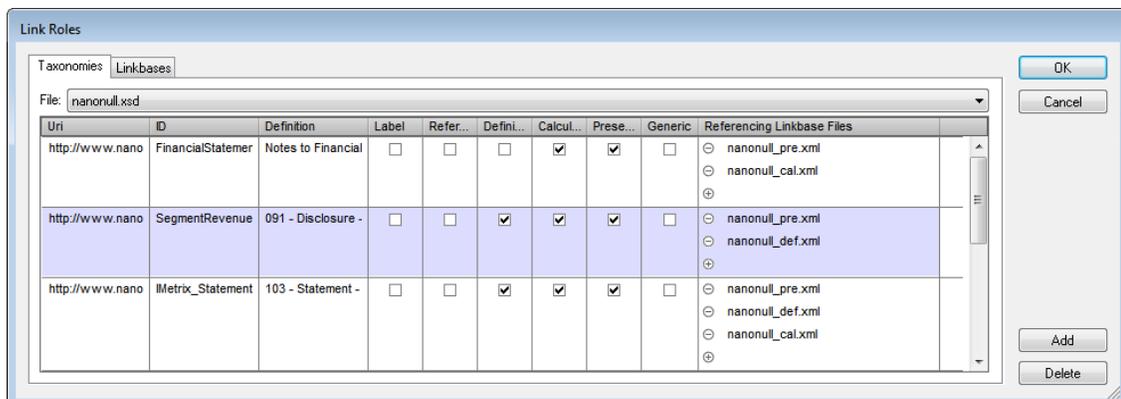
```
<link:definitionLink xlink:type="extended"
xlink:role="http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/
SegmentRevenueAndOperatingIncome">
```

The value of the `xlink:role` attribute in the definition link (as in the definition link listed above) must be the value of the `roleURI` attribute of one of the linkroles set to be used on definition relationships (see listing below). A linkrole (as in the listing below) is contained in the `appinfo` element of the taxonomy.

```
<xs:appinfo>
  <link:roleType id="SegmentRevenueAndOperatingIncome"
    roleURI="http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/
SegmentRevenueAndOperatingIncome">
    <link:definition>006091 - Disclosure - Segment Revenue and Operating
Income</link:definition>
    <link:usedOn>link:calculationLink</link:usedOn>
    <link:usedOn>link:definitionLink</link:usedOn>
    <link:usedOn>link:presentationLink</link:usedOn>
  </link:roleType>
</xs:appinfo>
```

A linkrole can be used in the containing elements of other relationship kinds besides in `definitionLink` elements (for example, in `calculationLink` and `presentationLink` elements). In the listing above, notice that there are `usedOn` elements that specify in which kind of relationships this linkrole may be used.

To create linkroles in a concept definitions file (main taxonomy file), in XBRL View, click the menu command **XBRL | Linkroles**. This pops up the Link Roles dialog (screenshot below).



In the Taxonomies tab, select the taxonomy file from the dropdown list in the *File* combo box and click **Add** to add a linkrole. Then specify the linkrole's URI and ID (refer to listing above). Now

specify for which kinds of relationships this linkrole should be available; do this by checking the check boxes of the required relationship kinds (*see screenshot above*).

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### Example file: Step 6

Create two linkroles via the Link Roles dialog (**XBRL | Linkroles**) as described above and shown in the screenshot above:

1. id="SegmentRevenueAndOperatingIncome" URI="http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/SegmentRevenueAndOperatingIncome" (to be used on definition, calculation, and presentation relationships)
2. id="FinancialStatements" URI="http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/FinancialStatements" (to be used on calculation and presentation relationships)

In the next step we will [create relationships](#) for the new taxonomy.

## 12.1.9 Creating Relationships: Part 1

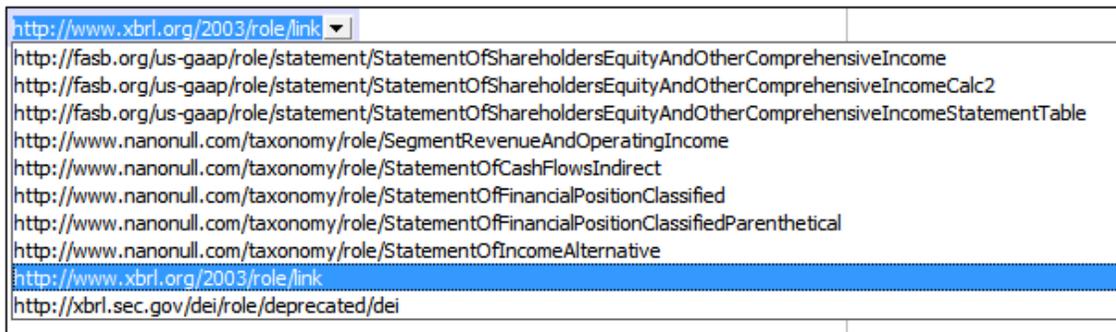
Relationships are created in their respective tabs: Definitions, Presentation, Calculation. The way all three kinds of relationships are created is similar, with the biggest difference being that definition relationships have arcroles, while presentation relationships and calculation relationships do not have arcroles. In this section we describe how to create relationships using definition relationships. In the [next section](#) we explain how presentation and calculation relationships are different, as well as other features relating to relationships.

While reading the description below, we recommend that you open a finished taxonomy in XBRL View. You can find the Nanonull taxonomy (`nanonull.xsd`) in the folder `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\XBRLExamples\Nanonull`.

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### Adding the linkrole

Click the required relationships tab in the Main Window (Definitions, Presentation, Calculation). Then right-click in the Main Window and select the **Add Extended Link Role** command. This adds a line containing the URI of a default linkrole (*screenshot below*). Click the dropdown arrow at the right-hand side of this line to display a list of available linkroles and select the required linkrole.

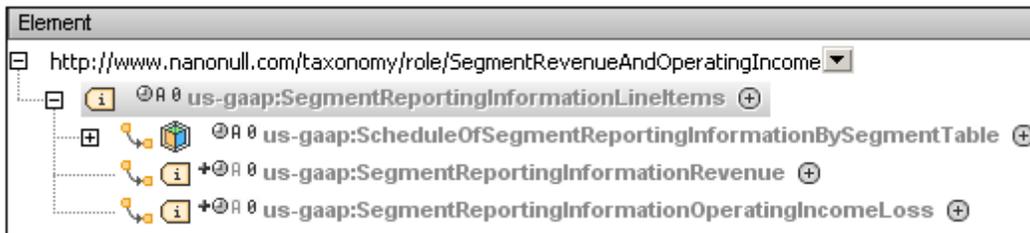


If the required linkrole is not available, this is because it has not been defined either in the taxonomy or for the current relationship kind. See [Relationships and Linkroles](#) for details about linkroles and how to create them.

Any number of linkroles can be added.

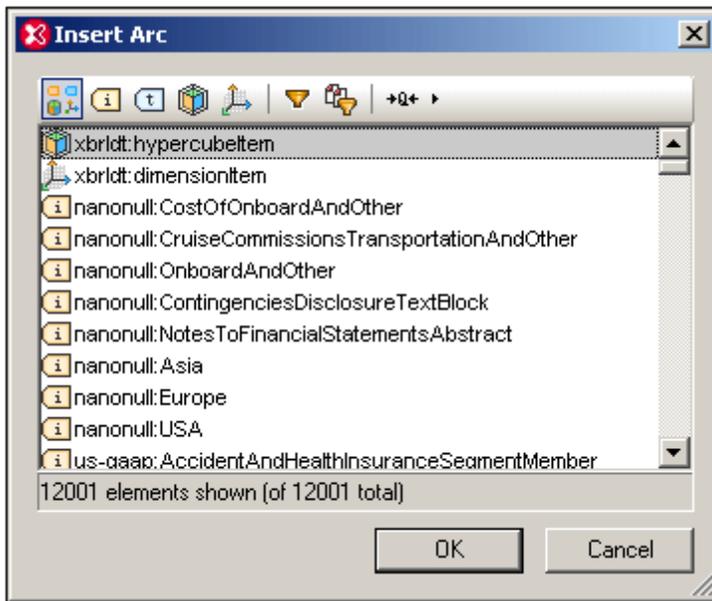
### Inserting element references and arcs within a linkrole

The first element to create within a linkrole is one **from** which a relationship will be created to another element (see *screenshot below*). This will usually be an abstract element that groups other elements under it (for example, an element for a balance sheet). This element will have no entry in the arcrole column because it is at the from end of an arc. Arcroles are listed on the elements at the to end of an arc.

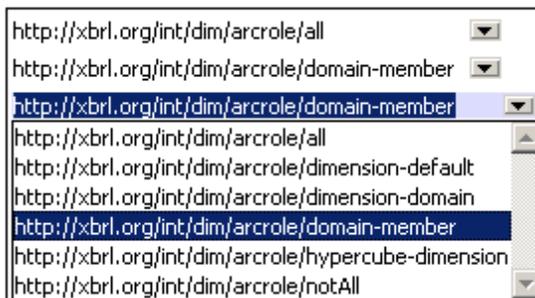


In the screenshot above the highlighted element is the inserted element reference. It has three arcs, one to a hypercube element and two to item elements. These three elements are at the to end of their respective arcs and the from-to relationship is defined by the corresponding arcroles, which are displayed in the Arcrole column.

To insert an arc on an element reference or element, right-click the from element and select **Insert Arc** from the context menu that pops up. This causes the Insert Arc dialog (*screenshot below*) to appear. Select the element to be created at the to end of the arc. To filter the view in this dialog, switch on the filter and specify a condition for the filter (see [Entry Helpers in XBRL View](#) for a description of how to do this).



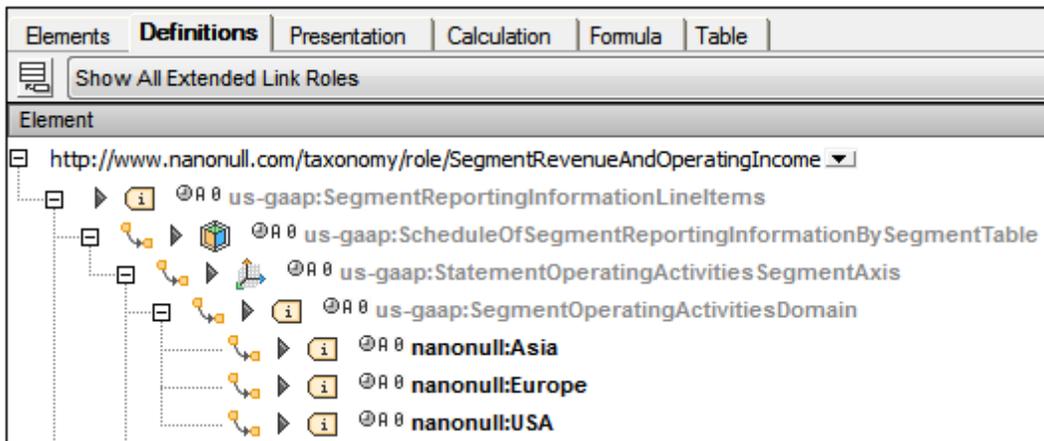
The element will be inserted with a default arcrole. You can change the arcrole by selecting an alternative from the dropdown list of the arcrole (*screenshot below*).



**Note:** Elements, with arcs, can also be added by dragging them from the Global Elements entry helper.

### Example file: Step 7

Create definition relationships as shown in the screenshots below using the method described above.



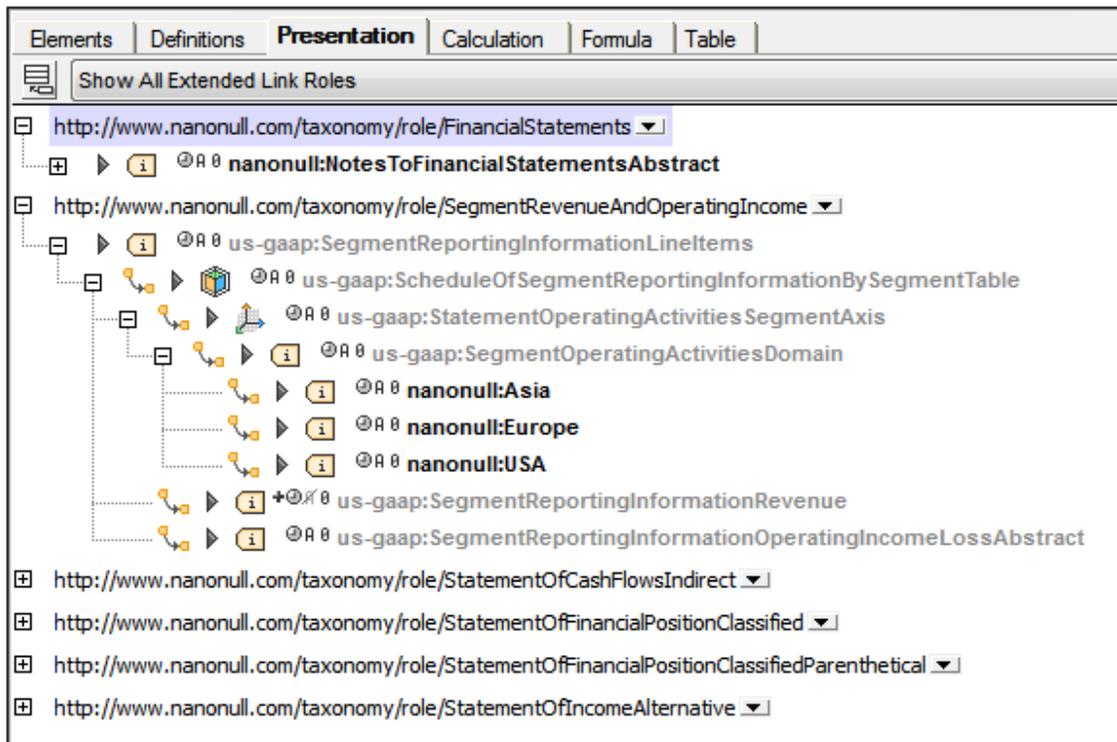
The screenshot above shows the elements to add with arcs. The screenshot below shows the arcroles of the newly added elements.



You can compare the taxonomy you have created with that supplied with your XMLSpy package. The supplied taxonomy (nanonull.xsd) is in the folder C:\Documents and Settings \<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\XBRLExamples\Nanonull.

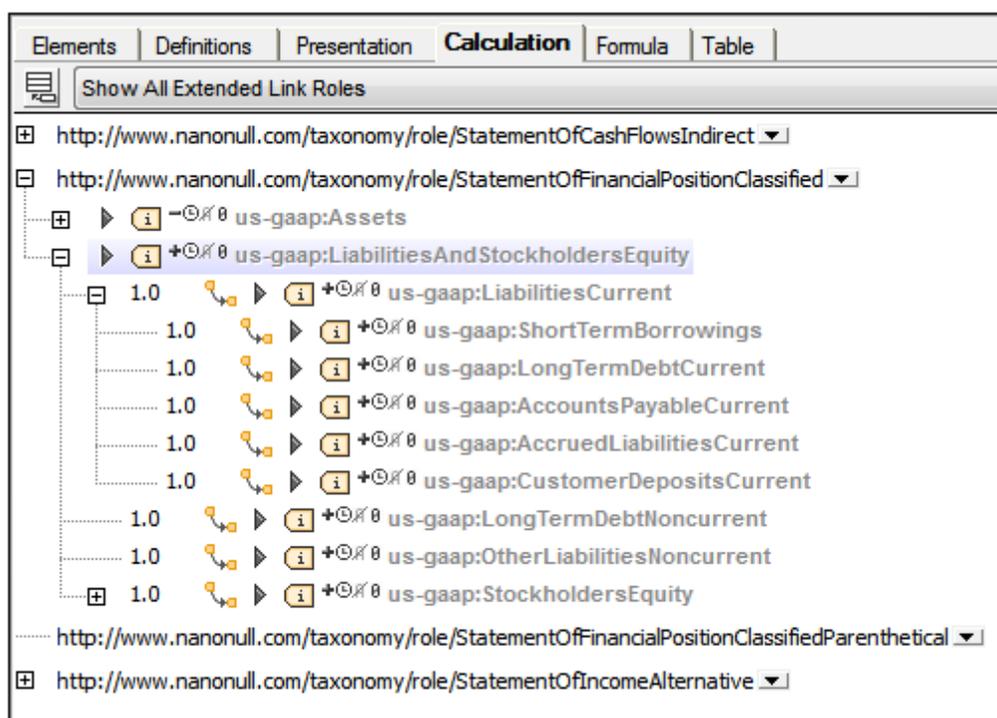
### 12.1.10 Creating Relationships: Part 2

The previous section, [Creating Relationships: Part 1](#), explained how to create relationships using definition relationships to demonstrate the mechanism. Presentation relationships (*screenshot below*) and calculation relationships are created in a similar way. The only difference is that there is no Arcrole column in presentation and calculation relationships.



The following points should be noted:

- Presentation and calculation relationships can be considered to be a simple arc between two elements in the manner of parent-child relationships. The arc icons signify this relationship. So inserting an arc on an element is equivalent to creating a child element in the graphical representation. Using arcs, therefore, a hierarchy can be built up.
- Elements can also be dragged from the Global Elements entry helper into the tree. These elements are always dropped at the to position of an arc. An arrow appears when the element is in position to be dropped.
- Calculation arcs have `weight` attributes that indicate how the value of the to element in the arc should be summed (see screenshot below). For example, a weight value of `+1.0` indicates that 100% of the element's value should be added towards the value of the from (or summation) element. A value of `-1.0` indicates that 100% of the value of should be subtracted from the value of the summation element. Double-clicking the `weight` attribute value enables you to enter an optional value.



The `weight` attribute can also be modified in the Details entry helper (see *below*).

### Prohibiting the use of an arc

All arcs, whether definition, presentation, or calculation, have a `use` attribute that can take a value of `optional` or `prohibited`. When the value `prohibited` is used, the arc is negated.

### Color and context menu

When elements have been created in the current taxonomy and can be edited, they are displayed in black. Otherwise (when they are from imported taxonomies, which must not be edited) elements are displayed in gray.

The following entries appear in context menus in the main window of the relationships tabs.

- *Insert element reference*: Available on extended linkroles. Adds an element under the linkrole that will always be at the from end of arcs.
- *Delete element reference*: Available on element references immediately under a linkrole.
- *Insert arc*: Available on elements. Inserts an arc and pops up a dialog in which the element to be at the to end of the arc can be selected.
- *Set target role*: Sets a target role on the selected element.
- *Add label linkrole*: Adds a label linkrole to the selected element.
- *Add reference linkrole*: Adds a reference linkrole to the selected element.
- *Override arc*: Replaces the (implicit) `optional` value of the `use` attribute of the arc with the `prohibited` value, thus negating the arc.

- *Remove arc*: Removes the selected arc.
- *Show in global elements*: Highlights the selected element in the Global Elements entry helper.

### Details entry helper

When an element in a relationship is selected, arc attributes can be edited in the Details entry helper (*screenshot below*).

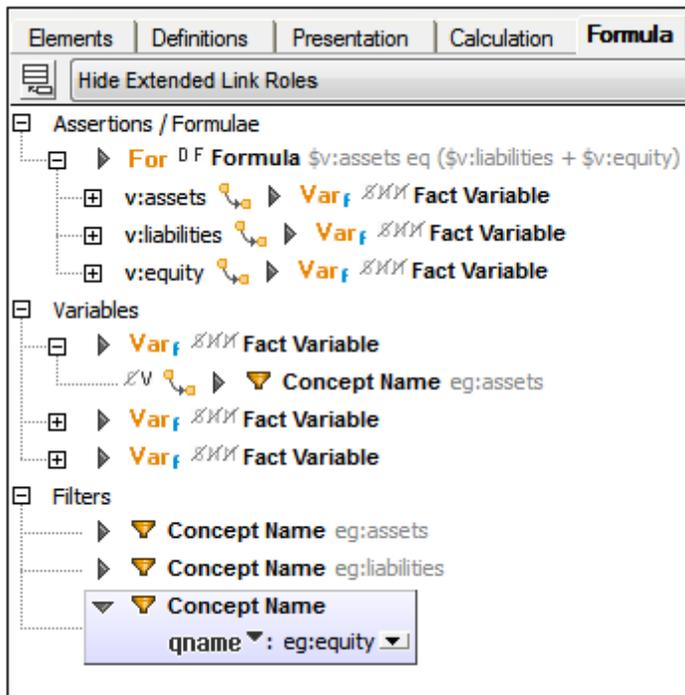
Details	
us-gaap:ConvertibleDebtCurrent	
General	
Defined in	http://xbrl.us/us-gaap/1.0/elts/us-gaap-2008-03-31.xsd
Namespace	http://xbrl.us/us-gaap/2008-03-31
Abstract	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nilable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Balance	credit
Period Type	instant
Subst. Group	xbrli:item
Type	xbrli:monetaryItemType
Arc	
Order	20.0
Priority	36671884
Target Role	
Arc Role	http://www.xbrl.org/2003/arcrole/summation-item
Use	prohibited
Weight	1.0
Context Element	
Usable	
Typed Domain Ref	
Children	
Arcs	0
Label Children	1
Reference Children	1

Attributes which cannot be edited in the graphical display in the main window—such as `order` and `priority`—can be edited in the Details entry helper.

## 12.2 XBRL Formula Editor

The XBRL Formula, Variable and Filter specifications provide a syntax for expressing rules that can be used to derive new fact values from the data in XBRL business report. The generic label and reference specifications support labeling of all manner of different XBRL constructs. In the context of XBRL formula, this labeling and referencing can be used to associate human documentation with formulae, their variables and the filters that define which facts in an XBRL business report get selected by a variable for usage in the evaluation of a formula. The validation and the three assertion specifications define a syntax for expressing rules about the expected content of business reports, in terms of variables, sets of variables and formulae. An introduction to the syntax and semantics of XBRL formula can be found at [Working Draft of XBRL Formula Overview 1.0](#)

The XBRL Formula Editor of XMLSpy is implemented as part of the application's XBRL Taxonomy Editor. It is available in the Formula tab of XBRL View (see *screenshot below*).



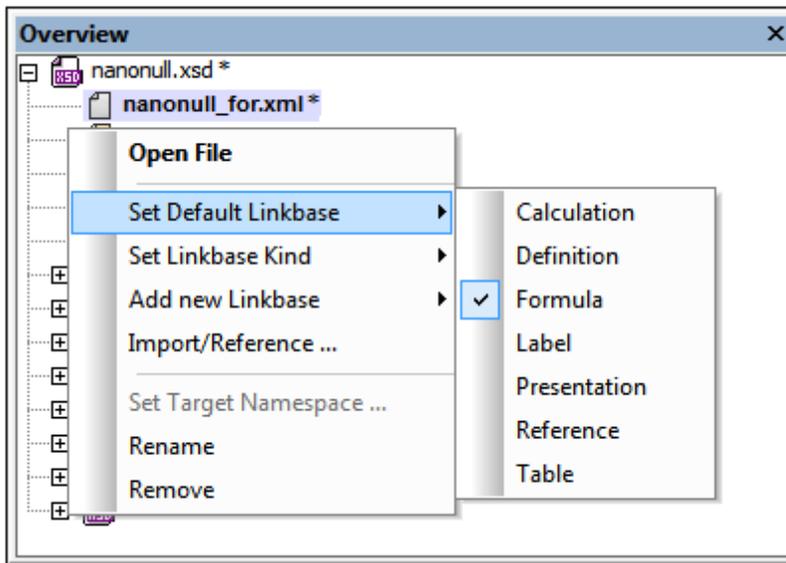
The Formula tab is used together with the Overview entry helper and Details entry helper to create and edit formulas. The Overview entry helper is used to set the default linkbase for XBRL formulas (the file in which the formulas will be saved by default), while the Details entry helper can be used to edit the properties and content of formula components (although such editing can be carried out directly in the Formula tab).

### 12.2.1 Formula Linkbases and Link Roles

While standard XBRL linkbases (Definitions, Presentations, Calculations) define relationships between concepts via locators and standard arcs in standard extended links, a formula linkbase defines formula components (formulae, variables, filters, assertions, etc) and their relationships. These definitions are specified via resources and generic arcs in generic extended links.

### Adding a formula linkbase

In the Overview entry helper (*screenshot below*), right-click the taxonomy file or an existing linkbase and select **Add New Linkbase | Formula**. The added linkbase will become the default formula linkbase file. The default formula linkbase file is the file into which new formula definitions will be saved when the taxonomy file is saved. If you wish to make another formula linkbase file the default formula linkbase, right-click it and select **Set Default Linkbase | Formula** (see *screenshot below*).



Note that default linkbases are displayed in bold and that linkbases that have been modified but not yet saved are marked with an asterisk.

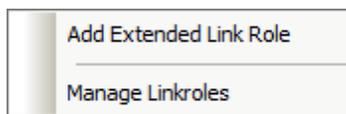
The formula linkbase is displayed in the Formula tab.

**Note:** If a [formula component is added to the taxonomy](#) at a time when no formula linkbase exists, a formula linkbase is created automatically.

### Link Roles

As is the case with standard extended links (for Definitions, Presentations, Calculations), generic links must define an extended link role value, which partitions relationships of the same type into disjoint networks. All generic extended links with the same link role are combined under one link role node in the diagram in the Formula tab, *even if they reside in different linkbase files*.

Generic link roles can be created in the diagram via the context menu of the background area (*screenshot below*). Note, however, that this context menu will be displayed only if the View Option combo box of the Formula tab has been switched to *Show All Extended Link Roles*.

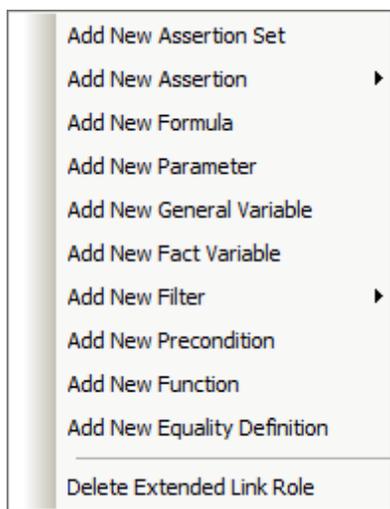


This menu is also available via the  toolbar icon, *Add Extended Link / Manage Linkroles*. Since relationship networks are not that important for a formula linkbase, the default view of the Formula tab is *Hide Extended Link Roles*, which hides the link roles and, instead, shows the formula components without their link roles.

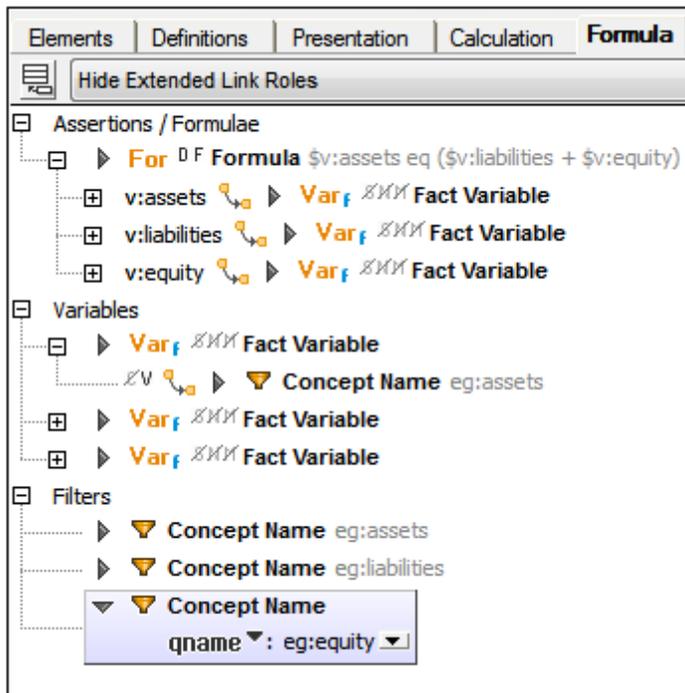
If there is no default formula linkbase file at the time the extended link role is created, a default formula linkbase file will be created automatically. And if there is no link role in the default linkbase file at the time a link role is created, then a link role will be created automatically in the default linkbase file.

### 12.2.2 Formula Components

New formula components are created via the context menu of a link role node (*screenshot below*); or, with the view set to *Hide Extended Link Roles*, via the toolbar icon,  *Add New Formula Component*.



The mechanisms involved in the addition of the various components are described in the subsections of this section. After a formula component has been added, it is displayed in the diagram in the Formula tab (*see screenshot below*).



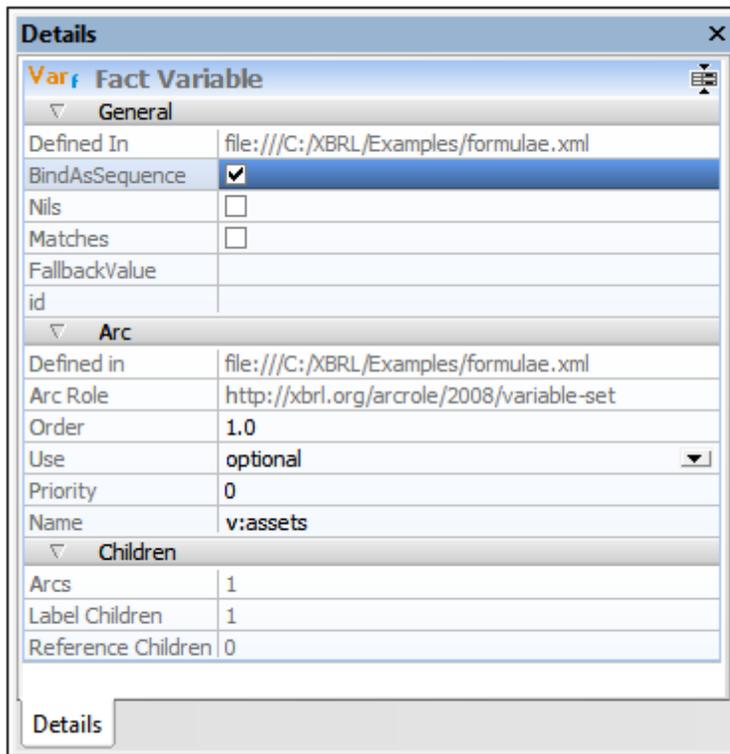
For reasons of clarity, formula components are divided into sections with relationships to other components (the arcs) being displayed within a tree structure (see screenshot above).

The properties of components and of relationships (arcs) are shown in the diagram as icons to the left of the component or arc respectively (see screenshot below).



For example, in the screenshot above, the Fact Variable component has three properties, `BindAsSequence` (indicated by an `S` icon), `Nils` (`N` icon), and `Matches` (`M` icon). These are all boolean properties. The first (`BindAsSequence`) has a value of `true`, which is indicated in the diagram by having no line through the icon. The other two properties have a value of `false` (indicated by a line through each). The arc (below the variable) has two properties, the first one is boolean `false`, the second boolean `true`.

In the Details entry helper of the Fact Variable (screenshot below), the variable's properties are listed under the *General* section. The values of boolean properties are indicated by a check for `true` and no check for `false`.



To see the properties of an arc in the Details entry helper select the `to` (destination) component in the diagram; the arc's properties will be listed in the *Arc* section.

### Context menus in the Formula Editor

The context menus of formula components vary according to the type of component. The menu items are organized into sections, as follows:

- Content modification (for formulas, some filters, custom functions): for example, *Append/Insert Aspect Rule*
- Relation modifications (for sub-items only): *Override/Remove Arc*
- *Add Labels/References*
- Creation of new child components (including relationships): for example, *Add New Filter*
- Deletion of component (including of relationships)
- *Find Next/Previous Occurrence* (of component)

**Note:** Content items that can be created or removed via the context menu are displayed in the Details entry helper in additional sections, such as *Concept Aspect Rule*.

### Assertions and Assertion Sets

There are three types of assertions:

- Value Assertions
- Existence Assertions
- Consistency Assertions

### **Value assertions**

Value assertions are the most used formula linkbase feature, providing a way to check input XBRL instance facts against an XPath expression. It provides the properties *Aspect Model* and *Implicit Filtering* as icons. The value of the property `test` is an XPath expression.

### **Existence assertions**

An existence assertion is useful for checks of static existence, such as to assure that document descriptive facts such as form type, company identification, and filing identification are present. It provides the properties *Aspect Model* and *Implicit Filtering* as icons. The value of the property `test` is an XPath expression.

### **Consistency assertions**

A consistency assertion specifies how to determine whether an output fact, produced by the associated formula, is consistent with all aspect matched facts in the input XBRL instance. It provides the Boolean property `strict` as an icon. The values of the properties *Absolute Acceptance Radius* and *Proportional Acceptance Radius* are XPath expressions.

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### **Assertion satisfied/unsatisfied messages**

These sub-components of assertions enable the association of messages with assertion evaluations: satisfied messages with successful evaluations, unsatisfied messages with unsuccessful messages. These messages can be added via the context menu of individual assertions.

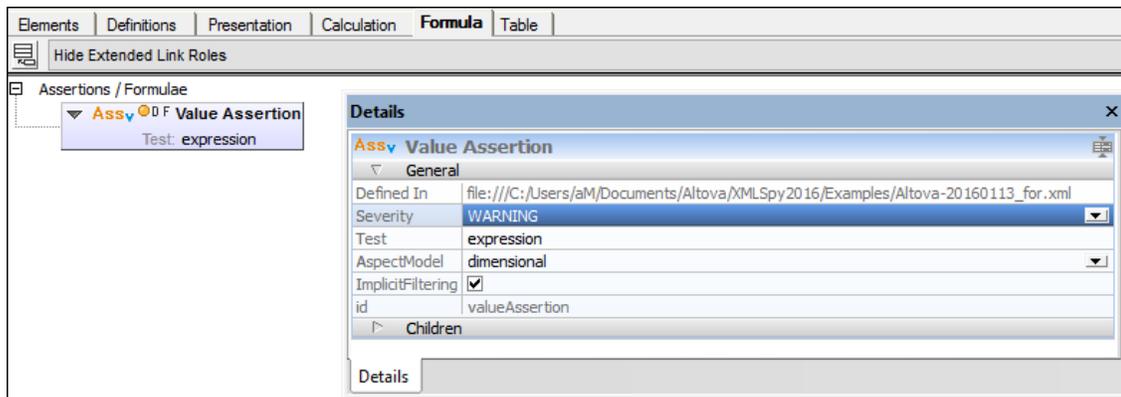
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### **Assertion-unsatisfied-severity relationships**

An assertion is either satisfied or unsatisfied. However, since assertions have rules that are of a different importance level, unsatisfied assertions are classified according to the severity of that particular assertion non-satisfaction. There are three standard severity levels: `ERROR`, `WARNING`, and `OK`. The default severity is `ERROR`. It is invoked when an assertion is not associated with a defined severity.

The assertion-unsatisfied-severity relationship is between an assertion and one of the defined severity resources. It is expressed by an XLink arc with: (i) an arcrole value of `http://xbrl.org/arcrole/PR/2015-11-180/assertion-unsatisfied-severity`, (ii) an assertion as its start resource; and (iii) a severity resource as its end resource.

In the Taxonomy Editor, the severity relationship can be specified by clicking the `Severity` icon of the Assertion component in the diagram (see *screenshot below*), and then selecting the severity level from the popup that appears. Alternatively, the severity level can be selected in the Detail entry helper of the Assertion (see *screenshot*).



## Assertion Sets

An assertion set contains one or more assertions. The context menu of an assertion set allows the addition of individual assertions to the assertion set.

## Formulas

A formula expresses a set of rules for constructing an output XBRL fact by transforming the values to which the variables in the formula's variable set have evaluated. The values of the variables are obtained from an input XBRL instance and its supporting DTS or from the application processing the formula.

The value rule is an XPath expression that yields the value to be assigned to the fact. It can be a simple expression, such as a constant, or it can contain terms which refer to variables and parameters of the variable set, chained values from other variable sets, and/or computed values from custom and built-in functions.

In XBRL, non-fraction numeric facts are reported with information about their accuracy in the form of a precision/decimals attribute. Therefore formulae may contain accuracy rules governing the determination of the accuracy to be asserted for an output fact.

Along with rules for determining output fact values and their precision, formulae specify or imply aspect rules that determine values for all of the output aspects required to interpret output values. Rules for determining the output concept, the output context, and the output units of measurement (for numeric facts) are all different types of aspect rules.

An aspect may be obtained (in part or full) from a bound variable of the evaluation by specifying a source. The source may be specified on a rule or may be inherited from a source on the formula (or tuple) element. When there are multiple sources, the nearest one to an aspect rule prevails.

When a formula is inserted, it has no accuracy or aspect rule (*screenshot below*).



Accuracy and aspect rules are defined within the formula's content and are added (or removed) via the context menu. The screenshot below shows a formula with all possible accuracy and aspect rules.



In the Details entry helper, accuracy and aspect rules are displayed in additional sections.

### **Accuracy rule**

Kind: precision or decimals

Value: XPath expression

### **Aspect rules**

Aspect rules are grouped by kind.

#### Concept rules

Kind: QName, expr, or source

Value: Concept's QName, XPath expression, or source variable (or the uncovered QName)

#### Entity identifier rules

Source: source variable (or the uncovered QName)

Scheme/value: XPath expressions

#### Period rules

Kind: instant, duration, forever or source

Value: Value's XPath expression, start/end/source, no value or source variable (or the uncovered QName)

#### Explicit dimension rules

Dimension: QName of the dimension, affected by the explicit dimension rule.

Kind: qname, exp, omit or source

Value: Member's QName, Member's XPath expression, no value or source variable (or the uncovered QName)

#### Typed dimension rules

Dimension: QName of the dimension, affected by the typed dimension rule.

Kind: xpath, value, omit or source

Value: XPath expression, XML element, no value or source variable (or the uncovered QName)

#### Open context component rules

OCC rules are grouped by kind, that is, by segment OCC rules and scenario OCC rules.

Source: Source variable defined in the first OCC rule.

For each OCC rule:

Kind: empty, fragments, or xpath

Value: No value, XML elements, or XPath expression

#### Unit rules

The Boolean flag *Augment* specifies whether the source aspect value has to be used or not.

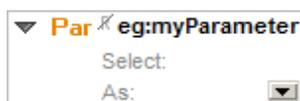
For each unit multiplication/division rule:

Kind: \*measure, /measure or \*source, /source

Value: Measure's XPath expression or source variable (or the uncovered QName)

## Parameters

A parameter can be referenced in XPath expressions. It provides a *Required* flag. If set, the parameter is mandatory, that is, its value must be supplied by the processing application. If the parameter is not mandatory and no value is supplied by the processing application, then the supplied value may be computed using the XPath expression given in the property *Select*. The optional property *As* specifies the datatype required by the parameter.



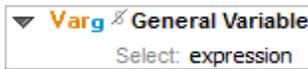
## Variables

Variables declare a way of binding input data, usually fact items, to a name that can be referenced by variable name, such as from within an assertion or formula expression. Variables that bind to input fact items are fact variables and use filters to declare what they can bind to in the input. General variables are used for intermediate expression results and other kinds of processing.

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## General variable

A general variable provides the Boolean property Bind As Sequence as an icon. The value of the property Select is an XPath expression.



### Fact variable

A fact variable provides the Boolean properties Bind As Sequence, Nils, and Matches as icons. The value of the property Fallback Value is an XPath expression.



### Filters

A filter defines selection criteria for facts in the input XBRL instance, that is, the XBRL instance that variables are evaluated against. Filters express criteria that can be applied to input facts. Some filters may have XML content displayed in sub-lines.

#### Aspect cover

These filters do not perform any "filtering", and thus have no implied XPath expression. They are processed or applied after other filters (such as concept and dimension) and override the cover state of aspects resulting from the application of the other filters.

One or more aspect items

Kind: aspect, dim-qname/excl-dim-qname or dim-exp/excl-dim-exp

Value: aspect kind (enum), dimension's QName or XPath expression

Items are displayed in entry helper Details in additional sections.

#### Boolean filters

Boolean filters are related to sub-filters.

The and-filter matches facts based upon criteria expressed by each one of its sub-filters.

▶  AND

The or-filter matches facts based upon criteria expressed by any one of its sub-filters.

▶  OR

#### Concept name

The concept name filter matches facts based upon the names of their concepts.



One or more concepts:

Kind: qname or exp

Value: concept's QName or XPath expression  
 Concepts are displayed in entry helper Details in additional sections.

#### Concept data type

The concept data-type filter can be used to match facts based upon its XML Schema data type.



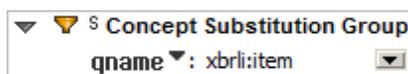
Boolean flag: "strict" specifies whether the fact's data-type must be un-derived or not.

Kind: qname or exp

Value: data-type's QName or XPath expression

#### Concept substitution group

The concept substitution-group filter can be used to match facts based on its XML Schema substitution group.



Boolean flag: "strict" specifies whether the fact's concept must specify the element in its @substitutionGroup attribute directly or not.

Kind: qname or exp

Value: substitution-group's QName or XPath expression

#### Concept period type

The concept period-type filter can be used to match facts based on whether they report values for duration-type or instant-type concepts, as determined by the @xbrli:periodType attribute.

▶ **Concept Period Type** ⓘ

#### Concept balance

The concept balance filter can be used to match facts based on whether they have an @xbrli:balance attribute and whether it has a value of debit or credit.

▶ **Concept Balance** ⓘ

#### Concept custom attribute

The concept custom-attribute filter can be used to match facts based on the existence or value of a custom attribute in each concept's declaration.



Kind: qname or exp

Value: attribute's QName or XPath expression

Concept relation

The concept relation filter matches facts based upon the effective relationships of their concepts to the source concept, in a specified linkrole URI network of effective relationships, of a specified arcrole URI, on a specified axis, inclusive of specified generations, and meeting an optional test expression.

▼ **Concept Relation**

Source **variable** ▼: var ▼

Linkrole **uri** ▼:

Linkname **none** ▼

Arcrole **uri** ▼:

Arcname **none** ▼

Axis: **child** ▼

Generations:

Test:

Source: Kind = variable, qname or exp  
 Linkrole: Kind = uri or exp  
 Linkname: Kind = none, qname or exp  
 Arcrole: Kind = uri or exp  
 Arcname: Kind = none, qname or exp

Explicit dimension

An explicit dimension domain is defined in the context of a given DTS as the set of all domain members in the union of all domains of valid members of the filter dimension. The explicit dimension filter can be used to match facts with any one of the domain members in an explicit dimension domain as the value for that explicit dimension.

▼ **Explicit Dimension**

**qname** ▼: eg:myExplDim ▼

**M** **qname** ▼: test ▼

Linkrole:

Arcrole:

Axis: ▼

Dimension kind: qname or exp  
 One or more members:  
 Kind: variable, qname or exp  
 Members are displayed in entry helper Details in additional sections.

Typed Dimension

The typed dimension filter can be used to match facts based upon the value for a typed dimension.

▼ **Typed Dimension**

**qname** ▼: eg:myTypedDim ▼

Test:

Dimension kind: QName or Exp

#### Entity identifier filter

The entity identifier filter can be used to match facts based upon characteristics of the entity identification scheme and/or the entity identification value.



#### Specific entity scheme

The specific entity-scheme filter can be used to match facts based upon whether they report values for the scheme identified by the filter.



#### Regular expression entity scheme

The regular-expression entity-scheme filter can be used to match facts based upon regular patterns in the text of the entity scheme.



#### Specific entity identifier

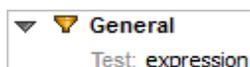
The specific entity-identifier filter can be used to match facts based upon whether they report values using the entity identifier value given by the filter.

#### Regular expression entity identifier

The regular-expression entity-identifier filter can be used to match facts based upon regular patterns in the text of the entity identifier value.

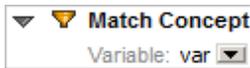
#### General

The general filter does not cover any aspect.



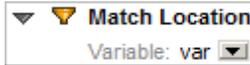
#### Match concept

The concept matching filter can be used to select facts that report values for the same concept.



#### Match location

The location matching filter can be used to select facts that have the same parent element.



#### Match unit

The unit matching filter can be used to select facts that have the same unit.

#### Match entity identifier

The entity-identifier matching filter can be used to select facts with the same entity identifier.

#### Match period

The period matching filter can be used to select facts that have the same period.

#### Match dimension

The dimension matching filter can be used to select facts that have the same value for a specified XBRL Dimension.



#### Match complete segment

The complete-segment matching filter can be used to select facts that have the same segment, where the content of the segment is not interpreted based on the XBRL Dimensions Specification.

#### Match non-XDT segment

The non-XDT segment matching filter can be used to select facts that have the same segment, after excluding any XBRL Dimensions Specification content from the comparison.

#### Match complete scenario

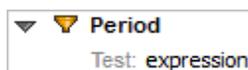
The complete-scenario matching filter can be used to select facts that have the same scenario, where the content of the scenario is not interpreted based on the XBRL Dimensions Specification.

### Match non-XDT scenario

The non-XDT scenario matching filter can be used to select facts that have the same scenario, after excluding any XBRL Dimensions Specification content from the comparison.

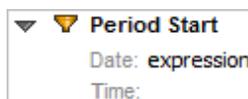
### Period

The period filter can be used to match facts based upon a broad range of criteria relating to the period over which or at which they have been measured.



### Period start

The period-start filter can be used to match facts based upon the start of the duration over which they have been measured.



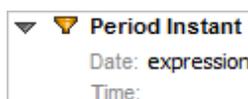
### Period end

The period-end filter can be used to match facts based upon the end of the duration over which they have been measured.



### Period instant

The period-instant filter can be used to match facts based upon the instant at which they have been measured.



### Period forever

The forever filter can be used to match facts that are reported with a forever period.



### Period instant duration

The instant-duration filter can be used to match facts that are reported at an instant where that instant matches the start or end of the duration for which another fact has been reported.

### Relative

The relative filter can be used to select facts for which the aspects that are covered by the relative filter, have values that match the corresponding aspects of another fact. The fact that is being matched to by the relative filter must be the evaluation result of another fact variable in the variable set being evaluated.

### Segment

The segment filter can be used to match facts that have non-XDT content satisfying specified constraints. Non-XDT content refers to segment content that is not based upon the explicit or typed dimensions defined in the XBRL Dimensions Specification.

### Scenario

The scenario filter can be used to match facts that have non-XDT content satisfying specified constraints. Non-XDT content refers to scenario content that is not based upon the explicit or typed dimensions defined in the XBRL Dimensions Specification.

### Tuple parent

The parent filter can be used to select facts that have a specified parent element.

Kind: qname or exp

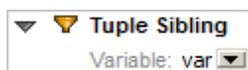
### Tuple ancestor

The ancestor filter can be used to select facts that have a specified ancestor element.

Kind: qname or exp

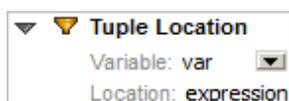
### Tuple sibling

The sibling filter can be used to select facts that are siblings of another fact.



### Tuple location

The location filter can be used to select facts that have a specified location relative to the location of another fact.



### Unit single measure

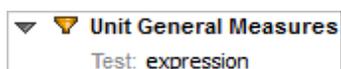
The single-measure unit filter can be used to match facts that are reported with a unit that is specified by a single measure.



Kind: qname or exp

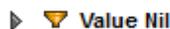
### Unit general measures

The general unit filter can be used to select facts based on criteria that involve a number of unit measures.



### Value nil

The nil filter can be used to match facts that are reported as nil.



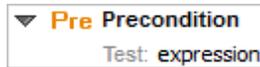
### Value Precision

The precision filter can be used to match facts based on their having a minimum actual or inferred precision, noting that precision can be inferred from the value of the @decimal attribute. Note that the precision filter will not select facts if the filter implies an infinite minimum required precision. The filter will also not select non-numeric facts or facts that are reported with a nil value.



## Preconditions

Preconditions provide a way of determining if a set of bound variables can activate a formula value and output fact or an assertion value test or existence count.

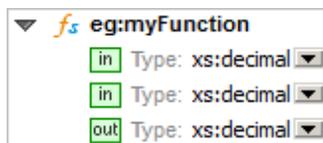


## Functions

A custom function is an XPath function that is not defined in the XPath and XQuery Functions specification and that is also not defined in the XBRL Functions registry. Custom functions may be used within XPath expressions.

### Function Signature

The function signature is as in the screenshot below.

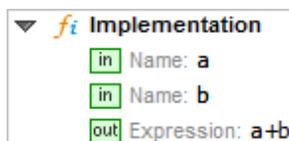


The child elements, if any, of a custom function signature specify the data types of the custom function's input parameters. The ordering of the custom function's input parameters matches the document order of the child elements of the custom function signature.

Inputs are displayed in the Details entry helper in additional sections.

### Function Implementation

The function implementation is as in the screenshot below.



A custom function implementation (CFI) contains a sequence of child elements that serve to define names for the function inputs, to express the XPath expressions that comprise the custom function implementation, and to define the custom function output.

A Function-Implementation relationship is a relationship between a custom function signature and a custom function implementation. Since a function implementation has to be the target of a function-implementation relationship, it is always displayed under the corresponding function signature. If the relationship is missing (or the signature is defined under a different linkrole), the implementation is shown directly under the *Functions* section.

Inputs and steps are displayed in the Details entry helper in additional sections.

## Equality Definitions

An equality definition is a definition of equality between any two values in a typed-dimension domain definition. A typed-dimension domain definition is the element in an XML Schema that defines the content model for a typed dimension and that is identified as such by an `@xbrldt:typedDomainRef` attribute on the XML Schema element declaring a typed dimension. An equality-definition relationship, which is the relationship between a typed-dimension domain definition and an equality definition, is displayed as reverse relation between the equality definition and the corresponding typed dimension.

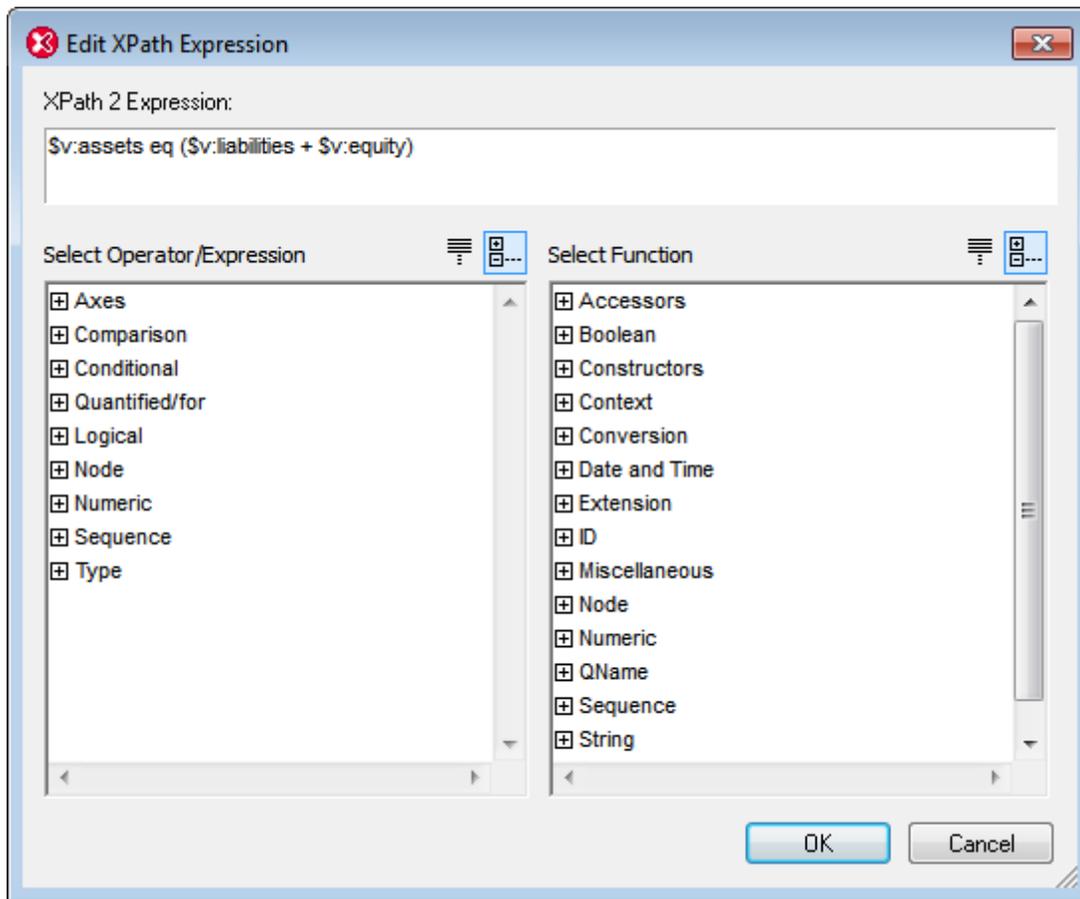


An equality-definition relationship can be established by dragging a typed dimension from the Global Elements entry helper onto an equality definition component. Note that neither the equality definition nor the typed dimension may be involved in an existing equality-definition relationship yet.

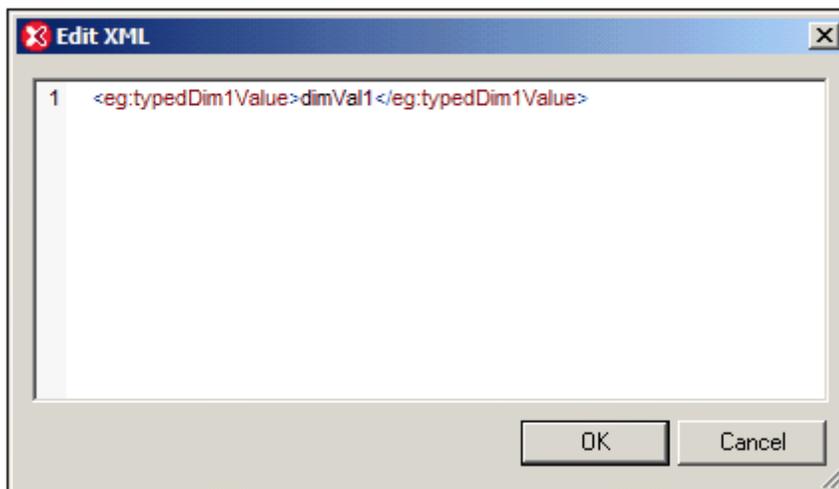
### 12.2.3 Editing Component Properties and Content

The properties of formula components can be edited directly in the diagram or in the Details entry helper.

In the diagram, when a component is collapsed, either its name (if it has one), or the value of the appropriate default property is displayed in gray next to the component's description text. Double-clicking the component expands it. Double-clicking a property puts the property in editing mode. If a property or content contains an XPath expression, the Edit XPath expression pops up.



When editing XML content, such as the content of *Value* within a formula's Typed Dimension Aspect Rule or the content of *Fragments* within a formula's OCC Aspect Rule, the Edit XML dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up. (Right-click a formula to add an aspect rule.)



After entering XML text and clicking **OK**, the XML text will be entered as content in the property. If the XML text is not well-formed, a message to this effect pops up and the text will not be allowed.

## 12.2.4 Formula Component Relationships

A relationship between two formula components can be created by linking one formula component to another via drag-and-drop. The relationships are shown with arcs in the diagram (see *screenshot below*).



The following display and editing possibilities exist:

- The order of a component's children depends on the values of the arc-property *Order*, which can be modified by moving children via drag-and-drop (see *screenshot above*).
- A child component can be dragged onto or under a different parent component in order to copy or move the relation (and its properties).
- When creating a new component via the context menu of an existing (parent) component, the relationship (arc) is also generated automatically.
- The commands **Override Arc** and **Remove Arc** in a child component's context menu serve to, respectively, override and remove the relationship between the component and its parent.
- As with concept relations, multiple arcs of overridden relations are displayed in sub-lines (see *screenshot above*).

**Note:** The arcrole of formula component relationships cannot be modified.

### Variable-set relationships

A variable-set relationship is a relationship between (i) a variable-set resource (a value assertion, existence assertion, or formula) and (ii) a variable (fact variable or general variable) or a parameter. The *Name* of a variable or parameter is displayed in front of the arc icon (screenshot below).



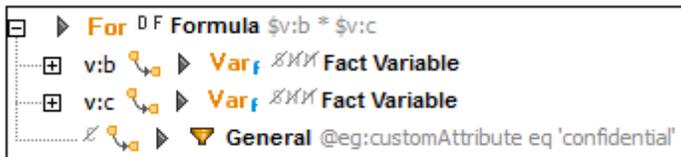
### Variable-filter relationships

A variable-filter relationship is a relationship between a fact variable and a filter. If the Boolean flag *Complement* (a  $\ominus$  icon in the diagram) is set, the relationship is a complemented variable-filter relationship. If the Boolean flag *Cover* (a  $\nabla$  icon in the diagram) is set, the relationship is a covering variable-filter relationship (*shown in the screenshot below*). In this case the filter covers aspects of the facts being filtered.



### Variable-set-filter relationships

A variable-set-filter relationship (*see screenshot below*) is a relationship between a variable-set resource and a filter. A filter participating in a variable-set-filter relationship is, by definition, associated with each of the fact variables in the variable set defined by the resource that it is related to. The Boolean flag *Complement* specifies whether variables use the filter complement. All filters that are associated with fact variables by variable-set-filter relationships, by definition, do not cover any aspects.

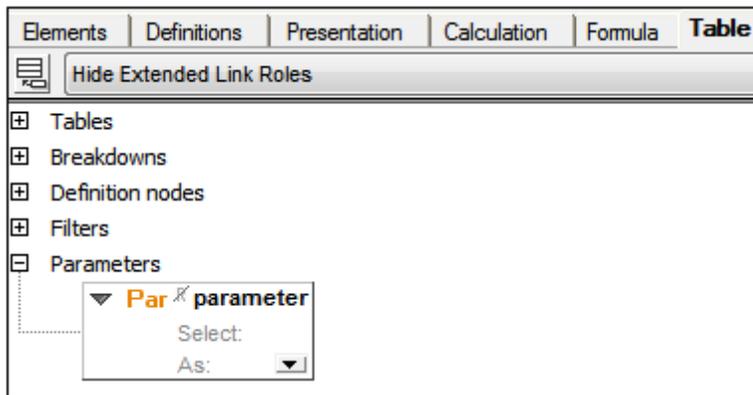


### Building formulas visually in Table Layout Preview

XBRL Taxonomy developers can also take advantage of XBRL Table Preview for a point-and-click approach to building XBRL Formulas. This functionality is explained in the section, [Building Formulas in Table Layout Preview](#).

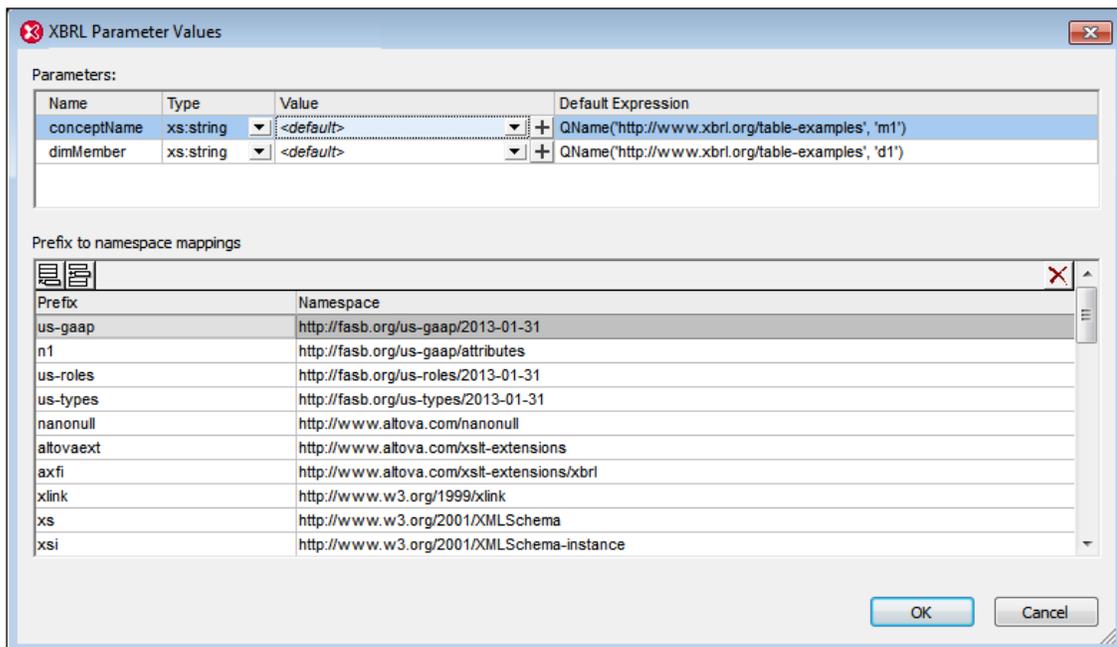
## 12.2.5 Formula Parameters

XBRL parameters can be used in XPath expressions in formulas and in table definitions. Parameters that will be used as formula parameters (residing in the formula linkbase) are created in the Formula tab, while table parameters (residing in the table linkbase) are created in the Table tab. Both formula parameters and table parameters can be local or global. Local parameters are essentially global parameters that are linked to the respective component (formula or table) at the time of its creation. Local parameters are created by right-clicking the component (formula or table) and selecting **Add New Parameter**, while global parameters are created by right-clicking in a blank area of the respective tab and selecting **Add New Parameter**. This adds a new parameter named `parameter` in the diagram (*the screenshot below shows a global parameter*). To change the parameter name, double-click the name and edit it.



Every parameter has a *Required* flag. If set, the parameter is mandatory, that is, its value must be supplied by the processing application. If the parameter is not mandatory and no value is supplied by the processing application, then the supplied value may be computed using the XPath expression given in the property *Select*. Double-click in the *Select* field to enter an XPath expression. This value will be the default value of the parameter. The optional property *As* specifies the datatype required by the parameter. Choose a datatype from the dropdown list of the combo box.

In the case of parameters that will be used as table parameters, you can edit the parameter's datatype and provide a parameter value that overrides the default value. To do this, click **XBRL | Parameter Values**. Then, in the dialog that appears (*screenshot below*), enter a parameter value. This value will override the default value. Since parameters that are used as table parameters can take multiple values, you can add additional parameter values for a parameter by clicking the + icon in the *Value* column.



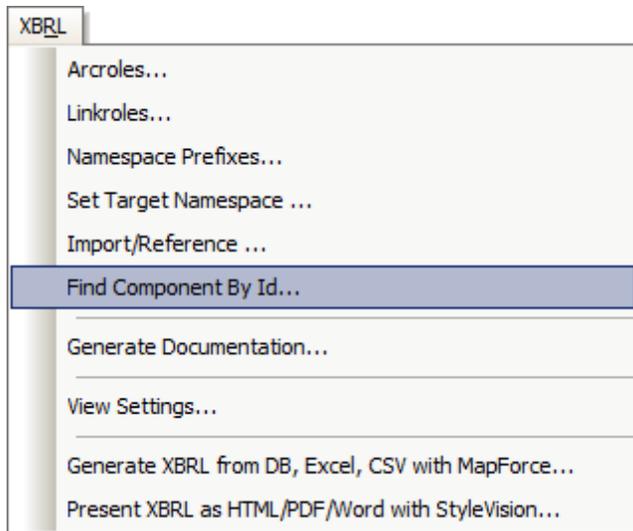
The values of global parameters as assigned in this dialog are evaluated for table parameters only. Values of parameters used in formulas are not editable in this dialog.

## 12.2.6 Finding Formula Components

Formula components can be found using their IDs and by navigating through the occurrences of the component in the document.

### Find formula component by id

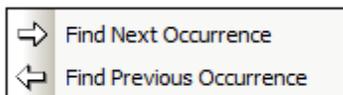
In taxonomies with large formula linkbases containing several components of the same kind, it might be helpful to search for a component by its ID. The menu command **XBRL | Find Formula Component By Id** enables a search by ID.



On clicking the command a dialog pops asking for the ID to find.

### Find component occurrences

Most formula components are displayed within the formula linkbase diagram multiple times: (i) the definition, which is located directly under the appropriate section node, and (ii) all references to the component (via relationships). The commands **Find Next Occurrence** and **Find Previous Occurrence** in the component's context menu (*screenshot below*) navigate to all places where that formula component is referenced.



These commands can also be accessed via their toolbar icons (*screenshot below*).



When the component's definition is reached, a message to that effect is displayed.

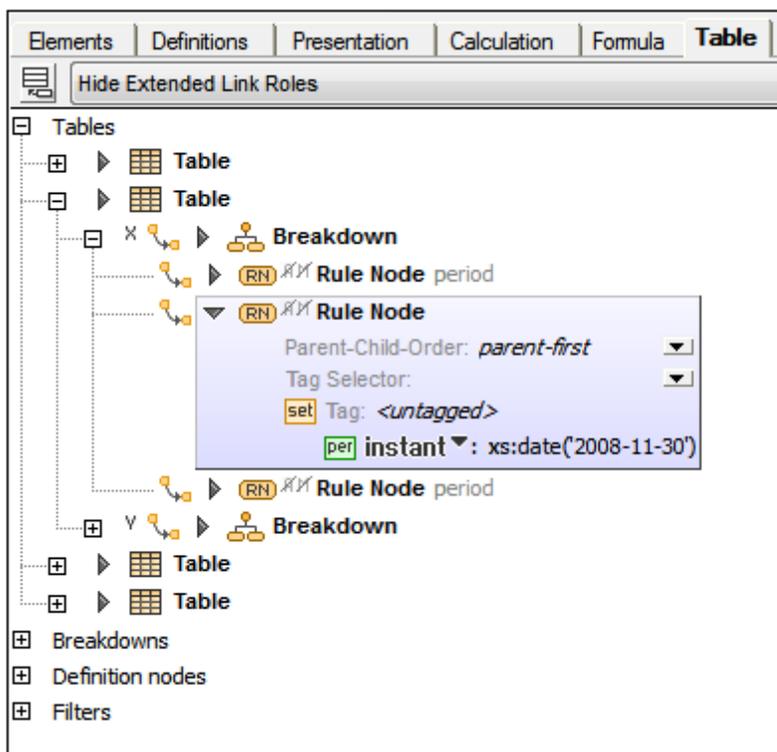
## 12.3 XBRL Table Definitions Editor

The XBRL specifications provide for a table linkbase that supplements the presentation linkbase. Tables provide an alternative way to define views of concepts defined in XBRL taxonomies. Rather than showing concepts as a hierarchy—as the presentation linkbase does—it enables tables to be defined with multiple axes. The components of axes need not be limited to individual items, but can be defined in terms of a combination of dimensions, time period references, units, entities, or any other property that can be used to identify the financial facts represented by taxonomies. An introduction to the syntax and semantics of XBRL table linkbases can be found at [XBRL Table Linkbase Overview 1.0](#) and at [Table Linkbase 1.0 Recommendation of 18 March 2014](#).

XMLSpy follows the [Table Linkbase 1.0 Recommendation of 18 March 2014](#), and uses the namespace <http://xbrl.org/2014/table>.

While the standard XBRL linkbases (presentation, calculation, definition) define relations between concepts via locators and standard arcs in standard extended links, a table linkbase contains components (tables, breakdowns, definition nodes, etc) and their relations via resources and generic arcs in generic extended links. The table linkbase specification defines a sequence of three models and processes for transforming each model into the next. The three models are: the definition model, the structural model and the layout (or rendering) model. The definition model is a model of the semantic content of the table linkbase. Tables are defined by their axes, and axis definitions are in turn composed of trees of definition nodes.

The XBRL Table Definitions Editor of XMLSpy is implemented as part of the application's XBRL Taxonomy Editor. It is available in the **Table tab** of XBRL View (see *screenshot below*).

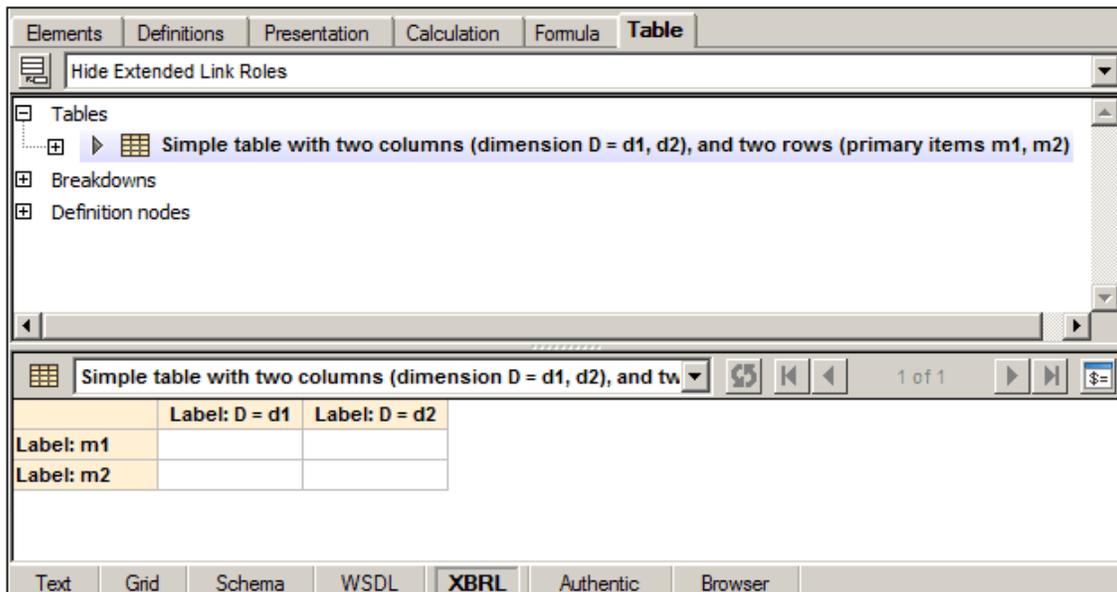


The Table tab is used together with the Overview entry helper and Details entry helper to create and edit table definitions. The Overview entry helper is used to set the default linkbase for XBRL

tables (the file in which the table definitions will be saved by default), while the Details entry helper can be used to edit the properties and content of table components. The Table tab itself also enables the direct editing of table definitions.

### XBRL Table Layout Preview

In order to preview the layout of a table definition, XBRL Taxonomy Editor provides an XBRL Table Layout Preview pane in Table tab of XBRL View (see *screenshot below*). When a table or table component is selected in the diagram, a preview of the table is shown in the Table Layout Preview pane below the diagram (see *screenshot below*). Alternatively, you can select a table from the dropdown list of the preview pane's combo box. This is a list of tables in the table linkbase.



For more information about the preview feature, see the following sections:

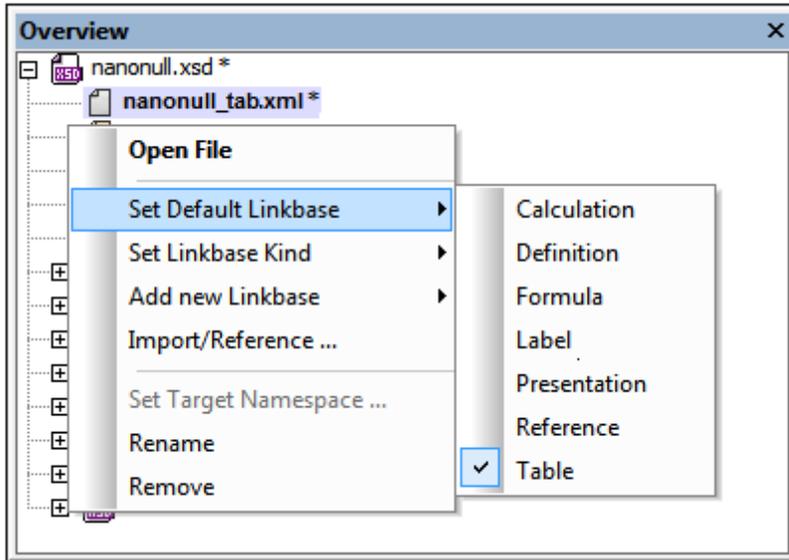
- [Table Structure](#)
- [Table Parameters](#)
- [Table Layout Preview](#)

### 12.3.1 Table Linkbases and Link Roles

While standard XBRL linkbases (Definitions, Presentations, Calculations) define relationships between concepts via locators and standard arcs in standard extended links, a table linkbase defines table components (tables, breakdowns, definition nodes, etc) and their relationships. These definitions are specified via resources and generic arcs in generic extended links.

#### Adding a table linkbase

In the Overview entry helper (*screenshot below*), right-click the taxonomy file or an existing linkbase and select **Add New Linkbase | Table**. The added linkbase will become the default table linkbase file. The default table linkbase file is the file into which new table definitions will be saved when the taxonomy file is saved. If you wish to make another table linkbase file the default table linkbase, right-click it and select **Set Default Linkbase | Table** (*see screenshot below*).



Note that default linkbases are displayed in bold and that linkbases that have been modified but not yet saved are marked with an asterisk.

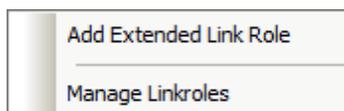
The table linkbase is displayed in the Table tab.

**Note:** If a [table component is added to the taxonomy](#) at a time when no table linkbase exists, a table linkbase is created automatically.

## Link Roles

As is the case with standard extended links (for Definitions, Presentations, Calculations), generic links must define an extended link role value, which partitions relationships of the same type into disjoint networks. All generic extended links with the same link role are combined under one link role node in the diagram in the Table tab, *even if they reside in different linkbase files*.

Generic link roles can be created in the diagram via the context menu of the background area (*screenshot below*). Note, however, that this context menu will be displayed only if the View Option combo box of the Table tab has been switched to *Show All Extended Link Roles*.



This menu is also available via the  toolbar icon, *Add Extended Link / Manage Linkroles*. Since relationship networks are not that important for a table linkbase, the default view of the Table tab

is *Hide Extended Link Roles*, which hides the link roles and, instead, shows the table components without their link roles.

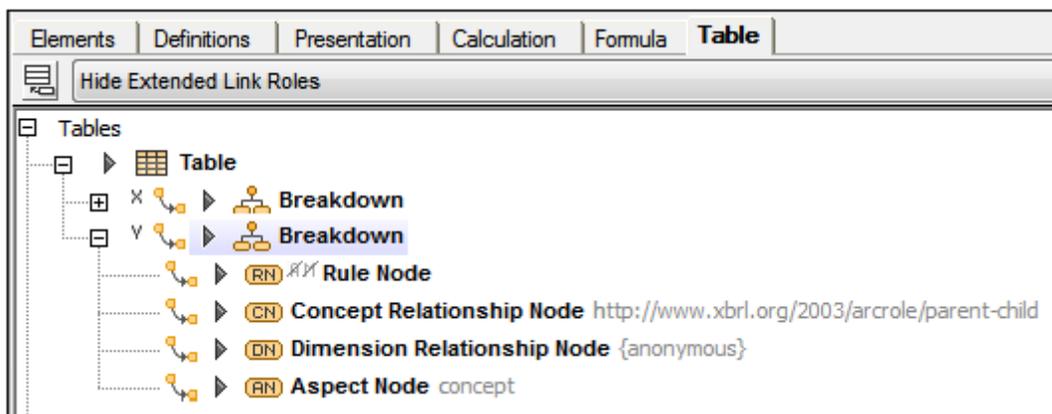
If there is no default table linkbase file at the time the extended link role is created, a default table linkbase file will be created automatically. And if there is no link role in the default linkbase file at the time a link role is created, then a link role will be created automatically in the default linkbase file.

### 12.3.2 Table Structure

The structure of a table in the table definition is defined by the table's axes (X,Y,Z) , each of which corresponds to one or more breakdown components (see *screenshot below*).

- The X and Y axes correspond, respectively, to the columns and rows of the generated table. They are described in the section, [X and Y Axes](#).
- If a Z axis is defined, it is presented as a separate table. See the section, [Z Axis](#).
- Each breakdown component can contain multiple table definition nodes (see *screenshot below*). There are different types of definition nodes:
  - rule nodes (RN icon in the screenshot below)
  - concept relationship nodes (CN)
  - dimension relationship nodes (DN), and
  - aspect nodes (AN).

See the section [Definition Nodes](#) for a description of the structural properties of these definition nodes.



#### Projections for multiple breakdowns

Multiple independent breakdowns may be associated with a single table axis. The mechanism for resolving how multiple breakdowns combined into a single “effective” breakdown is called [projection](#). The relative priority of multiple breakdowns for a single axis is determined by the `@order` attribute of each breakdown. The breakdowns are visualized as trees. For each leaf of the first breakdown, the entire second breakdown is attached, and so on, recursively.

In the screenshot below, for example, there are two breakdowns for the X axis: `dimension D` is ordered at a higher priority than `dimension E`. So, for each leaf of `dimension D` (`d1` and `d2`) the entire tree of `dimension E` is attached. Since the X axis generates columns, these breakdowns create a projection for the column structure of the table. See the table layout preview in the screenshot below.

The screenshot displays the 'Table' tab in the XBRL Table Definitions Editor. The main area shows a tree view of the table structure. The table is titled 'Table with dual breakdowns on the x-axis'. It has two columns defined by dimension D (d1, d2) and two rows defined by dimension E (e1, e2). The table layout preview shows a 2x4 grid with labels for each cell.

	Label: D = d1		Label: D = d2	
	Label: E = e1	Label: E = e2	Label: E = e1	Label: E = e2
Label: m1				
Label: m2				

## X and Y Axes

The X and Y axes determine, respectively, the columns and rows of a table. For each axis, one or more hierarchical breakdowns are defined (see *screenshot below*). The breakdown/s corresponding to a single axis are resolved into a single “effective” breakdown. If there is only one breakdown for an axis, then this breakdown will be the effective breakdown. If there are multiple breakdowns defined for an axis, the resolution method is as described further below in [Projections for multiple breakdowns](#).

The screenshot displays the XBRL Table Definitions Editor. The main window is divided into several sections:

- Top Tabs:** Elements, Definitions, Presentation, Calculation, Formula, Table (selected).
- Left Panel:** A tree view showing the structure of table definitions. The selected table is "Simple table with two columns (dimension D = d1, d2), and two rows (primary items m1, m2)".
- Table Preview:** A table with two columns: "Label: D = d1" and "Label: D = d2". The rows are "Label: m1" and "Label: m2".
- Details Panel:** A panel on the right showing the properties of the selected table. It includes sections for General, Rule Set, Arc, and Children.

Note the following axes-related properties and editing features:

- In table definitions, the X axis corresponds to columns of the generated table, while the Y axis corresponds to the table rows (see *screenshot of table layout preview above*).
- Each axis can have one or more breakdowns (see [Projections for multiple breakdowns](#) below).
- Each cell in the generated table has an orange-yellow background color. In the table definition, a cell corresponds to a definition node in a breakdown of the axis.
- When a cell is selected its corresponding definition node is also selected, and vice versa. The background color of cells of selected components is purple.
- When a component is selected, its properties are displayed in the Details entry helper and can be edited there (see *screenshot above*).
- Data cells have no background color. They are always empty because the taxonomy itself does not contain any facts.
- [Cell constraints](#) are calculated from the axes (using tag selectors if present) and displayed in the Constraints tab of the Details entry helper. See the screenshot in the section, [Z Axis](#).

### Projections for multiple breakdowns

Multiple independent breakdowns may be associated with a single table axis. The mechanism for resolving how multiple breakdowns combined into a single “effective” breakdown is called [projection](#). The relative priority of multiple breakdowns for a single axis is determined by the `@order` attribute of each breakdown. The breakdowns are visualized as trees. For each leaf of the first breakdown, the entire second breakdown is attached, and so on, recursively.

In the screenshot below, for example, there are two breakdowns for the X axis: `dimension D` is

ordered at a higher priority than `dimension E`. So, for each leaf of `dimension D` (`d1` and `d2`) the entire tree of `dimension E` is attached. Since the X axis generates columns, these breakdowns create a projection for the column structure of the table. See the table layout preview in the screenshot below.

	Label: D = d1		Label: D = d2	
	Label: E = e1	Label: E = e2	Label: E = e1	Label: E = e2
Label: m1				
Label: m2				

## Definition Nodes

Each breakdown component can contain multiple table definition nodes (see screenshot below).

There are different types of definition nodes:

- [Rule nodes](#) (RN icon in the screenshot above)
- [Concept relationship nodes](#) (CN)
- [Dimension relationship nodes](#) (DN)
- [Aspect nodes](#) (AN)

### Rule Nodes

A rule node defines aspect rules for one or more aspects: concept, period, unit, entity identifier, dimension, or open content aspect. The component in the definition tree corresponds with exactly one cell in the layout if the rule node is abstract or has no children. Otherwise, the layout contains an additional roll-up cell whose placement is determined by the effective value of the rule node's property `parentChildOrder`:

The screenshot shows the 'Table' tab in the XBRL Table Definitions Editor. The interface includes a tree view on the left and a configuration panel on the right. The tree view shows a table structure with three columns and two rows. The configuration panel for the selected rule node 'Label: D = d0' shows the following properties:

- Parent-Child-Order: *parent-first*
- Tag Selector:
  - Tag: `<untagged>`
  - Dimension: `rend:D`
  - qname: `rend:d0`
- Labels:
 

en	<code>http://www.xbrl.org/2008/role/label</code>	Label: D = d0
en	<code>http://www.xbrl.org/table-examples/coordinate-code</code>	1

The table layout at the bottom shows the following structure:

	Label: D = d0	
	Label: E = e1	Label: E = e2
Label: m1		
Label: m2		

The header of the layout cell is calculated from the rule node as follows:

- If the node is associated with a user-defined label, this label's text is displayed.
- If there is no label, but the node defines a single aspect constraint (concept, dimension, unit, entity-identifier, or period), its value is shown (for example, the concept's qualified name).
- Otherwise, the static text `Rule node` is used.

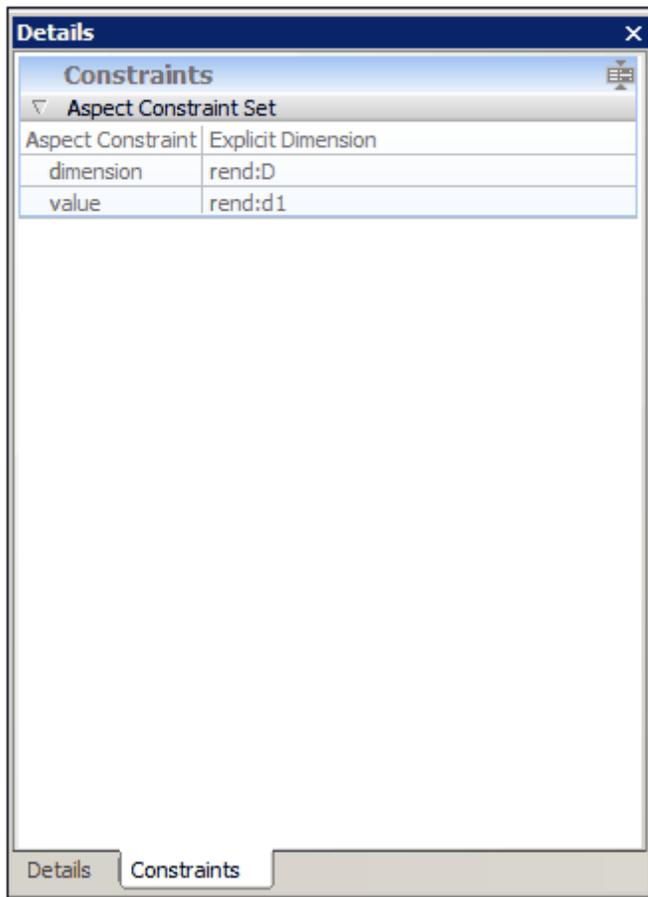
### Details entry helper

The definition node's properties are shown in the Details tab of the Details entry helper (screenshot below left). The Constraints tab (screenshot below right) provides a read-only view of the aspect constraint set/s that are calculated from the rule node's aspect rules.

The screenshot shows a window titled 'Details' with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The window displays the following information:

- Label:** D = d1
- General:**
  - Defined In: file:///C:/docs/XBRL/table/table-linkbase-cor
  - Abstract:
  - Merge:
  - ParentChildOrder: [dropdown]
  - TagSelector: [empty]
  - id: table1-x.1
- Rule Set:**
  - tag: <untagged>
  - Aspect Rule: Explicit Dimension
  - dimension: rend:D [dropdown]
  - kind: qname [dropdown]
  - qname: rend:d1 [dropdown]
- Arc:**
  - Defined in: file:///C:/docs/XBRL/table/table-linkbase-cor
  - Arc Role: http://xbrl.org/arcrole/2014/breakdown-tre
  - Order: 2.0
  - Use: optional [dropdown]
  - Priority: 0
- Children:**
  - Arcs: 0
  - Label Children: 2
  - Reference Children: 0

At the bottom of the window, there are two tabs: 'Details' (selected) and 'Constraints'.



### Merged rule nodes

A merged rule node indicates additional properties which apply to all of its children, that is, it contributes all of its constraints to every constraint set produced by its children (see *screenshot below*).

The screenshot displays the XBRL Table Definitions Editor interface. The top menu bar includes 'Elements', 'Definitions', 'Presentation', 'Calculation', 'Formula', and 'Table'. The 'Table' tab is active, showing a table definition titled 'Merge parent constraints into child rule node'. The table structure is defined by relationship nodes (RN) and is visualized as a tree of structural nodes. A pop-up window for the 'RM Rule Node' shows properties: Parent-Child-Order: parent-first, Tag Selector: <untagged>, Scheme: 'http://scheme', and Value: '01'. The table structure includes two columns (dimension D = d1, d2) with merged entity identifier constraint, and two rows (primary items m1, m2). The bottom part of the screenshot shows the corresponding network of concepts in the presentation linkbase, with a table structure defined by relationship nodes (RN) and a corresponding network of concepts in the presentation linkbase.

	01 (http://scheme)	01 (http://scheme)
	Label: D = d1	Label: D = d2
Label: m1		
Label: m2		

### Relationship Nodes

A concept or dimension relationship node resolves into a tree of structural nodes, defined by networks of concepts or explicit dimension members in the DTS. Therefore the component in the definition tree corresponds with a block of cells in the layout.

The screenshot at left shows a table definition containing a concept relationship node. The screenshot at right shows the corresponding network of concepts, in this case defined in the presentation linkbase.

Elements Definitions Presentation Calculation Formula **Table**

Hide Extended Link Roles

Tables

- 106 - Statement - Nanonull & Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
- 103 - Statement - Nanonull & Consolidated Statements of Income
- 091 - Disclosure - Segment Revenue and Operating Income
- 104 - Statement - Nanonull & Consolidated Balance Sheets
  - Breakdown
  - Breakdown
  - CN Concept Relationship Node**
    - Arcrole uri: http://www.xbrl.org/2003/arcrole/parent-child
    - Arcname none
    - Linkrole uri: http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/StatementOfFinancialPositionClassified
    - Linkname none
    - Source qname: us-gaap:StatementLineItems
    - Axis value: descendant
    - Generations value: 0
    - Parent-Child-Order: parent-first
    - Tag Selector:
- 105 - Statement - Nanonull & Consolidated Balance Sheets (Parenthetical)

Breakdowns

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104 - Statement - Nanonull & Consolidated Balance Sheets 1 of 1 \$=

			2010-08-31	2009-11-30	2
ASSETS	Current Assets	Cash and cash equivalents			
		Trade and other receivables, net			
		Inventories			
		Prepaid expenses and other			
		Total current assets			
	Property and Equipment, Net				
	Goodwill				
	Other Intangibles				
	Other Assets				
	Assets				
LIABILITIES AND SHARE	Current Liabilities	Short term borrowings			
		Current portion of long-term debt			
		Accounts Payable, Current			
		Accrued liabilities and other			
		Customer Deposits, Current			
	Total current liabilities				
	Long-term Debt, Excluding Current Maturities				
	Other Long-Term Liabilities and Deferred Income				
	Contingencies (Note 3)				
	Shareholders' Equity	Additional paid-in capital			
	Retained earnings				
	Accumulated other comprehensive				
	Treasury stock, 39 shares at 2011 an				
	Total shareholders' equity				
	Common Stock, Value, Issued				
	Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				

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The screenshot shows the XBRL Table Definitions Editor interface. The 'Presentation' tab is selected, and the 'Show All Extended Link Roles' window is open. The main tree displays the following structure:

- Statement of Financial Position [Abstract]
  - Statement [Table]
    - Legal Entity [Axis]
    - Class of Stock [Axis]
    - Statement [Line Items] (selected)
      - Name: us-gaap:StatementLineItems
      - Substitutiongroup: xbrli:item
      - Type: xbrli:stringItemType
      - Labels: http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/link
      - en-US http://www.xbrl.org/2003/role/label Statement [Line Items]
- ASSETS
  - Current Assets
    - Cash and cash equivalents
    - Trade and other receivables, net
    - Inventories
    - Prepaid expenses and other
    - Total current assets
  - Property and Equipment, Net
  - Goodwill
  - Other Intangibles
  - Other Assets
  - Assets
- LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
  - Current Liabilities
    - Short term borrowings
    - Current portion of long-term debt
    - Accounts Payable, Current
    - Accrued liabilities and other
    - Customer Deposits, Current
    - Total current liabilities
  - Long-term Debt, Excluding Current Maturities
  - Other Long-Term Liabilities and Deferred Income
  - Contingencies (Note 3)
  - Shareholders' Equity
    - Additional paid-in capital
    - Retained earnings
    - Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)
    - Treasury stock, 39 shares at 2011 and 2010 of Nanonull Inc. and 31 shares a
    - Total shareholders' equity
    - Common Stock, Value, Issued
    - Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity

The bottom of the window shows a navigation bar with buttons for Text, Grid, Schema, WSDL, XBRL (selected), Authentic, and Browser.

A relationship node has exactly one aspect constraint: concept or explicit dimension. Therefore

the header of each layout cell is the concept's label (if it exists) or its qualified name. The Details tab of the Details entry helper shows the properties of the relationship node, whereas the Constraints tab provides the aspect constraint (set) that is defined by the cell focused in the layout.

### Aspect Nodes

An aspect node is an open definition node which directly specifies a single participating aspect. During the layout process an aspect node expands to a cell for each distinct value of its participating aspect that is present among the facts of an XBRL instance file. Since the aspect value constraint is not fully determined by the node's definition and the DTS, the layout preview shows a place holder (see screenshot below).

The screenshot displays the XBRL Table Definitions Editor interface. The main window is titled 'Table' and shows a tree view of the table definition. The tree includes a table with two columns, 'Two columns (dimension D = d1, d2)', and an 'Aspect Node' for the concept. The 'Aspect Node' is expanded to show a 'Tag Selector' dropdown. Below the tree is a preview of the table layout, showing a table with two columns: 'Label: D = d1' and 'Label: D = d2'. The first row is labeled 'Concept (0..∞)'. The 'Details' panel on the right shows the 'Constraints' tab, which displays an 'Aspect Constraint Set' table with two columns: 'Aspect Constraint' and 'Concept'. The table contains one row with 'name' and 'calculated during expansion'.

Aspect Constraint	Concept
name	calculated during expansion

### Z Axis

If a table definition contains a Z axis, this axis will be interpreted as a multiple two-dimensional table. In the Table Layout Preview, the Z axis is displayed as a separate table above the XY table (see screenshot below).

The screenshot displays the XBRL Table Definitions Editor. The main window is titled 'Table' and shows a tree view of tables under 'Simple table with z-axis'. The tree includes:

- z: Two slices (dimension F = f1, f2)
  - Label: F = f1
  - Label: F = f2
- x: Two columns (dimension D = d1, d2)
  - Label: D = d1
  - Label: D = d2
- y: Two rows (primary items m1, m2)
  - Label: m1
  - Label: m2

Below the tree is a table preview with a grid. The grid has two rows and two columns. The first row has labels 'Label: F = f1' and 'Label: F = f2'. The second row has labels 'Label: m1' and 'Label: D = d2'. The 'Details' pane on the right shows 'Constraints' for an 'Aspect Constraint Set' with the following table:

Aspect Constraint	Concept
name	rend:m1
dimension	rend:D
value	rend:d1
dimension	rend:F
value	rend:f1

If a table definition contains a Z axis, then at all times in the table preview, the focus will always be on **two** data cells (see screenshot above). Coordinates for all three axes are specified in this way: the X and Y coordinates in the XY table, and the Z coordinate in the Z table. You can see this in the screenshot above.

The axis-related properties and editing features are the same as for the [X and Y axes](#). [Cell constraints](#) are calculated from the axes (using tag selectors if present) and displayed in the Constraints tab of the Details entry helper (see screenshot above).

### Projections for multiple breakdowns

Multiple independent breakdowns may be associated with a single table axis. The mechanism for resolving how multiple breakdowns combined into a single “effective” breakdown is called [projection](#). The relative priority of multiple breakdowns for a single axis is determined by the `@order` attribute of each breakdown. The breakdowns are visualized as trees. For each leaf of the

first breakdown, the entire second breakdown is attached, and so on, recursively.

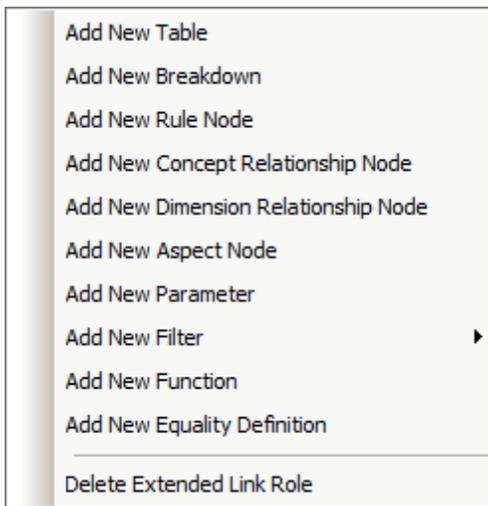
In the screenshot below, for example, there are two breakdowns for the X axis: `dimension D` is ordered at a higher priority than `dimension E`. So, for each leaf of `dimension D` (`d1` and `d2`) the entire tree of `dimension E` is attached. Since the X axis generates columns, these breakdowns create a projection for the column structure of the table. See the table layout preview in the screenshot below.

The screenshot shows the 'Table' tab in the XBRL Table Definitions Editor. The tree view displays a table structure with dual breakdowns on the x-axis. The table is defined by two columns (dimension D = d1, d2) and two rows (primary items m1, m2). The table layout preview shows a 2x4 grid with the following labels:

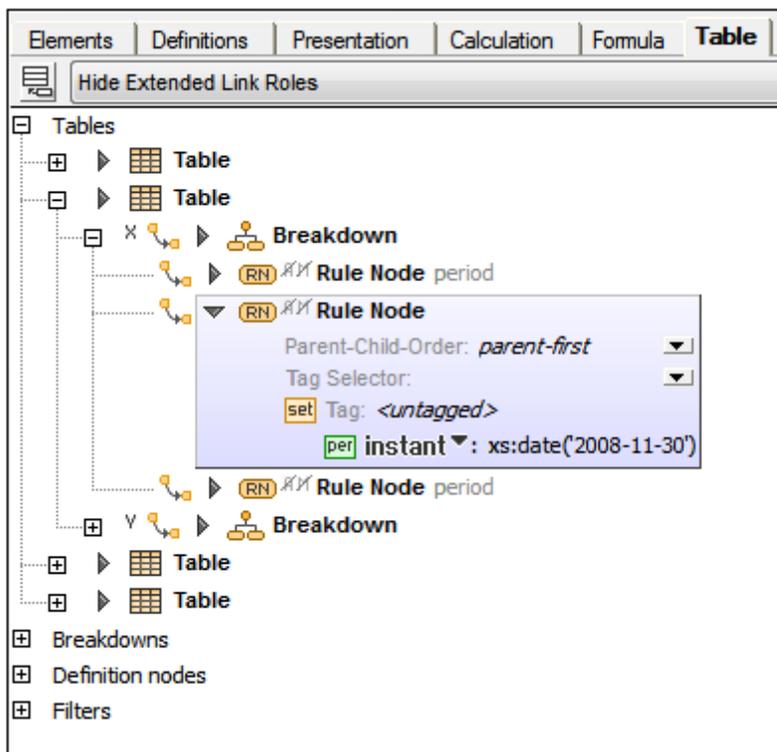
	Label: D = d1		Label: D = d2	
	Label: E = e1	Label: E = e2	Label: E = e1	Label: E = e2
Label: m1				
Label: m2				

### 12.3.3 Table Components

New table components are created via the context menu of a link role node (*screenshot below*); or, with the view set to *Hide Extended Link Roles*, via the toolbar icon,  *Add New Table Component*.



The mechanisms involved in the addition of the various components are described in the sub-sections of this section. After a table component has been added, it is displayed in the diagram in the Table tab (see screenshot below).



For reasons of clarity, table components are divided into sections with relationships to other components (the arcs) being displayed within a tree structure (see screenshot above). The properties of components and of relationships (arcs) are shown in the diagram as icons to the left of the component or arc respectively (see screenshot above).

The Details entry helper of the Rule Node highlighted in the screenshot above is shown below. The node's properties are listed under the *General* section. The values of boolean properties are

indicated by a check for `true` and no check for `false`. Additional sections list other details related of the node.

The screenshot shows a 'Details' dialog box with the following sections and properties:

- Rule Node**
  - General**
    - Defined In: file:///S:/Documentation/Public/ExampleFiles/EN/Carnival Corp/cc-20090831\_tab.xml
    - Abstract:
    - Merge:
    - ParentChildOrder: [dropdown]
    - TagSelector: [empty]
    - id: ruleNode 1
  - Rule Set**
    - tag: <untagged>
    - Aspect Rule: Period
    - kind: instant [dropdown]
    - value: xs:date('2009-08-31')
  - Arc**
    - Defined in: file:///S:/Documentation/Public/ExampleFiles/EN/Carnival%20Corp/cc-20090831\_tab.xml
    - Arc Role: http://xbrl.org/arcrole/PR/2013-12-18/breakdown-tree
    - Order: 1.0
    - Use: optional [dropdown]
    - Priority: 0
  - Children**
    - Arcs: 0
    - Label Children: 0
    - Reference Children: 0

To see the properties of an arc in the Details entry helper select the `to` (destination) component in the diagram; the arc's properties will be listed in the *Arc* section.

### Context menus in the Table Editor

The context menus of table components vary according to the type of component. The menu items are organized into sections, as follows:

- Relation modification (for sub-items only): *Override/Remove Arc*
- Content modification (rule node, relationship nodes): for example, *Append/Insert Aspect Rule*
- *Add Labels/References*
- Creation of new child components (including relationships): for example, *Add New Break down*
- Deletion of component (including of relationships)
- *Find Next/Previous Occurrence* (of component)

**Note:** Content items that can be created or removed via the context menu are displayed in the Details entry helper in additional sections, such as *Rule Set*.

## Table

A table provides the property `parent-child-order` (parent-first/children-first). It defines the default placement of roll-up nodes contributed by all closed definition nodes in the table for which it is not overridden.



## Breakdown

A breakdown provides the property `parent-child-order` (parent-first/children-first). It defines the default placement of roll-up nodes contributed by all closed definition nodes in the breakdown and overrides the value inherited from the table.



## Definition Node: Rule

A rule node is a closed definition node that defines constraints via aspect rules (see formula component). A rule node defines zero or more rule sets, that is, sets of aspect rules. Each rule set may specify a tag. At most, one of these rule sets may omit the tag. This untagged rule set is always displayed before all tagged rule sets. An empty untagged rule set is not displayed if at least one tagged rule set is present. A rule node provides two Boolean properties, `abstract` and `merge`, as icons. The screenshot below shows a rule node without aspect rules.



## Definition Node: Concept Relationship

A concept relationship node discovers concepts by performing a tree walk of an XBRL 2.1 network. The tree walk is uniquely identified by the network and one or more relationship sources. A concept relationship node has to identify a single network. In most cases, the combination of link role and arc role is sufficient to unambiguously identify the network, but it may be necessary to specify additional information such as the arc name or the name of the extended link.

▼ **CN** Concept Relationship Node

Arcrole **uri** ▼: `http://www.xbrl.org/2003/arcrole/parent-child`

Arcname **none** ▼

Linkrole **none** ▼

Linkname **none** ▼

Source **qname** ▼: `eg:myConcept` ▼

Axis **none** ▼

Generations **none** ▼

Parent-Child-Order: *parent-first* ▼

Tag Selector: ▼

```

Arcrole:      Kind = uri | exp
Arcname:      Kind = none | qname | exp
Linkrole:     Kind = none | uri | exp
Linkname:     Kind = none | qname | exp
Source:       Kind = qname | exp
Axis:         Kind = none | value | exp
Generations: Kind = none | value | exp

```

Concept relationship nodes cannot have sub-trees.

### Definition Node: Dimension Relationship

A dimension relationship node describes a tree of explicit dimension members in terms of a tree walk of a dimensional relationship set (DRS). This tree walk is uniquely identified by one or more relationship sources.

▼ **DN** Dimension Relationship Node

Dimension: `eg:myDimension` ▼

Linkrole **none** ▼

Source **qname** ▼: `eg:myConcept` ▼

Axis **none** ▼

Generations **none** ▼

Parent-Child-Order: *parent-first* ▼

Tag Selector: ▼

```

Linkrole:     Kind = none | uri | exp
Source:       Kind = qname | exp
Axis:         Kind = none | value | exp
Generations: Kind = none | value | exp

```

Dimension relationship nodes cannot have sub-trees.

### Definition Node: Aspect

An aspect node specifies exactly one aspect.



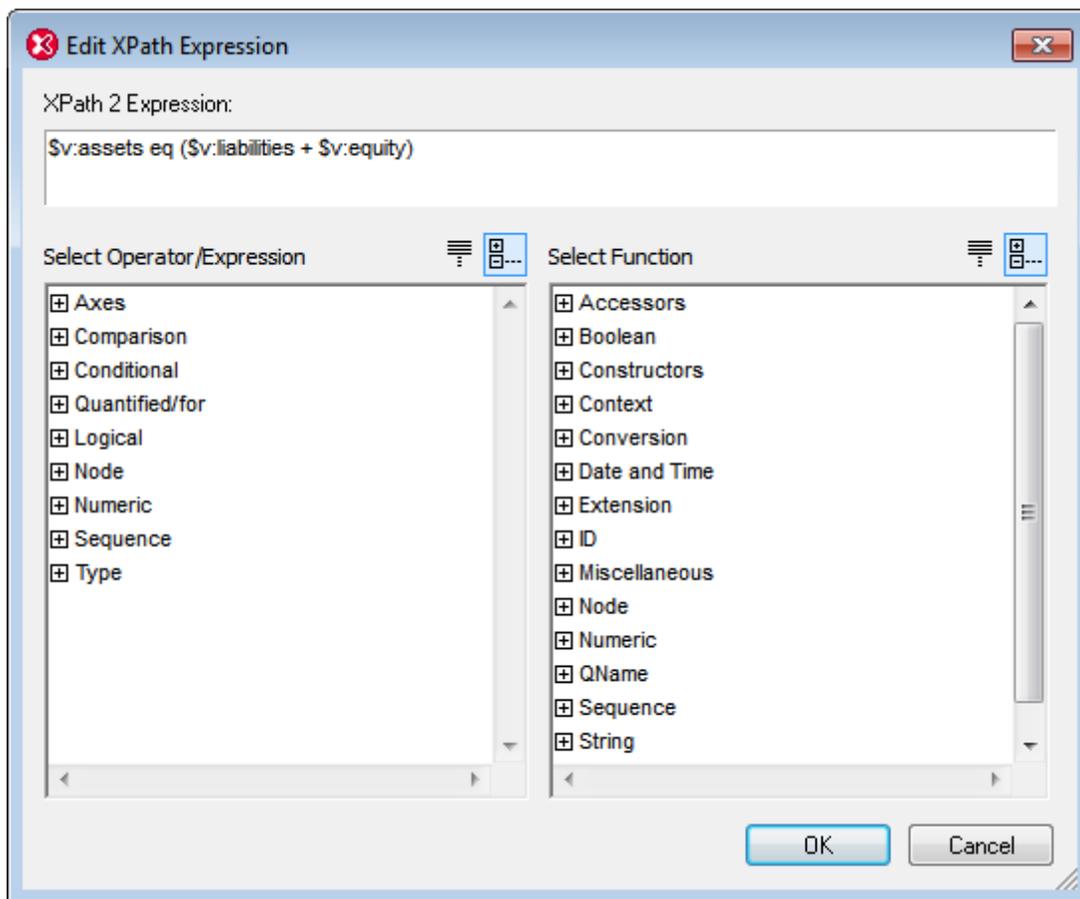
Dimensional aspect specifications provide an additional Boolean property `include_unreported_value` as an icon.



### 12.3.4 Editing Component Properties and Content

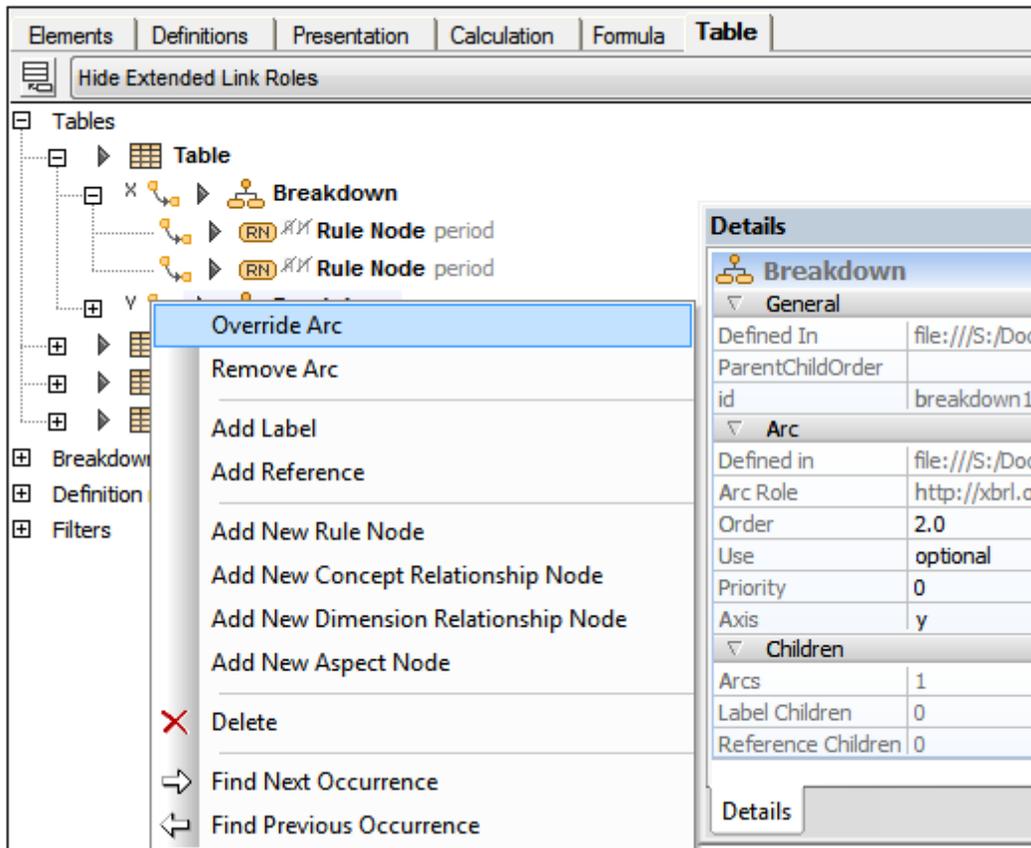
The properties of table components can be edited directly in the diagram or in the Details entry helper.

In the diagram, when a component is collapsed, either its name (if it has one), or the value of the appropriate default property is displayed in gray next to the component's description text. Double-clicking the component expands it. Double-clicking a property puts the property in editing mode. If a property or content contains an XPath expression, the Edit XPath expression pops up.



### 12.3.5 Table Component Relationships

A relationship between table components can be created by linking one table component to another via drag-and-drop. The order of a parent component's children depends on the values of the arc-property `order`. This order can be modified by moving children via drag-and-drop. A child component can also be dragged onto or under a different parent component in order to copy or move the relation (including its properties).



When creating a new component via the context menu of an existing (parent) component, the relationship (that is, the arc) is generated automatically. The commands **Override Arc** and **Remove Arc** in a child component's context menu serve to override or remove the relationship between the component and its parent. Multiple arcs of overridden relations are displayed in sub-lines. The arcrole of table component relations cannot be modified.

### 12.3.6 Table Parameters

Table parameters can be used to define the axes of a table. For example, in the screenshot below, the X-axis of the selected table is defined by the parameter `$dimMember`; the Y-axis is defined by the parameter `$conceptName`. The definitions of the two parameters themselves are shown in the (global) Parameters list below the table definitions. The Table Layout Preview in the lower pane shows the table that will be generated. The axes are created as the row and column of the table.

Table parameters allow multiple related tables to be produced from a single table definition, forming a table set.

- If a single parameter evaluates to a sequence of values, then the table set contains one table for each item in the result sequence.
- If the table definition has multiple parameters, then the table set corresponds to an ordered Cartesian product of the sequences obtained by evaluating the parameters. An ordered Cartesian product is shown by the following examples:

$$A \times B = \{1, 2\} \times \{3, 4\} = \{(1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 3), (2, 4)\}$$

$$B \times A = \{3, 4\} \times \{1, 2\} = \{(3, 1), (3, 2), (4, 1), (4, 2)\}$$

Table definition with two table parameters (`conceptName` and `dimMember`), each of which evaluates to a sequence of two QNames (see the XPath expressions of the *Select* property).

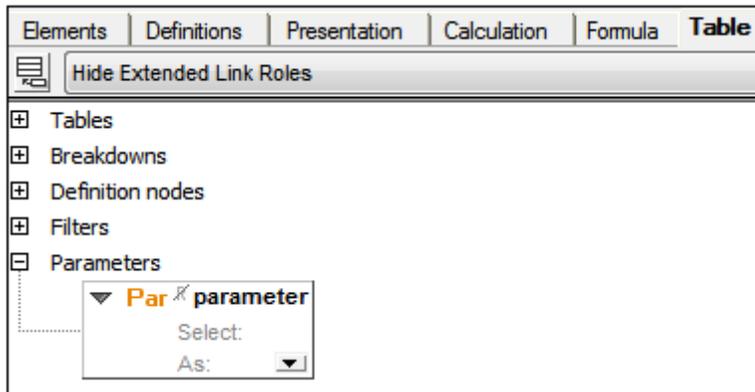
The screenshot displays the XBRL Table Definitions Editor interface. The main window shows a tree view of table definitions. A table titled "Table using table-parameter relationships to produce a table set of cardinality 4" is selected. It contains two parameters: "conceptName" and "dimMember". Below the parameters are two "One column" and "One row" rule nodes. The "One column" rule node has a tag selector "<untagged>" and an expression "\$dim". The "One row" rule node has a tag selector "<untagged>" and an expression "\$cpt". At the bottom, there is a "Table Layout Preview" showing a table with columns "d1" and "m2". The current table is "2 of 4". A "Table parameter values" popup is visible, showing "cpt: m2 (2/2)" and "dim: d1 (1/2)".

Notice the following points:

- The parameters are local parameters, created for this specific table by right-clicking the table component and selecting  $\mu$ . They are not global parameters as in the first screenshot above.
- The ordered Cartesian product of the two sequences of two QNames produces four tables:
 
$$\text{dimMember} \times \text{conceptName} = \{d1, d2\} \times \{m1, m2\} = \{(d1, m1), (d1, m2), (d2, m1), (d2, m2)\}$$
- When a table definition describing a table set is selected in the diagram, the navigation icons in Table Layout Preview become enabled and you can cycle through a preview of the tables in the table set. The currently previewed table is indicated by its index in the ordered table set in the toolbar. In the screenshot above, the current table is 2 of 4. The currently previewed table's parameter values also are displayed in a popup (see *screenshot*).
- The Refresh toolbar icon of the Table Layout Preview is enabled when the preview is out of sync with the current definitions, for example, after a new concept has been added.
- The Parameter Values toolbar button of the Table Layout Preview opens the XBRL Parameter Values dialog, in which the values and datatypes of all table parameters (global and local) can be edited.

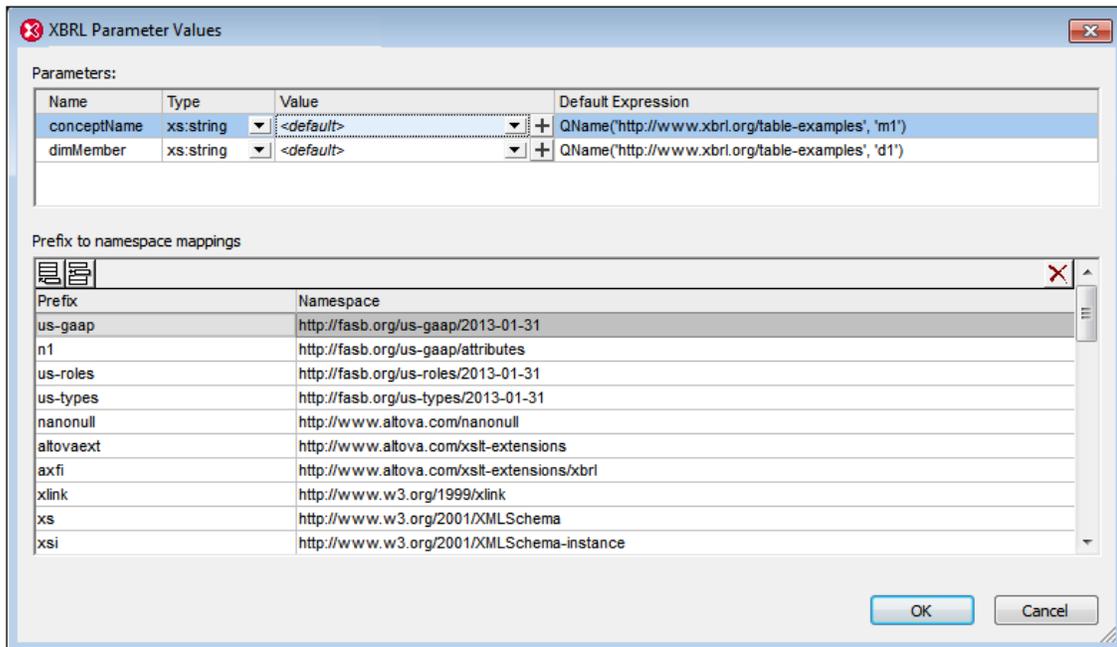
### Defining XBRL parameters

XBRL parameters can be used in XPath expressions in formulas and in table definitions. Parameters that will be used as formula parameters (residing in the formula linkbase) are created in the Formula tab, while table parameters (residing in the table linkbase) are created in the Table tab. Both formula parameters and table parameters can be local or global. Local parameters are essentially global parameters that are linked to the respective component (formula or table) at the time of its creation. Local parameters are created by right-clicking the component (formula or table) and selecting **Add New Parameter**, while global parameters are created by right-clicking in a blank area of the respective tab and selecting **Add New Parameter**. This adds a new parameter named `parameter` in the diagram (*the screenshot below shows a global parameter*). To change the parameter name, double-click the name and edit it.



Every parameter has a *Required* flag. If set, the parameter is mandatory, that is, its value must be supplied by the processing application. If the parameter is not mandatory and no value is supplied by the processing application, then the supplied value may be computed using the XPath expression given in the property *Select*. Double-click in the *Select* field to enter an XPath expression. This value will be the default value of the parameter. The optional property *As* specifies the datatype required by the parameter. Choose a datatype from the dropdown list of the combo box.

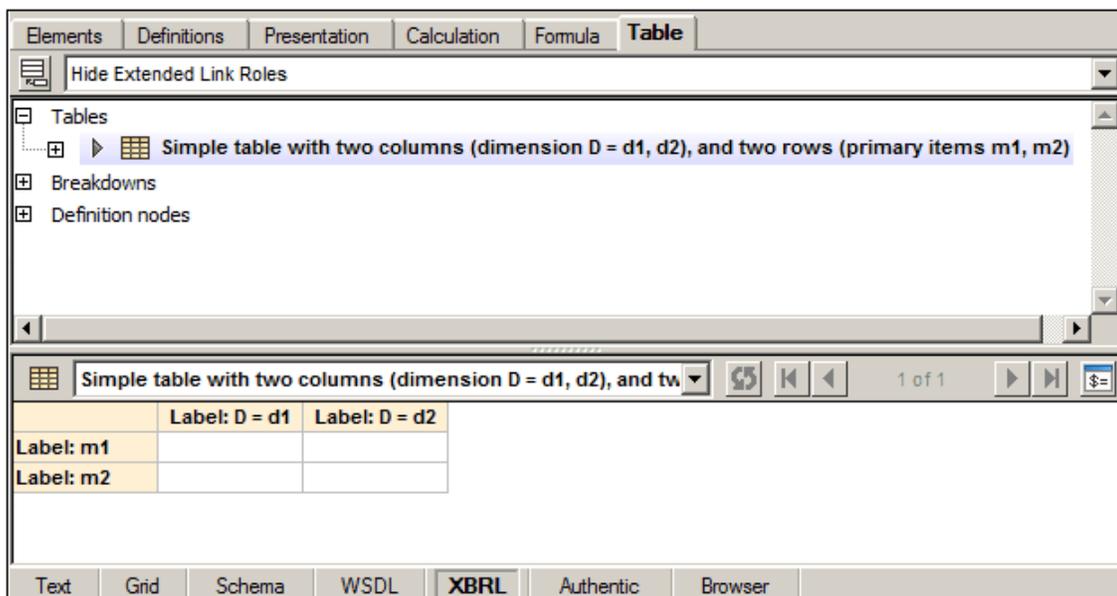
In the case of parameters that will be used as table parameters, you can edit the parameter's datatype and provide a parameter value that overrides the default value. To do this, click **XBRL | Parameter Values**. Then, in the dialog that appears (*screenshot below*), enter a parameter value. This value will override the default value. Since parameters that are used as table parameters can take multiple values, you can add additional parameter values for a parameter by clicking the **+** icon in the *Value* column.



The values of global parameters as assigned in this dialog are evaluated for table parameters only. Values of parameters used in formulas are not editable in this dialog.

### 12.3.7 Table Layout Preview

The XBRL Table Layout Preview pane is located in the Table tab below the table definitions tree (see *screenshot below*). A combo box in the Table Layout Preview pane lists all the tables in the table linkbase of the active taxonomy. To preview the layout of a table, select that table in the preview pane's combo box (see *screenshot below*). Note that the preview shows only the layout. Table cells are not populated. This is because there is no data in the XBRL taxonomy.



The Table Layout Preview enables you to do the following:

- Visualize table layouts, with previews updating automatically when table definitions are modified
- Go directly to a component's definition by clicking a table cell, and vice versa (go to the table cell/s by clicking a component in the table definition tree)
- Access the XBRL Table Parameters dialog (via the Parameter Values toolbar icon) to manage table parameters

## Editing

Modifications to table definitions and the taxonomy are handled as follows:

- *Table modifications:* If the structure of a table definition is modified (in the diagram in the Table tab or via the Details entry helper), the table's layout preview is updated immediately. Changes of parameter definitions or parameter values will also trigger this update.
- *DTS modifications:* Table Layout Preview uses Altova's XPath engine to evaluate XPath expressions in definition nodes. The XPath model is created when loading a taxonomy schema into XBRL View, and it is updated during validation. If the underlying DTS is modified (for example, by editing a concept or linkbase), the table preview will no longer be in sync with the modified DTS. The *Table out of sync* icon in the preview's toolbar indicates this state and its tool tip will provide a hint: *The preview needs to be refreshed manually via the Refresh button.* The **Refresh** command invokes a re-discovery of the DTS, and is therefore equivalent to a complete validation of the taxonomy.

	<i>Table out of sync with DTS</i>
	<i>Refresh table</i>

## Error handling

Errors related to Table Layout Preview are handled as follows:

- *Invalid expressions in table definition nodes:* If a table definition node contains an XPath expression that cannot be resolved, the header of the corresponding layout cell will be displayed in red. In this case, the invalid aspect constraint is highlighted in the Constraints tab of the Details entry helper.
- *Unresolvable relationship nodes:* If a [relationship node](#) cannot be resolved due to invalid properties or an invalid DTS, the layout shows a placeholder cell with highlighted error text.
- *Merged rule nodes without child nodes:* If a merged [rule node](#) does not have any child node, the layout shows a placeholder cell with highlighted error text.
- *Invalid DTS:* If the taxonomy is invalid when loading a taxonomy schema into the XBRL taxonomy editor or after validation, the XPath model is not available. The Table Layout Preview will be in an error state, which is indicated by the *Table out of sync with DTS*

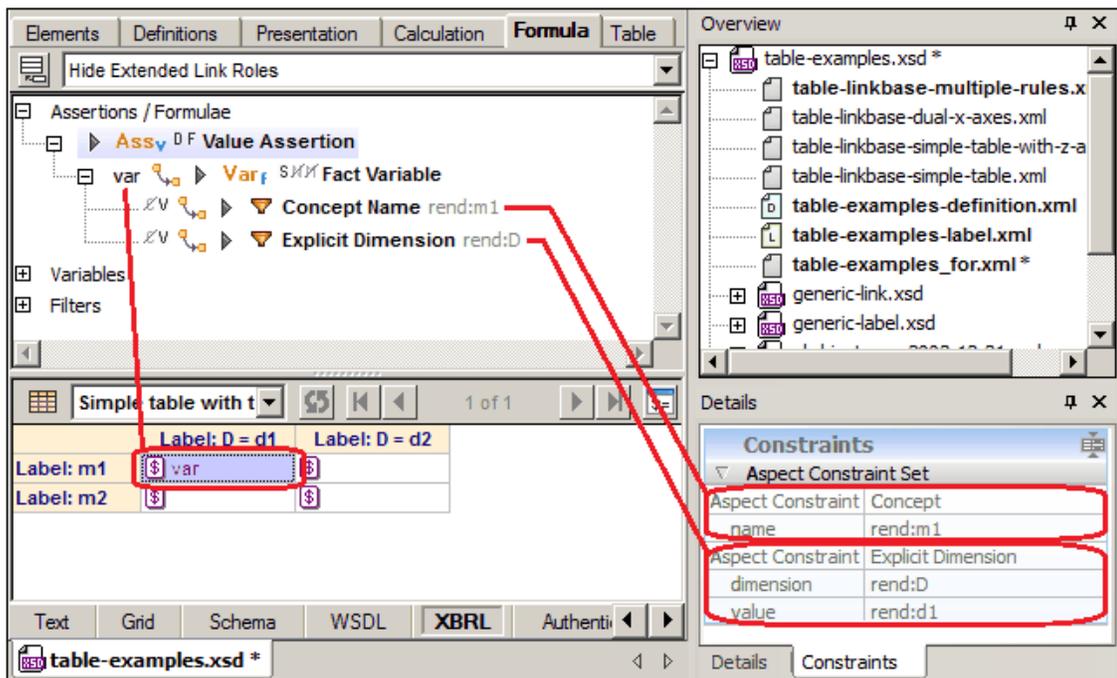
toolbar icon. In spite of this, the layout can still be created to some extent. XPath expressions, however, cannot be evaluated. The tool tip of the toolbar icon will advise the user how to solve this issue (that is, by fixing the validation error and re-validating the taxonomy).

## Building Formulas in Table Layout Preview

Table Layout Preview is also displayed in the Formula tab (see *screenshot below*) in order to support the creation of **fact variables** under **variable sets** (that is, under formulas or value/existence assertions). In this case the cells within the table axes cannot be selected because the corresponding table definition nodes are not visible in the formula linkbase. Data cells, on the other hand, show a **Add a fact variable** icon, which is enabled as soon as a variable set is selected in the formula tree (see *screenshot below*).

 Add a fact variable to the selected formula or assertion

To add a fact variable to a variable set, select that variable set in the Formula tab. (A variable set is a **formula** or **value/existence assertion**. In the screenshot below, the selected variable set is a value assertion.) In the cells of the Table Layout Preview, the **Add a fact variable** icon will be enabled. Click the icon to add the variable to the variable set. During execution a new fact variable containing an appropriate filter for each aspect constraint defined by the data cell is created under the selected variable set (that is, formula or assertion).



The screenshot displays the software interface with the following components:

- Formula Tab:** Shows a tree view under 'Assertions / Formulae'. A 'Value Assertion' is selected, containing a 'Fact Variable' and two constraints: 'Concept Name' (rend:m1) and 'Explicit Dimension' (rend:D).
- Table Layout Preview:** Shows a table with columns 'Label: D = d1' and 'Label: D = d2'. The cell for 'Label: D = d1' contains a '\$ var' icon, which is highlighted with a red box. The cell for 'Label: D = d2' contains a '\$' icon.
- Constraints Panel:** Shows a table of constraints for the selected variable set:
 

Aspect Constraint	Concept
name	rend:m1
dimension	rend:D
value	rend:d1

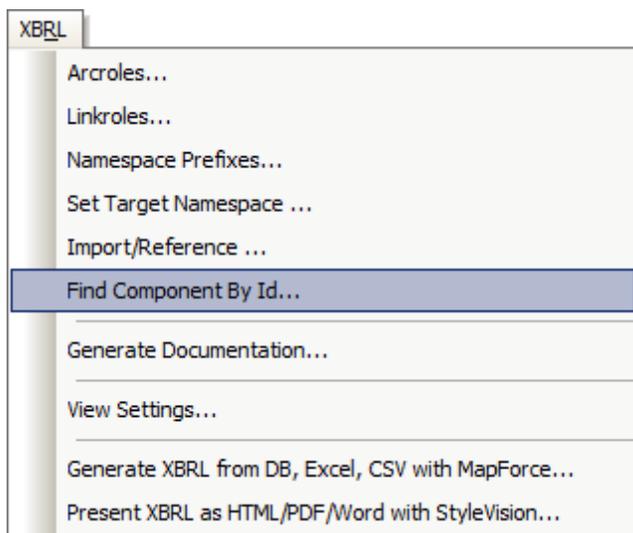
If the selected formula or assertion has a variable containing filters which match the aspect constraints of a data cell in the preview, then the variable name is displayed by the data cell. This should particularly be the case after having created a new fact variable via the **Add a fact variable** icon (see *screenshot above*).

### 12.3.8 Finding Table Components

Table components can be found (i) by using their IDs, and (ii) by navigating through the occurrences of the component in the document.

#### Find table component by id

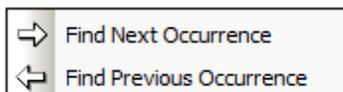
In taxonomies with large formula or table linkbases containing several components of the same kind (e.g. assertions, filters, tables), it might be helpful to search for a component by its ID. The menu command **XBRL | Find Component By Id** enables a search by ID.



On clicking the command a dialog pops asking for the ID to find.

#### Find component occurrences

Most table components are displayed within the table linkbase diagram multiple times: (i) the definition, which is located directly under the appropriate section node, and (ii) all references to the component (via relationships). The commands **Find Next Occurrence** and **Find Previous Occurrence** in the component's context menu (*screenshot below*) navigate to all places where that table component is referenced.



These commands can also be accessed via their toolbar icons (*screenshot below*).



When the component's definition is reached, a message to that effect is displayed.

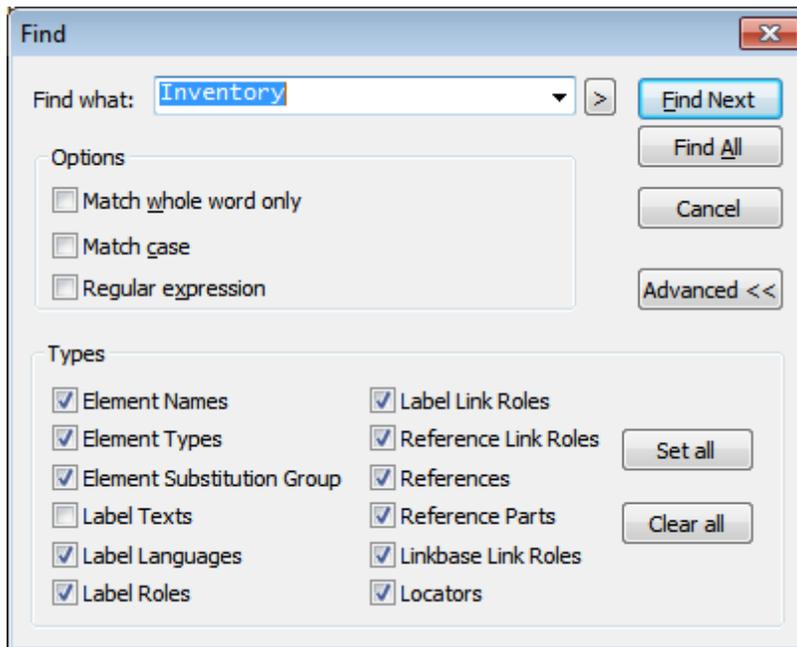


## 12.4 Find in XBRL

In XBRL View, XBRL taxonomies can be searched using XMLSpy's Find in XBRL feature, which is enabled when an XBRL taxonomy is active in XBRL View. The Find in XBRL feature is accessed in one of the following ways:

- Via the **Edit | Find** menu command when an XBRL taxonomy is active in XBRL View.
- Via the **Find** button in the Find in XBRL window.
- By pressing **Ctrl+F**.

Selecting any of these access methods pops up the Find dialog (*screenshot below*).

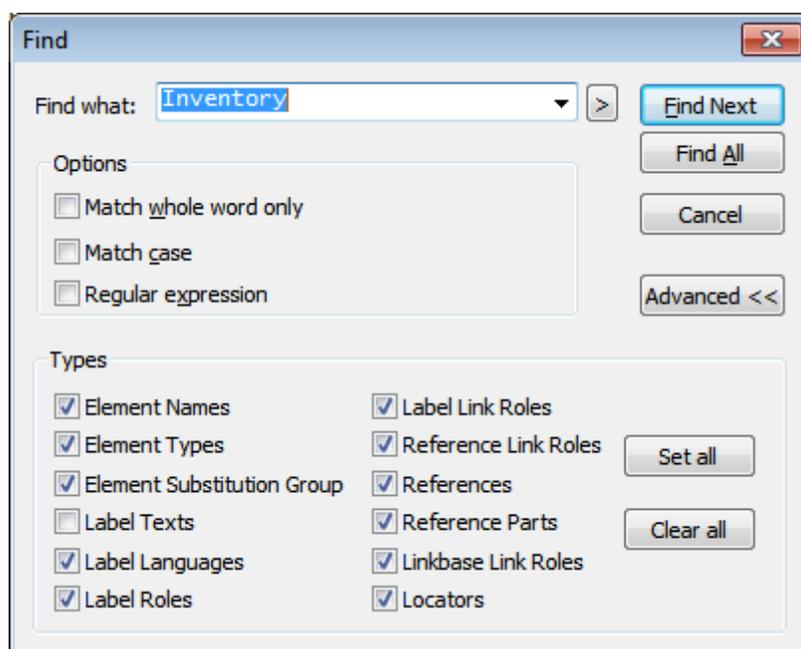


Usage is as follows:

- [Enter the search term](#) in the *Find what* text field of the Find dialog (*screenshot above*) and check the required options
- [Specify the XBRL component types to be searched](#) in the Types pane
- [Execute the command](#) using the **Find Next** or **Find All** button
- [Use the Find in XBRL window](#) to view the search results and navigate to a component quickly.

### 12.4.1 Search Term

A search term can be specified to be case-sensitive or to match a whole word by checking the respective options in the Options pane (*see screenshot below*). If you wish to search using a regular expression, check the *Regular Expression* option in the Options pane before clicking the **Find Next** or **Find All** button. See below for more details about using regular expressions.



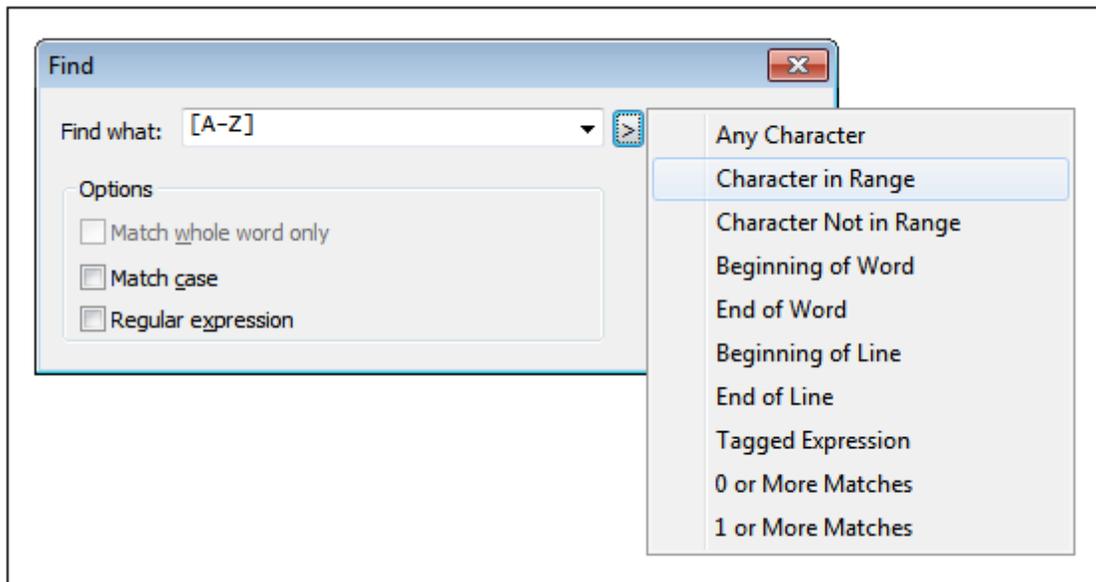
**Note:** A whole word is considered to be delimited by any character that is not alphanumeric or the underscore character. So the search term `asset` will return the text `xbml:asset`, since the colon character (`:`) is considered to be a word delimiter.

In the Types pane, specify the components to be searched.

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### Regular expressions

You can use regular expressions to further refine your search criteria. A pop-up list is available to help you build regular expressions. To access this list, click the `>` button to the right of the input field for the search term.

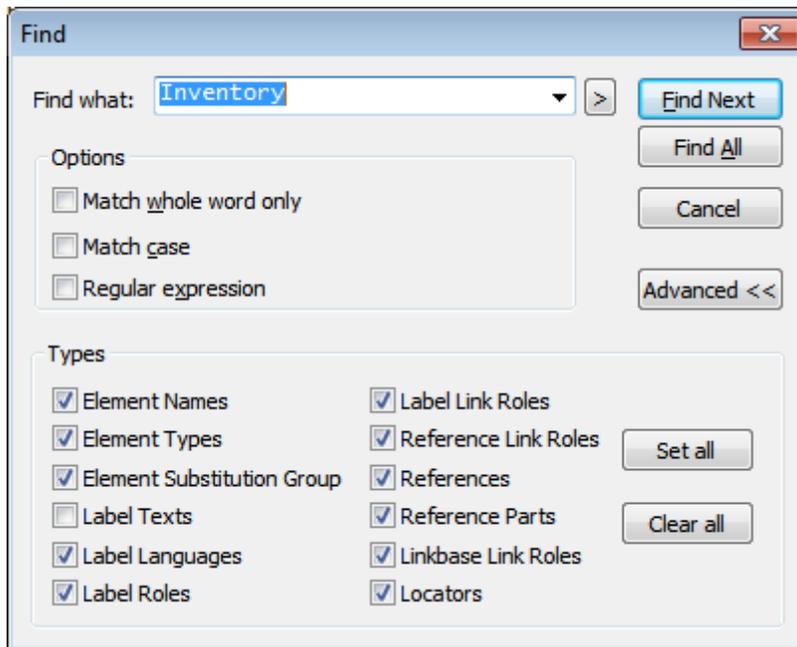


Clicking on the required expression description inserts the corresponding expression syntax character in the input field. Given below is a list of regular expression syntax characters.

- . Matches any character. This is a placeholder for a single character.
- \ ( Marks the start of a region for tagging a match.
- \ ) Marks the end of a tagged region.
- \ < Matches the start of a word.
- \ > Matches the end of a word.
- \ x Allows you to use a character x, that would otherwise have a special meaning. For example, \ [ would be interpreted as [ and not as the start of a character set.
- [ . . . ] Indicates a set of characters, for example, [abc] means any of the characters a, b or c. You can also use ranges, for example [a-z] for any lower case character.
- [ ^ . . . ] The complement of the characters in the set. For example, [ ^A-Za-z ] means any character except an alphabetic character.
- ^ Matches the start of a line (unless used inside a set, see above).
- \$ Matches the end of a line. Example: A+\$ to find one or more A's at end of line.
- \* Matches 0 or more times. For example, Sa\*m matches Sm, Sam, Saam, Saaam and so on.
- + Matches 1 or more times. For example, Sa+m matches Sam, Saam, Saaam and so on.

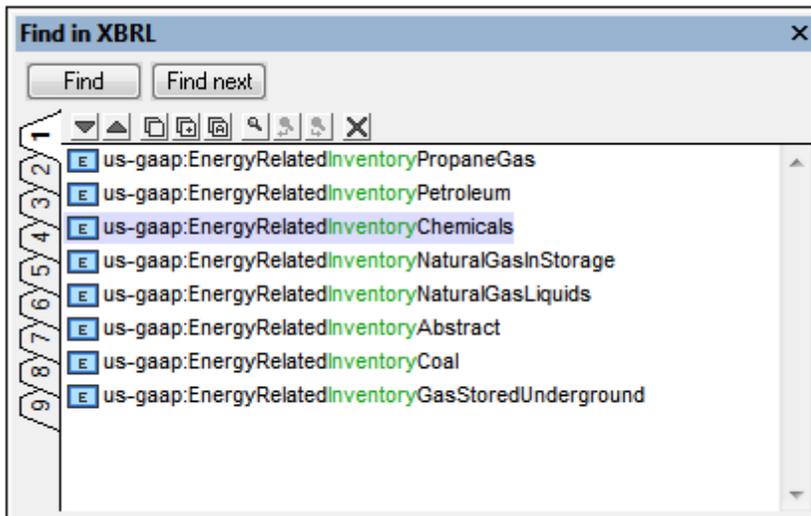
## 12.4.2 Command Execution

After the search term has been entered, and the search options and filter for component types have been set, there are two command execution options: **Find Next** and **Find All**. These commands are executed via buttons in the Find dialog (see *screenshot below*).



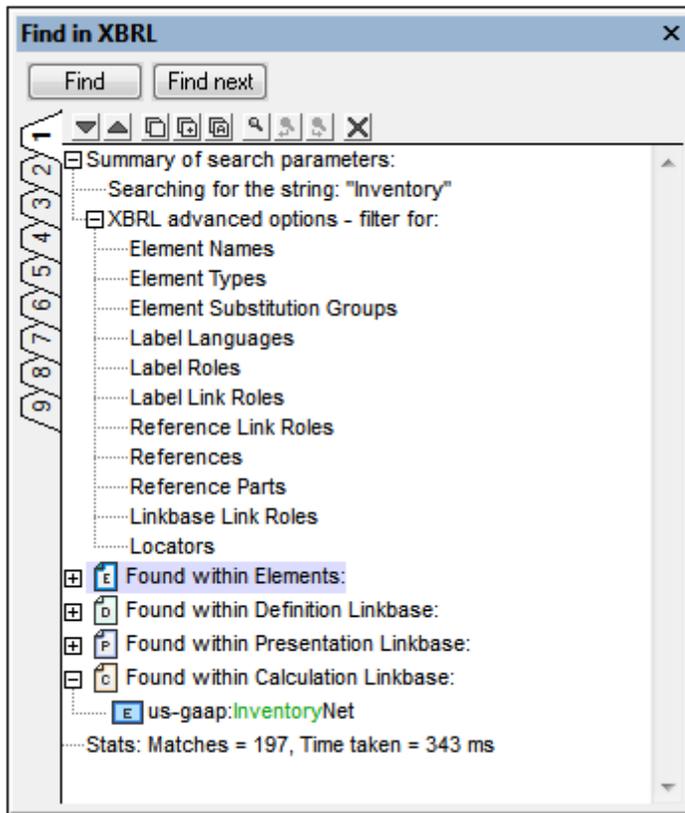
### Find Next

The **Find Next** command displays, in the Find in XBRL window (*screenshot below*), the next instance of the search term. The search for the next instance will start at the next cell from the current cursor position in the active document. The **Find Next** process can be continued till all instances in the document are displayed.



### Find All

The **Find All** command displays all instances of the search term, together with a summary of the search, in the Find in XBRL window (*screenshot below*).

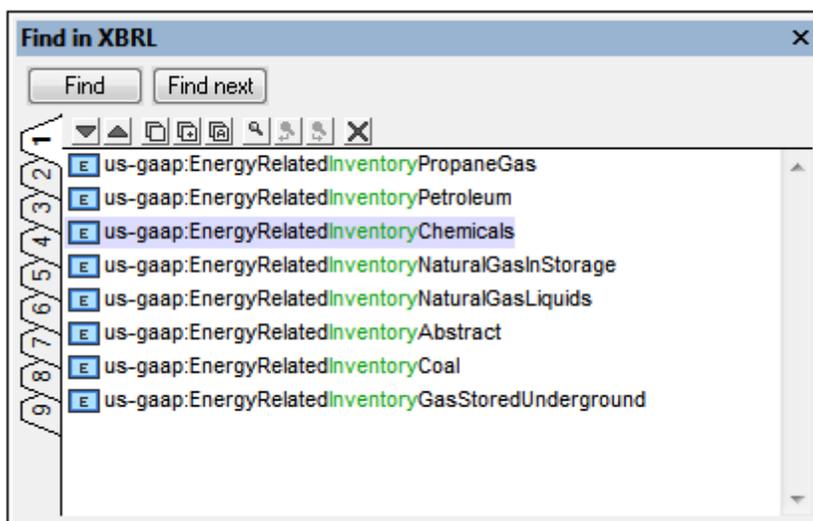


The result provides: (i) a summary of the XBRL component types that were searched; (ii) a list of the found instances of the search term, ordered according to linkbase; and (iii) statistics about the search, including the matches found and the time taken for the search. Each linkbase group can be expanded or collapsed to view the matches in that group. Clicking a match highlights the corresponding element in the XBRL document in the Main Window.

For information about the features of the Find in XBRL window, see the section [Results and Information](#).

### 12.4.3 Results and Information

Each time a **Find** or **Find Next** command is executed the results of the command execution are displayed in the Find In XBRL window (*screenshot below*). The term that was searched for is displayed in green; (in the screenshot below, it can be seen that `Inventory` was the search term).



### Features of the Find In XBRL window

Results are displayed in nine separate tabs (numbered 1 to 9). So you can keep the results of one search in one tab, do a new search, and compare results. Clicking on a result in the Find In XBRL window pops up and highlights the relevant component in the Main Window of XBRL View. In this way, using the Find in XBRL window you can search and navigate quickly to the desired component.

The following Find In XBRL toolbar commands are available:

- The **Next** and **Previous** icons select, respectively, the next and previous find results to the currently selected result.
- The **Copy Messages** commands copy, respectively, the selected message, the selected message and its children messages, and all messages, to the clipboard.
- The **Find** commands find text strings in the Find In XBRL window.
- The **Clear** command deletes all messages in the currently active tab.

## 12.5 Validating XBRL Instances and Taxonomies

To validate an XBRL instance or XBRL taxonomy, make the XBRL document the active document, and select one of the validation methods listed below:

- [XML | Validate XML \(F8\)](#). Validation is done with the built-in engine of XMLSpy.
- [XML | Validate XML on Server \(Ctrl+F8\)](#). Validation is carried out by a remote RaptorXML+XBRL Server (which you can set up via the command [Tools | Manage Raptor Servers](#))

**Note:** When an XBRL instance is validated, no formulas or assertions that are contained in the instances are executed. In order to execute formulas or assertions, use the command [XBRL | Execute Formula](#).

## 13 Office Open XML, ZIP, EPUB

Office Open XML (OOXML), ZIP files, and EPUB files are similar in that all are packages containing other files. XMLSpy's Archive View provides an interface that enables you to view the internal structure of these packages, modify these structures, and access the files in the package for editing in XMLSpy. In the case of EPUB files, Archive View also enables you to directly view the EPUB book in the Browser View of XMLSpy.

### Office Open XML (OOXML)

OOXML is a file format for describing documents, spreadsheets, and presentations. It was originally developed by Microsoft for the company's Office suite of products but is now an open ECMA specification.

### Structure of an OOXML file

Each OOXML document is a package of multiple files that follows the Open Packaging Convention. A package consists of XML and other data files (such as image files) plus a relationships file that specifies the relationships among the various files in the package.

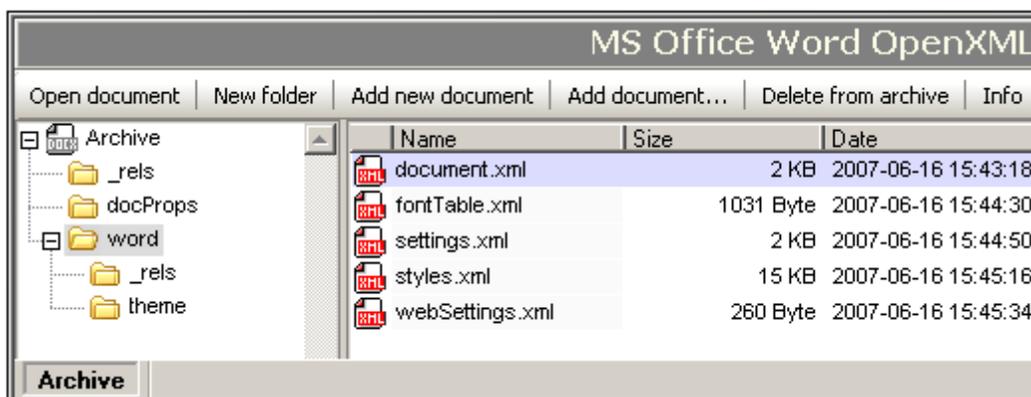
The internal structure and internal folder and file names of an OOXML file vary according to the document type. However, there is a common basic structure: an XML file called `[Content_Types].xml` at the root of the directory structure, and three directories: `_rels`, `docProps`, and a directory specific to the document type (in the case of `.docx` documents, for example, this folder would be called `word`; `xl` in `.xlsx` documents, and `ppt` in `.pptx` documents).

```
OOXML File
|-- File:          [Content_Types].xml
|-- Folder:       _rels
|-- Folder:       docProps
|-- Folder:       word/xl/ppt
```

- The `_rels` folder contains a `rels.xml` file, which specifies the relationships between the various files in the package.
- The `docProps` folder contains `app.xml` and `core.xml`, which describe key document properties.
- The `word`, `xl`, and `ppt` folders contain XML files that hold the content of the document. For example, in the `word` folder, the file `document.xml` contains the core content of the document.

### OOXML in XMLSpy's Archive View

In XMLSpy's Archive View (*screenshot below*), you can view and edit the contents of an OOXML file.



Folder View on the left-hand side shows the folders in the package, whereas the Main Window shows the files in the folder selected in Folder View. In Archive View, files and folders can be added to and deleted from the archive. Also, files can be opened quickly for editing in XMLSpy by double-clicking the file in Archive View.

### Intelligent editing of OOXML's internal files

The XML documents within OOXML packages are based on standard schemas. XMLSpy provides intelligent editing support for OOXML documents, in the form of entry helpers, auto-completion, and validation.

### ZIP files

ZIP files archive multiple files in a lossless data compression package. These files can be of various types. In XMLSpy's Archive View, ZIP files can be created, the internal structure modified, and files in the archive edited. These operations are described in the [ZIP Files](#) sub-section of this section.

### EPUB files

An EPUB file is a zipped group of files used for the distribution of digital publications (EPUB books). In [Archive View](#), you can open EPUB files, create and edit EPUB files, preview the digital EPUB book, edit component files of the EPUB archive directly in XMLSpy, validate the EPUB file, and save the component files back to the EPUB archive. See the section, [EPUB Files](#), for details.

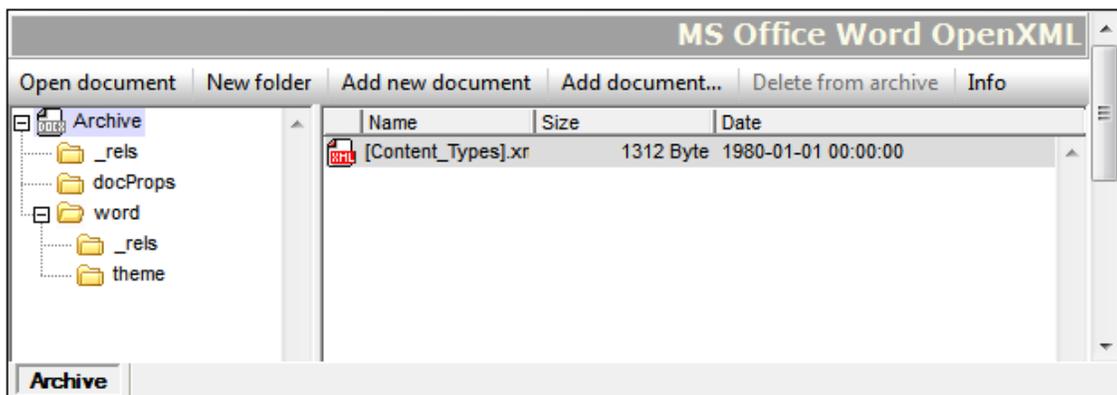
## 13.1 Working with OOXML Files

This section describes how to work with OOXML documents in Archive View. The following procedures are discussed:

- [Creating, opening, and saving OOXML files](#)
- [Editing the structure of an OOXML file](#)
- [Opening, editing, and saving internal OOXML documents](#)
- [Intelligent editing of internal OOXML documents](#)
- [Addressing documents in OOXML files](#)
- [Comparing OOXML archives](#)

### Creating, opening, and saving OOXML files

OOXML files are created via the Create New Document dialog (**File | New** command), in which you select the required file type (.docx, .pptx, or .xlsx). You are prompted for a file name and a location at which to save the file. The new file is created at the specified location and then opened in Archive View (*screenshot below*). Notice that the basic internal structure of the OOXML document has been created.



An existing OOXML file is opened in Archive View via the Open dialog (**File | Open**) of XMLSpy. OOXML files are saved with the **File | Save (Ctrl+S)** command. This command saves the structure and relationships of the OOXML file.

### Editing the structure of an OOXML file

The contents of an OOXML file can be modified by adding and deleting folders and documents to it using [Archive View](#) functionality. After these structural changes have been made, the OOXML file must be saved (**File | Save**) for the modifications to take effect. You should note the following points:

- When a new folder or document is added using the [command buttons in Archive View](#), it should be named immediately on its being created. It is not possible to rename a folder or document in Archive View.
- After a new document has been added to an archive folder, it is saved to the archive by saving it in its own window or by saving the OOXML file.

### Opening, editing, saving internal OOXML documents

An internal OOXML document—that is, a document within an OOXML file package—is opened

from Archive View by double-clicking it, or by selecting it in the Main Window and clicking the [Open document](#) command button. The document opens in a separate XMLSpy window. After editing it, simply save the document to save it back to the OOXML archive; there is no need to save the OOXML file itself.

### **Intelligent editing of internal OOXML documents**

XMLSpy provides intelligent editing features for internal Office Open XML documents—that is, for documents within an OOXML file package. These features include entry helpers, auto-completion, and validation.

### **Addressing documents in OOXML files**

Documents in OOXML files can be addressed using normal file paths plus the pipe character. For example, the file path:

```
C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016
\Examples\Office20XX\ExcelDemo.xlsx|zip\xl\tables\table1.xml
```

locates the file `table1.xml`, which is in the `xl\tables` folder of the OOXML file `ExcelDemo.xlsx` located in the `Examples\Office20XX` folder of the XMLSpy examples folder.

### **Comparing OOXML archives**

When an OOXML file is open in Archive View, you can compare it with another archive by using the command [Tools | Compare Directories](#).

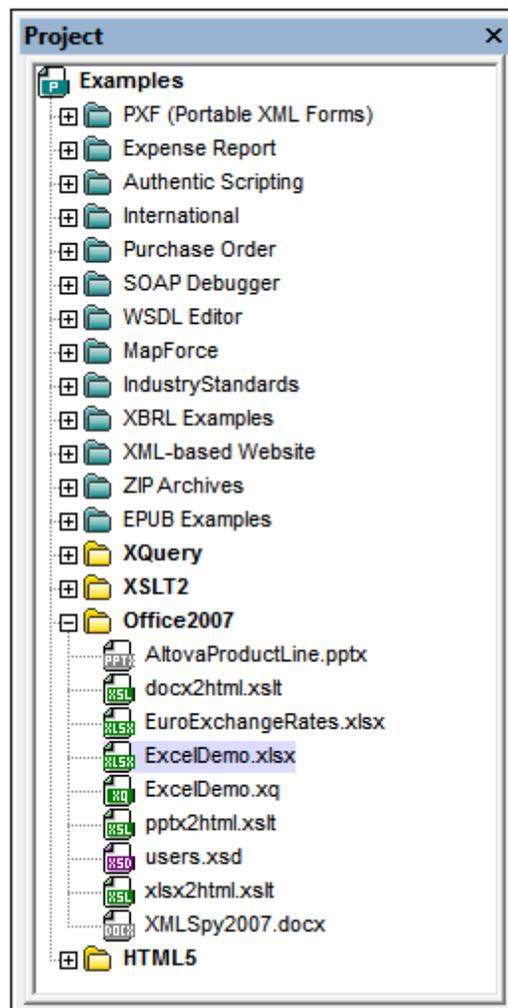
## 13.2 OOXML Example Files

In the `Examples\Office2007` folder of your XMLSpy application folder are the following example files:

- OOXML files: (i) a Word Open XML file (`.docx`), (ii) an Excel Open XML file (`.xlsx`), and (iii) a PowerPoint Open XML file (`.pptx`)
- XSLT files: (i) `docx2html.xslt` (to convert the sample `.docx` file to HTML), (ii) `xslx2html.xslt` (to convert the sample `.xlsx` file to HTML), and (iii) `pptx2html.xslt` (to convert the sample `.pptx` file to HTML)
- An XQuery file: `ExcelDemo.xq` (to retrieve data from the `.xlsx` file)

The XSLT and XQuery files are intended to demonstrate how XSLT and XQ can be used to access and transform data in OOXML files. To run the XSLT and XQuery documents, you can use any of the following options:

- Open the OOXML file in Archive View. In Folder View, select `Archive` and then click the menu command **XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation** (for an XSLT transformation) or **XSL/XQuery | XQuery Execution** (for an XQuery execution). Browse for the XSLT or XQuery file and click **OK**.
- In the Project Window of XMLSpy, right-click the `.xlsx`, `.pptx` or `.docx` file in the `Office2007` folder of the `Examples` project (*screenshot below*), and select the transformation command. Browse for the transformation file and click **OK**.



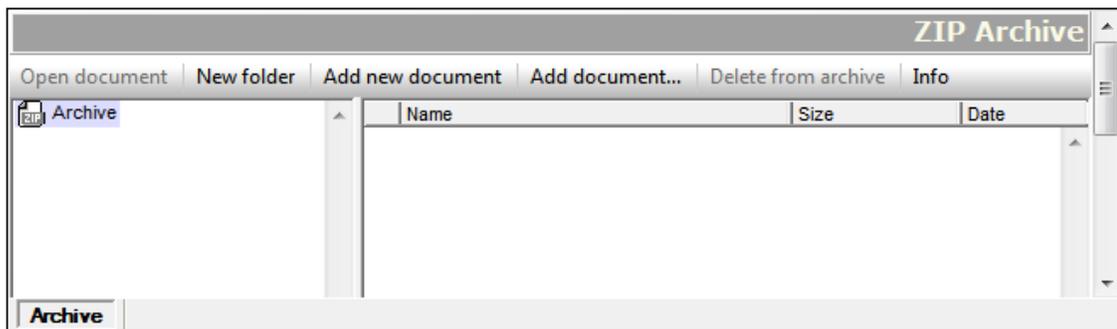
- Open the XSLT or XQuery file in XMLSpy and click the menu command **XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation** and **XSL/XQuery | XQuery Execution**, respectively. When prompted for the XML file to transform, browse for the .docx, .xlsx, or .pptx file (according to whether the XSLT/XQ document is intended for MS Word, MS Excel, or MS PowerPoint).

## 13.3 ZIP Files

In [Archive View](#), you can create WinZip files, modify the internal structure of ZIP files (WinZip, WinRAR, etc), and edit files in the ZIP package directly in XMLSpy and save the files back to the ZIP archive.

### Creating and saving a WinZip file

A WinZip file is created via the Create New Document dialog (**File | New** command), in which you select the file type `.zip`. An empty WinZip archive is created in a new window in XMLSpy (*screenshot below*). You must now save the ZIP file to the desired location with the **File | Save (Ctrl+S)** command. Add folders and files as described below, and then save the ZIP file to save your additions and changes.



An existing ZIP file is opened in Archive View via the Open dialog (**File | Open**) of XMLSpy.

**Note:** Creating a new ZIP file is different than creating a new OOXML file in that you are not prompted for a location to save the file before the archive is opened in Archive View. For the ZIP file to be saved from the empty archive that is opened in Archive View, you must explicitly use the **File | Save (Ctrl+S)** command.

### Adding folders and files and modifying the archive structure

You can add folders (click the **New Folder** button), existing files (**Add Document**), and new files (**Add New Document**) to the selected Archive folder. Note that when you add a new folder or new document, you must immediately enter a name for the folder or file; it is not possible to rename folders or documents in Archive View.

### Addressing documents in ZIP files

Documents in ZIP files can be addressed using normal file paths plus the pipe character. For example, the file path:

```
C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016
\Examples\Test.zip|zip\TestFolder\MyFile.xml
```

locates the file `MyFile.xml`, which is in the `TestFolder` folder of the ZIP file `Test.zip` located in the `Examples` folder of the XMLSpy examples folder.

### Comparing ZIP archives

When a ZIP file is open in Archive View, you can compare it with another archive by using the command [Tools | Compare Directories](#).



## 13.4 EPUB Files

An EPUB file is a zipped group of files conforming to the [EPUB standard](#) of the [International Digital Publishing Forum \(IDPF\)](#). This standard is the distribution and interchange standard for digital web publications. In [Archive View](#), you can open EPUB files, view the EPUB file's digital publication in a preview tab, edit component files of the EPUB archive directly in XMLSpy, validate the EPUB file, and save the component files back to the EPUB archive.

**Note:** (i) XMLSpy supports [EPUB 2.0.1](#). (ii) A sample EPUB file is available in the `Examples` project and in the `(My) Documents\Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples` folder.

### Terminology

In the descriptions below, terms are used as follows:

- **EPUB file** is used to indicate the EPUB file having the file extension `.epub`. This is the ZIP file that contains the whole archive and is the file that will be opened in Archive View
- An **archive file** is any one of the files contained in the EPUB archive
- **EPUB book** is the term used to indicate the digital publication generated by the zipped EPUB file

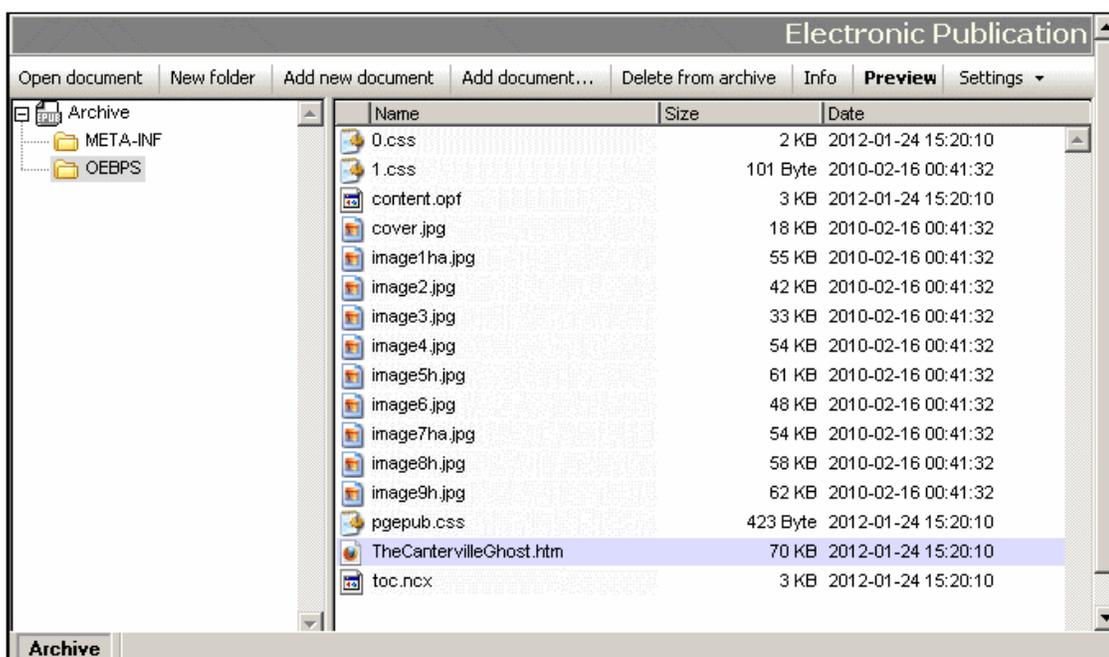
### In this section

The description below of EPUB functionality in XMLSpy is structured into the following parts:

- [Opening EPUB files in Archive View](#)
- [Creating a new EPUB file](#)
- [Previewing an EPUB book](#)
- [Modifying the contents and structure of an EPUB archive](#)
- [Info and Settings](#)
- [Editing archive files directly in XMLSpy](#)
- [Entry helpers for archive files](#)
- [Validating EPUB file](#)

### Opening EPUB files in Archive View

Select the menu command **File | Open**, navigate to the EPUB file, and click **Open**. The EPUB file opens in Archive View (*screenshot below*). Alternatively, you can right-click the EPUB file in Windows Explorer and select the context menu command to open the file with XMLSpy. If you have [set XMLSpy to be the default editor of EPUB files](#), then double-clicking the EPUB file will open the file in Archive View.



Folder View on the left-hand side shows the folders in the archive, whereas the Main Window shows the files in the folder selected in Folder View. The EPUB archive will have the following structure and the following key components.

```

Archive
|-- Mimetype file
|
|-- META-INF folder
|   |-- container.xml
|
|-- DOCUMENT folder (In the screenshot above, OEBPS is the Document folder.)
    |-- Contains HTML, CSS, image files, plus OPF and NCX files
  
```

### Creating a new EPUB file

To create a new EPUB file, select the menu command **File | New**. In the Create New Document dialog that pops up, select the file type `.epub`. In the Save As dialog that now pops up, give a name for your EPUB document and click **Save**. A skeleton EPUB archive containing all the folders and files of a valid EPUB archive (see *archive structure above*) will be created in a new window in Archive View. Add the folders and files you wish to add to the archive, as described below, and then save the EPUB file. To edit an archive file directly in XMLSpy, double-click the file in Archive View. The file will open in a new XMLSpy window. Edit it and then save it with the **File | Save (Ctrl+S)** command.

### Previewing an EPUB book

To preview an EPUB book, make the EPUB file active in Archive View, then click the **Preview** button in the toolbar of Archive View. The EPUB book will open in a separate (Internet Explorer) browser window in XMLSpy. If any of the files that will be used for the preview—whether a content file or a structure-related file—has been modified but not yet saved, you will be prompted to save

the file. If you do not save the modifications, the preview will use the previously saved data and might not be up-to-date. You can specify that all modified files be saved automatically before previewing by toggling on this setting (via the **Settings** button in the the toolbar of Archive View).

Note the following:

- If the **Preview** button in Archive View is clicked while a Preview window of that EPUB publication is still open, then the EPUB publication will be reloaded in the open Preview window.
- Refreshing the Preview window itself (using the **Refresh (F5)** command of Internet Explorer) will not update the Preview window. The EPUB publication in the Preview window must be updated using the **Preview** button (of Archive View) of the corresponding EPUB file (*see previous point*).
- To close the preview, close the Preview window.

**Note:** Not all EPUB markup is supported in Internet Explorer, so previews could be distorted. Additionally, if the digital publication document is XML—and not HTML—the preview might not work. Newer versions of Internet Explorer provide improved handling of EPUB markup, so if you experience problems, try updating to the latest version of Internet Explorer.

### Modifying the contents and structure of an EPUB archive

You can add folders (click the **New Folder** button), new files (**Add New Document**), and existing files (**Add Document**) to the selected archive folder. Note that when you add a new folder or new document, you must immediately enter a name for the folder or file; it is not possible to rename folders in Archive View. You can delete a file or folder by selecting it and clicking the **Delete from Archive** button.

After you have modified the archive you must save the EPUB file (**File | Save**) for the changes to be saved.

### Info and Settings

Clicking the **Info** button displays, at the bottom of Archive View, a summary of key archive information (*screenshot below*). Clicking the **Info** button again removes the summary. The summary reports the number of files in the archive (including the `Mimetype` file and `container.xml`), the size of the compressed EPUB file, and the cumulative size of the unzipped files.

General	
Files:	26
Compressed:	943 KB
Uncompressed:	1005 KB
Compress ratio:	93%

The **Settings** button contains drops down two automatic file-saving options that can be toggled on and off: to automatically save the EPUB file (i) before validation, and (ii) before previewing the EPUB file in (via the **Preview** button) in XMLSpy.

### Editing archive files directly in XMLSpy

To edit an archive file directly in XMLSpy, double-click the file in Archive View. Alternatively, select the file in Archive View and click the Open Document button in the toolbar of Archive View. The file will open in a new XMLSpy window. Edit it and then save it with the **File | Save (Ctrl+S)** command.

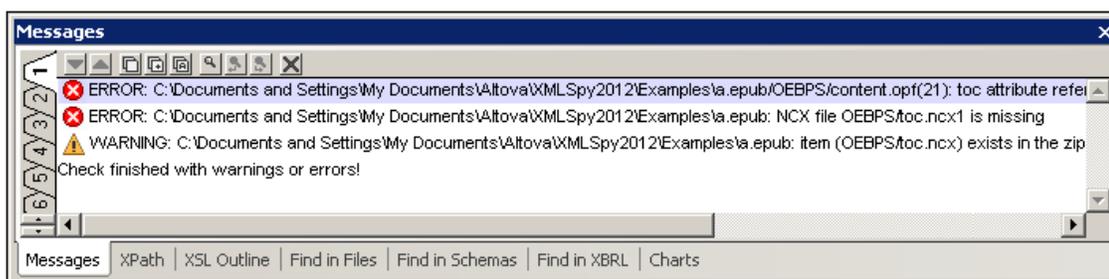
### Entry helpers for archive files

Entry helpers for standards-based archive files are available when these archive files are opened in XMLSpy. These archive files are:

- The OPF file, traditionally named `content.opf`, contains the EPUB book's metadata. It is based on the [Open Packaging Format \(OPF\) specification](#).
- The NCX file (Navigation Control file for XML), traditionally named `toc.ncx`, contains the publication's table of contents. It is based on the [NCX part](#) of the OPF specification.
- The folder named `META-INF` must contain the file `container.xml`, which points to the file defining the contents of the book (the OPF file). The file `container.xml` specifies how the archive files should be organized according to rules in the [Open Container Format \(OCF\) specification](#).

### Validating an EPUB file

To validate an EPUB file, select the command **XML | Validate XML (F8)**. The validation results are displayed in the Messages window (*screenshot below*). If any of the archive files—whether a content file or a structure-related file—has been modified but not yet saved, you will be prompted to save the file. You must save the modified files in order to validate the EPUB file. You can specify that all modified files be saved automatically before validation by toggling on this setting (via the **Settings** button in the the toolbar of Archive View).



Error messages display: (i) the file in which the error was found, and, if applicable, the number of the line in which the error occurs; (ii) a description of the error. In the screenshot above, the highlighted error occurs in line 21 of the file `content.opf`. Clicking on the error line in the Messages window opens the relevant file and highlights the error.

**Note:** The EPUB validation engine is a Java utility, so Java must be installed on your machine for the validation engine to run.

## 14 Databases

XMLSpy enables you to connect to a variety of databases (DBs) and then perform operations such as querying the DB, importing the DB structure as an XML Schema, generating an XML data file from the DB, and exporting data to a DB. Each DB-related feature is available in XMLSpy as a menu command, and is described in the [User Reference](#) section of this documentation under the respective command. A complete list of these command is given below, with links to the respective descriptions.

In this section, we do the following:

- Describe [how to connect to a database](#), which is an operation that is required for executing any of XMLSpy's DB-related commands; and
- [List DBs](#) that have been successfully tested for use with XMLSpy.

**Note:** If you are using the 64-bit version of XMLSpy, ensure that you have access to the 64-bit database drivers needed for the specific database you are connecting to.

### XMLSpy's DB-related features

XMLSpy's DB-related features are executed with commands in the [DB](#) and [Convert](#) menus.

- [Query Database](#): In the **DB** menu. Loads the structure of the DB in a separate Database Query window and enables queries to the DB. Results are displayed in the Database Query window.
- [IBM DB2](#): In the **DB** menu. IBM DB2 is an XML DB, and XMLSpy enables management of the XML Schemas of the XML DB as well as editing and validation of the XML DB.
- [Oracle XML DB](#): In the **DB** menu. Provides a range of functionality for Oracle XML DBs, including XML Schema management, database querying, and generation of XML files based on DB schemas.
- [Import Database Data](#): In the **Convert** menu. Imports DB data into an XML file.
- [Create XML Schema from DB Structure](#): In the **Convert** menu. Generates an XML Schema that is based on the structure of the DB.
- [DB Import Based on XML Schema](#): In the **Convert** menu. With an XML Schema document active in XMLSpy, a DB connection is made and the data of a selected DB table can be imported. The resulting XML document will have a structure based on the XML Schema that was active when the DB connection was made.
- [Create DB Structure from XML Schema](#): In the **Convert** menu. DB tables with no data are created based on the structure of an existing XML Schema.
- [Export to Database](#): In the **Convert** menu. Data from an XML document can be exported to a DB. Existing DB tables can be updated with the XML data, or new tables can be created that contain the XML data.

### Datatype conversions

When converting data between XML documents and DBs, datatypes must necessarily be converted to types appropriate for the respective formats. The way XMLSpy converts datatypes is given in the appendices [Datatypes in DB-Generated XML Schemas](#) and [Datatypes in DBs Generated from XML Schemas](#).

### Altova DatabaseSpy

Altova's DatabaseSpy is a multi-database query and DB design tool that offers additional DB

functionality to that available in XMLSpy. For more details about Altova DatabaseSpy, visit the [Altova website](#).

## 14.1 Connecting to a Database

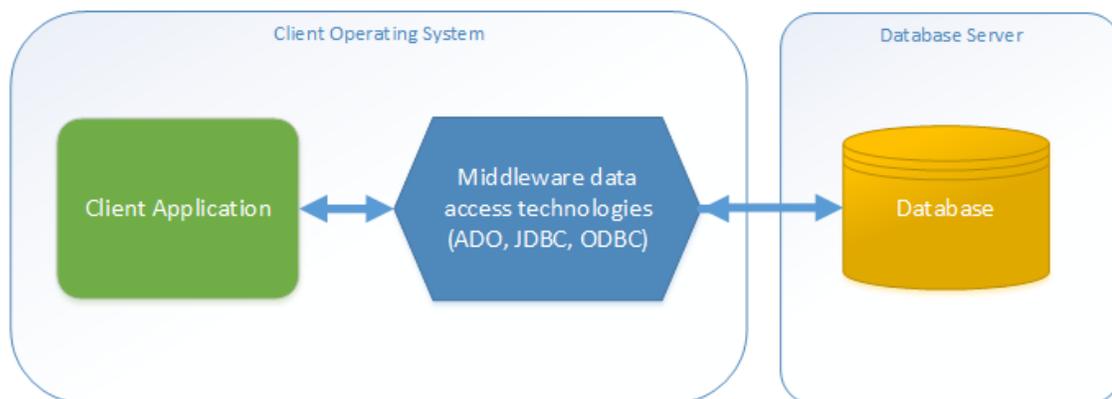
A database typically resides on a database server (either local or remote) which does not necessarily use the same operating system as the application that connects to it and consumes data. For example, while XMLSpy runs on a Windows operating system, the database from which you want to access data (for example, MySQL) might run on a Linux machine.

XMLSpy uses a database connection mechanism which relies on the data connection interfaces and database drivers that are already available on your operating system or released periodically by the major database vendors. In the constantly evolving landscape of database technologies, this approach caters for better cross-platform flexibility and interoperability. More specifically, XMLSpy can access any of the major database types through the following data access technologies:

- ADO (Microsoft® ActiveX® Data Objects), which, in its turn, uses an underlying OLE DB (Object Linking and Embedding, Database) provider
- JDBC (Java Database Connectivity)
- ODBC (Open Database Connectivity)

Direct native connections to SQLite databases are also supported. To connect to a SQLite database, no additional drivers are required to be installed on your system.

The following diagram illustrates a simplified, generic representation of the typical data exchange between a client application such as XMLSpy and a database.



*Typical data exchange between a client application and a database server*

Whether you should use ADO, ODBC or JDBC as a data connection interface largely depends on your existing software infrastructure. You will typically choose the data access technology and the database driver which integrates tighter (preferably natively) with the database system to which you want to connect. For example, to connect to a Microsoft Access 2013 database, you would build an ADO connection string that uses a native provider such as the **Microsoft Office Access Database Engine OLE DB Provider**. To connect to Oracle, on the other hand, you may want to download and install the latest JDBC or ODBC drivers from the Oracle website.

While drivers for Windows products (such as Microsoft Access or SQL Server) may already be available on your Windows operating system, they may not be available for other database types. Major database vendors routinely release publicly available database client software and drivers which provide cross-platform access to the respective database through any combination of OLE

DB, ODBC, or JDBC. In addition to this, several third party drivers may be available for any of the above technologies. In most cases, there is more than one way to connect to the required database from your operating system, and, consequently, from XMLSpy. The available features, performance parameters, and the known issues will typically vary based on the data access technology or drivers used.

This section contains the following topics:

- [Starting the Database Connection Wizard](#)
- [Database Drivers Overview](#)
- [Setting up an ADO Connection](#)
- [Setting up an ODBC Connection](#)
- [Setting up a JDBC Connection](#)
- [Using a Connection from Global Resources](#)
- [Examples](#)

### 14.1.1 Starting the Database Connection Wizard

Whenever you take an action that requires a database connection, a wizard appears that guides you through the steps required to set up the connection.

Before you go through the wizard steps, be aware that for some database types it is necessary to install and configure separately several database prerequisites, such as a database driver or database client software. These are normally provided by the respective database vendors, and include documentation tailored to your specific Windows version. For a list of database drivers grouped by database type, see [Database Drivers Overview](#).

To start the database connection wizard:

- On the **DB** menu, click **Query Database**.



After you select a database type and click **Next**, the on-screen instructions will depend on the database kind, technology (ADO, ODBC, JDBC) and driver used.

For examples applicable to each database type, see the [Examples](#) section. For instructions applicable to each database access technology, refer to the following topics:

- [Setting up an ADO Connection](#)
- [Setting up an ODBC Connection](#)
- [Setting up a JDBC Connection](#)

### 14.1.2 Database Drivers Overview

The following table lists common database drivers you can use to connect to a particular database through a particular data access technology. Note that this list does not aim to be either exhaustive or prescriptive; you can use other native or third party alternatives in addition to the drivers shown below.

Even though a number of database drivers are available by default on your Windows operating system, you may still want or need to download an alternative driver. For some databases, the latest driver supplied by the database vendor is likely to perform better than the driver that shipped with the operating system.

With some exceptions, most database vendors provide database client software which normally includes any required database drivers, or provide you with an option during installation to select

the drivers and components you wish to install. Database client software typically consists of administration and configuration utilities used to simplify database administration and connectivity, as well as documentation on how to install and configure the database client and any of its components.

Configuring the database client correctly is crucial for establishing a successful connection to the database. If you have not installed your database client software yet, it is strongly recommended to read carefully the installation and configuration instructions of the database client, since they typically vary for each database version and for each Windows version.

Database	ODBC	JDBC	ADO
Firebird	Firebird ODBC driver ( <a href="http://www.firebirdsql.org/en/odbc-driver/">http://www.firebirdsql.org/en/odbc-driver/</a> )	Firebird JDBC driver ( <a href="http://www.firebirdsql.org/en/jdbc-driver/">http://www.firebirdsql.org/en/jdbc-driver/</a> )	
IBM DB2	IBM DB2 ODBC Driver	IBM Data Server Driver for JDBC and SQLJ	IBM OLE DB Provider for DB2
IBM DB2 for i	iSeries Access ODBC Driver	IBM Toolbox for Java JDBC Driver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IBM DB2 for i5/OS IBMDA400 OLE DB Provider</li> <li>• IBM DB2 for i5/OS IBMDARLA OLE DB Provider</li> <li>• IBM DB2 for i5/OS IBMDASQL OLE DB Provider</li> </ul>
IBM Informix	IBM Informix ODBC Driver	IBM Informix JDBC Driver	IBM Informix OLE DB Provider
Microsoft Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Microsoft Access Driver</b></li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Microsoft Jet OLE DB Provider</b></li> <li>• <b>Microsoft Access Database Engine OLE DB Provider</b></li> </ul>
Microsoft SQL Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SQL Server Native Client</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Microsoft JDBC Driver for SQL Server ( <a href="http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/data/aa937724.aspx">http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/data/aa937724.aspx</a> )</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Microsoft OLE DB Provider for SQL Server</b></li> <li>• <b>SQL Server Native Client</b></li> </ul>
MySQL	Connector/ODBC ( <a href="http://dev.mysql.com/downloads/connector/odbc/">http://dev.mysql.com/downloads/connector/odbc/</a> )	Connector/J ( <a href="http://dev.mysql.com/downloads/connector/j/">http://dev.mysql.com/downloads/connector/j/</a> )	
Oracle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Microsoft ODBC for Oracle</b></li> <li>• Oracle ODBC Driver (typically installed)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JDBC Thin Driver</li> <li>• JDBC Oracle Call Interface (OCI) Driver</li> </ul> These drivers are	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Microsoft OLE DB Provider for Oracle</b></li> </ul>

Database	ODBC	JDBC	ADO
	during the installation of your Oracle database client)	typically installed during the installation of your Oracle database client. Connect through the OCI Driver (not the Thin Driver) if you are using the Oracle XML DB component.	
PostgreSQL	psqlODBC ( <a href="https://odbc.postgresql.org/">https://odbc.postgresql.org/</a> )	Postgre JDBC Driver ( <a href="https://jdbc.postgresql.org/download.html">https://jdbc.postgresql.org/download.html</a> )	
Sybase	Sybase ASE ODBC Driver	jConnect™ for JDBC	Sybase ASE OLE DB Provider

\* The drivers highlighted in *bold* are Microsoft-supplied. If not already available on Windows system, they can be downloaded from the official Microsoft web site.

To understand the capabilities and limitations of each data access technology with respect to each database type, refer to the documentation of that particular database product and also test the connection against your specific environment. To avoid common connectivity issues, consider the following general notes and recommendations:

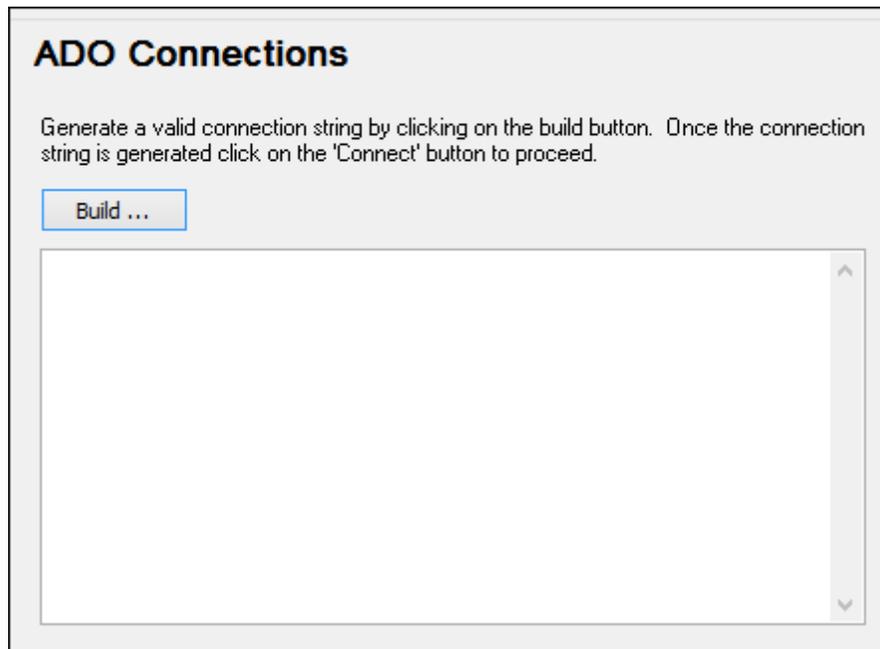
- Since 32-bit and 64-bit drivers may not be compatible, make sure to install and configure the driver version applicable to your Altova application. For example, if you are using a 32-bit Altova application on a 64-bit operating system, set up your database connection using the 32-bit driver version.
- The latest driver versions may provide features not available in older editions.
- When setting up an ODBC data source, it is generally recommended to create the data source name (DSN) as *System DSN* instead of *User DSN*.
- When setting up a JDBC data source, ensure that JRE (Java Runtime Environment) is installed and that the CLASSPATH environment variable of the operating system is configured.
- For the support details and known issues applicable to Microsoft-supplied database drivers, refer to the MSDN documentation.
- For the installation instructions and support details of any drivers or database client software that you install from a database vendor, check the documentation provided with the installation package. Whether you are using an official or third party database driver, the most comprehensive information and the configuration procedures applicable to that specific driver on your specific operating system is normally part of the driver installation package.

### 14.1.3 Setting up an ADO Connection

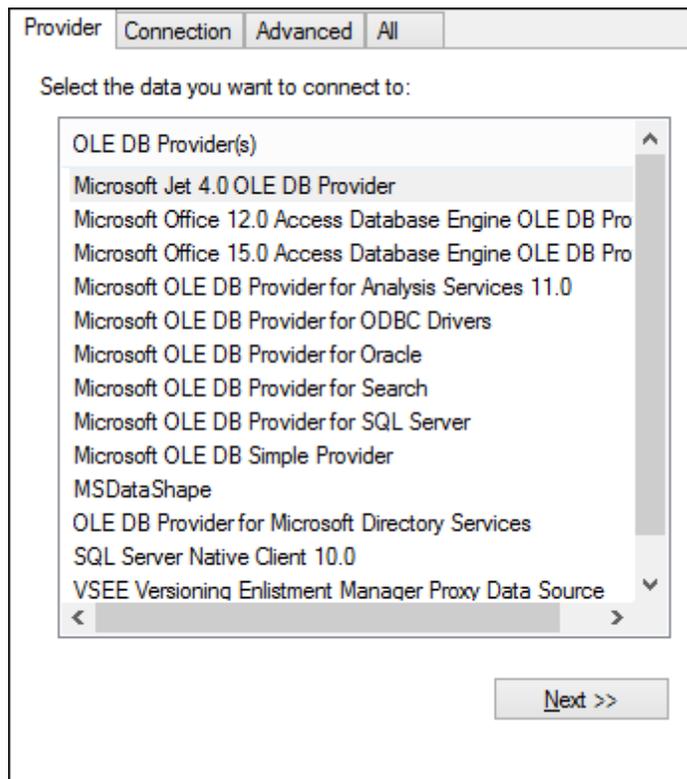
Microsoft ActiveX Data Objects (ADO) is a data access technology that enables you to connect to a variety of data sources through OLE DB. OLE DB is an alternative interface to ODBC or JDBC; it provides uniform access to data in a COM (Component Object Model) environment. ADO is the typical choice for connecting to Microsoft native databases such as Microsoft Access or SQL Server, although you can also use it for other data sources.

To set up an ADO connection:

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **ADO Connections**.



3. Click **Build**.



4. Select the data provider through which you want to connect. The table below lists a few common scenarios.

To connect to this database...	Use this provider...
Microsoft Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Microsoft Office Access Database Engine OLE DB Provider</b></li> </ul> <p>When connecting to Microsoft Access 2003, you can also use the <b>Microsoft Jet OLE DB Provider</b>.</p>
SQL Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SQL Server Native Client</b></li> <li>• <b>Microsoft OLE DB Provider for SQL Server</b></li> </ul>
Other database	<p>Select the provider applicable to your database.</p> <p>If an OLE DB provider to your database is not available, install the required driver from the database vendor (see <a href="#">Database Drivers Overview</a> ). Alternatively, set up an ODBC or JDBC connection.</p> <p>If the operating system has an ODBC driver to the required database, you can also use the <b>Microsoft OLE DB Provider for ODBC Drivers</b>.</p>

5. Click **Next** and complete the wizard.

The subsequent wizard steps are specific to the provider you chose. For SQL Server, you will need to provide or select the host name of the database server, as well as the database username and password. For Microsoft Access, you will be asked to browse for or provide the path to the database file.

The complete list of initialization properties (connection parameters) is available in the **All** tab of the connection dialog box—these properties vary depending on the chosen provider. The following sections provide guidance on configuring the basic initialization properties for Microsoft Access and SQL Server databases:

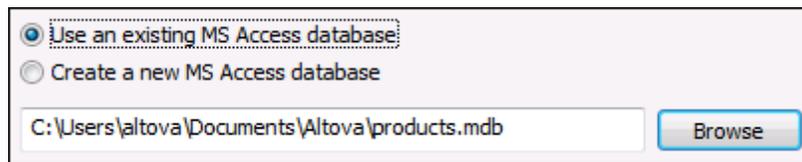
- [Setting up the SQL Server Data Link Properties](#)
- [Setting up the Microsoft Access Data Link Properties](#)

### Connecting to an Existing Microsoft Access Database

This approach is suitable when you want to connect to a Microsoft Access database which is not password-protected. If the database is password-protected, set up the database password as shown in [Connecting to Microsoft Access \(ADO\)](#).

**To connect to an existing Microsoft Access database:**

1. Run the database connection wizard (see [Starting the Database Connection Wizard](#)).
2. Select **Microsoft Access (ADO)**, and then click **Next**.



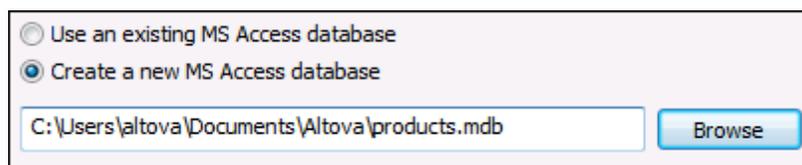
3. Select **Use an existing MS Access database**.
4. Browse for the database file, or enter the path to it (either relative or absolute).
5. Click **Connect**.

### Creating a New Microsoft Access Database

You can create a new Microsoft Access database file and connect to it, as an alternative to connecting to an existing database file. The database file created by XMLSpy is empty. To create the required database structure, use Microsoft Access or a tool such as DatabaseSpy ( <http://www.altova.com/databasespy.html> ).

**To create a new Microsoft Access database:**

1. Run the database connection wizard (see [Starting the Database Connection Wizard](#)).
2. Select **Microsoft Access (ADO)**, and then click **Next**.



3. Select **Create a new MS Access database**, and then enter the path (either relative or

absolute) of the database file to be created (for example, **c:\users\public\products.mdb**). Alternatively, click **Browse** to select a folder, type the name of the database file in the "File name" text box (for example, **products.mdb**), and click **Save**.

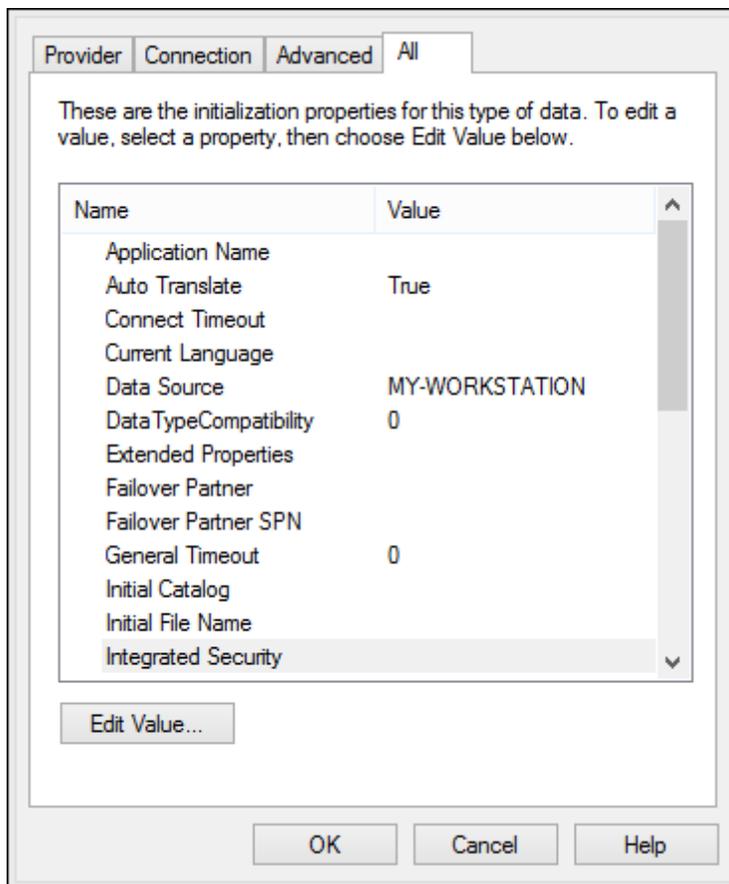
#### Notes

- Make sure that you have write permissions to the folder where you want to create the database file.
- Microsoft Access 2007 or later must be installed on your computer if you intend to create the file in **.accdb** format. If you are creating the file in **.mdb** format, there is no such requirement.

4. Click **Connect**.

### Setting up the SQL Server Data Link Properties

When you connect to a Microsoft SQL Server database through ADO (see [Setting up an ADO Connection](#)), ensure that the following data link properties are configured correctly in the **All** tab of the Data Link Properties dialog box.

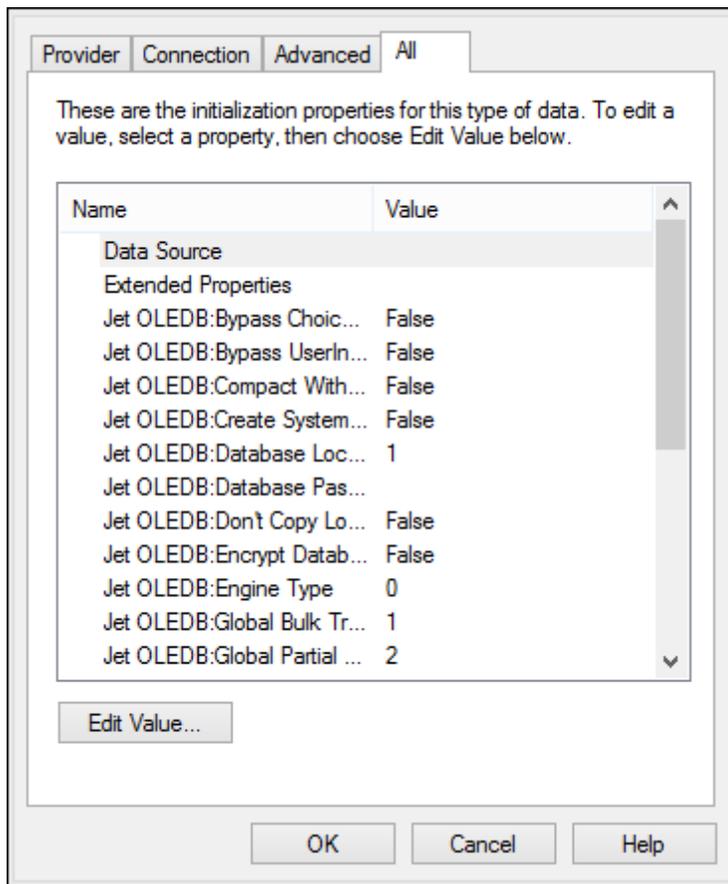


*Data Link Properties dialog box*

Property	Notes
<b>Integrated Security</b>	If you selected the <b>SQL Server Native Client</b> data provider on the <b>Provider</b> tab, set this property to a space character.
<b>Persist Security Info</b>	Set this property to <b>True</b> .

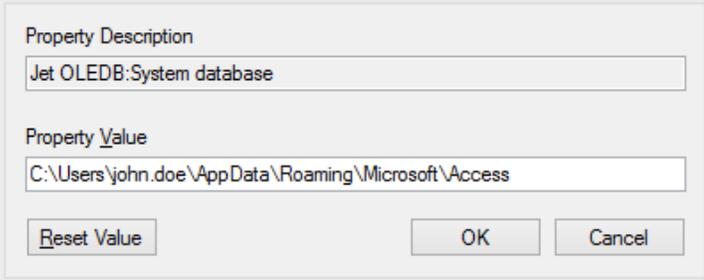
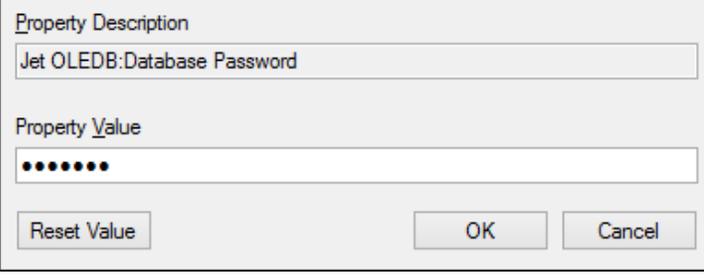
### Setting up the Microsoft Access Data Link Properties

When you connect to a Microsoft Access database through ADO (see [Setting up an ADO Connection](#)), ensure that the following properties are configured correctly in the **All** tab of the Data Link Properties dialog box.



*Data Link Properties dialog box*

Property	Notes
<b>Data Source</b>	This property stores the path to the Microsoft Access database file. To avoid database connectivity issues, it is recommended to use the UNC (Universal Naming Convention) path format, for example:  <code>\\anyserver\share\$\filepath</code>

Property	Notes
<b>Jet OLEDB:System Database</b>	<p>This property stores the path to the workgroup information file. You may need to explicitly set the value of this property before you can connect to a Microsoft Access database.</p> <p>If you cannot connect due to a "workgroup information file" error, locate the workgroup information file (<b>System.MDW</b>) applicable to your user profile (see <a href="http://support.microsoft.com/kb/305542">http://support.microsoft.com/kb/305542</a> for instructions), and set the property value to the path of the <b>System.MDW</b> file.</p> 
<b>Jet OLEDB:Database Password</b>	<p>If the database is password-protected, set the value of this property to the database password.</p> 

#### 14.1.4 Setting up an ODBC Connection

ODBC (Open Database Connectivity) is a widely used data access technology that enables you to connect to a database from XMLSpy. It can be used either as primary means to connect to a database, or as an alternative to OLE DB- or JDBC-driven connections.

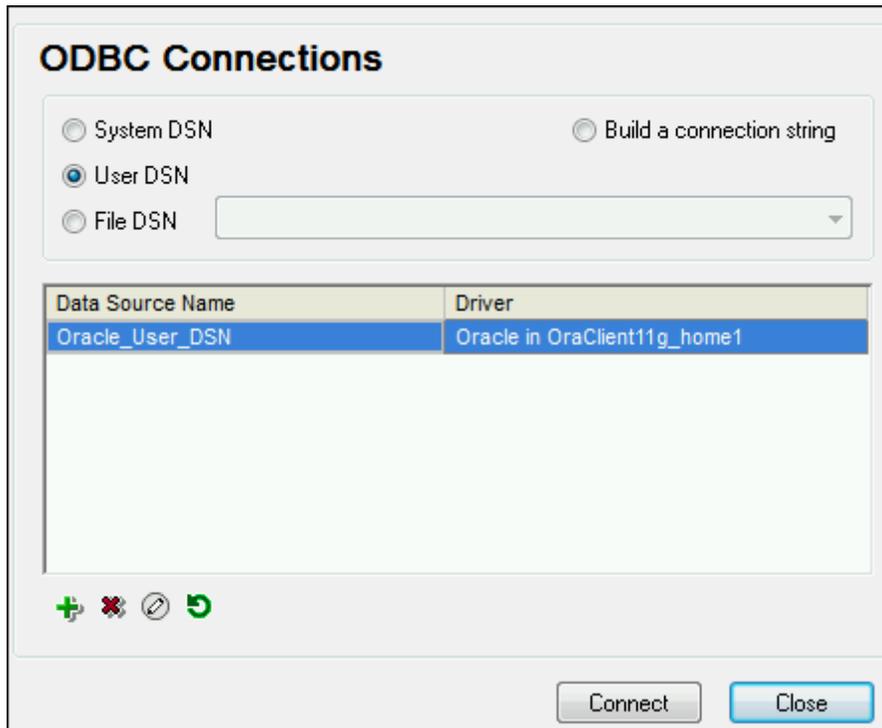
To connect to a database through ODBC, first you need to create an ODBC data source name (DSN) on the operating system. This step is not required if the DSN has already been created, perhaps by another user of the operating system. The DSN represents a uniform way to describe the database connection to any ODBC-aware client application on the operating system, including XMLSpy. DSNs can be of the following types:

- System DSN
- User DSN
- File DSN

A *System* data source is accessible by all users with privileges on the operating system. A *User*

data source is available to the user who created it. Finally, if you create a *File DSN*, the data source will be created as a file with the .dsn extension which you can share with other users, provided that they have installed the drivers used by the data source.

Any DSNs already available on your machine are listed by the database connection dialog box when you click **ODBC connections** on the ODBC connections dialog box.



*ODBC Connections dialog box*

If a DSN to the required database is not available, the XMLSpy database connection wizard will assist you to create it; however, you can also create it directly on your Windows operating system. In either case, before you proceed, ensure that the ODBC driver applicable for your database is in the list of ODBC drivers available to the operating system (see [Viewing the Available ODBC Drivers](#) ).

#### To connect by using a new DSN:

1. [Start the database connection wizard](#).
2. On the database connection dialog box, click **ODBC Connections**.
3. Select a data source type (User DSN, System DSN, File DSN).

To create a System DSN, you need administrative rights on the operating system.

4. Click **Add** .
5. Select a driver, and then click **User DSN** or **System DSN** (depending on the type of the DSN you want to create). If the driver applicable to your database is not listed, download it from the database vendor and install it (see [Database Drivers Overview](#) ).

6. On the dialog box that pops up, fill in any driver specific connection information to complete the setup.

For the connection to be successful, you will need to provide the host name (or IP address) of the database server, as well as the database username and password. There may be other optional connection parameters—these parameters vary between database providers. For detailed information about the parameters specific to each connection method, consult the documentation of the driver provider. Once created, the DSN becomes available in the list of data source names. This enables you to reuse the database connection details any time you want to connect to the database. Note that User DSNs are added to the list of User DSNs whereas System DSNs are added to the list of System DSNs.

#### To connect by using an existing DSN:

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **ODBC Connections**.
3. Choose the type of the existing data source (User DSN, System DSN, File DSN).
4. Click the existing DSN record, and then click **Connect**.

#### To build a connection string based on an existing .dsn file:

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **ODBC Connections**.
3. Select **Build a connection string**, and then click **Build**.
4. If you want to build the connection string using a File DSN, click the **File Data Source** tab. Otherwise, click the **Machine Data Source** tab. (System DSNs and User DSNs are known as "Machine" data sources.)
5. Select the required .dsn file, and then click **OK**.

#### To connect by using a prepared connection string:

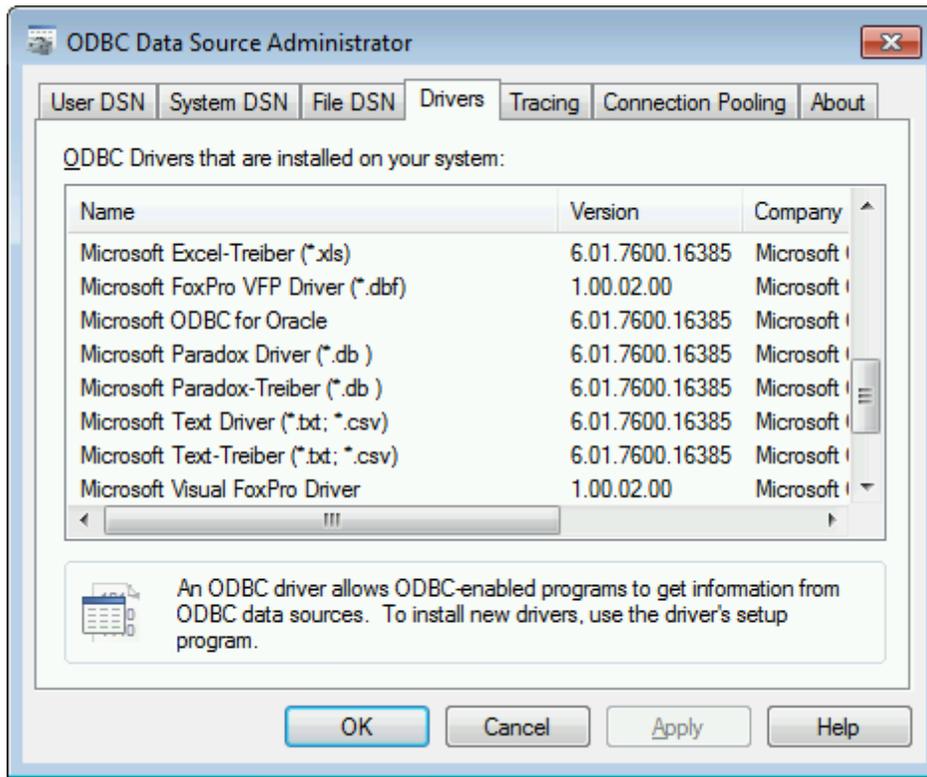
1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **ODBC Connections**.
3. Select **Build a connection string**.
4. Paste the connection string into the provided box, and then click **Connect**.

### Viewing the Available ODBC Drivers

You can view the ODBC drivers available on your operating system in the ODBC Data Source Administrator. You can access the ODBC Data Source Administrator (**Odbcad32.exe**) from the Windows Control Panel, under **Administrative Tools**. On 64-bit operating systems, there are two versions of this executable:

- The 32-bit version of the **Odbcad32.exe** file is located in the **C:\Windows\SysWoW64** directory (assuming that **C:** is your system drive).
- The 64-bit version of the **Odbcad32.exe** file is located in the **C:\Windows\System32** directory.

Any installed 32-bit database drivers are visible in the 32-bit version of ODBC Data Source Administrator, while 64-bit drivers—in the 64-bit version. Therefore, ensure that you check the database drivers from the relevant version of ODBC Data Source Administrator.



ODBC Data Source Administrator

If the driver to your target database does not exist in the list, or if you want to add an alternative driver, you will need to download it from the database vendor (see [Database Drivers Overview](#)). Once the ODBC driver is available on your system, you are ready to create ODBC connections with it (see [Setting up an ODBC Connection](#)).

### 14.1.5 Setting up a JDBC Connection

JDBC (Java Database Connectivity) is a database access interface which is part of the Java software platform from Oracle. JDBC connections are generally more resource-intensive than ODBC connections but may provide features not available through ODBC. It is generally recommended to use a JDBC connection if you are using database features not available through an ODBC connector, for example, support for the XML DB technology in Oracle databases. Due to insufficient information returned by the drivers, JDBC connections have the following limited functionality: (i) data editing is not possible for tables without a primary key; (ii) the **Execute for Data Editing** command in SQL Editor will not work.

Prerequisites:

- JRE (Java Runtime Environment) or Java Development Kit (JDK) must be installed. If you have not installed it already, check the official Java website for the download package and installation instructions.
- The JDBC drivers from the database vendor must be installed. If you are connecting to an Oracle database, note that some Oracle drivers are specific to certain JRE versions and may require additional components and configuration. The documentation of your Oracle product (for example, the "Oracle Database JDBC Developer's Guide and Reference")

includes detailed instructions about the configuration procedure for each JDBC driver.

- The operating system's `PATH` environment variable must include the path to the `bin` directory of the JRE or JDK installation directory, for example `C:\Program Files (x86)\Java\jre1.8.0_51\bin`.
- The `CLASSPATH` environment variable must include the path to the JDBC driver on your Windows operating system. When you install some database clients, the installer may configure this variable automatically. The documentation of the JDBC driver will typically include step-by-step instructions on setting the `CLASSPATH` variable (see also [Configuring the CLASSPATH](#)).

#### To set up a JDBC connection:

1. [Start the database connection wizard](#).
2. Click **JDBC Connections**.
3. Do one of the following:
  - a. Select a JDBC driver from the Driver list. This list contains any JDBC drivers configured through the `CLASSPATH` environment variable (see [Configuring the CLASSPATH](#)).
  - b. Enter a Java class name.
4. Enter the username and password to the database in the corresponding boxes.
5. In the Database URL text box, enter the JDBC connection string in the format specific to your database type (see the [JDBC connection formats](#) below).
6. Click **Connect**.

#### JDBC connection formats

The following table describes the syntax of JDBC connection strings for common database types.

Database	JDBC Connection Format
Firebird	<code>jdbc:firebirdsql://&lt;host&gt;[:&lt;port&gt;]/&lt;database path or alias&gt;</code>
IBM DB2	<code>jdbc:db2://&lt;hostName&gt;:&lt;port&gt;/&lt;databaseName&gt;</code>
IBM Informix	<code>jdbc:informix-sqli://&lt;hostName&gt;:&lt;port&gt;/&lt;databaseName&gt;:INFORMIXSERVER=myserver</code>
Microsoft SQL Server	<code>jdbc:sqlserver://&lt;hostName&gt;:&lt;port&gt;;&lt;databaseName&gt;=name</code>
MySQL	<code>jdbc:mysql://&lt;hostName&gt;:&lt;port&gt;/&lt;databaseName&gt;</code>
Oracle	<code>jdbc:oracle:thin:@//&lt;hostName&gt;:&lt;port&gt;:&lt;databaseName&gt;</code>
Oracle XML DB	<code>jdbc:oracle:oci:@//&lt;hostName&gt;:&lt;port&gt;:&lt;databaseName&gt;</code>
PostgreSQL	<code>jdbc:postgresql://&lt;hostName&gt;:&lt;port&gt;/&lt;databaseName&gt;</code>
Sybase	<code>jdbc:sybase:Tds:&lt;hostName&gt;:&lt;port&gt;/&lt;databaseName&gt;</code>

**Note:** Syntax variations to the formats listed above are also possible (for example, the database URL may exclude the port or may include the username and password to the database). Check the documentation of the database vendor for further details.

## Configuring the CLASSPATH

The `CLASSPATH` environment variable is used by the Java Runtime Environment (JRE) to locate Java classes and other resource files on your operating system. When you connect to a database through JDBC, this variable must be configured to include the path to the JDBC driver on your operating system, and, in some cases, the path to additional library files specific to the database type you are using.

The following table lists sample file paths that must be typically included in the `CLASSPATH` variable. Importantly, you may need to adjust this information based on the location of the JDBC driver on your system, the JDBC driver name, as well as the JRE version present on your operating system. To avoid connectivity problems, check the installation instructions and any pre-installation or post-installation configuration steps applicable to the JDBC driver installed on your operating system.

Database	Sample CLASSPATH entries
Firebird	C:\Program Files\Firebird\Jaybird-2.2.8-JDK_1.8\jaybird-full-2.2.8.jar
IBM DB2	C:\Program Files (x86)\IBM\SQLLIB\java\db2jcc.jar;C:\Program Files (x86)\IBM\SQLLIB\java\db2jcc_license_cu.jar;
IBM Informix	C:\Informix_JDBC_Driver\lib\ifxjdbc.jar;
Microsoft SQL Server	C:\Program Files\Microsoft JDBC Driver 4.0 for SQL Server\sqljdbc_4.0\enu\sqljdbc.jar
MySQL	mysql-connector-java-version-bin.jar;
Oracle	<code>ORACLE_HOME</code> \jdbc\lib\ojdbc6.jar;
Oracle (with XML DB)	<code>ORACLE_HOME</code> \jdbc\lib\ojdbc6.jar; <code>ORACLE_HOME</code> \LIB\xmlparserv2.jar; <code>ORACLE_HOME</code> \RDBMS\jlib\xdb.jar;
PostgreSQL	<code>&lt;installation directory&gt;</code> \postgresql.jar
Sybase	C:\sybase\jConnect-7_0\classes\jconn4.jar

- Changing the `CLASSPATH` variable may affect the behavior of Java applications on your machine. To understand possible implications before you proceed, refer to the Java documentation.
- Environment variables can be user or system. To change system environment variables, you need administrative rights on the operating system.
- After you change the environment variable, restart any running programs for settings to take effect. Alternatively, log off or restart your operating system.

### To configure the CLASSPATH on Windows 7:

1. Open the **Start** menu and right-click **Computer**.

2. Click **Properties**.
3. Click **Advanced system settings**.
4. In the **Advanced** tab, click **Environment Variables**,
5. Locate the CLASSPATH variable under user or system environment variables, and then click **Edit**. If the CLASSPATH variable does not exist, click **New** to create it.
6. Edit the variable value to include the path on your operating system where the JDBC driver is located. To separate the JDBC driver path from other paths that may already be in the CLASSPATH variable, use the semi-colon separator ( ; ).

#### To configure the CLASSPATH on Windows 8:

1. Right-click the Windows Start button, and then click **System**.
2. Click **Advanced System Settings**.
3. Click **Environment Variables**.
4. Locate the CLASSPATH variable under user or system environment variables, and then click **Edit**. If the CLASSPATH variable does not exist, click **New** to create it.
5. Edit the variable value to include the path on your operating system where the JDBC driver is located. To separate the JDBC driver path from other paths that may already be in the CLASSPATH variable, use the semi-colon separator ( ; ).

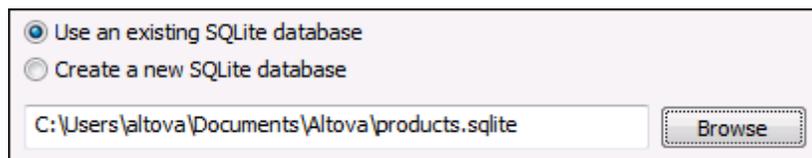
### 14.1.6 Setting up a SQLite Connection

SQLite (<http://www.sqlite.org>) is a file-based, self-contained database type, which makes it ideal in scenarios where portability and ease of configuration is important. Since SQLite databases are natively supported by XMLSpy, you do not need to install any drivers to connect to them.

#### Connecting to an Existing SQLite Database

To connect to an existing SQLite database:

1. Run the database connection wizard (see [Starting the Database Connection Wizard](#)).
2. Select **SQLite**, and then click **Next**.



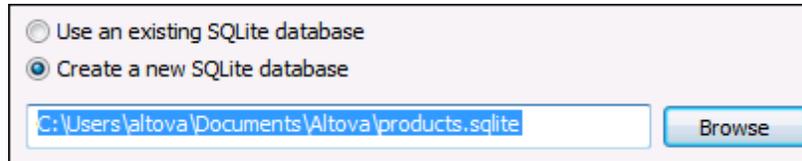
3. Select **Use an existing SQLite database**, and then browse for the SQLite database file, or enter the path (either relative or absolute) to the database. The **Connect** button becomes enabled once you enter the path to a SQLite database file.
4. Click **Connect**.

#### Creating a New SQLite Database

You can create a new SQLite database file and connect to it, as an alternative to connecting to an existing database file. The database file created by XMLSpy is empty; use queries or scripts to create the required database structure and populate it with data.

**To create a new SQLite database:**

1. Run the database connection wizard (see [Starting the Database Connection Wizard](#)).
2. Select **SQLite**, and then click **Next**.



3. Select **Create a new SQLite database**, and then enter the path (either relative or absolute) of the database file to be created (for example, **c:\users\public\products.sqlite**). Alternatively, click **Browse** to select a folder, type the name of the database file in the "File name" text box (for example, **products.sqlite**), and click **Save**.

Make sure that you have write permissions to the folder where you want to create the database file.

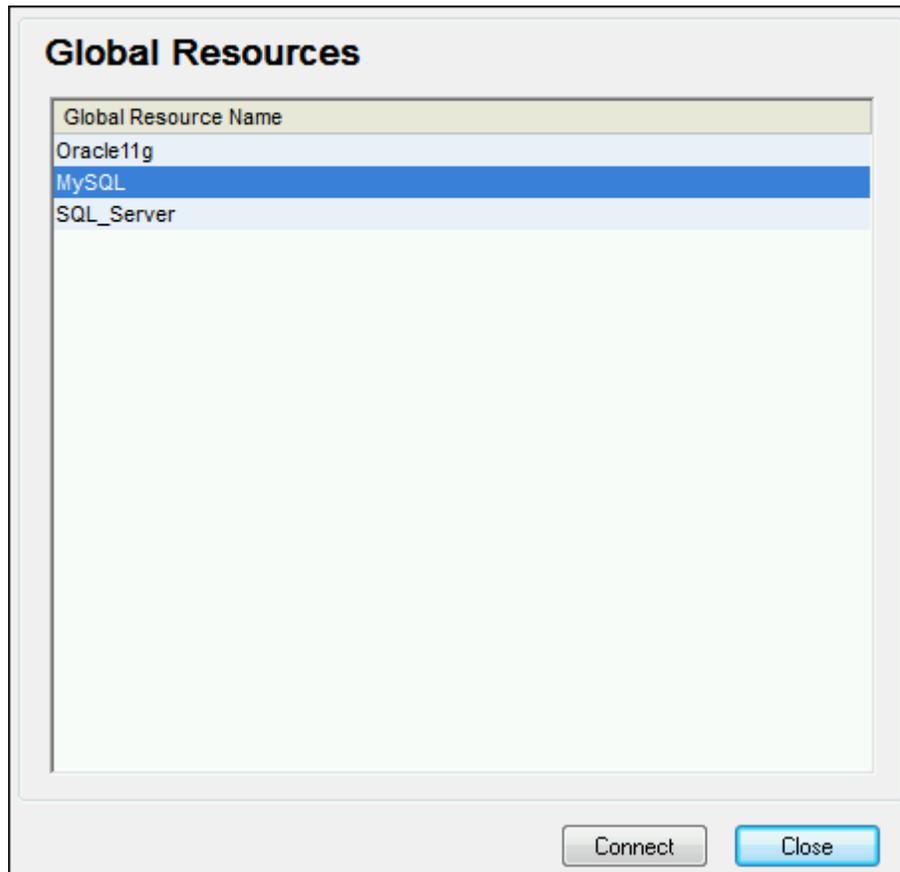
4. Click **Connect**.

### 14.1.7 Using a Connection from Global Resources

If you have previously configured a database connection to be available as a global resource, you can reuse the connection at any time (even across different Altova applications).

**To use a database connection from Global Resources:**

1. [Start the database connection wizard](#).
2. Click **Global Resources**. Any database connections available as global resources are listed.



3. Select the database connection record, and click **Connect**.

**Tip:** To get additional information about each global resource, move the mouse cursor over the global resource.

### 14.1.8 Examples

This section includes sample procedures for connecting to a database from XMLSpy. Note that your Windows machine, the network environment, and the database client or server software is likely to have a configuration that is not exactly the same as the one presented in the following examples.

**Note:** For most database types, it is possible to connect using more than one data access technology (ADO, ODBC, JDBC) or driver. The performance of the database connection, as well as its features and limitations will depend on the selected driver, database client software (if applicable), and any additional connectivity parameters that you may have configured outside XMLSpy.

This section includes the following topics:

- [Connecting to Firebird \(ODBC\)](#)
- [Connecting to Firebird \(JDBC\)](#)
- [Connecting to IBM DB2 \(ODBC\)](#)
- [Connecting to IBM DB2 for i \(ODBC\)](#)

- [Connecting to IBM Informix \(JDBC\)](#)
- [Connecting to Microsoft Access \(ADO\)](#)
- [Connecting to Microsoft SQL Server \(ADO\)](#)
- [Connecting to Microsoft SQL Server \(ODBC\)](#)
- [Connecting to MySQL \(ODBC\)](#)
- [Connecting to Oracle \(ODBC\)](#)
- [Connecting to PostgreSQL \(ODBC\)](#)
- [Connecting to Sybase \(JDBC\)](#)

## Connecting to Firebird (ODBC)

This topic provides sample instructions for connecting to a Firebird 2.5.4 database running on a Linux server.

### Prerequisites:

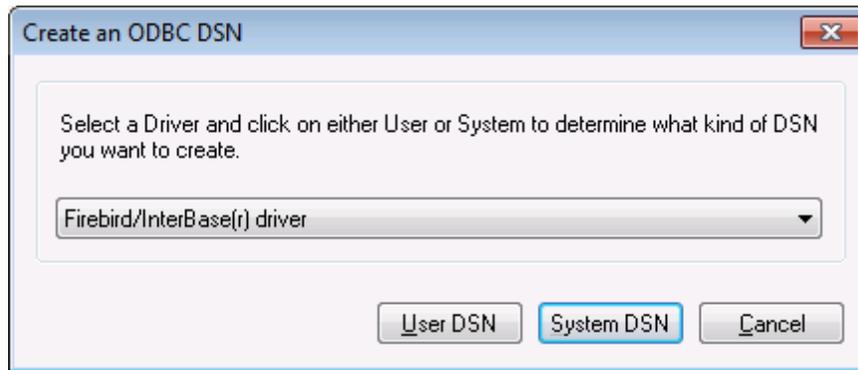
- The Firebird database server is configured to accept TCP/IP connections from clients.
- The Firebird ODBC driver must be installed on your operating system. This example uses the Firebird ODBC driver version 2.0.3.154 downloaded from the Firebird website ( <http://www.firebirdsql.org/> ).
- The Firebird client must be installed on your operating system. Note that there is no standalone installer available for the Firebird 2.5.4 client; the client is part of the Firebird server installation package. You can download the Firebird server installation package from the Firebird website ( <http://www.firebirdsql.org/> ), look for "Windows executable installer for full Superclassic/Classic or Superserver". To install only the client files, choose "**Minimum client install - no server, no tools**" when going through the wizard steps.

#### Important:

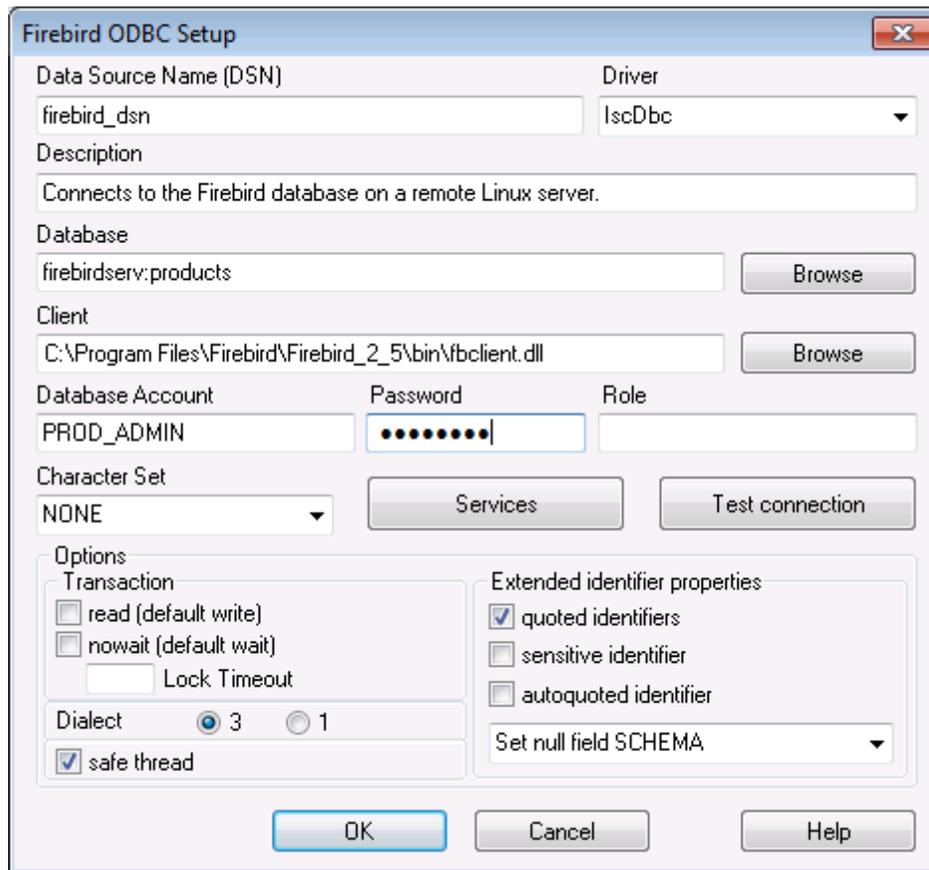
- The platform of both the Firebird ODBC driver and client (32-bit or 64-bit) must correspond to that of XMLSpy.
  - The version of the Firebird client must correspond to the version of Firebird server to which you are connecting.
- You have the following database connection details: server host name or IP address, database path (or alias) on the server, user name, and password.

### To connect to Firebird via ODBC:

1. [Start the database connection wizard](#).
2. Click **ODBC Connections**.
3. Select **User DSN** (or **System DSN**, if you have administrative privileges), and then click **Add**  .



4. Select the Firebird driver, and then click **User DSN** (or **System DSN**, depending on what you selected in the previous step). If the Firebird driver is not available in the list, make sure that it is installed on your operating system (see also [Viewing the Available ODBC Drivers](#) ).



5. Enter the database connection details as follows:

<i>Data Source Name (DSN)</i>	Enter a descriptive name for the data source you are creating.
<i>Database</i>	Enter the server host name or IP address, followed by a

	<p>colon, followed by the database alias (or path). In this example, the host name is <code>firebirdserv</code>, and the database alias is <code>products</code>, as follows:</p> <pre>firebirdserv:products</pre> <p>Using a database alias assumes that, on the server side, the database administrator has configured the alias <code>products</code> to point to the actual Firebird (<code>.fdb</code>) database file on the server (see the Firebird documentation for more details).</p> <p>You can also use the server IP address instead of the host name, and a path instead of an alias; therefore, any of the following sample connection strings are valid:</p> <pre>firebirdserver:/var/Firebird/databases/butterflies.fdb 127.0.0.1:D:\Misc\Lenders.fdb</pre> <p>If the database is on the local Windows machine, click <b>Browse</b> and select the Firebird (<code>.fdb</code>) database file directly.</p>
<i>Client</i>	Enter the path to the <b>fbclient.dll</b> file. By default, this is the <code>bin</code> subdirectory of the Firebird installation directory.
<i>Database Account</i>	Enter the database user name supplied by the database administrator (in this example, <code>PROD_ADMIN</code> ).
<i>Password</i>	Enter the database password supplied by the database administrator.

- Click **OK**.

### Connecting to Firebird (JDBC)

This topic provides sample instructions for connecting to a Firebird database server through JDBC.

Prerequisites:

- Java Runtime Environment (JRE) or Java Development Kit (JDK) must be installed on your operating system.
- The operating system's `PATH` environment variable must include the path to the `bin` directory of the JRE or JDK installation directory, for example `C:\Program Files (x86)\Java\jre1.8.0_51\bin`.
- The Firebird JDBC driver must be installed on your operating system. This example uses *Jaybird 2.2.8* downloaded from the Firebird website ( <http://www.firebirdsql.org/> ).
- The operating system's `CLASSPATH` environment variable must include the path to the Jaybird driver, for example `C:\jdbc\firebird\jaybird-full-2.2.8.jar`. See also [Configuring the CLASSPATH](#).
- You have the following database connection details: host, database path or alias, username, and password.

**To connect to Firebird through JDBC:**

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **JDBC Connections**.
3. In the Driver box, select **org.firebirdsql.jdbc.FBDriver**. If the entry is not available, check if the `CLASSPATH` and `PATH` environment variables are set correctly (see the prerequisites above).

4. Enter the username and password to the database in the corresponding text boxes.
5. Enter the connection string to the database server in the Database URL text box, by replacing the highlighted values with the ones applicable to your database server.

```
jdbc:firebirdsql://<host>[:<port>]/<database path or alias>
```

6. Click **Connect**.

**Connecting to IBM DB2 (ODBC)**

This topic provides sample instructions for connecting to an IBM DB2 database through ODBC.

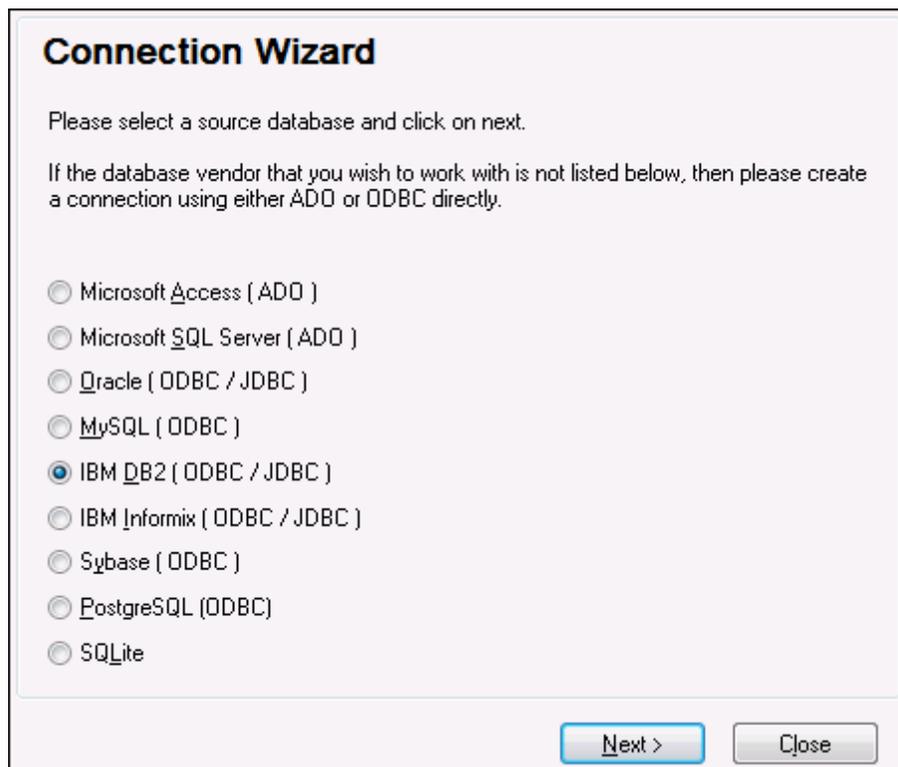
**Prerequisites:**

- IBM Data Server Client must be installed and configured on your operating system (this example uses IBM Data Server Client 9.7). For installation instructions, check the documentation supplied with your IBM DB2 software. After installing the IBM Data Server Client, check if the ODBC drivers are available on your machine (see [Viewing the](#)

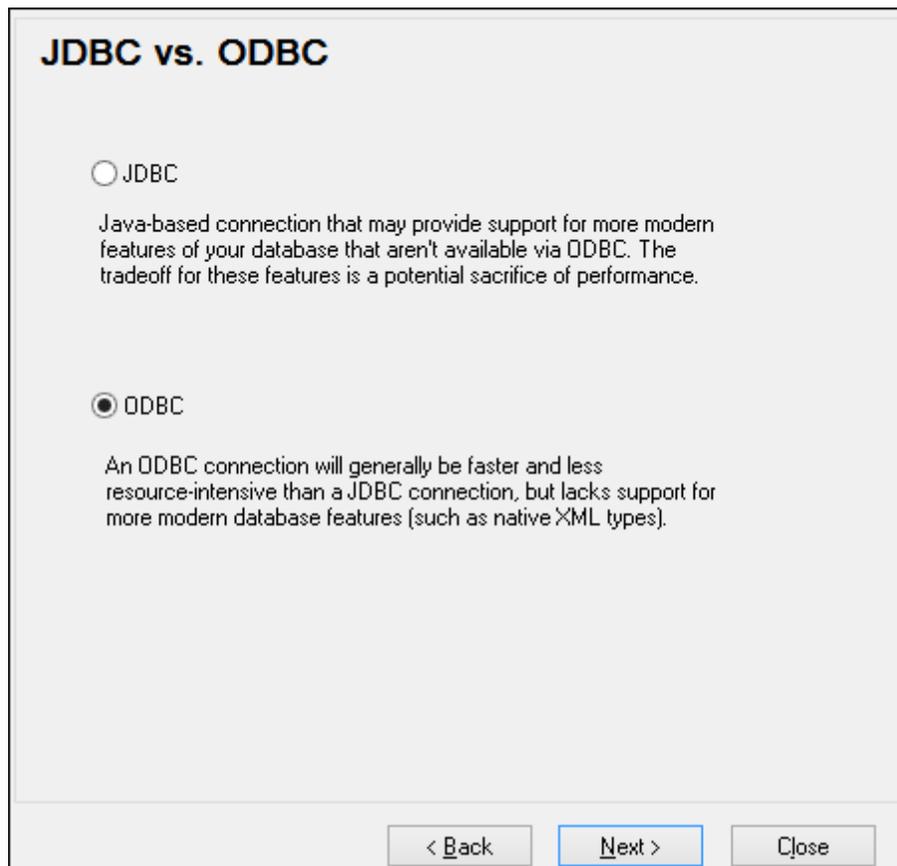
- [Available ODBC Drivers](#)).
  - From IBM DB2 Configuration Assistant
  - From IBM DB2 Command Line Processor
  - From the ODBC data source wizard (for this case, the instructions are shown below)
- You have the following database connection details: host, database, port, username, and password.

**To connect to IBM DB2:**

1. [Start the database connection wizard](#) and select **IBM DB2 (ODBC/JDBC)**.



2. Click **Next**.



**JDBC vs. ODBC**

JDBC

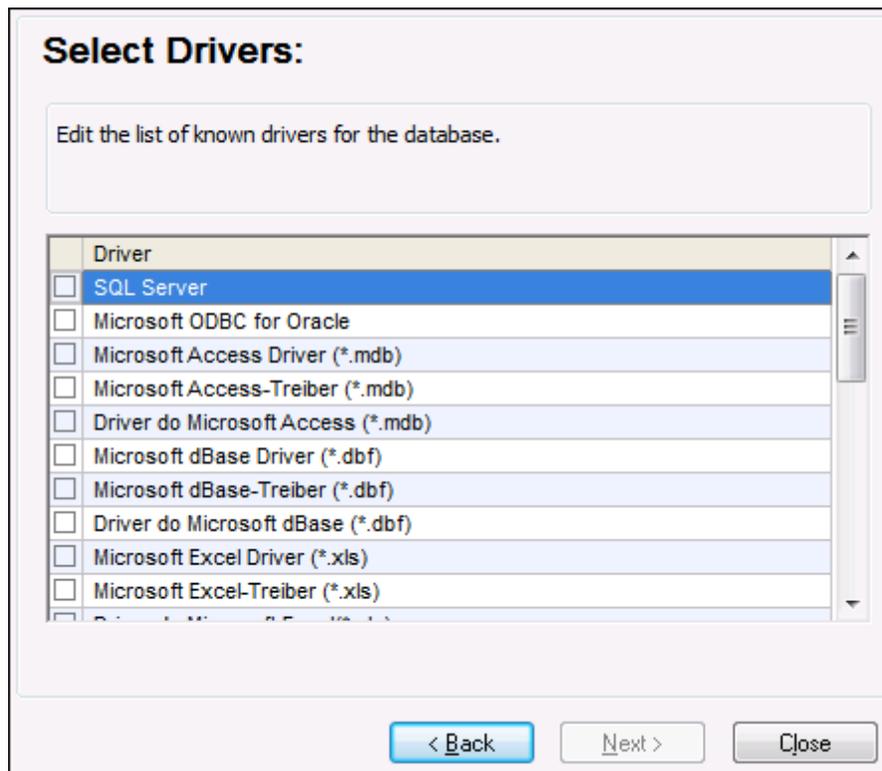
Java-based connection that may provide support for more modern features of your database that aren't available via ODBC. The tradeoff for these features is a potential sacrifice of performance.

ODBC

An ODBC connection will generally be faster and less resource-intensive than a JDBC connection, but lacks support for more modern database features (such as native XML types).

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3. Select **ODBC**, and click **Next**. If prompted to edit the list of known drivers for the database, select the database drivers applicable to IBM DB2 (see [Prerequisites](#)), and click **Next**.



4. Select the IBM DB2 driver from the list, and then click **Connect**. (To edit the list of available drivers, click **Edit Drivers**, and then check or uncheck the IBM DB2 drivers you wish to add or remove, respectively.)

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Connecting to IBM DB2". At the top right, there is a button labeled "Where can I find IBM DB2 drivers?". Below this, a text box says "Select an option how you wish to connect to the database and click Connect." There are two radio button options: "Create a new Data Source Name (DSN) with the driver:" (which is selected) and "Use an existing Data Source Name:". Under the first option, there is a dropdown menu showing "IBM DB2 ODBC DRIVER". Under the second option, there are two sub-radio buttons: "User DSN" (selected) and "System DSN". To the right of these sub-radio buttons is an "Edit Drivers" button. At the bottom left, there is a checkbox labeled "Skip the configuration step for wizard". At the bottom of the dialog, there are three buttons: "< Back", "Connect" (highlighted with a blue border), and "Close".

5. Enter a data source name (in this example, **DB2DSN**), and then click **Add**.

The screenshot shows a dialog box with the text: "Select the DB2 database alias you want to register for ODBC, or select Add to create a new alias. You may change the data source name and description, or accept the default." Below this text are three input fields: "Data source name" with the text "DB2DSN" entered; "Database alias" with a dropdown arrow and an "Add" button to its right; and "Description" with an empty text box. At the bottom of the dialog are two buttons: "OK" and "Cancel".

6. On the **Data Source** tab, enter the user name and password to the database.

The screenshot shows a dialog box with four tabs: 'Data Source', 'TCP/IP', 'Security options', and 'Advanced Settings'. The 'Advanced Settings' tab is active. It contains the following fields and options:

- 'Data source name' text box containing 'DB2DSN'.
- 'Description' text box (empty).
- 'User ID' text box containing 'john\_doe'.
- 'Password' text box containing ten dots.
- 'Save password' checkbox (unchecked).

At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: 'OK', 'Cancel', 'Apply', and 'Help'.

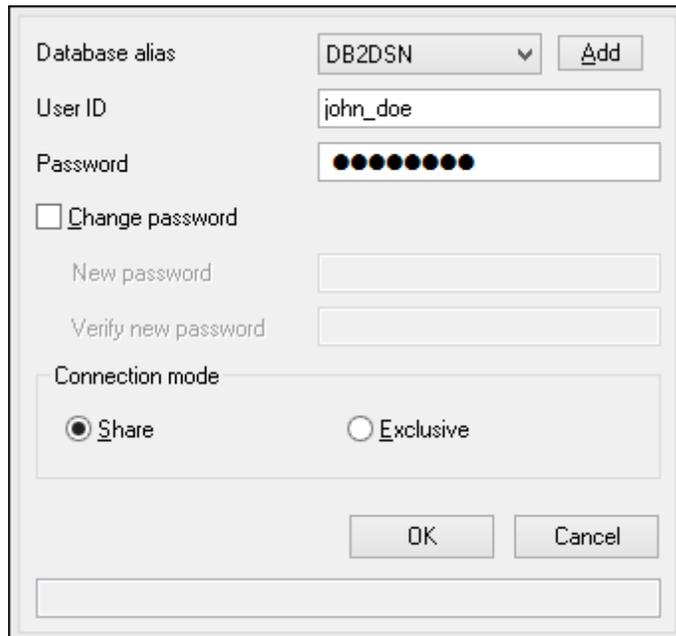
7. On the **TCP/IP** tab, enter the database name, a name for the alias, the host name and the port number, and then click OK.

The screenshot shows the same dialog box, but with the 'TCP/IP' tab active. It contains the following fields and options:

- 'Database name' text box containing 'database1'.
- 'Database alias' text box containing 'alias1'.
- 'Host name' text box containing 'host1'.
- 'Port number' text box containing '50000'.
- 'The database physically resides on a host or QS/400 system.' checkbox (unchecked).
- 'Connect directly to the server' radio button (selected).
- 'Connect to the server via the gateway' radio button (unselected).
- 'DCS Parameters' checkbox (unchecked).
- 'DCS Parameters' text box containing '„INTERRUPT\_ENABLED.....'.
- 'Optimize for application' dropdown menu (empty).

At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: 'OK', 'Cancel', 'Apply', and 'Help'.

8. Enter again the username and password, and then click **OK**.



The screenshot shows a dialog box for configuring a database connection. It includes the following fields and options:

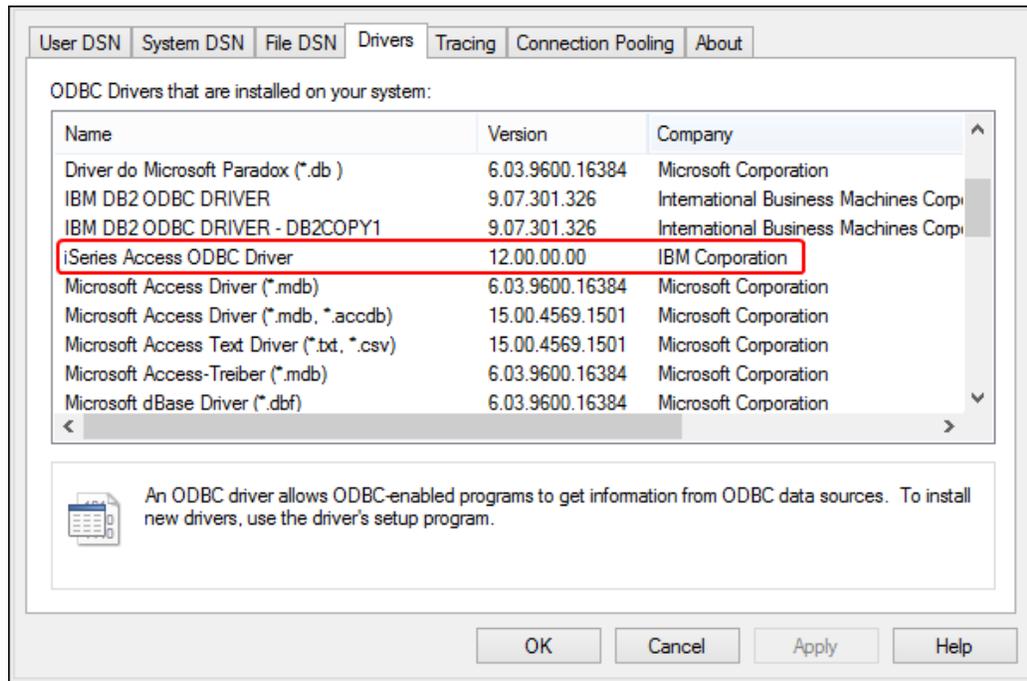
- Database alias:** A dropdown menu showing "DB2DSN" and an "Add" button.
- User ID:** A text box containing "john\_doe".
- Password:** A text box with ten black dots representing a masked password.
- Change password:** A checkbox that is currently unchecked.
- New password:** An empty text box.
- Verify new password:** An empty text box.
- Connection mode:** Two radio buttons: "Share" (which is selected) and "Exclusive".
- Buttons:** "OK" and "Cancel" buttons at the bottom.

### Connecting to IBM DB2 for i (ODBC)

This topic provides sample instructions for connecting to an *IBM DB2 for i* database through ODBC.

Prerequisites:

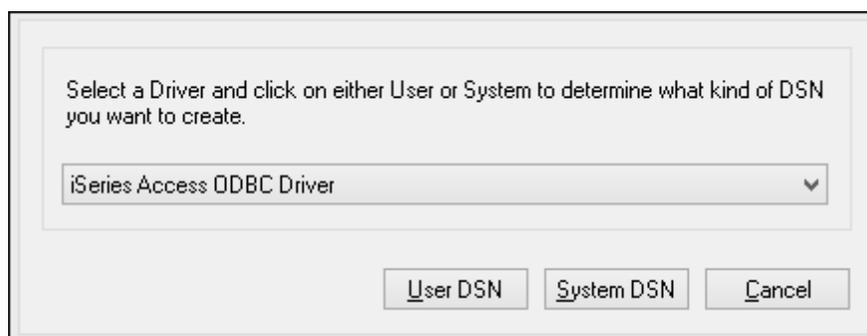
- *IBM System i Access for Windows* must be installed on your operating system (this example uses *IBM System i Access for Windows V6R1M0*). For installation instructions, check the documentation supplied with your *IBM DB2 for i* software. After installation, check if the ODBC driver is available on your machine (see [Viewing the Available ODBC Drivers](#)).



- You have the following database connection details: the I.P. address of the database server, database user name, and password.
- Run *System i Navigator* and follow the wizard to create a new connection. When prompted to specify a system, enter the I.P. address of the database server. After creating the connection, it is recommended to verify it (click on the connection, and select **File > Diagnostics > Verify Connection**). If you get connectivity errors, contact the database server administrator.

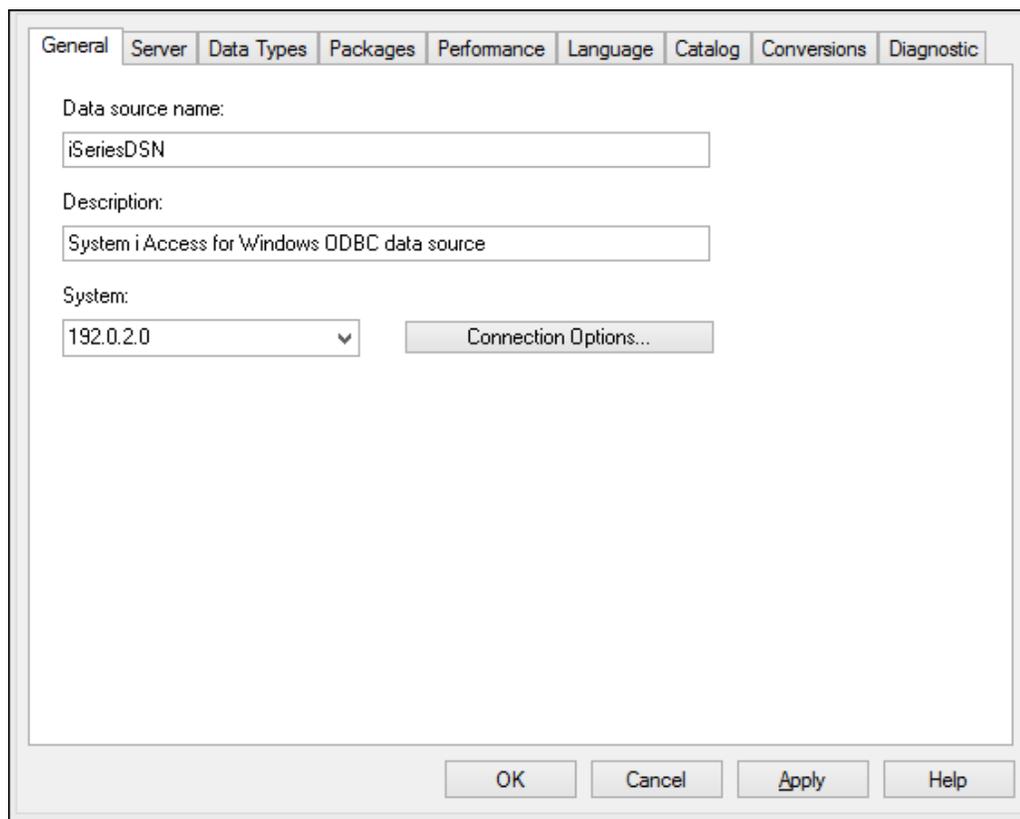
#### To connect to IBM DB2 for i:

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **ODBC connections**.
3. Click **User DSN** (alternatively, click **System DSN**, or **File DSN**, in which case the subsequent instructions will be similar).
4. Click **Add** .
5. Select the **iSeries Access ODBC Driver** from the list, and click **User DSN** (or **System DSN**, if applicable).



6. Enter a data source name and select the connection from the System combo box. In this

example, the data source name is **iSeriesDSN** and the System is **192.0.2.0**.



The image shows a screenshot of the ODBC Data Source Administrator dialog box, specifically the General tab. The dialog box has a title bar and several tabs: General, Server, Data Types, Packages, Performance, Language, Catalog, Conversions, and Diagnostic. The General tab is selected. Inside the dialog, there are three text input fields: 'Data source name:' containing 'iSeriesDSN', 'Description:' containing 'System i Access for Windows ODBC data source', and 'System:' containing '192.0.2.0'. To the right of the 'System:' field is a 'Connection Options...' button. At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: 'OK', 'Cancel', 'Apply', and 'Help'.

7. Click **Connection Options**, select **Use the User ID specified below** and enter the name of the database user (in this example, **DBUSER**).

Default user ID

Use Windows user name

Use the user ID specified below

DBUSER

None

Use System i Navigator default

Use Kerberos principal

Signon dialog prompting

Prompt for SQLConnect if needed

Never prompt for SQLConnect

Security

Do not use Secured Sockets Layer (SSL)

Use Secured Sockets Layer (SSL)

Use same security as System i Navigator connection

OK Cancel Help

8. Click **OK**. The new data source becomes available in the list of DSNs.
9. Click **Connect**.
10. Enter the user name and password to the database when prompted, and then click **OK**.

### Connecting to IBM Informix (JDBC)

This topic provides sample instructions for connecting to an IBM Informix database server through JDBC.

Prerequisites:

- Java Runtime Environment (JRE) must be installed on your operating system.
- The JDBC driver must be installed on your operating system (in this example, IBM Informix JDBC driver version 3.70 is used). For the driver's installation instructions, see the documentation accompanying the driver or the "IBM Informix JDBC Driver Programmer's Guide").
- The operating system's `CLASSPATH` environment variable includes the path where the Informix JDBC driver (`ifxjdbc.jar`) was installed. In this example, the Informix JDBC driver is installed in the directory `C:\Informix_JDBC_Driver`, and the value of `CLASSPATH` variable is `C:\Informix_JDBC_Driver\lib\ifxjdbc.jar`. For more information, see [Configuring the CLASSPATH](#).
- You have the following database connection details: host, name of the Informix server, database, port, username, and password.

**To connect to IBM Informix through JDBC:**

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **JDBC Connections**.
3. Select the Informix JDBC driver from the list of available JDBC drivers (in this example, **com.informix.jdbc.IfxDriver**). If the list does not contain an Informix driver, it is either not installed correctly, or not included in the `CLASSPATH` variable (see the list of prerequisites above).

**JDBC Connections**

Enter a connection string and select (or enter manually) a valid JDBC driver. Click on 'Connect' to proceed.

Driver:

Username:

Password:

Database URL:

4. Enter the username and password to the database in the corresponding text boxes.
5. Enter the connection string to the database server in the Database URL text box, by replacing the highlighted values with the ones applicable to your database server.

```
jdbc:informix-sqli://hostName:port/  
databaseName:INFORMIXSERVER=myserver;
```

6. Click **Connect**.

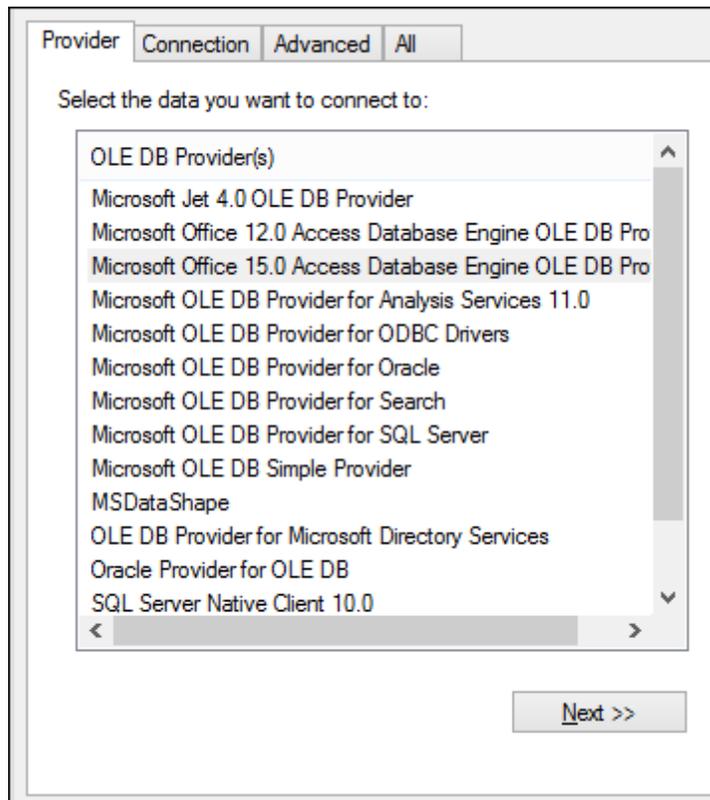
**Connecting to Microsoft Access (ADO)**

A simple way to connect to a Microsoft Access database is to follow the wizard and browse for the database file, as shown in [Connecting to an Existing Microsoft Access Database](#). An alternative approach is to set up an ADO connection explicitly, as shown in this topic. This approach is useful if your database is password-protected.

It is also possible to connect to Microsoft Access through an ODBC connection, but there are some limitations in this scenario, so it is best to avoid it.

**To connect to a password-protected Microsoft Access database:**

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **ADO Connections**.
3. Click **Build**.



4. Select the **Microsoft Office 15.0 Access Database Engine OLE DB Provider**, and then click **Next**.

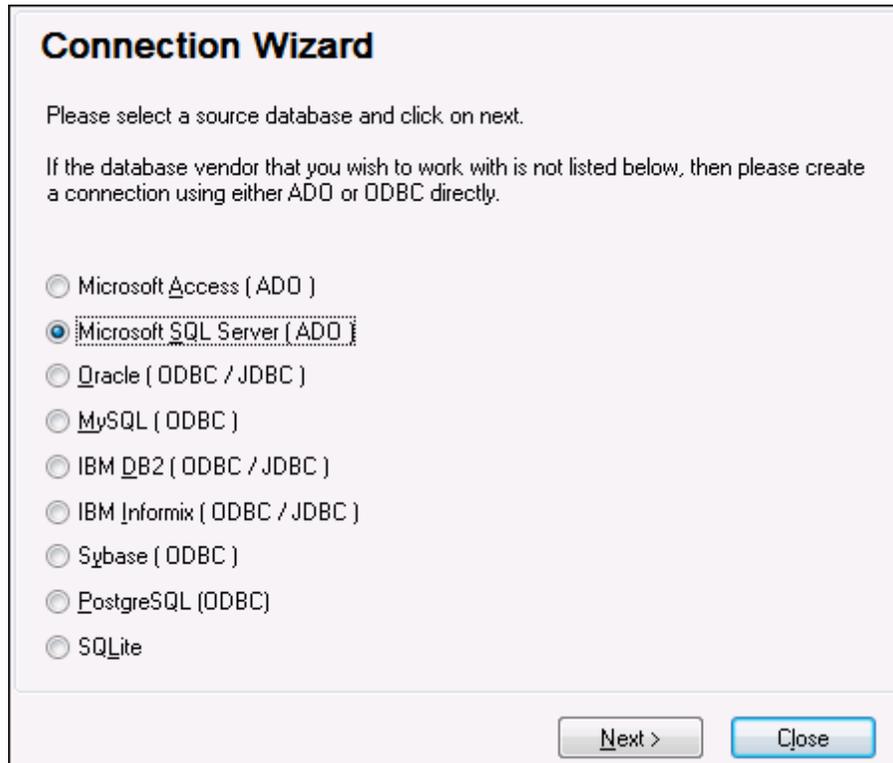
5. In the Data Source box, enter the path to the Microsoft Access file. Because the file is on the local network share **U:\Departments\Finance\Reports\Revenue.accdb**, we will convert it to UNC format, and namely **\\server1\dfs\Departments\Finance\Reports\Revenue.accdb**, where **server1** is the name of the server and **dfs** is the name of the network share.
6. On the **All** tab, double click the **Jet OLEDB:Database Password** property and enter the database password as property value.

**Note:** If you are still unable to connect, locate the workgroup information file (**System.MDW**) applicable to your user profile (see <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/305542> for instructions), and set the value of the **Jet OLEDB: System database** property to the path of the **System.MDW** file.

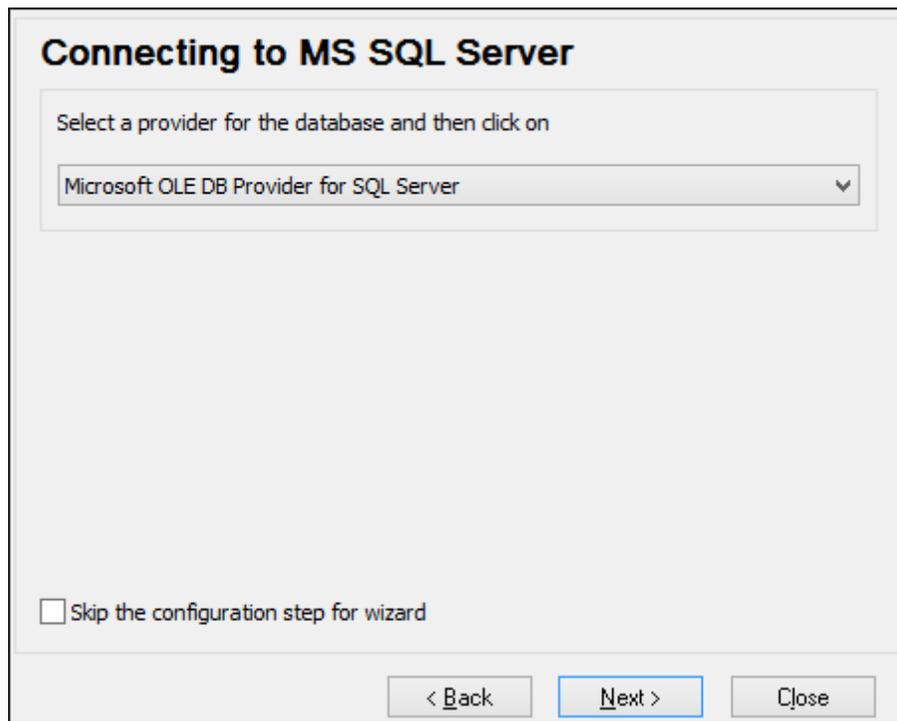
## Connecting to Microsoft SQL Server (ADO)

To connect to SQL Server using the Microsoft OLE DB Provider:

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)



2. Select **Microsoft SQL Server (ADO)**, and then click **Next**. The list of available ADO drivers is displayed.



3. Select **Microsoft OLE DB Provider for SQL Server**, and then click **Next**.

Provider Connection Advanced All

1. Select or enter a server name:  
[Dropdown] Refresh

2. Enter information to log on to the server:  
 Use Windows NT Integrated security:  
Server SPN: [Text]  
 Use a specific user name and password:  
User name: [Text]  
Password: [Text]  
 Blank password  Allow saving password

3.  Select the database: [Dropdown]  
 Attach a database file as a database name:  
[Text]  
Using the filename:  
[Text] ...

Change Password Test Connection

OK Cancel Help

4. Select or enter the name of the database server (in this example, **SQLSERV01**). To view the list of all servers on the network, expand the drop-down list.
5. If the database server was configured to allow connections from users authenticated on the Windows domain, select **Use Windows NT integrated security**. Otherwise, select **Use a specific user name and password**, and type them in the relevant boxes.
6. Select the database to which you are connecting (in this example, **NORTHWIND**).
7. To test the connection at this time, click **Test Connection**. This is an optional, recommended step.
8. Do one of the following:
  - a. Select the **Allow saving password** check box.
  - b. On the **All** tab, change the value of the **Persist Security Info** property to **True**.

9. Click **OK**.

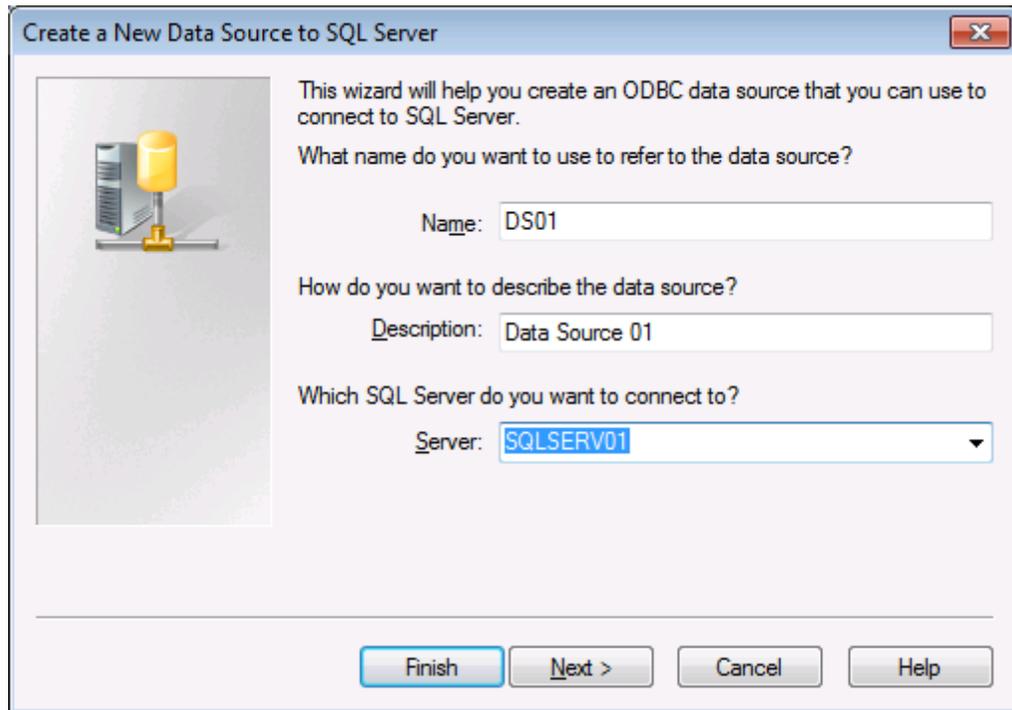
## Connecting to Microsoft SQL Server (ODBC)

To connect to SQL Server using ODBC:

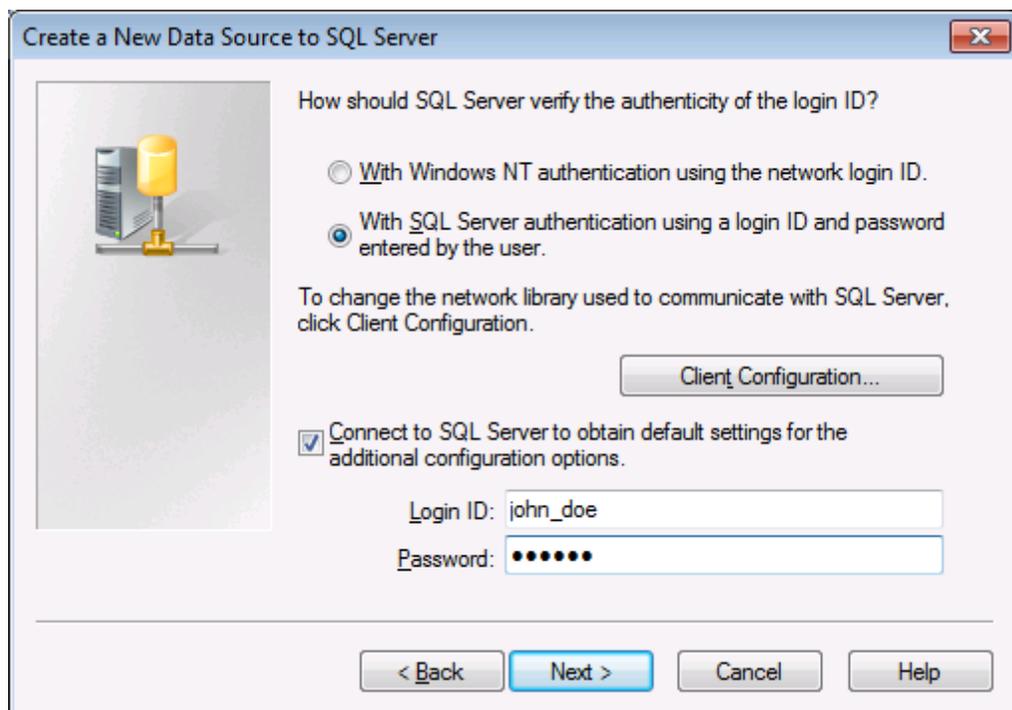
1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)
2. Click **ODBC Connections**.
3. Select **User DSN** (or **System DSN**, if you have administrative privileges), and then click **Add** .

4. Select **SQL Server** (or **SQL Server Native Client**, if available), and then click **User**

**DSN** (or **System DSN** if you are creating a System DSN).

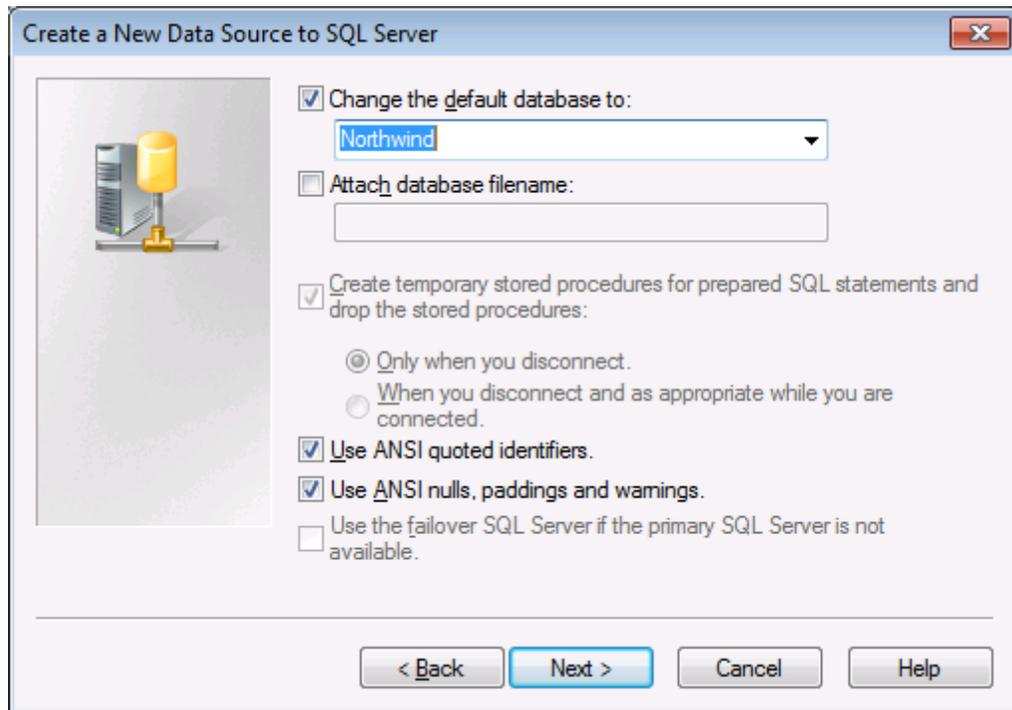


5. Enter a name and description to identify this connection, and then select from the list the SQL Server to which you are connecting (**SQLSERV01** in this example).



6. If the database server was configured to allow connections from users authenticated on the Windows domain, select **With Windows NT authentication**. Otherwise, select **With**

**SQL Server authentication...** and type the user name and password in the relevant boxes.



7. Select the name of the database to which you are connecting (in this example, **Northwind**).
8. Click **Finish**.

### Connecting to MySQL (ODBC)

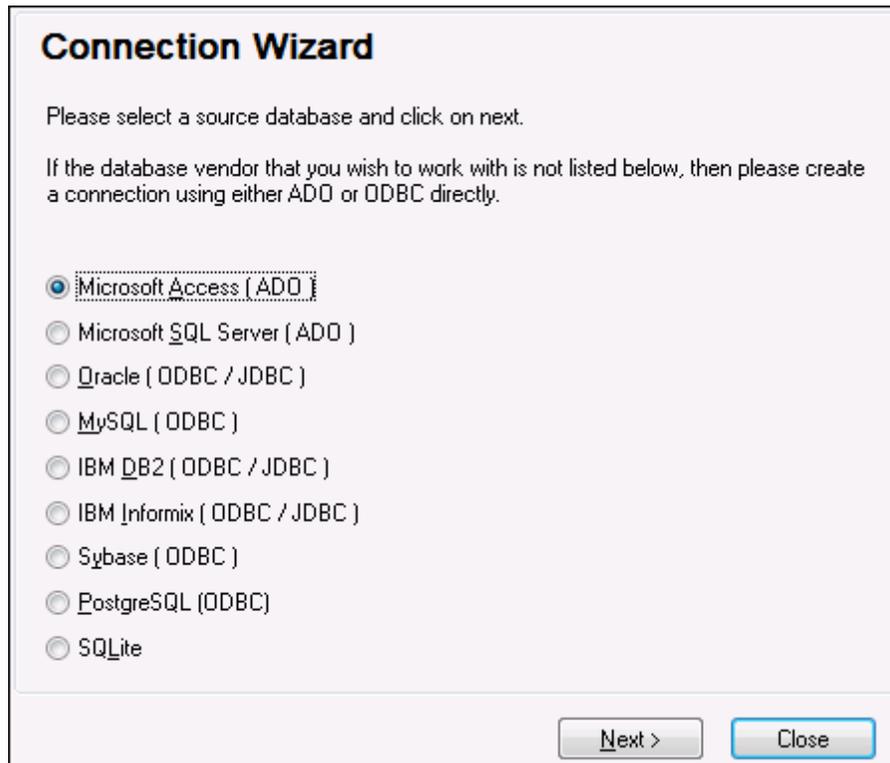
This topic provides sample instructions for connecting to a MySQL database server from a Windows machine through the ODBC driver. The MySQL ODBC driver is not available on Windows, so it must be downloaded and installed separately. This example uses MySQL ODBC driver version 5.3.4 downloaded from the official website (see also [Database Drivers Overview](#) ).

Prerequisites:

- MySQL ODBC driver must be installed on your operating system (for installation instructions, check the documentation supplied with the driver).
- You have the following database connection details: host, database, port, username, and password.

**To connect to MySQL via ODBC:**

1. [Start the database connection wizard](#).



2. Select **MySQL (ODBC)**, and then click **Next**.

**Connecting to MySQL**

Where can I find MySQL drivers?

Select an option how you wish to connect to the database and click Connect.

Create a new Data Source Name (DSN) with the driver:

MySQL ODBC 5.3 Unicode Driver

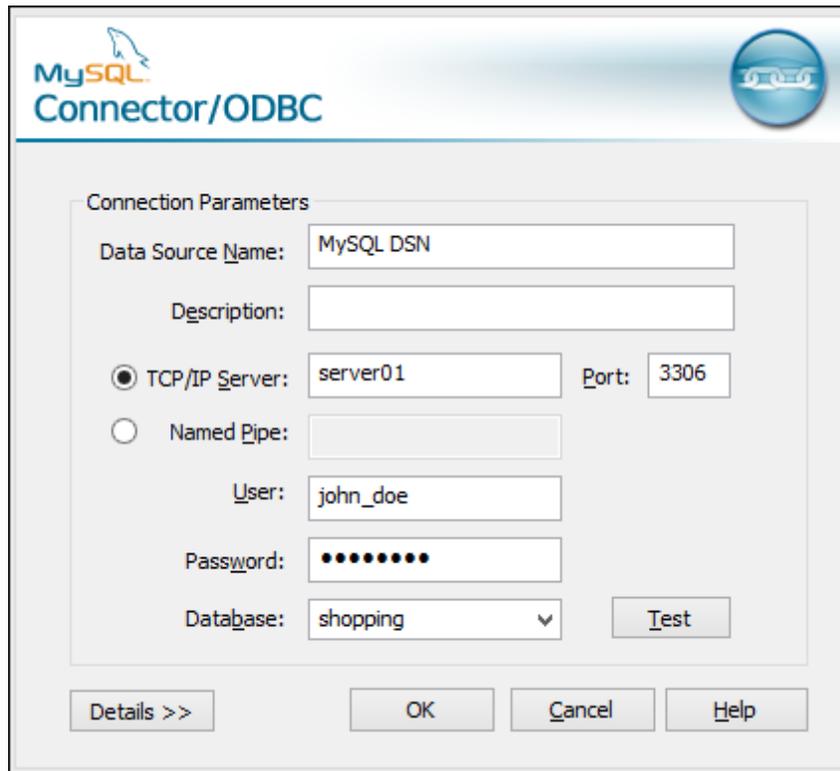
Use an existing Data Source Name:

User DSN     System DSN    Edit Drivers

Skip the configuration step for wizard

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3. Select **Create a new Data Source Name (DSN) with the driver**, and select a MySQL driver. If no MySQL driver is available in the list, click **Edit Drivers**, and select any available MySQL drivers (the list contains all ODBC drivers installed on your operating system).
4. Click **Connect**.



The screenshot shows the MySQL Connector/ODBC configuration window. The title bar reads 'MySQL Connector/ODBC'. The main area is titled 'Connection Parameters' and contains the following fields and controls:

- Data Source Name:** A text box containing 'MySQL DSN'.
- Description:** An empty text box.
- Connection Type:** Radio buttons for 'TCP/IP Server' (selected) and 'Named Pipe'.
- TCP/IP Server:** A text box containing 'server01'.
- Port:** A text box containing '3306'.
- User:** A text box containing 'john\_doe'.
- Password:** A text box filled with dots.
- Database:** A dropdown menu showing 'shopping'.
- Buttons:** 'Details >>', 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help'.

5. In the Data Source Name box, enter a descriptive name that will help you identify this ODBC data source in future.
6. Fill in the database connection credentials (TCP/IP Server, User, Password), select a database, and then click **OK**.

**Note:** If the database server is remote, it must be configured by the server administrator to accept remote connections from your machine's IP address. Also, if you click **Details>>**, there are several additional parameters available for configuration. Check the driver's documentation before changing their default values.

### Connecting to Oracle (ODBC)

This example illustrates a common scenario where you connect from XMLSpy to an Oracle database server on a network machine, through an Oracle database client installed on the local operating system.

The example includes instructions for setting up an ODBC data source (DSN) using the database connection wizard in XMLSpy. If you have already created a DSN, or if you prefer to create it directly from ODBC Data Source administrator in Windows, you can do so, and then select it when prompted by the wizard. For more information about ODBC data sources, see [Setting up an ODBC Connection](#).

Prerequisites:

- The Oracle database client (which includes the ODBC Oracle driver) must be installed and configured on your operating system. For instructions on how to install and configure an Oracle database client, refer to the documentation supplied with your Oracle software.

- The **tnsnames.ora** file located in Oracle home directory contains an entry that describes the database connection parameters, in a format similar to this:

```
ORCL =
  (DESCRIPTION =
    (ADDRESS_LIST =
      (ADDRESS = (PROTOCOL = TCP) (HOST = server01) (PORT = 1521))
    )
    (CONNECT_DATA =
      (SID = orcl)
      (SERVER = DEDICATED)
    )
  )
```

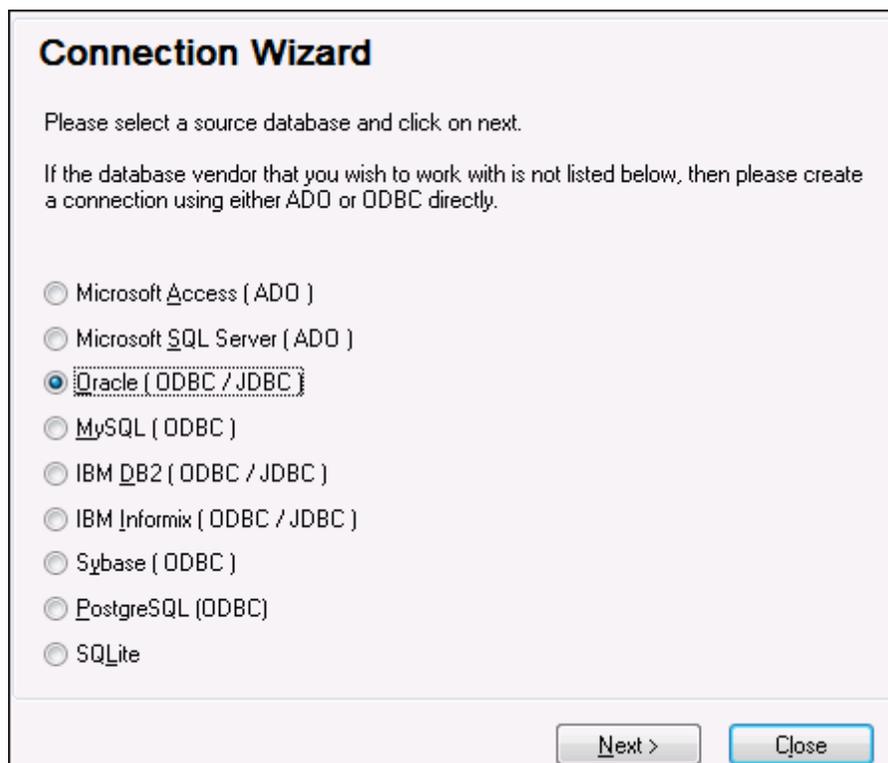
The path to the **tnsnames.ora** file depends on the location where Oracle home directory was installed. For Oracle database client 11.2.0, the default Oracle home directory path could be as follows:

```
C:\app\username\product\11.2.0\client_1\network\admin\tnsnames.ora
```

You can add new entries to the **tnsnames.ora** file either by pasting the connection details and saving the file, or by running the Oracle *Net Configuration Assistant* wizard (if available).

#### To connect to Oracle using ODBC:

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)



2. Select **Oracle (ODBC / JDBC)**, and then click **Next**.

**JDBC vs. ODBC**

JDBC

Java-based connection that may provide support for more modern features of your database that aren't available via ODBC. The tradeoff for these features is a potential sacrifice of performance.

ODBC

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3. Select **ODBC**.

**Connecting to Oracle**

Where can I find Oracle drivers?

Select an option how you wish to connect to the database and click Connect.

Create a new Data Source Name (DSN) with the driver:

Microsoft ODBC for Oracle

Use an existing Data Source Name:

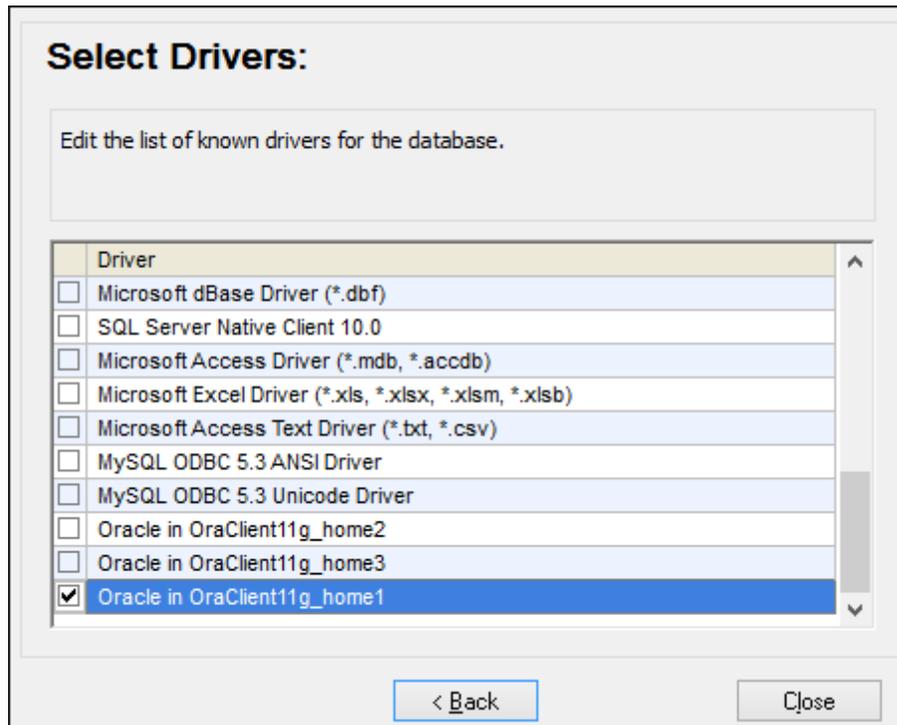
User DSN    System DSN   Edit Drivers

Data Source Name

Skip the configuration step for wizard

< Back   Connect   Close

4. Click **Edit Drivers**.



5. Select the Oracle drivers you wish to use (in this example, **Oracle in OraClient11g\_home1**). The list displays the Oracle drivers available on your system after installation of Oracle client.
6. Click **Back**.
7. Select **Create a new data source name (DSN) with the driver**, and then select the Oracle driver chosen in step 4.

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Connecting to Oracle". At the top right, there is a button labeled "Where can I find Oracle drivers?". Below this, a text box says "Select an option how you wish to connect to the database and click Connect." There are two main radio button options: "Create a new Data Source Name (DSN) with the driver:" (which is selected) and "Use an existing Data Source Name:". Under the "Create a new DSN" option, there is a dropdown menu showing "Oracle in OraClient11g\_home1". Under the "Use an existing DSN" option, there are two sub-radio buttons: "User DSN" and "System DSN" (which is selected). To the right of these sub-radio buttons is an "Edit Drivers" button. At the bottom left, there is a checkbox labeled "Skip the configuration step for wizard" which is currently unchecked. At the bottom right, there are three buttons: "< Back", "Connect", and "Close".

Avoid using the Microsoft-supplied driver called **Microsoft ODBC for Oracle** driver. Microsoft recommends using the ODBC driver provided by Oracle (see <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms714756%28v=vs.85%29.aspx>)

8. Click **Connect**.

9. In the Data Source Name text box, enter a name to identify the data source (in this example, **Oracle DSN 1**).
10. In the TNS Service Name box, enter the connection name as it is defined in the **tnsnames.ora** file (see [prerequisites](#)). In this example, the connection name is **ORCL**.
11. Click **OK**.

12. Enter the username and password to the database, and then click OK.

### Connecting to PostgreSQL (ODBC)

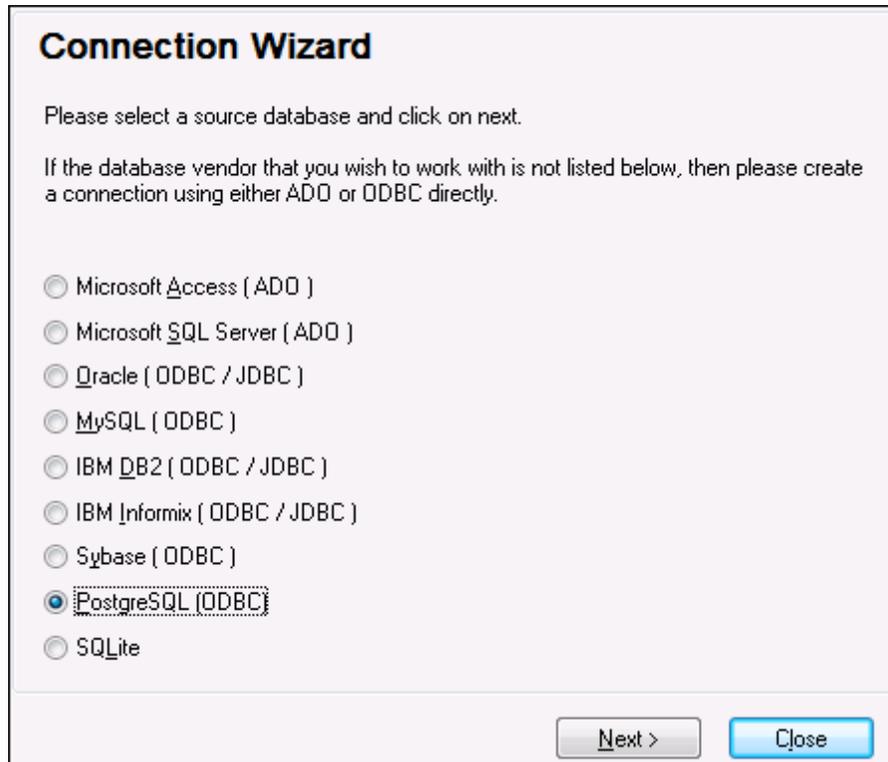
This topic provides sample instructions for connecting to a PostgreSQL database server from a Windows machine through the ODBC driver. The PostgreSQL ODBC driver is not available on Windows, so it must be downloaded and installed separately. This example uses the psqLODBC driver (version 09\_03\_300-1) downloaded from the official website (see also [Database Drivers Overview](#)).

Prerequisites:

- *psql/ODBC* driver must be installed on your operating system (for installation instructions, check the documentation supplied with the driver).
- You have the following database connection details: server, port, database, user name, and password.

**To connect to PostgreSQL using ODBC:**

1. [Start the database connection wizard.](#)



2. Select **PostgreSQL (ODBC)**, and then click **Next**.

3. Select **Create a new Data Source Name (DSN) with the driver**, and select the PostgreSQL driver. If no PostgreSQL driver is available in the list, click **Edit Drivers**, and select any available PostgreSQL drivers (the list contains all ODBC drivers installed on your operating system).
4. Click **Connect**.

5. Fill in the database connection credentials (Database, Server, Port, User Name, Password), and then click **OK**.

### Connecting to Sybase (JDBC)

This topic provides sample instructions for connecting to a Sybase database server through JDBC.

## Prerequisites:

- Java Runtime Environment (JRE) must be installed on your operating system.
- Sybase *jConnect* component must be installed on your operating system (in this example, *jConnect 7.0* is used, installed as part of the *Sybase Adaptive Server Enterprise PC Client* installation). For the installation instructions of the database client, refer to Sybase documentation.
- The operating system's `CLASSPATH` environment variable includes the path where the Sybase JDBC driver was installed. In this example, the JDBC driver is installed in the directory `C:\Sybase`, and the value of `CLASSPATH` variable was configured to include the path `C:\sybase\jConnect-7_0\classes\jconn4.jar`. For more information, see [Configuring the CLASSPATH](#).
- You have the following database connection details: host, port, database name, username, and password.

## To connect to Sybase through JDBC:

1. [Start the database connection wizard](#).
2. Click **JDBC Connections**.
3. Select the Sybase JDBC driver from the list of available JDBC drivers (in this example, **com.sybase.jdbc4.jdbc.SybDriver**). If the list does not contain a Sybase driver, it is either not installed correctly, or not included in the `CLASSPATH` variable (see the list of prerequisites above).

**JDBC Connections**

Enter a connection string and select (or enter manually) a valid JDBC driver. Click on 'Connect' to proceed.

Driver:

Username:

Password:

Database URL:

4. Enter the username and password to the database in the corresponding text boxes.

5. Enter the connection string to the database server in the Database URL text box, by replacing the highlighted values with the ones applicable to your database server.

```
jdbc:sybase:Tds:hostName:port/databaseName
```

6. Click **Connect**.

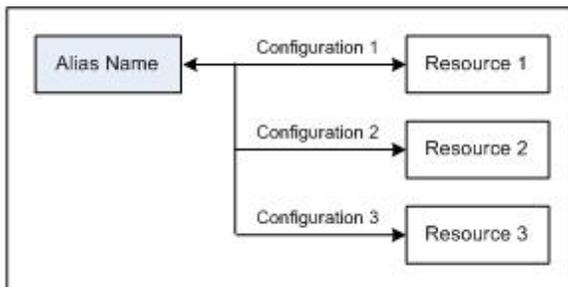
## 14.2 Supported Databases

The following databases are supported. The available root object for each database is also listed. While Altova endeavors to support other databases, successful connection and data processing have only been tested with the databases listed below. If your Altova application is a 64-bit version, ensure that you have access to the 64-bit database drivers needed for the specific database you are connecting to.

Database	Root Object	Notes
Firebird 2.5.4	database	
IBM DB2 8.x, 9.1, 9.5, 9.7, 10.1, 10.5	schema	
IBM DB2 for i 6.1, 7.1	schema	Logical files are supported and shown as views.
IBM Informix 11.70	database	
Microsoft Access 2003, 2007, 2010, 2013	database	
Microsoft SQL Server 2005, 2008, 2012, 2014	database	
MySQL 5.0, 5.1, 5.5, 5.6	database	
Oracle 9i, 10g, 11g, 12c	schema	
PostgreSQL 8.0, 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 9.0.10, 9.1.6, 9.2.1, 9.4	database	
SQLite 3.x	database	<p>SQLite connections are supported as native, direct connections to the SQLite database file. No separate drivers are required.</p> <p>In Authentic view, data coming from a SQLite database is not editable. When you attempt to save SQLite data from the Authentic view, a message box will inform you of this known limitation.</p>
Sybase ASE15	database	

## 15 Altova Global Resources

Altova Global Resources is a collection of aliases for file, folder, and database resources. Each alias can have multiple configurations, and each configuration maps to a single resource (see *screenshot below*). Therefore, when a global resource is used as an input, the global resource can be switched among its configurations. This is done easily via controls in the GUI that let you select the active configuration. For example, if an XSLT stylesheet for transforming an XML document is assigned via a global resource (an alias), then we can set up multiple configurations for the global resource, each of which points to a different XSLT file. After setting up the global resource in this way, switching the configuration would switch the XSLT file used for the transformation.



A global resource can not only be used to switch resources within an Altova application, but also to generate and use resources from other Altova applications. So, files can be generated on-the-fly in one Altova application for use in another Altova application. All of this tremendously eases and speeds up development and testing. For example, an XSLT stylesheet in XMLSpy can be used to transform an XML file generated on-the-fly by an Altova MapForce mapping.

Using Altova Global Resources involves two processes:

- [Defining Global Resources](#): Resources are defined and the definitions are stored in an XML file. These resources can be shared across multiple Altova applications.
- [Using Global Resources](#): Within XMLSpy, files can be located via a global resource instead of via a file path. The advantage is that the resource can be switched by changing the active configuration in XMLSpy.

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### Global resources in other Altova products

Currently, global resources can be defined and used in the following individual Altova products: XMLSpy, StyleVision, MapForce, Authentic Desktop, MobileTogether Designer, and DatabaseSpy.

## 15.1 Defining Global Resources

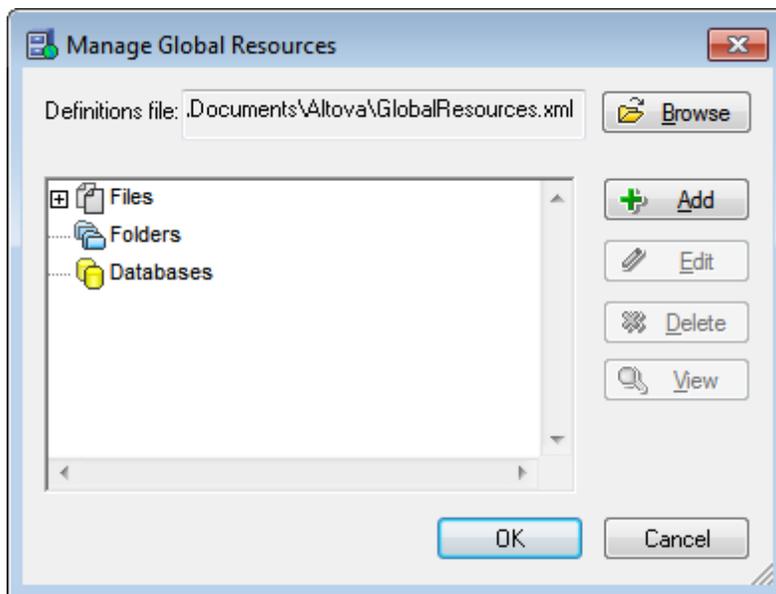
Altova Global Resources are defined in the Manage Global Resources dialog, which can be accessed in two ways:

- Click the menu command **Tools | Global Resources**.
- Click the **Manage Global Resources** icon in the Global Resources toolbar (*screenshot below*).



### The Global Resources Definitions file

Information about global resources is stored in an XML file called the Global Resources Definitions file. This file is created when the first global resource is defined in the Manage Global Resources dialog (*screenshot below*) and saved.



When you open the Manage Global Resources dialog for the first time, the default location and name of the Global Resources Definitions file is specified in the *Definitions File* text box (see *screenshot above*):

```
C:\Users\\My Documents\Altova\GlobalResources.xml
```

This file is set as the default Global Resources Definitions file for all Altova applications. So a global resource can be saved from any Altova application to this file and will be immediately available to all other Altova applications as a global resource. To define and save a global resource to the Global Resources Definitions file, add the global resource in the Manage Global Resources dialog and click **OK** to save.

To select an already existing Global Resources Definitions file to be the active definitions file of a particular Altova application, browse for it via the **Browse** button of the *Definitions File* text box

(see *screenshot above*).

**Note:** You can name the Global Resources Definitions file anything you like and save it to any location accessible to your Altova applications. All you need to do in each application, is specify this file as the Global Resources Definitions file for that application (in the *Definitions File* text box). The resources become global across Altova products when you use a single definitions file across all Altova products.

**Note:** You can also create multiple Global Resources Definitions files. However, only one of these can be active at any time in a given Altova application, and only the definitions contained in this file will be available to the application. The availability of resources can therefore be restricted or made to overlap across products as required.

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### Managing global resources: adding, editing, deleting, saving

In the Manage Global Resources dialog (*screenshot above*), you can add a global resource to the selected Global Resources Definitions file, or edit or delete a selected global resource. The Global Resources Definitions file organizes the global resources you add into groups: of files, folders, and databases (see *screenshot above*).

To **add a global resource**, click the **Add** button and define the global resource in the appropriate **Global Resource** dialog that pops up (see the descriptions of [files](#), [folders](#), and [databases](#) in the sub-sections of this section). After you define a global resource and save it (by clicking **OK** in the Manage Global Resources dialog), the global resource is added to the library of global definitions in the selected Global Resources Definitions file. The global resource will be identified by an alias.

To **edit a global resource**, select it and click **Edit**. This pops up the relevant **Global Resource** dialog, in which you can make the necessary changes (see the descriptions of [files](#), [folders](#), and [databases](#) in the sub-sections of this section).

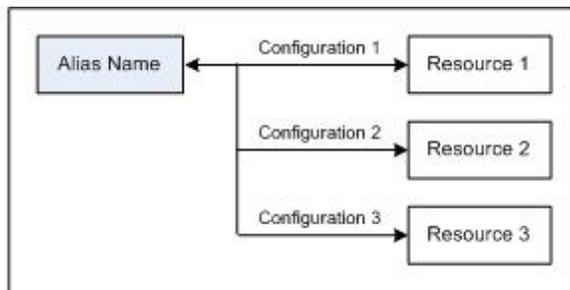
To **delete a global resource**, select it and click **Delete**.

After you finish adding, editing, or deleting, make sure to click **OK** in the Manage Global Resources dialog to **save your modifications** to the Global Resources Definitions file.

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### Relating global resources to alias names via configurations

Defining a global resource involves mapping an alias name to a resource (file, folder, or database). A single alias name can be mapped to multiple resources. Each mapping is called a configuration. A single alias name can therefore be associated with several resources via different configurations (*screenshot below*).



In an Altova application, you can then assign aliases instead of files. For each alias you can switch between the resources mapped to that alias simply by changing the application's active Global Resource configuration (active configuration). For example, in Altova's XMLSpy application, if you wish to run an XSLT transformation on the XML document `MyXML.xml`, you can assign the alias `MyXSLT` to it as the global resource to be used for XSLT transformations. In XMLSpy you can then change the active configuration to use different XSLT files. If `Configuration-1` maps `First.xslt` to `MyXSLT` and `Configuration-1` is selected as the active configuration, then `First.xslt` will be used for the transformation. In this way multiple configurations can be used to access multiple resources via a single alias. This mechanism can be useful when testing and comparing resources. Furthermore, since global resources can be used across Altova products, resources can be tested and compared across multiple Altova products as well.

### 15.1.1 Files

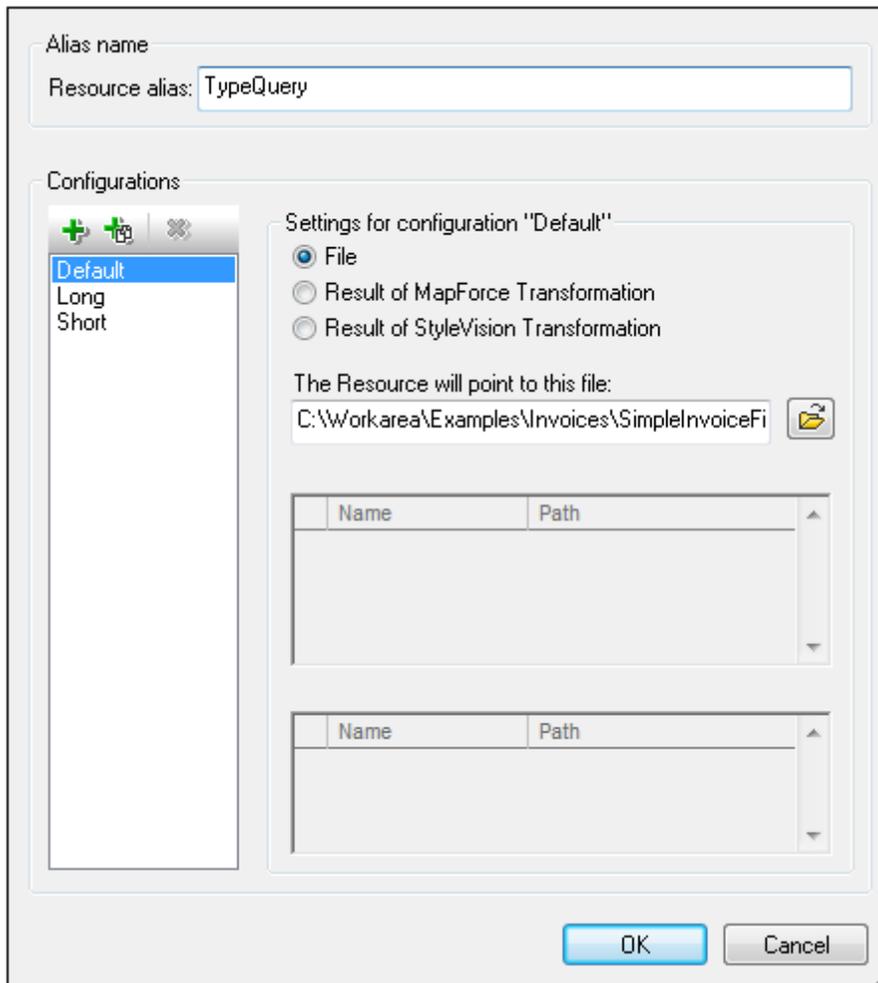
The Global Resource dialog for Files (*screenshot below*) is accessed via the **Add | Files** command in the [Manage Global Resources dialog](#). In this dialog, you can define configurations of the alias that is named in the *Resource Alias* text box. After specifying the properties of the configurations as explained below, save the alias definition by clicking **OK**.

After saving an alias definition, you can add another alias by repeating the steps given above (starting with the **Add | Files** command in the [Manage Global Resources dialog](#)).

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#### Global Resource dialog

An alias is defined in the Global Resource dialog (*screenshot below*).



### Global Resource dialog icons

-  **Add Configuration:** Pops up the Add Configuration dialog in which you enter the name of the configuration to be added.
-  **Add Configuration as Copy:** Pops up the Add Configuration dialog in which you can enter the name of the configuration to be created as a copy of the selected configuration.
-  **Delete:** Deletes the selected configuration.
-  **Open:** Browse for the file to be created as the global resource.

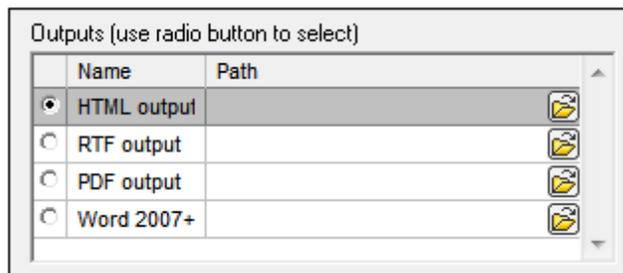
### **Defining the alias**

Define the alias (its name and configurations) as follows:

1. **Give the alias a name:** Enter the alias name in the *Resource Alias* text box.
2. **Add configurations:** The Configurations pane will have, by default, a configuration named `Default` (see screenshot above), which cannot be deleted or renamed. You can add as

many additional configurations as you like by: (i) clicking the **Add Configuration** or **Add Configuration as Copy** icons, and (ii) giving the configuration a name in the dialog that pops up. Each added configuration will be shown in the Configurations list. In the screenshot above, two additional configurations, named *Long* and *Short*, have been added to the Configurations list. The Add Configuration as Copy command enables you to copy the selected configuration and then modify it.

3. *Select a resource type for each configuration:* Select a configuration from the Configurations list, and, in the *Settings for Configuration* pane, specify a resource for the configuration: (i) File, (ii) Output of an Altova MapForce transformation, or (iii) Output of an Altova StyleVision transformation. Select the appropriate radio button. If a MapForce or StyleVision transformation option is selected, then a transformation is carried out by MapForce or StyleVision using, respectively, the *.mfd* or *.sps* file and the respective input file. The result of the transformation will be the resource.
4. *Select a file for the resource type:* If the resource is a directly selected file, browse for the file in the *Resource File Selection* text box. If the resource is the result of a transformation, in the *File Selection* text box, browse for the *.mfd* file (for MapForce transformations) or the *.sps* file (for StyleVision transformations). Where multiple inputs or outputs for the transformation are possible, a selection of the options will be presented. For example, the output options of a StyleVision transformation are displayed according to what edition of StyleVision is installed (*the screenshot below shows the outputs for Enterprise Edition*).



Select the radio button of the desired option (in the screenshot above, 'HTML output' is selected). If the resource is the result of a transformation, then the output can be saved as a file or itself as a global resource. Click the  icon and select, respectively, Global Resource (for saving the output as a global resource) or Browse (for saving the output as a file). If neither of these two saving options is selected, the transformation result will be loaded as a temporary file when the global resource is invoked.

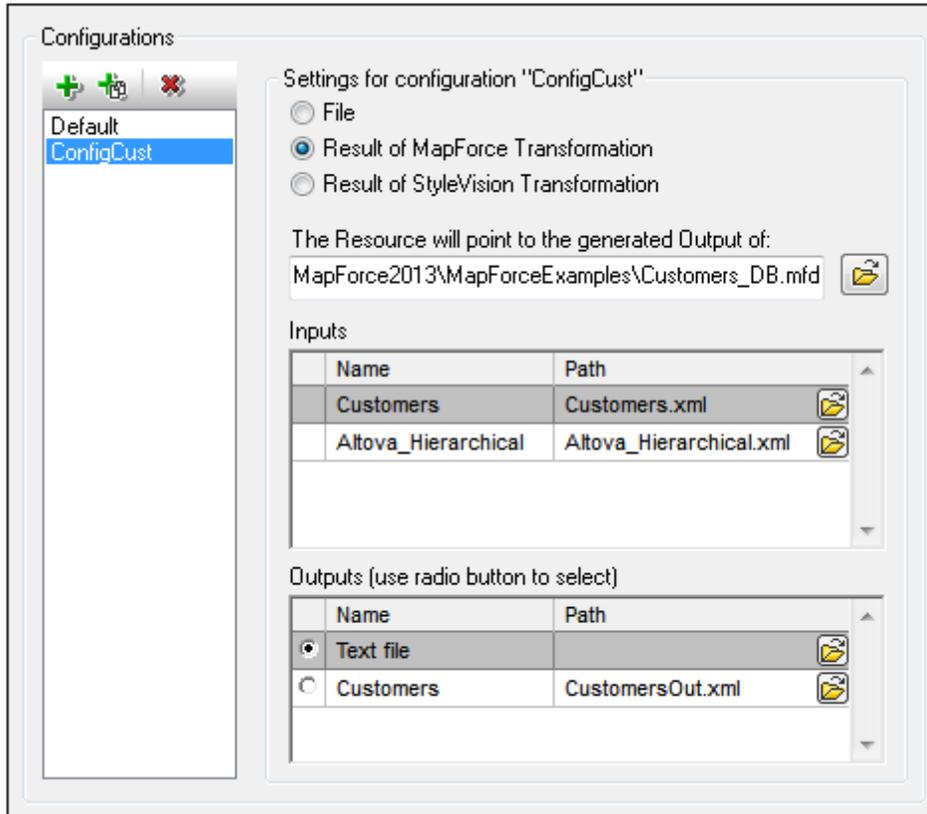
5. *Define multiple configurations if required:* You can add more configurations and specify a resource for each. Do this by repeating Steps 3 and 4 above for each configuration. You can add a new configuration to the alias definition at any time.
6. *Save the alias definition:* Click **OK** to save the alias and all its configurations as a global resource. The global resource will be listed under Files in the [Manage Global Resources dialog](#).

### Result of MapForce transformation

Altova MapForce maps one or more (existing) input document schemas to one or more (new) output document schemas. This mapping, which is created by a MapForce user, is known as a MapForce Design (MFD). XML files, text files, databases, etc, that correspond to the input schema/s can be used as data sources. MapForce generates output data files that correspond to

the output document schema. This output document is the *Result of MapForce Transformation* file that will become a global resource.

If you wish to set a MapForce-generated data file as a global resource, the following must be specified in the Global Resource dialog (see *screenshot below*):



- **A .mfd (MapForce Design) file.** You must specify this file in the *Resource will point to generated output* of text box (see *screenshot above*).
- **One or more input data files.** After the MFD file has been specified, it is analysed and, based on the input schema information in it, default data file/s are entered in the *Inputs* pane (see *screenshot above*). You can modify the default file selection for each input schema by specifying another file.
- **An output file.** If the MFD document has multiple output schemas, all these are listed in the *Outputs* pane (see *screenshot above*) and you must select one of them. If the output file location of an individual output schema is specified in the MFD document, then this file location is entered for that output schema in the *Outputs* pane. From the screenshot above we can see that the MFD document specifies that the `Customers` output schema has a default XML data file (`CustomersOut.xml`), while the `Text file` output schema does not have a file association in the MFD file. You can use the default file location in the *Outputs* pane or specify one yourself. The result of the MapForce transformation will be saved to the file location of the selected output schema. This is the file that will be used as the global resource

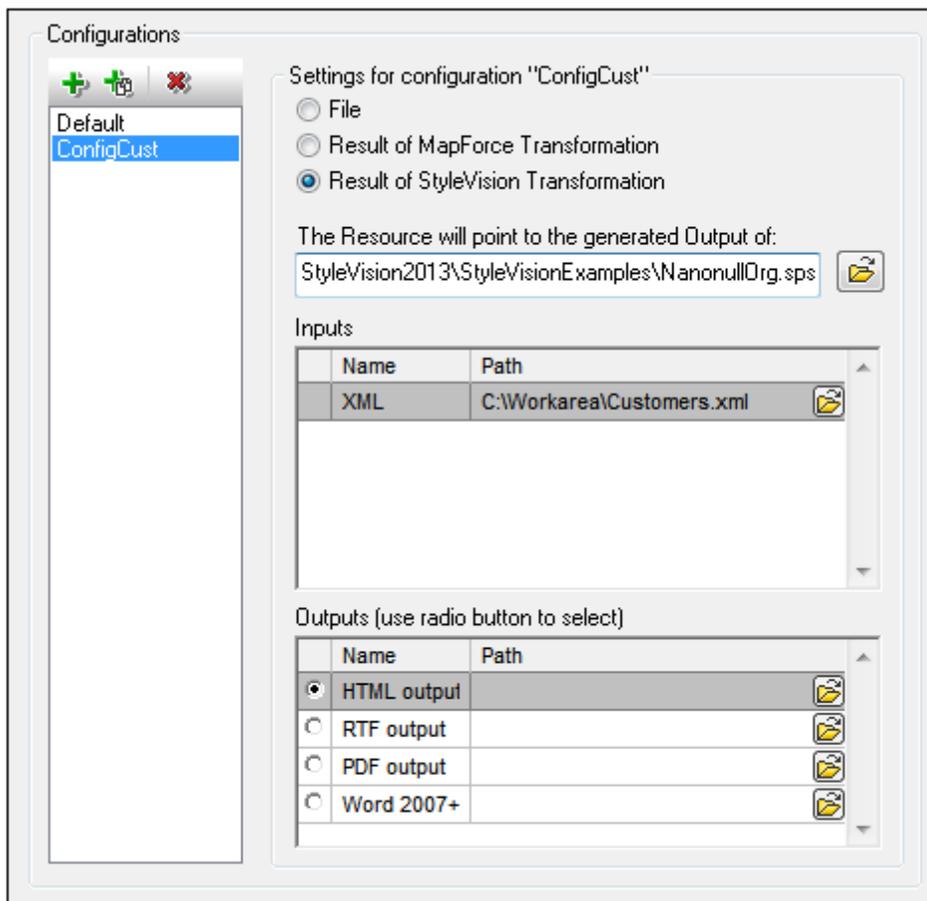
**Note:** The advantage of this option (Result of MapForce transformation) is that the transformation is carried out at the time the global resource is invoked. This means that the global resource will contain the most up-to-date data (from the input file/s).

**Note:** Since MapForce is used to run the transformation, you must have Altova MapForce installed for this functionality to work.

### Result of StyleVision transformation

Altova StyleVision is used to create StyleVision Power Stylesheet (SPS) files. These SPS files generate XSLT stylesheets that are used to transform XML documents into output documents in various formats (HTML, PDF, RTF, Word 2007+, etc). If you select the option *Result of StyleVision Transformation*, the output document created by StyleVision will be the global resource associated with the selected configuration.

For the *StyleVision Transformation* option in the Global Resource dialog (see screenshot below), the following files must be specified.



- **A .sps (SPS) file.** You must specify this file in the *Resource will point to generated output of* text box (see screenshot above).
- **Input file/s.** The input file might already be specified in the SPS file. If it is, it will appear automatically in the *Inputs* pane once the SPS file is selected. You can change this entry. If there is no entry, you must add one.
- **Output file/s.** Select the output format in the *Outputs* pane, and specify an output file

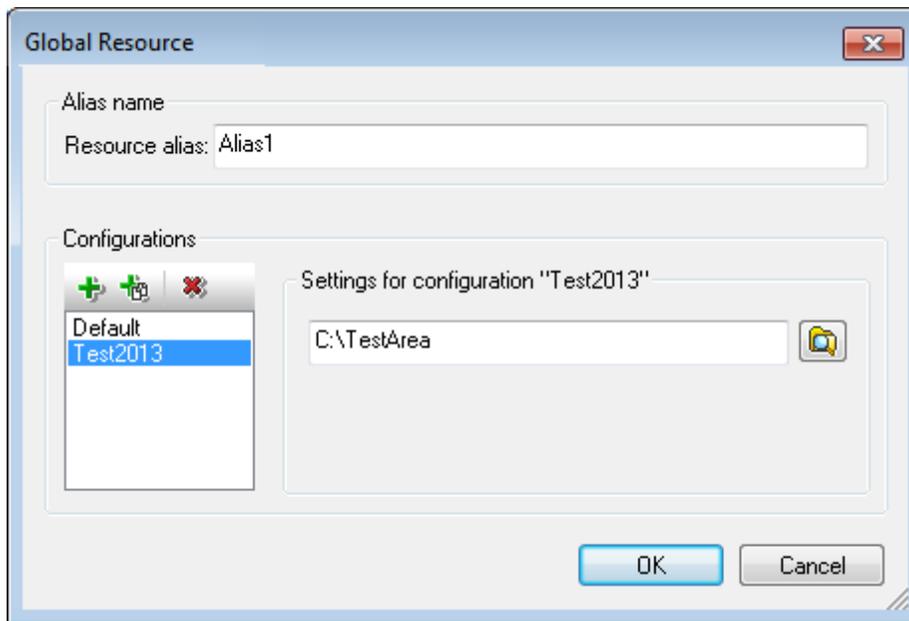
location for that format.

**Note:** The advantage of this option (Result of StyleVision transformation) is that the transformation is carried out when the global resource is invoked. This means that the global resource will contain the most up-to-date data (from the input file/s).

**Note:** Since StyleVision is used to run the transformation, you must have Altova StyleVision installed for this functionality to work.

### 15.1.2 Folders

In the Global Resource dialog for Folders (*screenshot below*), add a folder resource as described below.



#### Global Resource dialog icons

-  **Add Configuration:** Pops up the Add Configuration dialog in which you enter the name of the configuration to be added.
-  **Add Configuration as Copy:** Pops up the Add Configuration dialog in which you can enter the name of the configuration to be created as a copy of the selected configuration.
-  **Delete:** Deletes the selected configuration.
-  **Open:** Browse for the folder to be created as the global resource.

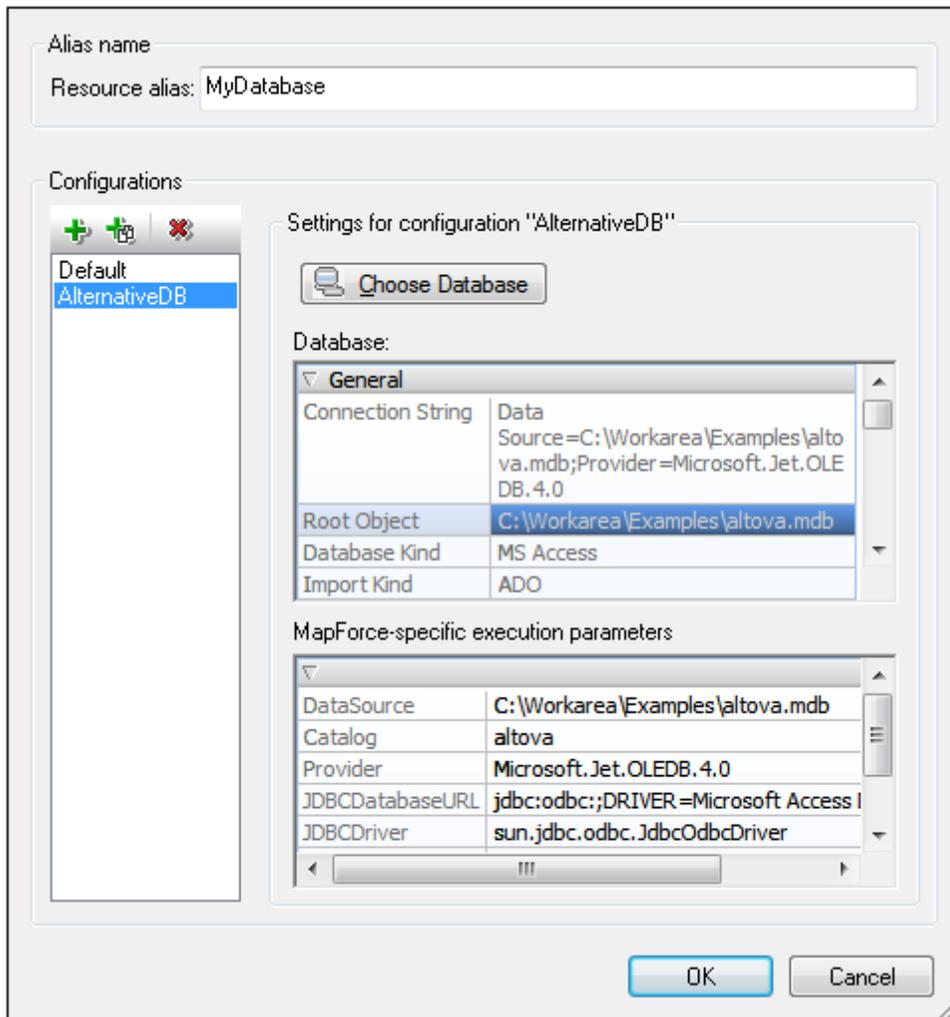
#### **Defining the alias**

Define the alias (its name and configurations) as follows:

1. *Give the alias a name:* Enter the alias name in the *Resource Alias* text box.
2. *Add configurations:* The Configurations pane will have a configuration named Default (see *screenshot above*). This Default configuration cannot be deleted nor have its name changed. You can enter as many additional configurations for the selected alias as you like. Add a configuration by clicking the **Add Configuration** or **Add Configuration as Copy** icons. In the dialog which pops up, enter the configuration name. Click **OK**. The new configuration will be listed in the Configurations pane. Repeat for as many configurations as you want.
3. *Select a folder as the resource of a configuration:* Select one of the configurations in the Configurations pane and browse for the folder you wish to create as a global resource.
4. *Define multiple configurations if required:* Specify a folder resource for each configuration you have created (that is, repeat Step 3 above for the various configurations you have created). You can add a new configuration to the alias definition at any time.
5. *Save the alias definition:* Click **OK** in the Global Resource dialog to save the alias and all its configurations as a global resource. The global resource will be listed under Folders in the [Manage Global Resources dialog](#).

### 15.1.3 Databases

In the Global Resource dialog for Databases (*screenshot below*), you can add a database resource as follows:



### Global Resource dialog icons

-  **Add Configuration:** Pops up the Add Configuration dialog in which you enter the name of the configuration to be added.
-  **Add Configuration as Copy:** Pops up the Add Configuration dialog in which you can enter the name of the configuration to be created as a copy of the selected configuration.
-  **Delete:** Deletes the selected configuration.

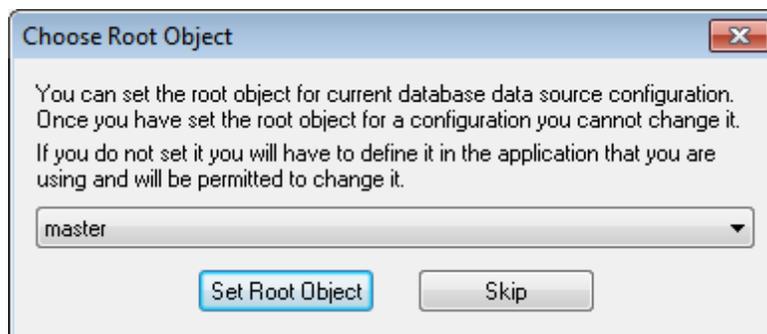
## Defining the alias

Define the alias (its name and configurations) as follows:

1. *Give the alias a name:* Enter the alias name in the *Resource Alias* text box.
2. *Add configurations:* The Configurations pane will have a configuration named Default (see *screenshot above*). This Default configuration cannot be deleted nor have its name changed. You can enter as many additional configurations for the selected alias as you

like. Add a configuration by clicking the **Add Configuration** or **Add Configuration as Copy** icons. In the dialog which pops up, enter the configuration name. Click **OK**. The new configuration will be listed in the Configurations pane. Repeat for as many configurations as you want.

3. *Start selection of a database as the resource of a configuration:* Select one of the configurations in the Configurations pane and click the **Choose Database** icon. This pops up the Create Global Resources Connection dialog.
4. *Connect to the database:* Select whether you wish to create a connection to the database using the Connection Wizard, an existing connection, an ADO Connection, an ODBC Connection, or JDBC Connection. Complete the definition of the connection method as described in the section [Connecting to a Database](#). You can use either the [Connection Wizard](#), [ADO Connections](#), or [ODBC Connections](#). If a connection has already been made to a database from XMLSpy, you can click the Existing Connections icon and select the DB from the list of connections that is displayed.
5. *Select the root object:* If you connect to a database server where a root object can be selected, you will be prompted, in the Choose Root Object dialog (*screenshot below*), to select a root object on the server. Select the root object and click **Set Root Object**. The root object you select will be the root object that is loaded when this configuration is used.



If you choose not to select a root object (by clicking the **Skip** button), then you can select the root object at the time the global resource is loaded.

6. *Define multiple configurations if required:* Specify a database resource for any other configuration you have created (that is, repeat Steps 3 to 5 above for the various configurations you have created). You can add a new configuration to the alias definition at any time.
7. *Save the alias definition:* Click **OK** in the Global Resource dialog to save the alias and all its configurations as a global resource. The global resource will be listed under databases in the Manage Global Resources dialog.

## 15.2 Using Global Resources

There are several types of global resources (file-type, folder-type, and database-type). Some scenarios in which you can use global resources in XMLSpy are listed here: [Files and Folders](#) and [Databases](#).

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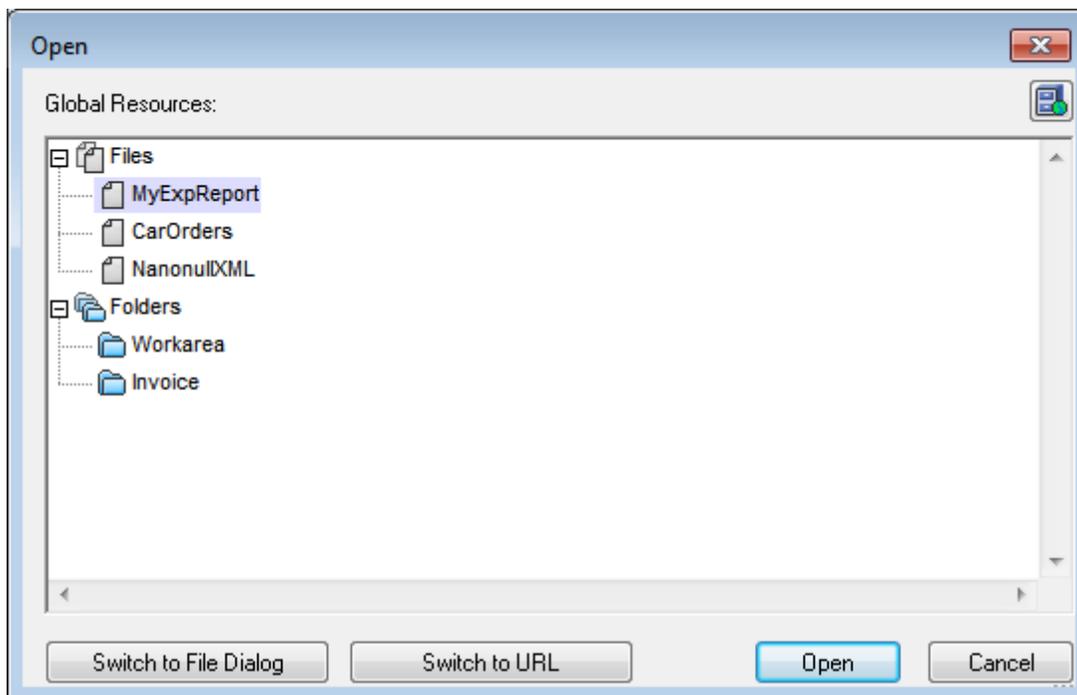
### Selections that determine which resource is used

There are two application-wide selections that determine what global resources can be used and which global resources are actually used at any given time:

- *The active Global Resources XML File* is selected in the [Global Resource dialog](#). The global-resource definitions that are present in the active Global Resources XML File are available to all files that are open in the application. Only the definitions in the active Global Resources XML File are available. The active Global Resources XML File can be changed at any time, and the global-resource definitions in the new active file will immediately replace those of the previously active file. The active Global Resources XML File therefore determines: (i) what global resources can be assigned, and (ii) what global resources are available for look-up (for example, if a global resource in one Global Resource XML File is assigned but there is no global resource of that name in the currently active Global Resources XML File, then the assigned global resource (alias) cannot be looked up).
- *The active configuration* is selected via the menu item [Tools | Active Configuration](#) or via the Global Resources toolbar. Clicking this command (or drop-down list in the toolbar) pops up a list of configurations across all aliases. Selecting a configuration makes that configuration active application-wide. This means that wherever a global resource (or alias) is used, the resource corresponding to the active configuration of each used alias will be loaded. The active configuration is applied to all used aliases. If an alias does not have a configuration with the name of the active configuration, then the default configuration of that alias will be used. The active configuration is not relevant when assigning resources; it is significant only when the resources are actually used.

### 15.2.1 Assigning Files and Folders

File-type and folder-type global resources are assigned differently. In any one of the usage scenarios below, clicking the **Switch to Global Resources** button displays the Open Global Resource dialog (*screenshot below*).



*Manage Global Resources*: Displays the [Manage Global Resources](#) dialog.

Selecting a *file-type global resource* assigns the file. Selecting a *folder-type global resource* causes an Open dialog to open, in which you can browse for the required file. The path to the selected file is entered relative to the folder resource. So if a folder-type global resource were to have two configurations, each pointing to different folders, files having the same name but in different folders could be targeted via the two configurations. This could be useful for testing purposes.

You can switch to the file dialog or the URL dialog by clicking the respective button at the bottom of the dialog. The **Manage Global Resources** icon in the top right-hand corner pops up the [Manage Global Resources](#) dialog.

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### Usage scenarios

File-type and folder-type global resources can be used in the following scenarios:

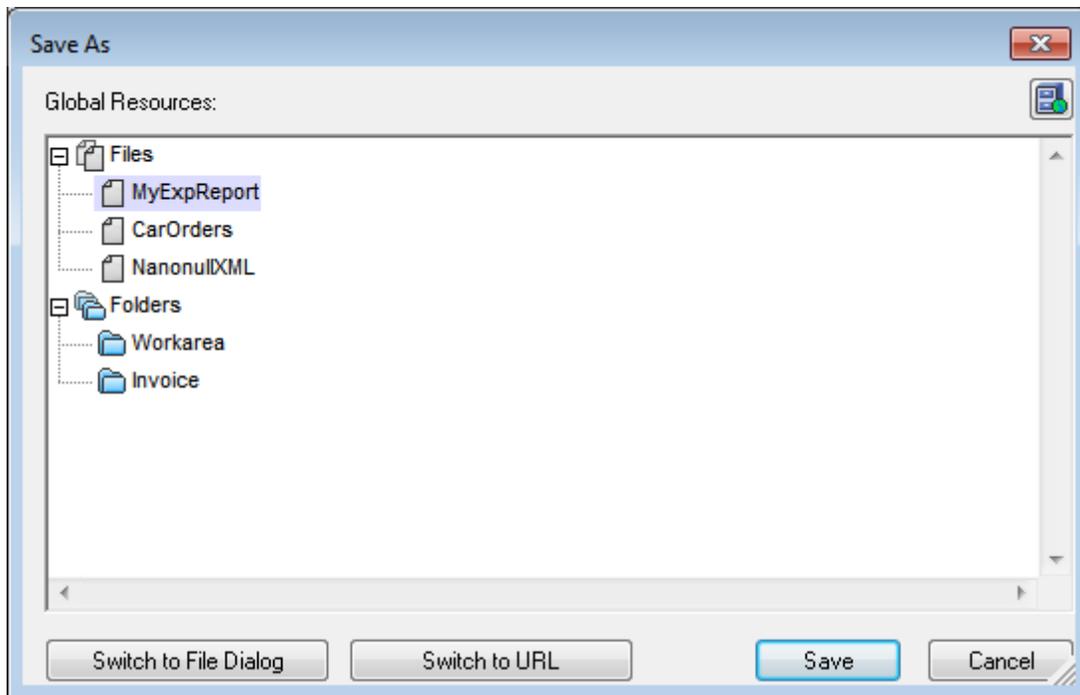
- [Opening global resources](#)
  - [Saving as global resource](#)
  - [Assigning files for XSLT transformations](#)
  - [XSLT transformation](#)
  - [XQuery executions](#)
  - [Assigning an SPS](#)
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### Opening global resources

A global resource can be opened in XMLSpy with the [File | Open \(Switch to Global Resource\)](#) command and can be edited. In the case of a file-type global resource, the file is opened directly. In the case of a folder-type global resource, an Open dialog pops up with the associated folder selected. You can then browse for the required file in descendant folders. One advantage of addressing files for editing via global resources is that related files can be saved under different configurations of a single global resource and accessed merely by changing configurations. Any editing changes would have to be saved before changing the configuration.

### Saving as global resource

A newly created file can be saved as a global resource. Also, an already existing file can be opened and then saved as a global resource. When you click the **File | Save** or **File | Save As** commands, the Save dialog appears. Click the **Switch to Global Resource** button to access the available global resources (*screenshot below*), which are the aliases defined in the current Global Resources XML File.



Select an alias and then click **Save**. If the alias is a [file alias](#), the file will be saved directly. If the alias is a [folder alias](#), a dialog will appear that prompts for the name of the file under which the file is to be saved. In either case the file will be saved to the location that was defined for the [currently active configuration](#).

**Note:** Each configuration points to a specific file location, which is specified in the definition of that configuration. If the file you are saving as a global resource does not have the same filetype extension as the file at the current file location of the configuration, then there might be editing and validation errors when this global resource is opened in XMLSpy.

This is because XMLSpy will open the file assuming the filetype specified in the definition of the configuration.

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### Assigning files for XSLT transformations

XSLT files can be assigned to XML documents and XML files to XSLT documents via global resources.. When the commands for assigning XSLT files ([XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL](#) and [XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL:FO](#)) and XML files ([XSL/XQuery | Assign Sample XML](#)) are clicked the assignment dialog pops up. Clicking the **Browse** button pops up the Open dialog, in which you can switch to the Open Global Resource dialog and select the required global resource. A major advantage of using a global resource to specify files for XSLT transformations is that the XSLT file (or XML file) can be changed for a transformation merely by changing the active configuration in XMLSpy; no new file assignments have to be made each time a transformation is required with a different file. When an XSLT transformation is started, it will use the file/s associated with the active configuration.

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### XSLT transformations and XQuery executions

Clicking the command [XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation](#) or [XSL/XQuery | XSL:FO Transformation](#) or [XSL/XQuery | XQuery Execution](#) pops up a dialog in which you can browse for the required XSLT, XQuery, or XML file. Click the **Browse** button and then the **Switch to Global Resource** button to pop up the Open Global Resource dialog ([screenshot at top of section](#)). The file that is associated with the currently active configuration of the selected global resource is used for the transformation.

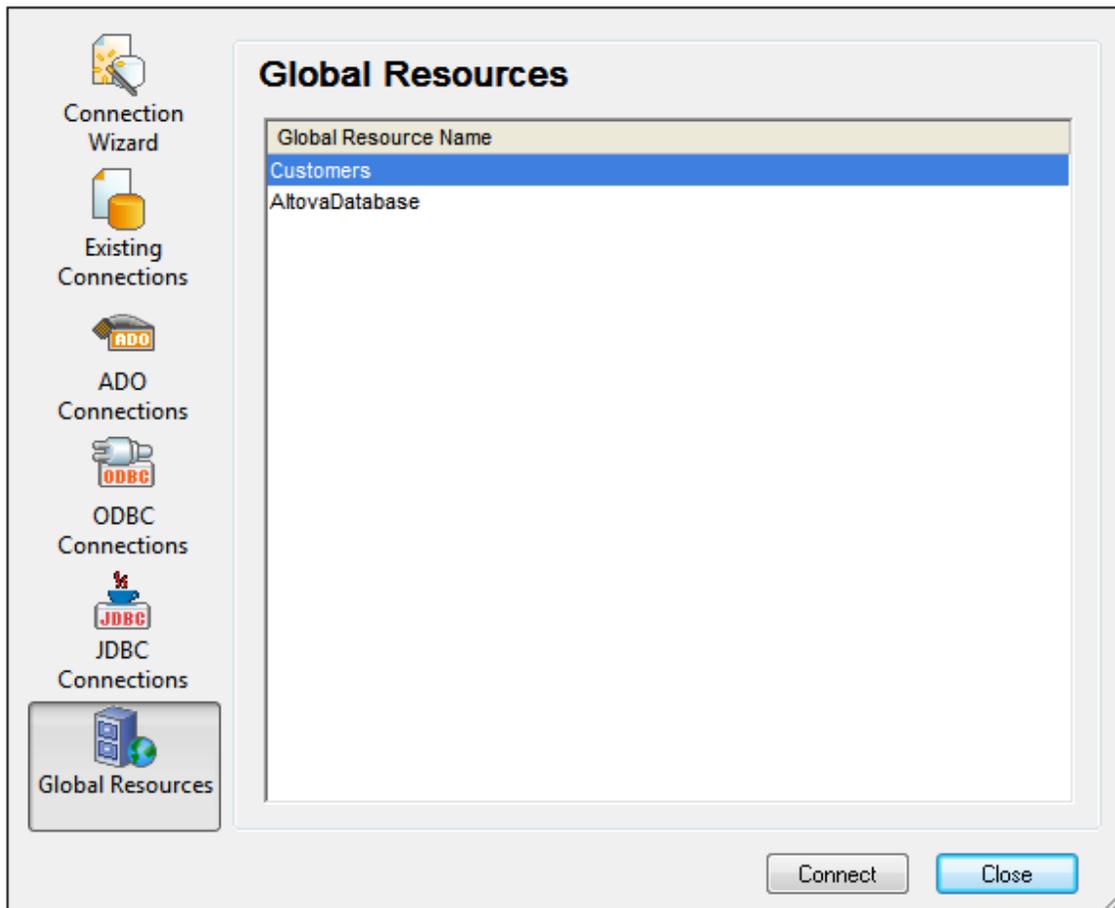
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### Assigning an SPS

When assigning a StyleVision stylesheet to an XML file ([Authentic | Assign StyleVision Stylesheet](#)), you can select a global resource to locate the stylesheet. Click the **Browse** button and then the **Switch to Global Resource** button to pop up the Open Global Resource dialog ([screenshot at top of section](#)). With a global resource selected as the assignment, the Authentic View of the XML document can be changed merely by changing the active configuration in XMLSpy.

## 15.2.2 Assigning Databases

When a command is executed that imports data or a data structure (as an XML Schema) from a DB into XMLSpy (for example, with the **Convert | Import Database Data** command), you can select the option to use a global resource ([screenshot below](#)). Other commands where a database-type global resource can be used are database-related commands in the menu.



In the Connection dialog (*screenshot above*), all the database-type global resources that have been defined in the currently active [Global Resources XML File](#) are displayed. Select the required global resource and click **Connect**. If the selected global resource has more than one configuration, then the database resource for the currently active configuration is used (check **Tools | Active Configuration** or the Global Resources toolbar), and the connection is made. You must now select the data structures and data to be used as described in [Creating an XML Schema from a DB](#) and [Importing DB data](#).

### 15.2.3 Changing the Active Configuration

One configuration of a global resource can be active at any time. This configuration is called the active configuration, and it is active application-wide. This means that the active configuration is active for all global resources aliases in all currently open files and data source connections. If an alias does not have a configuration with the name of the active configuration, then the default configuration of that alias will be used. As an example of how to change configurations, consider the case in which a file has been assigned via a global resource with multiple configurations. Each configuration maps to a different file. So, which file is selected depends on which configuration is selected as the application's active configuration.

Switching the active configuration can be done in the following ways:

- Via the menu command **Tools | Active Configuration**. Select the configuration from the command's submenu.

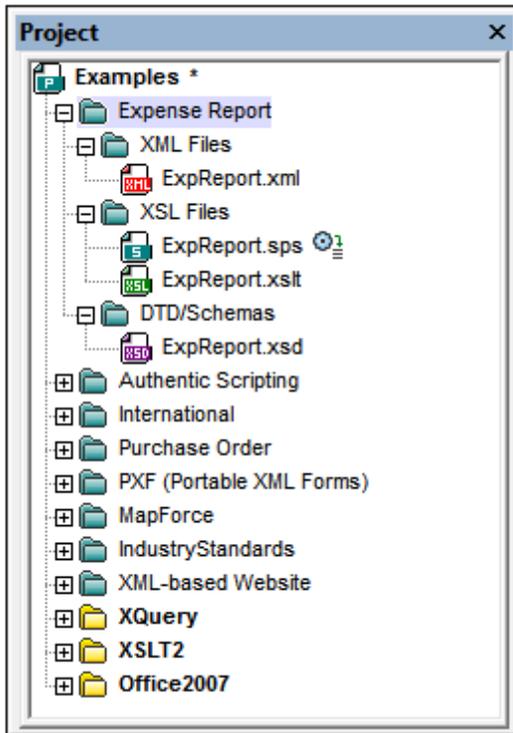
- In the combo box of the Global Resources toolbar (*screenshot below*), select the required configuration.



In this way, by changing the active configuration, you can change source files that are assigned via a global resource.

## 16 Projects

A project is a collection of files that are related to each other in some way you determine. For example, in the screenshot below, a project named `Examples` collects the files for various examples in separate example folders, each of which can be organized further into sub-folders. Within the `Examples` project, for instance, the `OrgChart` example folder is organized further into sub-folders for XML, XSL, and Schema files.

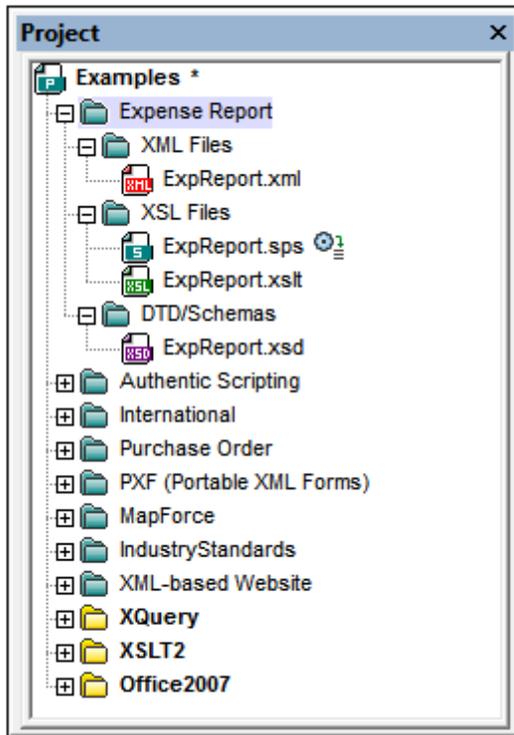


Projects thus enable you to gather together files that are used together and to access them quicker. Additionally, you can define schemas and XSLT files for individual folders, thus enabling the batch processing of files in a folder.

This section describes [how to create and edit projects](#) and [how to use projects](#).

## 16.1 Creating and Editing Projects

Projects are managed via the [Project Window](#) (screenshot below) and the [Project menu](#). One project can be open at a time in the application. The open project is displayed in the [Project Window](#).



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### Creating new projects, opening existing projects

A new project is created with the menu command **Project | New Project**. An existing project is opened with the menu command **Project | Open Project**. The newly opened project (whether new or existing) replaces the previously opened project in the Project Window. If the previously opened project contains unsaved changes (indicated by an asterisk next to the folder name; see screenshot below), you are asked whether you wish to save these changes.

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### Naming and saving projects

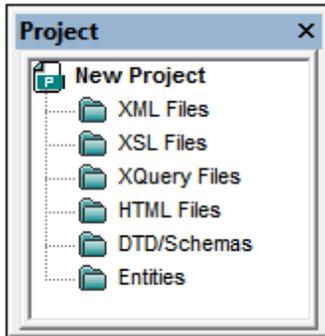
A new project is named when you save it. A project is saved with the **Project | Save Project** command and has the `.spp` file extension. After a project has been modified, the project must be saved for the modifications to be stored. Note that a project (indicated by the top-level folder in the Project Window) can only be re-named by changing its name in Windows File Explorer; the name cannot be changed in the GUI. (The names of sub-folders, however, can be changed in the GUI.)

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### Project structure

A project has a tree structure of folders and files. Folders and files can be created at any level and to an unlimited depth. Do this by selecting a folder in the Project Window and then using the commands in the **Project** menu or context menu to add folders, files, or resources. Folders, files, and resources that have been added to a project can be deleted or dragged to other locations in the project tree.

When a new project is created, the default project structure organizes the project by file type (XML, XSL, etc) (see screenshot below).



File-type extensions are associated with a folder via the property definitions for that folder. When a file is added to a folder, it is automatically added to the appropriate child folder according to the file-type extension. For each folder, you can define what file-type extensions are to be associated with it.

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### What can be added to a project

Folder, files, and other resources can be added either to the top-level project folder or to a folder at any level in the project. There are three types of folders: (i) project folders; (ii) external folders; (iii) external web folders.

To add an object, select the relevant folder and then the required command from the **Project** menu or context menu of the selected folder. The following objects are available for addition to a project folder

- *Project folders* (green) are folders that you add to the project in order to structure the project's contents. You can define what file extensions are to be associated with a project folder (in the properties of that folder). When files are added to a folder, they are automatically added to the first child folder that has that file's extension associated with it. Consequently, when multiple files are added to a folder, they will be distributed by file extension among the child folders that have the corresponding file-extension associations.
- *External folders* (yellow) are folders in a file system. When an external folder is added to a folder, the external folder and all its files, sub-folders, and sub-folder files are included in the project. Defining file extensions on an external folder serves to filter the files available in the project.
- *External web folders* are like external folders, except that they are located on a web server and require user authentication to access. Defining file extensions on an external web folder serves to filter the files available in the project.
- *Files* can be added to a folder by selecting the folder and then using one of the three Add-File commands: (i) **Add Files**, to select the file/s via an Open dialog; (ii) **Add Active**

**File**, to add the file that is active in the Main Window; (iii) **Add Active and Related Files**, additionally adds files related to an active XML file, for example, an XML Schema or DTD. Note that files associated by means of a processing instruction (for example, XSLT files), are not considered to be related files.

- *Global Resources* are aliases for file, folder, and database resources. How they are defined and used is described in the section on [Global Resources](#).
- *URLs* identify a resource object via a URL.
- *An Altova Scripting Project*, which is a `.asprj` file, can be assigned to an XMLSpy project. This will make macros and other scripts available to the project. How to create a Scripting Project and assign one to an XMLSpy project is described in the section, [Scripting](#).

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### Project properties

The properties of a folder are stored in the Properties dialog of that folder. It is accessed by first selecting the folder and then the **Properties** command in the **Project** menu or context menu (obtained by right-clicking the folder). Note that properties can be defined not only for the top-level project folder, but also for folders at various levels of the project hierarchy. The following properties of a folder can be defined and edited in the Properties dialog:

- *Folder name*: cannot be edited for the top-level project folder (for which, instead of a name, a filepath is displayed).
- *File extensions*: cannot be edited for the top-level project.
- *Validation*: specifies the DTD or XML Schema file that should be used to validate XML files in a folder.
- *Transformations*: specifies (i) the XSLT files to be used for transforming XML files in the folder, and (ii) the XML files to be transformed with XSLT files in the folder.
- *Destination files*: for the output of transformations, specifies the file extension and the folder where the files are to be saved.
- *SPS files for Authentic View*: specifies the SPS files to be used so that XML files in a folder can be viewed and edited in Authentic View.

See the description of the [Project | Properties](#) command for more detailed information.

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### Source control in projects

Source control systems that are compatible with Microsoft Visual Source-Safe are supported in projects. How to use this feature is described in the [User Reference section](#) of the manual.

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### Saving projects

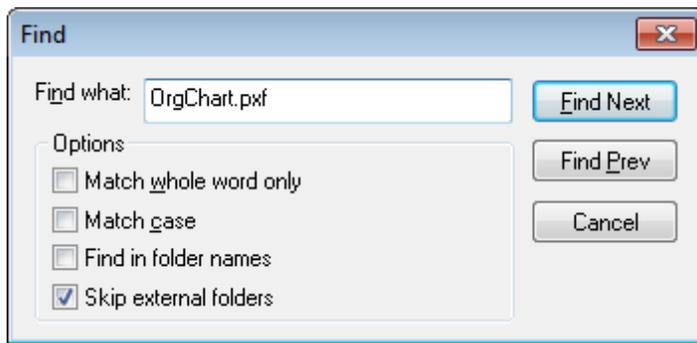
Any changes you make to a project, such as adding or deleting a file, or modifying a project property, must be saved with the **Save Project** command.

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### Find in project

You can search for project files and folders using their names or a part of their name. If the search is successful, files or folders that are located are highlighted one by one.

To start a search, activate the Project window by clicking it (or in it), then select the command **Edit | Find** (or the shortcut **Ctrl+F**). In the Find dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*) enter the text string you wish to search for and select or deselect the search options (*explained below*) according to your requirements.



The following search options are available:

- Whole-word matching is more restricted since the entire string must match an entire word in the file or folder name. In file names, the parts before and after the dot (without the dot) are each treated as a word.
- It can be specified that casing in the search string must exactly match the text string in the file or folder name.
- Folder names can be included in the search. Otherwise, only file names are searched.
- [External folders](#) can be included or excluded from the search. External folders are actual folders on the system or network, as opposed to project folders, which are created within the project and not on the system.

If the search is successful, the first matching item is highlighted in the Project sidebar. You can then browse through all the returned matching items by clicking the **Find Next** and **Find Prev** buttons in the Find dialog.

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### Refreshing projects

If a change is made to an external folder, this change will not be reflected in the Project Window till the project is refreshed.

## 16.2 Using Projects

Projects are very useful for organizing your workspace, applying settings to multiple files, and for setting up and executing batch commands. Using projects can therefore greatly help speed up and ease your work.

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### Benefits of using projects

The following list lists the benefits of using projects.

- Files and folders can be grouped into folders by file extension or any other desired criterion.
  - Schemas and XSLT files can be assigned to a folder. This can be useful if you wish to quickly validate or transform a single XML file using different schema or XSLT files. Add the XML file to different folders and define different schemas and XSLT files for the different folders.
  - Batch processing can be applied to individual folders. The commands available for batch processing are listed below.
  - Output folders can be specified for transformations.
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### Organizing resources for quick access

Folder and file resources can be organized into a tree structure, giving you a clear overview of the various folders and files in your project, and enabling you to quickly access any and all files in a project. Simply double-click a file in the Project window to open it. You can quickly add files and folders to a project as required and delete unwanted files and folders. When you wish to work with another project, close the project currently open in the Project Window and open the required project.

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### Batch processing

The commands for batch processing of files in a folder, whether the top-level project folder or a folder at any other level, are **available in the context menu of that folder** (obtained by right-clicking the folder). The steps for batch processing are as follows:

1. Define the files to be used for validation or transformation in the Properties dialog of that folder.
2. Specify the folder in which the output of transformations should be saved. If no output folder is specified for a folder, the output folder of the next ancestor folder in the project tree is used.
3. Use the commands in the context menu for batch execution. If you use the corresponding commands in the **XML**, **DTD/Schema**, or **XSL/XQuery** menus, the command will be executed only on the document active in the Main Window, not on any project folder in the Project Window.

The following commands in the context menu of a project folder (top-level or other) are available for batch processing:

- *Well-formed check*: If any error is detected during the batch execution, it is reported in

the Messages Window.

- *Validation*: If any error is detected during the batch execution, it is reported in the Messages Window.
- *Transformations*: Transformation outputs are saved to the folder specified as the output folder in the Properties dialog of that folder. If no folder is specified, the output folder of the next ancestor project folder is used. If no ancestor project folder has an output folder defined, a document window is opened and the results of each transformation is displayed successively in this document window. An XSL-FO transformation transforms an XML document or FO document to PDF.
- *Generate DTD / XML Schema*: Before the schemas are generated, you are prompted to specify an output folder. The generated schema files are saved to this folder and displayed in separate windows in the GUI.

**Note:** To execute batch commands use the context menu of the relevant folder in the Project Window. Do not use the commands in the XML, DTD/Schema, or XSL/XQuery menus. These commands will be executed on the document active in the Main Window.

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### **Validation and XSLT/XQuery with RaptorXML Server**

Context menu commands on project folder enable you to use RaptorXML Server for high-performance XML validation and XSLT/XQuery transformations. See the section [RaptorXML Server](#) for more information.

## 17 RaptorXML Server

If Altova RaptorXML Server is installed and licensed on your network and if your XMLSpy installation has access to it, then you can use RaptorXML Server (hereafter also called RaptorXML or Raptor for short) to validate XML and XBRL\* documents, as well as run [XSLT and XQuery transformations](#). You can validate the active document or all the documents in an XMLSpy project folder. The validation results are displayed in the Messages window of the GUI.

In XMLSpy, you can (i) validate documents or (ii) run XSLT/XQuery transformation by using either XMLSpy's engines or RaptorXML Server. One of the main advantages of using Raptor is that you can configure individual validations by means of a large range of validation options. Furthermore, you can store a set of Raptor options as a "configuration" in XMLSpy, and then select one of your defined configurations for a particular Raptor validation. Using Raptor is also advantageous when large data collections are to be validated.

**Note:** The actual performance depends on the number of PC processor cores used by RaptorXML Server for the validation: The higher the number of cores used, the faster will be the processing.

**\*Note:** There are two editions of Raptor: *RaptorXML Server* (for XML validations) and *RaptorXML+XBRL Server* (for XML and XBRL validations). If you wish to validate XBRL documents, you must use RaptorXML+XBRL Server. For more information about RaptorXML(+XBRL) Server, please see the [Altova website](#) and the user manuals: [RaptorXML Server](#) and [RaptorXML+XBRL Server](#).

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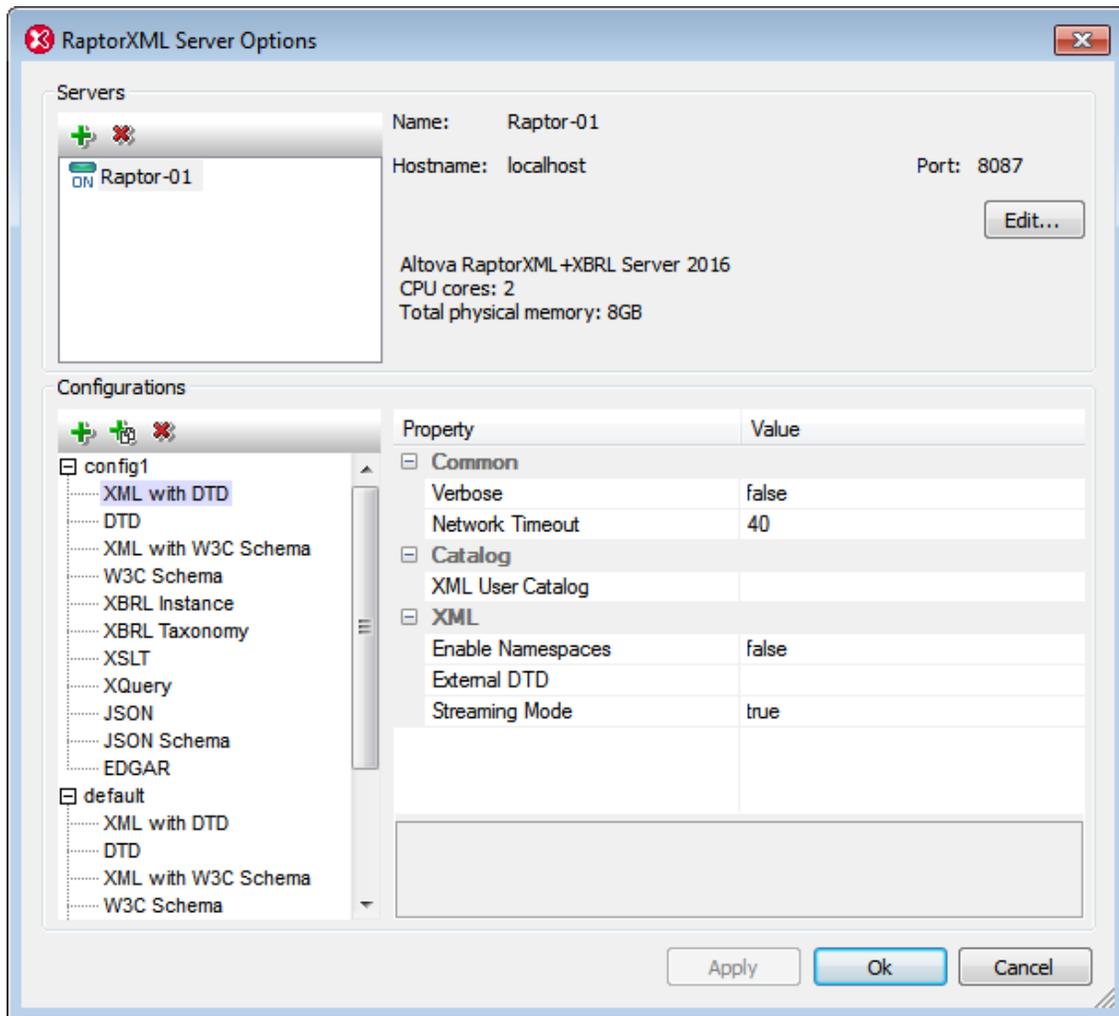
### How to validate or transform using RaptorXML Server

To validate an XML or XBRL document using RaptorXML Server, or to run an XSLT or XQuery transformation, XMLSpy must know which RaptorXML Server to use, how to access this server, and what options to pass to Raptor for the validation. This information is managed in XMLSpy as follows:

1. [By adding a server to the pool of Raptor servers](#). In this step, RaptorXML Servers are added to a pool, and the access information of each server is stored in XMLSpy. Each server is identified by a name.
2. [By defining configurations for each server](#). A configuration is a set of Raptor validation options. Each server can have multiple configurations. For a validation, you select one configuration, which becomes the active configuration.
3. [Selecting a server configuration with which to validate](#). A server and one of its configurations is selected to be the active configuration. The active configuration is used for all subsequent validations.
4. [Validate](#) or [run the XSLT/XQuery transformation](#) with Raptor.

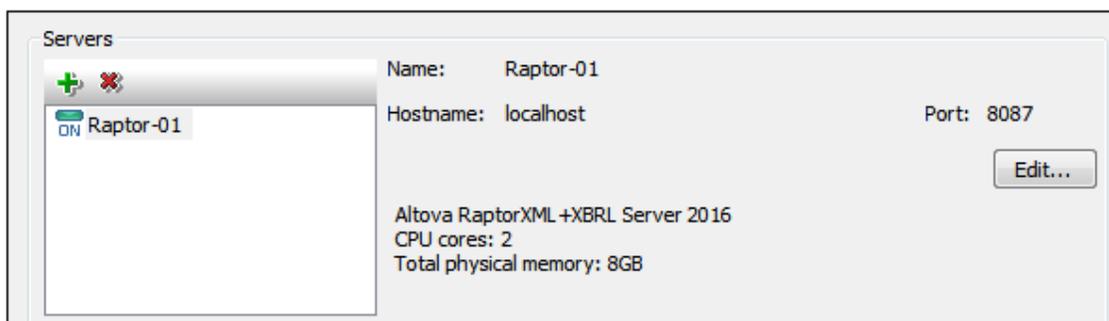
## 17.1 Adding Servers and Server Configurations

In the RaptorXML Server Options dialog (*screenshot below*, [Tools | Manage Raptor Servers](#)), you can [add multiple Raptor Servers](#) to the pool of available Raptor Servers and then [define multiple configurations](#) for each server. The added servers, together with the configurations you define for each of them, will appear in the [Tools | Raptor Servers and Configurations](#) submenu. In this submenu, you can select the server configuration you want to use for a Raptor validation.



### Adding a Raptor Server

In the dialog's *Servers* pane (*screenshot below*), click the **Add Server** icon, then enter the name by which you wish to identify the Raptor server, the network name of the machine on which Raptor is installed (host name), and the port of the Raptor Server. Click **OK** to save the settings.



- **Name:** Any string you choose. It is used in XMLSpy to identify a particular RaptorXML Server.
- **Host name:** The name or IP address of the network machine on which the Raptor server is installed. Processing will be faster if you use an IP address rather than a host name. The IP address corresponding to `localhost` (the local machine) is `127.0.0.1`.
- **Port:** The port via which the Raptor server is accessed. This port is specified in Raptor's configuration file (called `server_config.xml`). The port must be fixed and known so that requests can be correctly addressed to the service. For more information about the Raptor configuration file, see the user manuals: [RaptorXML Server](#) and [RaptorXML+XBRL Server](#).

After entering the server information, click **OK**. The server name you entered appears in the server list (in the left of the pane). A green icon appears next to the server's name, indicating that the Raptor server has been started and is running. The details of the server are displayed in the pane (see *screenshot above*). A red icon indicates that the server is offline. If the server cannot be found, an error message is displayed.

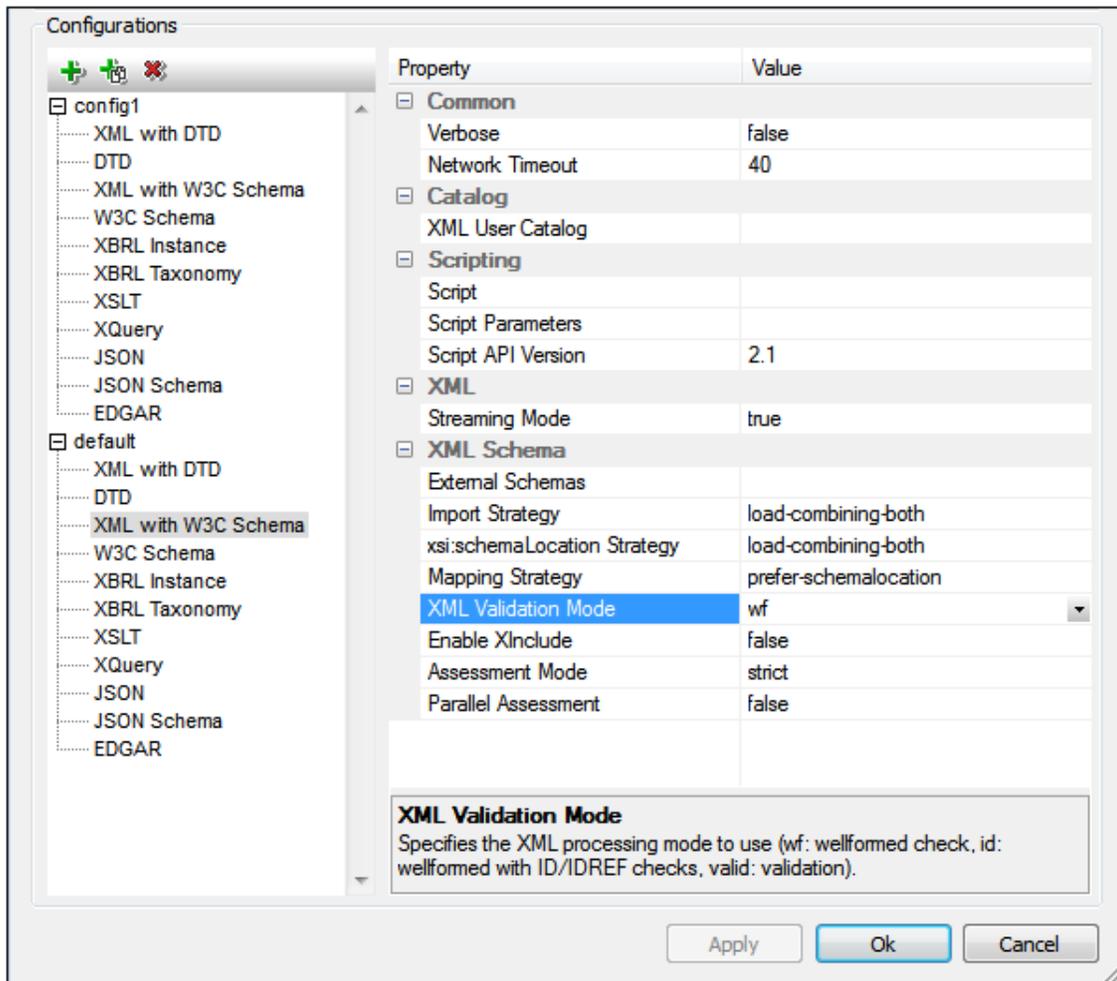
**Note:** The Raptor server must be running when the server is added. This is necessary so that XMLSpy can obtain information about the server and store it. If, after the server has been added, the server is offline or cannot be found, then these situations are indicated, respectively, by a red icon or an error message.

To edit a server's name, host name, or port, select the server in the left-hand pane, click the **Edit** button, and, in the dialog that appears, edit the information you want to change. To remove a server from the pool, select the server and click the **Remove Selected Server** icon.

## Server Configurations

A configuration is a set of RaptorXML validation options. When a server is added, it will have a configuration named `default`. This is a set of RaptorXML options set to their default values. You can edit these values. You can also add new configurations that contain other option values. After you have defined multiple server configurations, you can select one configuration to be the active configuration. This is the configuration that will be used when the **Validate on Server** command is executed.

The *Configurations* pane has two parts: (i) a left-hand pane, which shows the configurations and the types of document that can be validated; (ii) a right-hand pane, which displays the options, organized in groups, of the validation type that is selected in the left-hand pane; at the bottom of the right-hand pane is a description of the selected option (see *screenshot above*).



### Adding a configuration

In the *Configurations* pane of the RaptorXML Server Options dialog (screenshot above), click **Add a Configuration**. A new configuration is added with default option values. You can also create a new configuration by clicking **Copy Selected Configuration**. This creates a new configuration with option values that are the same as that of the copied configuration. New configurations are created with default names of the type `config<X>`; you can edit the name of a configuration by double-clicking it and entering the new name. You can then edit any of the configuration's option values.

### Editing a configuration's option values

First select the validation document in the left-hand pane. This displays the options of that group in the right-hand pane. To edit the value of an option, do one of the following (depending on the type of option value):

- If the value can be one of a set of predefined values, select the value you want from the combo box of that option's value column.
- If the value is not constrained, click in the option's value field and enter the value you want.
- If the value is a file path, in addition to being able to enter the value, you can also browse

for the file you want by using the **Browse** button in the option's value column.

If you select an option, its description is displayed in a box at the bottom of the right-hand pane. For more detailed descriptions of each option, see the command line interface chapters of the [RaptorXML Server](#) and [RaptorXML\(+XBRL\) Server](#) user manuals.

#### *Removing a configuration*

In the left-hand pane, select the configuration to be removed and click **Remove Selected Configuration**.

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#### **XMLSpy in Visual Studio and Eclipse**

When XMLSpy is integrated in [Visual Studio](#) and [Eclipse](#), the active configuration in these IDEs will be the one that is currently set as the active configuration in the standalone version of XMLSpy.

## 17.2 Validating with RaptorXML Server

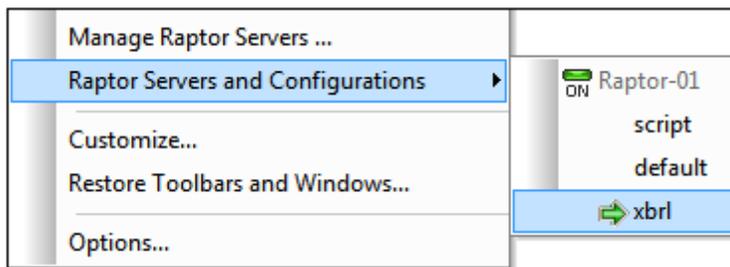
You can validate XML and XBRL\* documents with RaptorXML Server. Validating involves two steps:

- Selecting the server and server configuration to use for the validation
- Running the validation (by using one of the **Validate on Server** commands; see below)

**\*Note:** There are two editions of Raptor: *RaptorXML Server* (for XML validations) and *RaptorXML+XBRL Server* (for XML and XBRL validations). If you wish to validate XBRL documents, you must use RaptorXML+XBRL Server. For more information about RaptorXML(+XBRL) Server, please see the [Altova website](#) and the user manuals: [RaptorXML Server](#) and [RaptorXML+XBRL Server](#).

### Selecting the server configuration to use

If you have defined multiple configurations on multiple servers, you can select a server and one of its configurations as the active configuration. The active configuration will be used for subsequent validations. On placing the cursor over the **Tools | Raptor Servers and Configurations** command (see screenshot below), a submenu appears that contains all the added servers, together with the configuration of each. Select the server configuration you want to make the active configuration. In the screenshot below, the `xbrl` configuration of the server named `Raptor-01` has been selected as the active configuration (indicated by the green arrow).



**Note:** You can also select the active configuration in the dropdown menu of the **Validate on Server** icon . This menu also has a command to validate EDGAR on the active server.

### Validating with RaptorXML Server

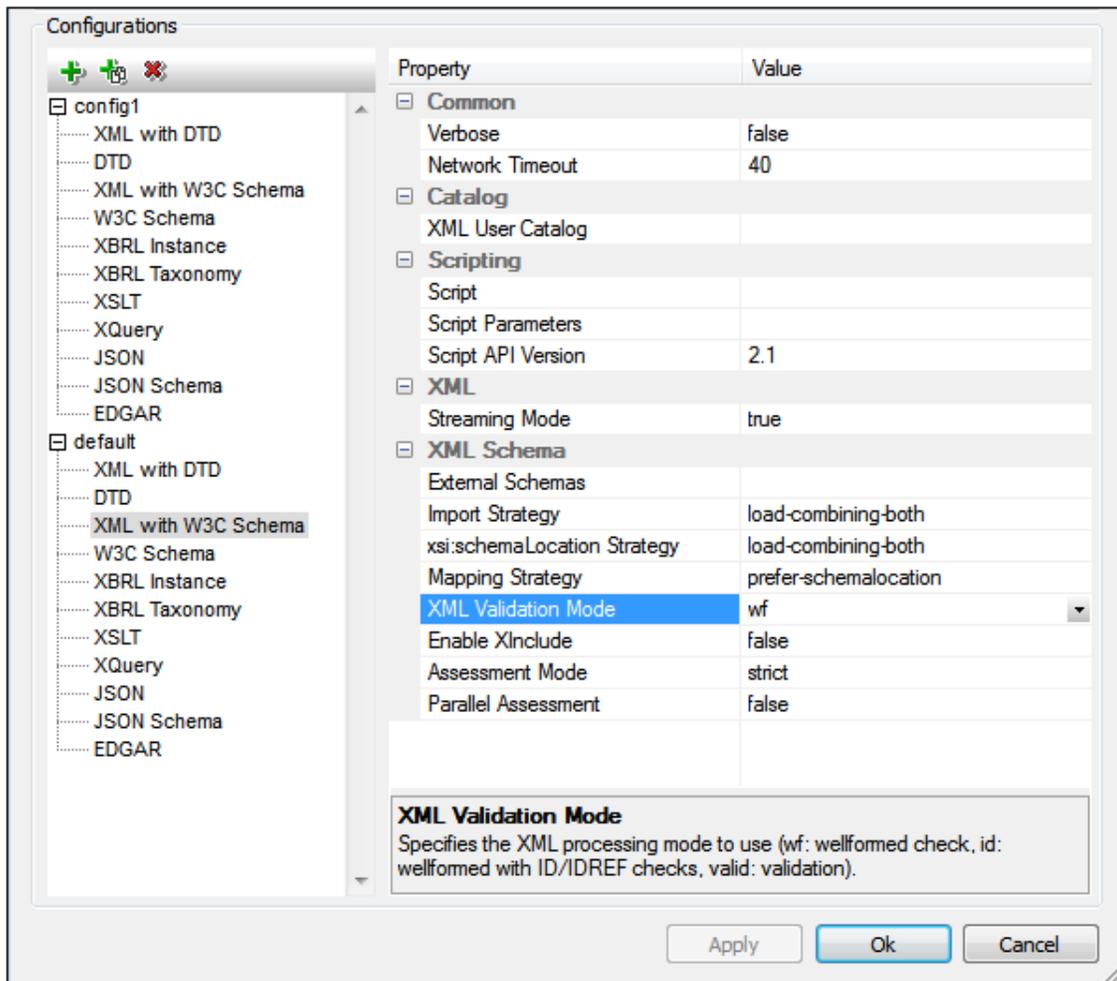
You can validate XML and XBRL documents by using the validation engines of XMLSpy or by using RaptorXML Server. To validate using RaptorXML Server, do one of the following:

- Click the toolbar icon **Validate on Server**
- Select the command **XML | Validate XML on Server (high-performance) (Ctrl+F8)**
- In the Project entry helper, right-click the project, a folder, or a file, and select **Validate XML on Server (high performance)** to validate XML or XBRL data in the selected object.

**Note:** Raptor validation is available in Text View, Schema View, XBRL View, and Grid View.

## 17.3 Validation Options

This section is organized by the type of document being validated (see the left-hand pane of the screenshot below). For example, *XML with W3C Schema* validates an XML document against a W3C XML Schema. When a validation type is selected in the left-hand pane, the RaptorXML Server validation options available for that kind of validation are displayed in the right-hand pane. These options are organized into groups, such as *Scripting* and *XML Schema* (see *screenshot below*).



The sub-sections of this section contain links to the descriptions of the respective RaptorXML Server validation options.

### 17.3.1 Common Options

Options that are common to all types of validation.

#### Common

- [Verbose](#)
- [Network Timeout](#)

- ☐ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)

### 17.3.2 XML with DTD

Options for validating XML data against a DTD.

- ☐ Common
  - [Verbose](#)
  - [Network Timeout](#)
  
- ☐ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)
  
- ☐ XML
  - [Enable Namespaces](#)
  - [External DTD](#)
  - [Streaming Mode](#)

### 17.3.3 DTD

Options for validating DTDs.

- ☐ Common
  - [Verbose](#)
  - [Network Timeout](#)
  
- ☐ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)
  
- ☐ Scripting
  - [Script](#)
  - [Script Parameters](#)
  - [Script API Version](#)

### 17.3.4 XML with W3C Schema

Options for validating XML data against XML Schema.

- ▣ Common
  - [Verbose](#)
  - [Network Timeout](#)
  
- ▣ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)
  
- ▣ Scripting
  - [Script](#)
  - [Script Parameters](#)
  - [Script API Version](#)
  
- ▣ XML
  - [Streaming Mode](#)
  
- ▣ XML Schema
  - [External Schemas \(xsd\)](#)
  - [Import Strategy \(schema-imports\)](#)
  - [xsi:schemaLocation Strategy \(schemalocation-hints\)](#)
  - [Mapping Strategy \(schema-mapping\)](#)
  - [XML Processing Mode \(xml-mode\)](#)
  - [Enable XInclude \(xinclude\)](#)
  - [Assessment Mode](#)
  - [Parallel Assessment](#)

### 17.3.5 W3C Schema

Options for validating XML Schemas.

- ▣ Common
  - [Verbose](#)
  - [Network Timeout](#)
  
- ▣ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)

- ▣ Scripting
  - [Script](#)
  - [Script Parameters](#)
  - [Script API Version](#)
  
- ▣ XML Schema
  - [Import Strategy \(schema-imports\)](#)
  - [xsi:schemaLocation Strategy \(schemalocation-hints\)](#)
  - [Mapping Strategy \(schema-mapping\)](#)
  - [XML Processing Mode \(xml-mode\)](#)
  - [Enable XInclude \(xinclude\)](#)

### 17.3.6 XBRL Instance

Options for validating XBRL instance documents.

- ▣ Common
  - [Verbose](#)
  - [Network Timeout](#)
  
- ▣ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)
  
- ▣ Scripting
  - [Script](#)
  - [Script Parameters](#)
  - [Script API Version](#)
  
- ▣ XML Schema
  - [Import Strategy \(schema-imports\)](#)
  - [xsi:schemaLocation Strategy \(schemalocation-hints\)](#)
  - [Mapping Strategy \(schema-mapping\)](#)
  - [Enable XInclude \(xinclude\)](#)
  - [Parallel Assessment](#)
  
- ▣ XBRL
  - [Enable Dimensions Extension \(dimensions\)](#)
  - [Enable Extensible Enumerations Extension \(extensible-enumerations\)](#)
  - [Enable Unit Registry Extensions \(utr\)](#)
  - [Preload XBRL Spec Schemas \(preload-xbrl-schemas\)](#)
  - [Taxonomy Packages](#)

[Validate Referenced DTS Only \(validate-dts-only\)](#)  
[Treat XBRL Inconsistencies as Errors \(treat-inconsistencies-as-errors\)](#)

☐ XBRL Formula

[Enable Formula Extension \(formula\)](#)  
[Enable Assertion Severity Extension \(assertion-severity\)](#)  
[Preload Formula Spec Schemas \(preload-formula-schemas\)](#)  
[Report Unsatisfied Assertion Evaluations](#)  
[Validation Message Language \(message-lang\)](#)  
[Validation Message Role \(message-role\)](#)

☐ XBRL Table

[Enable Table Extension \(table\)](#)  
[Preload Table Spec Schemas \(preload-table-schemas\)](#)  
[Table Linkbase Namespace](#)

### 17.3.7 XBRL Taxonomy

Options for validating XBRL taxonomies.

☐ Common

[Verbose](#)  
[Network Timeout](#)

☐ Catalog

[XML User Catalog](#)

☐ Scripting

[Script](#)  
[Script Parameters](#)  
[Script API Version](#)

☐ XML Schema

[Import Strategy \(schema-imports\)](#)  
[xsi:schemaLocation Strategy \(schemalocation-hints\)](#)  
[Mapping Strategy \(schema-mapping\)](#)  
[Enable XInclude \(xinclude\)](#)

☐ XBRL

[Enable Dimensions Extension \(dimensions\)](#)

[Enable Extensible Enumerations Extension \(extensible-enumerations\)](#)  
[Preload XBRL Spec Schemas \(preload-xbri-schemas\)](#)  
[Taxonomy Packages](#)  
[Treat XBRL Inconsistencies as Errors \(treat-inconsistencies-as-errors\)](#)

☐ XBRL Formula

[Enable Formula Extension \(formula\)](#)  
[Enable Assertion Severity Extension \(assertion-severity\)](#)  
[Preload Formula Spec Schemas \(preload-formula-schemas\)](#)

☐ XBRL Table

[Enable Table Extension \(table\)](#)  
[Preload Table Spec Schemas \(preload-table-schemas\)](#)  
[Table Linkbase Namespace](#)

### 17.3.8 XSLT

Options for validating XSLT documents.

☐ Common

[Verbose](#)  
[Network Timeout](#)

☐ Catalog

[XML User Catalog](#)

☐ XML Schema

[Import Strategy \(schema-imports\)](#)  
[xsi:schemaLocation Strategy \(schemalocation-hints\)](#)  
[Mapping Strategy \(schema-mapping\)](#)  
[XML Processing Mode \(xml-mode\)](#)  
[Enable XInclude \(xinclude\)](#)

☐ Java Extension

[Disable Java Extensions \(javaext-disable\)](#)  
[Barcode Extension Location \(javaext-barcode-location\)](#)

☐ Chart Extensions

[Disable Chart Extensions \(chartext-disable\)](#)

- ▣ .NET Extensions
  - [Disable .NET Extensions \(dotnetext-disable\)](#)
  
- ▣ XEngines Common
  - [Load XML with PSVI \(load-xml-with-psvi\)](#)
  
- ▣ XSLT
  - [XSLT Engine Version \(xslt-version\)](#)
  - [Template Mode](#)
  - [Template Entry Point](#)

### 17.3.9 XQuery

Options for validating XQuery documents.

- ▣ Common
  - [Verbose](#)
  - [Network Timeout](#)
  
- ▣ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)
  
- ▣ XML Schema
  - [Import Strategy \(schema-imports\)](#)
  - [xsi:schemaLocation Strategy \(schemalocation-hints\)](#)
  - [Mapping Strategy \(schema-mapping\)](#)
  - [XML Processing Mode \(xml-mode\)](#)
  - [Enable XInclude \(xinclude\)](#)
  
- ▣ Java Extension
  - [Disable Java Extensions \(javaext-disable\)](#)
  - [Barcode Extension Location \(javaext-barcode-location\)](#)
  
- ▣ Chart Extensions
  - [Disable Chart Extensions \(chartext-disable\)](#)

- ▣ .NET Extensions
  - [Disable .NET Extensions \(dotnetext-disable\)](#)
  
- ▣ XEngines Common
  - [Load XML with PSVI \(load-xml-with-psvi\)](#)
  
- ▣ XQuery
  - [XQuery Engine Version \(xquery-version\)](#)
  - [Omit XML Declaration](#)

### 17.3.10 JSON

Options for validating JSON (instance) documents.

- ▣ Common
  - [Verbose](#)
  - [Network Timeout](#)
  
- ▣ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)
  
- ▣ JSON
  - [JSON schema path](#)

### 17.3.11 JSON Schema

Options for validating JSON Schema documents.

- ▣ Common
  - [Verbose](#)
  - [Network Timeout](#)
  
- ▣ Catalog
  - [XML User Catalog](#)

## 17.3.12 EDGAR

EDGAR (Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis, and Retrieval) is a system that performs automated collection, validation, and indexing of financial statements filed by companies to the United States SEC (Securities and Exchange Commission). When you validate via EDGAR, Raptor validates the XBRL instance document using an internal EDGAR script. You can set the following additional options.

### EDGAR Script Parameters

The EDGAR script performs extra checks as prescribed in the [EDGAR Filing Manual Volume II: EDGAR Filing](#). The script allows the following script parameters to be additionally specified:

CIK	The CIK of the registrant
submissionType	The EDGAR submission type, for example: '10-K'
cikList	A list of CIKs, each separated by a comma: ', '
cikNameList	A list of official registrant names for each CIK in <code>cikList</code> , separated by ' Edgar '
forceUtrValidation	Set to <code>true</code> to force-enable UTR validation
edbody-url	The path to the <code>edbody.dtd</code> that is used to validate embedded HTML fragments
edgar-taxonomies-url	The path to the <code>edgartaxonomies.xml</code> , which contains a list of taxonomy files that are allowed to be referenced from the company extension taxonomy

### Common

[Verbose](#)  
[Network Timeout](#)

### Catalog

[XML User Catalog](#)

### XML Schema

[Import Strategy \(schema-imports\)](#)  
[xsi:schemaLocation Strategy \(schemalocation-hints\)](#)  
[Mapping Strategy \(schema-mapping\)](#)  
[Enable XInclude \(xinclude\)](#)  
[Parallel Assessment](#)

### XBRL

[Enable Dimensions Extension \(dimensions\)](#)  
[Enable Extensible Enumerations Extension \(extensible-enumerations\)](#)

[Preload XBRL Spec Schemas \(preload-xbrl-schemas\)](#)  
[Taxonomy Packages](#)  
[Treat XBRL Inconsistencies as Errors \(treat-inconsistencies-as-errors\)](#)

☐ XBRL Formula

[Enable Formula Extension \(formula\)](#)  
[Enable Assertion Severity Extension \(assertion-severity\)](#)  
[Preload Formula Spec Schemas \(preload-formula-schemas\)](#)  
[Report Unsatisfied Assertion Evaluations](#)  
[Validation Message Language \(message-lang\)](#)  
[Validation Message Role \(message-role\)](#)

☐ XBRL Table

[Enable Table Extension \(table\)](#)  
[Preload Table Spec Schemas \(preload-table-schemas\)](#)  
[Table Linkbase Namespace](#)

## 17.4 XSLT and XQuery with RaptorXML Server

You can use RaptorXML Server to run (i) XSLT transformations, (ii) and XQuery updates or executions on XML documents. These actions are available only via [Projects](#), and involve three steps:

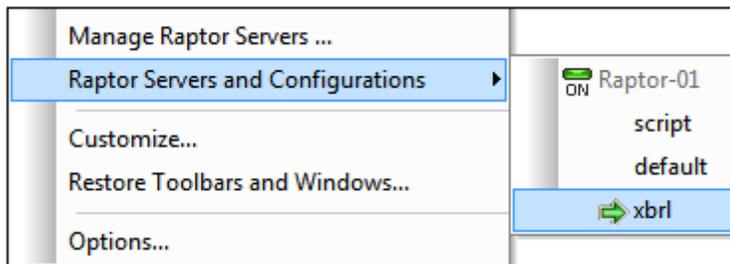
- Selecting the server and server configuration to use for the job.
- Setting up the [project folder](#), and specifying the XSLT/XQuery files to use (in the [Project Properties dialog](#)). The XSLT/XQuery files that are assigned in the [Project Properties dialog](#) of a folder are the files that will be used for XSLT and XQuery transformations of all XML files in that project folder. You cannot assign XSLT/XQuery files for individual XML files in a project folder; XSLT/XQuery files can only be assigned for an entire folder.
- Running the XSLT transformation or XQuery update/execution.

**Note:** If the XSLT or XQuery document uses Java extension functions or .NET extension functions, then file paths are used to locate JAR files (Java) or external (unregistered) assembly files (.NET). This means that, if the same XSLT/XQuery document is used for transformations/executions via XMLSpy as well as RaptorXML Server, then file paths in it to JAR files and/or assembly files must correctly locate these files.

**Note:** If RaptorXML Server is on the same machine as XMLSpy, you should, for best performance, specify that the server setting `server.unrestricted-filesystem-access` has a value of `true`. For more information, see the [documentation of the RaptorXML Server configuration file](#).

### Selecting the server configuration to use

If you have defined multiple configurations on multiple servers, you can select a server and one of its configurations as the active configuration. The active configuration will be used for subsequent validations. On placing the cursor over the **Tools | Raptor Servers and Configurations** command (see *screenshot below*), a submenu appears that contains all the added servers, together with the configuration of each. Select the server configuration you want to make the active configuration. In the screenshot below, the `xbrl` configuration of the server named `Raptor-01` has been selected as the active configuration (indicated by the green arrow).



**Note:** You can also select the active configuration in the dropdown menu of the **Validate on Server** icon . This menu also has a command to validate EDGAR on the active server.

### Running an XSLT transformation

You can carry out an XSLT transformation by using the XSLT engines of XMLSpy or by using RaptorXML Server. To run XSLT transformations using RaptorXML Server, do the following:

- Right-click the project folder where the XML files to transform are located. This folder can be the entire project folder or an individual folder anywhere in the project hierarchy
- In the menu that appears, select the command **XSL Transformation on Server (high-performance)**

**Note:** You cannot assign XSLT/XQuery files for individual XML files in a project folder; XSLT/XQuery files can only be assigned for an entire folder. See [start of section](#).

For more related information, see the sections [XSLT](#) and [XSLT Transformation](#).

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### Running an XQuery update/execution

You can carry out an XQuery update/transformation by using the XQuery engines of XMLSpy or by using RaptorXML Server. To run XQuery updates/transformation using RaptorXML Server, do the following:

- Right-click the project folder where the XQuery or XML files to, respectively, update or execute are located. This folder can be the entire project folder or an individual folder anywhere in the project hierarchy
- In the menu that appears, select the command **XQuery/Update Execution on Server (high-performance)**

**Note:** You cannot assign XSLT/XQuery files for individual XML files in a project folder; XSLT/XQuery files can only be assigned for an entire folder. See [start of section](#).

For more related information, see the sections [XQuery](#) and [XQuery/Update Execution](#).

## 18 File/Directory Comparisons

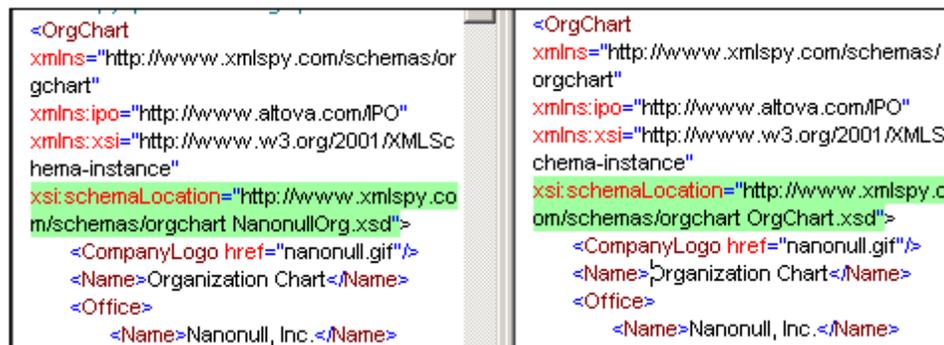
XMLSpy provides a File Comparison feature and a Directory Comparison feature that are linked to each other. File Comparisons and Directory Comparisons are started with the **Compare Open File With** and **Compare Directories** commands in the **Tools** menu, respectively. Comparison options for file comparisons can be defined in the Settings dialog, which is accessed by clicking the **Compare Options** command in the **Tools** menu.

Each of these commands is described in detail in the [User Reference](#) section. In the sub-sections of this section we provide an overview of the [File Comparisons](#) and [Directory Comparisons](#) mechanisms.

## 18.1 File Comparisons

The [File Comparisons feature](#) enables you to compare the active file with another file, which is selected via an Open File dialog or via a [global resource](#). The following points provide an overview of the mechanism. For details, see the [User Reference](#) section.

- The settings current in the [Compare Options](#) dialog when a File Compare session is started are the settings that will be active for that session.
- You can choose to compare the files as XML files (where document structure is also evaluated) or as Text files. This choice is made by selecting, in the [Settings dialog](#), either (i) Grid View or Text View (Textual Comparison Only unchecked) for XML comparisons, or (ii) Text View (Textual Comparison Only checked) for text comparisons.
- The two files appear in adjacent panes in the selected view (Grid View or Text View) and the differences are highlighted in both files (*screenshot below*).



```
<OrgChart
xmlns="http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart"
xmlns:ipo="http://www.altova.com/IPO"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart/NanonullOrg.xsd">
  <CompanyLogo href="nanonull.gif"/>
  <Name>Organization Chart</Name>
  <Office>
    <Name>Nanonull, Inc.</Name>
  </Office>
</OrgChart>
```

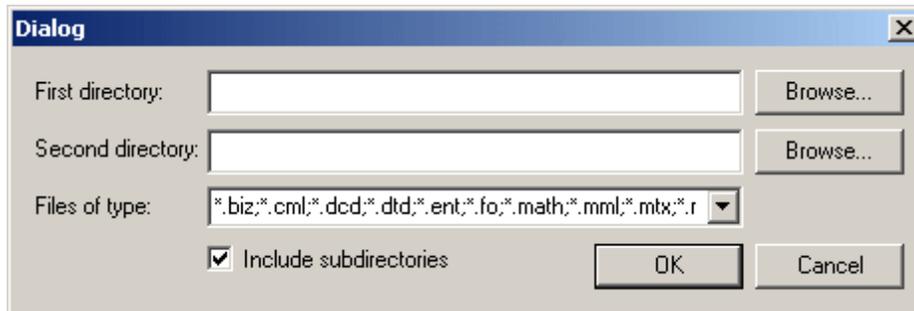
```
<OrgChart
xmlns="http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart"
xmlns:ipo="http://www.altova.com/IPO"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/orgchart/OrgChart.xsd">
  <CompanyLogo href="nanonull.gif"/>
  <Name>Organization Chart</Name>
  <Office>
    <Name>Nanonull, Inc.</Name>
  </Office>
</OrgChart>
```

A Compare Files control window also pops up which enables you to navigate through the differences and to merge them.

The [Settings dialog](#) offers several options for specifying what aspects of the XML documents should be considered for the comparison, and what aspects ignored. For more details, see the [Compare Options](#) section in the [User Reference](#).

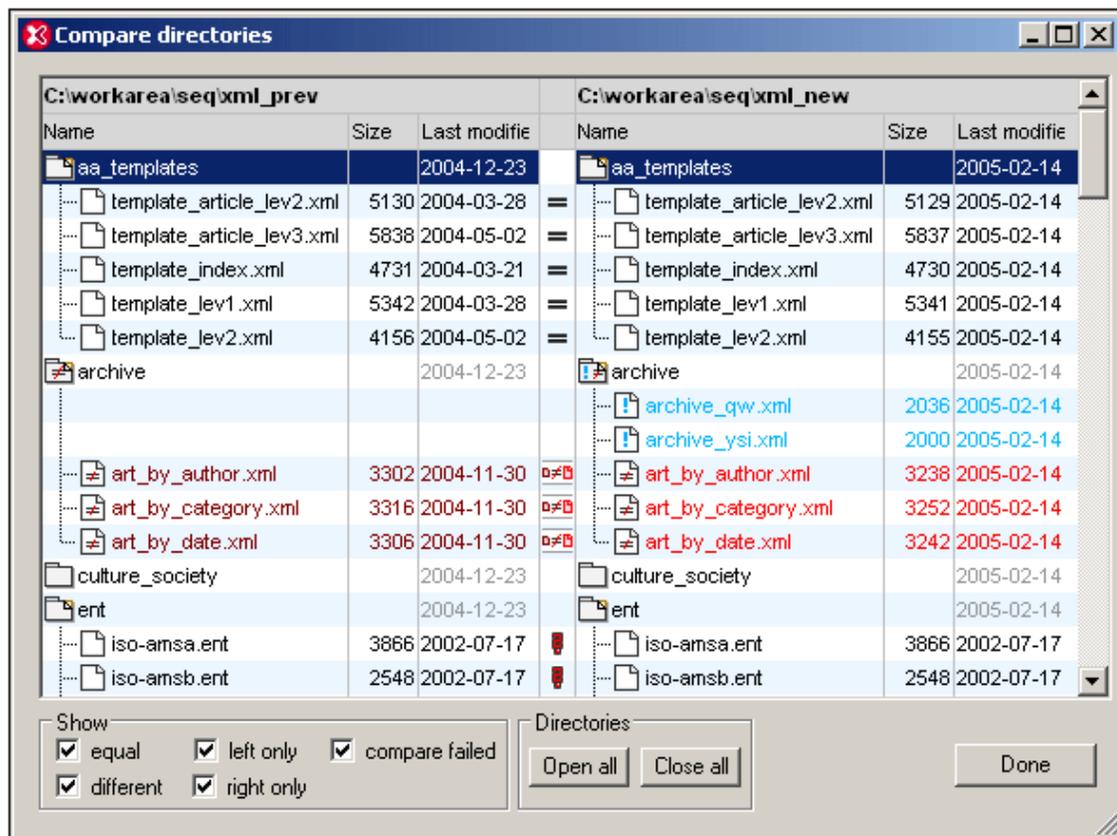
## 18.2 Directory Comparisons

The [Directory Comparisons feature](#) enables you to compare directories, each of which you select via separate Browse for Folder dialogs. You can also select whether sub-directories are to be compared or not, and what file types should be considered for the directory comparison.



Zip archives can also be included in the comparison by including the Zip file extension in the list of file types to evaluate.

Directories are compared to indicate missing files and whether files of the same name are different or not. The comparisons between files are based on the settings in the [Settings dialog](#). The results of the directory comparison are displayed in a separate window (*screenshot below*).



For details about how to read the symbols and manage the view in the Compare Directories window, see the description of the **Compare Directories** command in the [User Reference](#). You can then double-click a file row to directly start a file comparison.



## 19 Source Control

The source control support in XMLSpy is available through the Microsoft Source Control Plug-in API (formerly known as the MSSCCI API), versions 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3. This enables you to run source control commands such as "Check in" or "Check out" directly from XMLSpy to virtually any source control system that lets native or third-party clients connect to it through the Microsoft Source Control Plug-in API.

You can use as your source control provider any commercial or non-commercial plug-in that supports the Microsoft Source Control Plug-in API, and can connect to a compatible version control system. For the list of source control systems and plug-ins tested by Altova, see [Supported Source Control Systems](#).

### Installing and configuring the source control provider

To view the source control providers available on your system, do the following:

1. On the **Tools** menu, click **Options**.
2. Click the **Source Control** tab.

Any source control plug-ins compatible with the Microsoft Source Code Control Plug-in API are displayed in the **Current source control plug-in** drop-down list.

Current source control plug-in:  
Microsoft Visual SourceSafe [Advanced...]

Logon ID (SourceSafe):  
MYFAVID

Perform background status updates every 500 ms  
 Display output messages from plug-in  
 Get everything when opening a project  
 Check in everything when closing a project  
 Don't show Check Out dialog box when checking out items  
 Don't show Check In dialog box when checking in items  
 Keep items checked out when checking in or adding items

If dialogs were hidden using Don't show this again, click Reset to view them again. [Reset]

If a compatible plug-in cannot be found on your system, the following message is displayed:

```
"Registration of installed source control providers could not be found or is incomplete."
```

Some source control systems might not install the source control plug-in automatically, in which case you will need to install it separately. For further instructions, refer to the documentation of the respective source control system. A plug-in (provider) compatible with the Microsoft Source Code Control Plug-in API is expected to be registered under the following registry entry on your

operating system:

```
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\SourceCodeControlProvider\InstalledSCCProviders
```

Upon correct installation, the plug-in becomes available automatically in the list of plug-ins available to XMLSpy.

### Accessing the source control commands

The commands related to source control are available in the **Project | Source Control** menu.

### Resource / Speed issues

Very large source control databases might be introducing a speed/resource penalty when automatically performing background status updates.

You might be able to speed up your system by disabling (or increasing the interval of) the **Perform background status updates every ... seconds** option in the **Source Control** tab accessed through **Tools | Options**.

**Note:** The **64-bit** version of your Altova application automatically supports any of the supported 32-bit source control programs listed in this documentation. When using a 64-bit Altova application with a 32-bit source control program, the **Perform background status updates every ... seconds** option is automatically grayed-out and cannot be selected.

### Differencing with Altova DiffDog

You can configure many source control systems (including Git and TortoiseSVN) so that they use Altova DiffDog as their differencing tool. For more information about DiffDog, see <http://www.altova.com/diffdog.html>. For DiffDog documentation, see <http://www.altova.com/documentation.html>.

## 19.1 Setting Up Source Control

The mechanism for setting up source control and placing files in a XMLSpy project under source control is as follows:

1. If this hasn't been done already, install the source control system (see [Supported Source Control Systems](#) ) and set up the source control database (repository) to which you wish to save your work.
2. Create a local workspace folder that will contain the working files that you wish to place under source control. The folder that contains all your workspace folders and files is called the local folder, and the path to the local folder is referred to as the local path. This local folder will be bound to a particular folder in the repository.
3. In your Altova application, create an application project folder to which you must add the files you wish to place under source control. This organization of files in an application project is abstract. The files in a project reference physical files saved locally, preferably in one folder (with sub-folders if required) for each project.
4. In the source control system's database (also referred to as source control or repository), a folder is created that is bound to the local folder. This folder (called the bound folder) will replicate the structure of the local folder so that all files to be placed under source control are correctly located hierarchically within the bound folder. The bound folder is usually created when you add a file or an application project to source control for the first time. See the section, [Application Project](#), for information about the repository's folder structure.
5. Project files are added to source control using the command **Project | Source Control | Add to Source Control**. When you add a project or a file in a project for the first time to source control, the correct bindings and folder structure will be created in the repository.
6. Source control actions, such as the checking in and out of files, and the removing of files from source control, can be carried out via commands in the **Project | Source Control** submenu. These commands are described in the [Project menu subsection](#) of the User Reference.

**Note:** If you wish to change the current source control provider, this can be done in one of two ways: (i) via the Source Control options ([Tools | Options | Source Control](#)), or (ii) in the Change Source Control dialog (**Project | Source Control | Change Source Control**).

## 19.2 Supported Source Control Systems

The list below shows the Source Control Servers (SCSs) supported by XMLSpy, together with their respective Source Control Clients (SCCs). The list is organized alphabetically by SCS. Note the following:

- Altova has implemented the Microsoft Source Control Plug-in API (versions 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3) in XMLSpy, and has tested support for the listed drivers and revision control systems. It is expected that XMLSpy will continue to support these products if, and when, they are updated.
- Source Code Control clients not listed below, but which implement the Microsoft Source Control Plug-in API, should also work with XMLSpy.

Source Control System	Source Code Control Clients
AccuRev 4.7.0 Windows	AccuBridge for Microsoft SCC 2008.2
Bazaar 1.9 Windows	Aigenta Unified SCC 1.0.6
Borland StarTeam 2008	Borland StarTeam Cross-Platform Client 2008 R2
Codice Software Plastic SCM Professional 2.7.127.10 (Server)	Codice Software Plastic SCM Professional 2.7.127.10 (SCC Plugin)
Collabnet Subversion 1.5.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aigenta Unified SCC 1.0.6</li> <li>• PushOK SVN SCC 1.5.1.1</li> <li>• PushOK SVN SCC x64 version 1.6.3.1</li> <li>• TamTam SVN SCC 1.2.24</li> </ul>
ComponentSoftware CS-RCS (PRO) 5.1	ComponentSoftware CS-RCS (PRO) 5.1
Dynamsoft SourceAnywhere for VSS 5.3.2 Standard/Professional Server	Dynamsoft SourceAnywhere for VSS 5.3.2 Client
Dynamsoft SourceAnywhere Hosted	Dynamsoft SourceAnywhere Hosted Client (22252)
Dynamsoft SourceAnywhere Standalone 2.2 Server	Dynamsoft SourceAnywhere Standalone 2.2 Client
Git	PushOK GIT SCC plug-in (see <a href="#">Source Control with Git</a> )
IBM Rational ClearCase 7.0.1 (LT)	IBM Rational ClearCase 7.0.1 (LT)
March-Hare CVSNT 2.5 (2.5.03.2382)	Aigenta Unified SCC 1.0.6
March-Hare CVS Suite 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jalindi Igloo 1.0.3</li> <li>• March-Hare CVS Suite Client 2008 (3321)</li> <li>• PushOK CVS SCC NT 2.1.2.5</li> <li>• PushOK CVS SCC x64 version 2.2.0.4</li> <li>• TamTam CVS SCC 1.2.40</li> </ul>
Mercurial 1.0.2 for Windows	Sergey Antonov HgSCC 1.0.1
Microsoft SourceSafe 2005 with CTP	Microsoft SourceSafe 2005 with CTP

Source Control System	Source Code Control Clients
Microsoft Visual Studio Team System 2008/2010 Team Foundation Server	Microsoft Team Foundation Server 2008/2010 MSSCCI Provider
Perforce 2008 P4S 2008.1	Perforce P4V 2008.1
PureCM Server 2008/3a	PureCM Client 2008/3a
QSC Team Coherence Server 7.2.1.35	QSC Team Coherence Client 7.2.1.35
Reliable Software Code Co-Op 5.1a	Reliable Software Code Co-Op 5.1a
Seapine Surround SCM Client/Server for Windows 2009.0.0	Seapine Surround SCM Client 2009.0.0
Serena Dimensions Express/CM 10.1.3 for Win32 Server	Serena Dimensions 10.1.3 for Win32 Client
Softimage Alienbrain Server 8.1.0.7300	Softimage Alienbrain Essentials/Advanced Client 8.1.0.7300
SourceGear Fortress 1.1.4 Server	SourceGear Fortress 1.1.4 Client
SourceGear SourceOffsite Server 4.2.0	SourceGear SourceOffsite Client 4.2.0 (Windows)
SourceGear Vault 4.1.4 Server	SourceGear Vault 4.1.4 Client
VisualSVN Server 1.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aigenta Unified SCC 1.0.6</li> <li>• PushOK SVN SCC 1.5.1.1</li> <li>• PushOK SVN SCC x64 version 1.6.3.1</li> <li>• TamTam SVN SCC 1.2.24</li> </ul>

## 19.3 Local Workspace Folder

The files you will be working with should be saved in a hierarchy inside a local workspace folder (see *diagram below*).

### Local Workspace Folder

```
|
|-- MyProject.spp
|-- QuickStart
|   |-- QuickStart.css
|   |-- QuickStart.xml
|   |-- QuickStart.xsd
|-- Grouping
|   |-- Persons
|       |-- Persons.xml
```

The application project file (`.spp` file) typically will be located directly inside the local workspace folder (see *diagram above*).

When one or more files in this (workspace) folder are placed under source control, the local workspace folder's structure is partly or wholly reproduced in the repository. For example, if the file `Persons.xml` from the local folder shown above is placed under source control, then the path to it in the repository will be:

```
[RepositoryFolder]/MyProject/Grouping/Persons/Persons.xml
```

The `MyProject` folder in the repository folder is bound to the local folder. Typically it would be the name of the project, but you could give it any name.

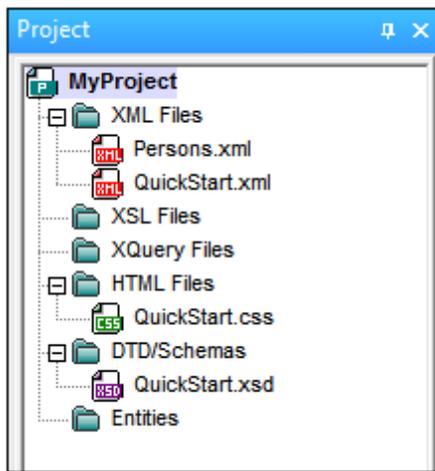
If the entire application project is placed under source control (by selecting the project name in the Projects window and placing it under source control), then the entire local folder structure is recreated in the repository.

**Note:** Files from outside the local workspace folder can be added to the application project. But whether you can place such a file under source control depends upon the source control system you are using. Some source control systems could have a problem placing a file from outside the local folder into the repository. We therefore recommend that all project files you wish to place under source control be located in the local workspace folder.

## 19.4 Application Project

Create or load the Altova application project you wish to place under source control. If you wish to place a single file under source control, this file must be included in a project—since source control can only be accessed via a project.

For example, consider a project in Altova's XMLSpy application. The project's properties are saved in a `.spp` file. In the application, the project is displayed in the application's Project window (see *screenshot below*). The project in the screenshot below is named `MyProject` and the project's properties are saved in the file `MyProject.spp`.



You can place the entire project (all files in the project) or only some project files under source control. **Only files that are in the project can be placed under source control.** So you will need to add files to the project before you can place them under source control. The project file (`.spp` file) will automatically be placed under source control as soon as a file from within the project is placed under source control.

The entire project, or one or more project files, is placed under source control via the command **Project | Source Control | Add to Source Control** (see *next section below*).

Note, however, that the folder structure of the repository corresponds not to the project's folder structure (*screenshot above*) but to the structure of the [local workspace folder](#) (see *folder diagram below*). In the diagram below, notice that the `MyProject` folder in the repository has a folder structure corresponding to that of the local workspace folder. Note that the bound folder occurs within the repository folder.

<u>Local Workspace Folder</u>	<u>Repository</u>
-- MyProject.spp	-- <u>MyProject (bound to Local Workspace)</u>
-- QuickStart	-- MyProject.spp
-- QuickStart.css	-- QuickStart
-- QuickStart.xml	-- QuickStart.css
-- QuickStart.xsd	-- QuickStart.xml
-- Grouping	-- QuickStart.xsd
-- Persons	-- Grouping

```
| | |-- Persons.xml          || |-- Persons
|| | |-- Persons.xml
```

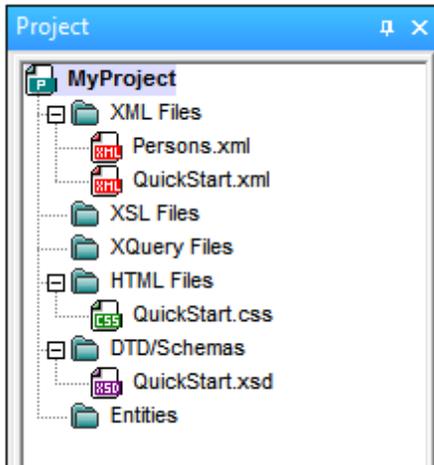
**Note:** An application project can contain project folders (green) and external folders (yellow). Only files in (green) project folders can be placed under source control. Files in (yellow) external folders cannot be placed under source control.

**Note:** Files from outside the local workspace folder can be added to the application project. But whether you can place such a file under source control depends upon the source control system you are using. Some source control systems could have a problem placing a file from outside the local folder into the repository. We therefore recommend that all project files you wish to place under source control be located in the local workspace folder.

## 19.5 Add to Source Control

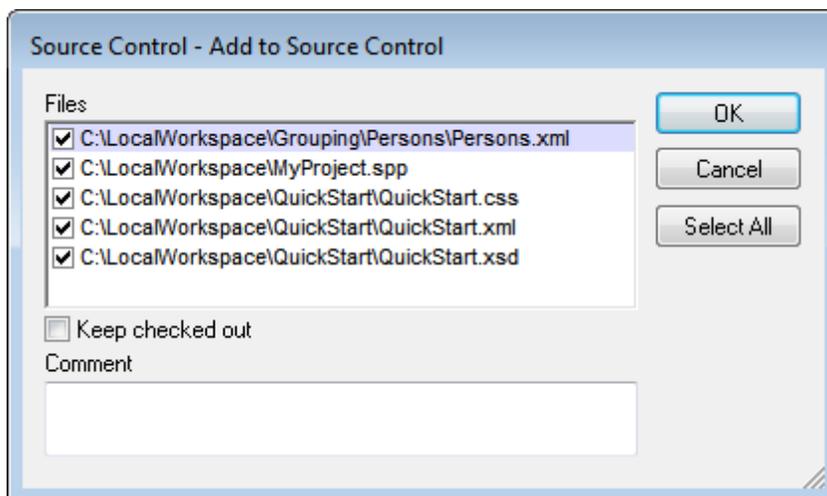
Adding the project to source control will automatically create the correct bindings and repository structure before adding the project file (.spp file) or individual files to source control. Add the project to source control as follows.

Select the project in the Project window (MyProject in the screenshot below) so that it is highlighted (as in the screenshot below). Alternatively select a single file, or select multiple files by clicking them with the **Ctrl** key pressed. Adding a single file to source control will automatically add the project file (.spp file) to source control as well.



Next, select the menu command **Project | Source Control | Add to Source Control**. This pops up the connection and configuration dialogs of the currently selected source control system. (You can change the source control system via the Change Source Control dialog (**Project | Source Control | Change Source Control**).)

Follow the source control system's instructions to make the connection and configuration. After this has been completed, all the files selected for addition plus the project file (.spp file) are displayed in an Add to Source Control dialog (screenshot below). Select the files you wish to add and click **OK**.



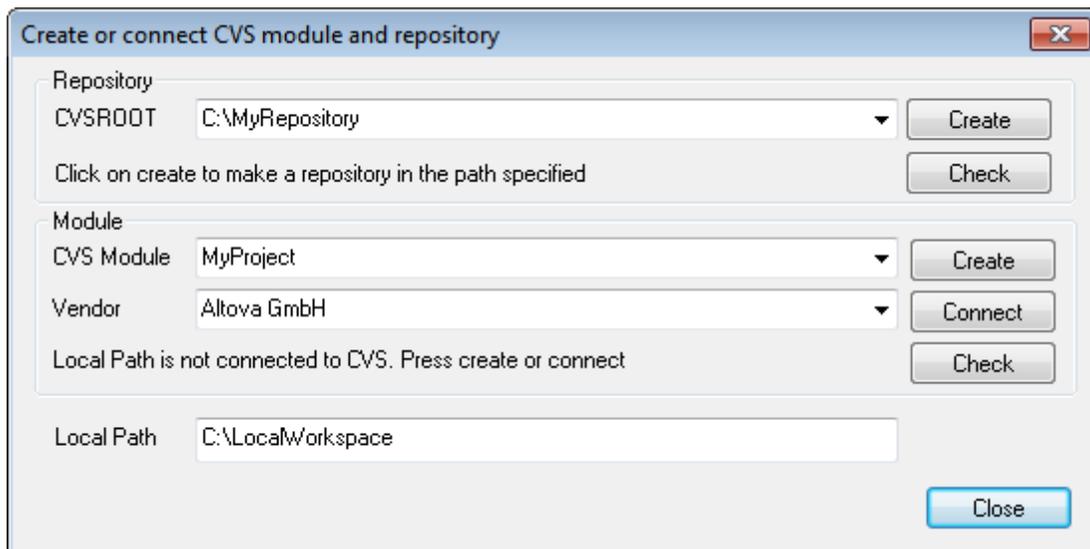
The files will be added to the repository and be either [checked in or checked out](#) depending on whether the *Keep Checked Out* check box has been checked or not.

### Configuration notes

You might be prompted to create a folder in the repository for the project if it has not already been created. If you are, go ahead and create it. The [local workspace folder](#) will be bound to this folder created in the repository (see *diagrams below*).

<u>Local Workspace Folder</u>	<u>Repository</u>
-- MyProject.spp	-- <u>MyProject (bound to Local Workspace)</u>
-- QuickStart	-- MyProject.spp
-- QuickStart.css	-- QuickStart
-- QuickStart.xml	-- QuickStart.css
-- QuickStart.xsd	-- QuickStart.xml
-- Grouping	-- QuickStart.xsd
-- Persons	-- Grouping
-- Persons.xml	-- Persons
	-- Persons.xml

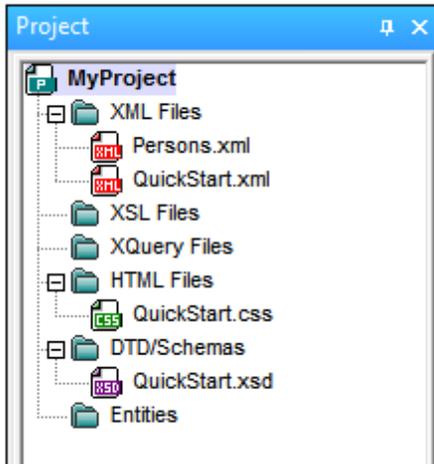
The configuration dialog of Jalindi Igloo is show below. The CVSROOT field is the path to the repository folder.



In the screenshot above, the local path locates the local workspace folder, which corresponds to the CVS module, *MyProject*, and is bound to it.

## 19.6 Working with Source Control

To work with source control, select the project, a project folder, or a project file in the Project window (*screenshot below*) and then select the command you want in the **Project | Source Control** menu. The **Check In** and **Check Out** commands are available as context menu commands of Project window items.



In this section, we describe the main source control features in detail:

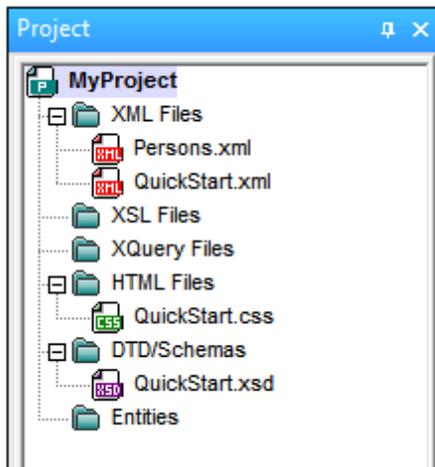
- [Add to, Remove from Source Control](#)
- [Check Out, Check In](#)
- [Getting Files as Read-Only](#)
- [Copying and Sharing from Source Control](#)
- [Changing Source Control](#)

Additional commands in the **Project | Source Control** menu are described in the [User Reference section](#) of the manual. For information specific to a particular source control system, please see the user documentation of that system.

### 19.6.1 Add to, Remove from Source Control

#### Adding

After a project has been added to source control, you can place files either singly or in groups under source control. This is also known as adding the files to source control. Select the file in the Project window and then click the command **Project | Source Control | Add to Source Control**. To select multiple files, keep the **Ctrl** key pressed while clicking on the files you wish to add. Running the command on a (green) project folder (*see screenshot below*) adds all files in the folder and its sub-folders to source control.



When files are added to source control, the [local folder hierarchy is replicated in the repository](#) (it is not the project folder hierarchy that is replicated). So, if a file is in a sub-folder X levels deep in the local folder, then the file's parent folder and all other ancestor folders are automatically created in the repository.

When the first file from a project is added to source control, the correct bindings are created in the repository and the project file (.spp file) is added automatically. For more details, see the section [Add to Source Control](#).

### Source control symbols

Files and the project folder display certain symbols, the meanings of which are given below.

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

### Removing

To remove a file from source control, select the file and click the command **Project | Source Control | Remove from Source Control**. You can also remove: (i) files in a project folder by executing the command on the folder, and (ii) the entire project by executing the command on the project.

## 19.6.2 Check Out, Check In

After a project file has been placed under source control, it can be checked out or checked in by selecting the file (in the Project window) and clicking the respective command in the **Project | Source Control** menu: **Check Out** and **Check In**.

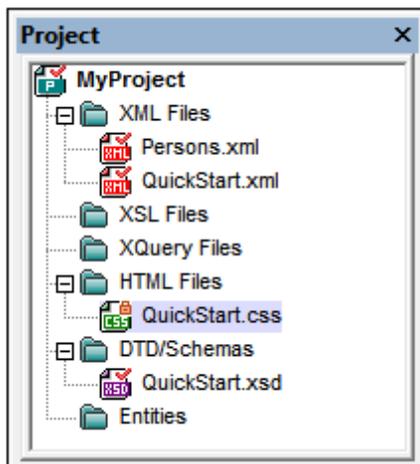
When a file is checked out, a copy from the repository is placed in the local folder. A file that is checked out can be edited. If a file that is under source control is not checked out, it cannot be edited. After a file has been edited, the changes can be saved to the repository by checking in the file. Even if the file is not saved in the application, checking it in will save the changes to the

repository. Whether a file is checked out or not is indicated with a tick or lock symbol in its Project window icon.

Files and the project folder display certain symbols, the meanings of which are given below.

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

Selecting the project or a folder within the project selects all files in the selected object. To select multiple objects (files and folders), press the **Ctrl** key while clicking the objects. The screenshot below shows a project that has been checked out. The file `QuickStart.css` has subsequently been checked in.



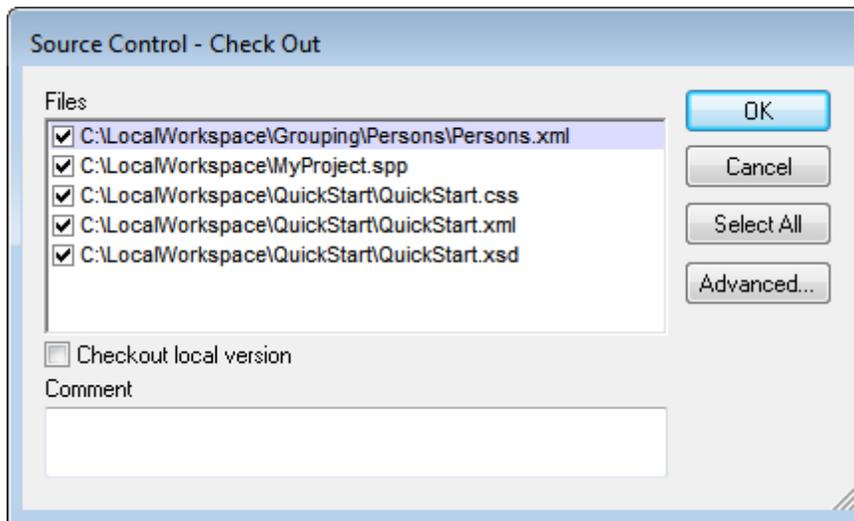
### Saving and rejecting editing changes

Note that, when checking in a file, you can choose to leave the file checked out. What this does is save editing changes to the repository while continuing to keep the file checked out, which is useful if you wish to periodically save editing changes to the repository and then continue editing.

If you have checked out a file and made editing changes, and then wish to reject these changes, you can revert to the document version saved in the repository by selecting the command **Project | Source Control | Undo Check Out**.

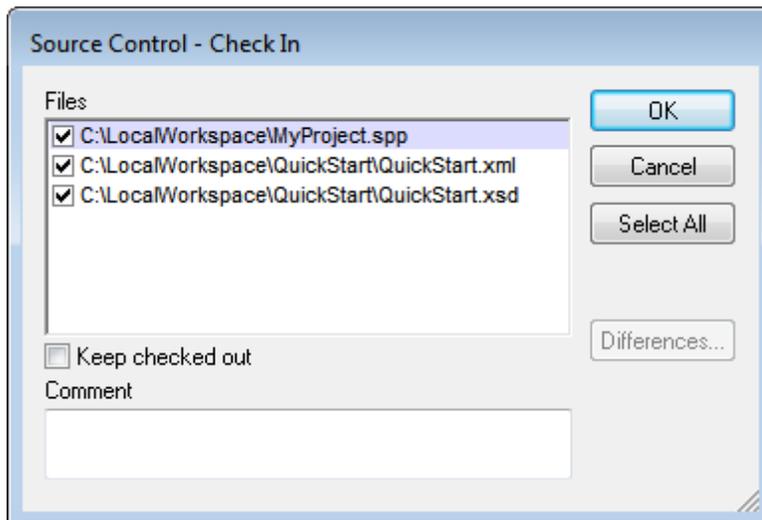
### Checking out

The Check Out dialog (*screenshot below*) allows you: (i) to select the files to check out, and (ii) to select whether the repository version or the local version should be checked out.



### Checking in

The Check In dialog (*screenshot below*) allows you: (i) to select the files to check in, and (ii) if you wish, to keep the file checked out.



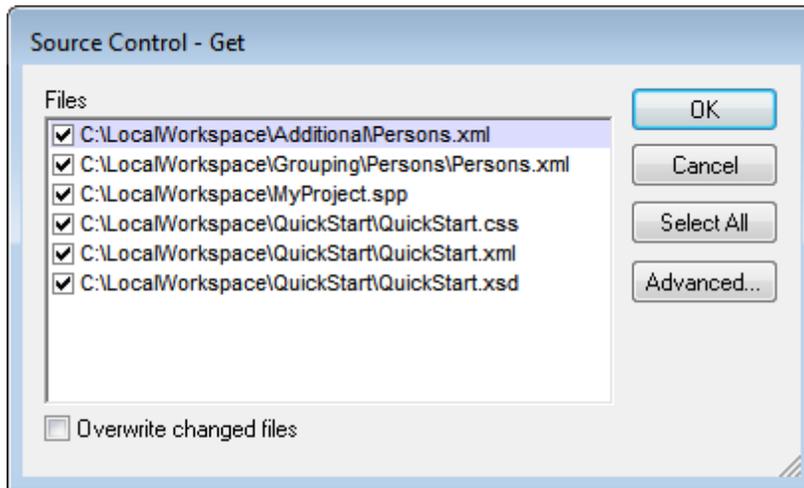
**Note:** In both dialogs (Check Out and Check In), multiple files appear if the selected object (project or project folder/s) contain multiple files.

### 19.6.3 Getting Files as Read-Only

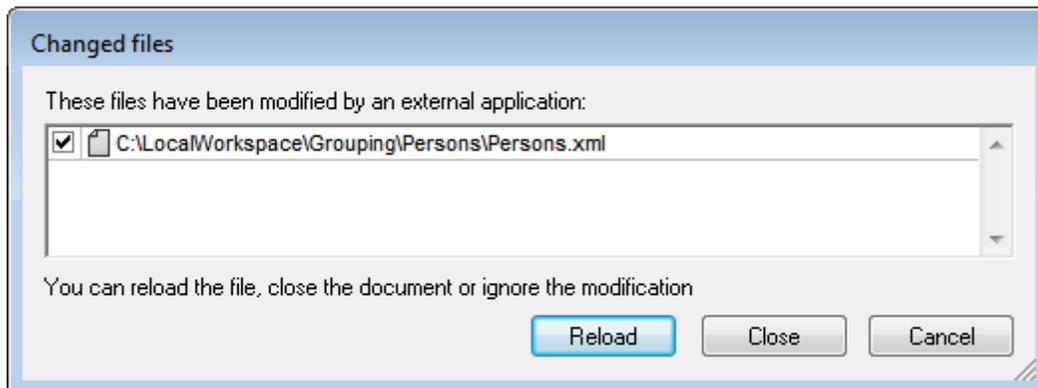
The **Get** command (in the **Project | Source Control** menu) retrieves files from the repository as read-only files. (To be able to edit a file, you must [check it out](#).) The Get dialog lists the files in the object (project or folder) on which the **Get** command was executed (*see screenshot below*). You can select the files to retrieve by checking them in the Get dialog list.

**Note:** The **Get Folders** command allows you to select individual sub-folders in the repository if

this is allowed by your source control system, .

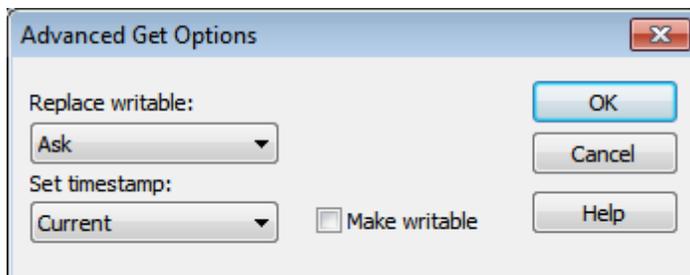


You can choose to overwrite changed checked-out files by checking this option at the bottom of the Get dialog. On clicking **OK**, the files will be overwritten. If any of the overwritten files is currently open, a dialog pops up (*screenshot below*) asking whether you wish to reload the file/s (**Reload** button), close the file/s (**Close**), or retain the current view of the file (**Cancel**).



### Advanced Get Options

The Advanced Get Options dialog (*screenshot below*) is accessed via the **Advanced** button in the Get dialog (see *first screenshot in this section*).



Here you can set options for (i) replacing writable files that are checked out, (ii) the timestamp,

and (iii) whether the read-only property of the retrieved file should be changed so that it will be writable.

### Get latest version

The **Get Latest Version** command (in the **Project | Source Control** menu) retrieves and places the latest source control version of the selected file(s) in the working directory. The files are retrieved as read-only and are not checked out. This command works like the **Get** command (see *above*), but does not display the Get dialog.

If the selected files are currently checked out, then the action taken will depend on how your source control system handles such a situation. Typically, the source control system will ask whether you wish to replace, merge with, or leave the checked-out file as it is.

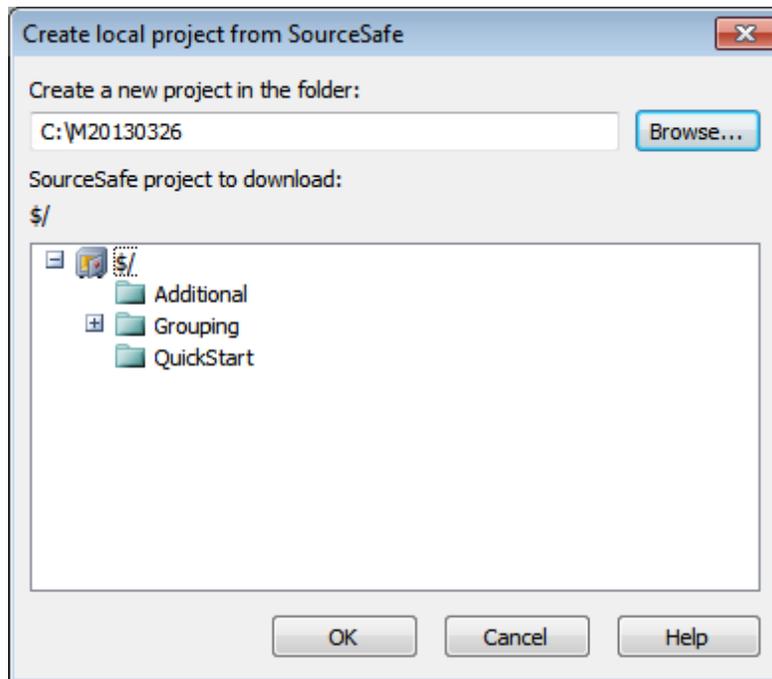
**Note:** This command is recursive when performed on a folder, that is, it affects all files below the current one in the folder hierarchy.

## 19.6.4 Copying and Sharing from Source Control

The **Open from Source Control** command creates a new application project from a project under source control.

Create the new project as follows:

1. Depending on the source control system used, it might be necessary, before you create a new project from source control, to make sure that no file from the source-controlled project is checked out.
2. No project need be open in the application, but can be.
3. Select the command **Project | Source Control | Open from Source Control**.
4. The source control system that is currently set will pop up its verification and connection dialogs. Make the connection to the [bound folder in the repository](#) that you want to copy.
5. In the dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), browse for the local folder to which the contents of the bound folder in the repository (that you have just connected to) must be copied. In the screenshot below the bound folder is called `MyProject` and is represented by the \$ sign; the local folder is `C:\M20130326`.

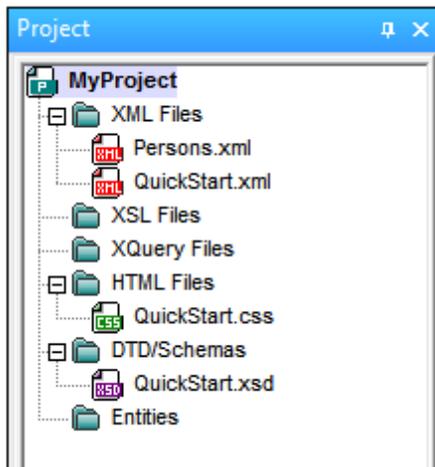


6. Click **OK**. The contents of the bound folder (`MyProject`) will be copied to the local folder `C:\M20130326.`, and a dialog pops up asking you to select the project file (`.spp` file) that is to be created as the new project.
7. Select the `.spp` file that will have been copied to the local folder. In our example, this will be `MyProject.spp` located in the `C:\M20130326` folder. A new project named `MyProject` will be created in the application and will be displayed in the Project window. The project's files will be in the folder `C:\M20130326`.

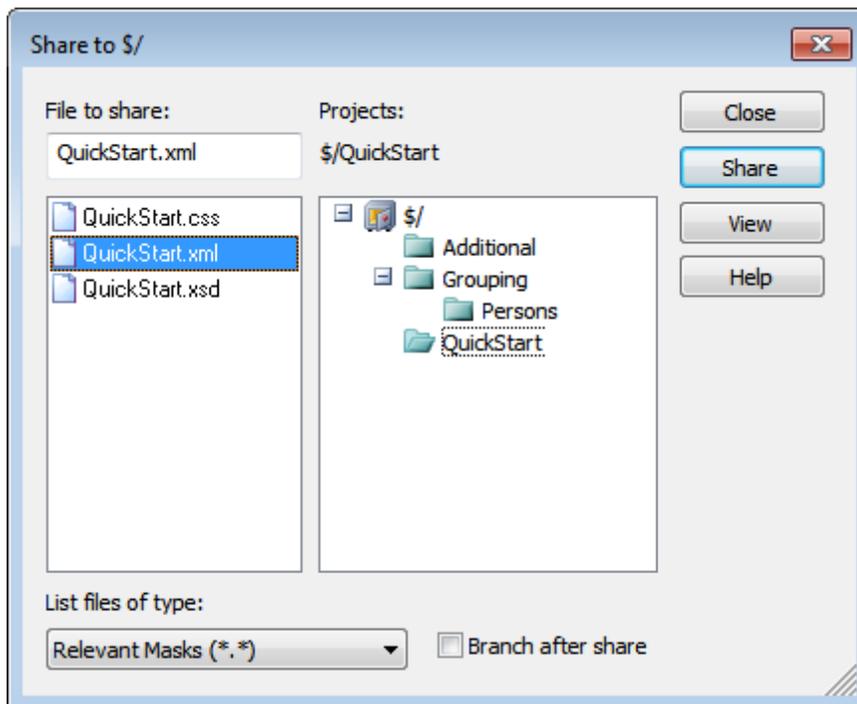
### Sharing from source control

The **Share from Source Control** command is supported when the source control system being used supports shares. You can share a file, so that it is available at multiple local locations. A change made to one of these local files will be reflected in all the other "shared" versions.

In the application's Project window first select the project (*highlighted in the screenshot below*). Then click the **Share from Source Control**.

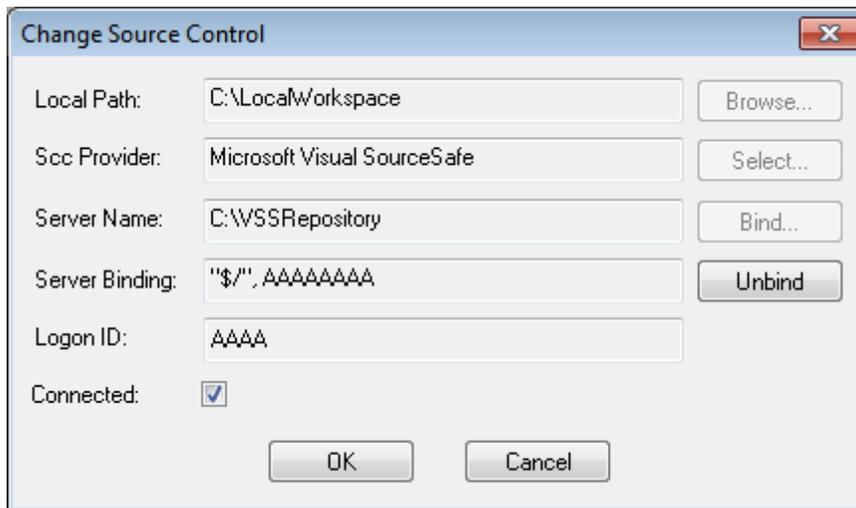


The Share To [Folder] dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up.



To select the files to share, first choose, in the project tree in the right-hand pane of the dialog (see *screenshot above*), the folder in which the files are. The files in the chosen folder are displayed in the left-hand pane. Select the file you wish to share (multiple files by pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the files you want to share). The selected file/s will be displayed in the *Files to Share* text box (at *top left*). The files disappear from the left hand pane. Click **Share** and then **Close** to copy the selected file/s to the local share folder. When you click **Close**, the files to share will be copied to the selected local location.

The share folder is noted in the name of the Share to [Folder] dialog. In the screenshot above it is the local folder (since the  $\$$  sign is the folder in the repository to which the local folder is bound). You can see and set the share folder in the Change Source Control dialog (*screenshot below*, **Change Source Control**) by changing the local path and server binding.



For more details about sharing using your source control system, see the source control system's user documentation.

### 19.6.5 Changing Source Control

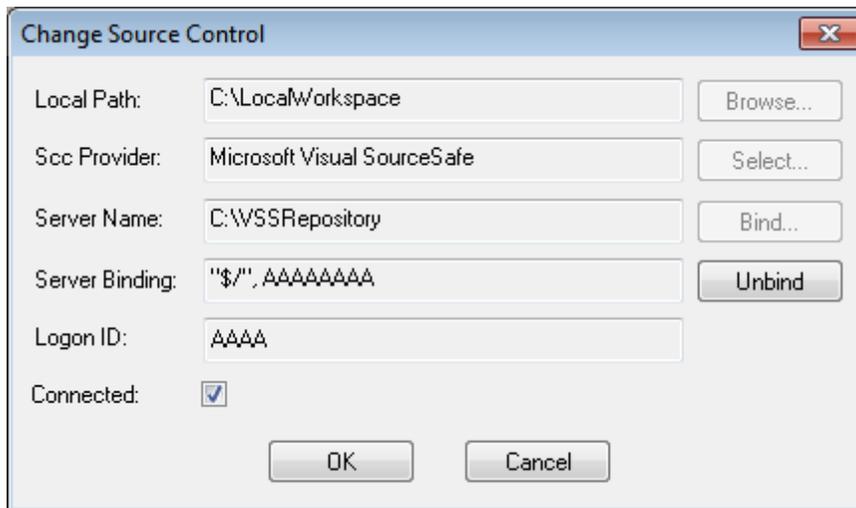
Source control settings can be changed via two commands in the **Project | Source Control** menu:

- **Source Control Manager**, which opens the source control system application and allows you to set up databases and configure bindings.
- **Change Source Control**, which pops up the Change Source Control dialog, in which you can change the source control system being used by the Altova application and the current binding. This dialog is described below.

The current binding is what the active application project will use to connect to the source control database. The current binding is correct when the application project file (.spp file) is in the local folder and the bound folder in the repository is where this project's files are stored. Typically the bound folder and its sub-structure will correspond with the local workspace folder and its sub-structure.

In the Change Source Control dialog (*screenshot below*), you can change the source control system (*SCC Provider*), the local folder (*Local Path*), and the repository binding (*Server Name* and *Server Binding*).

Only after undoing the current binding can the settings be changed. Undo the current binding with the **Undo** button. All the settings are now editable.



Change source control settings as follows:

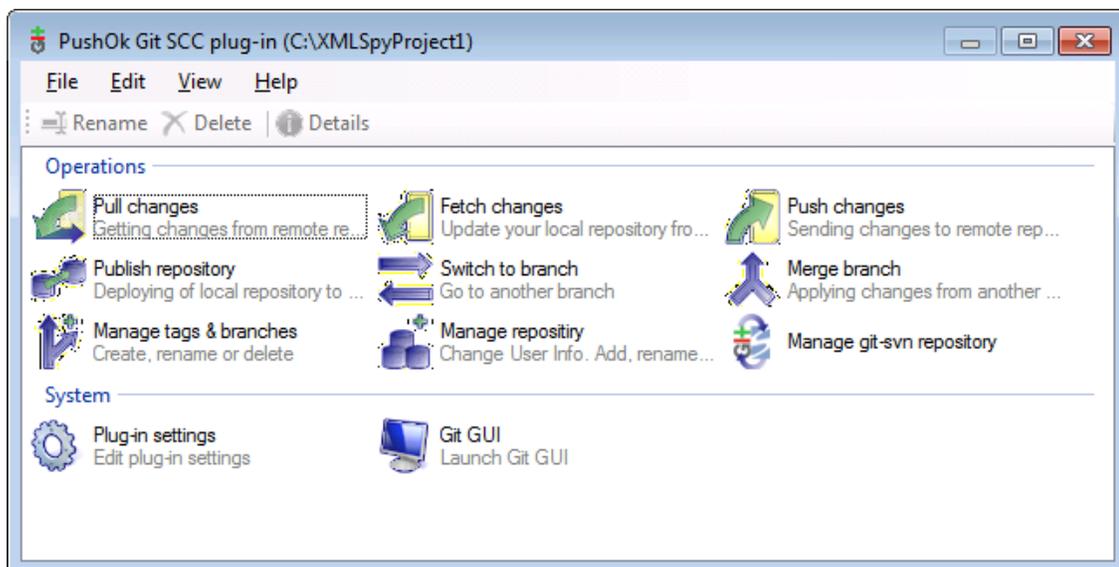
1. Use the **Browse** button to browse for the local folder and the **Select** button to select from among the installed source control systems.
2. After doing this you can bind the local folder to a repository database. Click the **Bind** button to do this. This pops up the connection dialog of your source control system.
3. If you have entered a *Logon ID*, this will be passed to the source control system; otherwise you might have to enter your logon details in the connection dialog.
4. Select the database in the repository that you wish to bind to this local folder. This setting might be spread over more than one dialog.
5. After the setting has been created, click **OK** in the Change Source Control dialog.

## 19.7 Source Control with Git

Support for Git as a source control system in XMLSpy is available through a third-party plug-in called **GIT SCC plug-in** (<http://www.pushok.com/software/git.html>).

At the time when this documentation is written, the **GIT SCC plug-in** plug-in is available for experimental use. Registration with the plug-in publisher is required in order to use the plug-in.

The GIT SCC plug-in enables you to work with a Git repository using the commands available in the **Project | Source Control** menu of XMLSpy. Note that the commands in the **Project | Source Control** menu of XMLSpy are provided by the Microsoft Source Control Plug-in API (MSSCCI API), which uses a design philosophy different from Git. As a result, the plug-in essentially intermediates between "Visual Source Safe"-like functionality and Git functionality. On one hand, this means that a command such as **Get latest version** may not be applicable with Git. On the other hand, there are new Git-specific actions, which are available in the "Source Control Manager" dialog box provided by the plug-in (under the **Project | Source Control | Source Control Manager** menu of XMLSpy).



*The Source Control Manager dialog box*

Other commands that you will likely need to use frequently are available directly under the **Project | Source Control** menu.

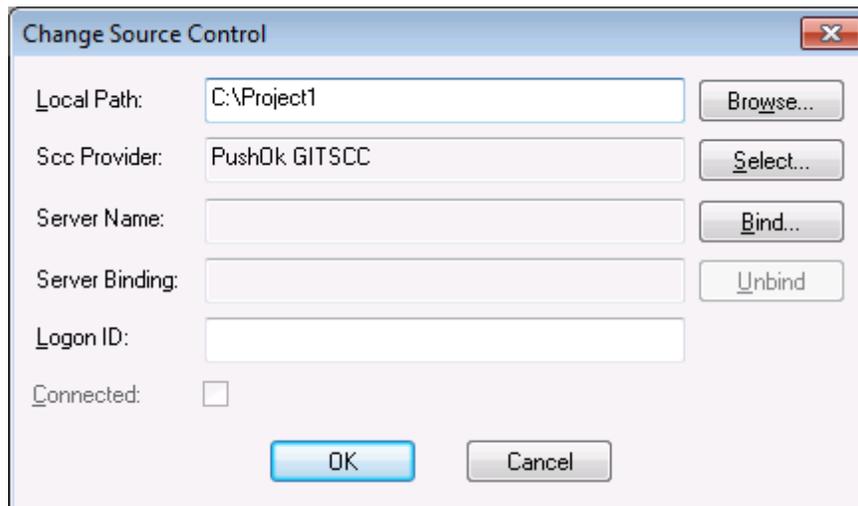
The following sections describe the initial configuration of the plug-in, as well as the basic workflow:

- [Enabling Git Source Control with GIT SCC Plug-in](#)
- [Adding a Project to Git Source Control](#)
- [Cloning a Project from Git Source Control](#)

### 19.7.1 Enabling Git Source Control with GIT SCC Plug-in

To enable Git source control with XMLSpy, the third-party **PushOK GIT SCC plug-in** must be installed, registered, and selected as source control provider, as follows:

1. Download the plug-in installation file from the publisher's website (<http://www.pushok.com>), run it, and follow the installation steps.
2. On the **Project** menu of XMLSpy, click **Change Source Control**, and make sure **PushOk GITSCC** is selected as source control provider. If you do not see **Push Ok GITSCC** in the list of providers, it is likely that the installation of the plug-in was not successful. In this case, check the publisher's documentation for a solution.



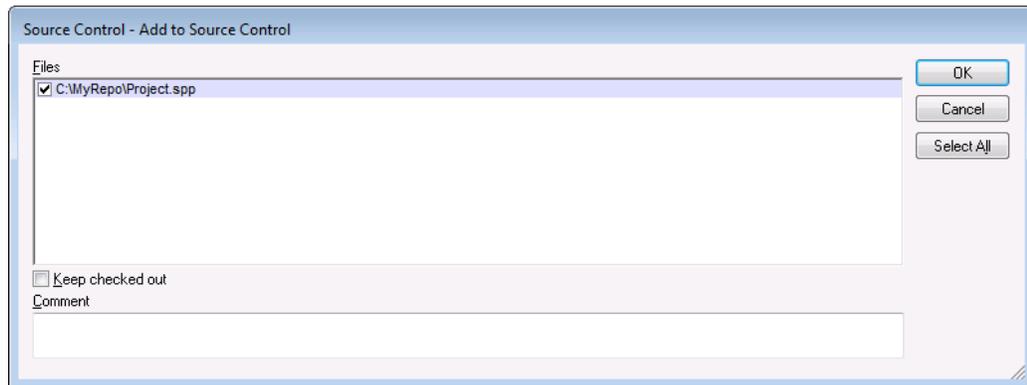
3. When a dialog box prompts you to register the plug-in, click **Registration** and follow the wizard steps to complete the registration process.

### 19.7.2 Adding a Project to Git Source Control

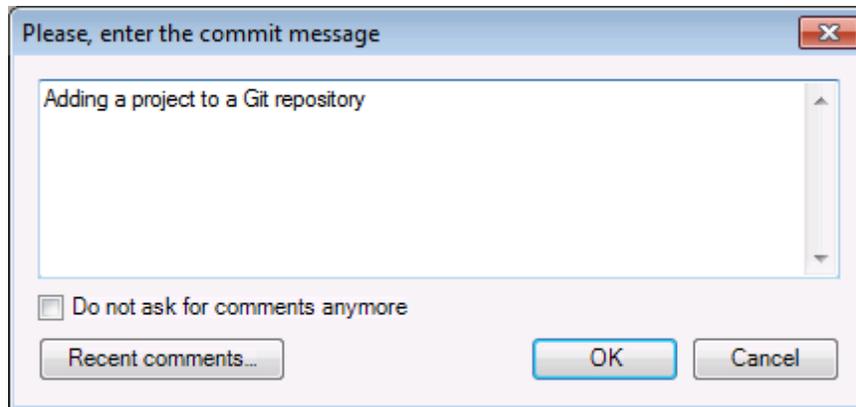
You can save XMLSpy projects as Git repositories. The structure of files or folders that you add to the project would then correspond to the structure of the Git repository.

**To add a project to Git source control:**

1. Make sure that **PushOK GIT SCC Plug-in** is set as source control provider (see [Enabling Git Source Control with GIT SCC Plug-in](#) ).
2. Create a new project using the menu command **Project | Create Project**.
3. Save the project to a local folder, for example `C:\MyRepo\Project.spp`
4. On the **Project** menu, under **Source Control**, click **Add to Source Control**.

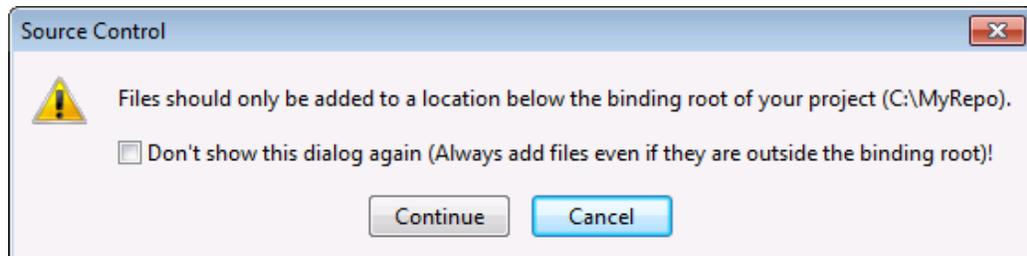


5. Click **OK**.



6. Enter the text of your commit message, and click **OK**.

You can now start adding files and folders to your project. Note that all project files and folders must be under the root folder of the project. For example, if the project was created in the `C:\MyRepo` folder, then only files under `C:\MyRepo` should be added to the project. Otherwise, if you attempt to add to your project files that are outside the project root folder, a warning message is displayed:

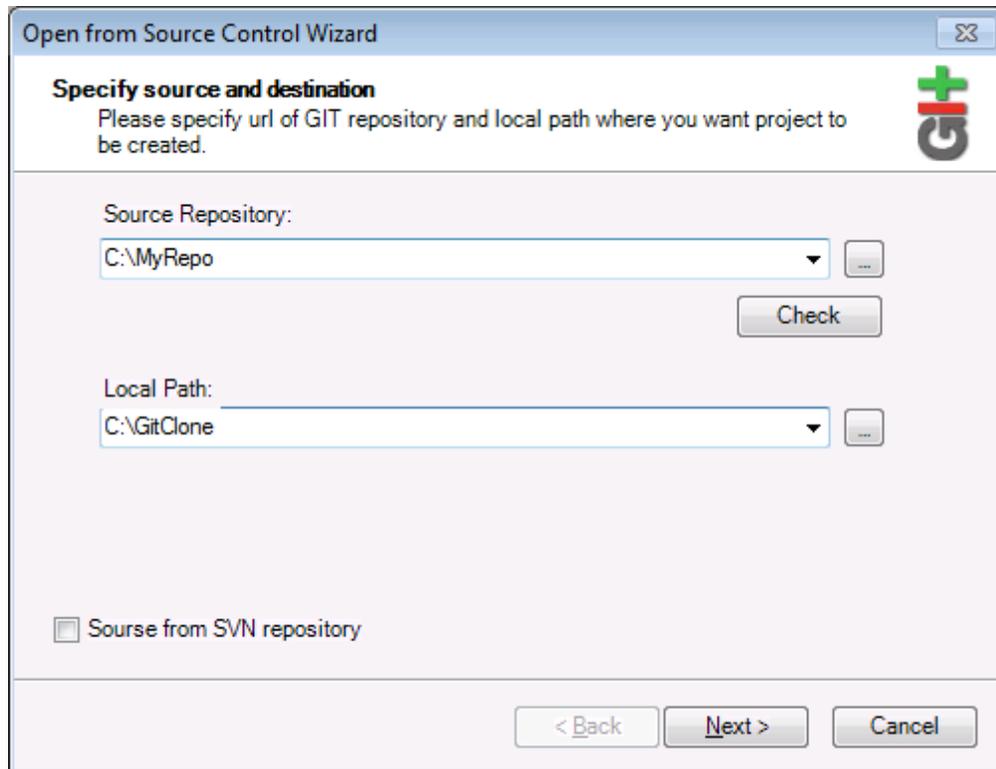


### 19.7.3 Cloning a Project from Git Source Control

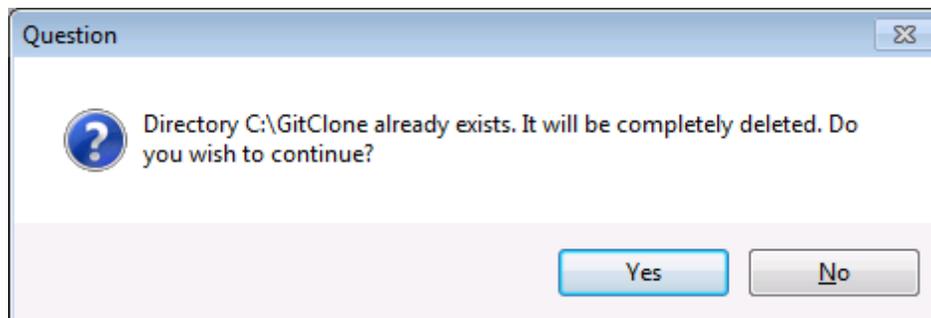
Projects that have been previously added to Git source control (see [Adding a Project to Git Source Control](#)) can be opened from the Git repository as follows:

1. Make sure that **PushOK GIT SCC Plug-in** is set as source control provider (see [Enabling Git Source Control with GIT SCC Plug-in](#)).

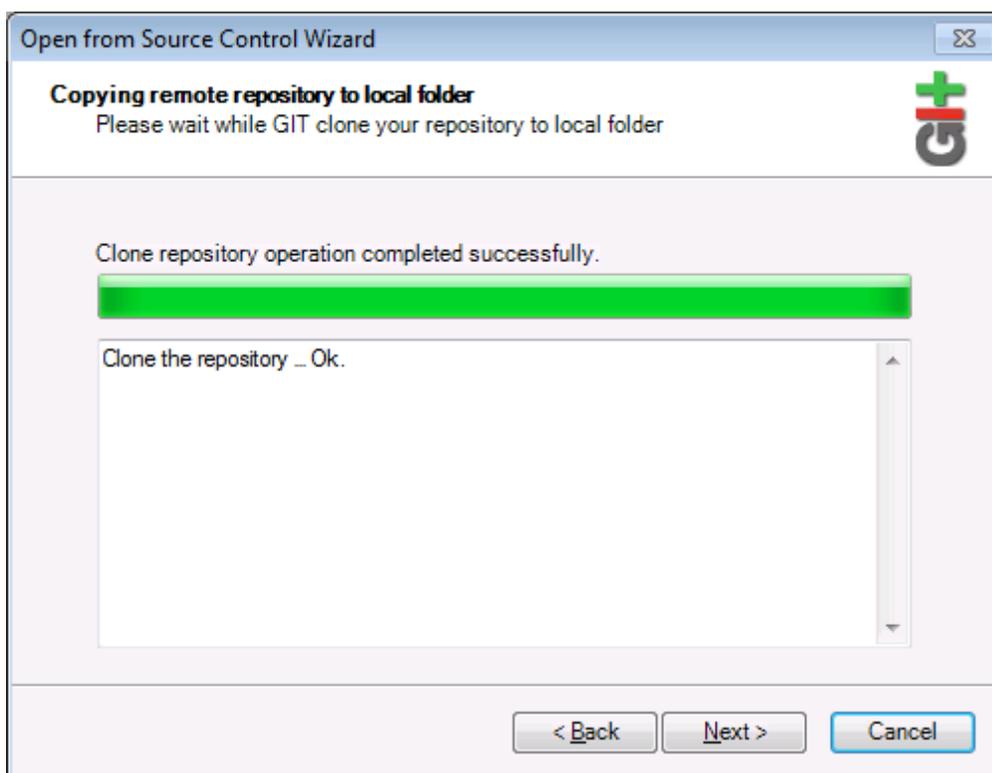
2. On the **Project** menu, click **Source Control | Open from Source Control**.
3. Enter the path or the URL of the source repository. Click **Check** to verify the validity of the path or URL.



4. Under **Local Path**, enter the path to local folder where you want the project to be created, and click **Next**. If the local folder exists (even if it is empty), the following dialog box opens:



5. Click **Yes** to confirm, and then click **Next**.



6. Follow the remaining wizard steps, as required by your specific case.
7. When the wizard completes, a Browse dialog box appears, asking you to open the XMLSpy Project (\*.spp) file. Select the project file to load the project contents into XMLSpy.

## 20 XMLSpy in Visual Studio

XMLSpy can be integrated into the Microsoft Visual Studio IDE versions 2005/2008/2010/2012/2013/2015. This unifies the best of both worlds, integrating advanced XML editing capabilities with the advanced development environment of Visual Studio.

In this section, we describe:

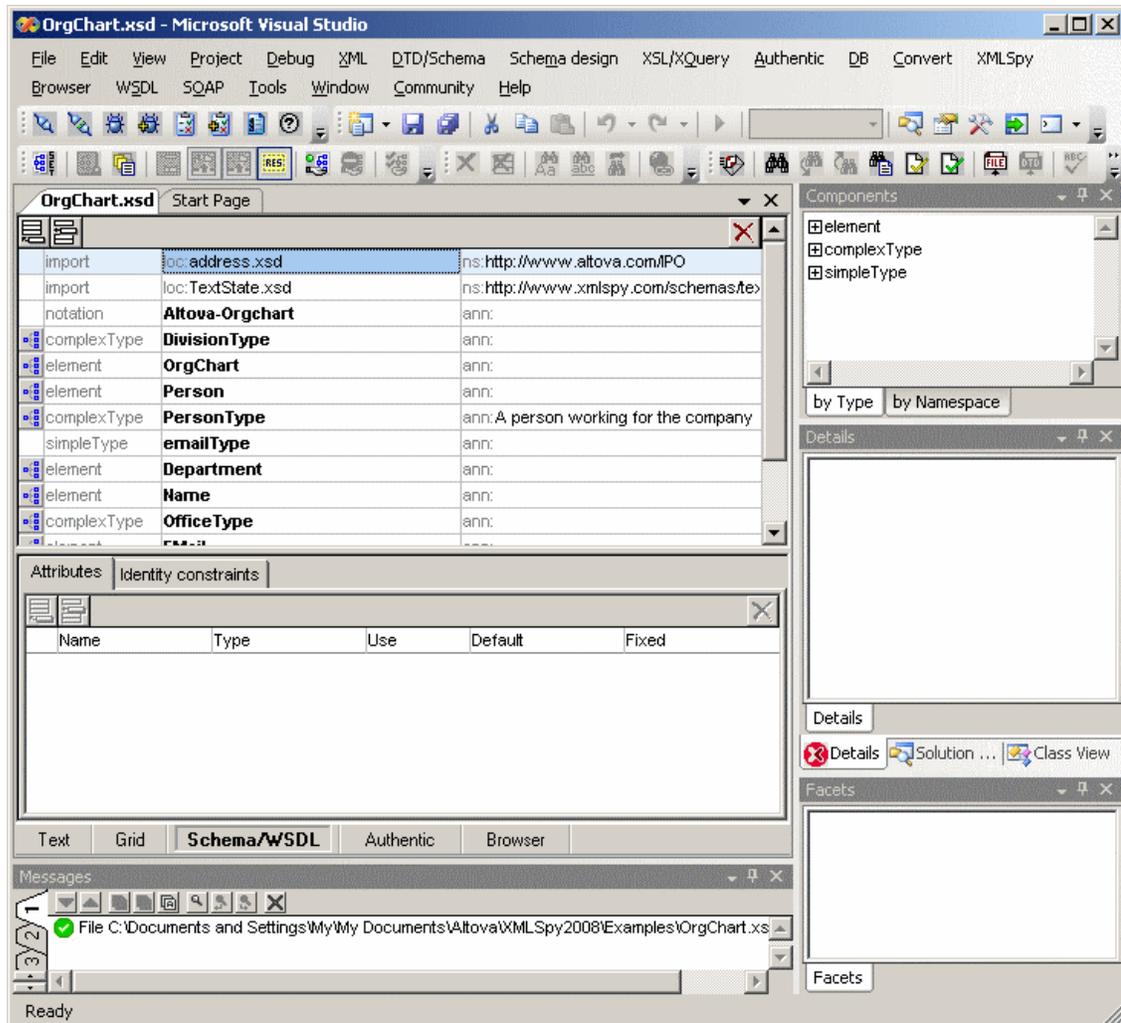
- The [broad installation process](#) and the integration of the XMLSpy plugin in Visual Studio.
- [Differences](#) between the Visual Studio version and the standalone version.
- [XMLSpy's Debuggers](#) in Visual Studio.

**Note:** The screenshots in this section are of Visual Studio version 2005. If you are using another version, there could be differences between the screenshots and your version.

## 20.1 Installing the XMLSpy Plugin

To install the XMLSpy Plugin for Visual Studio, you need to do the following:

1. Install Microsoft Visual Studio 2005/2008/2010/2012/2013/2015.
2. Install XMLSpy (Enterprise or Professional Edition).
3. Download and run the XMLSpy integration package for Microsoft Visual Studio. This package is available on the XMLSpy (Enterprise and Professional Editions) download page at [www.altova.com](http://www.altova.com). (**Please note:** You must use the integration package corresponding to your XMLSpy version (current version is 2016).)



Once the integration package has been installed, you will be able to use XMLSpy in the Visual Studio environment.

### How to enable the plug-in

If the plug-in was not automatically enabled during the installation process, do the following:

1. Navigate to the directory where the Visual Studio IDE executable was installed, for example in `C:\Program Files\MS Visual Studio\Common7\IDE`
2. Enter the following command on the command-line `devenv.exe /setup`.
3. Wait for the process to terminate normally before starting to use the application within Visual Studio.

**Note:** The screenshots in this section are of Visual Studio version 2005. If you are using another version, there could be differences between the screenshots and your version.

## 20.2 Differences with XMLSpy Standalone

This section lists the ways in which the Visual Studio versions differ from the standalone versions of XMLSpy. The listing starts with features that are unsupported in the Visual Studio version, and continues with a listing of other ways in which the Visual Studio version differs from the standalone version.

- [Unsupported features in Visual Studio](#)
  - [Additional XMLSpy menus in Visual Studio](#)
  - [Entry helpers in Visual Studio](#)
  - [Same functionality, different command](#)
  - [XMLSpy commands as Visual Studio commands](#)
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### Unsupported features in Visual Studio

The following XMLSpy features are not available in Visual Studio:

- The Scripting environment (**Tools | XMLSpy Options | Scripting**) is currently not supported.
  - Separate browser window (an option in the **Tools | Options | View** tab) is not supported. This means the the Text View and Browser View are always in the same window.
  - The text state icons of [Authentic View](#) are not supported.
  - All Source Control functionality.
  - All comparison functionality (available in the **Tools** menu of the standalone version).
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### Additional XMLSpy menus in Visual Studio

The following commands are specific to XMLSpy in Visual Studio:

- **View | XMLSpy Tool Windows**
  - **View | XMLSpy View**
  - **XMLSpy** (includes Global Resources menu items)
  - **Tools | XMLSPY Options**
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### Entry helpers (Tool windows in Visual Studio)

The entry helpers of XMLSpy are available as Tool windows in Visual Studio. The following points about them should be noted. (For a description of entry helpers and the XMLSpy GUI, see the section, [Introduction](#).)

- You can drag entry helper windows to any position in the development environment.
  - Right-clicking an entry helper tab allows you to further customize your interface. Entry helper configuration options are: dockable, hide, floating, and auto-hide.
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### Same functionality, different command

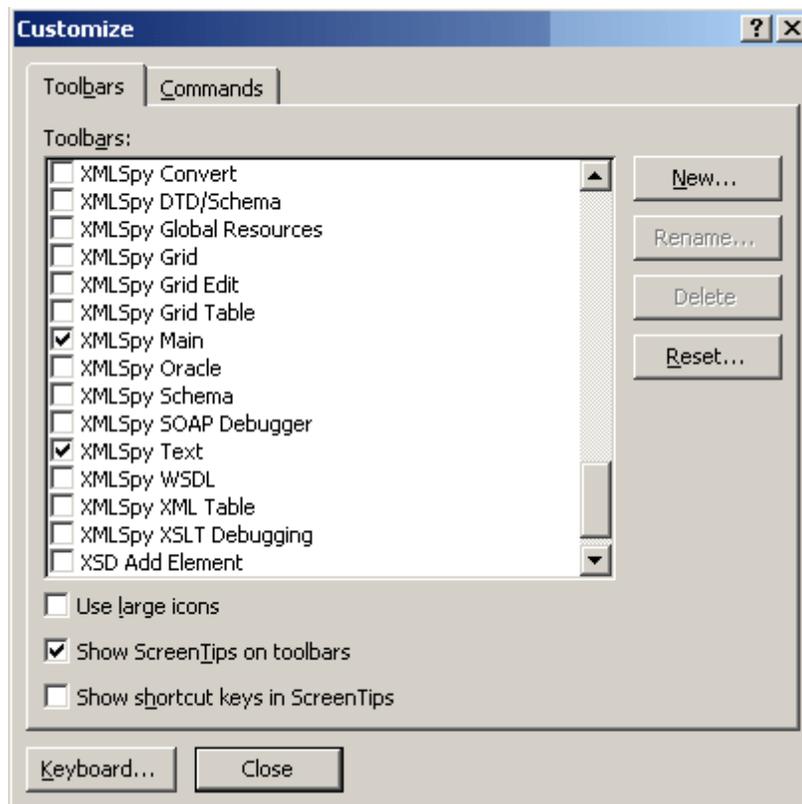
Some functionality of XMLSpy is available in Visual Studio under differently named commands. These are:

<b>XMLSpy</b>	<b>Visual Studio</b>	<b>Functionality</b>
File   Open   Switch to URL	File   Open   Website	Opens file from URL
Switch to URL   Save	File   Save XMLSpy File to URL	Saves file to URL

### XMLSpy commands as Visual Studio commands

Some XMLSpy commands are present as Visual Studio commands in the Visual Studio GUI. These are:

- **Undo, Redo:** These Visual Studio commands affect all actions in the Visual Studio development environment.
- **Projects:** XMLSpy projects are handled as Visual Studio projects.
- **Customize Toolbars, Customize Commands:** The Toolbars and Commands tabs (*screenshot below*) in the Customize dialog (**Tools | Customize**) contain both Visual Studio commands as well as XMLSpy commands.



- **Views:** In the **View** menu, the two commands, **XMLSpy Tool Windows** and **XMLSpy**

**View**, contain options to toggle on entry helper windows and other sidebars, switch between the editing views, and toggle certain editing guides on and off.

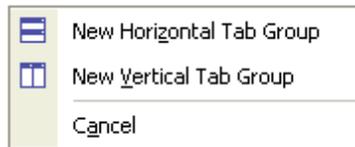
- **XMLSpy Help:** This XMLSpy menu appears as a submenu in Visual Studio's **Help** menu.

**Note:** The screenshots in this section are of Visual Studio version 2005. If you are using another version, there could be differences between the screenshots and your version.

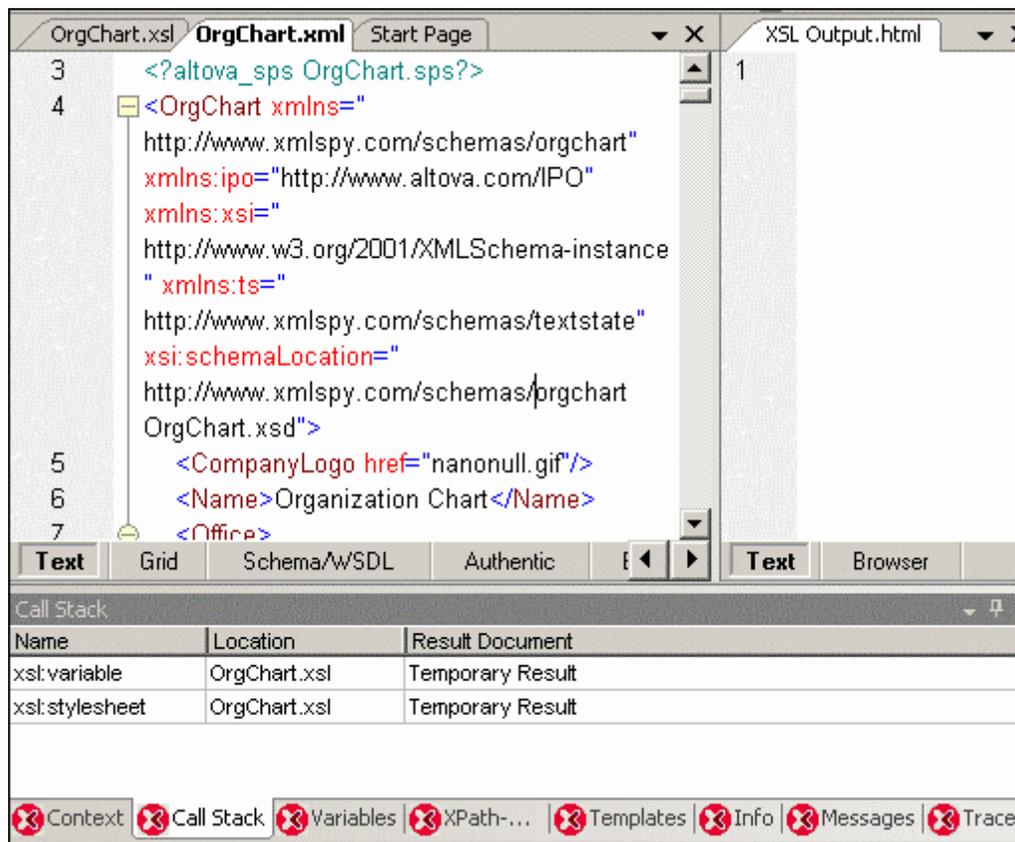
## 20.3 XMLSpy's Debuggers in Visual Studio

XMLSpy contains an XSLT/XQuery Debugger (*Enterprise and Professional editions*) and a SOAP Debugger (*Enterprise edition*). A debugger process involves the display of more than one file (for example, XML, XSLT, and XSLT output files), all of which are displayed in Visual Studio as a single tabbed group. To make the debugging easier to follow, you can create one or more additional tab groups in Visual Studio. Do this as follows:

1. Click the tab you wish to separate from the single tabbed group, then drag and drop it somewhere in the currently active tab. This opens a pop-up menu which allows you to define the type of tab you want to create.



2. Select **New Vertical Tab Group**. This creates a new tab containing just the selected tab (*screenshot below*).



**Note:** The screenshots in this section are of Visual Studio version 2005. If you are using another version, there could be differences between the screenshots and your version.

## 21 XMLSpy in Eclipse

Eclipse is an open source framework that integrates different types of applications delivered in the form of plugins.

The XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse enables you to access the functionality of XMLSpy from within the Eclipse 4.3 / 4.4 / 4.5 Platform. It is available on Windows platforms. In this section, we describe [how to install](#) the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse and how to set up the [XMLSpy perspective](#) and [XMLSpy Debugger perspectives](#). After you have done this, components of the XMLSpy GUI and XMLSpy menu commands will be available within the Eclipse GUI.

**Note:** Source Control functionality, which is available in the standalone version, is not supported in the Eclipse version.

## 21.1 Installing the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse

Before installing the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse, ensure that the following are already installed:

- XMLSpy Enterprise or Professional Edition.
- [Java SE Runtime Environment 6.0](#) (JRE 6.0) or higher, which is required for Eclipse. See the [Eclipse website](#) for more information. Install a 32-bit or 64-bit JRE to match your version of XMLSpy (32-bit or 64-bit).
- Eclipse Platform 4.3 / 4.4 / 4.5. Install a 32-bit or 64-bit Eclipse to match your version of XMLSpy (32-bit or 64-bit).

After these have been installed, you can install the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse, which is contained in the XMLSpy Integration Package (see *below*).

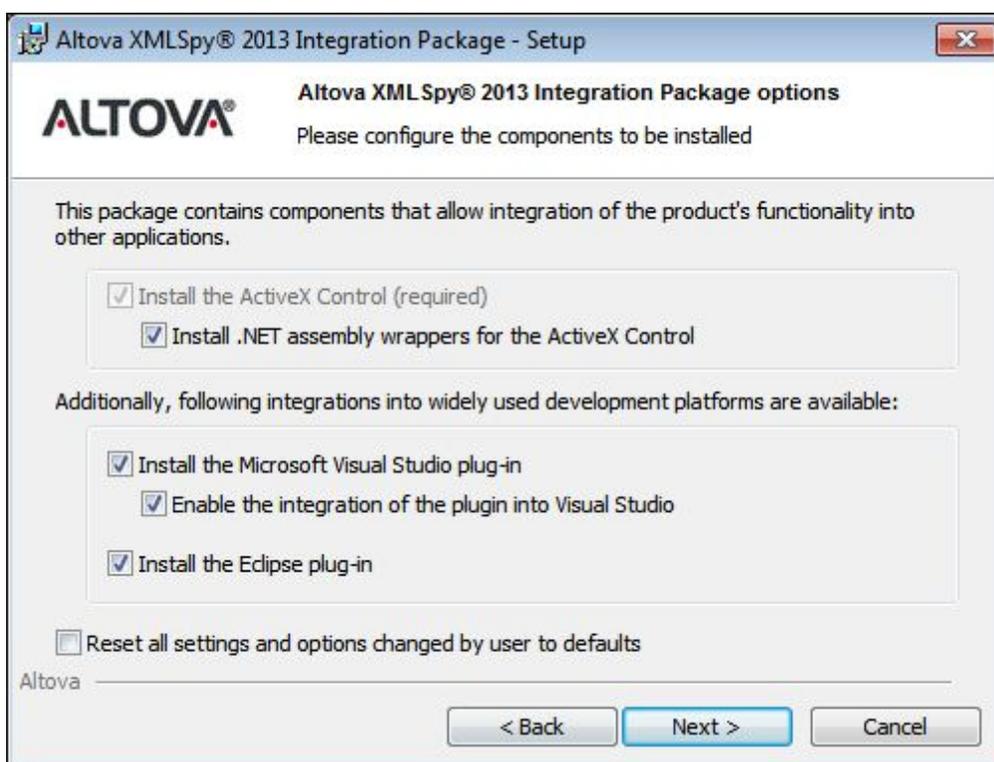
If you installed Eclipse 4.5 using the Eclipse installer, it is not possible to run on the same machine both the 32-bit and 64-bit versions of the XMLSpy plug-in. This limitation originates in the Eclipse installer and does not apply if you install manually both versions of Eclipse (32-bit and 64-bit).

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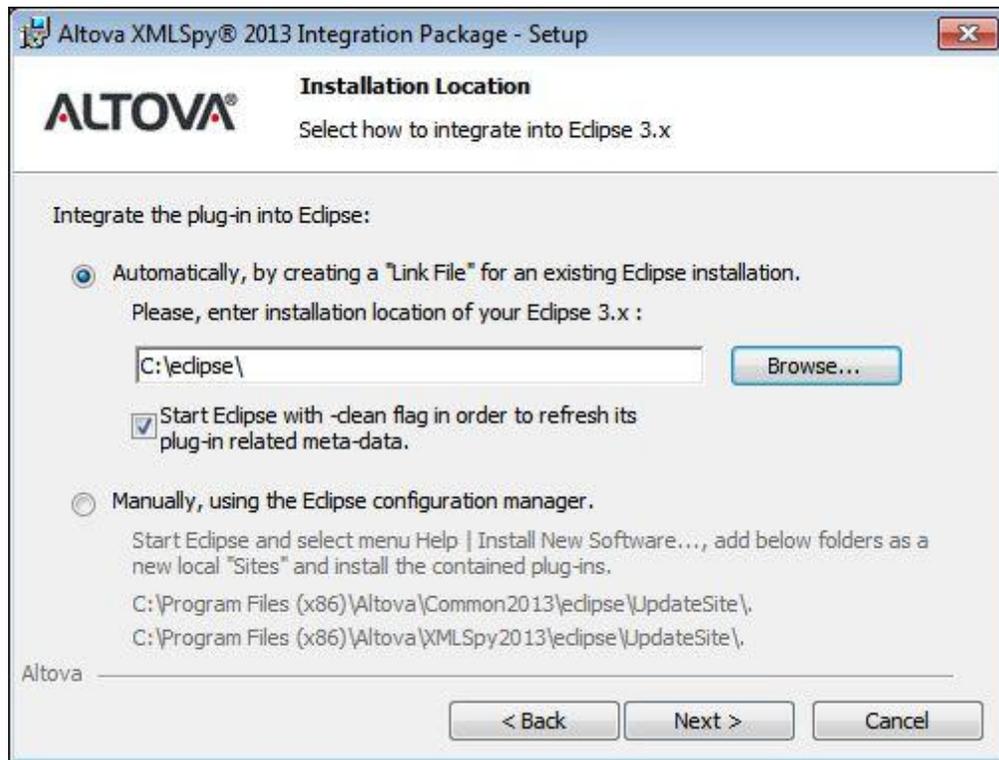
### XMLSpy Integration Package

The XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse is contained in the XMLSpy Integration Package and is installed during the installation of the XMLSpy Integration Package. Install as follows:

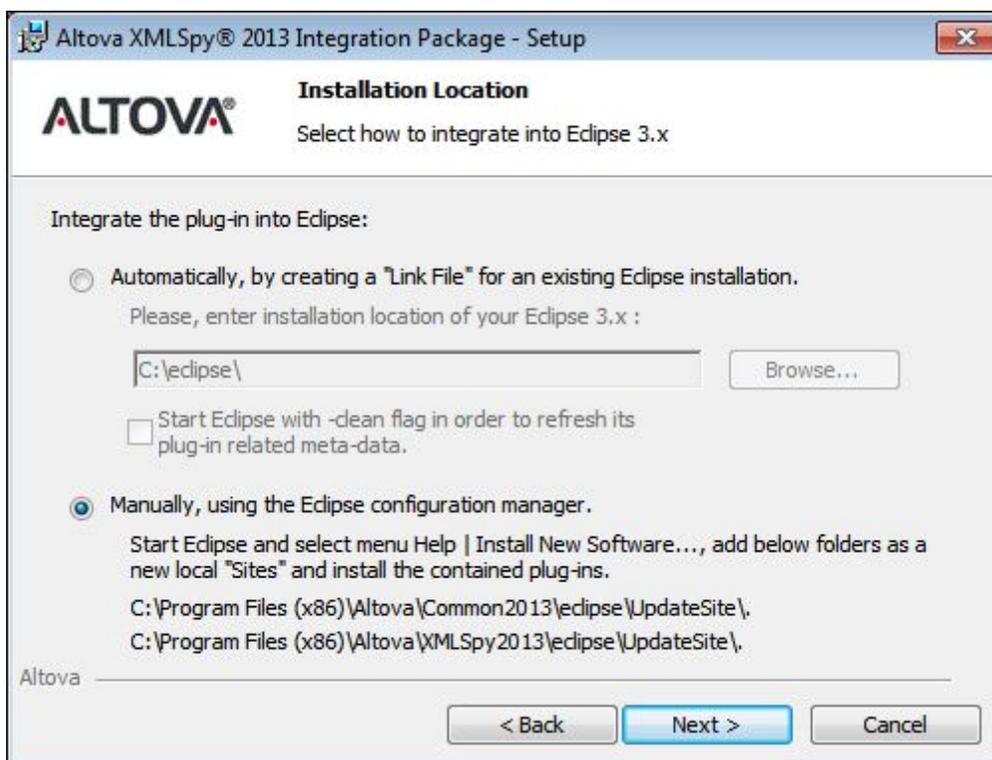
1. Ensure that XMLSpy (Enterprise or Professional Edition), JRE, and Eclipse are already installed (see *above*).
2. From the [Components Download](#) page of the [Altova website](#), download and install the XMLSpy Integration Package. There are two important steps during the installation; these are described in Steps 3 and 4 below.
3. During installation of the XMLSpy Integration Package, a dialog will appear asking whether you wish to install the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse (see *screenshot below*). Check the option and then click **Next**.



4. In the next dialog ((Eclipse) Installation Location, *screenshot below*), you can choose whether the Install Wizard should integrate the XMLSpy Plugin into Eclipse during the installation (the *Automatically* option) or whether you will integrate the XMLSpy Plugin into Eclipse (via the Eclipse GUI) at a later time.



We recommend that you let the Installation Wizard do the integration. Do this by checking the *Automatically* option and then browsing for the folder in which the Eclipse executable (`eclipse.exe`) is located. Click **Next** when done. If you choose to manually integrate XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse in Eclipse, select the *Manually* option (*screenshot below*). See the section below for instructions about how to manually integrate from within Eclipse.

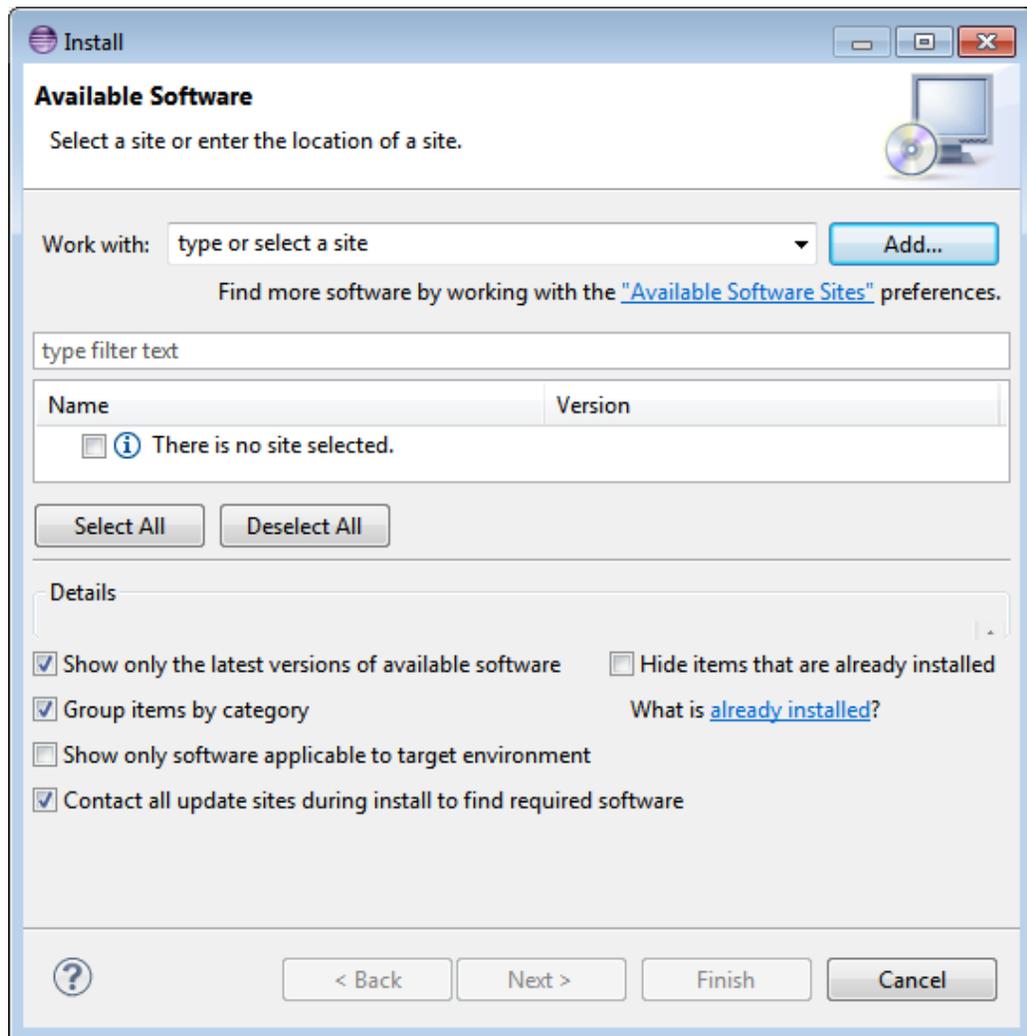


5. Complete the installation. If you set up automatic integration, the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse will be integrated in Eclipse and will be available when you start Eclipse the next time.

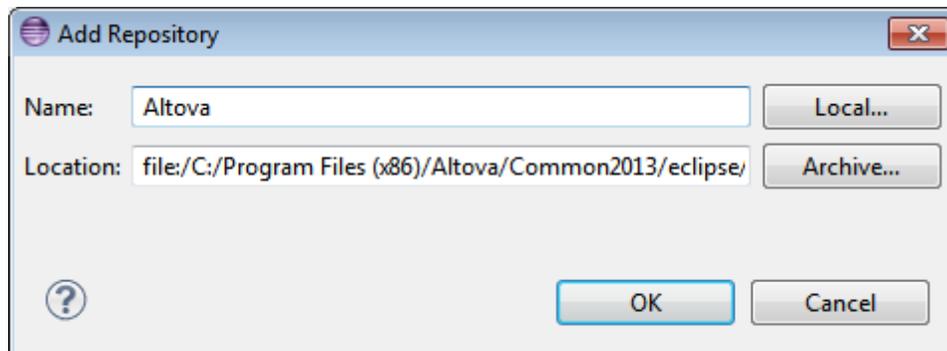
### Manually integrating the XMLSpy plugin in Eclipse

To manually integrate the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse, do the following:

1. In Eclipse, click the menu command **Help | Install New Software**.
2. In the Install dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), click the **Add** button.

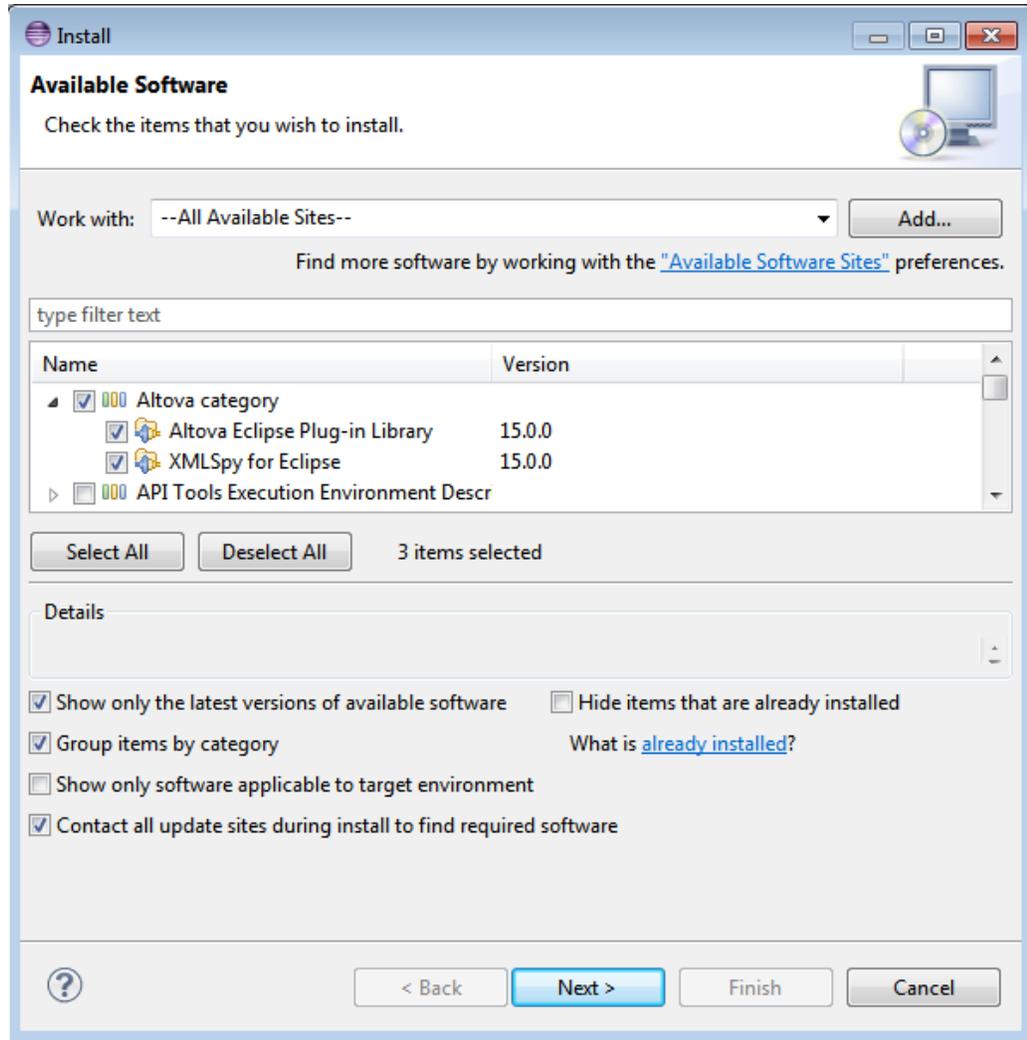


3. In the Add Repository dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), click the **Local** button.
4. Browse for the folder `c:\Program Files\Altova\Common2016\eclipse\UpdateSite`, and select it. Provide a name for the site (such as 'Altova'), and click **OK**.



5. Repeat Steps 2 to 4, this time selecting the folder `c:\Program Files\Altova\XMLSpy2016\eclipse\UpdateSite`, and providing a name such as 'Altova XMLSpy'.
6. In the *Work With* combo box of the Install dialog, select the option `-- All Available Sites --`

(see screenshot below). This causes all available plugins to be displayed in the pane below. Check the top-level check box of the *Altova* category folder (see screenshot below). Then click the **Next** button.



7. An *Install Details* screen allows you to review the items to be installed. Click **Next** to proceed.
8. In the *Review Licenses* screen that appears, select *I accept the terms of the license agreement*. (No license agreement (additional to your XMLSpy Enterprise or Professional Edition license) is required for the XMLSpy plugin.) Then click **Finish** to complete the installation.

If there are problems with the plug-in (missing icons, for example), start Eclipse via the command line with the `-clean` flag.

## Currently installed version

To check the currently installed version of the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse, select the Eclipse menu option **Help | About Eclipse**. Then select the XMLSpy icon.

## 21.2 XMLSpy Entry Points in Eclipse

The following entry points in Eclipse can be used to access XMLSpy functionality:

- [XMLSpy Perspective](#), which provides XMLSpy's GUI features within the Eclipse GUI.
  - [XMLSpy menu and toolbar](#)
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### XMLSpy Perspective

In Eclipse, a perspective is a configured GUI view with functionality from various applications. When the XMLSpy Plugin for Eclipse is integrated in Eclipse, a default XMLSpy perspective is automatically created. This perspective is a GUI that includes XMLSpy's GUI elements: its editing views, menus, entry helpers, and other sidebars.

When a file having a filetype associated with XMLSpy is opened (.xml, for example), this file can be edited in the XMLSpy perspective. Similarly, a file of another filetype can be opened in another perspective in Eclipse. Additionally, for any active file, you can switch the perspective, thus allowing you to edit or process that file in another environment. There are therefore two main advantages of perspectives:

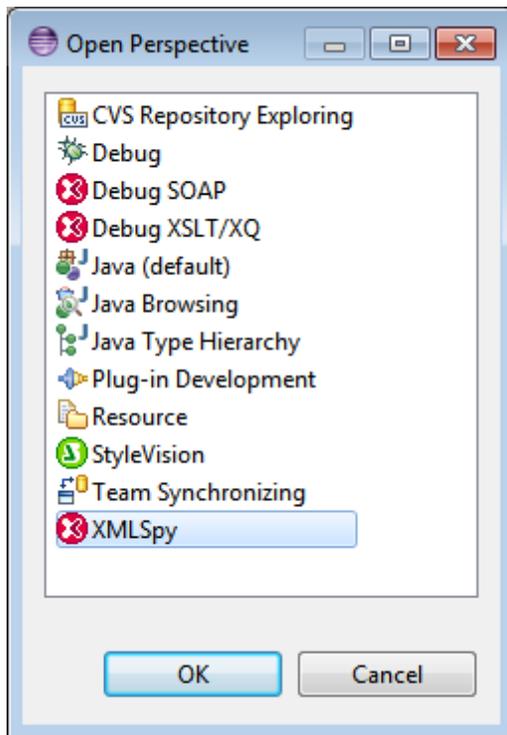
1. Being able to quickly change the working environment of the active file, and
2. Being able to switch between files without having to open a new development environment (the associated environment is available in a perspective)

Working with the XMLSpy perspective involves the following:

- Switching to the XMLSpy perspective.
  - Setting preferences for the XMLSpy perspective.
  - Customizing the XMLSpy perspective.
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### Switching to the XMLSpy perspective

In Eclipse, select the command **Window | Open Perspective | Other**. In the dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), select **XMLSpy**, and click **OK**.



The empty window or the active document will now have the XMLSpy perspective. This is how the user switches the perspective via the menu. To access a perspective faster from another perspective, the required perspective can be listed in the **Open Perspective** submenu, above the **Other** item; this setting is in the customization dialog (*see further below*).

Perspectives can also be switched when a file is opened or made active. The perspective of the application associated with a file's filetype will be automatically opened when that file is opened for the first time. Before the perspective is switched, a dialog appears asking whether you wish to have the default perspective automatically associated with this filetype. Check the *Do Not Ask Again* option if you wish to associate the perspective with the filetype without having to be prompted each time a file of this filetype is opened and then click **OK**.

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### Setting preferences for the XMLSpy perspective

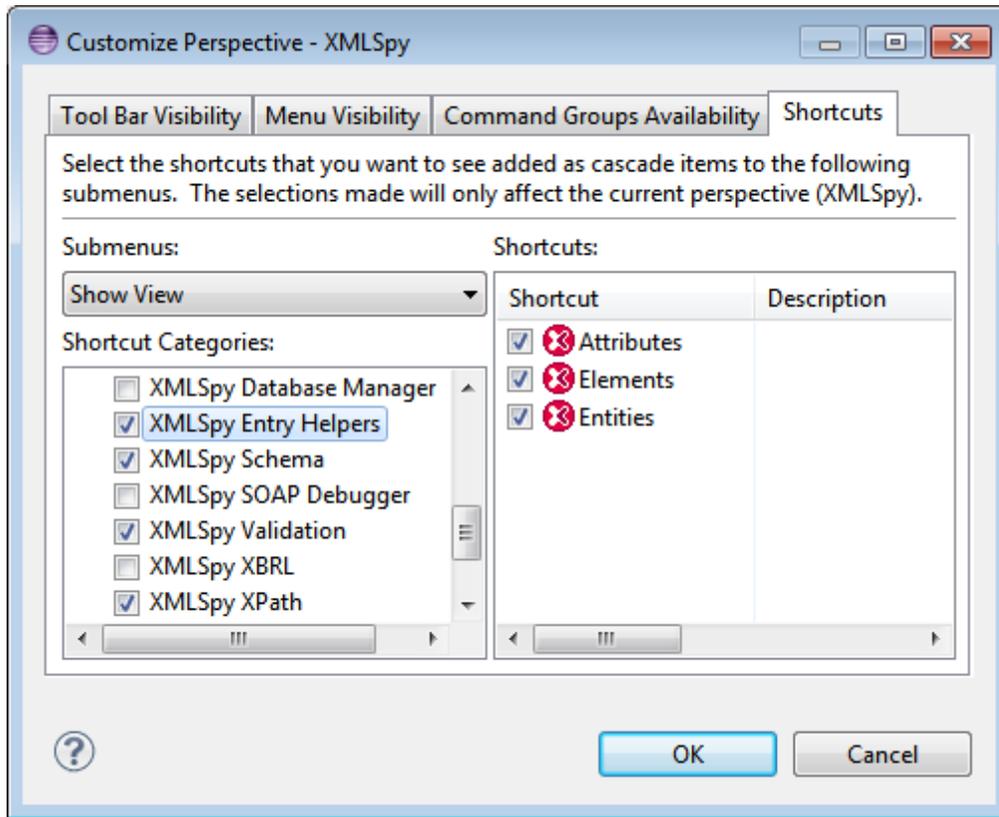
The preferences of a perspective include: (i) a setting to automatically change the perspective when a file of an associated filetype is opened (*see above*), and (ii) options for including or excluding individual XMLSpy toolbars. To access the Preferences dialog, select the command **Window | Preferences**. In the list of perspectives in the left pane, select XMLSpy, then select the required preferences. Finish by clicking **OK**.

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### Customizing the XMLSpy perspective

The customization options enable you to determine what shortcuts and commands are included in the perspective. To access the Customize Perspective dialog of a perspective (*screenshot below*

shows dialog for the XMLSpy perspective), make the perspective active (in this case the XMLSpy perspective), and select the command **Window | Customize Perspective**.



In the Tool Bar Visibility and Menu Visibility tabs, you can specify which toolbars and menus are to be displayed. In the Command Groups Availability tab, you can add command groups to their parent menus and to the toolbar. If you wish to enable a command group, check its check box. In the Shortcuts tab of the Customize Perspective dialog, you can set shortcuts for submenus. Select the required submenu in the Submenus combo box. Then select a shortcut category, and check the shortcuts you wish to include for the perspective. Click **OK** to complete the customization and for the changes to take effect.

### XMLSpy menu and toolbar

The **XMLSpy** menu contains commands that are relevant even if a document type recognized by XMLSpy is not currently open in Eclipse. In the standalone version of XMLSpy, some of these commands are in the **File** menu.

The XMLSpy toolbar contains the following buttons (*screenshot below*).



These are for, from left: (i) opening the XMLSpy Help, and (ii) accessing XMLSpy commands (as an alternative to accessing them from the **XMLSpy** menu).

### XMLSpy file formats and behavior of Eclipse views

When certain file types recognized by XMLSpy are active (in focus) in Eclipse, the "Elements", "Attributes", and "Entities" views appear with a name that is meaningful for that format. For example, when a .css file is active, the "Elements" view appears with the name "CSS Outline". The following table illustrates how view names change based on the active file:

When this file format is active...	The "Elements" view becomes...	The "Attributes" view becomes..	The "Properties" view becomes...
.css	CSS Outline	CSS Properties	HTML Elements
.xquery, .xq	XQuery Keywords	XQuery Variables	XQuery Functions
.xsd	Components	Details	Facets

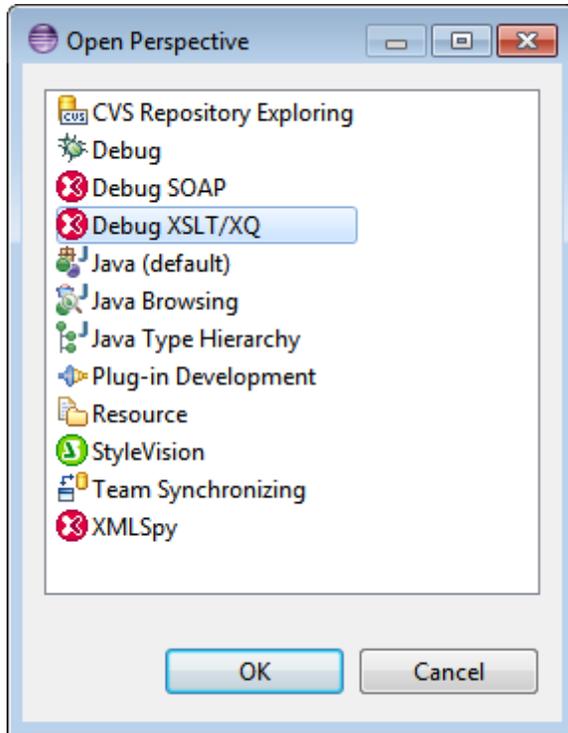
If you close any of these views, you can restore them later using the menu command **Window | Show | View**. Note, however, that views are displayed in this menu with their generic name (that is, "Elements", "Attributes", and "Entities"). So, for example, in order to restore the view "CSS Outline", you would select **Show | View | Elements**.

As an alternative, reset the XMLSpy perspective to its default values, from **Window | Reset Perspective**.

## 21.3 XMLSpy's Debugger Perspectives

There are two debuggers in the Enterprise edition of XMLSpy (XSLT/XQuery and SOAP), and one debugger in the Professional edition of XMLSpy (XSLT/XQuery). Perspectives for these debuggers are available in Eclipse according to the XMLSpy edition that is currently installed.

To switch to a debugger perspective, select the command **Window | Open Perspective | Other**. In the dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), select the debugger (for example, Debug XSLT/XQ), and click **OK**.



The empty window or the active document will now have the perspective of the selected debugger. This is how the user switches the perspective via the menu. To access a perspective faster from another perspective, the required perspective can be listed in the **Open Perspective** submenu, above the **Other** item; this setting is in the customization dialog.

For a description of how to use the debuggers, see the respective sections in this documentation: XSLT and XQuery, and WSDL and SOAP.

## 22 Code Generator

XMLSpy includes a built-in code generator which can automatically generate Java, C++ or C# class files from XML Schema definitions.

XML is not a full programming language in that it cannot be compiled or executed as a stand-alone binary executable file; rather XML documents must be bound to an external software application or run-time environment such as a business-to-business application or Web service.

The implementation of any custom XML software application ultimately requires writing programmatic access methods within your code to create, validate, process, transform, modify or perform any in-memory operation on an XML document.

Program coding is most commonly done through the use of high-level XML processing Application Program Interfaces (API) such as Microsoft MSXML and Apache Xerces Version 2.6.0 and higher, which are freely available for various programming languages.

## 22.1 Introduction to code generator

In the case of XML Schemas, the XMLSpy code generator's default templates automatically generate class definitions corresponding to all declared elements or complex types which redefine any complex type in your XML Schema, preserving the class derivation as defined by extensions of complex types in your XML Schema. In the case of complex schemas which import schema components from multiple namespaces, XMLSpy preserves this information by generating the appropriate C# or C++ namespaces or Java packages.

The generated code also includes functions which support the following operations:

- Read XML files into a Document Object Model (DOM) in-memory representation
- Write XML files from a DOM representation back to a system file
- Convert strings to XML DOM trees and vice versa.

The output program code is expressed in C++, Java or C# programming languages.

Target Language	C++	C#	Java
<b>Development environments</b>	Microsoft Visual Studio 2010 Microsoft Visual Studio 2008 Microsoft Visual Studio 2005	Microsoft Visual Studio 2010 Microsoft Visual Studio 2008 Microsoft Visual Studio 2005	Eclipse 3.4 or later Apache Ant (build.xml file)
<b>XML DOM implementations</b>	MSXML 6.0 or Apache Xerces 2.6 or later	System.Xml	JAXP

### C++

You can configure whether the C++ generated output should use MSXML 6.0 or Apache Xerces 2.6 or later. XMLSpy generates complete project (.vcproj) and solution (.sln) files for Visual Studio 2005/2008/2010. The generated code optionally supports MFC.

Note: When building C++ code for Visual Studio 2005/2008/2010 and using a Xerces library precompiled for Visual C++, a compiler setting has to be changed in all projects of the solution:

1. Select all projects in the Solution Explorer.
2. On the **Project** menu, click **Properties**.
3. Click **Configuration Properties | C/C++ | Language**.
4. In the list of configurations, select *All Configurations*.
5. Change **Treat wchar\_t as Built-in Type** to **No (/Zc:wchar\_t-)**

### C#

The generated C# code uses the .NET XML classes (System.Xml) and can be used from any .NET capable programming language, such as VB.NET, Managed C++, or J#. Project files can be generated for Visual Studio 2005, 2008, and 2010.

**Java**

The generated Java output is written against the industry-standard Java API for XML Parsing (JAXP) and includes an Ant build file and project files for Eclipse. Java 7 or higher is supported.

**Generated output**

The designated destination folder for the generated code includes all the libraries and files required to manipulate XML files programmatically, namely:

- Standard Altova libraries
- Schema wrapper libraries
- An empty test application with sample source code. The test application skeleton is a compilable application that calls an empty Example() method. You can add your test code into this method for easy and quick testing of your new generated library.

**Code generator templates**

Output code is completely customizable via a simple yet powerful [template language](#) (SPL, from Spy Programming Language) which gives full control in mapping XML Schema built-in data-types to the primitive datatypes of a particular programming language. SPL allows you to easily replace the underlying parsing and validating engine, customize code according to your company's writing conventions, or use different base libraries such as the Microsoft Foundation Classes (MFC) and the Standard Template Library (STL).

With SPL, you can build your own templates to automate the generation of virtually any other format, for example: EJB's, WSDL files, SQL scripts, ASP or WML code.

XMLSpy's schema editor is well suited as a software modeling and prototyping tool, allowing XML applications to be rapidly prototyped at a high level in XML Schema and then automatically generated. Changes to an application's XML Schema content model can be immediately reconciled with a software implementation simply by re-running the code generator.

## 22.2 What's new ...

### Version 2014

- Removal of compatibility mode option for code generation

### Version 2011

- Contains bug fixes and enhancements.

### Version 2010 R3

- Support for Microsoft Visual Studio 2010
- Support for MSXML 6.0 in generated C++ code
- Support for 64-bit targets for C++ and C# projects

### Version 2010 R2

- Code generation for C++ for the Linux platform

### Version 2010

- Enumeration facets from XML schemas are now available as symbolic constants in the generated classes (using 2007r3 templates).

### Version 2009 sp1

- Apache Xerces version 3.x support added. (older versions starting from Xerces 2.6.x are still supported.)

### Version 2009

- No new updates.

### Version 2008 R2

- Support for generation of Visual Studio 2008 project files for C# and C++ has been added.

### Version 2008

The new 2007 R3-style SPL templates have been further enhanced:

- It is now possible to remove single elements
- Access to schema metadata (e.g. element names, facets, enumerations, occurrence, etc.) is provided

- Complex types derived by extension are now generated as derived classes

### **Version 2007 R3**

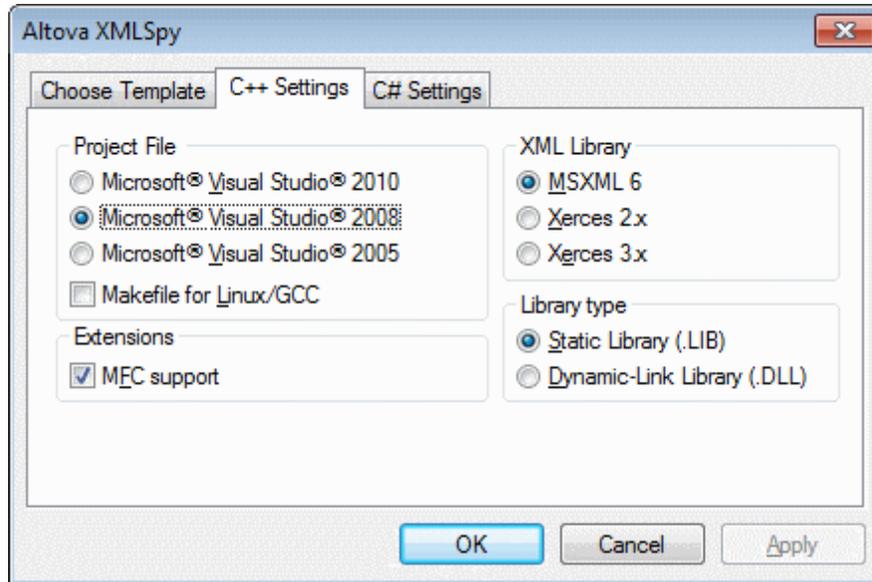
Code Generator has been redesigned for version 2007 release 3 to simplify usage of the generated code, reduce code volume and increase performance.

- Handling of XML documents and nodes with explicit ownership, to avoid memory leaks and to enable multi-threading
- New syntax to avoid name collisions
- New data types for simpler usage and higher performance (native types where possible, new null handling, ...)
- Attributes are no longer generated as collections
- Simple element content is now also treated like a special attribute, for consistency
- New internal object model (important for customized SPL templates)
- Compatibility mode to generate code in the style of older releases

## 22.3 Generating source code from a schema

To generate source code from a schema:

1. Open the schema for which you want to generate source code.
2. Select the menu item **DTD/Schema | Generate Program Code**.
3. In the Choose Template pane of the dialog that pops up, select the type of code you want to generate: Java, C++, or C#. The C++ Settings (*screenshot below*) and C# Settings tabs allow you to specify additional settings, including for the Linux platform.



4. Click **OK**. The *Browse for Folder* dialog appears.
5. Select the target folder and click **OK**.
6. You are prompted to open the newly created project in Microsoft Visual Studio. Click **Yes**. If Java code is produced, you are prompted to open the corresponding output directory.

### Linux/GCC support

The *Makefile for Linux/GCC* option adds makefiles to the generated code. C++ source files are generated so that they are portable using `#ifdef` constructs to support different compilers and operating systems.

Note that only Xerces 3.x is supported on Linux. Checking *MFC support* has no effect on compilation with Linux/GCC.

## 22.4 Using the generated code libraries

When XMLSpy generates code from an XML Schema or DTD, the following libraries are created:

Name	Purpose
Altova	Base library containing common runtime support, identical for every schema.
AltovaXML	Base library containing runtime support for XML, identical for every schema.
<i>YourSchema</i>	A library containing declarations generated from the input schema, named as the schema file or DTD. This library is a DOM (W3C Document Object Model) wrapper that allows you to read, modify and create XML documents easily and safely. All data is held inside the DOM, and there are methods for extracting data from the DOM, and to update and create data into the DOM.

In addition to the base libraries listed above, some supporting libraries are also generated. The supporting libraries are used by the Altova base libraries and are not meant for custom integrations, since they are subject to change.

The generated code also includes a test application skeleton named after your schema (for example, *YourSchemaTest*). This is a compilable application that calls an empty `Example()` method. You can add your test code into this method for easy and quick testing of your new generated library. Note that the test application, as well as the Altova libraries will be overwritten if you re-run code generation from XMLSpy. Therefore, instead of adding code to this test application, integrate the libraries into a new or existing project and start working from there. See also [Integrating Altova libraries into existing projects](#).

### Name generation and namespaces

Generally, the code generator tries to preserve the names for generated namespaces, classes and members from the original XML Schema. Characters that are not valid in identifiers in the target language are replaced by a "\_". Names that would collide with other names or reserved words are made unique by appending a number. Name generation can be influenced by changing [default settings](#) in the SPL template.

The namespaces from the XML Schema are converted to packages in Java or namespaces in C# or C++ code, using the namespace prefix from the schema as code namespace. The complete library is enclosed in a package or namespace derived from the schema file name, so you can use multiple generated libraries in one program without name conflicts.

### Data Types

XML Schema has a much more elaborate data type model than Java, C# or C++. Code Generator converts the 44 XML Schema types to a couple of language-specific primitive types, or to classes delivered with the Altova library. The mapping of simple types can be configured in the SPL template.

Complex types and derived types defined in the schema are converted to classes in the generated library.

Enumeration facets from simple types are converted to symbolic constants.

## Generated Classes

XMLSpy generally generates one class per type found in the XML Schema, or per element in the DTD. One additional class per library is generated to represent the document itself, which can be used for loading and saving the document.

## Memory Management

A DOM tree is comprised of nodes, which are always owned by a specific DOM document - even if the node is not currently part of the document's content. All generated classes are references to the DOM nodes they represent, not values. This means that assigning an instance of a generated class does not copy the value, it only creates an additional reference to the same data.

### 22.4.1 Example schema

#### Using the generated classes

The previous sections explained how to open a schema, choose a template and generate the files you need. You then open the generated project or the corresponding directory and get down to work.

To keep things simple, we will work with a very small xsd file, the source code is shown below. Save this as **Library.xsd** if you want to get the same results as our example:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xs:schema xmlns="http://www.nanonull.com/LibrarySample" xmlns:xs="http://
www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" targetNamespace="http://www.nanonull.com/
LibrarySample" elementFormDefault="qualified"
attributeFormDefault="unqualified">
  <xs:element name="Library">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element name="Book" type="BookType" minOccurs="0"
maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
  <xs:complexType name="BookType">
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element name="Title" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element name="Author" type="xs:string" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xs:sequence>
    <xs:attribute name="ISBN" type="xs:string" use="required"/>
    <xs:attribute name="Variant" type="BookVariant"/>
  </xs:complexType>
  <xs:simpleType name="BookVariant">
    <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
      <xs:enumeration value="Hardcover"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Paperback"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Audiobook"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="E-book"/>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:simpleType>
</xs:schema>
```

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</xs:schema>
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We will only use this schema file in this example, it will therefore be easy to figure out the differences between the different programming languages in the following code examples.

Please note that the generated classes will be named differently from xsd to xsd file. When working with your own schemas or other samples, make sure you adapt the names of the functions and variables.

## 22.4.2 Using the generated Java library

### Generated Packages

Name	Purpose
<code>com.altova</code>	Base package containing common runtime support, identical for every schema
<code>com.altova.xml</code>	Base package containing runtime support for XML, identical for every schema
<code>com.YourSchema</code>	Package containing declarations generated from the input schema, named as the schema file or DTD
<code>com.YourSchemaTest</code>	Test application skeleton (XMLSpy only)

### DOM Implementation

The generated Java code uses JAXP (Java API for XML Processing) as the underlying DOM interface.

### Data Types

The default mapping of XML Schema types to Java data types is as follows:

XML Schema	Java	Remarks
<code>xs:string</code>	<code>String</code>	
<code>xs:boolean</code>	<code>boolean</code>	
<code>xs:decimal</code>	<code>java.math.BigDecimal</code>	
<code>xs:float, xs:double</code>	<code>double</code>	
<code>xs:integer</code>	<code>java.math.BigInteger</code>	
<code>xs:long</code>	<code>long</code>	
<code>xs:unsignedLong</code>	<code>java.math.BigInteger</code>	Java does not have unsigned

XML Schema	Java	Remarks
		types.
<code>xs:int</code>	<code>int</code>	
<code>xs:unsignedInt</code>	<code>long</code>	Java does not have unsigned types.
<code>xs:dateTime</code> , <code>date</code> , <code>time</code> , <code>gYearMonth</code> , <code>gYear</code> , <code>gMonthDay</code> , <code>gDay</code> , <code>gMonth</code>	<a href="#">com.altova.types.Date Time</a>	See <a href="#">DateTime and Duration Classes</a>
<code>xs:duration</code>	<a href="#">com.altova.types.Dura tion</a>	See <a href="#">DateTime and Duration Classes</a>
<code>xs:hexBinary</code> and <code>xs:base64Binary</code>	<code>byte[]</code>	Encoding and decoding of binary data is done automatically.
<code>xs:anySimpleType</code>	<code>string</code>	

All XML Schema types not contained in this list are derived types, and mapped to the same Java type as their respective base type.

### Generated Document Class

In addition to the classes for the types declared in the XML Schema, the document class is generated. It contains all possible root elements as members, and in addition the following methods ("Doc" stands for the name of the generated document class itself):

Method	Purpose
<code>static Doc loadFromFile(String fileName)</code>	Loads an XML document from a file
<code>static Doc loadFromString(String xml)</code>	Loads an XML document from a string
<code>static Doc loadFromBinary(byte[] xml)</code>	Loads an XML document from a byte array
<code>void saveToFile(String fileName, boolean prettyPrint, String encoding = "UTF-8")</code>	Saves an XML document to a file with the specified encoding. If no encoding is specified, UTF-8 is assumed.
<code>void saveToFile(String fileName, boolean prettyPrint, String encoding, boolean bigEndian, boolean writeBOM)</code>	Saves an XML document to a file with the specified encoding. Byte order and Unicode byte-order mark can be specified for Unicode encodings.
<code>String saveToString(boolean prettyPrint)</code>	Saves an XML document to a string

Method	Purpose
<code>byte[] saveToBinary(boolean prettyPrint, String encoding = "UTF-8")</code>	Saves an XML document to a byte array with the specified encoding. If no encoding is specified, UTF-8 is assumed.
<code>byte[] saveToBinary(boolean prettyPrint, String encoding, boolean bigEndian, boolean writeBOM)</code>	Saves an XML document to a byte array with the specified encoding. Byte order and Unicode byte-order mark can be specified for Unicode encodings.
<code>static Doc createDocument()</code>	Creates a new, empty XML document.
<code>void setSchemaLocation(String schemaLocation)</code>	Adds an <code>xsi:schemaLocation</code> or <code>xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation</code> attribute to the root element. A root element must already exist.

### Generated Type Class

For each type in the schema, a class is generated that contains a member for each attribute and element of the type. The members are named the same as the attributes or elements in the original schema (in case of possible collisions, a number is appended). For simple and mixed types, `getValue()` and `setValue(string)` methods are generated. For simple types with enumeration facets, `getEnumerationValue()` and `setEnumerationValue(int)` can be used together with generated constants for each enumeration value. In addition, the method `getStaticInfo()` allows accessing schema information as `com.altova.xml.meta.SimpleType` or `com.altova.xml.meta.ComplexType` (see below).

XML Schema derivation of complexTypes by extension results in derived classes in the generated library.

### Generated Member Attribute Class

For each member attribute of a type, a class with the following methods is created.

Method	Purpose
<code>boolean exists()</code>	Returns true if the attribute exists
<code>void remove()</code>	Removes the attribute from its parent element
<code>AttributeType getValue()</code>	Gets the attribute value
<code>void setValue(AttributeType value)</code>	Sets the attribute value
<code>int getEnumerationValue()</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Returns one of the constants generated for the possible values, or <b>Invalid</b> if the value does not match any of the enumerated values in the schema.

Method	Purpose
<code>void setEnumerationValue(int)</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Pass one of the constants generated for the possible values to this method to set the value.
<code>com.altova.xml.meta.Attribute getInfo()</code>	Returns an object for querying schema information (see below)

### Generated Member Element Class

For each member element of a type, a class with the following methods is created.

Method	Purpose
<code>MemberType first()</code>	Returns the first instance of the member element
<code>MemberType at(int index)</code>	Returns the instance of the member element
<code>MemberType last()</code>	Returns the last instance of the member element
<code>MemberType append()</code>	Creates a new element and appends it to its parent
<code>boolean exists()</code>	Returns true if at least one element exists
<code>int count()</code>	Returns the count of elements
<code>void remove()</code>	Deletes all occurrences of the element from its parent
<code>void removeAt(int index)</code>	Deletes the occurrence of the element specified by the index
<code>java.util.Iterator iterator()</code>	Returns an object for iterating instances of the member element.
<code>MemberType getValue()</code>	Gets the element content (only generated if element can have simple or mixed content)
<code>void setValue(MemberType value)</code>	Sets the element content (only generated if element can have simple or mixed content)
<code>int getEnumerationValue()</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Returns one of the constants generated for the possible values, or <b>Invalid</b> if the value does not match any of the enumerated values in the schema.
<code>void setEnumerationValue(int)</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Pass one of the constants generated for the

Method	Purpose
	possible values to this method to set the value.
com.altova.xml.meta.Element getInfo()	Returns an object for querying schema information (see below)

## Creating XML Documents

The generated code library makes it very easy to create XML files. Let's start with an example XML file for the [example schema](#):

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Library xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.nanonull.com/LibrarySample
Library.xsd" xmlns="http://www.nanonull.com/LibrarySample" xmlns:xsi="http://
www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <Book ISBN="0764549642" Variant="Paperback">
    <Title>The XML Spy Handbook</Title>
    <Author>Altova</Author>
  </Book>
</Library>
```

The following Java code was used to create this file. The classes Library2, LibraryType and BookType are generated out of the [schema](#) and represent the complete document, the type of the <Library> element, and the complex type BookType, which is the type of the <Book> element. Note that the automatic name de-collision renamed the Library class to Library2 to avoid a possible conflict with the library namespace name.

```
protected static void example() throws Exception {
    // create a new, empty XML document
    Library2 libDoc = Library2.createDocument();

    // create the root element <Library> and add it to the document
    LibraryType lib = libDoc.Library3.append();

    // create a new <Book> and add it to the library
    BookType book = lib.Book.append();

    // set the ISBN attribute of the book
    book.ISBN.setValue("0764549642");

    // set the Variant attribute of the book using an enumeration constant
    book.Variant.setEnumerationValue( BookVariant.EPAPERBACK );

    // add the <Title> and <Author> elements, and set values
    book.Title.append().setValue("The XML Spy Handbook");
    book.Author.append().setValue("Altova");

    // set the schema location (this is optional)
```

```

libDoc.setSchemaLocation("Library.xsd");

    // save the XML document to a file with default encoding (UTF-8). "true"
    // causes the file to be pretty-printed.
    libDoc.saveToFile("Library1.xml", true);
}

```

Note that all elements are created by calling `append()`, and that attributes (like ISBN in the example) can simply be accessed like structure members.

```

protected static void example() throws Exception {
    // load XML document
    Library2 libDoc = Library2.loadFromFile("Library1.xml");

    // get the first (and only) root element <Library>
    LibraryType lib = libDoc.Library3.first();

    // it is possible to check whether an element exists:
    if (!lib.Book.exists())
    {
        System.out.println("This library is empty.");
        return;
    }

    // iteration: for each <Book>...
    for (java.util.Iterator itBook = lib.Book.iterator();
itBook.hasNext(); )
    {
        BookType book = (BookType) itBook.next();

        // output values of ISBN attribute and (first and only) title element
        System.out.println("ISBN: " + book.ISBN.getValue());
        System.out.println("Title: " + book.Title.first().getValue());

        // read and compare an enumeration value
        if (book.Variant.getEnumerationValue() == BookVariant.EPAPERBACK)
            System.out.println("This is a paperback book.");

        // for each <Author>...
        for (java.util.Iterator itAuthor = book.Author.iterator();
itAuthor.hasNext(); )
            System.out.println("Author: " + ((com.Library.xs.stringType)
itAuthor.next()).getValue());

        // alternative: use count and index
        for (int j = 0; j < book.Author.count(); ++j)
            System.out.println("Author: " + book.Author.at(j).getValue());
    }
}

```

## Reading XML Documents

The following example reads the file we just created and demonstrates the various methods for reading XML files:

Note the type of the book.Author member: `xs.stringType` is a generated class for any element with simple string content. Similar classes are generated for all other XML Schema types.

Of course you can also load a document, modify it by adding or deleting elements and attributes, and then save the changed file back to disk.

## Error Handling

Errors are reported by exceptions. The following exception classes are defined in the namespace `com.altova`:

Class	Base Class	Description
<code>SourceInstanceUnavailableException</code>	Exception	A problem occurred while loading an XML instance.
<code>TargetInstanceUnavailableException</code>	Exception	A problem occurred while saving an XML instance.

In addition, the following Java exceptions are commonly used:

Class	Description
<code>java.lang.Error</code>	Internal program logic error (independent of input data)
<code>java.lang.Exception</code>	Base class for runtime errors
<code>java.lang.IllegalArgumentException</code>	A method was called with invalid argument values, or a type conversion failed.
<code>java.lang.ArithmeticException</code>	Exception thrown when a numeric type conversion fails.

## Accessing Metadata

The generated library allows accessing static schema information via the following classes. The methods that return one of the metadata classes return null if the respective property does not exist.

**com.altova.xml.meta.SimpleType**

Method	Purpose
<code>SimpleType getBaseType()</code>	Returns the base type of this type
<code>String getLocalName()</code>	Returns the local name of the type
<code>String getNamespaceURI()</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the type
<code>int getMinLength()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>int getMaxLength()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>int getLength()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>int getTotalDigits()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>int getFractionDigits()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>String getMinInclusive()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>String getMinExclusive()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>String getMaxInclusive()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>String getMaxExclusive()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>String[] getEnumerations()</code>	Returns an array of all enumeration facets
<code>String[] getPatterns()</code>	Returns an array of all pattern facets
<code>int getWhitespace()</code>	Returns the value of the whitespace facet, which is one of: <code>com.altova.typeinfo.WhitespaceType.Whitespace_Unknown</code> <code>com.altova.typeinfo.WhitespaceType.Whitespace_Preserve</code> <code>com.altova.typeinfo.WhitespaceType.Whitespace_Replace</code> <code>com.altova.typeinfo.WhitespaceType.Whitespace_Collapse</code>

**com.altova.xml.meta.ComplexType**

Method	Purpose
<code>Attribute[] GetAttributes()</code>	Returns a list of all attributes
<code>Element[] GetElements()</code>	Returns a list of all elements
<code>ComplexType getBaseType()</code>	Returns the base type of this type
<code>String getLocalName()</code>	Returns the local name of the type

Method	Purpose
<code>String getNamespaceURI()</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the type
<code>SimpleType getContentType()</code>	Returns the simple type of the content
<code>Element findElement(String localName, String namespaceURI)</code>	Finds the element with the specified local name and namespace URI
<code>Attribute findAttribute(String localName, String namespaceURI)</code>	Finds the attribute with the specified local name and namespace URI

### com.altova.xml.meta.Element

Method	Purpose
<code>ComplexType getDataType()</code>	Returns the type of the element. Note that this is always a complex type even if declared as simple in the original schema. Use <code>getContentType()</code> of the returned object to get the simple content type.
<code>int getMinOccurs()</code>	Returns the minOccurs value defined in the schema
<code>int getMaxOccurs()</code>	Returns the maxOccurs value defined in the schema
<code>String getLocalName()</code>	Returns the local name of the element
<code>String getNamespaceURI()</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the element

### com.altova.xml.meta.Attribute

Method	Purpose
<code>SimpleType getDataType()</code>	Returns the type of the attribute content
<code>boolean isRequired()</code>	Returns true if the attribute is required
<code>String getLocalName()</code>	Returns the local name of the attribute
<code>String getNamespaceURI()</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the attribute

## 22.4.3 Using the generated C++ library Generated Libraries

Name	Purpose
Altova	Base library containing common runtime support, identical for every

Name	Purpose
	schema
AltovaXML	Base library containing runtime support for XML (MSXML or Xerces), identical for every schema
<i>YourSchema</i>	Library containing declarations generated from the input schema, named as the schema file or DTD
<i>YourSchemaTest</i>	Test application skeleton (XMLSpy only)

## DOM Implementations

The generated C++ code supports either Microsoft MSXML or Apache Xerces 2.6 or higher, depending on code generation settings. The syntax for using the generated code is identical for both DOM implementations.

## Character Types

The generated C++ code can be compiled with or without Unicode support. Depending on this setting, the types **string\_type** and **tstring** will both be defined to **std::string** or **std::wstring**, consisting of narrow or wide characters. To use Unicode characters in your XML file that are not representable with the current 8-bit character set, Unicode support must be enabled. Please take care with the **\_T()** macros. This macro ensures that string constants are stored correctly, whether you're compiling for Unicode or non-Unicode programs.

## Data Types

The default mapping of XML Schema types to C++ data types is:

XML Schema	C++	Remarks
xs:string	string_type	string_type is defined as std::string or std::wstring
xs:boolean	bool	
xs:decimal	double	C++ does not have a decimal type, so double is used.
xs:float, xs:double	double	
xs:integer	__int64	xs:integer has unlimited range, mapped to __int64 for efficiency reasons.
xs:nonNegativeInteger	unsigned __int64	see above
xs:int	int	

XML Schema	C++	Remarks
xs:unsignedInt	unsigned int	
xs:dateTime, date, time, gYearMonth, gYear, gMonthDay, gDay, gMonth	<a href="#">altova::DateTime</a>	See <a href="#">DateTime and Duration Classes</a>
xs:duration	<a href="#">altova::Duration</a>	See <a href="#">DateTime and Duration Classes</a>
xs:hexBinary and xs:base64Binary	std::vector<unsigned char>	Encoding and decoding of binary data is done automatically.
xs:anySimpleType	string_type	

All XML Schema types not contained in this list are derived types, and mapped to the same C++ type as their respective base type.

### Generated Document Class

In addition to the classes for the types declared in the XML Schema, the document class is generated. It contains all possible root elements as members, and in addition the following methods ("*CDoc*" stands for the name of the generated document class itself):

Method	Purpose
static CDoc LoadFromFile(const string_type& fileName)	Loads an XML document from a file
static CDoc LoadFromString(const string_type& xml)	Loads an XML document from a string
static CDoc LoadFromBinary(const std::vector<unsigned char>& xml)	Loads an XML document from a byte array
void SaveToFile(const string_type& fileName, bool prettyPrint, const string_type& encoding = "UTF-8")	Saves an XML document to a file with the specified encoding. If no encoding is specified, UTF-8 is assumed.
void SaveToFile(const string_type& fileName, bool prettyPrint, const string_type& encoding, bool bigEndian, bool writeBOM)	Saves an XML document to a file with the specified encoding. Byte order and Unicode byte-order mark can be specified for Unicode encodings.
void SaveToFile(const string_type& fileName, bool prettyPrint, const string_type& encoding, const string_type& lineend) Note: Only available for Xerces3.	Saves an XML document to a file with the specified encoding and the specified line end.
void SaveToFile(const string_type& fileName, bool prettyPrint, const string_type& encoding, bool bigEndian,	Saves an XML document to a file with the specified encoding and the specified line end. Byte order and Unicode byte-order mark can

Method	Purpose
<pre>bool writeBOM, const string_type&amp; lineend)</pre> <p>Note: Only available for Xerces3.</p>	be specified for Unicode encodings.
<pre>string_type SaveToString(bool prettyPrint)</pre>	Saves an XML document to a string
<pre>std::vector&lt;unsigned char&gt; SaveToBinary(bool prettyPrint, const string_type&amp; encoding = "UTF-8")</pre>	Saves an XML document to a byte array with the specified encoding. If no encoding is specified, UTF-8 is assumed.
<pre>std::vector&lt;unsigned char&gt; SaveToBinary(bool prettyPrint, const string_type&amp; encoding, bool bigEndian, bool writeBOM)</pre>	Saves an XML document to a byte array with the specified encoding. Byte order and Unicode byte-order mark can be specified for Unicode encodings.
<pre>static CDoc CreateDocument()</pre>	Creates a new, empty XML document. Must be released using DestroyDocument().
<pre>void DestroyDocument()</pre>	Destroys a document. All references to the document and its nodes are invalidated. This must be called when finished working with a document.
<pre>void SetSchemaLocation(const string_type&amp; schemaLocation)</pre>	Adds an xsi:schemaLocation or xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation attribute to the root element. A root element must already exist.
<pre>void SetDTDLocation(const string_type&amp; dtdLocation)</pre>	Adds a DOCTYPE declaration with the specified system ID. A root element must already exist. This method is not supported for MSXML, since it is not possible to add a DOCTYPE declaration to a document in memory.

## Generated Type Class

For each type in the schema, a class is generated that contains a member for each attribute and element of the type. The members are named the same as the attributes or elements in the original schema (in case of possible collisions, a number is appended). For simple types, assignment and conversion operators are generated. For simple types with enumeration facets, the methods **GetEnumerationValue()** and **SetEnumerationValue(int)** can be used together with generated constants for each enumeration value. In addition, the method **StaticInfo()** allows accessing of schema information as **altova::meta::SimpleType** or **altova::meta::ComplexType** (see below).

XML Schema derivation of complexTypes by extension results in derived classes in the generated library.

### Generated Member Attribute Class

For each member attribute of a type, a class with the following methods is created.

Method	Purpose
<code>bool exists()</code>	Returns true if the attribute exists
<code>void remove()</code>	Removes the attribute from its parent element
<code>int GetEnumerationValue()</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Returns one of the constants generated for the possible values, or <b>Invalid</b> if the value does not match any of the enumerated values in the schema.
<code>void SetEnumerationValue(int)</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Pass one of the constants generated for the possible values to this method to set the value.
<code>altova::meta::Attribute info()</code>	Returns an object for querying schema information (see below)

In addition, assignment and conversion operators from/to the attribute's native type are created, so it can be used directly in assignments.

### Generated Member Element Class

For each member element of a type, a class with the following methods is created.

Method	Purpose
<code>MemberType first()</code>	Returns the first instance of the member element
<code>MemberType operator[](unsigned int index)</code>	Returns the member element specified by the index
<code>MemberType last()</code>	Returns the last instance of the member element
<code>MemberType append()</code>	Creates a new element and appends it to its parent
<code>bool exists()</code>	Returns true if at least one element exists
<code>unsigned int count()</code>	Returns the count of elements
<code>void remove()</code>	Deletes all occurrences of the element from its parent

Method	Purpose
<code>void remove(unsigned int index)</code>	Deletes the occurrence of the element specified by the index
<code>Iterator&lt;MemberType&gt; all()</code>	Returns an object for iterating instances of the member element
<code>int GetEnumerationValue()</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Returns one of the constants generated for the possible values, or <b>Invalid</b> if the value does not match any of the enumerated values in the schema.
<code>void SetEnumerationValue(int)</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Pass one of the constants generated for the possible values to this method to set the value.
<code>altova::meta::Element info()</code>	Returns an object for querying schema information (see below)

For simple and mixed content elements, assignment and conversion operators from/to the element's native type are created, so it can be used directly in assignments.

## Creating XML Documents

The generated code library makes it very easy to create XML files. Let's start with an example XML file for the [example schema](#):

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Library xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.nanonull.com/LibrarySample
Library.xsd" xmlns="http://www.nanonull.com/LibrarySample" xmlns:xsi="http://
www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <Book ISBN="0764549642" Variant="Paperback">
    <Title>The XML Spy Handbook</Title>
    <Author>Altova</Author>
  </Book>
</Library>
```

The following C++ code was used to create this file. The classes `CLibrary`, `CLibraryType` and `CBookType` are generated out of the [schema](#) and represent the complete document, the type of the `<Library>` element, and the complex type `BookType`, which is the type of the `<Book>` element.

```
using namespace Library;
void Example()
{
    // create a new, empty XML document
    CLibrary libDoc = CLibrary::CreateDocument();

    // create the root element <Library> and add it to the document
    CLibraryType lib = libDoc.Library2.append();

    // create a new <Book> and add it to the library
    CBookType book = lib.Book.append();

    // set the ISBN attribute of the book
    book.ISBN = _T("0764549642");

    // set the Variant attribute of the book using an enumeration constant
    book.Variant.SetEnumerationValue( CBookVariant::k_Paperback );

    // add the <Title> and <Author> elements, and set values
    book.Title.append() = _T("The XML Spy Handbook");
    book.Author.append() = _T("Altova");

    // set the schema location (this is optional)
    libDoc.SetSchemaLocation(_T("Library.xsd"));

    // save the XML document to a file with default encoding (UTF-8).
    "true" causes the file to be pretty-printed.
    libDoc.SaveToFile(_T("Library1.xml"), true);

    // destroy the document - all references to the document and any of its
    nodes become invalid
    libDoc.DestroyDocument();
}
```

Note that all elements are created by calling `append()`, and that attributes (like ISBN in the example) can simply be accessed like structure members. Remember to destroy the document when you have finished using it.

## Reading XML Documents

The following example reads the file we just created and demonstrates the various methods for reading XML files:

```
using namespace Library;
void Example()
{
    // load XML document
    CLibrary libDoc = CLibrary::LoadFromFile(_T("Library1.xml"));

    // get the first (and only) root element <Library>
```

```

CLibraryType lib = libDoc.Library2.first();

// it is possible to check whether an element exists:
if (!lib.Book.exists())
{
    tcout << "This library is empty." << std::endl;
    return;
}

// iteration: for each <Book>...
for (Iterator<CBookType> itBook = lib.Book.all(); itBook; ++itBook)
{
    // output values of ISBN attribute and (first and only) title
    element
    tcout << "ISBN: " << tstring(itBook->ISBN) << std::endl;
    tcout << "Title: " << tstring(itBook->Title.first()) <<
    std::endl;

    // read and compare an enumeration value
    if (itBook->Variant.GetEnumerationValue() ==
    CBookVariant::k_Paperback)
        tcout << "This is a paperback book." << std::endl;

    // for each <Author>...
    for (CBookType::Author::iterator itAuthor = itBook->Author.all();
    itAuthor; ++itAuthor)
        tcout << "Author: " << tstring(itAuthor) << std::endl;

    // alternative: use count and index
    for (unsigned int j = 0; j < itBook->Author.count(); ++j)
        tcout << "Author: " << tstring(itBook->Author[j]) <<
    std::endl;
}

// destroy the document - all references to the document and any of its
nodes become invalid
libDoc.DestroyDocument();
}

```

To access the contents of attributes and elements as strings for the `cout <<` operator, an explicit cast to `tstring` is required.

Of course you can also load a document, modify it by adding or deleting elements and attributes, and then save the changed file back to disk.

## Error Handling

Errors are reported by exceptions. The following exception classes are defined in the namespace `altova`:

Class	Base Class	Description
Error	std::logic_error	Internal program logic error (independent of input data)
Exception	std::runtime_error	Base class for runtime errors
InvalidArgumentsException	Exception	A method was called with invalid argument values.
ConversionException	Exception	Exception thrown when a type conversion fails
StringParseException	ConversionException	A value in the lexical space cannot be converted to value space.
ValueNotRepresentableException	ConversionException	A value in the value space cannot be converted to lexical space.
OutOfRangeException	ConversionException	A source value cannot be represented in target domain.
InvalidOperationException	Exception	An operation was attempted that is not valid in the given context.
DataSourceUnavailableException	Exception	A problem occurred while loading an XML instance.
DataTargetUnavailableException	Exception	A problem occurred while saving an XML instance.

All exception classes contain a message text and a pointer to a possible inner exception.

Method	Purpose
string_type message()	Returns a textual description of the exception
std::exception inner()	Returns the exception that caused this exception, if available, or NULL

### Accessing Metadata

The generated library allows accessing static schema information via the following classes. All methods are declared as const. The methods that return one of the metadata classes return a NULL object if the respective property does not exist.

**altova::meta::SimpleType**

Method	Purpose
<code>operator bool()</code>	Returns true if this is not the NULL SimpleType
<code>operator !()</code>	Returns true if this is the NULL SimpleType
<code>SimpleType GetBaseType()</code>	Returns the base type of this type
<code>string_type GetLocalName()</code>	Returns the local name of the type
<code>string_type GetNamespaceURI()</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the type
<code>unsigned int GetMinLength()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>unsigned int GetMaxLength()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>unsigned int GetLength()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>unsigned int GetTotalDigits()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>unsigned int GetFractionDigits()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>string_type GetMinInclusive()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>string_type GetMinExclusive()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>string_type GetMaxInclusive()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>string_type GetMaxExclusive()</code>	Returns the value of this facet
<code>std::vector&lt;string_type&gt; GetEnumerations()</code>	Returns a list of all enumeration facets
<code>std::vector&lt;string_type&gt; GetPatterns()</code>	Returns a list of all pattern facets
<code>WhitespaceType GetWhitespace()</code>	Returns the value of the whitespace facet, which is one of: Whitespace_Unknown Whitespace_Preserve Whitespace_Replace Whitespace_Collapse

**altova::meta::ComplexType**

Method	Purpose
<code>operator bool()</code>	Returns true if this is not the NULL ComplexType
<code>operator !()</code>	Returns true if this is the NULL ComplexType

Method	Purpose
<code>std::vector&lt;Attribute&gt; GetAttributes()</code>	Returns a list of all attributes
<code>std::vector&lt;Element&gt; GetElements()</code>	Returns a list of all elements
<code>ComplexType GetBaseType()</code>	Returns the base type of this type
<code>string_type GetLocalName()</code>	Returns the local name of the type
<code>string_type GetNamespaceURI()</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the type
<code>SimpleType GetContentType()</code>	Returns the simple type of the content
<code>Element FindElement(const char_type* localName, const char_type* namespaceURI)</code>	Finds the element with the specified local name and namespace URI
<code>Attribute FindAttribute(const char_type* localName, const char_type* namespaceURI)</code>	Finds the attribute with the specified local name and namespace URI

### altova::meta::Element

Method	Purpose
<code>operator bool()</code>	Returns true if this is not the NULL Element
<code>operator !()</code>	Returns true if this is the NULL Element
<code>ComplexType GetDataType()</code>	Returns the type of the element. Note that this is always a complex type even if declared as simple in the original schema. Use <code>GetContentType()</code> of the returned object to get the simple content type.
<code>unsigned int GetMinOccurs()</code>	Returns the minOccurs value defined in the schema
<code>unsigned int GetMaxOccurs()</code>	Returns the maxOccurs value defined in the schema
<code>string_type GetLocalName()</code>	Returns the local name of the element
<code>string_type GetNamespaceURI()</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the element

### altova::meta::Attribute

Method	Purpose
<code>operator bool()</code>	Returns true if this is not the NULL Attribute

Method	Purpose
<code>operator !()</code>	Returns true if this is the NULL Attribute
<code>SimpleType GetDataType()</code>	Returns the type of the attribute content
<code>bool IsRequired()</code>	Returns true if the attribute is required
<code>string_type GetLocalName()</code>	Returns the local name of the attribute
<code>string_type GetNamespaceURI()</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the attribute

#### 22.4.4 Using the generated C# library Generated Libraries

Name	Purpose
Altova	Base library containing common runtime support, identical for every schema
AltovaXML	Base library containing runtime support for XML, identical for every schema
<i>YourSchema</i>	Library containing declarations generated from the input schema, named as the schema file or DTD
<i>YourSchemaTest</i>	Test application skeleton (XMLSpy only)

#### DOM Implementation

The generated C# code uses the .NET standard System.XML library as the underlying DOM implementation.

#### Data Types

The default mapping of XML Schema types to C# data types is as follows.

XML Schema	C#	Remarks
<code>xs:string</code>	<code>string</code>	
<code>xs:boolean</code>	<code>bool</code>	
<code>xs:decimal</code>	<code>decimal</code>	<code>xs:decimal</code> has unlimited range and precision, mapped to <code>decimal</code> for efficiency reasons.
<code>xs:float</code> , <code>xs:double</code>	<code>double</code>	
<code>xs:long</code>	<code>long</code>	
<code>xs:unsignedLong</code>	<code>ulong</code>	

XML Schema	C#	Remarks
xs:int	int	
xs:unsignedInt	uint	
xs:dateTime, date, time, gYearMonth, gYear, gMonthDay, gDay, gMonth	<a href="#">Altova.Types.DateTime</a>	See <a href="#">DateTime and Duration Classes</a>
xs:duration	<a href="#">Altova.Types.Duration</a>	See <a href="#">DateTime and Duration Classes</a>
xs:hexBinary and xs:base64Binary	byte[]	Encoding and decoding of binary data is done automatically.
xs:anySimpleType	string	

All XML Schema types not contained in this list are derived types, and mapped to the same C# type as their respective base type.

### Generated Document Class

In addition to the classes for the types declared in the XML Schema, the document class is generated. It contains all possible root elements as members, and in addition the following methods ("Doc" stands for the name of the generated document class itself):

Method	Purpose
static Doc LoadFromFile(string fileName)	Loads an XML document from a file
static Doc LoadFromString(string xml)	Loads an XML document from a string
static Doc LoadFromBinary(byte[] xml)	Loads an XML document from a byte array
void SaveToFile(string fileName, bool prettyPrint, string encoding = "UTF-8")	Saves an XML document to a file with the specified encoding. If no encoding is specified, UTF-8 is assumed.
void SaveToFile(string fileName, bool prettyPrint, string encoding, string lineend)	Saves an XML document to a file with the specified encoding and the specified lineend.
string SaveToString(bool prettyPrint)	Saves an XML document to a string
byte[] SaveToBinary(bool prettyPrint, string encoding = "UTF-8")	Saves an XML document to a byte array with the specified encoding. If no encoding is specified, UTF-8 is assumed.
static Doc CreateDocument()	Creates a new, empty XML document
static Doc CreateDocument(string encoding)	Creates a new, empty XML document, with encoding of type "encoding".

Method	Purpose
<code>void SetSchemaLocation(string schemaLocation)</code>	Adds an <code>xsi:schemaLocation</code> or <code>xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation</code> attribute to the root element. A root element must already exist.
<code>void SetDTDLocation(string dtdLocation)</code>	Adds a DOCTYPE declaration with the specified system ID. A root element must already exist.

### Generated Type Class

For each type in the schema, a class is generated that contains a member for each attribute and element of the type. The members are named the same as the attributes or elements in the original schema (in case of possible collisions, a number is appended). For simple and mixed types, a **Value** property is generated to access the text content. For simple types with enumeration facets, the **EnumerationValue** property can be used together with generated constants for each enumeration value. In addition, the property **StaticInfo()** allows accessing of schema information as **Altova.Xml.Meta.SimpleType** or **Altova.Xml.Meta.ComplexType** (see below).

XML Schema derivation of complexTypes by extension results in derived classes in the generated library.

### Generated Member Attribute Class

For each member attribute of a type, a class with the following methods or properties is created.

Method/Property	Purpose
<code>bool Exists()</code>	Returns true if the attribute exists
<code>void Remove()</code>	Removes the attribute from its parent element
<code>AttributeType Value</code>	Sets or gets the attribute value
<code>int EnumerationValue</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Sets or gets the attribute value using one of the constants generated for the possible values, reading returns <b>Invalid</b> if the value does not match any of the enumerated values in the schema.
<code>Altova.Xml.Meta.Attribute Info</code>	Returns an object for querying schema information (see below)

### Generated Member Element Class

For each member element of a type, a class with the following methods or properties is created.

The class implements the standard `System.Collections.IEnumerable` interface, so it can be used with the `foreach` statement.

Method/Property	Purpose
<code>MemberType First</code>	Returns the first instance of the member element
<code>MemberType this[int index]</code>	Returns the member element specified by the index
<code>MemberType At(int index)</code>	Returns the member element specified by the index
<code>MemberType Last</code>	Returns the last instance of the member element
<code>MemberType Append()</code>	Creates a new element and appends it to its parent
<code>bool Exists</code>	Returns true if at least one element exists
<code>int Count</code>	Returns the count of elements
<code>void Remove()</code>	Deletes all occurrences of the element from its parent
<code>void RemoveAt(int index)</code>	Deletes the occurrence of the element specified by the index
<code>System.Collections.IEnumerator GetEnumerator()</code>	Returns an object for iterating instances of the member element.
<code>MemberType Value</code>	Sets or gets the element content (only generated if element can have mixed or simple content)
<code>int EnumerationValue</code>	Generated for enumeration types only. Sets or gets the element value using one of the constants generated for the possible values, reading returns <b>Invalid</b> if the value does not match any of the enumerated values in the schema.
<code>Altova.Xml.Meta.Element Info</code>	Returns an object for querying schema information (see below)

## Creating XML Documents

The generated code library makes it very easy to create XML files. Let's start with an example XML file for the [example schema](#):

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

```
<Library xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.nanonull.com/LibrarySample
Library.xsd" xmlns="http://www.nanonull.com/LibrarySample" xmlns:xsi="http://
www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <Book ISBN="0764549642" Variant="Paperback">
    <Title>The XML Spy Handbook</Title>
    <Author>Altova</Author>
  </Book>
</Library>
```

The following C# code was used to create this file. The classes Library2, LibraryType and BookType are generated out of the [schema](#) and represent the complete document, the type of the <Library> element, and the complex type BookType, which is the type of the <Book> element. Note that the automatic name de-collision renamed the Library class to Library2 to avoid a possible conflict with the library namespace name.

```
using Library;
...
protected static void Example()
{
    // create a new, empty XML document
    Library2 libDoc = Library2.CreateDocument();

    // create the root element <Library> and add it to the document
    LibraryType lib = libDoc.Library3.Append();

    // create a new <Book> and add it to the library
    BookType book = lib.Book.Append();

    // set the ISBN attribute of the book
    book.ISBN.Value = "0764549642";

    // set the Variant attribute of the book using an enumeration
    constant
    book.Variant.EnumerationValue =
    BookVariant.EnumValues.ePaperback;

    // add the <Title> and <Author> elements, and set values
    book.Title.Append().Value = "The XML Spy Handbook";
    book.Author.Append().Value = "Altova";

    // set the schema location (this is optional)
    libDoc.SetSchemaLocation("Library.xsd");

    // save the XML document to a file with default encoding (UTF-8).
    "true" causes the file to be pretty-printed.
    libDoc.SaveToFile("Library1.xml", true);
}
```

Note that all elements are created by calling Append(), and that attributes (like ISBN in the example) can simply be accessed like structure members.

## Reading XML Documents

The following example reads the file we just created and demonstrates the various methods for reading XML files:

```
using Library;
...
protected static void Example()
{
    // load XML document
    Library2 libDoc = Library2.LoadFromFile("Library1.xml");

    // get the first (and only) root element <Library>
    LibraryType lib = libDoc.Library3.First;

    // it is possible to check whether an element exists:
    if (!lib.Book.Exists)
    {
        Console.WriteLine("This library is empty.");
        return;
    }

    // iteration: for each <Book>...
    foreach (BookType book in lib.Book)
    {
        // output values of ISBN attribute and (first and only)
        title element
        Console.WriteLine("ISBN: " + book.ISBN.Value);
        Console.WriteLine("Title: " + book.Title.First.Value);

        // read and compare an enumeration value
        if (book.Variant.EnumerationValue ==
BookVariant.EnumValues.ePaperback)
            Console.WriteLine("This is a paperback book.");

        // for each <Author>...
        foreach (xs.stringType author in book.Author)
            Console.WriteLine("Author: " + author.Value);

        // alternative: use count and index
        for (int j = 0; j < book.Author.Count; ++j)
            Console.WriteLine("Author: " +
book.Author[j].Value);
    }
}
```

Note the type of the book.Author member: xs.stringType is a generated class for any element with simple string content. Similar classes are generated for all other XML Schema types.

Of course you can also load a document, modify it by adding or deleting elements and attributes, and then save the changed file back to disk.

## Error Handling

Errors are reported by exceptions. The following exception classes are defined in the namespace `Altova`:

Class	Base Class	Description
<code>ConversionException</code>	<code>Exception</code>	Exception thrown when a type conversion fails
<code>StringParseException</code>	<code>ConversionException</code>	A value in the lexical space cannot be converted to value space.
<code>DataSourceUnavailableException</code>	<code>System.Exception</code>	A problem occurred while loading an XML instance.
<code>DataTargetUnavailableException</code>	<code>System.Exception</code>	A problem occurred while saving an XML instance.

In addition, the following .NET exceptions are commonly used:

Class	Description
<code>System.Exception</code>	Base class for runtime errors
<code>System.ArgumentException</code>	A method was called with invalid argument values, or a type conversion failed.
<code>System.FormatException</code>	A value in the lexical space cannot be converted to value space.
<code>System.InvalidCastException</code>	A value cannot be converted to another type.
<code>System.OverflowException</code>	A source value cannot be represented in target domain.

## Accessing Metadata

The generated library allows accessing static schema information via the following classes. The properties that return one of the metadata classes return null if the respective property does not exist.

### `Altova.Xml.Meta.SimpleType`

Method/Property	Purpose
<code>SimpleType.BaseType</code>	Returns the base type of this type

Method/Property	Purpose
string LocalName	Returns the local name of the type
string NamespaceURI	Returns the namespace URI of the type
XmlQualifiedName QualifiedName	Returns the qualified name of this type
int MinLength	Returns the value of this facet
int MaxLength	Returns the value of this facet
int Length	Returns the value of this facet
int TotalDigits	Returns the value of this facet
int FractionDigits	Returns the value of this facet
string MinInclusive	Returns the value of this facet
string MinExclusive	Returns the value of this facet
string MaxInclusive	Returns the value of this facet
string MaxExclusive	Returns the value of this facet
string[] Enumerations	Returns a list of all enumeration facets
string[] Patterns	Returns a list of all pattern facets
WhitespaceType Whitespace	Returns the value of the whitespace facet, which is one of: Unknown Preserve Replace Collapse

### Altova.Xml.Meta.ComplexType

Method/Property	Purpose
Attribute[] Attributes	Returns a list of all attributes
Element[] Elements	Returns a list of all elements
ComplexType BaseType	Returns the base type of this type
string LocalName	Returns the local name of the type
string NamespaceURI	Returns the namespace URI of the type
XmlQualifiedName QualifiedName	Returns the qualified name of this type
SimpleType ContentType	Returns the simple type of the content
Element FindElement(string localName,	Finds the element with the specified local

Method/Property	Purpose
<code>string namespaceURI)</code>	name and namespace URI
<code>Attribute FindAttribute(string localName, string namespaceURI)</code>	Finds the attribute with the specified local name and namespace URI

### Altova.Xml.Meta.Element

Method/Property	Purpose
<code>ComplexType DataType</code>	Returns the type of the element. Note that this is always a complex type even if declared as simple in the original schema. Use the <code>ContentType</code> property of the returned object to get the simple content type.
<code>int MinOccurs</code>	Returns the <code>minOccurs</code> value defined in the schema
<code>int MaxOccurs</code>	Returns the <code>maxOccurs</code> value defined in the schema
<code>string LocalName</code>	Returns the local name of the element
<code>string NamespaceURI</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the element
<code>XmlQualifiedName QualifiedName</code>	Returns the qualified name of the element

### Altova.Xml.Meta.Attribute

Method/Property	Purpose
<code>SimpleType DataType</code>	Returns the type of the attribute content
<code>bool Required()</code>	Returns true if the attribute is required
<code>string LocalName</code>	Returns the local name of the attribute
<code>string NamespaceURI</code>	Returns the namespace URI of the attribute
<code>XmlQualifiedName QualifiedName</code>	Returns the qualified name of the attribute

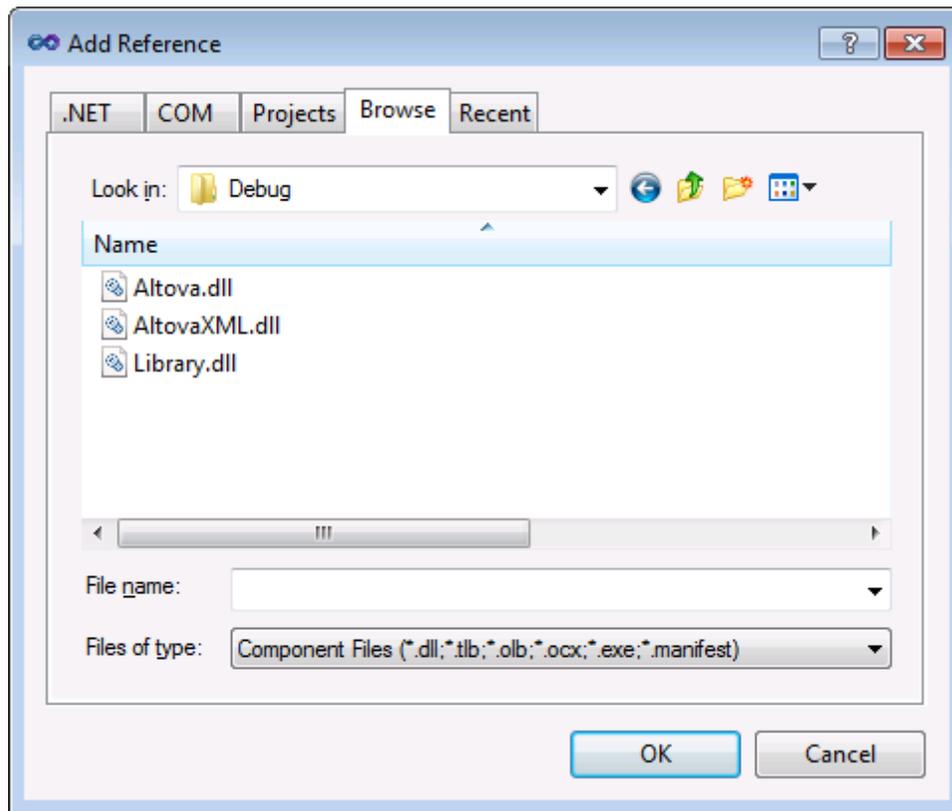
## 22.4.5 Integrating Altova libraries into existing projects

To use the Altova libraries in your custom project, refer to the libraries from your project (or include them into your project), as shown below for each language.

## C#

To integrate the Altova libraries into an existing C# project:

1. After XMLSpy generates code from a schema (for example, **YourSchema.xsd**), build the generated **YourSchema.sln** solution in Visual Studio. This solution is in a project folder with the same name as the schema.
2. Right-click your existing project in Visual Studio, and select **Add Reference**.
3. On the Browse tab, browse for the following libraries: **Altova.dll**, **AltovaXML.dll**, and **YourSchema.dll** located in the **bin\Debug** directory of the project generated from your schema.



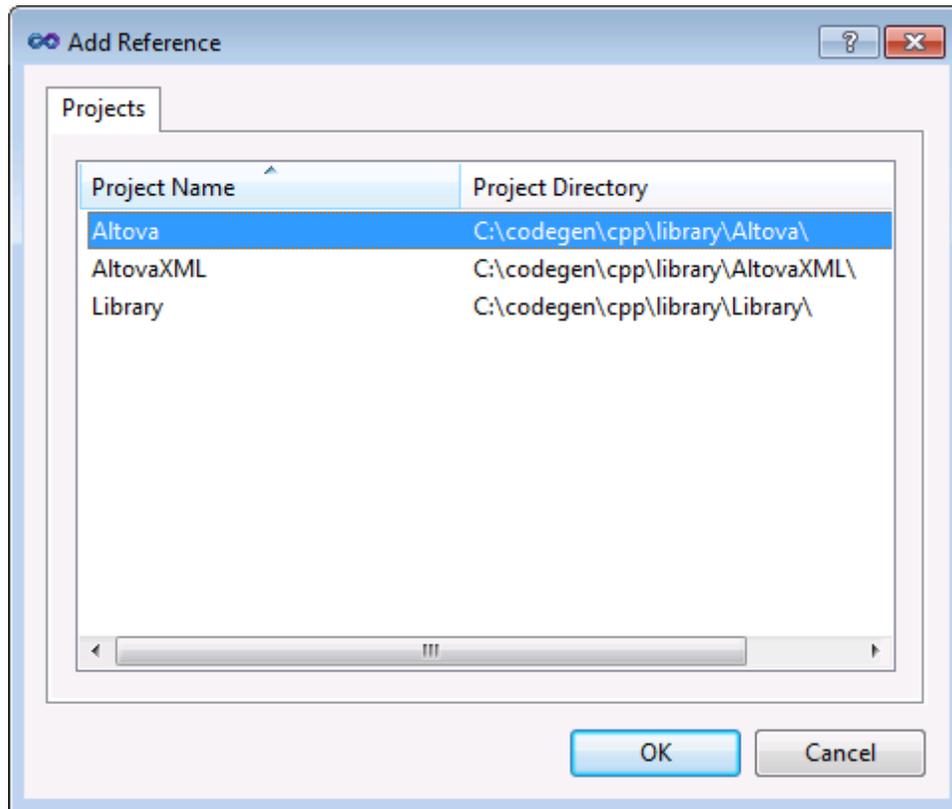
## C++

The easiest way to integrate the libraries into an existing C++ project is to add the generated project files to your solution. For example, let's assume that you generated code from a schema called **Library.xsd** and selected **c:\codegen\cpp\library** as target directory. The generated libraries in this case are available at:

- c:\codegen\cpp\library\Altova\vcxproj
- c:\codegen\cpp\library\AltovaXML\AltovaXML.vcxproj
- c:\codegen\cpp\library\Library.vcxproj

First, open the generated **c:\codegen\cpp\library\Library.sln** solution and build it in Visual Studio.

Next, open your existing Visual Studio solution (in Visual Studio 2010, in this example), right-click it, select **Add | Existing Project**, and add the project files listed above, one by one. Be patient while Visual Studio parses the files. Next, right-click your project and select **Properties**. In the Property Pages dialog box, select **Common Properties | Framework and References**, and then click **Add New Reference**. Next, select and add each of the following projects: *Altova*, *AltovaXML*, and *Library*.



See also the MSDN documentation for using functionality from a custom library, as applicable to your version of Visual Studio, for example:

- If you chose to generate static libraries, see [https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms235627\(v=vs.100\).aspx](https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms235627(v=vs.100).aspx)
- If you chose to generate dynamic libraries: [https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms235636\(v=vs.100\).aspx](https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms235636(v=vs.100).aspx)

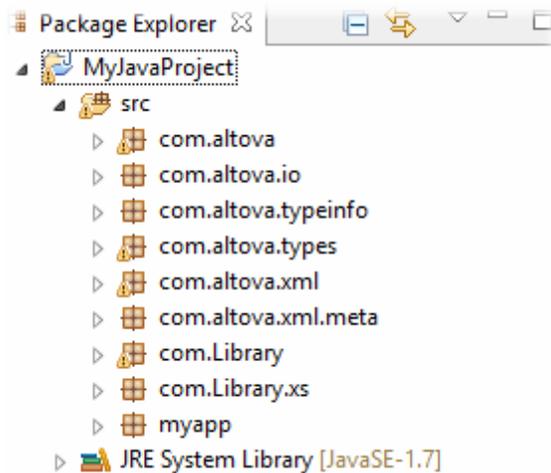
The option to generate static or dynamic libraries is available in code generation options (see [Code generator options](#) ).

## Java

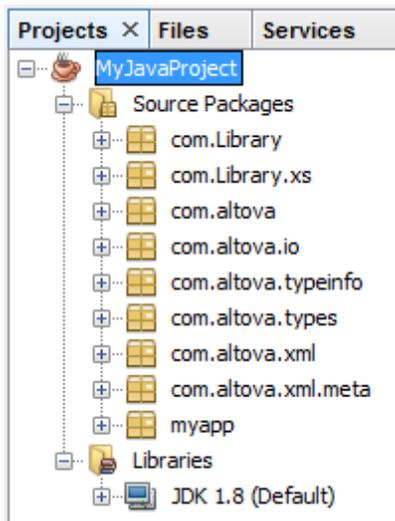
One of the ways to integrate the Altova packages into your Java project is to copy the **com** directory of the generated code to the directory which stores the source packages of your Java project (for example, **C:\Workspace\MyJavaProject\src**). For example, let's assume that you generated code in **c:\codegen\java\library**. The generated Altova classes in this case are available at **c:\codegen\java\library\com**.

After copying the libraries, refresh the project. To refresh the project in Eclipse, select it in the Package Explorer, and press **F5**. To refresh the project in NetBeans IDE 8.0, select the menu command **Source | Scan for External Changes**.

Once you perform the copy operation, the Altova packages are available in the Package Explorer (in case of Eclipse), or under "Source Packages" in the Projects pane (in case of NetBeans IDE).



*Altova packages in Eclipse 4.4*



*Altova packages in NetBeans IDE 8.0.2*

## 22.5 DateTime and Duration Classes

If your XML instance files use schema types related to time and duration, these are converted to Altova `DateTime` and `Duration` types in the generated code. Specifically, during code generation, the following XML types are converted to the `Altova.Types.DateTime` type:

- `xs:dateTime`
- `date`
- `time`
- `gYearMonth`
- `gYear`
- `gMonthDay`
- `gDay`
- `gMonth`

The `xs:duration` schema type is converted to Altova `Duration` type.

This documentation section provides reference to Altova `DateTime` and `Duration` classes, organized by language (C#, C++, Java). The implementation is slightly different for each language. In general, in any project that references the Altova libraries, the `DateTime` and `Duration` classes enable you to perform type casts, change the timezone, format time values, or work with time durations.

### 22.5.1 C#

This section includes description of Altova `DateTime` and `Duration` classes applicable to C#.

#### Altova.Types.DateTime

The `Altova.Types.DateTime` class exposes the following public members.

#### Constructors

Name	Description
<code>DateTime(DateTime obj)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the <code>DateTime</code> object supplied as argument.
<code>DateTime(System.DateTime newValue)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the <code>System.DateTime</code> object supplied as argument.
<code>DateTime(int year, int month, int day, int hour, int minute, double second, int offsetTZ)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the year, month, day, hour, minute, second, and timezone offset supplied as arguments.
<code>DateTime(int year, int month, int day, int hour, int minute, double second)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the year, month, day, hour, minute, and second supplied as arguments.
<code>DateTime(int year, int month, int day)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the year, month and day supplied as arguments.

## Properties

Name	Description
<code>bool</code> HasTimezone	Gets a Boolean value which indicates if the <code>DateTime</code> has a timezone.
<code>static DateTime</code> Now	Gets a <code>DateTime</code> object that is set to the current date and time on this computer.
<code>short</code> TimezoneOffset	Gets or sets the timezone offset, in minutes, of the <code>DateTime</code> object.
<code>System.DateTime</code> Value	Gets or sets the value of the <code>DateTime</code> object as a <code>System.DateTime</code> value.

## Methods

Name	Description
<code>int</code> CompareTo( <code>object</code> obj)	The <code>DateTime</code> class implements the <code>IComparable</code> interface. This method compares the current instance of <code>DateTime</code> to another object and returns an integer that indicates whether the current instance precedes, follows, or occurs in the same position in the sort order as the other object. See also <a href="https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/system.icomparable.compareto(v=vs.110).aspx">https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/system.icomparable.compareto(v=vs.110).aspx</a>
<code>override bool</code> Equals( <code>object</code> obj)	Returns <b>true</b> if the specified object is equal to the current object; <b>false</b> otherwise.
<code>System.DateTime</code> GetDateTime( <code>bool</code> correctTZ)	Returns a <code>System.DateTime</code> object from the current <code>Altova.Types.DateTime</code> instance. The <code>correctTZ</code> Boolean argument specifies whether the time of the returned object must be adjusted according to the timezone of the current <code>Altova.Types.DateTime</code> instance.
<code>override int</code> GetHashCode()	Returns the hash code of the current instance.
<code>int</code> GetWeekOfMonth()	Returns the number of the week in month as an integer.
<code>static DateTime</code> Parse( <code>string</code> s )	Creates a <code>DateTime</code> object from the string supplied as argument. For example, the following sample string values would be converted successfully to a <code>DateTime</code> object:  <code>2015-01-01T23:23:23</code>

Name	Description
	<p>2015-01-01 2015-11 23:23:23</p> <p>An exception is raised if the string cannot be converted to a <code>DateTime</code> object.</p> <p>Note that this method is static and can only be called on the <code>Altova.Types.DateTime</code> class itself, not on an instance of the class.</p>
<pre>static DateTime Parse(string s, DateTimeFormat format)</pre>	<p>Creates a <code>DateTime</code> object from a string, using the format supplied as argument. For the list of possible formats, see <a href="#">Altova.Types.DateTimeFormat</a>.</p> <p>An exception is raised if the string cannot be converted to a <code>DateTime</code> object.</p> <p>Note that this method is static and can only be called on the <code>Altova.Types.DateTime</code> class itself, not on an instance of the class.</p>
<pre>override string ToString()</pre>	<p>Converts the <code>DateTime</code> object to a string.</p>
<pre>string ToString(DateTimeFormat format)</pre>	<p>Converts the <code>DateTime</code> object to a string, using the format supplied as argument. For the list of possible formats, see <a href="#">Altova.Types.DateTimeFormat</a>.</p>

## Operators

Name	Description
<code>!=</code>	Determines if <code>DateTime a</code> is not equal to <code>DateTime b</code> .
<code>&lt;</code>	Determines if <code>DateTime a</code> is less than <code>DateTime b</code> .
<code>&lt;=</code>	Determines if <code>DateTime a</code> is less than or equal to <code>DateTime b</code> .
<code>==</code>	Determines if <code>DateTime a</code> is equal to <code>DateTime b</code> .
<code>&gt;</code>	Determines if <code>DateTime a</code> is greater than <code>DateTime b</code> .
<code>&gt;=</code>	Determines if <code>DateTime a</code> is greater than or equal to <code>DateTime b</code> .

## Examples

Before using the following code listings in your program, ensure the Altova types are imported:

```
using Altova.Types;
```

The following code listing illustrates various ways to create `DateTime` objects:

```
protected static void DateTimeExample1()
{
    // Create a DateTime object from the current system time
    Altova.Types.DateTime dt = new
Altova.Types.DateTime(System.DateTime.Now);
    Console.WriteLine("The current time is: " + dt.ToString());

    // Create an Altova DateTime object from parts (no timezone)
    Altova.Types.DateTime dt1 = new Altova.Types.DateTime(2015, 10,
12, 10, 50, 33);
    Console.WriteLine("My custom time is : " + dt1.ToString());

    // Create an Altova DateTime object from parts (with UTC+60
minutes timezone)
    Altova.Types.DateTime dt2 = new Altova.Types.DateTime(2015, 10,
12, 10, 50, 33, 60);
    Console.WriteLine("My custom time with timezone is : " +
dt2.ToString());

    // Create an Altova DateTime object by parsing a string
    Altova.Types.DateTime dt3 = Altova.Types.DateTime.Parse("2015-01-
01T23:23:23");
    Console.WriteLine("Time created from string: " + dt3.ToString());

    // Create an Altova DateTime object by parsing a string formatted
as schema date
    Altova.Types.DateTime dt4 = Altova.Types.DateTime.Parse("2015-01-
01", DateTimeFormat.W3_date);
    Console.WriteLine("Time created from string formatted as schema
date: " + dt4.ToString());
}
```

The following code listing illustrates various ways to format `DateTime` objects:

```
protected static void DateTimeExample2()
{
    // Create a DateTime object from the current system time
    Altova.Types.DateTime dt = new
Altova.Types.DateTime(System.DateTime.Now);

    // Output the unformatted DateTime
    Console.WriteLine("Unformatted time: " + dt.ToString());

    // Output this DateTime formatted using various formats
    Console.WriteLine("S_DateTime: " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.S_DateTime));
    Console.WriteLine("S_Days: " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.S_Days));
    Console.WriteLine("S_Seconds: " +
```

```

dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.S_Seconds);
    Console.WriteLine("W3_date:           " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.W3_date));
    Console.WriteLine("W3_dateTime:        " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.W3_dateTime));
    Console.WriteLine("W3_gDay:           " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.W3_gDay));
    Console.WriteLine("W3_gMonth:         " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.W3_gMonth));
    Console.WriteLine("W3_gMonthDay:       " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.W3_gMonthDay));
    Console.WriteLine("W3_gYear:          " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.W3_gYear));
    Console.WriteLine("W3_gYearMonth:      " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.W3_gYearMonth));
    Console.WriteLine("W3_time:           " +
dt.ToString(DateTimeFormat.W3_time));
}

```

## Altova.Types.Duration

The `Altova.Types.Duration` class exposes the following public members.

### Constructors

Name	Description
<code>Duration(Duration obj)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to the <code>Duration</code> object supplied as argument.
<code>Duration(System.TimeSpan newvalue)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to the <code>System.TimeSpan</code> object supplied as argument.
<code>Duration(long ticks)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to the number of ticks supplied as argument.
<code>Duration(int newyears, int newmonths, int days, int hours, int minutes, int seconds, double partseconds, bool bnegative)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to a duration built from parts supplied as arguments.

### Properties

Name	Description
<code>int Months</code>	Gets or sets the number of months of the current instance of

Name	Description
	<code>Duration</code> .
<code>System.TimeSpan Value</code>	Gets or sets the value (as <code>System.TimeSpan</code> ) of the current instance of <code>Duration</code> .
<code>int Years</code>	Gets or sets the number of years of the current instance of <code>Duration</code> .

## Methods

Name	Description
<code>override bool Equals(object other)</code>	Returns <b>true</b> if the specified object is equal to the current object; <b>false</b> otherwise.
<code>override int GetHashCode()</code>	Returns the hash code of the current instance.
<code>bool IsNegative()</code>	Returns <b>true</b> if the current instance of <code>Duration</code> represents a negative duration.
<code>static Duration Parse( string s, ParseType pt )</code>	<p>Returns an <code>Altova.Types.Duration</code> object parsed from the string supplied as argument, using the parse type supplied as argument. Valid parse type values:</p> <p><b>DURATIO N</b> Parse duration assuming that year, month, day, as well as time duration parts exist.</p> <p><b>YEARMO NTH</b> Parse duration assuming that only year and month parts exist.</p> <p><b>DAYTIME</b> Parse duration assuming that only the day and time parts exist.</p> <p>Note that this method is static and can only be called on the class itself, not on an instance of the class.</p>
<code>override string ToString()</code>	Converts the current <code>Duration</code> instance to string. For example, a time span of 3 hours, 4 minutes, and 5 seconds would be converted to "PT3H4M5S".
<code>string ToYearMonthString()</code>	Converts the current <code>Duration</code> instance to string, using the "Year and Month" parse type.

## Operators

Name	Description
<code>!=</code>	Determines if <code>Duration a</code> is not equal to <code>Duration b</code> .

Name	Description
==	Determines if <code>Duration a</code> is equal to <code>Duration b</code> .

## Examples

Before using the following code listings in your program, ensure the `Altova.Types` are imported:

```
using Altova.Types;
```

The following code listing illustrates various ways to create `Duration` objects:

```
protected static void DurationExample1()
{
    // Create a new time span of 3 hours, 4 minutes, and 5 seconds
    System.TimeSpan ts = new TimeSpan(3, 4, 5);
    // Create a Duration from the time span
    Duration dr = new Duration(ts);
    // The output is: PT3H4M5S
    Console.WriteLine("Duration created from TimeSpan: " +
dr.ToString());

    // Create a negative Altova.Types.Duration from 6 years, 5
    months, 4 days, 3 hours,
    // 2 minutes, 1 second, and .33 of a second
    Duration dr1 = new Duration(6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, .33, true);
    // The output is: -P6Y5M4DT3H2M1.33S
    Console.WriteLine("Duration created from parts: " +
dr1.ToString());

    // Create a Duration from a string using the DAYTIME parse type
    Duration dr2 = Altova.Types.Duration.Parse("-P4DT3H2M1S",
Duration.ParseType.DAYTIME);
    // The output is -P4DT3H2M1S
    Console.WriteLine("Duration created from string: " +
dr2.ToString());

    // Create a duration from ticks
    Duration dr3 = new Duration(System.DateTime.UtcNow.Ticks);
    // Output the result
    Console.WriteLine("Duration created from ticks: " +
dr3.ToString());
}
```

The following code listing illustrates getting values from `Duration` objects:

```
protected static void DurationExample2()
{
    // Create a negative Altova.Types.Duration from 6 years, 5
    months, 4 days, 3 hours,
    // 2 minutes, 1 second, and .33 of a second
    Duration dr = new Duration(6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, .33, true);
```

```

// The output is: -P6Y5M4DT3H2M1.33S
Console.WriteLine("The complete duration is: " + dr.ToString());

// Get only the year and month part as string
string dr1 = dr.ToYearMonthString();
Console.WriteLine("The YEARMONTH part is: " + dr1);

// Get the number of years in duration
Console.WriteLine("Years: " + dr.Years);

// Get the number of months in duration
Console.WriteLine("Months: " + dr.Months);
}

```

### Altova.Types.DateTimeFormat

The `DateTimeFormat` enum type has the following constant values:

Value	Description	Example
<b>S_DateTime</b>	Formats the value as standard dateTime, with a precision of a ten-millionth of a second, including timezone.	2015-11-12 12:19:03.9019132+01:00
<b>S_Days</b>	Formats the value as number of days elapsed since the UNIX epoch.	735913.6318973451087962962963
<b>S_Seconds</b>	Formats the value as number of seconds elapsed since the UNIX epoch, with a precision of a ten-millionth of a second.	63582937678.0769062
<b>W3_date</b>	Formats the value as schema date.	2015-11-12
<b>W3_dateTime</b>	Formats the value as schema dateTime.	2015-11-12T15:12:14.5194251
<b>W3_gDay</b>	Formats the value as schema gDay.	---12 (assuming that the date is 12th of the month)
<b>W3_gMonth</b>	Formats the value as schema gMonth.	--11 (assuming that the month is November)
<b>W3_gMonthDay</b>	Formats the value as schema gMonthDay.	--11-12 (assuming that the date is 12th of November)

Value	Description	Example
<b>W3_gYear</b>	Formats the value as schema gYear.	2015 (assuming that the year is 2015)
<b>W3_gYearMonth</b>	Formats the value as schema gYearMonth.	2015-11 (assuming that the year is 2015 and the month is November)
<b>W3_time</b>	Formats the value as schema time, with a precision of a ten-millionth of a second.	15:19:07.5582719

## 22.5.2 C++

This section includes description of Altova `DateTime` and `Duration` classes applicable to C++.

### `altova::DateTime`

The `Altova::DateTime` class exposes the following public members.

#### Constructors

Name	Description
<code>DateTime()</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to 12:00:00 midnight, January 1, 0001.
<code>DateTime(__int64 value, short timezone)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class. The <code>value</code> parameter represents the number of ticks (100-nanosecond intervals) that have elapsed since 12:00:00 midnight, January 1, 0001.
<code>DateTime(int year, unsigned char month, unsigned char day, unsigned char hour, unsigned char minute, double second)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the year, month, day, hour, minute, and second supplied as argument.
<code>DateTime(int year, unsigned char month, unsigned char day, unsigned char hour, unsigned char minute, double second, short timezone)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the year, month, day, hour, minute, second and timezone supplied as argument. The timezone is expressed in minutes and can be positive or negative. For example, the timezone "UTC-01:00" is expressed as "-60".

## Methods

Name	Description
<code>unsigned char</code> Day() <code>const</code>	Returns the day of month of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. The return values range from 1 through 31.
<code>int</code> DayOfYear() <code>const</code>	Returns the day of year of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. The return values range from 1 through 366.
<code>bool</code> HasTimezone() <code>const</code>	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the current <code>DateTime</code> object has a timezone defined; <b>false</b> otherwise.
<code>unsigned char</code> Hour() <code>const</code>	Returns the hour of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. The return values range from 0 through 23.
<code>static bool</code> IsLeapYear( <code>int</code> year)	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the year of the <code>DateTime</code> class is a leap year; <b>false</b> otherwise.
<code>unsigned char</code> Minute() <code>const</code>	Returns the minute of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. The return values range from 0 through 59.
<code>unsigned char</code> Month() <code>const</code>	Returns the month of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. The return values range from 1 through 12.
<code>__int64</code> NormalizedValue() <code>const</code>	Returns the value of the <code>DateTime</code> object expressed as the Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).
<code>double</code> Second() <code>const</code>	Returns the second of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. The return values range from 0 through 59.
<code>void</code> SetTimezone( <code>short</code> tz)	Sets the timezone of the current <code>DateTime</code> object to the timezone value supplied as argument. The <b>tz</b> argument is expressed in minutes and can be positive or negative.
<code>short</code> Timezone() <code>const</code>	Returns the timezone, in minutes, of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. Before using this method, make sure that the object actually has a timezone, by calling the <code>HasTimezone()</code> method.
<code>__int64</code> Value() <code>const</code>	Returns the value of the <code>DateTime</code> object, expressed in the number of ticks (100-nanosecond intervals) that have elapsed since 12:00:00 midnight, January 1, 0001.
<code>int</code> Weekday() <code>const</code>	Returns the day of week of the current <code>DateTime</code> object, as an integer. Values range from 0 through 6, where 0 is Monday (ISO-8601).
<code>int</code> Weeknumber() <code>const</code>	Returns the number of week in the year of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. The return values are according to ISO-8601.
<code>int</code> WeekOfMonth() <code>const</code>	Returns the number of week in the month of the current <code>DateTime</code> object. The return values are

Name	Description
	according to ISO-8601.
<code>int Year() const</code>	Returns the year of the current <code>DateTime</code> object.

### Example

```

void Example()
{
    // initialize a new DateTime instance to 12:00:00 midnight,
    // January 1st, 0001
    altova::DateTime dt1 = altova::DateTime();

    // initialize a new DateTime instance using the year, month, day,
    // hour, minute, and second
    altova::DateTime dt2 = altova::DateTime(2015, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7);

    // initialize a new DateTime instance using the year, month, day,
    // hour, minute, second, and UTC +01:00 timezone
    altova::DateTime dt = altova::DateTime(2015, 11, 22, 13, 53, 7,
    60);

    // Get the value of this DateTime object
    std::cout << "The number of ticks of the DateTime object is: " <<
    dt.Value() << std::endl;

    // Get the year
    cout << "The year is: " << dt.Year() << endl;
    // Get the month
    cout << "The month is: " << (int)dt.Month() << endl;
    // Get the day of the month
    cout << "The day of the month is: " << (int) dt.Day() << endl;
    // Get the day of the year
    cout << "The day of the year is: " << dt.DayOfYear() << endl;
    // Get the hour
    cout << "The hour is: " << (int) dt.Hour() << endl;
    // Get the minute
    cout << "The minute is: " << (int) dt.Minute() << endl;
    // Get the second
    cout << "The second is: " << dt.Second() << endl;
    // Get the weekday
    cout << "The weekday is: " << dt.Weekday() << endl;
    // Get the week number
    cout << "The week of year is: " << dt.Weeknumber() << endl;
    // Get the week in month
    cout << "The week of month is: " << dt.WeekOfMonth() << endl;

    // Check whether a DateTime instance has a timezone
    if (dt.HasTimezone() == TRUE)
    {
        // output the value of the Timezone
    }
}

```

```

        cout << "The timezone is: " << dt.Timezone() << endl;
    }
    else
    {
        cout << "No timezone has been defined." << endl;
    }

    // Construct a DateTime object with a timezone UTC+01:00 (Vienna)
    altova::DateTime vienna_dt = DateTime(2015, 11, 23, 14, 30, 59,
+60);
    // Output the result in readable format
    cout << "The Vienna time: "
        << (int) vienna_dt.Month()
        << "-" << (int) vienna_dt.Day()
        << " " << (int) vienna_dt.Hour()
        << ":" << (int) vienna_dt.Minute()
        << ":" << (int) vienna_dt.Second()
        << endl;

    // Convert the value to UTC time
    DateTime utc_dt = DateTime(vienna_dt.NormalizedValue());
    // Output the result in readable format
    cout << "The UTC time:  "
        << (int) utc_dt.Month()
        << "-" << (int) utc_dt.Day()
        << " " << (int) utc_dt.Hour()
        << ":" << (int) utc_dt.Minute()
        << ":" << (int) utc_dt.Second()
        << endl;

    // Check if a year is a leap year
    int year = 2016;
    if( altova::DateTime::IsLeapYear(year) )
    { cout << year << " is a leap year" << endl; }
    else
    { cout << year << " is not a leap year" << endl; }
}

```

## altova::Duration

The `altova::Duration` class exposes the following public members.

### Constructors

Name	Description
<code>Duration()</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to an empty value.
<code>Duration(const DayTimeDuration&amp; dt)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to a duration defined by the <code>dt</code> argument (see <a href="#">altova::DayTimeDuration</a> ).

Name	Description
<code>Duration(const YearMonthDuration&amp; ym)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to the duration defined by the <code>ym</code> argument (see <a href="#">altova::YearMonthDuration</a> ).
<code>Duration(const YearMonthDuration&amp; ym, const DayTimeDuration&amp; dt)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to the duration defined by both the <code>dt</code> and the <code>ym</code> arguments (see <a href="#">altova::YearMonthDuration</a> and <a href="#">altova::DayTimeDuration</a> ).

## Methods

Name	Description
<code>int Days() const</code>	Returns the number of days in the current <code>Duration</code> instance.
<code>DayTimeDuration DayTime() const</code>	Returns the day and time duration in the current <code>Duration</code> instance, expressed as a <code>DayTimeDuration</code> object (see <a href="#">altova::DayTimeDuration</a> ).
<code>int Hours() const</code>	Returns the number of hours in the current <code>Duration</code> instance.
<code>bool IsNegative() const</code>	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the current <code>Duration</code> instance is negative.
<code>bool IsPositive() const</code>	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the current <code>Duration</code> instance is positive.
<code>int Minutes() const</code>	Returns the number of minutes in the current <code>Duration</code> instance.
<code>int Months() const</code>	Returns the number of months in the current <code>Duration</code> instance.
<code>double Seconds() const</code>	Returns the number of seconds in the current <code>Duration</code> instance.
<code>YearMonthDuration YearMonth() const</code>	Returns the year and month duration in the current <code>Duration</code> instance, expressed as a <code>YearMonthDuration</code> object (see <a href="#">altova::YearMonthDuration</a> ).
<code>int Years() const</code>	Returns the number of years in the current <code>Duration</code> instance.

## Example

The following code listing illustrates creating a new `Duration` object, as well as reading values from it.

```

void ExampleDuration()
{
    // Create an empty Duration object
    altova::Duration empty_duration = altova::Duration();

    // Create a Duration object using an existing duration value
    altova::Duration duration1 = altova::Duration(empty_duration);

    // Create a YearMonth duration of six years and five months
    altova::YearMonthDuration yrduration =
altova::YearMonthDuration(6, 5);

    // Create a DayTime duration of four days, three hours, two
minutes, and one second
    altova::DayTimeDuration dtduration = altova::DayTimeDuration(4,
3, 2, 1);

    // Create a Duration object by combining the two previously
created durations
    altova::Duration duration = altova::Duration(yrduration,
dtduration);

    // Get the number of years in this Duration instance
    cout << "Years: " << duration.Years() << endl;

    // Get the number of months in this Duration instance
    cout << "Months: " << duration.Months() << endl;

    // Get the number of days in this Duration instance
    cout << "Days: " << duration.Days() << endl;

    // Get the number of hours in this Duration instance
    cout << "Hours: " << duration.Hours() << endl;

    // Get the number of hours in this Duration instance
    cout << "Minutes: " << duration.Minutes() << endl;

    // Get the number of seconds in this Duration instance
    cout << "Seconds: " << duration.Seconds() << endl;
}

```

### altova::DayTimeDuration

The `altova::DayTimeDuration` class exposes the following public members.

#### Constructors

Name	Description
<code>DayTimeDuration()</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DayTimeDuration</code> class to an empty value.

Name	Description
<code>DayTimeDuration(int days, int hours, int minutes, double seconds)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DayTimeDuration</code> class to the number of days, hours, minutes, and seconds supplied as arguments.
<code>explicit DayTimeDuration(__int64 value)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DayTimeDuration</code> class to a duration that consists of as many ticks (100-nanosecond intervals) as supplied in the <b>value</b> argument.

## Methods

Name	Description
<code>int Days() const</code>	Returns the number of days in the current <code>DayTimeDuration</code> instance.
<code>int Hours() const</code>	Returns the number of hours in the current <code>DayTimeDuration</code> instance.
<code>bool IsNegative() const</code>	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the current <code>DayTimeDuration</code> instance is negative.
<code>bool IsPositive() const</code>	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the current <code>DayTimeDuration</code> instance is positive.
<code>int Minutes() const</code>	Returns the number of minutes in the current <code>DayTimeDuration</code> instance.
<code>double Seconds() const</code>	Returns the number of seconds in the current <code>DayTimeDuration</code> instance.
<code>__int64 Value() const</code>	Returns the value (in ticks) of the current <code>DayTimeDuration</code> instance.

## `altova::YearMonthDuration`

The `altova::YearMonthDuration` class exposes the following public members.

## Constructors

Name	Description
<code>YearMonthDuration()</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>YearMonthDuration</code> class to an empty value.
<code>YearMonthDuration(int years, int months)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>YearMonthDuration</code> class to the number of years and months supplied in the <b>years</b> and <b>months</b> arguments.

Name	Description
<code>explicit</code> <code>YearMonthDuration(int value)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>YearMonthDuration</code> class to a duration that consists of as many ticks (100-nanosecond intervals) as supplied in the <b>value</b> argument.

## Methods

Name	Description
<code>bool</code> <code>IsNegative()</code> <code>const</code>	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the current <code>YearMonthDuration</code> instance is negative.
<code>bool</code> <code>IsPositive()</code> <code>const</code>	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the current <code>YearMonthDuration</code> instance is positive.
<code>int</code> <code>Months()</code> <code>const</code>	Returns the number of months in the current <code>YearMonthDuration</code> instance.
<code>int</code> <code>Value()</code> <code>const</code>	Returns the value (in ticks) of the current <code>YearMonthDuration</code> instance.
<code>int</code> <code>Years()</code>	Returns the number of years in the current <code>YearMonthDuration</code> instance.

### 22.5.3 Java

This section includes description of Altova `DateTime` and `Duration` classes applicable to Java. These classes exist in the `com.altova.types` package.

#### `com.altova.types.DateTime`

The `DateTime` class exposes the following public members.

#### Constructors

Name	Description
<code>public</code> <code>DateTime()</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to an empty value.
<code>public</code> <code>DateTime(DateTime newvalue)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the <code>DateTime</code> value supplied as argument.
<code>public</code> <code>DateTime(int newyear, int newmonth, int newday, int newhour, int newminute, int newsecond, double newpartsecond, int newoffsetTZ)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the year, month, day, hour, minute, second, the fractional part of the second, and timezone supplied as arguments. The fractional part of the second <code>newpartsecond</code> must be between 0 and 1. The timezone offset <code>newoffsetTZ</code> can be either positive or

Name	Description
<code>newoffsetTZ)</code>	negative and is expressed in minutes.
<code>public DateTime (int newyear, int newmonth, int newday, int newhour, int newminute, int newsecond, double newpartsecond)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the year, month, day, hour, minute, second, and the fractional part of a second supplied as arguments.
<code>public DateTime (int newyear, int newmonth, int newday)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the year, month, and day supplied as arguments.
<code>public DateTime (Calendar newvalue)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>DateTime</code> class to the <code>java.util.Calendar</code> value supplied as argument.

## Methods

Name	Description
<code>static DateTime now()</code>	Returns the current time as a <code>DateTime</code> object.
<code>static DateTime parse(String s)</code>	Returns a <code>DateTime</code> object parsed from the string value supplied as argument. For example, the following sample string values would be converted successfully to a <code>DateTime</code> object:  <pre>2015-11-24T12:54:47.969+01:00 2015-11-24T12:54:47 2015-11-24</pre>
<code>int getDay()</code>	Returns the day of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance.
<code>int getHour()</code>	Returns the hour of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance.
<code>int getMillisecond()</code>	Returns the millisecond of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance, as an integer value.
<code>int getMinute()</code>	Returns the minute of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance.
<code>int getMonth()</code>	Returns the month of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance.
<code>double getPartSecond()</code>	Returns the fractional part of the second of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance, as a <code>double</code> value. The return value is greater than zero and smaller than one, for example:  <pre>0.313</pre>
<code>int getSecond()</code>	Returns the second of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance.
<code>int getTimezoneOffset()</code>	Returns the timezone offset, in minutes, of the current

Name	Description
	<p><code>DateTime</code> instance. For example, the timezone "UTC-01:00" would be returned as:</p> <p>-60</p>
<code>Calendar</code> <code>getValue()</code>	Returns the current <code>DateTime</code> instance as a <code>java.util.Calendar</code> value.
<code>int</code> <code>getWeekday()</code>	Returns the day in week of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance. Values range from 0 through 6, where 0 is Monday (ISO-8601).
<code>int</code> <code>getYear()</code>	Returns the year of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance.
<code>int</code> <code>hasTimezone()</code>	Returns information about the timezone of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance. Possible return values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>0</b> A timezone offset is not defined.</li> <li><b>1</b> The timezone is UTC.</li> <li><b>2</b> A timezone offset has been defined.</li> </ul>
<code>void</code> <code>setDay( int nDay )</code>	Sets the day of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument.
<code>void</code> <code>setHasTimezone( int nHasTZ )</code>	Sets the timezone information of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument. This method can be used to strip the timezone information or set the timezone to UTC (Coordinated Universal Time). Valid values for the <code>nHasTZ</code> argument: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>0</b> Set the timezone offset to undefined.</li> <li><b>1</b> Set the timezone to UTC.</li> <li><b>2</b> If the current object has a timezone offset, leave it unchanged.</li> </ul>
<code>void</code> <code>setHour( int nHour )</code>	Sets the hour of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument.
<code>void</code> <code>setMinute( int nMinute )</code>	Sets the minute of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument.
<code>void</code> <code>setMonth( int nMonth )</code>	Sets the month of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument.
<code>void</code> <code>setPartSecond( double nPartSecond )</code>	Sets the fractional part of the second of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument.
<code>void</code> <code>setSecond( int nSecond )</code>	Sets the second of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument.

Name	Description
<b>void</b> setTimezoneOffset( <b>int</b> nOffsetTZ )	Sets the timezone offset of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument. The value <code>nOffsetTZ</code> must be an integer (positive or negative) and must be expressed in minutes.
<b>void</b> setYear( <b>int</b> nYear )	Sets the year of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance to the value supplied as argument.
String toString()	Returns the string representation of the current <code>DateTime</code> instance, for example:  2015-11-24T15:50:56.968+01:00

## Examples

Before using the following code listings in your program, ensure the Altova types are imported:

```
import com.altova.types.*;
```

The following code listing illustrates various ways to create `DateTime` objects:

```
protected static void DateTimeExample1()
{
    // Initialize a new instance of the DateTime class to the current
    time
    DateTime dt = new DateTime(DateTime.now());
    System.out.println("DateTime created from current date and time:
" + dt.toString());

    // Initialize a new instance of the DateTime class by supplying
    the parts
    DateTime dt1 = new DateTime(2015, 11, 23, 14, 30, 24, .459);
    System.out.println("DateTime from parts (no timezone): " +
dt1.toString());

    // Initialize a new instance of the DateTime class by supplying
    the parts
    DateTime dt2 = new DateTime(2015, 11, 24, 14, 30, 24, .459, -60);
    System.out.println("DateTime from parts (with negative timezone):
" + dt2.toString());

    // Initialize a new instance of the DateTime class by parsing a
    string value
    DateTime dt3 = DateTime.parse("2015-11-
24T12:54:47.969+01:00");
    System.out.println("DateTime parsed from string: " +
dt3.toString());
}
```

The following code listing illustrates getting values from `DateTime` objects:

```
protected static void DateTimeExample2()
{
    // Initialize a new instance of the DateTime class to the current
time
    DateTime dt = new DateTime(DateTime.now());

    // Output the formatted year, month, and day of this DateTime
instance
    String str1 = String.format("Year: %d; Month: %d; Day: %d;",
dt.getYear(), dt.getMonth(), dt.getDay());
    System.out.println(str1);

    // Output the formatted hour, minute, and second of this DateTime
instance
    String str2 = String.format("Hour: %d; Minute: %d; Second: %d;",
dt.getHour(), dt.getMinute(), dt.getSecond());
    System.out.println(str2);

    // Return the timezone (in minutes) of this DateTime instance
    System.out.println("Timezone: " + dt.getTimeZoneOffset());

    // Get the DateTime as a java.util.Calendar value
    java.util.Calendar dt_java = dt.getValue();
    System.out.println("" + dt_java.toString());

    // Return the day of week of this DateTime instance
    System.out.println("Weekday: " + dt.getWeekday());

    // Check whether the DateTime instance has a timezone defined
    switch(dt.hasTimeZone())
    {
        case 0:
            System.out.println("No timezone.");
            break;
        case 1:
            System.out.println("The timezone is UTC.");
            break;
        case 2:
            System.out.println("This object has a timezone.");
            break;
        default:
            System.out.println("Unable to determine whether a
timezone is defined.");
            break;
    }
}
```

The following code listing illustrates changing the timezone offset of a `DateTime` object:

```
protected static void DateTimeExample3()
{
    // Create a new DateTime object with timezone -0100 UTC
```

```

DateTime dt = new DateTime(2015, 11, 24, 14, 30, 24, .459, -60);
// Output the value before the change
System.out.println("Before: " + dt.toString());
// Change the offset to +0100 UTC
dt.setTimezoneOffset(60);
// Output the value after the change
System.out.println("After: " + dt.toString());
}

```

## com.altova.types.Duration

The `Duration` class exposes the following public members.

### Constructors

Name	Description
<code>Duration(Duration newvalue)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to the <code>Duration</code> object supplied as argument.
<code>Duration(int newyear, int newmonth, int newday, int newhour, int newminute, int newsecond, double newpartsecond, boolean newisnegative)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>Duration</code> class to a duration built from parts supplied as arguments.

### Methods

Name	Description
<code>static Duration getFromDayTime( int newday, int newhour, int newminute, int newsecond, double newpartsecond )</code>	Returns a <code>Duration</code> object created from the number of days, hours, minutes, seconds, and fractional second parts supplied as argument.
<code>static Duration getFromYearMonth( int newyear, int newmonth )</code>	Returns a <code>Duration</code> object created from the number of years and months supplied as argument.
<code>static Duration parse( String s )</code>	Returns a <code>Duration</code> object created from the string supplied as argument. For example, the string <code>-PLY1M1DT1H1M1.333S</code> can be used to create a negative duration of one year, one month, one day, one hour, one minute, one second, and 0.333 fractional parts of a second. To create a negative

Name	Description
	duration, append the minus sign ( - ) to the string.
<b>static</b> Duration parse( String s, ParseType pt )	Returns a Duration object created from the string supplied as argument, using a specific parse format. The parse format can be any of the following:  <b>ParseType.DAYTIME</b> Must be used when the string <b>s</b> consists of any of the following: days, hours, minutes, seconds, fractional second parts, for example - <a href="#">P4DT4H4M4.774S</a> .  <b>ParseType.DURATION</b> Must be used when the string <b>s</b> consists of any of the following: years, months, days, hours, minutes, seconds, fractional second parts, for example <a href="#">P1Y1M1DT1H1M1.333S</a> .  <b>ParseType.YEAR_MONTH</b> Must be used when the string <b>s</b> consists of any of the following: years, months. For example: <a href="#">P3Y2M</a> .
<b>int</b> getDay()	Returns the number of days in the current Duration instance.
<b>long</b> getDayTimeValue()	Returns the day and time value (in milliseconds) of the current Duration instance. Years and months are ignored.
<b>int</b> getHour()	Returns the number of hours in the current Duration instance.
<b>int</b> getMillisecond()	Returns the number of milliseconds in the current Duration instance.
<b>int</b> getMinute()	Returns the number of minutes in the current Duration instance.
<b>int</b> getMonth()	Returns the number of months in the current Duration instance.
<b>double</b> getPartSecond()	Returns the number of fractional second parts in the current Duration instance.
<b>int</b> getSecond()	Returns the number of seconds in the current Duration instance.
<b>int</b> getYear()	Returns the number of years in the current Duration instance.

Name	Description
<code>int</code> <code>getYearMonthValue()</code>	Returns the year and month value (in months) of the current <code>Duration</code> instance. Days, hours, seconds, and milliseconds are ignored.
<code>boolean</code> <code>isNegative()</code>	Returns Boolean <b>true</b> if the current <code>Duration</code> instance is positive.
<code>void</code> <code>setDayTimeValue(long l)</code>	Sets the duration to the number of milliseconds supplied as argument, affecting only the day and time part of the duration.
<code>void</code> <code>setNegative(boolean isnegative)</code>	Converts the current <code>Duration</code> instance to a negative duration.
<code>void</code> <code>setYearMonthValue(int l)</code>	Sets the duration to the number of months supplied as argument. Only the years and months part of the duration is affected.
<code>String</code> <code>toString()</code>	Returns the string representation of the current <code>Duration</code> instance, for example:  -P4DT4H4M4.774S
<code>String</code> <code>toYearMonthString()</code>	Returns the string representation of the YearMonth part of the current <code>Duration</code> instance, for example:  PLY2M

## Examples

Before using the following code listings in your program, ensure the Altova types are imported:

```
import com.altova.types.*;
import com.altova.types.Duration.ParseType;
```

The following code listing illustrates various ways to create `Duration` objects:

```
protected static void ExampleDuration()
{
    // Create a negative duration of 1 year, 1 month, 1 day, 1 hour,
    // 1 minute, 1 second,
    // and 0.333 fractional second parts
    Duration dr = new Duration(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, .333, true);

    // Create a duration from an existing Duration object
    Duration dr1 = new Duration(dr);

    // Create a duration of 4 days, 4 hours, 4 minutes, 4
    // seconds, .774 fractional second parts
```

```
Duration dr2 = Duration.getFromDayTime(4, 4, 4, 4, .774);

// Create a duration of 3 years and 2 months
Duration dr3 = Duration.getFromYearMonth(3, 2);

// Create a duration from a string
Duration dr4 = Duration.parse("-P4DT4H4M4.774S");

// Create a duration from a string, using specific parse formats
Duration dr5 = Duration.parse("-P1Y1M1DT1H1M1.333S",
ParseType.DURATION);
Duration dr6 = Duration.parse("P3Y2M", ParseType.YEARMONTH);
Duration dr7 = Duration.parse("-P4DT4H4M4.774S",
ParseType.DAYTIME);
}
```

The following code listing illustrates getting and setting the value of Duration objects:

```
protected static void DurationExample2()
{
    // Create a duration of 1 year, 2 month, 3 days, 4 hours, 5
    minutes, 6 seconds,
    // and 333 milliseconds
    Duration dr = new Duration(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, .333, false);
    // Output the number of days in this duration
    System.out.println(dr.getDay());

    // Create a positive duration of one year and 333 milliseconds
    Duration dr1 = new Duration(1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, .333, false);
    // Output the day and time value in milliseconds
    System.out.println(dr1.getDayTimeValue());

    // Create a positive duration of 1 year, 1 month, 1 day, 1 hour,
    1 minute, 1 second,
    // and 333 milliseconds
    Duration dr2 = new Duration(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, .333, false);
    // Output the year and month value in months
    System.out.println(dr2.getYearMonthValue());

    // Create a positive duration of 1 year and 1 month
    Duration dr3 = new Duration(1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, false);
    // Output the value
    System.out.println("The duration is now: " + dr3.toString());
    // Set the DayTime part of duration to 1000 milliseconds
    dr3.setDayTimeValue(1000);
    // Output the value
    System.out.println("The duration is now: " + dr3.toString());
    // Set the YearMonth part of duration to 1 month
    dr3.setYearMonthValue(1);
    // Output the value
    System.out.println("The duration is now: " + dr3.toString());
    // Output the year and month part of the duration
}
```

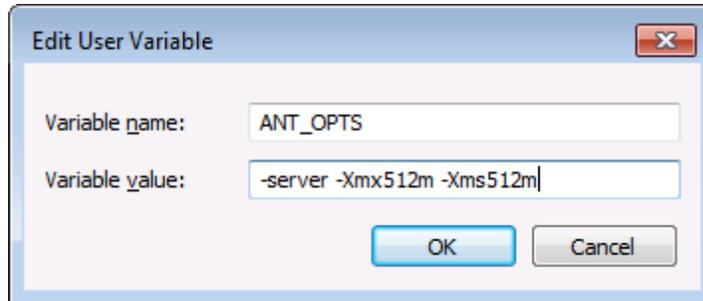
```
System.out.println("The YearMonth part of the duration is: " +  
dr3.toYearMonthString());  
}
```

## 22.6 Code generation tips

### Resolving "Out of memory" exceptions during Java compilation

Complex schemas can produce a large amount of code, which might cause a `java.lang.OutOfMemory` exception during compilation using Ant. To rectify this:

- Add the environment variable **ANT\_OPTS**, which sets specific Ant options such as the memory to be allocated to the compiler, and add values as shown below.



- To make sure that the compiler and the generated code run in the same process as Ant, change the `fork` attribute, in **build.xml**, to `false`.

You may need to customize the values depending on the amount of memory in your machine and the size of the project you are working with. For more details, see your Java VM documentation.

When running the `ant jar` command, you may get an error message similar to "[...] archive contains more than 65535 entities". To prevent this, it is recommended that you use Ant 1.9 or later, and, in the **build.xml** file, add `zip64mode="as-needed"` to the `<jar>` element.

### Reserving method names

When customizing code generation using the supplied SPL files, it might be necessary to reserve names to avoid collisions with other symbols. To do this:

1. Navigate to subdirectory corresponding to the programming language of the **spl** subdirectory of the program installation directory e.g. `C:\Program Files\Altova\XMLSpy2016\spl\java\`.
2. Open the **settings.spl** file and insert a new line into the reserve section e.g. `reserve "myReservedWord"`.
3. Regenerate the program code.

### XML Schema support

The following XML Schema constructs are translated into code:

- XML Namespaces: Mapped to namespaces in the target programming language

Simple types:

- Built-in XML Schema types: Mapped to native primitive types or classes in the Altova types library
- Derived by extension
- Derived by restriction
- Facets
- Enumerations
- Patterns

Complex types:

- Built-in anyType node
- User-defined complex types
- Derived by extension: Mapped to derived classes
- Derived by restriction
- Complex content
- Simple content
- Mixed content

## 22.7 Code generator options

The menu option **DTD/Schema | Generate Program Code** lets you specify the target programming language as well as specific code generation settings.

The available settings are as follows.

<i>C++ Settings</i>	<p>Defines the specific compiler settings for the C++ environment, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Visual Studio edition (2005, 2008, 2010)</li> <li>• Whether a makefile for Linux with GCC compiler must be generated.</li> <li>• The XML library (MSXML, Xerces 2.x, Xerces 3.x)</li> <li>• Whether static or dynamic libraries must be generated</li> <li>• Whether code must be generated with or without MFC support</li> </ul>
<i>C# Settings</i>	<p>Defines the specific compiler settings for the C# environment, namely, the Visual Studio edition (2005, 2008, 2010).</p>

## 22.8 The way to SPL (Spy Programming Language)

This section gives an overview of Spy Programming Language, the code generator's template language.

It is assumed that you have prior programming experience, and are familiar with operators, functions, variables and classes, as well as the basics of object-oriented programming - which is used heavily in SPL. You should also have detailed knowledge of XML Schema.

The templates used by XMLSpy are supplied in the ...XMLSpy\spl folder. You can use these files as an aid to help you in developing your own templates.

### How code generator works

Inputs to the code generator are the template files (.spl) and the object model provided by XMLSpy. The template files contain SPL instructions for creating files, reading information from the object model and performing calculations, interspersed with literal code fragments in the target programming language.

The template file is interpreted by the code generator and outputs **.cpp**, **.java**, **.cs** source code files, project files, or any other type of file depending on the template. The source code can then be compiled into an executable file that accesses XML data described by the schema file.

SPL files have access to a wide variety of information that is collated from the source schemas. Please note that an SPL file is not tied to a specific schema, but allows access to all schemas! Make sure you write your SPL files generically, avoid structures etc. which apply to specific schemas!

### Example: Creating a new file in SPL:

```
[create "test.cpp"]
#include "stdafx.h"
[close]
```

This is a very basic SPL file. It creates a file named **test.cpp**, and places the include statement within it. The close command completes the template.

### 22.8.1 Basic SPL structure

An SPL file contains literal text to output, interspersed with code generator instructions.

Code generator instructions are enclosed in square brackets '[' and ']'.  
Multiple statements can be included in a bracket pair. Additional statements have to be separated by a new line or a colon ':'.  
Valid examples are:

```
[$x = 42
$x = $x + 1]
```

or

```
[$x = 42: $x = $x + 1]
```

### Adding text to files

Text not enclosed by [ and ], is written directly to the current output file. If there is no current output file, the text is ignored (see [Using files](#) how to create an output file). To output literal square brackets, escape them with a backslash: \[ and \]; to output a backslash use \\.

### Comments

Comments inside an instruction block always begin with a ' character, and terminate on the next line, or at a block close character ].

## 22.8.2 Declarations

The following statements are evaluated while parsing the SPL template file. They are **not** affected by flow control statements like conditions, loops or subroutines, and are always evaluated exactly once.

These keywords, like all keywords in SPL, are not case sensitive.

Remember that all of these declarations must be inside a block delimited by square brackets.

**map** *mapname* **key to value** [, *key to value* ]...

This statement adds information to a map. See below for specific uses.

**map schemanativetype** *schematype to typespec*

The specified built-in XML Schema type will be mapped to the specified native type or class, using the specified formatter. This setting applies only to code generation for version 2007r3 and higher. Typespec is a native type or class name, followed by a comma, followed by the formatter class instance.

Example:

```
map schemanativetype "double" to "double,Altova::DoubleFormatter"
```

**map type** *schematype to classname*

The specified built-in XML Schema type will be mapped to the specified class. This setting applies only to code generation for version 2007 or lower.

Example:

```
map type "float" to "CSchemaFloat"
```

**default setting is** *value*

This statement allows you to affect how class and member names are derived from the XML Schema.

Note that the setting names are case sensitive.

Example:

```
default "InvalidCharReplacement" is "_"
```

Setting name	Explanation
ValidFirstCharSet	Allowed characters for starting an identifier

Setting name	Explanation
ValidCharSet	Allowed characters for other characters in an identifier
InvalidCharReplacement	The character that will replace all characters in names that are not in the ValidCharSet
AnonTypePrefix	Prefix for names of anonymous types*
AnonTypeSuffix	Suffix for names of anonymous types*
ClassNamePrefix	Prefix for generated class names
ClassNameSuffix	Suffix for generated class names
EnumerationPrefix	Prefix for symbolic constants declared for enumeration values
EnumerationUpperCase	"on" to convert the enumeration constant names to upper case
FallbackName	If a name consists only of characters that are not in ValidCharSet, use this one

\* Names of anonymous types are built from AnonTypePrefix + element name + AnonTypeSuffix

### **reserve** *word*

Adds the specified word to the list of reserved words. This ensures that it will never be generated as a class or member name.

Example:

```
reserve "while"
```

### **include** *filename*

Example:

```
include "Module.cpp"
```

includes the specified file as SPL source. This allows you to split your template into multiple files for easier editing and handling.

## 22.8.3 Variables

Any non-trivial SPL file will require variables. Some variables are [predefined](#) by the code generator, and new variables may be created simply by assigning values to them.

The **\$** character is used when **declaring** or **using** a variable, a variable name is always prefixed by **\$**.

Variable names are **case sensitive**.

Variables types:

- integer - also used as boolean, where 0 is false and everything else is true
- string
- object - provided by XMLSpy
- iterator - see [foreach](#) statement

Variable types are declared by first assignment:

```
[$x = 0]
x is now an integer.
```

```
[$x = "teststring"]
x is now treated as a string.
```

### Strings

String constants are always enclosed in double quotes, like in the example above. `\n` and `\t` inside double quotes are interpreted as newline and tab, `\"` is a literal double quote, and `\\` is a backslash. String constants can also span multiple lines.

String concatenation uses the `&` character:

```
[$BasePath = $outputpath & "/" & $JavaPackageDir]
```

### Objects

Objects represent the information contained in the XML schema. Objects have **properties**, which can be accessed using the `.` operator. It is not possible to create new objects in SPL (they are predefined by the code generator, derived from the input schema), but it is possible to assign objects to variables.

Example:

```
class [= $class.Name]
```

This example outputs the word "class", followed by a space and the value of the **Name** property of the `$class` object.

## 22.8.4 Predefined variables

After a Schema file is analyzed by the code generator, the objects in the table below exist in the Template Engine.

Name	Type	Description
<code>\$schematype</code>	integer	1 for DTD, 2 for XML Schema
<code>\$TheLibrary</code>	<a href="#">Library</a>	The library derived from the XML Schema or DTD
<code>\$module</code>	string	Name of the source Schema without extension
<code>\$outputpath</code>	string	The output path specified by the user, or the default output path

For **C++** generation only:

Name	Type	Description
<code>\$domtype</code>	integer	1 for MSXML, 2 for Xerces

Name	Type	Description
\$XercesVersion	integer	2 for Xerces 2.x, 3 for Xerces 3.x
\$libtype	integer	1 for static LIB, 2 for DLL
\$mfc	boolean	True if MFC support is enabled
\$vc6project	boolean	True if Visual C++ project files are to be generated
\$VS2005Project	boolean	True if Visual C++ 2005 project files are to be generated
\$VS2008Project	boolean	True if Visual C++ 2008 project files are to be generated
\$VS2010Project	boolean	True if Visual C++ 2010 project files are to be generated

For **C#** generation only:

Name	Type	Description
\$CreateVS2005Project	boolean	True if Visual Studio 2005 project files are to be generated
\$CreateVS2008Project	boolean	True if Visual Studio 2008 project files are to be generated
\$CreateVS2010Project	boolean	True if Visual Studio 2010 project files are to be generated

### 22.8.5 Creating output files

These statements are used to create output files from the code generation.

Remember that all of these statements must be inside a block delimited by square brackets.

#### **create** *filename*

creates a new file. The file has to be closed with the **close** statement. All following output is written to the specified file.

Example:

```
[create $outputpath & "/" & $JavaPackageDir & "/" & $application.Name & ".java"]
package [= $JavaPackageName];

public class [= $application.Name]Application {
    ...
}
[close]
```

#### **close**

closes the current output file.

**=*\$variable***

writes the value of the specified variable to the current output file.

Example:

```
[$x = 20+3]
```

The result of your calculation is [= \$x] - so have a nice day!

- The file output will be:

```
The result of your calculation is 23 - so have a nice day!
```

**write *string***

writes the string to the current output file.

Example:

```
[write "C" & $name]
```

This can also be written as:

```
C[=$name]
```

**filecopy *source to target***

copies the source file to the target file, without any interpretation.

Example:

```
filecopy "java/mapforce/mapforce.png" to $outputpath & "/" & $JavaPackageDir &
"/mapforce.png"
```

## 22.8.6 Operators

Operators in SPL work like in most other programming languages.

List of SPL operators in descending precedence order:

.	Access object property
( )	Expression grouping
true	boolean constant "true"
false	boolean constant "false"
&	String concatenation
-	Sign for negative number
not	Logical negation
*	Multiply
/	Divide
%	Modulo
+	Add
-	Subtract
<=	Less than or equal

<	Less than
>=	Greater than or equal
>	Greater than
=	Equal
<>	Not equal
and	Logical conjunction (with short circuit evaluation)
or	Logical disjunction (with short circuit evaluation)
=	Assignment

## 22.8.7 Conditions

SPL allows you to use standard "if" statements. The syntax is as follows:

```
if condition
    statements
else
    statements
endif
```

or, without else:

```
if condition
    statements
endif
```

Please note that there are no round brackets enclosing the condition!

As in any other programming language, conditions are constructed with logical and comparison [operators](#).

Example:

```
[if $namespace.ContainsPublicClasses and $namespace.Prefix <> ""]
    whatever you want ['inserts whatever you want, in the resulting file]
[endif]
```

### Switch

SPL also contains a multiple choice statement.

Syntax:

```
switch $variable
    case X:
        statements
    case Y:
    case Z:
        statements
    default:
        statements
endswitch
```

The case labels must be constants or variables.

The switch statement in SPL does not fall through the cases (as in C), so there is no need for a "break" statement.

## 22.8.8 Collections and foreach

### Collections and iterators

A collection contains multiple objects - like a ordinary array. Iterators solve the problem of storing and incrementing array indexes when accessing objects.

Syntax:

```
foreach iterator in collection
    statements
next
```

Example:

```
[foreach $class in $classes
    if not $class.IsInternal
        ] class [= $class.Name];
    [endif
next]
```

Example 2:

```
[foreach $i in 1 To 3
    Write "// Step " & $i & "\n"
    ` Do some work
next]
```

The first line:

**\$classes** is the [global object](#) of all generated types. It is a collection of single class objects.

**Foreach** steps through all the items in **\$classes**, and executes the code following the instruction, up to the **next** statement, for each of them.

In each iteration, **\$class** is assigned to the next class object. You simply work with the class object instead of using, `classes[i]->Name()`, as you would in C++.

All collection iterators have the following additional properties:

Index	The current index, starting with 0
IsFirst	true if the current object is the first of the collection (index is 0)
IsLast	true if the current object is the last of the collection
Current	The current object (this is implicit if not specified and can be left out)

Example:

```
[foreach $enum in $facet.Enumeration
    if not $enum.IsFirst
        ], [
    endif
] "[=$enum.Value]" [
next]
```

## 22.8.9 Subroutines

Code generator supports subroutines in the form of procedures or functions.

Features:

- By-value and by-reference passing of values
- Local/global parameters (local within subroutines)
- Local variables
- Recursive invocation (subroutines may call themselves)

### Subroutine declaration

#### Subroutines

Syntax example:

```
Sub SimpleSub()  
... lines of code  
EndSub
```

- **Sub** is the keyword that denotes the procedure.
- **SimpleSub** is the name assigned to the subroutine.
- Round **parenthesis** can contain a parameter list.
- The code block of a subroutine starts immediately after the closing parameter parenthesis.
- **EndSub** denotes the end of the code block.

#### Please note:

Recursive or cascaded subroutine **declaration** is not permitted, i.e. a subroutine may not contain another subroutine.

#### Parameters

Parameters can also be passed by procedures using the following syntax:

- All parameters must be variables
- Variables must be prefixed by the **\$** character
- Local variables are defined in a subroutine
- Global variables are declared explicitly, outside of subroutines
- Multiple parameters are separated by the comma character **,** within round parentheses
- Parameters can pass values

#### Parameters - passing values

Parameters can be passed in two ways, by value and by reference, using the keywords **ByVal** and **ByRef** respectively.

Syntax:

```
' define sub CompleteSub()  
[Sub CompleteSub( $param, ByVal $paramByValue, ByRef $paramByRef )  
] ...
```

- **ByVal** specifies that the parameter is passed by value. Note that most objects can only

- **ByRef** specifies that the parameter is passed by reference. This is the default if neither **ByVal** nor **ByRef** is specified.

### Function return values

To return a value from a subroutine, use the **return** statement. Such a function can be called from within an expression.

Example:

```
' define a function
[Sub MakeQualifiedName( ByVal $namespacePrefix, ByVal $localName )
if $namespacePrefix = ""
    return $localName
else
    return $namespacePrefix & ":" & $localName
endif
EndSub
]
```

### Subroutine invocation

Use **call** to invoke a subroutine, followed by the procedure name and parameters, if any.

```
Call SimpleSub()
```

or,

```
Call CompleteSub( "FirstParameter", $ParamByValue, $ParamByRef )
```

### Function invocation

To invoke a function (any subroutine that contains a **return** statement), simply use its name inside an expression. Do not use the **call** statement to call functions.

Example:

```
$QName = MakeQualifiedName($namespace, "entry")
```

## Subroutine example

Highlighted example showing subroutine declaration and invocation.

```

A sample SPL file:
[create $outputpath & $module & "output.txt"

' define sub SimpleSub()
sub SimpleSub()
]SimpleSub() called
[endsub

' execute sub SimpleSub()
call SimpleSub()

$ParamByValue = "Original Value"
]ParamByValue = [= $ParamByValue]
[$ParamByRef = "Original Value"
]ParamByRef = [= $ParamByRef]

' define sub CompleteSub()
[sub CompleteSub( $param, byval $paramByValue, byref $paramByRef )
]CompleteSub called.
  param = [= $param]
  paramByValue = [= $paramByValue]
  paramByRef = [= $paramByRef]
  [$ParamByRef = "Local Variable"
  $paramByValue = "new value"
  $paramByRef = "new value"
  ] Set values inside sub
  [$ParamByRef = "Local Variable"
  $paramByValue = "new value"
  $paramByRef = "new value"
  ]CompleteSub finished.
[endsub

' run sub CompleteSub()
call CompleteSub( "FirstParameter", $ParamByValue, $ParamByRef )
]
ParamByValue=[= $ParamByValue]
ParamByRef=[= $ParamByRef]
[
close
]

```

### The same sample code:

```

[create $outputpath & $module & "output.txt"

' define sub SimpleSub()
Sub SimpleSub()
]SimpleSub() called
[endsub

' execute sub SimpleSub()
Call SimpleSub()

$ParamByValue = "Original Value"
]ParamByValue = [= $ParamByValue]
[$ParamByRef = "Original Value"

```

```

]ParamByRef = [= $ParamByRef]

' define sub CompleteSub()
[Sub CompleteSub( $param, ByVal $paramByValue, ByRef $paramByRef )
]CompleteSub called.
    param = [= $param]
    paramByValue = [= $paramByValue]
    paramByRef = [= $paramByRef]
[$ParamByRef = "Local Variable"
$paramByValue = "new value"
$paramByRef = "new value"
]    Set values inside Sub
[$ParamByRef = "Local Variable"
$paramByValue = "new value"
$paramByRef = "new value"
]CompleteSub finished.
[endsub

' run sub CompleteSub()
Call CompleteSub( "FirstParameter", $ParamByValue, $ParamByRef )
]
ParamByValue=[= $ParamByValue]
ParamByRef=[= $ParamByRef]
[
Close
]

```

## 22.8.10 Built in Types

The section describes the properties of the built-in types used in the [predefined variables](#) which describe the parsed schema.

### Library

This object represents the whole library generated from the XML Schema or DTD.

Property	Type	Description
SchemaNamespaces	<a href="#">Namespace</a> collection	Namespaces in this library
SchemaFilename	string	Name of the XSD or DTD file this library is derived from
SchemaType	integer	1 for DTD, 2 for XML Schema
Guid	string	A globally unique ID
CodeName	string	Generated library name (derived from schema file name)

### Namespace

One namespace object per XML Schema namespace is generated. Schema components that are not in any namespace are contained in a special namespace object with an empty

NamespaceURI.

Note that for DTD, namespaces are also derived from attributes whose names begin with "xmlns".

Property	Type	Description
CodeName	string	Name for generated code (derived from prefix)
LocalName	string	Namespace prefix
NamespaceURI	string	Namespace URI
Types	<a href="#">Type</a> collection	All types contained in this namespace
Library	<a href="#">Library</a>	Library containing this namespace

## Type

This object represents a complex or simple type. It is used to generate a class in the target language.

There is one additional type per library that represents the document, which has all possible root elements as members.

Anonymous types have an empty LocalName.

Property	Type	Description
CodeName	string	Name for generated code (derived from local name or parent declaration)
LocalName	string	Original name in the schema
Namespace	<a href="#">Namespace</a>	Namespace containing this type
Attributes	<a href="#">Member</a> collection	Attributes contained in this type*
Elements	<a href="#">Member</a> collection	Child elements contained in this type
IsSimpleType	boolean	True for simple types, false for complex types
IsDerived	boolean	True if this type is derived from another type, which is also represented by a Type object
IsDerivedByExtension	boolean	True if this type is derived by extension
IsDerivedByRestriction	boolean	True if this type is derived by restriction
IsDerivedByUnion	boolean	True if this type is derived by union
IsDerivedByList	boolean	True if this type is derived by list
BaseType	Type	The base type of this type (if IsDerived is true)
IsDocumentRootType	boolean	True if this type represents the document itself

Property	Type	Description
Library	<a href="#">Library</a>	Library containing this type
IsFinal	boolean	True if declared as final in the schema
IsMixed	boolean	True if this type can have mixed content
IsAbstract	boolean	True if this type is declared as abstract
IsGlobal	boolean	True if this type is declared globally in the schema
IsAnonymous	boolean	True if this type is declared locally in an element

For simple types only:

Property	Type	Description
IsNativeBound	boolean	True if native type binding exists
NativeBinding	<a href="#">NativeBinding</a>	Native binding for this type
Facets	<a href="#">Facets</a>	Facets of this type
Whitespace	string	Shortcut to the Whitespace facet

\* Complex types with text content (these are types with mixed content and complexType with simpleContent) have an additional unnamed attribute member that represents the text content.

## Member

This object represents an attribute or element in the XML Schema. It is used to create class members of types.

Property	Type	Description
CodeName	string	Name for generated code (derived from local name or parent declaration)
LocalName	string	Original name in the schema. Empty for the special member representing text content of complex types.
NamespaceURI	string	The namespace URI of this Element/Attribute within XML instance documents/streams.
DeclaringType	<a href="#">Type</a>	Type originally declaring the member (equal to ContainingType for non-inherited members)
ContainingType	<a href="#">Type</a>	Type where this is a member of

Property	Type	Description
DataType	<a href="#">Type</a>	Data type of this member's content
Library	<a href="#">Library</a>	Library containing this member's DataType
IsAttribute	boolean	True for attributes, false for elements
IsOptional	boolean	True if minOccurs = 0 or optional attribute
IsRequired	boolean	True if minOccurs > 0 or required attribute
IsFixed	boolean	True for fixed attributes, value is in Default property
IsDefault	boolean	True for attributes with default value, value is in Default property
IsNullible	boolean	True for nillable elements
IsUseQualified	boolean	True if NamespaceURI is not empty
MinOccurs	integer	minOccurs, as in schema. 1 for required attributes
MaxOccurs	integer	maxOccurs, as in schema. 0 for prohibited attributes, -1 for unbounded
Default	string	Default value

### NativeBinding

This object represents the binding of a simple type to a native type in the target programming language, as specified by the "schemanativetype" map.

Property	Type	Description
ValueType	string	Native type
ValueHandler	string	Formatter class instance

### Facets

This object represents all facets of a simple type. Inherited facets are merged with the explicitly declared facets. If a Length facet is in effect, MinLength and MaxLength are set to the same value.

Property	Type	Description
DeclaringType	Type	Type facets are declared on
Whitespace	string	"preserve", "collapse" or "replace"
MinLength	integer	Facet value

Property	Type	Description
MaxLength	integer	Facet value
MinInclusive	integer	Facet value
MinExclusive	integer	Facet value
MaxInclusive	integer	Facet value
MaxExclusive	integer	Facet value
TotalDigits	integer	Facet value
FractionDigits	integer	Facet value
List	Facet collection	All facets as list

### Facet

This object represents a single facet with its computed value effective for a specific type.

Property	Type	Description
LocalName	string	Facet name
NamespaceURI	string	Facet namespace
FacetType	string	one of "normalization", "lexicalspace", "valuespace-length", "valuespace-enum" or "valuespace-range"
DeclaringType	<a href="#">Type</a>	Type this facet is declared on
FacetCheckerName	string	Name of facet checker (from schemafacet map)
FacetValue	string or integer	Actual value of this facet

## 22.9 Error Codes

### Operating System Error Codes

- 201 File not found: '%s'
- 202 Cannot create file '%s'
- 203 Cannot open file '%s'
- 204 Cannot copy file '%s' to '%s'

### Syntax Error Codes

- 401 Keyword expected
- 402 '%s' expected
- 403 No output file specified
- 404 Unexpected end of file
- 405 Keyword not allowed

### Runtime Error Codes

- 501 Unknown variable '%s'
- 502 Redefinition of variable '%s'
- 503 Variable '%s' is not a container
- 504 Unknown property '%s'
- 505 Cannot convert from %s to %s
- 507 Unknown function
- 508 Function already defined
- 509 Invalid parameter
- 510 Division by zero
- 511 Unknown method
- 512 Incorrect number of parameters
- 513 Stack overflow

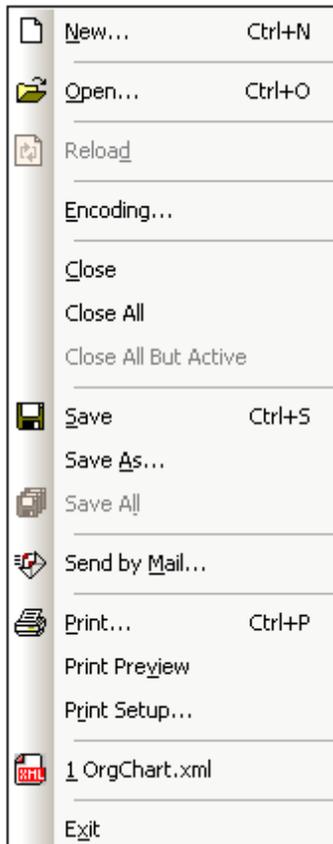
## 23 Menu Commands

The **User Reference** section contains a complete description of all XMLSpy menu commands and explains their use. We have tried to be comprehensive. If, however, you have questions which are not covered in the User Reference or other parts of this documentation, please look up the FAQs and Discussion Forums on the Altova website. If you cannot find a suitable answer at these locations, please do not hesitate to contact the [Altova Support Center](#).

Standard Windows commands, such as (**Open, Save, Cut, Copy and Paste**) are in the [File](#) and [Edit](#) menus. These menus additionally contain XML- and Internet-related commands.

## 23.1 File Menu

The **File** menu contains commands for file operations, ordered as in most Windows applications. In addition to the standard [New](#), [Open](#), [Save](#), [Print](#), [Print Setup](#), and [Exit](#) commands, XMLSpy also offers XML-specific and application-specific commands.



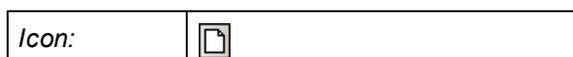
### 23.1.1 New

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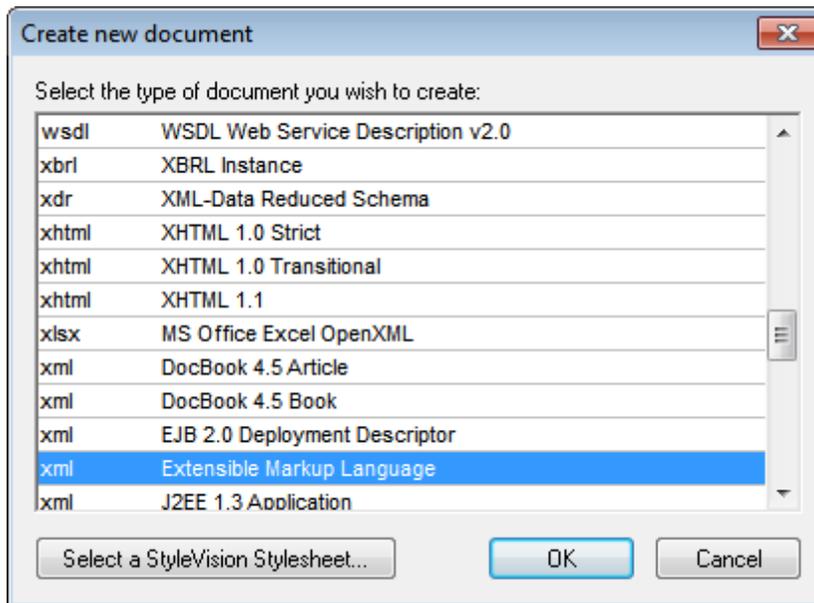
#### Icon and shortcut



Shortcut:	Ctrl+N
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### Description

The **New** command is used to create a new document. Clicking **New** opens the Create New Document dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can select the type of document you wish to create. If the document type you wish to create is not listed in the dialog, select XML and change the file extension when you save the file. Note that you can add new document types to this dialog list using the [Tools | Options | File types tab](#).

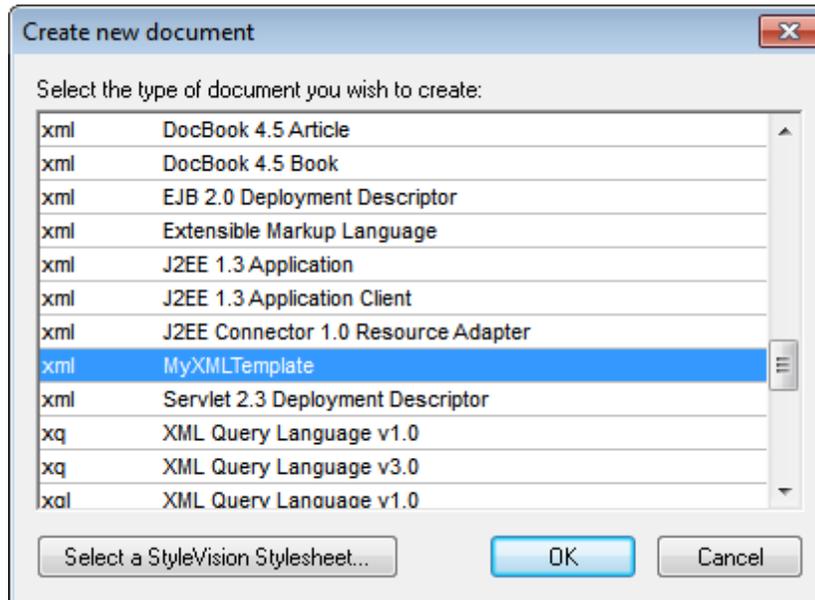


### Templates for new documents

The document-type list of the Create New Document dialog can also contain entries for user-defined document templates of any document type. These templates can be opened directly from the Create New Document dialog and edited. To create your own document template so that it appears in the list of document types in the Create New Document dialog, you first create the template document and then save it to the folder designated to contain document templates.

Create a document template as follows:

1. Open the `XMLSpy\Template` folder of the [application folder](#) using Windows Explorer or your preferred navigation tool, and select a rudimentary template file from among the files named `new.xxx` (where `.xxx` is a file extension, such as `.xml` or `.xslt`).
2. Open the file in XMLSpy, and modify the file as required. This file will be the template file.
3. After you have finished, select **File | Save as** to save the file back to the `\Template` folder with a suitable name, say `MyXMLTemplate.xml`. You now have a document template called `MyXMLTemplate`, which will appear in the list of document types in the Create New Document dialog.



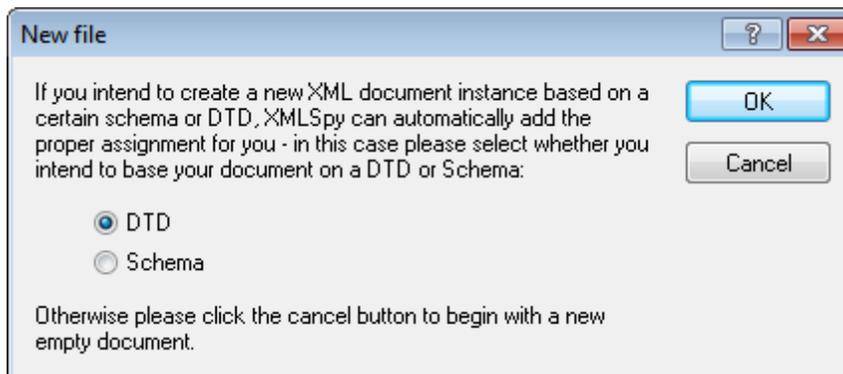
4. To open the template, select **File | New**, and then the template (`my-xml`, in this case).

To delete a document template from the list of document types, delete (or move) the template file from the template folder.

### Assigning a DTD or XML Schema to a new XML document

When you create a new document of a certain type via the Create New Document dialog, the document is automatically opened with the correct DTD or XML Schema association. For example, an XHTML file will be opened with the DTD <http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd> associated with it. And an XML Schema (`.xsd`) file is associated with the <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema> schema document.

If you are creating a new document for which the schema is not known (for example, an XML file), then you are prompted to associate a schema (DTD or XML Schema) to the new document (*screenshot below*).

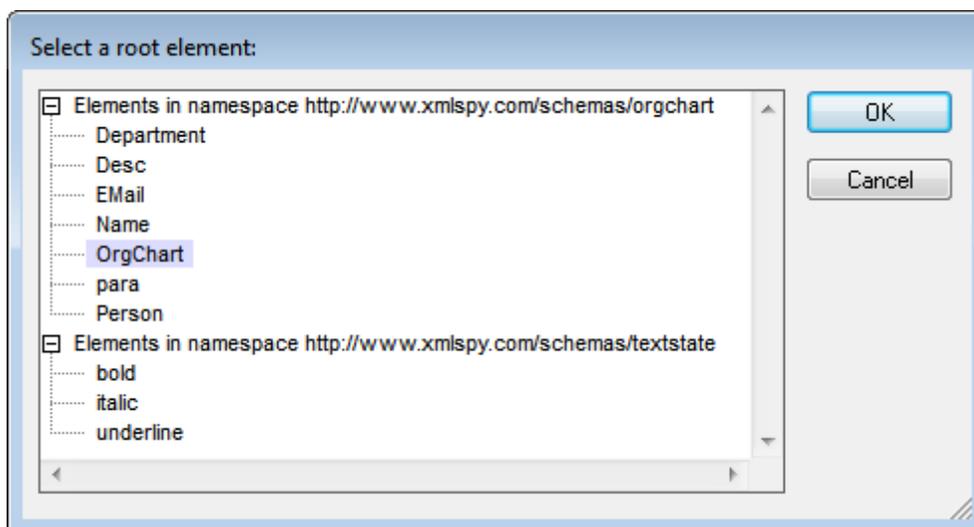


If, in the dialog, you select DTD or XML Schema and click **OK**, you can browse for the schema you want. Clicking **Cancel** creates a new file that is not associated with any schema.

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### Specifying the root element of a new XML document

If an XML Schema is selected as the associated schema of an XML document and if this schema has more than one global element, each of these is a potential root element. In this case, the Select a Root Element dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up, in which you can select which global element is to be the root element of the XML document. In the screenshot below, the `OrgChart` global element is selected.

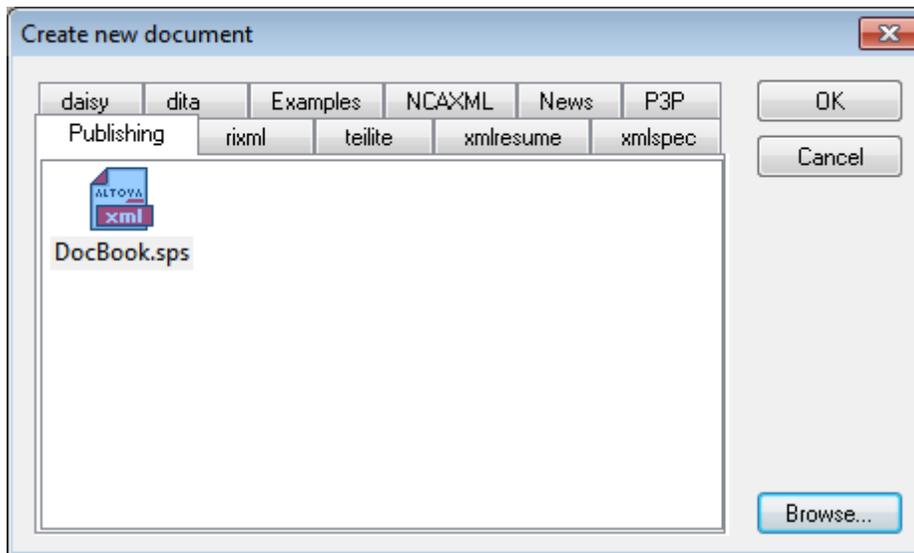


Clicking **OK** now will create a new XML document with this element (`OrgChart`) as its root element.

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### Assigning an SPS to a new XML document

When a new XML document is created, you can associate a StyleVision Power Stylesheet (`.sps` file) to view the document in Authentic View. In the Create New Document dialog (*see first screenshot in this section*), when you click the **Select StyleVision Stylesheet**, the Create New Document dialog (*shown below*) appears.



You can browse for the required SPS in the folder tabs, or you can click the **Browse** button to navigate for and select the SPS.

### Creating new XBRL taxonomies with the XBRL Taxonomy Wizard

In the Create a New Document dialog, if XBRL Taxonomy Schema (.xsd) is selected, then a wizard guides you through the steps for creating a new XBRL taxonomy. This wizard is described in the [XBRL section](#) of the documentation.

## 23.1.2 Open

### Icon and shortcut

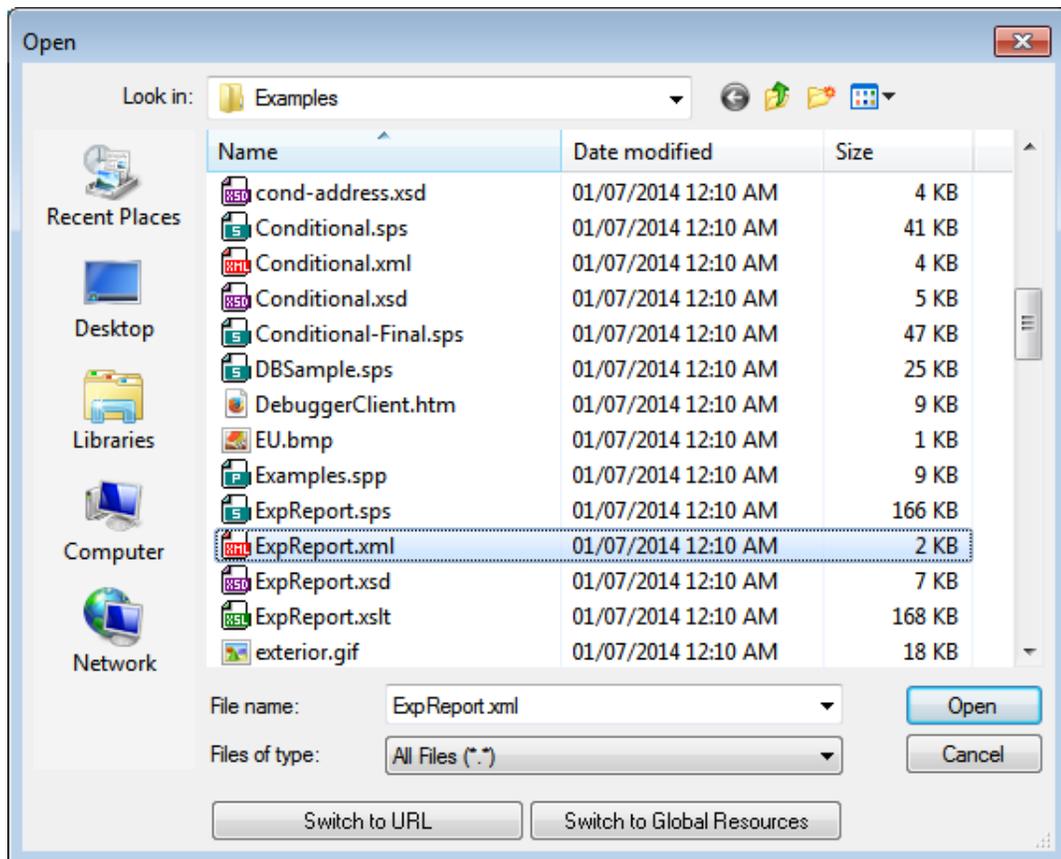
<i>Icon:</i>	
<i>Shortcut:</i>	<b>Ctrl+O</b>

### Description

The **Open** command pops up the familiar Windows Open dialog, and allows you to open any XML-related document or text document. In the Open dialog, you can select more than one file to open. Use the Files of Type combo box to restrict the kind of files displayed in the dialog box. (The list of available file types can be configured in the File Types tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options](#))). When an XML file is opened, it is checked for well-formedness. If the file is not well-formed, you will get a file-not-well-formed error. Fix the error and select the menu command [XML | Check Well-Formedness \(F7\)](#) to recheck. If you have opted for automatic [validation upon opening](#) and the file is invalid, you will get an error message. Fix the error and select the menu command [XML | Validate XML \(F8\)](#) to revalidate.

### ▼ Selecting and saving files via URLs and Global Resources

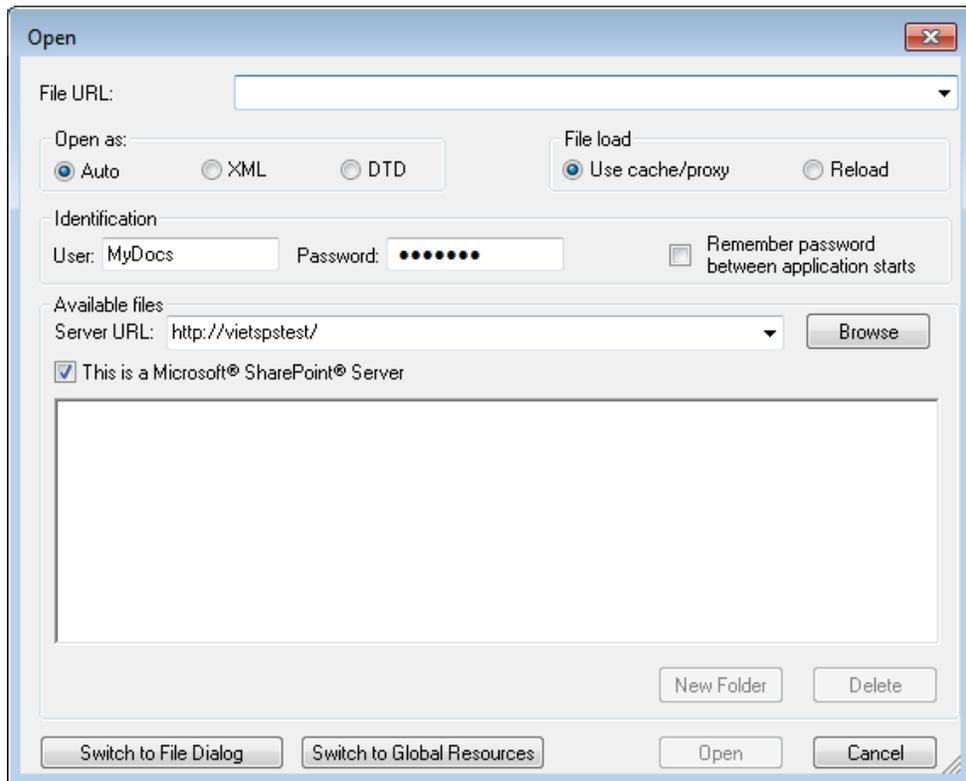
In several File Open and File Save dialogs, you can choose to select the required file or save a file via a URL or a global resource (see *screenshot below*). Click **Switch to URL** or **Switch to Global Resource** to go to one of these selection processes.



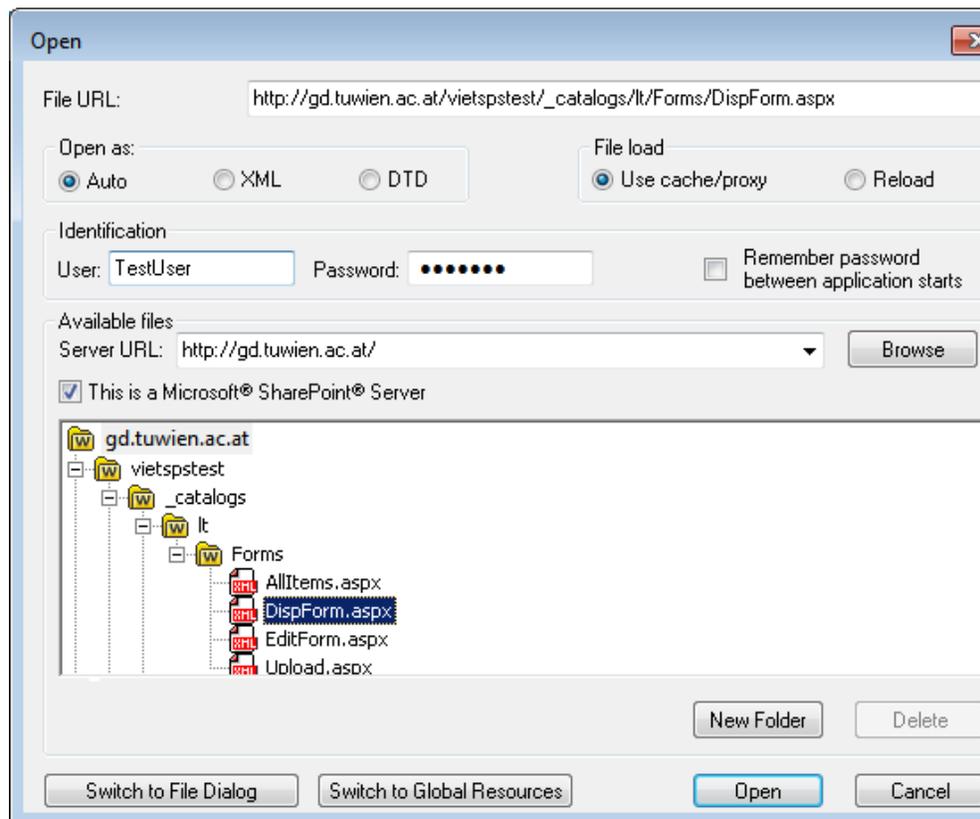
### Selecting files via URLs

To select a file via a URL (either for opening or saving), do the following:

1. Click the **Switch to URL** command. This switches to the URL mode of the Open or Save dialog (*the screenshot below shows the Open dialog*).



2. Enter the URL you want to access in the *Server URL* field (screenshot above). If the server is a Microsoft® SharePoint® Server, check the *Microsoft® SharePoint® Server* check box. See the Microsoft® SharePoint® Server Notes below for further information about working with files on this type of server.
3. If the server is password protected, enter your User-ID and password in the *User* and *Password* fields.
4. Click **Browse** to view and navigate the directory structure of the server.
5. In the folder tree, browse for the file you want to load and click it.



The file URL appears in the File URL field (see screenshot above). The **Open** or **Save** button only becomes active at this point.

6. Click **Open** to load the file or **Save** to save it.

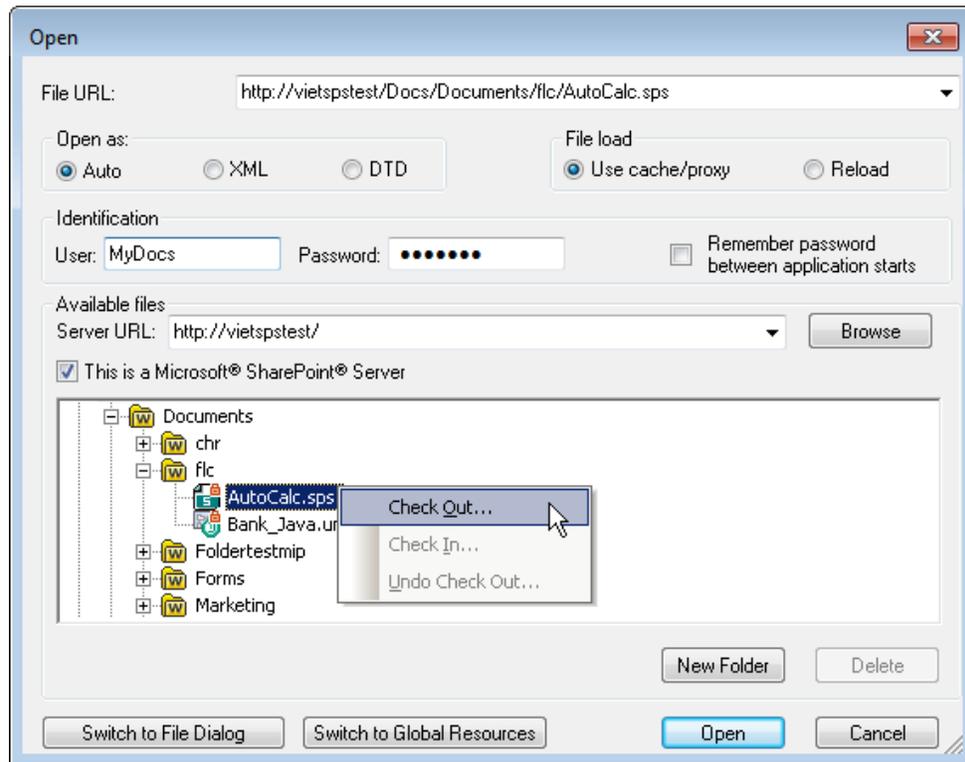
Note the following:

- The Browse function is only available on servers which support WebDAV and on Microsoft SharePoint Servers. The supported protocols are FTP, HTTP, and HTTPS.
- To give you more control over the loading process when opening a file, you can choose to load the file through the local cache or a proxy server (which considerably speeds up the process if the file has been loaded before). Alternatively, you may want to reload the file if you are working, say, with an electronic publishing or database system; select the **Reload** option in this case

▼ **Microsoft® SharePoint® Server Notes**

Note the following points about files on Microsoft® SharePoint® Servers:

- In the directory structure that appears in the Available Files pane (screenshot below), file icons have symbols that indicate the check-in/check-out status of files.



Right-clicking a file pops up a context menu containing commands available for that file (*screenshot above*).

- The various file icons are shown below:

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

- After you check out a file, you can edit it in your Altova application and save it using **File | Save (Ctrl+S)**.
- You can check-in the edited file via the context menu in the Open URL dialog (*see screenshot above*), or via the context menu that pops up when you right-click the file tab in the Main Window of your application (*screenshot below*).



- When a file is checked out by another user, it is not available for check out.
- When a file is checked out locally by you, you can undo the check-out with the Undo Check-Out command in the context menu. This has the effect of returning the file unchanged to the server.
- If you check out a file in one Altova application, you cannot check it out in another Altova application. The file is considered to be already checked out to you. The available commands at this point in any Altova application supporting Microsoft® SharePoint® Server will be: **Check In** and **Undo Check Out**.

### ▼ Opening and saving files via Global Resources

To open or save a file via a global resources, click **Switch to Global Resource**. This pops up a dialog in which you can select the global resource. These dialogs are described in the section, [Using Global Resources](#). For a general description of Global Resources, see the [Global Resources](#) section in this documentation.

## 23.1.3 Reload

### Icon

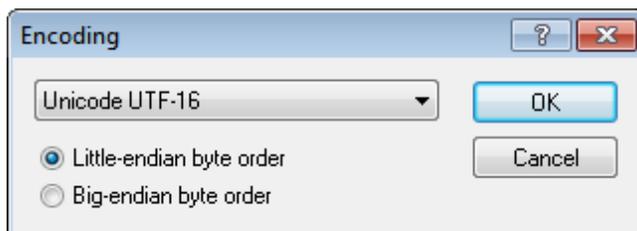


### Description

Reloads any open documents that have modified outside XMLSpy. If one or more documents is modified outside XMLSpy, a prompt appears asking whether you wish to reload the modified document/s. If you choose to reload, then any changes you may have made to the file since the last time it was saved will be lost.

## 23.1.4 Encoding

The **Encoding** command lets you: (i) view the current encoding of the active document (XML or non-XML), and (ii) select a different encoding with which the active document will be saved the next time.



In XML documents, if you select a different encoding than the one currently in use, the encoding attribute in the XML declaration will be modified accordingly. For two-byte and four-byte character encodings (UTF-16, UCS-2, and UCS-4) you can also specify the byte-order to be used for the file. Another way to change the encoding of an XML document is to directly edit the encoding attribute of the document's XML declaration. Default encodings for existing and new XML and non-XML documents can be set in the [Encoding tab of the Options dialog](#).

**Note:** When saving a document, XMLSpy automatically checks the encoding specification and enables you to select the required encoding via the Encoding dialog. If your document contains characters that cannot be represented in the selected encoding and you attempt

to save the file, you will get a warning message to this effect.

### 23.1.5 Close, Close All, Close All But Active

#### Close

The **Close** command closes the active document window. If the file was modified (indicated by an asterisk \* after the file name in the title bar), you will be asked if you wish to save the file first.

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#### Close All

The **Close All** command closes all open document windows. If any document has been modified (indicated by an asterisk \* after the file name in the title bar), you will be asked if you wish to save the file first.

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#### Close All But Active

The **Close All But Active** command closes all open document windows except the active document window. If any document has been modified (indicated by an asterisk \* after the file name in the title bar), you will be asked if you wish to save the file first.

### 23.1.6 Save, Save As, Save All

#### Icons and shortcuts

<i>Command</i>	<i>Icon</i>	<i>Shortcut</i>
<b>Save</b>		<b>Ctrl+S</b>
<b>Save All</b>		

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#### Save

The **Save** command (**Ctrl+S**) saves the contents of the active document to the file from which it has been opened. When saving a document, the file is automatically [checked for well-formedness](#). The file will also be validated automatically if this option has been set in the File tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options](#)). The XML declaration is also checked for the [encoding](#) specification, and this encoding is applied to the document when the file is saved.

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#### Save As

The **Save As** command pops up the familiar Windows Save As dialog box, in which you enter the

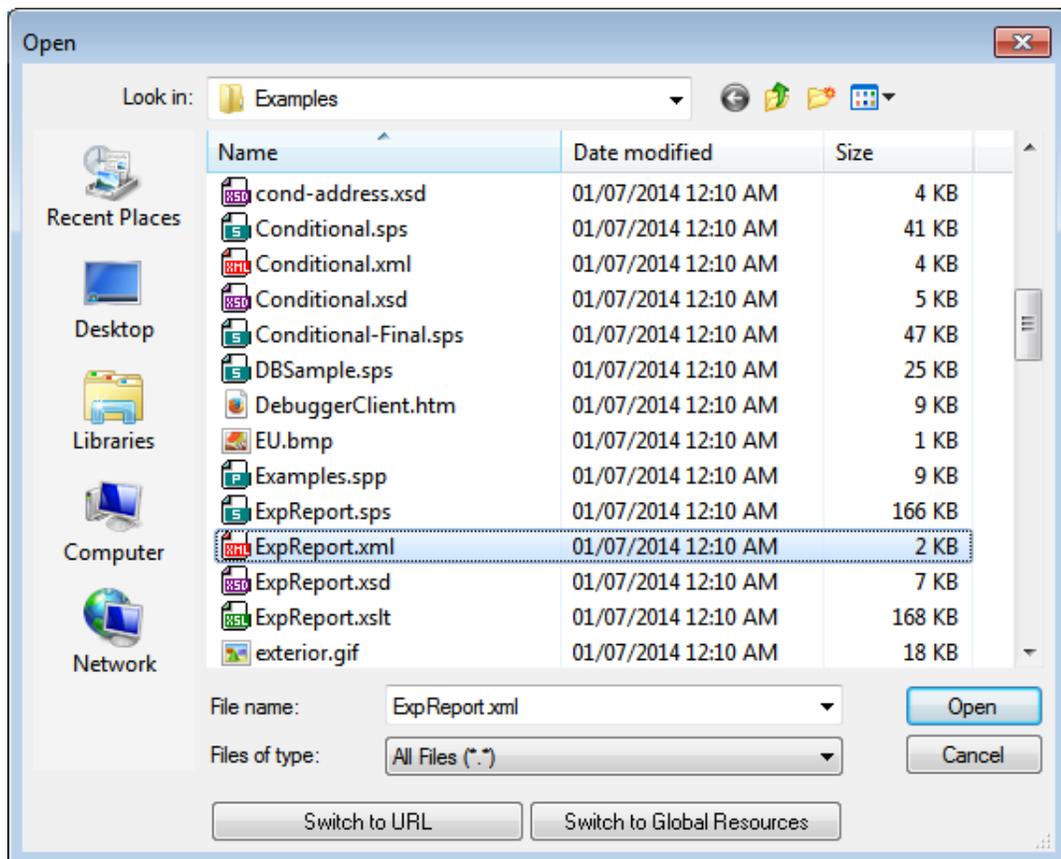
name and location of the file you wish to save the active file as. The same checks and validations occur as for the **Save** command.

### Save All

The **Save All** command saves all modifications that have been made to any open documents. The command is useful if you edit multiple documents simultaneously. If a document has not been saved before (for example, after being newly created), the Save As dialog box is presented for that document.

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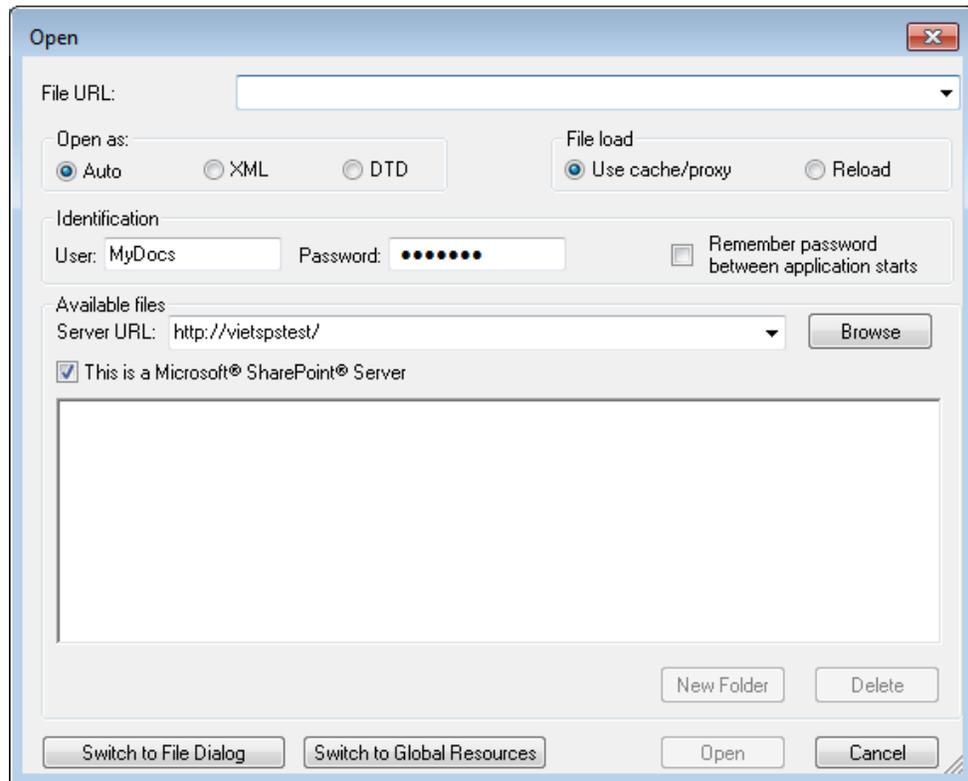
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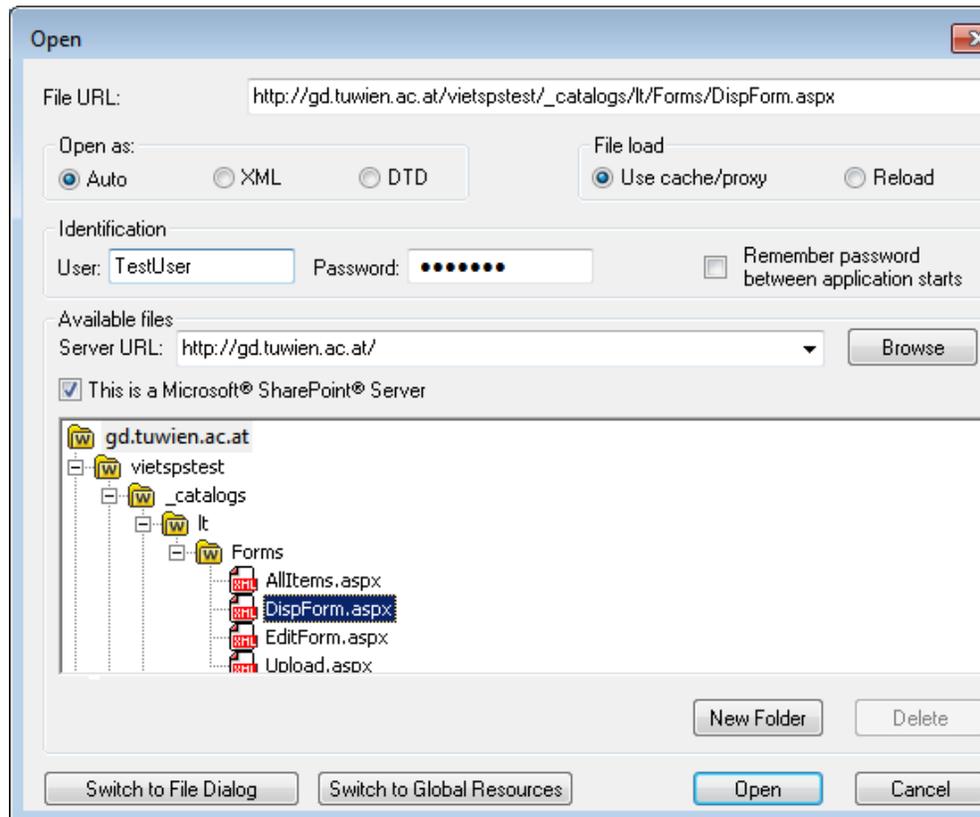
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6. Click **Open** to load the file or **Save** to save it.

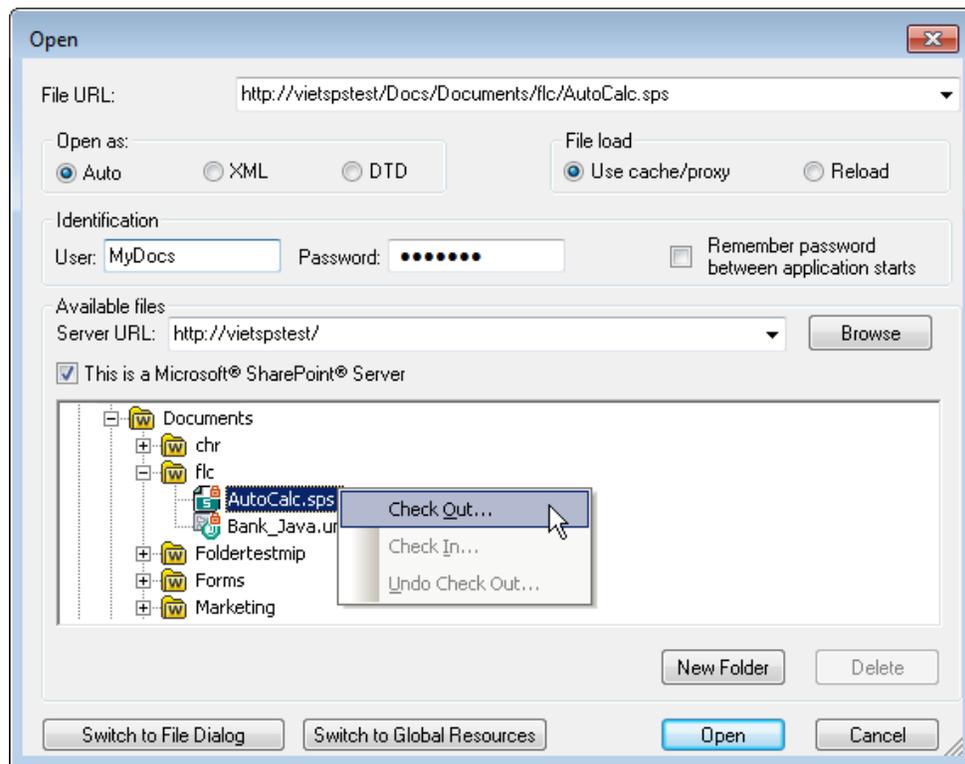
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## 23.1.7 Send by Mail

### Icon

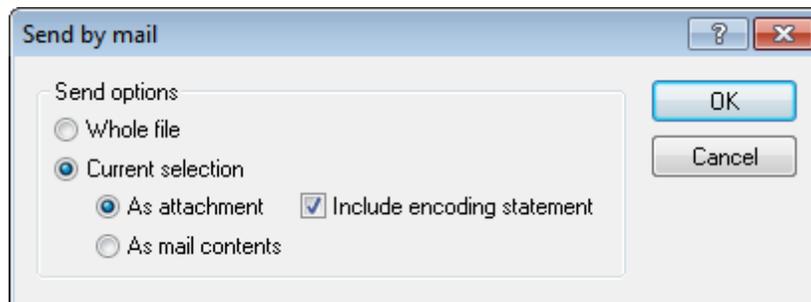


### Description

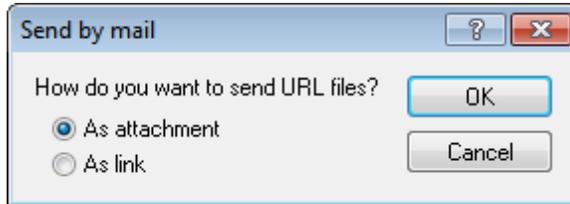
The **Send by Mail** command lets you send XML document/s or selections from an XML document by e-mail. Depending on what kind it is, a document or selection can be sent as an attachment, content, or as a link. See the table below for details.

What can be sent	How it can be sent
Active XML document	As e-mail attachment
Selection in active XML document	As e-mail attachment or e-mail content
One or more files in Project window	As e-mail attachment
One or more URLs in Project window	As e-mail attachment or link

When the **Send by Mail** command is invoked on a selection in the active XML document, the Send by Mail dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up and offers the sending options shown in the screenshot. If the **Send by Mail** command is invoked with no text selected in the active file, then the *Whole File* radio button (*refer to screenshot above*) is the only option that is enabled; the other options are disabled.



Since files sent from the Project window are always sent as e-mail attachments only, the Send by Email dialog is skipped and an e-mail is opened that has the selected file/s as attachments. URLs in the project window can be sent as an attachment or as a link (*see screenshot below*). Select how the URL is to be sent and click **OK**.



## 23.1.8 Print

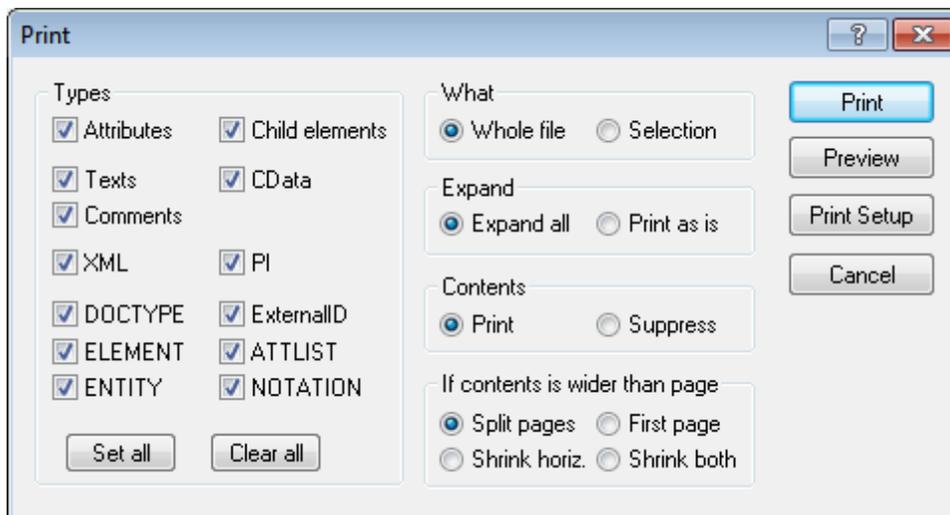
### Icon and shortcut

Icon:	
Shortcut:	<b>Ctrl+P</b>

### Description

The **Print** command opens the Print dialog box, in which you can select printing options for printing the currently active document.

Clicking the **Print** command in Grid View opens a Print options dialog (*screenshot below*), which enables you to set printing options for the XML document. Clicking **Print** in this dialog takes you to the Print dialog for printer options.



The available options for Grid View printing are described below:

- In the Types pane, you select the items you wish to have appear in the output.
- For the What option, you specify whether the current selection or the entire file is to be

printed.

- The **Expand** option allows you to print the document as is, or with all descendant elements expanded fully.
- The **Contents** option enables you to choose between printing contents of all nodes or printing node names only.
- In the **If Contents Are Wider Than Page** pane, you select what to do if contents are wider than the page. The **Split Pages** option prints the entire document at normal size, splitting contents over pages both horizontally and vertically. The pages could then be glued together to form a poster. The **First Page** option prints only the first, left-hand page of the print area. The area that overflows horizontally is not printed. This option is useful if most of the important information in your Grid View of the document is contained on the left side. The **Shrink Horizontally** option reduces the size of the output (proportionally) until it fits horizontally on the page; the document may run on for several pages. The **Shrink Both** option shrinks the document in both directions until it fits exactly on one sheet.
- The **Print** button prints the document with the selected options.
- The **Preview** button opens a print preview window that lets you view the final output before committing it to paper.
- The **Print Setup** button opens the **Print Setup** dialog box and allows you to adjust the paper format, orientation, and other printer options for this print job only. Also see the [Print Setup](#) command.

**Note:** You can change column widths in Grid View to optimize the print output.

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### Program logo

If you have a purchased license, you can turn off the program logo, copyright notice, and registration details when printing a document from XMLSpy. This option is available in the [View tab of the Options dialog](#).

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### WSDL and XBRL designs

Graphical views of WSDL and XBRL documents, as seen on screen, can also be printed using the **Print** command.

## 23.1.9 Print Preview, Print Setup

### Print Preview

The **Print Preview** command clicked in Text View, Authentic View, and Browser View opens a print preview of the currently active document. From Grid View, Schema View, WSDL View, and XBRL View, it opens the **Print** dialog box, in which you can select print options and then click the **Preview** button to get the print preview.

In Print Preview mode, the **Print Preview** toolbar at top left of the preview window provides print- and preview-related options. The preview can be magnified or miniaturized using the the **Zoom In** and **Zoom Out** buttons. When the page magnification is such that an entire page length fits in a preview window, then the **One Page / Two Page** button toggles the preview to one or two pages at a time. The **Next Page** and **Previous Page** buttons can be used to navigate among the

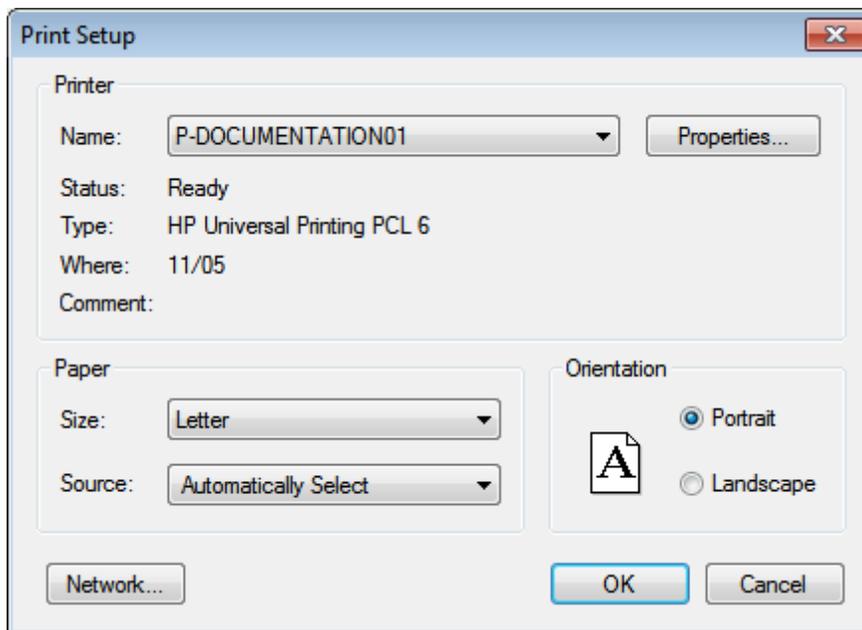
pages. The toolbar also contains buttons to print all pages and to close the preview window.

**Note:** To enable background colors and images in Print Preview, do the following: (i) In the **Tools** menu of Internet Explorer, click **Internet Options**, and then click the Advanced tab; (ii) In the Settings box, under Printing, select the *Print background colors and images* check box, and (iii) Then click **OK**.

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### Print Setup

The **Print Setup** command, displays the printer-specific Print Setup dialog box, in which you specify such printer settings as paper format and page orientation. These settings are applied to all subsequent print jobs.



### 23.1.10 Recent Files, Exit

#### Recent Files

At the bottom of the **File** menu is a list of the nine most recently used files, with the most recently opened file shown at the top of the list. You can open any of these files by clicking its name. To open a file in the list using the keyboard, press **Alt+F** to open the **File** menu, and then press the number of the file you want to open.

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#### Exit

Quits XMLSpy. If you have any open files with unsaved changes, you are prompted to save these changes. XMLSpy also saves modifications to program settings and information about the most recently used files.



## 23.2 Edit Menu

The **Edit** menu contains commands for editing documents in XMLSpy. These include the familiar [Undo](#), [Redo](#), [Cut](#), [Copy](#), [Paste](#), [Delete](#), [Select All](#), [Find](#), [Find Next](#) and [Replace](#) commands.

	Undo	Ctrl+Z
	Redo	Ctrl+Y
<hr/>		
	Cut	Ctrl+X
	Copy	Ctrl+C
	Paste	Ctrl+V
	Delete	Delete
<hr/>		
	Copy as XML Text	
	Copy as Structured Text	
<hr/>		
	Copy XPath	
	Copy XPointer	
<hr/>		
	Insert	▶
<hr/>		
	Pretty-Print	
	Strip Whitespaces	
<hr/>		
	Select All	Ctrl+A
<hr/>		
	Find...	Ctrl+F
	Find Next	F3
	Replace...	Ctrl+H
<hr/>		
	Find in Files...	
<hr/>		
	Insert/Remove Bookmark	Ctrl+F2
	Remove All Bookmarks	Ctrl+Shift+F2
	Go to Next Bookmark	F2
	Go to Previous Bookmark	Shift+F2
<hr/>		
	Comment In/Out	Ctrl+K

XMLSpy also offers special commands to:

- [copy a selection to the clipboard as XML-Text](#),
- [copy as structured text](#)
- [copy an XPath selector to the selected item](#) to the clipboard.
- insert and remove bookmarks, and to navigate to bookmarks.

## 23.2.1 Undo, Redo

### Icons and shortcuts

<i>Command</i>	<i>Icon</i>	<i>Shortcut</i>
<b>Undo</b>		<b>Ctrl+Z</b>
<b>Redo</b>		<b>Ctrl+Y</b>

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### Undo

The **Undo** command contains support for unlimited levels of Undo. Every action can be undone and it is possible to undo one command after another. The Undo history is retained after using the **Save** command, enabling you go back to the state the document was in before you saved your changes. You can step backwards and forwards through this history using the **Undo** and **Redo** commands (see **Redo** command below).

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### Redo

The **Redo** command allows you to redo previously undone commands, thereby giving you a complete history of work completed. You can step backwards and forwards through this history using the **Undo** and **Redo** commands.

## 23.2.2 Cut, Copy, Paste, Delete

### Icons and shortcuts

<i>Command</i>	<i>Icon</i>	<i>Shortcut</i>
<b>Cut</b>		<b>Ctrl+X</b> or <b>Shift+Del</b>
<b>Copy</b>		<b>Ctrl+C</b>
<b>Paste</b>		<b>Ctrl+V</b>
<b>Delete</b>		<b>Del</b>

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### Cut

The **Cut** command copies the selected text or items to the clipboard and deletes them from their present location.

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## Copy

The **Copy** command copies the selected text or items to the clipboard. This can be used to duplicate data within XMLSpy or to move data to another application.

**Note:** When copying from Grid View, the selection is copied using one of two methods: [Copy as XML-Text](#) and [Copy as Structured Text](#). The former copies the selection as XML text; the latter copies the selection as a table. Which of these two methods is used when the **Copy** command is invoked is specified in the [Editing tab of the Tools | Options dialog](#).

## Paste

The **Paste** command inserts the contents of the clipboard at the current cursor position.

## Delete

The **Delete** command deletes the currently selected text or items without placing them in the clipboard.

### 23.2.3 Copy as XML Text

The **Copy as XML Text** command copies XML data from Grid View as XML text. Highlight any XML data in Standard Grid View or in Table View (which is another view available in Grid View), and select the **Copy As XML Text** command. The data is copied to the clipboard as XML text (*as in the listing below*). You can then paste this text in another document.

```
<row>
  <para align="left">
    <bold>Check the FAQ</bold>
  </para>
  <para>
    <link mode="internal">
      <link_section>support</link_section>
      <link_subsection>faq30</link_subsection>
      <link_text>XMLSPY 4.0 FAQ</link_text>
    </link>
    <link mode="internal">
      <link_section>support</link_section>
      <link_subsection>faq25</link_subsection>
      <link_text>XMLSPY 3.5 FAQ</link_text>
    </link>
  </para>
</row>
```

The **Copy as XML Text** command automatically formats text using the currently active settings for saving a file. These settings can be modified in the *Save File* section of the File tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).

The same effect as that of the **Copy as XML Text** command can be obtained by switching to Text View and copying an XML text fragment with **Ctrl+C (Edit | Copy)**. From Grid View, you can also use the [Copy as Structured Text](#) command to copy XML data in its tabular Grid View representation.

### 23.2.4 Copy as Structured Text

The **Copy as Structured Text** command copies elements to the clipboard as they appear on screen. This command is especially useful for copying table-like data from the Table View of Grid View into another application that holds data in tabular form (such as a spreadsheet application).

- [Copying individual rows from Table View](#)
- [Copying a whole table from Table View](#)
- [Copying from standard Grid View](#)

#### Copying individual rows from Table View

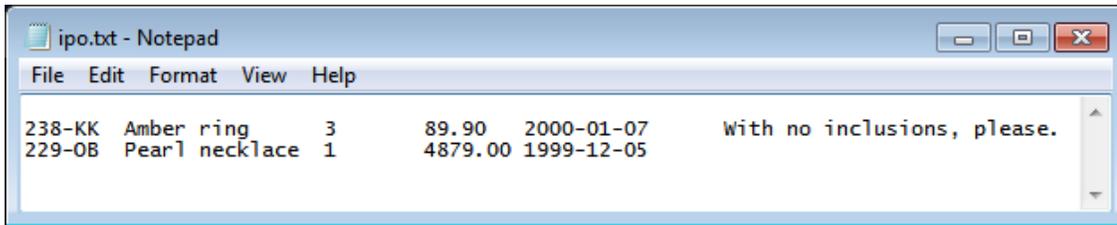
In the screenshot below two rows in the **Table View** of Grid View are copied as structured text.

	partNum	productName	quantity	price	shipDate	ipo:comment
1	833-AA	Lapis necklace	2	99.95	1999-12-05	Need this for the holidays!
2	748-OT	Diamond heart	1	248.90	2000-02-14	Valentine's day packaging.
3	783-KL	Uncut diamond	7	79.90	2000-01-07	
4	238-KK	Amber ring	3	89.90	2000-01-07	With no inclusions, please.
5	229-OB	Pearl necklace	1	4879.00	1999-12-05	
6	128-UL	Jade earring	5	179.90	2000-02-14	

The next two screenshots below show the data that was copied as structured text in the Grid View screenshot shown above now pasted in a Microsoft Excel document and in a Notepad document.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	238-KK	Amber ring	3	89.9	01/07/2000	With no inclusions, please.
2	229-OB	Pearl necklace	1	4879	12/05/1999	
3						
4						

Notice that while Excel (*screenshot above*) automatically formats each piece of cell text on the basis of its lexical form of text, Notepad (*screenshot below*) pastes all cell text as strings.



### Copying a whole table from Table View

In the screenshot below, a whole table is selected (by clicking the `item (6)` node entry).

A screenshot of a table view showing a table of jewelry items. The table has six columns: partNum, productName, quantity, price, shipDate, and ipo:comment. The table is selected by clicking the 'item (6)' node entry.

	partNum	productName	quantity	price	shipDate	ipo:comment
1	833-AA	Lapis necklace	2	99.95	1999-12-05	Need this for the holidays!
2	748-OT	Diamond heart	1	248.90	2000-02-14	Valentine's day packaging.
3	783-KL	Uncut diamond	7	79.90	2000-01-07	
4	238-KK	Amber ring	3	89.90	2000-01-07	With no inclusions, please.
5	229-OB	Pearl necklace	1	4879.00	1999-12-05	
6	128-UL	Jade earring	5	179.90	2000-02-14	

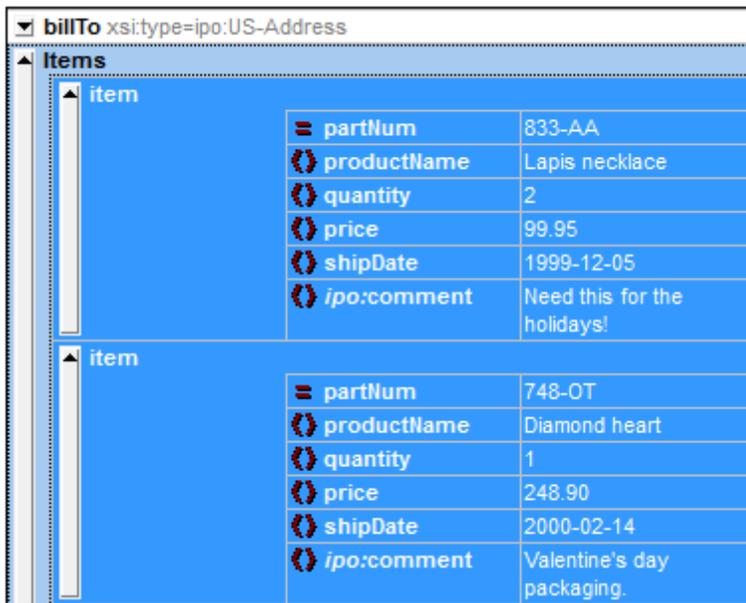
The result is as for individual rows above, except that the table's column titles are now also copied. The screenshot below shows the copied data pasted into a Microsoft Excel worksheet. Note that, in the XML document, the column headers are element or attribute names.

A screenshot of a Microsoft Excel worksheet showing the copied data. The data is pasted into a table with columns A through F. The first row contains the column headers: partNum, productName, quantity, price, shipDate, and ipo:comment. The subsequent rows contain the data from the table view above.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	partNum	productName	quantity	price	shipDate	ipo:comment
2	833-AA	Lapis necklace	2	99.95	12/05/1999	Need this for the holidays!
3	748-OT	Diamond heart	1	248.9	02/14/2000	Valentine's day packaging.
4	783-KL	Uncut diamond	7	79.9	01/07/2000	
5	238-KK	Amber ring	3	89.9	01/07/2000	With no inclusions, please.
6	229-OB	Pearl necklace	1	4879	12/05/1999	
7	128-UL	Jade earring	5	179.9	02/14/2000	

### Copying from Standard Grid View

The examples shown above copied data from the Table View of Grid View (that is, with Table View toggled on in Grid View). In Standard Grid View (Table View toggled off), the **Copy as Structured Text** also copies the selected data as displayed in Grid View. However, the structure is not a table. For example, in the Standard Grid View screenshot below, the `items` node, which has two `item` children, is selected.



When the copied text is pasted in Microsoft Excel, the worksheet will look like the screenshot below.

	A	B	C	D
1	Items			
2		item		
3			partNum	833-AA
4			productName	Lapis necklace
5			quantity	2
6			price	99.95
7			shipDate	12/05/1999
8			ipo:comment	Need this for the holidays!
9		item		
10			partNum	748-OT
11			productName	Diamond heart
12			quantity	1
13			price	248.9
14			shipDate	02/14/2000
15			ipo:comment	Valentine's day packaging.

In addition to copying the XML data as structured text with the Copy as Structured Text command, data can also be [copied from Grid View as XML text](#).

### 23.2.5 Copy XPath

The **Copy XPath** command is available in Text View and Grid View, and creates an XPath expression that locates the currently selected node/s in the document, and copies the XPath expression to the clipboard. This enables you to paste the XPath expression into a document (for example, in an XSLT document). All expressions start from the document root. For example, if an

element called `LastName` of the third `Person` element of the second `Company` element is selected, the XPath expression that is copied would be: `/Companies/Company[2]/Person[3]/LastName`

**Note:** In Grid View the **Copy XPath** command can also be accessed via the context menu.

### 23.2.6 Copy XPointer

The **Copy XPointer** command is available in Text View and Grid View. It creates an `element()` scheme XPointer for the currently selected node/s and copies it to the clipboard. This enables you to paste the XPointer into a document (for example, in the `xpointer` attribute of an `XInclude` element in an XML document).

The `element()` scheme of XPointer returns results in the form `element(/1/3)`. This XPointer selects the third child of the document element (aka root element). You should note the following points:

- Attributes cannot be represented using the `element()` scheme. If an attribute is selected in XMLSpy, the following happens: In Grid View, the **Copy XPointer** command is disabled; in Text View, the XPointer of the parent element of that attribute is generated.
- XPointers for multiple elements cannot be generated. If multiple elements are selected, the situation is resolved as follows: In Grid View, the **Copy XPointer** command is disabled. In Text View, the XPointer of the parent element of the selection is generated.

**Note:** In Grid View the **Copy XPointer** command can also be accessed via the context menu.

### 23.2.7 Insert

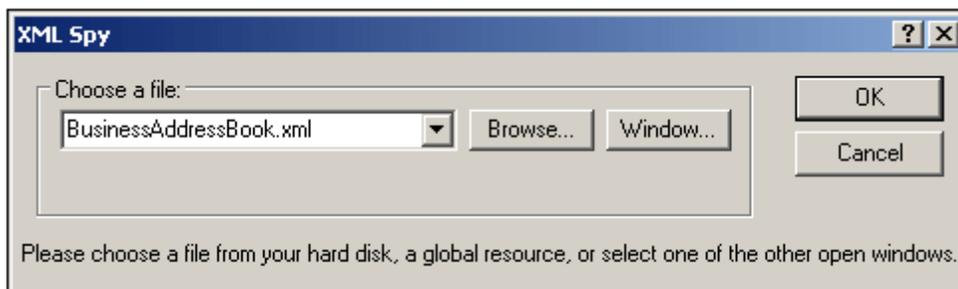
Mousing over or selecting the **Insert** command rolls out a submenu with three commands (described below):

- [Insert File Path](#)
- [Insert Xinclude](#)
- [Insert Encoded External File](#)

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#### Insert File Path

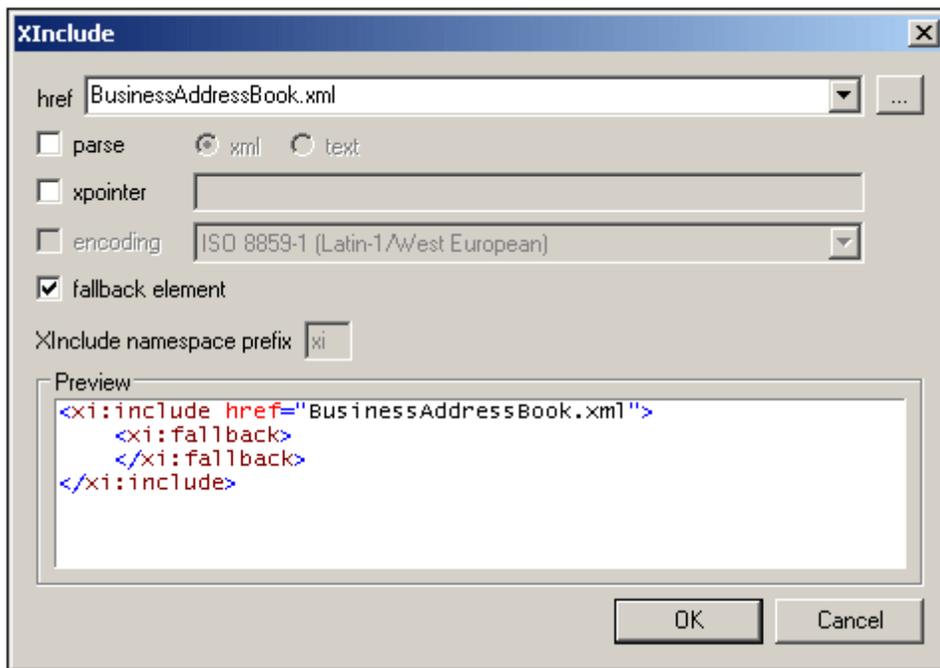
The **File Path** command is enabled in the Text View and Grid View of documents of any file type. Using it, you can insert the path to a file at the cursor selection point. Clicking the command pops up a dialog (screenshot below) in which you select the required file.



The required file can be selected in one of the following ways: (i) by browsing for the file, URL, or global resource (use the [Browse](#) button); (ii) by selecting the window in which the file is open (the **Window** button). When done, click **OK**. The path to the selected file will be inserted in the active document at the cursor selection point.

### Insert XInclude

The **XInclude** command is available in Text View and Grid View, and enables you to insert a new XInclude element at the cursor selection point in Text View, or before the selected item in both Text View and Grid View. If in Grid View the current selection is an attribute, the XInclude element is inserted after the attribute and before the first child element of the attribute's parent element. Selecting this command pops up the XInclude dialog (*screenshot below*).



The XML file to be included is entered in the `href` text box (alternatively, you can browse for the file by clicking the **Browse (...)** button to the right of the text box). The filename will be entered in the XML document as the value of the `href` attribute. The `parse`, `xpointer`, and `encoding` attributes of the XInclude element (`xi:include`), and the `fallback` child element of `xi:include` can also be inserted via the dialog. Do this by first checking the appropriate check box and then selecting/entering the required values. In the case of the `fallback` element, checking its check box only inserts the empty element. The content of the `fallback` element must be added subsequently in one of the editing views.

The `parse` attribute determines whether the included document is to be parsed as XML or text. (XML is the default value and therefore need not be specified.) The `xpointer` attribute identifies a specific fragment of the document located with the `href` attribute; it is this fragment that will be included. The `encoding` attribute specifies the encoding of the included document so that XMLSpy can transcode this document (or the part of it to be included) into the encoding of the including document. The contents of the `fallback` child element replace the `xi:include` element

if the document to be included cannot be located.

Here is an example of an XML document that uses XInclude to include two XML documents:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-16"?>
<AddressBook xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.altova.com/sv/myaddresses
AddressBook.xsd"
    xmlns="http://www.altova.com/stylevision/tutorials/myaddresses"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xmlns:xi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XInclude">
    <xi:include href="BusinessAddressBook.xml"/>
    <xi:include href="PersonalAddressBook.xml"/>
</AddressBook>
```

When this XML document is parsed, it will replace the two XInclude elements with the files specified in the respective `href` attributes.

#### xml:base

When the XML validator of XMLSpy reads an XML document and encounters the `include` element in the XInclude namespace (hereafter `xi:include`), it replaces this element (`xi:include`) with the XML document named in the `href` attribute of the `xi:include` element. The document element (root element) of the included XML document (or the element identified by an XPointer) will be included with an attribute of `xml:base` in order to preserve the base URIs of the included element. If the resulting XML document (containing the included XML document/s or tree fragment/s) must be valid according to a schema, then the document element of the included document (or the top-level element of the tree fragment) must be created with a content model that allows an attribute of `xml:base`. If, according to the schema, the `xml:base` attribute is not allowed on this element, then the resulting document will be invalid. How to define an `xml:base` attribute in an element's content model using XMLSpy's Schema View is described in the [xml:Prefixed Attributes](#) section of the Schema View section of the documentation.

#### XPointers

XMLSpy supports XPointers in XInclude. The relevant W3C recommendations are the [XPointer Framework](#) and [XPointer element\(\) Scheme](#) recommendations. The use of an XPointer in an XInclude element enables a specific part of the XML document to be included, instead of the entire XML document. XPointers are used within an XInclude element as follows:

```
<xi:include href="PersonalAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa)"/>
<xi:include href="BusinessAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(/1/1)"/>
<xi:include href="BobsAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa/3/1)"/>
<xi:include href="PatsAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa)
element(/1/1)"/>
```

In the `element()` scheme of XPointer, an NCName or a child sequence directed by integers may be used.

- In the first `xi:include` element listed above, the `xpointer` attribute uses the element scheme with an NCName of `usa`. According to the XPointer Framework, this NCName identifies the element that has an ID of `usa`.
- In the second `xi:include` listed above, the `xpointer` attribute with a value of `element(/1/1)` identifies, in the first step, the first child element of the document root (which, if the document is well-formed, will be its document (or root) element). In the

second step, the first child element of the element located in the previous step is located; in our example, this would be the first child element of the document element.

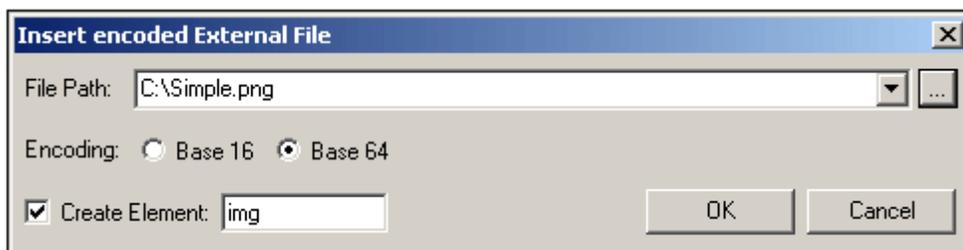
- The `xpointer` attribute of the third `xi:include` listed above uses a combination of NCName and child sequence. This XPointer locates the first child element of the third child element of the element having an ID of `usa`.
- If you are not sure whether your first XPointer will work, you can back it up with a second one as shown in the fourth `xi:include` listed above: `xpointer="element(usa) element(/1/1)"`. Here, if there is no element with an ID of `usa`, the back-up XPointer specifies that the first child element of the document element is to be selected. Additional backups are also allowed. Individual XPointers may not be separated, or they may be separated by whitespace: for example, `xpointer="element(usa) element(addresses/1) element(/1/1)"`.

**Note:** The namespace binding context is not used in the `element()` scheme because the `element()` scheme does not support qualified names.

### Insert Encoded External File

The **Encoded External File** command is available in Text View and Grid View. It enables an external file to be included as encoded Base-16 or Base-64 text at any location in the XML document. This feature enables external files to be embedded in the XML document.

Clicking the **Insert | Encoded External File** command pops up the Insert Encoded External File dialog (*screenshot below*).



You can browse for or enter the name of the external file to be encoded and embedded. Either a Base-16 or Base-64 encoding must be specified. If you wish to enclose the encoded text in an element, then check the Create Element check box and specify the name of the desired element in the Create Element text box. If the Create Element check box is not checked, then the encoded text will be inserted directly at the cursor location.

On clicking **OK**, the encoded text of the selected file is inserted at the cursor location, with an enclosing element if this has been specified.

```
<img ext="png" encoding="xs:base64Binary">
  iVBORwOKGgoAAAANSUHEUGAAABAAAAQAQMAAAA1PW0iAAAAB1BMVEUAAAD/
  //+12Z/dAAAAM01EQVR4nGP4/5/h/1+G/58ZDrAz3D/MCh8yw83NDDeNGe4U
  g9C9zwz3gVLMdA/A6P9/AFGGFyjOXZtQAAAAAE1FTksuQmCC
</img>
```

The listing above shows the encoded text of a PNG image file. An `img` element was created around the encoded text.

## 23.2.8 Pretty-Print

### Icon



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### Description

The **Pretty-Print** command re-formats your XML document in Text View. Two formatting options are available: which one is used depends upon whether the *Use Indentation* check box in the [View tab of the Options dialog \(Tools | Options\)](#) is currently checked or not:

- *Use Indentation* checked: The document is re-formatted to give a structured display, indenting each deeper level in the hierarchy by an additional amount of the specified indentation space (this space being specified in the [Text View Settings dialog \(View | Text View Settings\)](#)). Indentation enables a clearer view of the document structure.
- *Use Indentation* unchecked: The document is re-formatted so that each new line is left-aligned.

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### Procedure for using Pretty-Print

To set up a structured, indented view of the XML document via Pretty-Print, do the following:

1. In the [View tab of the Options dialog \(Tools | Options\)](#), check the *Use Indentation* check box.
2. In the [Text View Settings dialog \(View | Text View Settings\)](#), set the tab size you want for the indentation of the pretty-printed text.
3. In the [File tab of the Options dialog \(Tools | Options\)](#), enter the elements for which no output formatting (indentation) is wanted.
4. Click the **Pretty-Print** command (this command).

To re-format the document so that all lines are left-aligned, uncheck the *Use Indentation* check box.

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### Note the following points

- The XML document must be well-formed for this command to work.
- Pretty-printing adds spaces or tabs to the document when the document is saved.
- If pretty-printing has been switched on (**Tools | Options | View | Use Indentation**) and if you change from Text View to Grid View and back to Text View, then the document will be pretty-printed automatically. There is no need to select the Pretty-Print command.
- To remove all whitespace (new lines and indentation) created with the Pretty-Print command, use the [Strip Whitespaces](#) command.

### 23.2.9 Strip Whitespaces

#### Icon



#### Description

The **Strip Whitespaces** command strips all whitespace from the document. This can help reduce file size. This command can be useful if you wish to remove whitespace generated by the [Pretty-Print](#) command.

### 23.2.10 Select All

The **Select All** command (**Ctrl+A**) selects the contents of the entire document.

### 23.2.11 Find, Find Next

#### Icons and shortcuts

Command	Icon	Shortcut
Find		<b>Ctrl+F</b>
Find Next		<b>F3</b>

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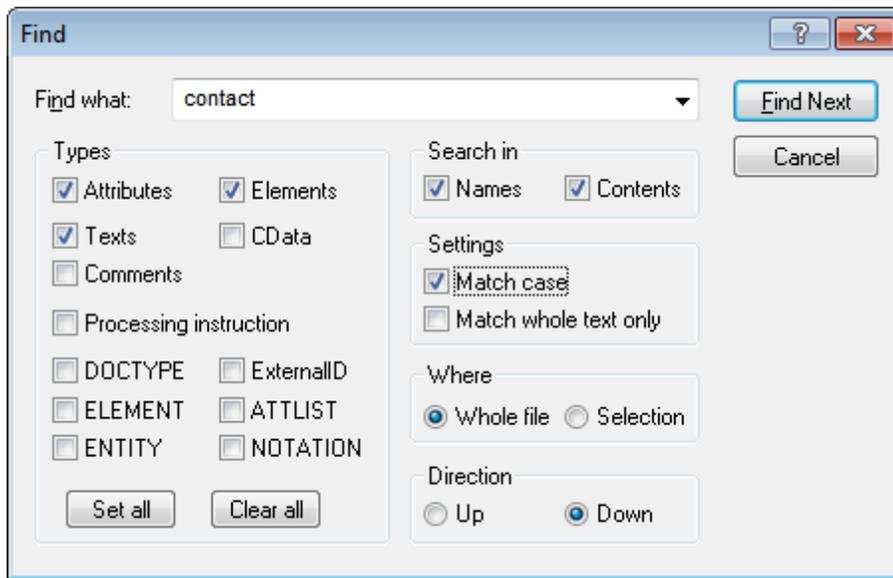
#### Find

The **Find** command pops up the Find dialog, in which you can specify the string you want to find and other options for the search. Depending on the current view, the Find dialog displays different options. To find text, enter the text in the Find What text box or use the combo box to select from one of the last 10 search criteria, and then specify the options for the search.

The **Find** and **Find Next** commands can also be used to find file and folder names when a project is selected in the Project window.

#### Grid View

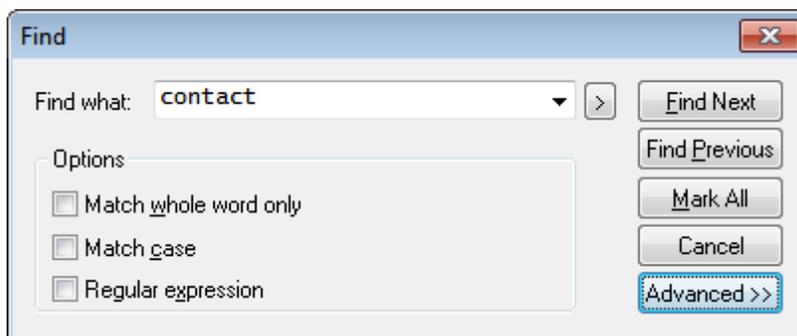
In Grid View, the following dialog box appears. Select the options you require or select a radio button. The options available are described below.



- The *Types* pane allows you to select what XML document nodes or components you wish to include in the search. This enables the search to skip particular node types and thus go faster. The **Set All** button selects all node types; the **Clear All** button deselects all node types.
- The *Search In* pane allows you to define whether the names of a node, the contents of a node, or both should be searched for the input text string.
- The *Settings* pane enables you to define whether the search should be case-sensitive and/or match the entire input string.
- The *Where* pane allows you to define the scope of the search (the whole file or the selected text).
- The *Direction* option specifies the search direction.

### Text View

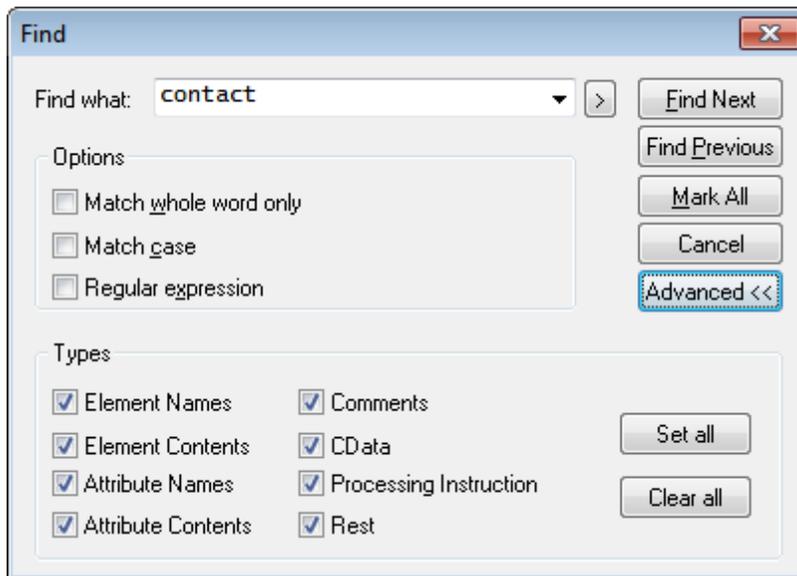
In Text View, the following dialog box appears. The options available are described below.



- *Match whole word only*: Only the exact words in the text will be matched. For example, for the input string *fit*, with *Match whole word only* checked, only the word *fit* will match the find string; the *fit* in *fitness*, for example, will not.
- *Match case*: Case-sensitive search (*Address* is not the same as *address*).
- *Regular expression*: Searches for text specified by the regular expression you enter in the

text box. See [Regular expressions](#) below for a description of regular expressions.

Clicking the **Advanced** button opens the Types pane (see screenshot below), in which you can select the type of node to search.

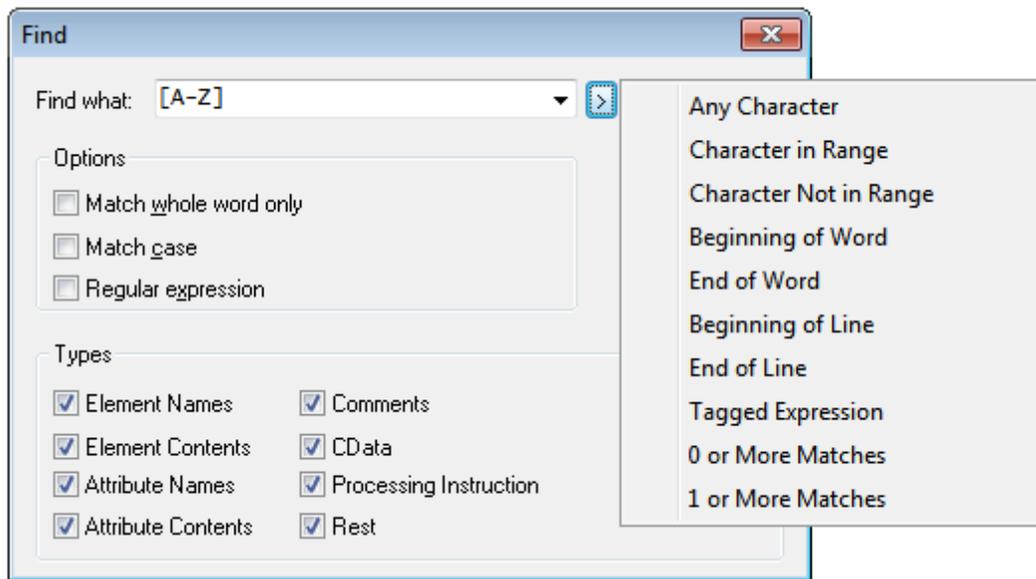


Note the following points:

- The Find dialog is "modeless", which means that it can remain open while you continue to use Text View. Pressing **Enter** while the dialog box is open, closes the dialog box. If text is marked prior to opening the dialog box, then the marked text is automatically inserted into the Find What text box.
- Once the Find dialog is closed, you can repeat the current search by pressing **F3** for a forwards search, or **Shift+F3** for a backwards search.
- The **Unfold** button to the right of the *Find What* input box (the button marked >), opens a secondary window which you can use to enter [regular expressions](#) in the *Find What* input box.

### Regular expressions

You can use regular expressions to further refine your search criteria. A pop-up list is available to help you build regular expressions. To access this list, click the **Unfold** button to the right of the *Find What* input box (the button marked >).



Clicking on the required expression description inserts the corresponding expression syntax in the input field. Given below is a list of regular expression syntax characters.

.	Matches any character. This is a placeholder for a single character.
\ (	Marks the start of a region for tagging a match.
\ )	Marks the end of a tagged region.
\ n	Where <i>n</i> is 1 through 9 refers to the first through ninth tagged region when replacing. For example, if the search string was <code>Fred\ ([1-9]\ )XXX</code> and the replace string was <code>Sam\ 1YYY</code> , when applied to <code>Fred2XXX</code> this would generate <code>Sam2YYY</code> .
\ <	Matches the start of a word.
\ >	Matches the end of a word.
\ x	Allows you to use a character <i>x</i> , which would otherwise have a special meaning. For example, <code>\ [</code> would be interpreted as <code>[</code> and not as the start of a character set.
[ . . . ]	Indicates a <i>set of characters</i> . For example, <code>[abc]</code> means any of the characters <i>a</i> , <i>b</i> or <i>c</i> . You can also use ranges: for example <code>[a-z]</code> for any lower case character.
[ ^ . . . ]	The complement of the characters in the set. For example, <code>[^A-Za-z]</code> means any character except an alphabetic character.
^	Matches the start of a line (unless used inside a set, <i>see above</i> ).
\$	Matches the end of a line. Example: <code>A+\$</code> to find one or more <i>A</i> 's at end of line.
*	Matches 0 or more times. For example, <code>Sa*m</code> matches <code>Sm</code> , <code>Sam</code> , <code>Saam</code> , <code>Saaam</code> and so on.
+	Matches 1 or more times. For example, <code>Sa+m</code> matches <code>Sam</code> , <code>Saam</code> , <code>Saaam</code> and so on.

**Note:** Regular expressions are not supported in the [Replace field](#).

### Find Next

The **Find Next** command repeats the last Find command. It searches for the next occurrence of the input text.

## 23.2.12 Replace

### Icons and shortcuts

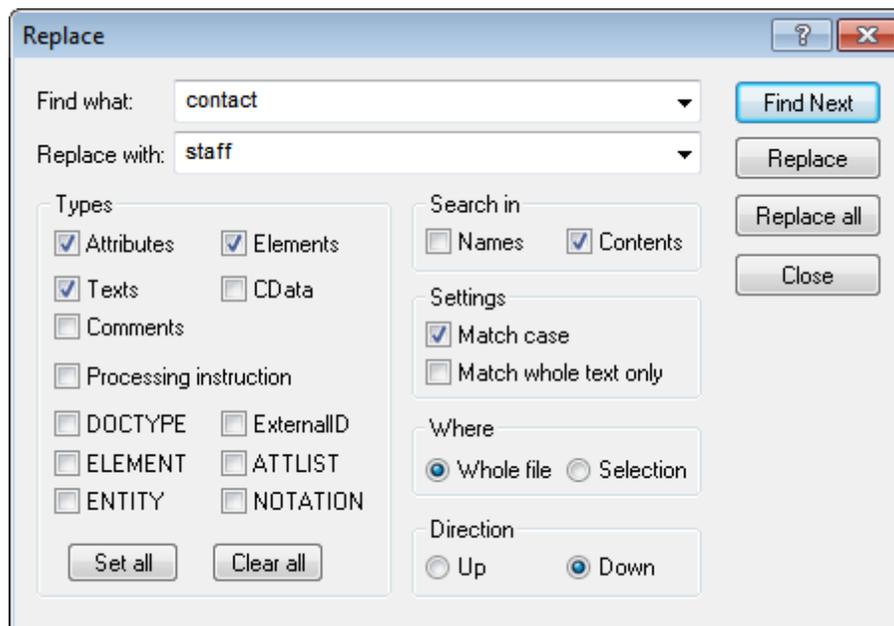
Command	Icon	Shortcut
Replace		Ctrl+H

### Description

The **Replace** command enables you to find and replace one text string with another. It features the same options as the **Find** command. Depending on the view you are using, the Replace dialog displays different find options. You can replace each item individually, or you can use the **Replace All** button to perform a global find-and-replace operation.

#### Grid View

In Grid View, selecting the **Replace** command opens the Replace dialog (*screenshot below*). The screenshot shows the various Find options, which are described in the description of the **Find** command.

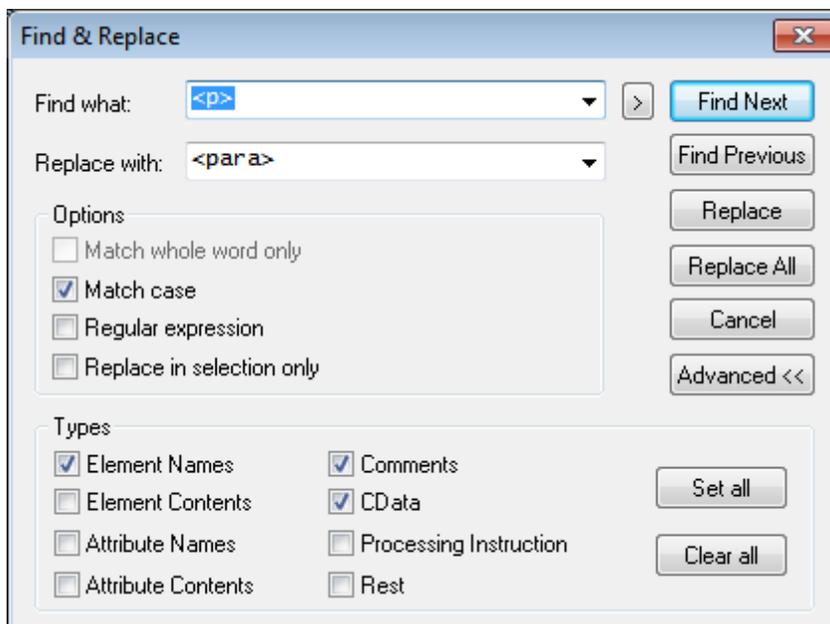


#### Text View

In Text View, selecting the **Replace** command opens the Find & Replace dialog (*screenshot below*). The Find options are the same as for the [Find](#) command. The *Replace in selection only* option carries out the find-and-replace operation only within the text selection.



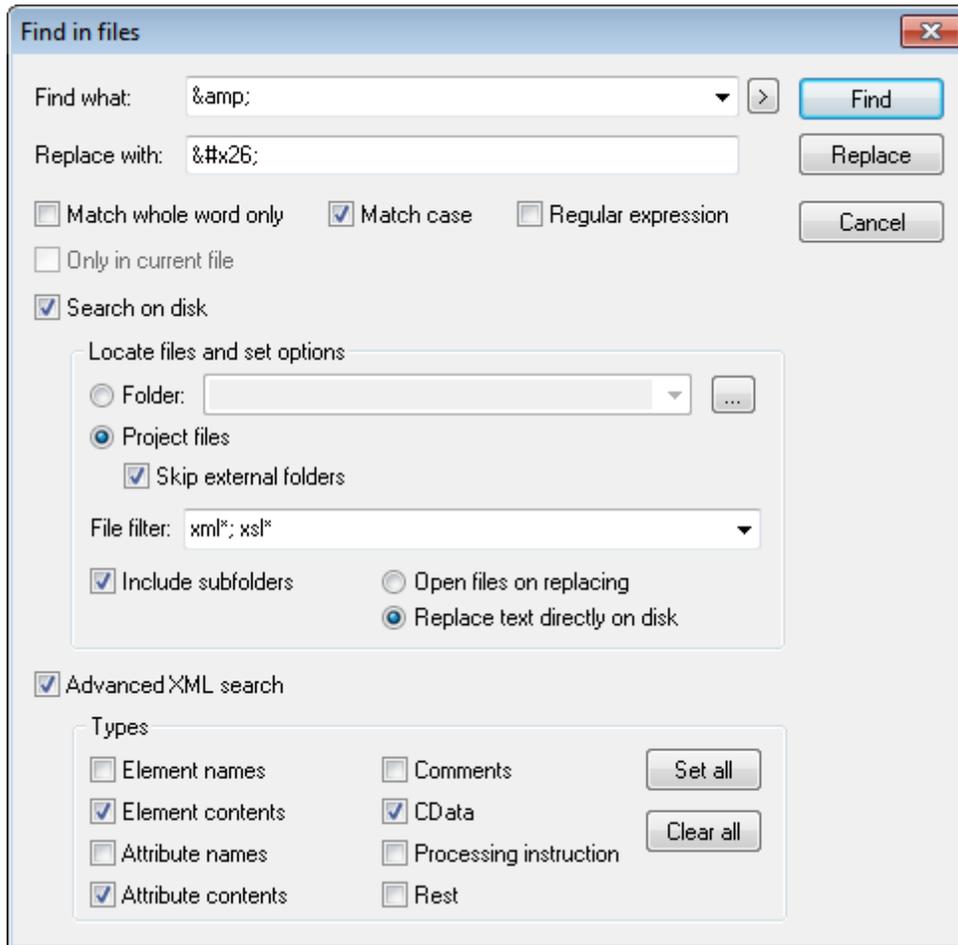
Clicking the **Advanced** button opens the Types pane, in which you can select the scope of the search in terms of node types. (See the description of the [Find](#) command for details).



**Note:** When using the **Replace All** command, each replacement is recorded as a single operation, so **Replace All** can be undone step-by-step.

### 23.2.13 Find in Files

The **Find in Files** command is a powerful way to find and replace text quickly among a large number of files. Clicking the command pops up the Find in Files dialog (*screenshot below*). The **Find in Files** command is different from the **Find** command in that it searches all the specified locations for the Find string at once and executes replace actions immediately. A report is then displayed in the [Find in Files output window](#). In the case of the **Find** command, however, the user enters the search string and goes through the (single) active document one found item at a time.



### Find criteria

There are two broad find criteria: (i) what to find, and (ii) where to look? For a description of how to set the text that is to be searched (what to find), see the description of the [Find](#) command. If the text entered in the Find What text box is a regular expression, then the Regular Expression check box must be checked. An entry helper for regular expressions can be accessed by clicking the **Unfold** button to the right of the *Find What* input box (the button marked >) button. The use of regular expressions for searching is explained in the section about the [Find](#) command.

To specify what node types and parts of an XML document should be searched, check the Advanced XML Search check box and then select the required node types.

You can specify what files should be searched by checking either the *Only in Current File* check box or the *Search on Disk* check box. If you choose to search on disk, you can select a folder or a [project](#) to search (after checking the *Search On Disk* check box). When a project folder is selected, external folders added to the project can be skipped. The files to be searched can be filtered by file extension and a star (`xml*` or `xsl*`, for example). The separator between two file extensions can be a comma or a semi-colon (`xml*; xsl*`, for example). The star character can

also be used as a wildcard.

The instances of the Find string at all the search locations are listed in the [Find in Files output bar](#). Clicking on one of the listed items opens that file in Text View and highlights the item.

## Replace

The most important thing to note is that clicking the **Replace** button replaces all the instances of the Find string with the Replace string. If *Open Files On Replacing* was checked in the Find in Files dialog, then the file will be opened in Text View; otherwise the replacement is done silently. All the replaced strings are listed in the [Find in Files output bar](#). Clicking on one of the listed items opens that file in Text View and highlights the item.

**Note:** Regular expressions are not supported in the Replace field.

## 23.2.14 Bookmark Commands

### Icons and shortcuts

<i>Command</i>	<i>Icon</i>	<i>Shortcut</i>
<b>Insert/Remove Bookmark</b>		<b>Ctrl+F2</b>
<b>Remove All Bookmarks</b>		<b>Ctrl+Shift+F2</b>
<b>Goto Next Bookmark</b>		<b>F2</b>
<b>Goto Previous Bookmark</b>		<b>Shift+F2</b>

### Insert/Remove Bookmark

The **Insert/Remove Bookmark** command inserts a bookmark at the current cursor position, or removes the bookmark if the cursor is in a line that has been bookmarked previously. This command is only available in Text View.

Bookmarked lines are displayed in one of the following ways:

- If the bookmarks margin has been enabled, then a solid blue ellipse appears to the left of the text in the bookmark margin.
- If the bookmarks margin has not been enabled, then the entire line containing the cursor is highlighted.

The **F2** key cycles through all the bookmarks in the document.

### Remove All Bookmarks

The **Remove All Bookmarks** command removes all the currently defined bookmarks. This command is only available in Text View. Note that the **Undo** command does not undo the effects of **Remove All Bookmarks**.

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### Goto Next Bookmark

The **Goto Next Bookmark** command places the text cursor at the beginning of the next bookmarked line. This command is only available in Text View.

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### Goto Previous Bookmark

The **Goto Previous Bookmark** command places the text cursor at the beginning of the previous bookmarked line. This command is only available in Text View.

## 23.2.15 Comment In/Out

The **Comment In/Out** command is available in Text View and is used to comment and uncomment XML text fragments. Text in an XML document can be commented out using the XML start-comment and end-comment delimiters, respectively `<!--` and `-->`. In XMLSpy, these comment delimiters can be inserted around a text selection by using the **Comment In/Out** menu command.

To comment out a block of text, select the text to be commented out and then select the command **Comment In/Out**, either from the **Edit** menu or the context menu you get on right-clicking the selected text. The commented text will be grayed out (*see screenshot below*).

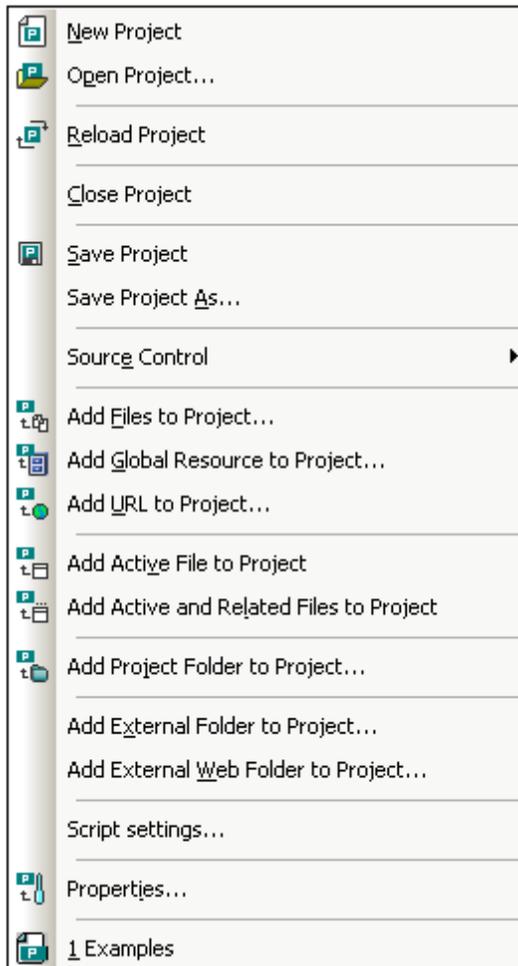


```
<Department>
  <Name>Administration</Name>
  <Person>
  <Person>
  <Person>
  <!--<Person>
    <First
    <Last></Last>
    <PhoneExt></PhoneExt>
    <EMail></EMail>
    <LeaveTotal></LeaveTotal>
    <LeaveUsed></LeaveUsed>
    <LeaveLeft></LeaveLeft>
  </Person>-->
</Department>
```

To uncomment a commented block of text, place the cursor in the commented block and select the command **Comment In/Out**, either from the **Edit** menu or the context menu you get on right-clicking within the commented-out text. The comment delimiters will be removed and the text will no longer be grayed out.

## 23.3 Project Menu

XMLSpy uses the familiar tree view to manage multiple files or URLs in XML projects. [Files](#) and [URLs](#) can be grouped into [folders](#) by common extension or any arbitrary criteria, allowing for easy structuring and batch manipulation.



**Please note:** Most project-related commands are also available in the context menu, which appears when you right-click any item in the project window.

### Absolute and relative paths

Each project is saved as a project file, and has the `.spp` extension. These files are actually XML documents that you can edit like any regular XML File. In the project file, absolute paths are used for files/folders on the same level or higher, and relative paths for files/folders in the current folder or in sub-folders. For example, if your directory structure looks like this:

```
| -Folder1
|   |
|   | -Folder2
```

```

|           |
|           |-Folder3
|           |
|           |-Folder4
|           |

```

If your `.spp` file is located in `Folder3`, then references to files in `Folder1` and `Folder2` will look something like this:

```

c:\Folder1\NameOfFile.ext
c:\Folder1\Folder2\NameOfFile.ext

```

References to files in `Folder3` and `Folder4` will look something like this:

```

.\NameOfFile.ext
.\Folder4\NameOfFile.ext

```

If you wish to ensure that all paths will be relative, save the `.spp` files in the root directory of your working disk.

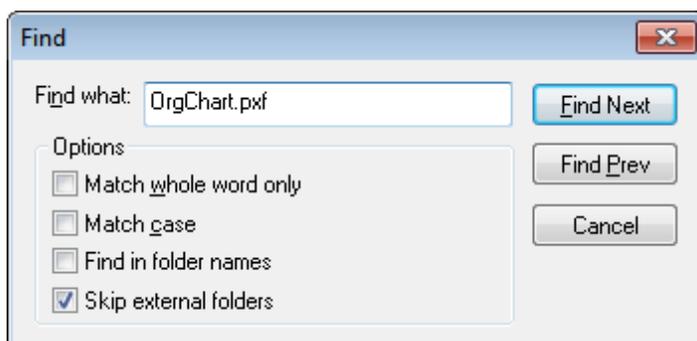
### Drag-and-drop

In the Project window, a folder can be dragged to another folder or to another location within the same folder. A file can be dragged to another folder, but cannot be moved within the same folder (within which files are arranged alphabetically). Additionally, files and folders can be dragged from Windows File Explorer to the Project window.

### Find in project

You can search for project files and folders using their names or a part of their name. If the search is successful, files or folders that are located are highlighted one by one.

To start a search, select the project folder in the Project sidebar that you wish to search, then select the command **Edit | Find** (or the shortcut **Ctrl+F**). In the Find dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*) enter the text string you wish to search for and select or deselect the search options (*explained below*) according to your requirements.



The following search options are available:

- Whole-word matching is more restricted since the entire string must match an entire word

in the file or folder name. In file names, the parts before and after the dot (without the dot) are each treated as a word.

- It can be specified that casing in the search string must exactly match the text string in the file or folder name.
- Folder names can be included in the search. Otherwise, only file names are searched.
- [External folders](#) can be included or excluded from the search. External folders are actual folders on the system or network, as opposed to project folders, which are created within the project and not on the system.

If the search is successful, the first matching item is highlighted in the Project sidebar. You can then browse through all the returned matching items by clicking the **Find Next** and **Find Prev** buttons in the Find dialog.

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### Refreshing projects

If a change is made to an external folder, this change will not be reflected in the Project Window till the project is refreshed.

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### Global resources in the context menu

When you right-click a folder in the Project window, in the context menu that appears, you can select the **Add Global Resource** menu item to add a [global resource](#). The menu command itself pops up the Choose Global Resource dialog, which lists all the file-type and folder-type global resources in the currently active Global Resources XML File. Select the required global resource, and it will be added to the selected project folder.

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### Projects and source control providers

If you intend to add an XMLSpy project to a source control repository, please ensure that the project files position in the hierarchical file system structure is one which enables you to add files only from below it (taking the root directory to be the top of the directory tree).

In other words, the directory where the **project file** is located, essentially represents the **root directory** of the project within the source control repository. Files added from above it (the project root directory) will be added to the XMLSpy project, but their location in the repository may be an unexpected one—if they are allowed to be placed there at all.

For example, given the directory structure show above, if a project file is saved in `Folder3` and placed under source control:

- Files added to Folder1 may not be placed under source control,
- Files added to Folder2 are added to the root directory of the repository, instead of to the project folder, but are still under source control,
- Files located in Folder3 and Folder4 work as expected, and are placed under source control.

### 23.3.1 New Project



The **New Project** command creates a **new** project in XMLSpy. If you are currently working with another project, a prompt appears asking if you want to close all documents belonging to the current project.

### 23.3.2 Open Project



The **Open Project...** command opens an existing project in XMLSpy. If you are currently working with another project, the previous project is closed first.

### 23.3.3 Reload Project



The **Reload Project** command reloads the current project from disk. If you are working in a multi-user environment, it can sometimes become necessary to reload the project from disk, because other users might have made changes to the project.

**Please note:** Project files (.spp files) are actually XML documents that you can edit like any regular XML File.

### 23.3.4 Close Project

The **Close Project** command **closes** the active project. If the project has been modified, you will be asked whether you want to save the project first. When a project is modified in any way, an asterisk is added to the project name in the Project Window.

### 23.3.5 Save Project, Save Project As



The **Save Project** command **saves** the current project. You can also save a project by making the project window active and clicking the  icon.

The **Save Project As** command **saves** the current project with a new name that you can enter when prompted for one.

### 23.3.6 Source Control

Your Altova application supports Microsoft SourceSafe and other compatible repositories. A list of supported systems is given in the section, [Supported Source Control Systems](#). This section describes the commands in the **Project | Source Control** submenu, which are used to work with the source control system from within your Altova application.

#### Overview of the Source Control feature

The mechanism for placing files in an application project under source control is as follows:

1. In XMLSpy, an application project folder containing the files to be placed under source control is created. Typically, the application project folder will correspond to a local folder in which the project files are located. The path to the local folder is referred to as the local path.
2. In the source control system's database (also referred to as source control or repository), a folder is created that will contain the files to be placed under source control.
3. Application project files are added to source control using the command [Project | Source Control | Add to Source Control](#).
4. Source control actions, such as checking in to, checking out from, and removing files from source control, can be carried out by using the commands in the [Project | Source Control submenu](#). The commands in this submenu are listed in the sub-sections of this section.

**Note:** If you wish to change the current source control provider, this can be done in any of two ways: (i) via the Source Control options ([Tools | Options | Source Control](#)), or (ii) in the Change Source Control dialog ([Project | Source Control | Change Source Control](#)).

**Note:** Note that a source control project is not the same as an application project. Source control projects are directory-dependent, while XMLSpy projects are logical constructions without direct directory dependence.

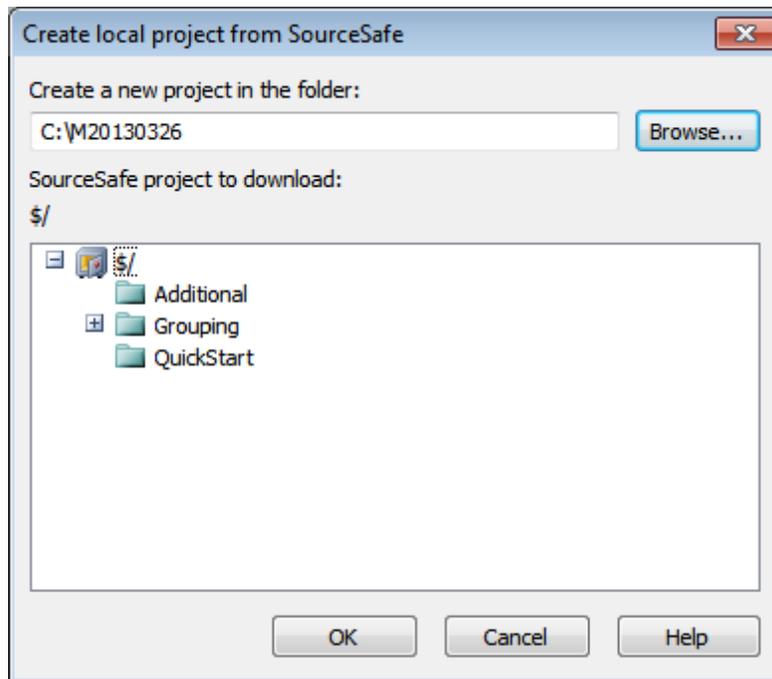
For additional information, see the section, [Source Control](#).

#### Open from Source Control

The **Open from Source Control** command creates a new application project from a project under source control.

Create the new project as follows:

1. Depending on the source control system used, it might be necessary, before you create a new project from source control, to make sure that no file from the project is checked out.
2. No project need be open in the application, but can be.
3. Select the command [Project | Source Control | Open from Source Control](#).
4. The source control system that is currently set will pop up its verification and connection dialogs. Make the connection to the repository you want, that is, to the bound folder in the repository that corresponds to the local folder.
5. In the dialog that pops up (*screenshot below*), browse for the local folder to which the contents of the bound folder in the repository (that you have just connected to) must be copied. In the screenshot below the bound folder is called `MyProject` and is represented by the `§` sign; the local folder is `C:\M20130326`.



6. Click **OK**. The contents of the bound folder (*MyProject*) will be copied to the local folder `C:\M20130326.`, and a dialog pops up asking you to select the project file (`.spp` file) that is to be created as the new project.
7. Select the `.spp` file that will have been copied to the local folder. In our example, this will be `MyProject.spp` located in the `C:\M20130326` folder. A new project named *MyProject* will be created in the application and will be displayed in the Project window. The project's files will be in the folder `C:\M20130326`.

### Source control symbols

Files and the project folder display certain symbols, the meanings of which are given below.

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

### Enable Source Control

The **Enable Source Control** command allows you to enable or disable source control for an application project. Selecting this option on any file or folder, enables/disables source control for the whole project. After source control is enabled, the check in/out status of the various files are retrieved and displayed in the Project window.

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

## Get Latest Version

The **Get Latest Version** command (in the **Project | Source Control** menu) retrieves and places the latest source control version of the selected file(s) in the working directory. The files are retrieved as read-only and are not checked out. This command works like the [Get command](#), but does not display the Get dialog.

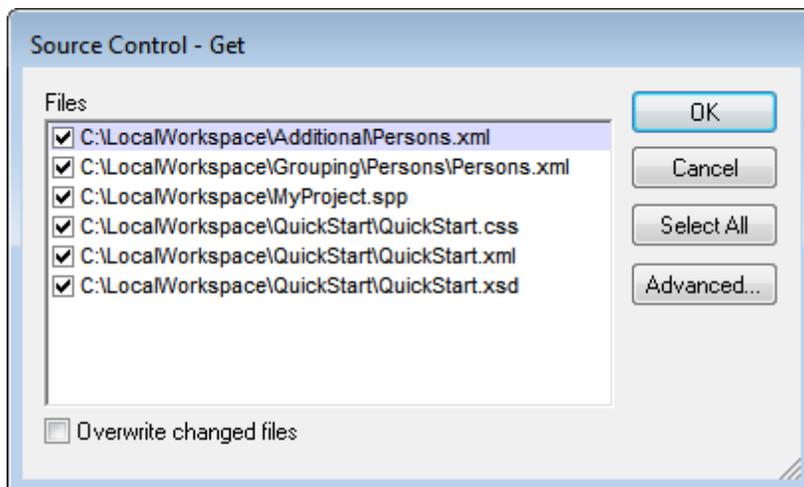
If the selected files are currently checked out, then the action taken will depend on how your source control system handles such a situation. Typically, the source control system will ask whether you wish to replace, merge with, or leave the checked-out file as it is.

**Note:** This command is recursive when performed on a folder, that is, it affects all files below the current one in the folder hierarchy.

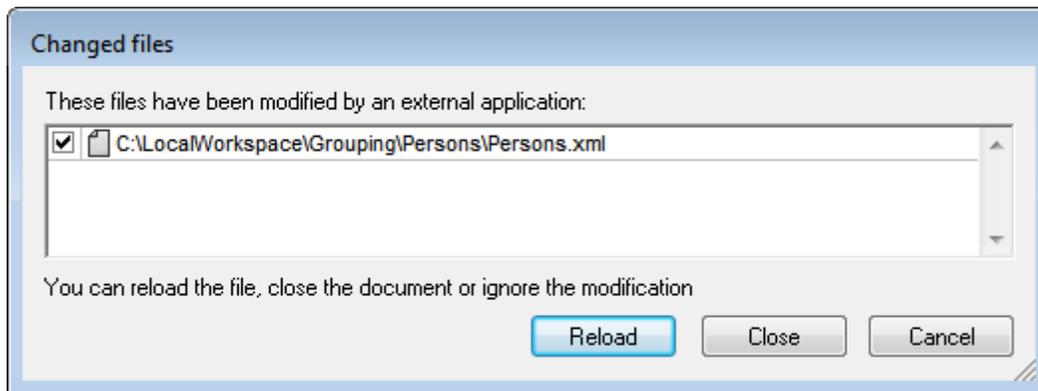
## Get, Get Folders

The **Get** command (in the **Project | Source Control** menu) retrieves files from the repository as read-only files. (To be able to edit a file, you must check it out.) The Get dialog lists the files in the object (project or folder) on which the **Get** command was executed (*see screenshot below*). You can select the files to retrieve by checking them.

**Note:** The **Get Folders** command allows you to select individual sub-folders in the repository if this is allowed by your source control system, .

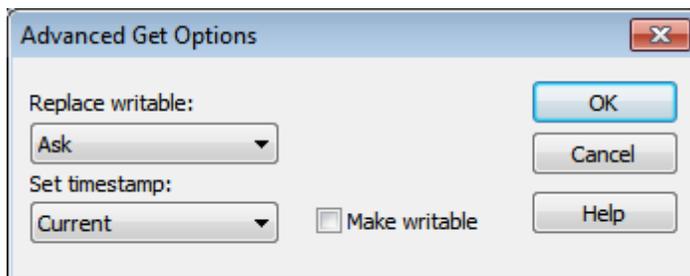


You can choose to overwrite changed checked-out files by checking this option at the bottom of the Get dialog. On clicking **OK**, the files will be overwritten. If any of the overwritten files is currently open, a dialog pops up (*screenshot below*) asking whether you wish to reload the file/s (**Reload** button), close the file/s (**Close**), or retain the current view of the file (**Cancel**).



### Advanced Get Options

The Advanced Get Options dialog (*screenshot below*) is accessed via the **Advanced** button in the Get dialog (*see first screenshot in this section*).



Here you can set options for (i) replacing writable files that are checked out, (ii) the timestamp, and (iii) whether the read-only property of the retrieved file should be changed so that it will be writable.

### Check Out, Check In

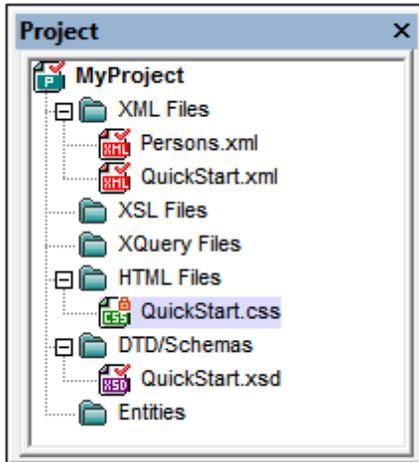
After a project file has been placed under source control, it can be checked out or checked in by selecting the file (in the Project window) and clicking the respective command in the **Project | Source Control** menu: **Check Out** and **Check In**.

When a file is checked out, a copy from the repository is placed in the local folder. A file that is checked out can be edited. If a file that is under source control is not checked out, it cannot be edited. After a file has been edited, the changes can be saved to the repository by checking in the file. Even if the file is not saved, checking it in will save the changes to the repository. Whether a file is checked out or not is indicated with a tick or lock symbol in its icon.

Files and the project folder display certain symbols, the meanings of which are given below.

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

Selecting the project or a folder within the project, selects all files in the selected object. To select multiple objects (files and folders), press the Ctrl key while clicking the objects. The screenshot below shows a project that has been checked out. The file `QuickStart.css` has subsequently been checked in.



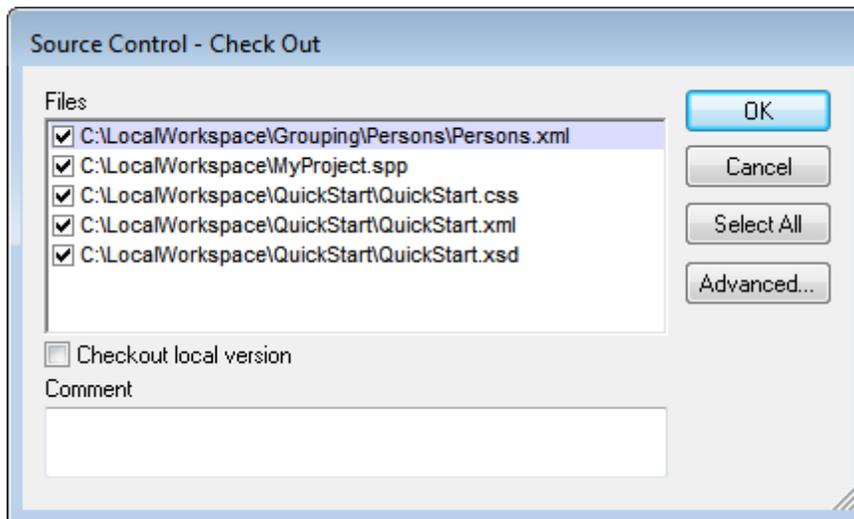
### Saving and rejecting editing changes

Note that, when checking in a file, you can choose to leave the file checked out. What this does is save editing changes to the repository while continuing to keep the file checked out, which is useful if you wish to periodically save editing changes to the repository and then continue editing.

If you have checked out a file and made editing changes, and then wish to reject these changes, you can revert to the document version saved in the repository by selecting the command **Project | Source Control | Undo Check Out**.

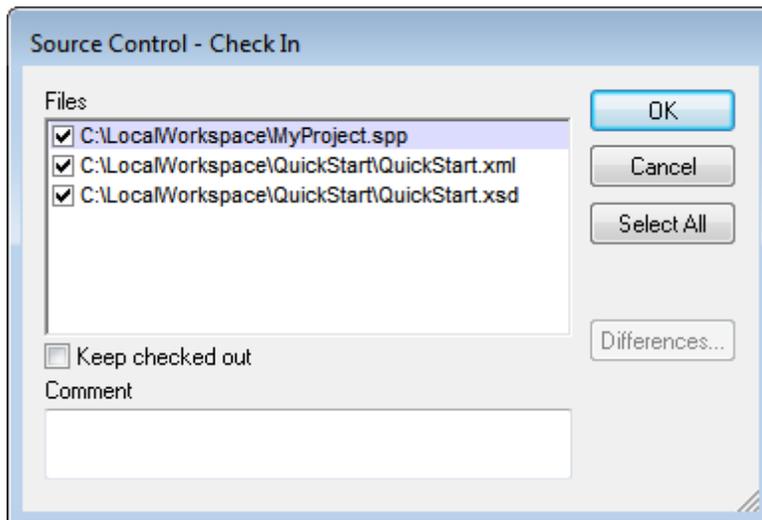
### Checking out

The Check Out dialog (*screenshot below*) allows you: (i) to select the files to check out, and (ii) to select whether the repository version or the local version should be checked out.



### Checking in

The Check In dialog (*screenshot below*) allows you: (i) to select the files to check in, and (ii) if you wish, to keep the file checked out.



**Note:** In both dialogs (Check Out and Check In), multiple files appear if the selected object (project or project folder/s) contain multiple files.

### Undo Check Out

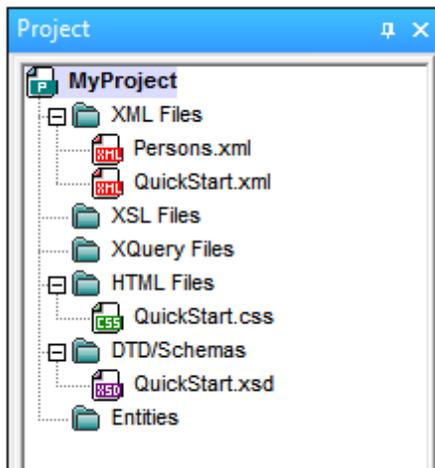
If you have checked out a file and made editing changes, and then wish to reject these changes, you can revert to the document version saved in the repository by selecting the command **Project | Source Control | Undo Check Out**.

Files and the project folder display certain symbols, the meanings of which are given below.

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

## Add to Source Control

After a project has been added to source control, you can add files either singly or in groups to source control. Select the file in the Project window and then click the command **Project | Source Control | Add to Source Control**. To select multiple files, keep the **Ctrl** key pressed while clicking on the files you wish to add. Running the command on a (green) project folder (see *screenshot below*) adds all files in the folder and its sub-folders to source control.



When files are added to source control, the local folder hierarchy is replicated in the repository (not the project folder hierarchy). So, if a file is in a sub-folder X levels deep in the local folder, then the file's parent folder and all other ancestor folders are automatically created in the repository.

When the first file from a project is added to source control, the correct bindings are created in the repository and the project file (.spp file) is added automatically. For more details, see the section [Add to Source Control](#).

## Source control symbols

Files and the project folder display certain symbols, the meanings of which are given below.

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

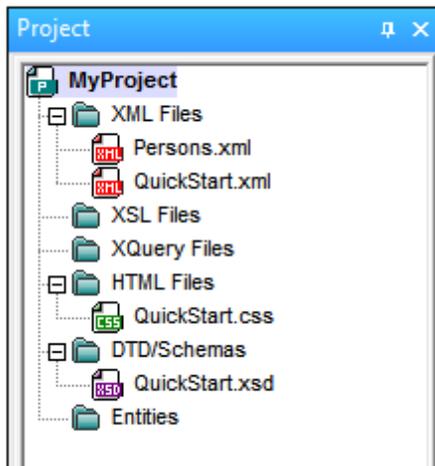
## Remove from Source Control

To remove a file from source control, select the file and click the command **Project | Source Control | Remove from Source Control**. You can also remove: (i) files in a project folder by executing the command on the folder, (ii) multiple files that you select while keeping the **Ctrl** key pressed, and (iii) the entire project by executing the command on the project.

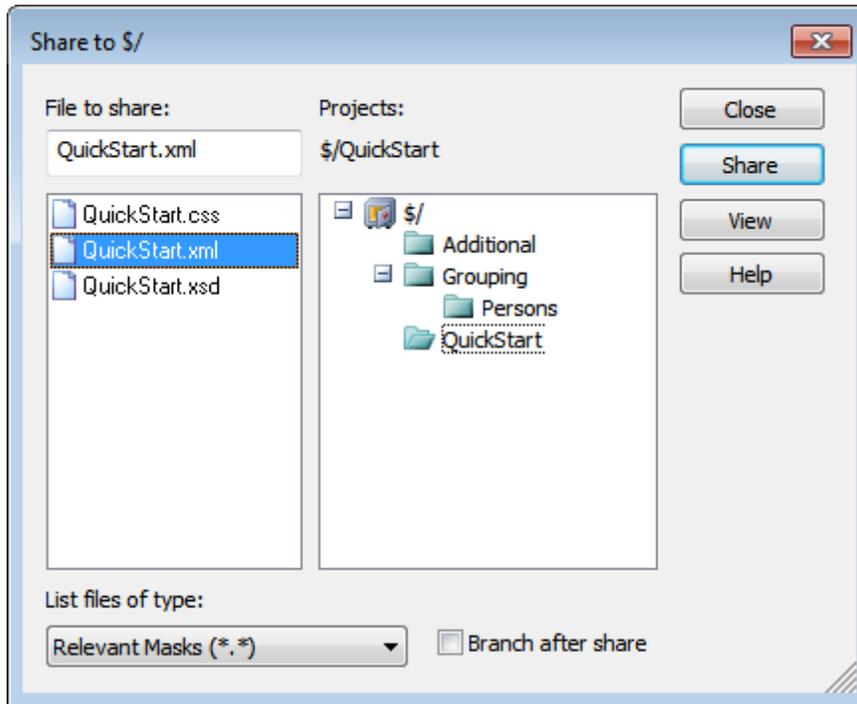
## Share from Source Control

The **Share from Source Control** command is supported when the source control system being used supports shares. You can share a file, so that it is available at multiple local locations. A change made to one of these local files will be reflected in all the other "shared" versions.

In the application's Project window first select the project (*highlighted in the screenshot below*). Then click the **Share from Source Control**.

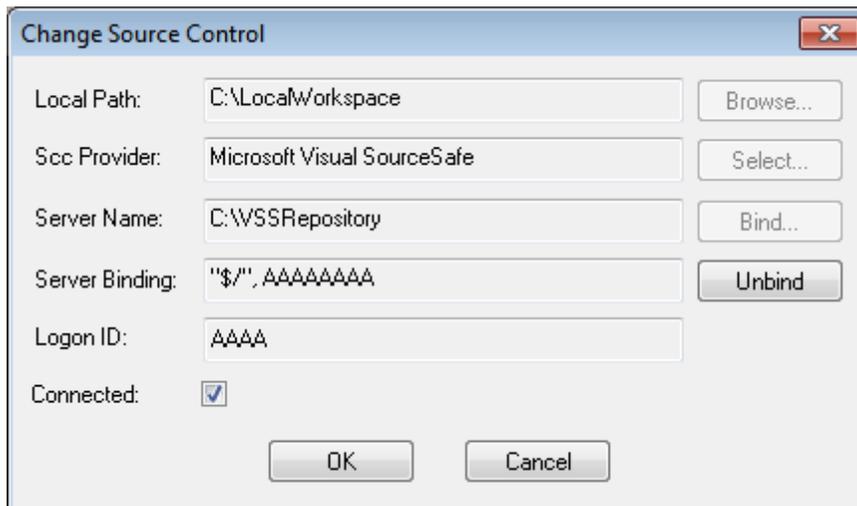


The Share To [Folder] dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up.



To select the files to share, first choose, in the project tree in the right hand pane, the folder in which the files are. The files in the chosen folder are displayed in the left hand pane. Select the file you wish to share (multiple files by pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the files you want to share). The selected file/s will be displayed in the *Files to Share* text box (at top left). Click **Share** and then **Close** to copy the selected file/s to the local share folder.

The share folder is noted in the name of the Share to [Folder] dialog. In the screenshot above it is the local folder (since the \$ sign is the folder in the repository to which the local folder is bound). You can see and set the share folder in the Change Source Control dialog (screenshot below, **Change Source Control**) by changing the local path and server binding.

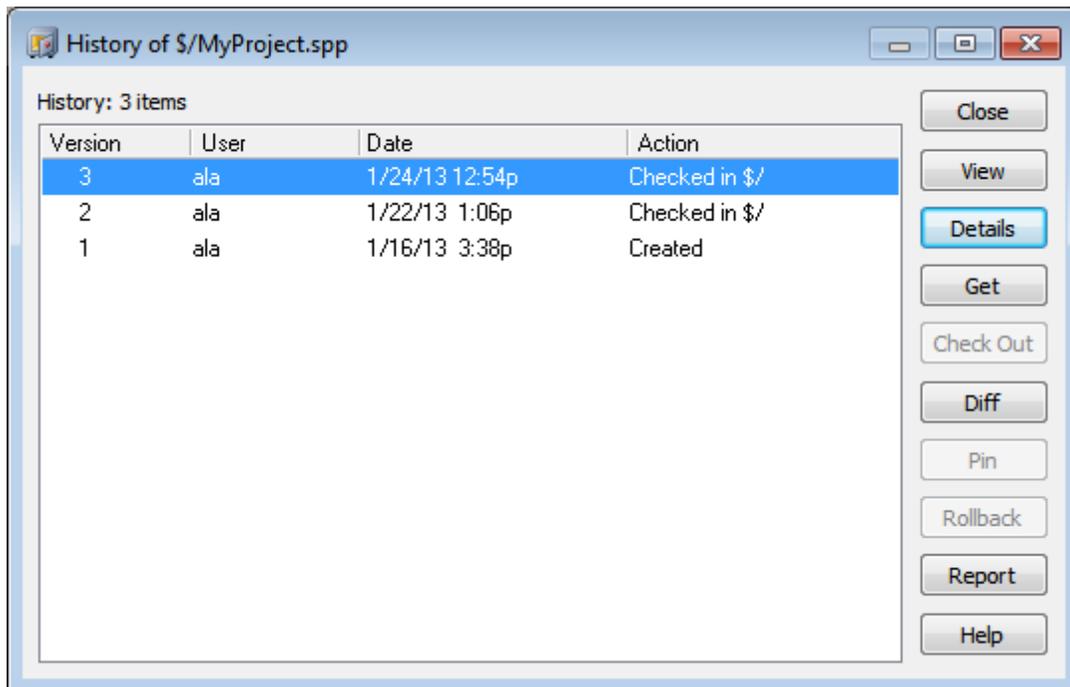


For more details about sharing using your source control system, see the source control system's user documentation.

## Show History

The **Show History** command activates the Show History feature of the active source control system. It displays the history of the file selected in the Project window. Select the project title to display the history of the project file (.spp file). You can view information about previous versions of a file and differences, as well as retrieve previous versions of the file.

The screenshot below shows the History dialog of the Visual SourceSafe source control system. It lists the various versions of the `MyProject.spp` file.



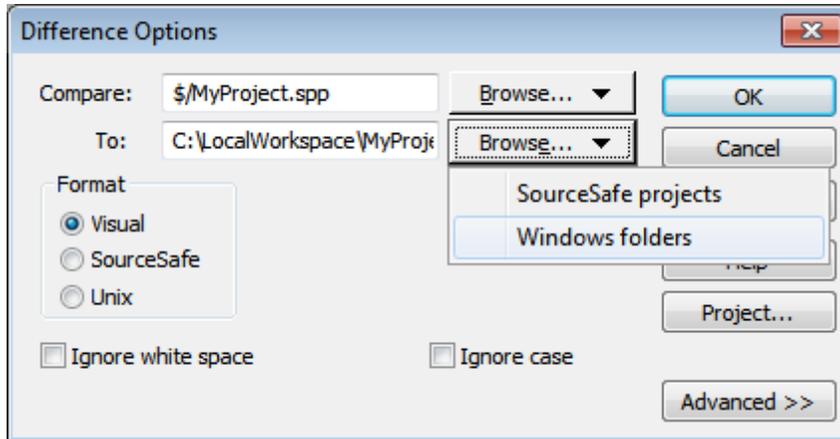
This History dialog provides various ways of comparing and getting specific versions of the file in question. Double-clicking an entry in the list opens the History Details dialog box for that file. The buttons in the History dialog provide the following functionality:

- *Close*: Closes this dialog box.
- *View*: Opens a dialog box in which you can select the type of file viewer.
- *Details*: Opens a dialog box in which you can see the [properties](#) of the currently active file.
- *Get*: Retrieves a previous file version and places it in the working directory.
- *Check Out*: Allows you to check out a previous version of the file.
- *Diff*: Opens the [Difference options](#) dialog box for differencing options between two file versions. Use **Ctrl+Click** to mark two file versions in this window, then click Diff to view the differences between them.
- *Pin*: Pins or unpins a version of the file, allowing you to define the specific file version to use when differencing two files.
- *Rollback*: Rolls back to the selected version of the file.
- *Report*: Generates a history report that you can send to a printer, file, or clipboard.
- *Help*: Opens the online help of the source control provider plugin.

## Show Differences

The **Show Differences** command is enabled when a file in the Project window is selected. To select the project file (.spp file), select the project title in the Project window. The **Show Differences** command starts the source control system's differencing tool so that differences between files can be directly checked from your Altova application.

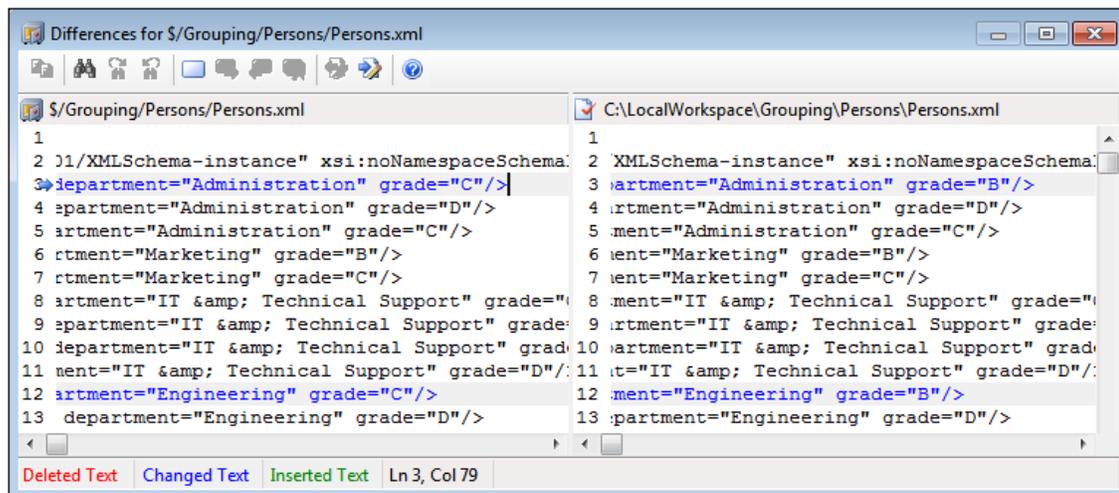
The screenshot below shows the differencing tool of the Visual SourceSafe source control system.



The repository and local versions are shown by default in the *Compare* and *To* text fields respectively. You can browse for other files as follows:

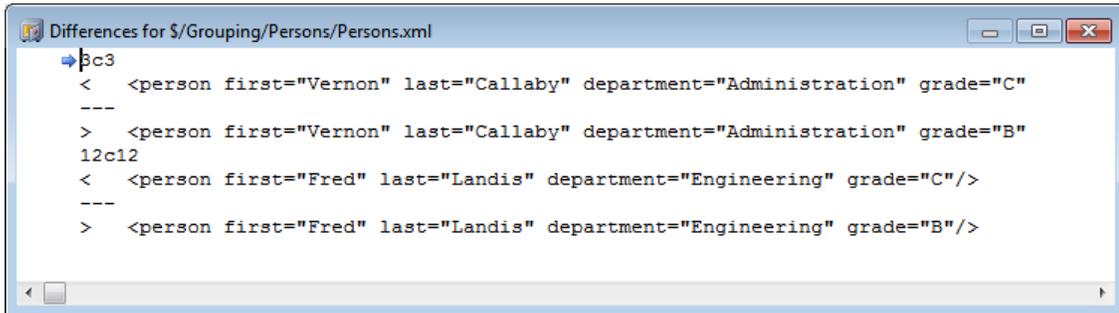
1. From the **Browse** button dropdown list, select SourceSafe projects (for browsing repository files) or Windows folders (for browsing local folders).
2. Browse for the files you want and select them.

Select the options you want and click **OK** to run the check. The differencing results are displayed in a separate window. The screenshots below show the results of a check in two formats.



The screenshot above shows the Visual SourceSafe differencing result in Visual format (see *Options dialog above*), while the screenshot below shows the result in Unix format. In both, there

are two differences, each of which is a change of the grade from C to B.



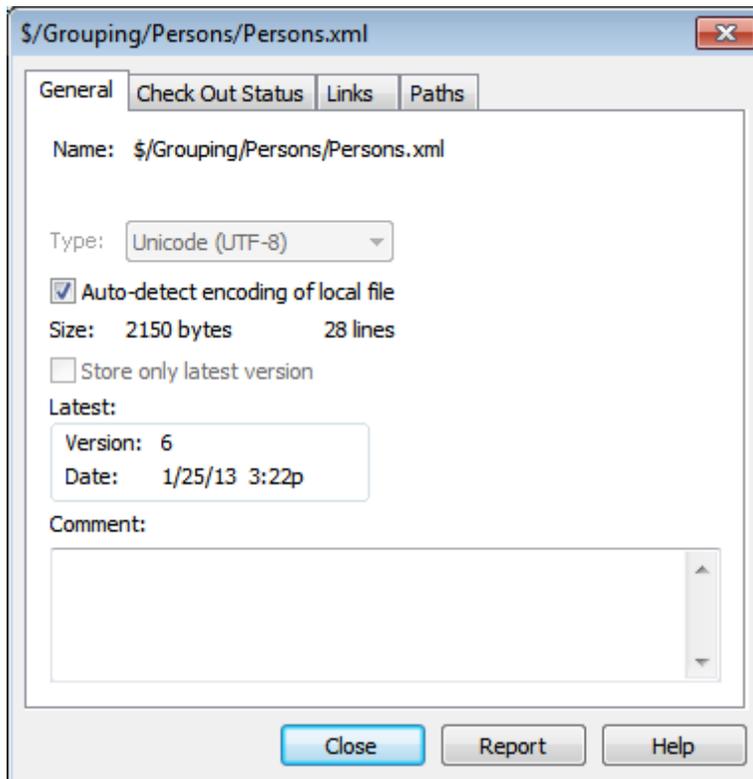
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→ 3c3
< <person first="Vernon" last="Callaby" department="Administration" grade="C"
---
> <person first="Vernon" last="Callaby" department="Administration" grade="B"
12c12
< <person first="Fred" last="Landis" department="Engineering" grade="C"/>
---
> <person first="Fred" last="Landis" department="Engineering" grade="B"/>
```

For a detailed description of how your source control system handles differencing, see the product's user documentation.

## Show Properties

The **Show Properties** command displays the properties of the currently selected file (*screenshot below*). What properties are displayed depends on the source control system you are using. The screenshot below shows properties when Visual SourceSafe is the active source control system.

Note that this command is enabled only for single files.



For details, see the source control system's user documentation.

## Refresh Status

The **Refresh Status** command refreshes the status of all project files independent of their current status.

## Source Control Manager

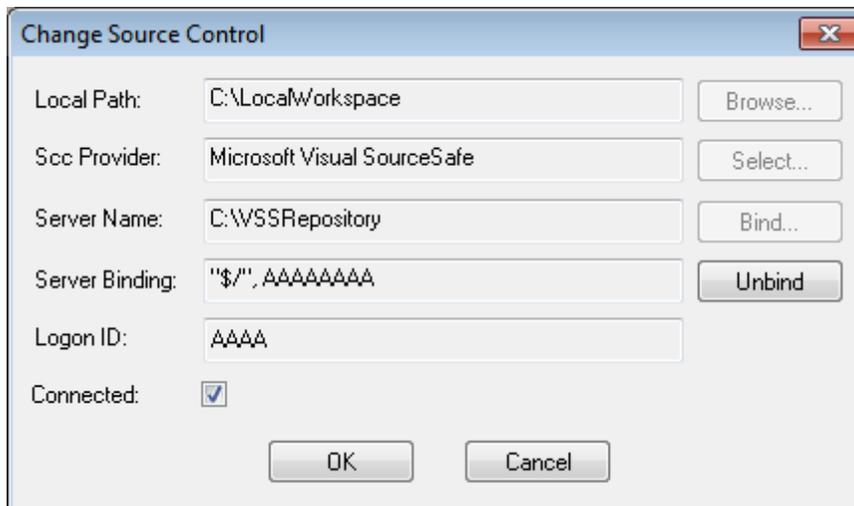
The **Source Control Manager** command starts your source control software with its native user interface.

## Change Source Control

The current binding is what the active application project will use to connect to the source control database, so the current binding must be correct. By this is meant that the application project file (.spp file) must be in the local path folder and the bound folder on the repository must be the database where this project's files are stored. Typically the bound folder and its sub-structure will correspond with the local workspace folder and its sub-structure.

In the Change Source Control dialog (*screenshot below*), you can change the source control system (*SCC Provider*), the local folder (*Local Path*), and the repository binding (*Server Name* and *Server Binding*).

Only after unbinding the current binding can the settings be changed. Unbind the current binding with the **Unbind** button. All the settings are now editable.



Change source control settings as follows:

1. Use the **Browse** button to browse for the local folder and the **Select** button to select from among the installed source control systems.
2. After doing this you can bind the local folder to a repository database. Click the **Bind** button to do this. This pops up the connection dialog of your source control system.
3. If you have entered a *Logon ID*, this will be passed to the source control system; otherwise you might have to enter your logon details in the connection dialog.
4. Select the database in the repository that you wish to bind to this local folder. This setting might be spread over more than one dialog.

5. After the setting has been created, click **OK** in the Change Source Control dialog.

### 23.3.7 Add Files to Project



The **Project | Add Files to Project** command adds files to the current project. Use this command to add files to any folder in your project. You can either select a single file or any group of files (using **Ctrl+ click**) in the Open dialog box. If you are adding files to the project, they will be distributed among the respective folders based on the File Type Extensions defined in the [Project Properties](#) dialog box.

### 23.3.8 Add Global Resource to Project

The **Project | Add Global Resource to Project** command pops up the Choose Global Resource dialog, in which you can select a global resource of file or folder type to add to the project. If a file-type global resource is selected, then the file is added to the appropriate folder based on the File Type Extensions defined in the [Project Properties](#) dialog box. If a folder-type global resource is selected, that folder will be opened in a file-open dialog and you will be prompted to select a file; the selected file is added to the appropriate folder based on the File Type Extensions defined in the [Project Properties](#) dialog box. For a description of global resources, see the Global Resources section in this documentation.

### 23.3.9 Add URL to Project



The **Project | Add URL to Project** command adds a URL to the current project. URLs in a project cause the target object of the URL to be included in the project. Whenever a batch operation is performed on a URL or on a folder that contains a URL object, XMLSpy retrieves the document from the URL, and performs the requested operation.

### 23.3.10 Add Active File to Project



The **Project | Add Active File to Project** command adds the active file to the current project. If you have just opened a file from your hard disk or through an URL, you can add the file to the current project using this command.

### 23.3.11 Add Active And Related Files to Project



The **Project | Add Active and Related Files to Project** command adds the currently active XML document and all related files to the project. When working on an XML document that is based on

a DTD or Schema, this command adds not only the XML document but also all related files (for example, the DTD and all external parsed entities to which the DTD refers) to the current project.

**Please note:** Files referenced by processing instructions (such as XSLT files) are not considered to be related files.

### 23.3.12 Add Project Folder to Project



The **Project | Add Project Folder to Project** command adds a new folder to the current project. Use this command to add a new folder to the current project or a sub-folder to a project folder. You can also access this command from the context-menu when you right-click on a folder in the project window.

**Note:** A project folder can be dragged and dropped into another project folder or to any other location in the project. Also, a folder can be dragged from Windows (File) Explorer and dropped into any project folder.

**Note:** Project folders are green, while [external folders](#) are yellow.

### 23.3.13 Add External Folder to Project

The **Project | Add External Folder to Project** command adds a new external folder to the current project. Use this command to add a local or network folder to the current project. You can also access this command from the context-menu when you right-click a folder in the project window.

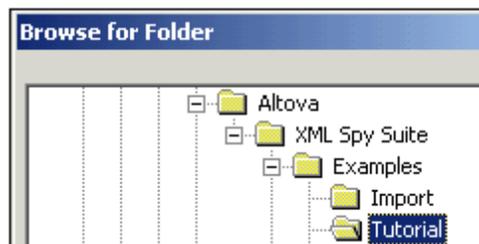
**Note:** External folders are yellow, while [project folders](#) are green.

**Note:** Files contained in external folders cannot be placed under source control.

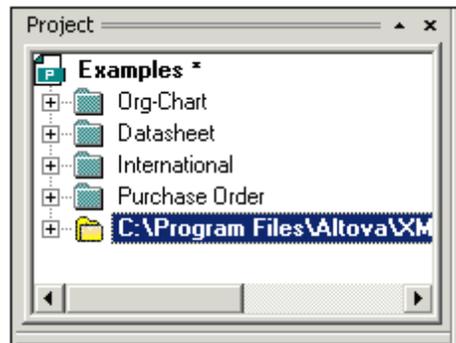
#### Adding external folders to projects

To add an external folder to the project:

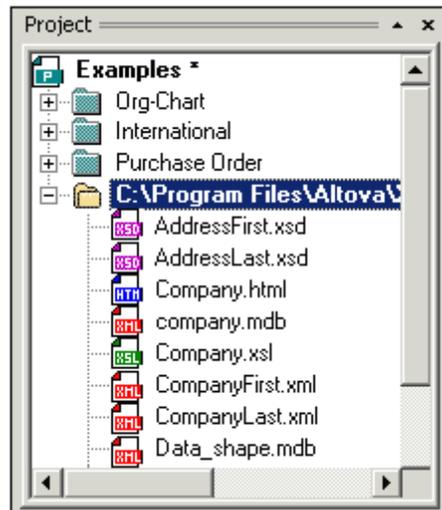
1. Select the menu option **Project | Add External Folder to Project**.
2. Select the folder you want to include from the Browse for Folder dialog box, and click **OK** to confirm.



The selected folder now appears in the project window.



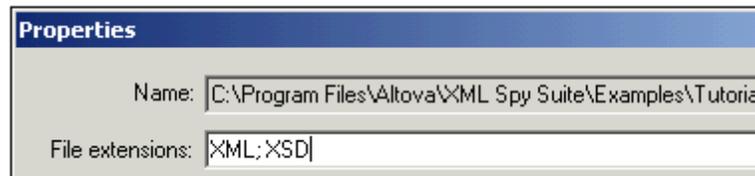
3. Click the plus icon to view the folder contents.



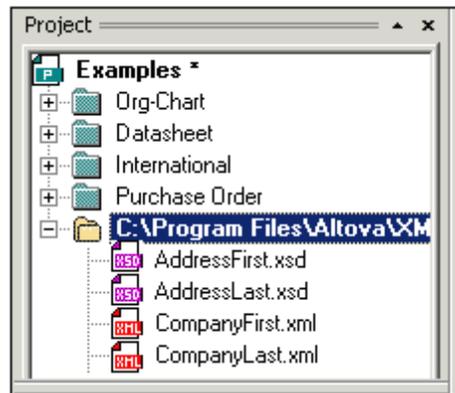
### Filtering contents of folders

To filter the contents of the folder:

1. Right-click the local folder, and select the popup menu option **Properties**. This opens the Properties dialog box.



2. Click in the **File extensions** field and enter the file extensions of the file types you want to see. You can separate each file type with a **semicolon** to define multiple types (XML and Schema XSDs in this example).
3. Click **OK** to confirm.



The Project window now only shows the XML and XSD files of the tutorial folder.

### Validating external folders

To validate and check an external folder for well-formedness:

1. Select the file types you want to see or check from the external folder,
2. Click the folder and click the **Check well-formedness**  or **Validate**  icon (hotkeys **F7** or **F8**). All the files visible under the folder are checked. If a file is malformed or invalid, then this file is opened in the Main Window, allowing you to edit it.
3. Correct the error and run the validation process once more to recheck.

### Updating a project folder

You might add or delete files in the local or network directory at any time. To update the folder view, right-click the external folder, and select the popup menu option **Refresh external folder**.

### Deleting external folders and files in them

Select an external folder and press the **Delete** key to delete the folder from the Project window. Alternatively, right-click the external folder and select the **Delete** command. Each of these actions only deletes the external folder from the Project window. The external folder is not deleted from the hard disk or network.

To delete a file in an external folder, you have to delete it physically from the hard disk or network. To see the change in the project, refresh the external folder contents (right-click the external folder and select **Refresh**).

**Note:** An external folder can be dragged and dropped into a project folder or to any other location in the project (but not into another external folder). Also, an external folder can be dragged from Windows (File) Explorer and dropped into any location in the project window except into another external folder.

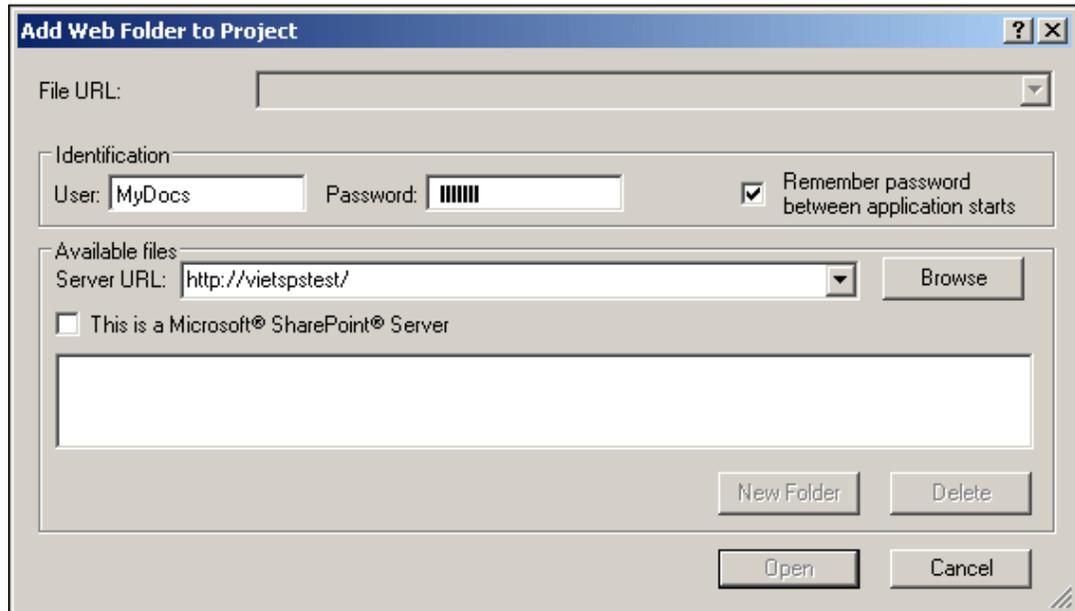
## 23.3.14 Add External Web Folder to Project

This command adds a new external web folder to the current project. You can also access this command from the context-menu when you right-click a folder in the project window. Note that files contained in external folders cannot be placed under source control.

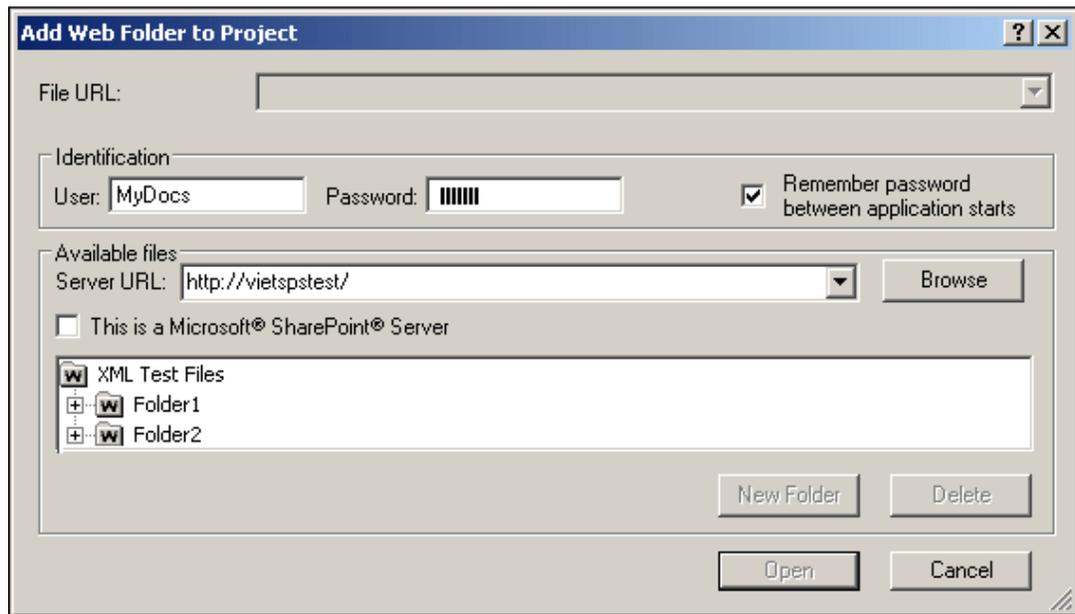
### Adding an external web folder to the project

To add an external web folder to the project, do the following:

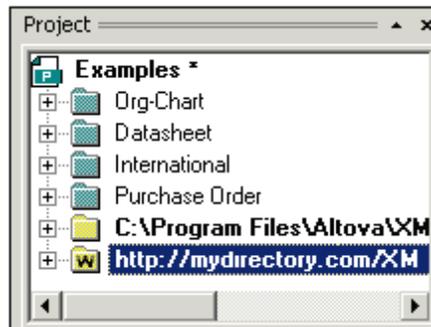
1. Select the menu option **Project | Add External Web Folder to Project**. This opens the Add Web Folder to Project dialog box (*screenshot below*).



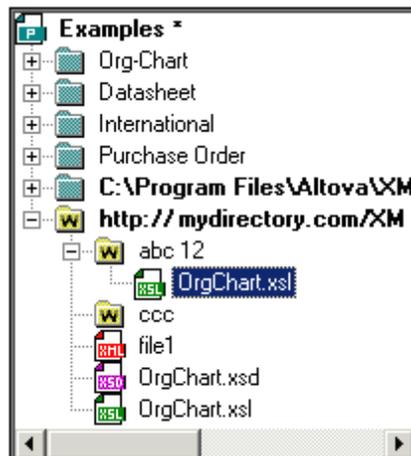
2. Click in the Server URL field and enter the URL of the server URL. If the server is a Microsoft® SharePoint® Server, check this option. See the *Folders on a Microsoft® SharePoint® Server* section below for further information about working with files on this type of server.
3. If the server is password-protected, enter your User ID and password in the *User* and *Password* fields.
4. Click **Browse** to connect to the server and view the available folders.



5. Click the folder you want to add to the project view. The **Open** button only becomes active once you do this. The URL of the folder now appears in the File URL field.
6. Click **Open** to add the folder to the project.



7. Click the plus icon to view the folder contents.



### Filtering folder contents

To filter the contents of a folder, right-click the folder and select **Properties** from the context menu. In the Properties dialog that pops up, click in the *File Extensions* field and enter the file extensions of the file types you want to see (for example, XML and XSD files). Separate each file type with a semicolon (for example: `xml; xsd; sps`). The Project window will now show that folder only with files having the specified extension.

### Validating and checking a folder for well-formedness

To check the files in a folder for well-formedness or to validate them, select the folder and then click the **Check well-formedness**  or **Validate**  icon (hotkeys **F7** or **F8**, respectively). All the files that are visible in the folder are checked. If a file is malformed or invalid, then this file is opened in the main window, allowing you to edit it. Correct the error and restart the process to recheck the rest of the folder. Note that you can select discontinuous files in the folder by holding **Ctrl** and clicking the files singly. Only these files are then checked when you press **F7** or **F8**.

### Updating the contents of the project folder

Files may be added or deleted from the web folder at any time. To update the folder view, right-click the external folder and select the context menu option **Refresh**.

### Deleting folders and files

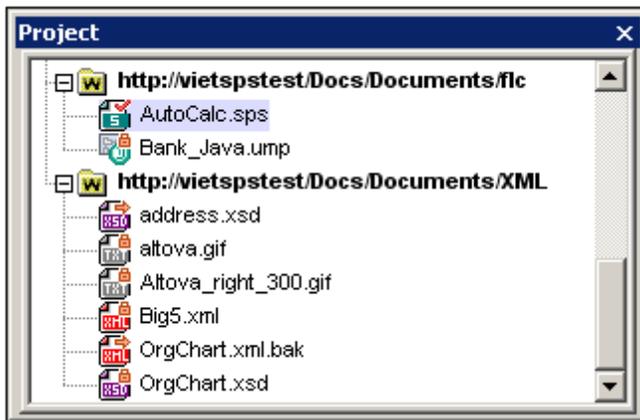
Since it is the Web folder that has been added to the project, it is only the Web folder (and not files within it) that can be deleted from the project. You can delete a Web folder from a project, by either (i) right-clicking the folder and selecting **Delete**, or (ii) selecting the folder and pressing the **Delete** key. This only deletes the folder from the Project view; it does not delete anything on the web server.

**Note:** Right-clicking a single file and pressing the **Delete** key does not delete a file from the Project window. You have to delete it physically on the server and then refresh the contents of the external folder.

### Folders on a Microsoft® SharePoint® Server

When a folder on a Microsoft® SharePoint® Server has been added to a project, files in the folder can be checked out and checked in via commands in the context menu of the file listing in the Project window (see *screenshot below*). To access these commands, right-click the file you wish to work with and select the command you want (**Check Out**, **Check In**, **Undo Check Out**).

The User ID and password can be saved in the [properties of individual folders in the project](#), thereby enabling you to skip the verification process each time the server is accessed.



In the Project window (*screenshot below*), file icons have symbols that indicate the check-in/check-out status of files. The various file icons are shown below:

	Checked in. Available for check-out.
	Checked out by another user. Not available for check-out.
	Checked out locally. Can be edited and checked-in.

The following points should be noted:

- After you check out a file, you can edit it in your Altova application and save it using **File | Save (Ctrl+S)**.
- You can check-in the edited file via the context menu in the Project window (see *screenshot above*), or via the context menu that pops up when you right-click the file tab in the Main Window of your application (*screenshot below*).

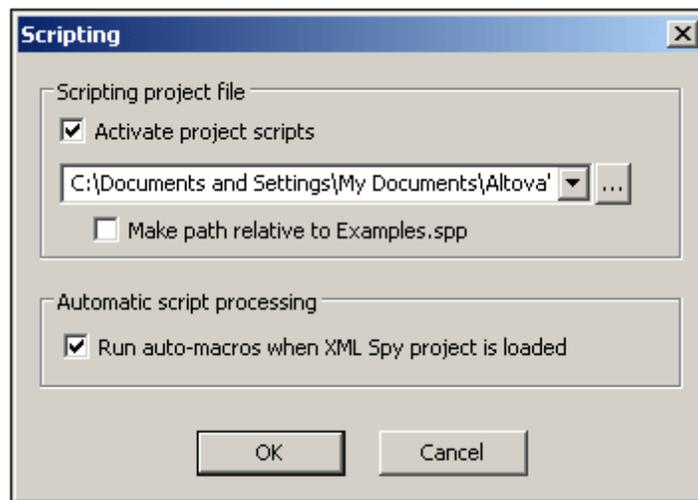


- When a file is checked out by another user, it is not available for check out.
- When a file is checked out locally by you, you can undo the check-out with the Undo Check-Out command in the context menu. This has the effect of returning the file unchanged to the server.
- If you check out a file in one Altova application, you cannot check it out in another Altova application. The file is considered to be already checked out to you. The available commands at this point in any Altova application supporting Microsoft® SharePoint® Server will be: **Check In** and **Undo Check Out**.

### 23.3.15 Script Settings

A scripting project is assigned to an XMLSpy project as follows:

1. In the XMLSpy GUI, open the required application project.
2. Select the menu command **Project | Script Settings**. The Scripting dialog (*screenshot below*) opens.



3. Check the *Activate Project Scripts* check box and select the required scripting project (`.asprj` file). If you wish to run Auto-Macros when the XMLSpy project is loaded, check the *Run Auto-Macros* check box.
4. Click **OK** to finish.

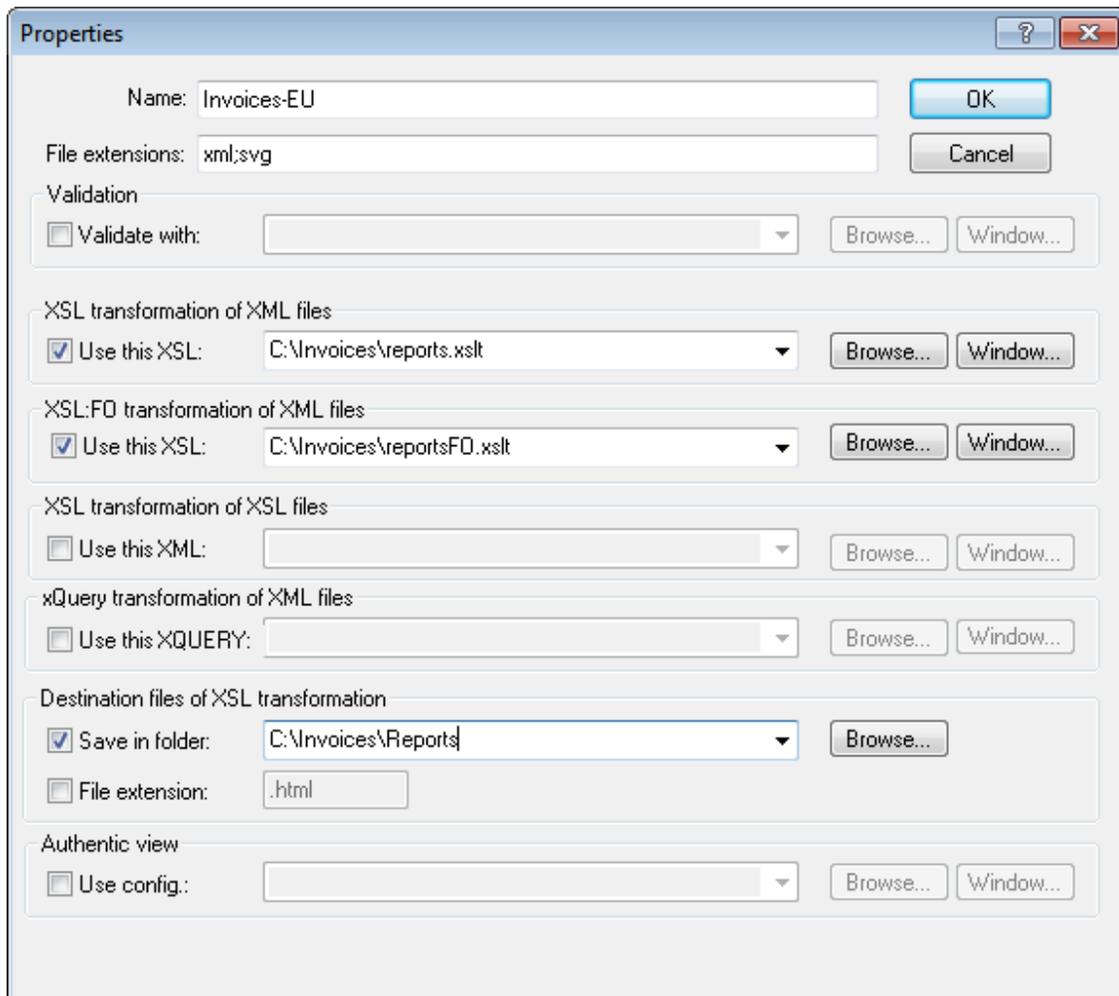
**Note:** To deactivate (that is, unassign) the scripting project of an XMLSpy project, uncheck the *Activate Project Scripts* check box.

### 23.3.16 Properties



The **Project | Project Properties** command opens the Properties dialog (*screenshot below*) of the active project. If you right-click a folder in the Project window (as opposed to the project folder itself) and select **Properties**, the Properties dialog of that folder is opened. The dialog settings are described below.

**Note:** If your project file is under source control, a prompt appears asking if you want to check out the project (`.spp`) file. Click **OK** if you want to edit settings and be able to save them.



## Settings

### File extensions

The *File Extensions* setting is enabled for individual folders, and not for the project folder. When a file is added to a project, it will be added to the folder on which its file extension has been defined. For example, say a file named `MyReport.xml` is added to the project. If `.xml` file extensions have been set on the `Invoices-EU` folder (as shown in the screenshot above), then `MyReport.xml` will be added to the `Invoices-EU` folder. If there is more than one folder to which you wish to add XML files, then you should add individual XML files directly to the folder (instead of to the project).

### User ID and password for external folders

On external folders (including external Web folders), you can save the user ID and password that might be required for accessing the server.

### Validation

The DTD, XML Schema, or [JSON schema](#) that should be used to [validate](#) the files in the current

folder (or entire project if the properties are those of the project).

XSL transformation of XML files

The XSLT stylesheet to be used for [XSLT transformation](#) of XML files in the folder.

XSL-FO transformation of XML files

The XSLT stylesheet to transform XML files in the folder to XSL-FO.

XSL transformation of XSL files

The XML file to be used for [XSLT transformation](#) with XSLT files in the folder.

XQuery transformation of XML files

The XQuery file to be used for XQuery executions of XML files in the folder.

Destination files of XSL transformation

The destination directory of XSLT transformations, and, optionally, the file extension of the result document.

Authentic View

The *Use config* specifies the StyleVision Power Stylesheet (SPS file) to use for the Authentic View display of XML files in the folder. Note that the XML file must be valid against the same schema used for the SPS.

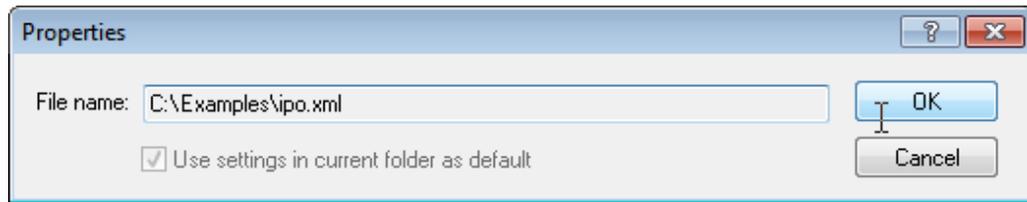
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## Notes about project properties

Notes about precedence

Note the following:

- When validations or XSLT/XQuery transformations are carried out via project folder context menus, then the validation or transformation files specified in this dialog take precedence over any assignment in the XML file. Also, settings specified for individual project folders take precedence over settings specified for ancestor folders.
- If one file is present in multiple folders of the project and has been assigned different validation or transformation files in the different folders, then you can set which assignment to use when the file is processed outside the project. Specify this as follows: Locate the file in the project folder whose assignment/s you wish to use. Right-click the file in that project folder, and select **Properties**. In the dialog that appears (*screenshot below*), select *Use settings in current folder as default*. (The current folder is the project folder in which the file is located.) If the option is disabled, it means that the settings of the current folder are already selected as the default settings to use. If you select a file instance that is in a project folder that is not the default, then the option is enabled, and you can switch the default settings to be this folder's settings. Note that, if the file has a local assignment (that is, an assignment within the file itself), then the local assignment will be used, and the default folder settings will be ignored.



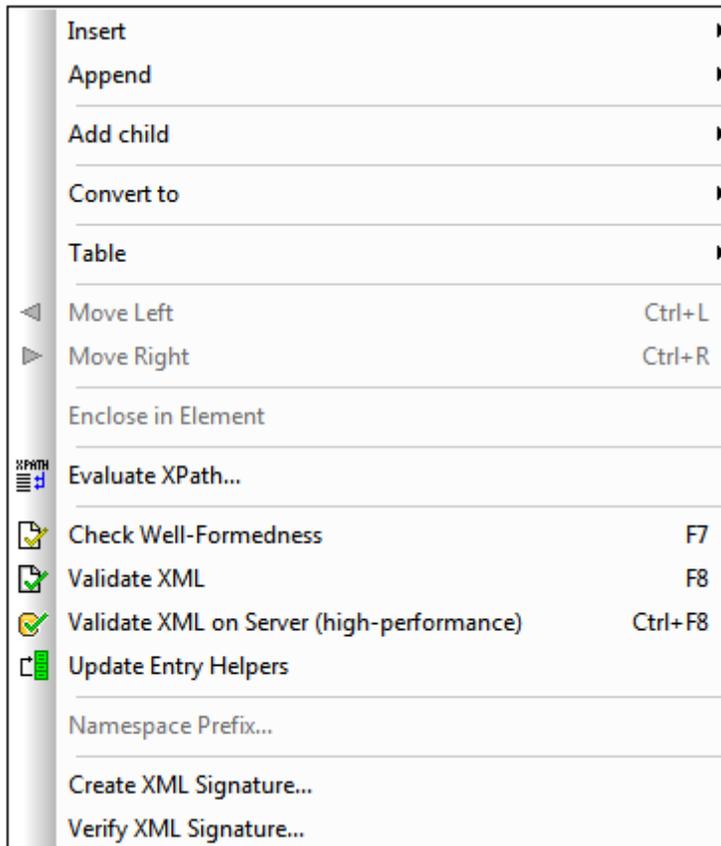
### 23.3.17 Most Recently Used Projects

This command displays the file name and path for the nine most recently used projects, allowing quick access to these files.

Also note, that XMLSpy can automatically open the [last project](#) that you used, whenever you start XMLSpy. (**Tools | Options | File** tab, Project | Open last project on program start).

## 23.4 XML Menu

The **XML** menu contains commands commonly used when working with XML documents. You will find commands to insert or append elements, modify the element hierarchy, set a namespace prefix, as well as to evaluate XPath in the context of individual XML documents.



Among the most frequently used XML tasks are checks for the [well-formedness](#) of documents and [validity](#) of XML documents. Commands for these tasks are in this menu.

### 23.4.1 Insert

The **XML | Insert** command, though enabled in all views, can be used in Grid View only. It has a submenu (see *screenshot*) with which you can insert:

- The XML declaration and node types (Attribute, Element, Text, CDATA, Comment, Processing Instruction) in XML documents;
- DOCTYPE declarations and external DTD declarations in XML documents;
- DTD declarations (ELEMENT, ATTLIST, ENTITY, and NOTATION) in DTD documents and internal DTD declarations of XML documents.

	A <u>tt</u> ribute	Ctrl+Shift+I
	E <u>l</u> ement	Ctrl+Shift+E
	T <u>e</u> xt	Ctrl+Shift+T
	C <u>D</u> ATA	Ctrl+Shift+D
	C <u>o</u> mment	Ctrl+Shift+M
	X <u>M</u> L	
	P <u>r</u> ocessing Instruction	
	X <u>I</u> nclude...	
	D <u>O</u> CTYPE	
	External <u>I</u> D	
	E <u>L</u> EMENT	
	ATT <u>L</u> IST	
	ENT <u>I</u> TY	
	NO <u>T</u> ATION	
	Encoded External <u>F</u> ile...	

### Insert Attribute



**Ctrl+Shift+I**

The **XML | Insert | Attribute** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a new attribute before the selected item. An inserted attribute may appear a few lines before the current item in Grid View. This is because attributes immediately follow their parent element in Grid View and precede all child elements of that parent element.

### Insert Element



**Ctrl+Shift+E**

The **XML | Insert | Element** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a new element before the selected item. If the current selection is an attribute, the new element is before the first child element of the attribute's parent element.

### Insert Text



**Ctrl+Shift+T**

The **XML | Insert | Text** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a new text row before the selected item. If the current selection is an attribute, the text row is inserted after the

attribute and before the first child element of the attribute's parent element.

### Insert CDATA



**Ctrl+Shift+D**

The **XML | Insert | Cdata** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a new CDATA block before the selected item. If the current selection is an attribute, the CDATA block is inserted after the attribute and before the first child element of the attribute's parent element.

### Insert Comment



**Ctrl+Shift+M**

The **XML | Insert | Comment** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a new comment before the selected item. If the current selection is an attribute, the new comment row is inserted after the attribute and before the first child element of the attribute's parent element.

### Insert XML



The **XML | Insert | XML** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a row for the XML declaration before the selected item. You must insert the child attributes of the XML declaration and the values of this attribute. An XML declaration must look something like this:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

**Please note:** Since an XML document may only contain one XML declaration at the very top of the file, this command should only be used with the topmost row selected and if an XML declaration does not already exist.

### Insert Processing Instruction



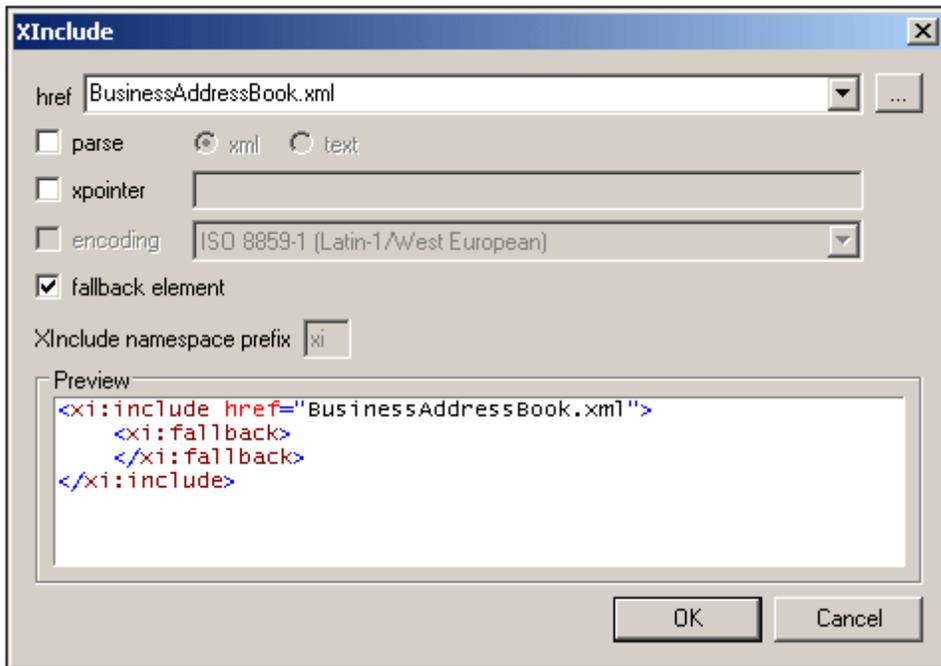
The **XML | Insert | Processing Instruction** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a new processing instruction (PI) before the selected item. If the current selection is an attribute, the PI is inserted after the attribute and before the first child element of the attribute's parent element.

### Insert XInclude



The **XML | Insert | XInclude** command is available in Grid View only, and enables you to insert a

new XInclude element before the selected item. If the current selection is an attribute, the XInclude element is inserted after the attribute and before the first child element of the attribute's parent element. Selecting this command pops up the XInclude dialog (*screenshot below*).



The XML file to be included is entered in the `href` text box (alternatively, you can browse for the file by clicking the **Browse (...)** button to the right of the text box). The filename will be entered in the XML document as the value of the `href` attribute. The `parse`, `xpointer`, and `encoding` attributes of the XInclude element (`xi:include`), and the `fallback` child element of `xi:include` can also be inserted via the dialog. Do this by first checking the appropriate check box and then selecting/entering the required values. In the case of the `fallback` element, checking its check box only inserts the empty element. The content of the `fallback` element must be added subsequently in one of the editing views.

The `parse` attribute determines whether the included document is to be parsed as XML or text. (XML is the default value and therefore need not be specified.) The `xpointer` attribute identifies a specific fragment of the document located with the `href` attribute; it is this fragment that will be included. The `encoding` attribute specifies the encoding of the included document so that XMLSpy can transcode this document (or the part of it to be included) into the encoding of the including document. The contents of the `fallback` child element replace the `xi:include` element if the document to be included cannot be located.

Here is an example of an XML document that uses XInclude to include two XML documents:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-16"?>
<AddressBook xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.altova.com/sv/myaddresses
AddressBook.xsd"
  xmlns="http://www.altova.com/stylevision/tutorials/myaddresses"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xmlns:xi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XInclude">
  <xi:include href="BusinessAddressBook.xml"/>
  <xi:include href="PersonalAddressBook.xml"/>
</AddressBook>
```

When this XML document is parsed, it will replace the two XInclude elements with the files specified in the respective `href` attributes.

#### xml:base

When the XML validator of XMLSpy reads an XML document and encounters the `include` element in the XInclude namespace (hereafter `xi:include`), it replaces this element (`xi:include`) with the XML document named in the `href` attribute of the `xi:include` element. The document element (root element) of the included XML document (or the element identified by an XPointer) will be included with an attribute of `xml:base` in order to preserve the base URIs of the included element. If the resulting XML document (containing the included XML document/s or tree fragment/s) must be valid according to a schema, then the document element of the included document (or the top-level element of the tree fragment) must be created with a content model that allows an attribute of `xml:base`. If, according to the schema, the `xml:base` attribute is not allowed on this element, then the resulting document will be invalid. How to define an `xml:base` attribute in an element's content model using XMLSpy's Schema View is described in the [xml:Prefixed Attributes](#) section of the Schema View section of the documentation.

#### XPointers

XMLSpy supports XPointers in XInclude. The relevant W3C recommendations are the [XPointer Framework](#) and [XPointer element\(\) Scheme](#) recommendations. The use of an XPointer in an XInclude element enables a specific part of the XML document to be included, instead of the entire XML document. XPointers are used within an XInclude element as follows:

```
<xi:include href="PersonalAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa)"/>
<xi:include href="BusinessAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(/1/1)"/>
<xi:include href="BobsAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa/3/1)"/>
<xi:include href="PatsAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa)
element(/1/1)"/>
```

In the element() scheme of XPointer, an NCName or a child sequence directed by integers may be used.

- In the first `xi:include` element listed above, the `xpointer` attribute uses the element scheme with an NCName of `usa`. According to the XPointer Framework, this NCName identifies the element that has an ID of `usa`.
- In the second `xi:include` listed above, the `xpointer` attribute with a value of `element(/1/1)` identifies, in the first step, the first child element of the document root (which, if the document is well-formed, will be its document (or root) element). In the second step, the first child element of the element located in the previous step is located; in our example, this would be the first child element of the document element.
- The `xpointer` attribute of the third `xi:include` listed above uses a combination of NCName and child sequence. This XPointer locates the first child element of the third child element of the element having an ID of `usa`.
- If you are not sure whether your first XPointer will work, you can back it up with a second one as shown in the fourth `xi:include` listed above: `xpointer="element(usa) element(/1/1)"`. Here, if there is no element with an ID of `usa`, the back-up XPointer specifies that the first child element of the document element is to be selected. Additional backups are also allowed. Individual XPointers may not be separated, or they may be separated by whitespace: for example, `xpointer="element(usa) element(addresses/1) element(/1/1)"`.

**Note:** The namespace binding context is not used in the element() scheme because the element() scheme does not support qualified names.

## Insert DOCTYPE



The **XML | Insert | DOCTYPE** command is available in the Grid View of an XML file when a top-level node is selected. It appends a DOCTYPE declaration at the top of the XML document. You must enter the name of the DOCTYPE, and this name must be the same as the name of the document element.



After you have entered the name of the DOCTYPE, you can enter the declarations you wish to use in the internal DTD subset.

### Please note:

- A DOCTYPE declaration may only appear between the XML declaration and the XML document element.
- You could use the [Assign DTD](#) command instead to create a DOCTYPE statement that refers to an external DTD document.

## Insert ExternalID



A DOCTYPE declaration in an XML file can contain a reference to an external resource containing DTD declarations. This resource is referenced either through a public or system identifier. For example:

```
<!DOCTYPE doc_element_name PUBLIC "publicID" "systemID">
<!DOCTYPE doc_element_name SYSTEM "systemID">
```

A system identifier is a URI that identifies the external resource. A public identifier is location-independent and can be used to dereference the location of an external resource. For example, in your XMLSpy installation, URIs for popular DTDs and XML Schemas are listed in the catalog files named `catalog.xml` in the various schema folders in `C:\Program Files\Altova\Common2016\Schemas\`. A public identifier in an XML document can be used to dereference a DTD listed in these catalog files.

The **XML | Insert | ExternalID** command is available when a "child" item of the DOCTYPE declaration in an XML file is selected in Grid View. This command inserts a Grid View row for an external identifier (`PUBLIC` or `SYSTEM`). You must enter the type of identifier and its value.



The Text View corresponding to the screenshot of the Grid View shown above looks something

like this:

```
<!DOCTYPE OrgChart SYSTEM "orgchart.dtd" [  
  <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>  
]>
```

**Please note:** A row for External-ID can be added as a child when the DOCTYPE item is selected, or it can be inserted or appended when one of the child items of the DOCTYPE item is selected, for example, the ELEMENT declaration `name` in the example above.

### Insert ELEMENT



The **XML | Insert | ELEMENT** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents or when an item in the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It inserts an ELEMENT declaration before the selected declaration.

### Insert ATTLIST



The **XML | Insert | ATTLIST** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents or when an item in the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It inserts an ATTLIST declaration before the selected declaration.

### Insert ENTITY



The **XML | Insert | ENTITY** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents or when an item in the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It inserts an ENTITY declaration before the selected declaration.

### Insert NOTATION



The **XML | Insert | NOTATION** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents or when an item in the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It inserts a NOTATION declaration before the selected declaration.

### Insert Encoded External File

The **XML | Insert | Encoded External File** command is available in Grid View only. It inserts a binary encoded file, such as an image file, as encoded characters. The encoded external file is inserted before the Grid View selection.

On clicking the command, the Insert Encoded External File dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up. In it you enter the path to the file, select the encoding you want, and specify whether the encoded file is to be inserted in an element or not.



You can browse for or enter the name of the external file to be encoded and embedded. Either a Base-16 or Base-64 encoding must be specified. If you wish to enclose the encoded text in an element, then check the Create Element check box and specify the name of the desired element in the Create Element text box. If the Create Element check box is not checked, then the encoded text will be inserted directly at the cursor location.

On clicking **OK**, the encoded text of the selected file is inserted at the cursor location, with an enclosing element if this has been specified.

The encoded file is inserted in Grid View (*the highlighted element in the screenshot below*).

Person			
First			Fred
Last			Landis
Title			Project Manager
Phone			123-456-7890
Email			f.landis@nanonull.com
img			
path			C:\Examples\Altova.jpg
encoding			xs:base64Binary
Text			/9j/4AAQSkZJRgABAgEASABIAAD/4QqTRXhpZg...
expense-item (4)			
	type	expto	Date
1	Lodging	Sales	2003-01-01
2	Lodging	Development	2003-01-02
3	Lodging	Marketing	2003-01-02
4	Entertainment	Development	2003-01-02

In Text View, the file will be inserted as below.

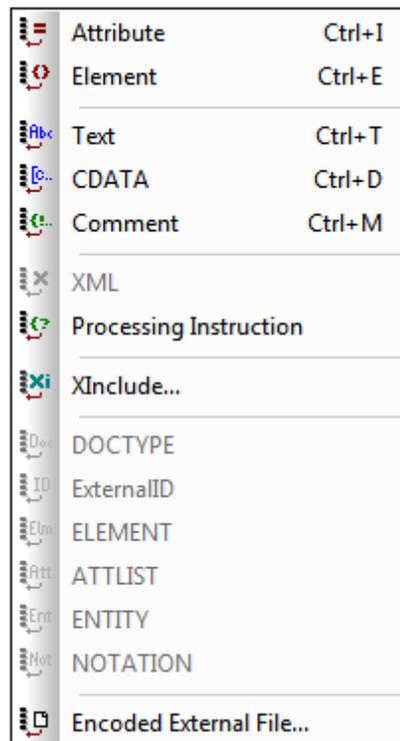
```
<img_ext="jpg" encoding="xs:base64Binary">
iVBORw0KGgoAAAANSUhEugAAAABAAAAQAQMAAAAPw0iAAAAB1BMVEUAAAD/
//+12Z/dAAAAM01EQVR4nGP4/5/h/1+G/58ZDrAz3D/MCH8yw83NDDeNGe4U
g9C9zwz3gVLMDA/A6P9/AFGGFyjOXZtQAAAAAE1FTksuQmCC
</img>
```

The listing above shows the encoded text of a JPG image file. An `img` element was created around the encoded text.

## 23.4.2 Append

The **XML | Append** command, though enabled in all views, can be used in Grid View only. It opens a submenu (see *screenshot*) with which you can append:

- The XML declaration and node types (Attribute, Element, Text, CDATA, Comment, Processing Instruction) in XML documents;
- DOCTYPE declarations and external DTD declarations in XML documents
- DTD declarations (ELEMENT, ATTLIST, ENTITY, and NOTATION) in DTD documents and internal DTD declarations of XML documents.



### Append Attribute



Ctrl+I

The **XML | Append | Attribute** command is available in Grid View only, and appends a new attribute.

### Append Element



Ctrl+E

The **XML | Append | Element** command is available in Grid View only, and appends an element node after the last sibling element of the selected element. If an attribute node is selected, then

the element node is appended after the last child of the selected attribute's parent element.

### Append Text



Ctrl+T

The **XML | Append | Text** command is available in Grid View only, and appends a text block after the last sibling element of the selected element. If an attribute node is selected, then the text block is appended after the last child of the selected attribute's parent element.

### Append CDATA



Ctrl+D

The **XML | Append | Cdata** command is available in Grid View only, and appends a CDATA node after the last sibling of any selected node other than an attribute node. If an attribute node is selected, then the CDATA section is appended after the last child of the selected attribute's parent element.

### Append Comment



Ctrl+M

The **XML | Append | Comment** command is available in Grid View only, and appends a comment node after the last sibling of any selected node other than an attribute node. If an attribute node is selected, then the comment node is appended after the last child of the selected attribute's parent element.

### Append XML



The **XML | Append | XML** command inserts a new XML declaration `<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>` as the first item in a document.

**Please note:** An XML document may contain only one XML declaration, which must appear at the very top of the file.

### Append Processing Instruction



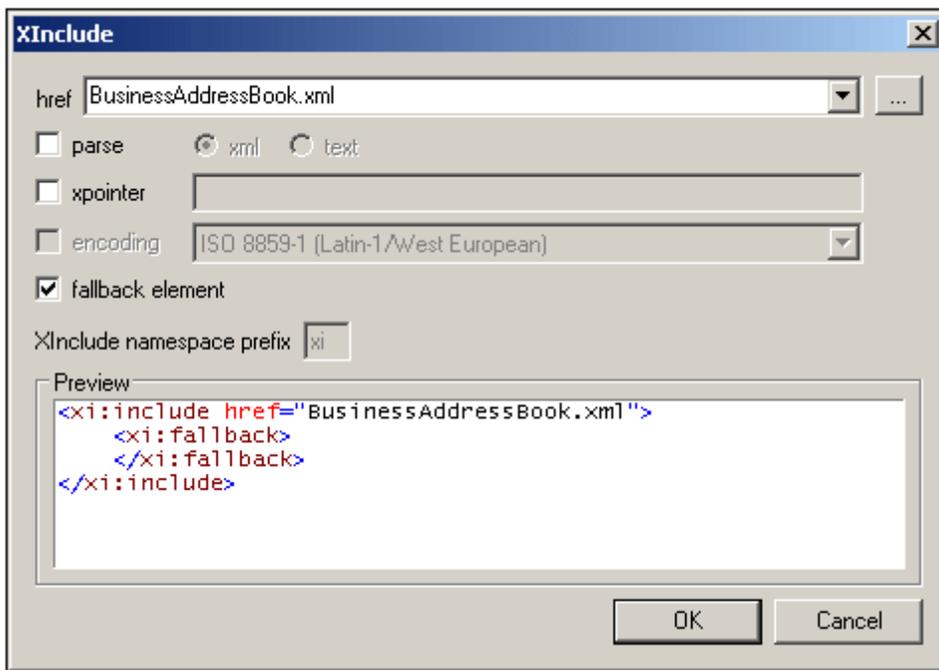
The **XML | Append | Processing Instruction** command is available in Grid View only, and appends a processing instruction node after the last sibling of any selected node other than an attribute node. If an attribute node is selected, then the processing instruction node is appended

after the last child of the selected attribute's parent element.

## Append XInclude



The **XML | Append | XInclude** command is available in Grid View only, and enables you to append an XInclude element after the last sibling of any selected node other than an attribute node. If the current selection is an attribute, the XInclude element is appended after the the last child of the selected attribute's parent element. Selecting this command pops up the XInclude dialog (*screenshot below*).



The XML file to be included is entered in the `href` text box (alternatively, you can browse for the file by clicking the **Browse (...)** button to the right of the text box). The filename will be entered in the XML document as the value of the `href` attribute. The `parse`, `xpointer`, and `encoding` attributes of the XInclude element (`xi:include`), and the `fallback` child element of `xi:include` can also be inserted via the dialog. Do this by first checking the appropriate check box and then selecting/entering the required values. In the case of the `fallback` element, checking its check box only inserts the empty element. The content of the `fallback` element must be added subsequently in one of the editing views.

The `parse` attribute determines whether the included document is to be parsed as XML or text. (XML is the default value and therefore need not be specified.) The `xpointer` attribute identifies a specific fragment of the document located with the `href` attribute; it is this fragment that will be included. The `encoding` attribute specifies the encoding of the included document so that XMLSpy can transcode this document (or the part of it to be included) into the encoding of the including document. The contents of the `fallback` child element replace the `xi:include` element if the document to be included cannot be located.

Here is an example of an XML document that uses XInclude to include two XML documents:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-16"?>
<AddressBook xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.altova.com/sv/myaddresses
AddressBook.xsd"
  xmlns="http://www.altova.com/stylevision/tutorials/myaddresses"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xmlns:xi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XInclude">
  <xi:include href="BusinessAddressBook.xml"/>
  <xi:include href="PersonalAddressBook.xml"/>
</AddressBook>
```

When this XML document is parsed, it will replace the two XInclude elements with the files specified in the respective `href` attributes.

#### xml:base

When the XML validator of XMLSpy reads an XML document and encounters the `include` element in the XInclude namespace (hereafter `xi:include`), it replaces this element (`xi:include`) with the XML document named in the `href` attribute of the `xi:include` element. The document element (root element) of the included XML document (or the element identified by an XPointer) will be included with an attribute of `xml:base` in order to preserve the base URIs of the included element. If the resulting XML document (containing the included XML document/s or tree fragment/s) must be valid according to a schema, then the document element of the included document (or the top-level element of the tree fragment) must be created with a content model that allows an attribute of `xml:base`. If, according to the schema, the `xml:base` attribute is not allowed on this element, then the resulting document will be invalid. How to define an `xml:base` attribute in an element's content model using XMLSpy's Schema View is described in the [xml:Prefixed Attributes](#) section of the Schema View section of the documentation.

#### XPointers

XMLSpy supports XPointers in XInclude. The relevant W3C recommendations are the [XPointer Framework](#) and [XPointer element\(\) Scheme](#) recommendations. The use of an XPointer in an XInclude element enables a specific part of the XML document to be included, instead of the entire XML document. XPointers are used within an XInclude element as follows:

```
<xi:include href="PersonalAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa)"/>
<xi:include href="BusinessAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(/1/1)"/>
<xi:include href="BobsAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa/3/1)"/>
<xi:include href="PatsAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa)
element(/1/1)"/>
```

In the `element()` scheme of XPointer, an NCName or a child sequence directed by integers may be used.

- In the first `xi:include` element listed above, the `xpointer` attribute uses the element scheme with an NCName of `usa`. According to the XPointer Framework, this NCName identifies the element that has an ID of `usa`.
- In the second `xi:include` listed above, the `xpointer` attribute with a value of `element(/1/1)` identifies, in the first step, the first child element of the document root (which, if the document is well-formed, will be its document (or root) element). In the second step, the first child element of the element located in the previous step is located; in our example, this would be the first child element of the document element.
- The `xpointer` attribute of the third `xi:include` listed above uses a combination of

NCName and child sequence. This XPointer locates the first child element of the third child element of the element having an ID of `usa`.

- If you are not sure whether your first XPointer will work, you can back it up with a second one as shown in the fourth `xi:include` listed above: `xpointer="element(usa) element(/1/1)"`. Here, if there is no element with an ID of `usa`, the back-up XPointer specifies that the first child element of the document element is to be selected. Additional backups are also allowed. Individual XPointers may not be separated, or they may be separated by whitespace: for example, `xpointer="element(usa) element(addresses/1) element(/1/1)"`.

**Note:** The namespace binding context is not used in the `element()` scheme because the `element()` scheme does not support qualified names.

## Append DOCTYPE



The **XML | Append | DOCTYPE** command is available in the Grid View of an XML file when a top-level node is selected. It appends a DOCTYPE declaration at the top of the XML document. You must enter the name of the DOCTYPE, and this name must be the same as the name of the document element.



After you have entered the name of the DOCTYPE, you can enter the declarations you wish to use in the internal DTD subset.

### Please note:

- A DOCTYPE declaration may only appear between the XML declaration and the XML document element.
- You could use the [Assign DTD](#) command instead to create a DOCTYPE statement that refers to an external DTD document.

## Append ExternalID

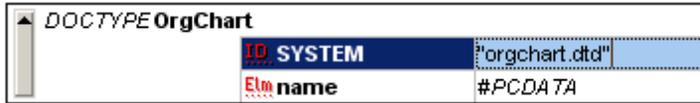


A DOCTYPE declaration in an XML file can contain a reference to an external resource containing DTD declarations. This resource is referenced either through a public or system identifier. For example:

```
<!DOCTYPE doc_element_name PUBLIC "publicID" "systemID">
<!DOCTYPE doc_element_name SYSTEM "systemID">
```

A system identifier is a URI that identifies the external resource. A public identifier is location-independent and can be used to dereference the location of an external resource. For example, in your XMLSpy installation, URIs for popular DTDs and XML Schemas are listed in the catalog files named `catalog.xml` in the various schema folders in `C:\Program Files\Altova\Common2016\Schemas\`. A public identifier in an XML document can be used to dereference a DTD listed in these catalog files.

The **XML | Append | ExternalID** command is available when a "child" item of the DOCTYPE declaration in an XML file is selected in Grid View. This command inserts a Grid View row for an external identifier (`PUBLIC` or `SYSTEM`). You must enter the type of identifier and its value.



The Text View corresponding to the screenshot of the Grid View shown above looks something like this:

```
<!DOCTYPE OrgChart SYSTEM "orgchart.dtd" [
  <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
]>
```

**Please note:** A row for External-ID can be added as a child when the DOCTYPE item is selected, or it can be inserted or appended when one of the child items of the DOCTYPE item is selected, for example, the ELEMENT declaration `name` in the example above.

## Append ELEMENT



The **XML | Append | ELEMENT** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents or when an item in the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It appends an ELEMENT declaration to the list of declarations.

## Append ATTLIST



The **XML | Append | ATTLIST** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents or when an item in the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It appends an ATTLIST declaration to the list of declarations.

## Append ENTITY



The **XML | Append | ENTITY** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents or when an item in the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It appends an ENTITY declaration to the list of declarations.

## Append NOTATION



The **XML | Append | NOTATION** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents or when an item in the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It appends a NOTATION declaration to the list of declarations.

### Append Encoded External File

The **XML | Append | Encoded External File** command is available in Grid View only. It appends a binary encoded file, such as an image file, as encoded characters. The encoded external file is appended after the Grid View selection.

On clicking the command, the Insert Encoded External File dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up. In it you enter the path to the file, select the encoding you want, and specify whether the encoded file is to be inserted in an element or not.



You can browse for or enter the name of the external file to be encoded and embedded. Either a Base-16 or Base-64 encoding must be specified. If you wish to enclose the encoded text in an element, then check the Create Element check box and specify the name of the desired element in the Create Element text box. If the Create Element check box is not checked, then the encoded text will be inserted directly at the cursor location.

On clicking **OK**, the encoded text of the selected file is inserted at the cursor location, with an enclosing element if this has been specified.

The encoded file is appended in Grid View.

### 23.4.3 Add Child

The **XML | Add Child** command, though enabled in all views, can be used in Grid View only. It opens a submenu (*see screenshot*) with which you can add the following child items to the currently selected element.

- The XML declaration and node types (Attribute, Element, Text, CDATA, Comment, Processing Instruction) in XML documents;
- DOCTYPE declarations and external DTD declarations in XML documents
- DTD declarations (ELEMENT, ATTLIST, ENTITY, and NOTATION) in DTD documents and internal DTD declarations of XML documents.

	Attribute	Ctrl+Alt+I
	Element	Ctrl+Alt+E
	Text	Ctrl+Alt+T
	CDATA	Ctrl+Alt+D
	Comment	Ctrl+Alt+M
<hr/>		
	XML	
	Processing Instruction	
<hr/>		
	XInclude...	
<hr/>		
	DOCTYPE	
	ExternalID	
	ELEMENT	
	ATTLIST	
	ENTITY	
	NOTATION	
<hr/>		
	Encoded External File...	

### Add Child Attribute



Ctrl+Alt+I

The **XML | Add Child | Attribute** command is available in Grid View only and when an element node is selected. It inserts a new attribute as a child of the selected element node.

### Add Child Element



Ctrl+Alt+E

The **XML | Add Child | Element** command is available in Grid View only. It inserts a new element as a child of the selected node.

### Add Child Text



Ctrl+Alt+T

The **XML | Add Child | Text** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts new text content as a child of the selected item.

### Add Child CDATA



Ctrl+Alt+D

The **XML | Add Child | Cdata** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a new CDATA section as a child of the selected item.

### Add Child Comment



Ctrl+Alt+M

The **XML | Add Child | Comment** command is available in Grid View only, and inserts a new Comment node as a child of the selected item.

### Add Child XML



The **XML | Add Child | XML** command is available in Grid View only and when the file is **empty**. It inserts a new XML declaration `<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>` as the first item in a document.

**Please note:** An XML document may contain only one XML declaration, which must appear at the very top of the file.

### Add Child Processing Instruction

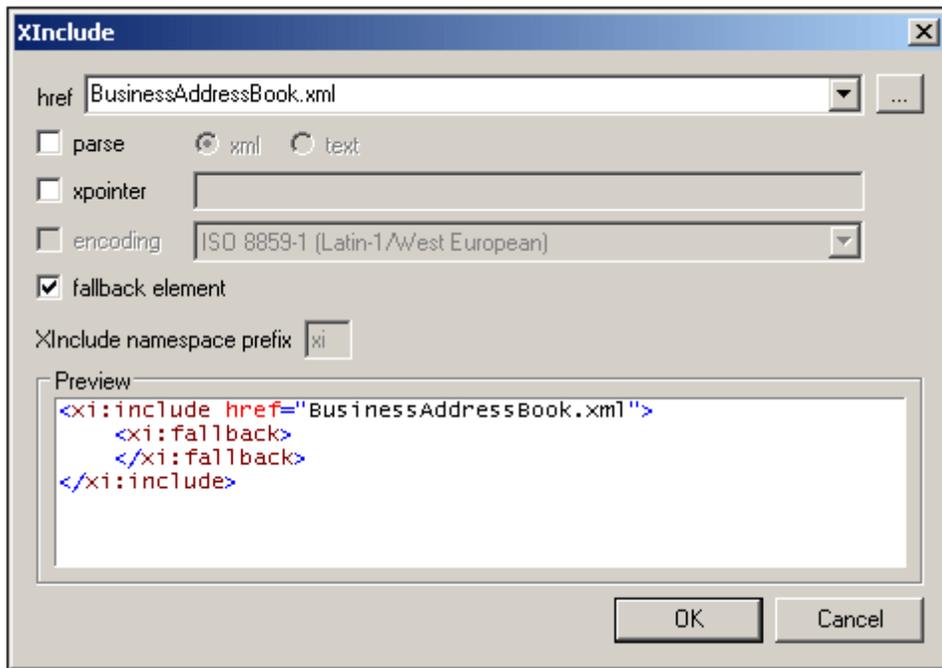


The **XML | Add Child | Processing Instruction** command is available in Grid View only and inserts a new Processing Instruction (PI) as a child of the selected item.

### Add Child XInclude



The **XML | Add Child | XInclude** command is available in Grid View only, and enables you to insert an Xinclude element as a child of the selected item. Selecting this command pops up the Xinclude dialog (*screenshot below*).



The XML file to be included is entered in the `href` text box (alternatively, you can browse for the file by clicking the **Browse (...)** button to the right of the text box). The filename will be entered in the XML document as the value of the `href` attribute. The `parse`, `xpointer`, and `encoding` attributes of the XInclude element (`xi:include`), and the `fallback` child element of `xi:include` can also be inserted via the dialog. Do this by first checking the appropriate check box and then selecting/entering the required values. In the case of the `fallback` element, checking its check box only inserts the empty element. The content of the `fallback` element must be added subsequently in one of the editing views.

The `parse` attribute determines whether the included document is to be parsed as XML or text. (XML is the default value and therefore need not be specified.) The `xpointer` attribute identifies a specific fragment of the document located with the `href` attribute; it is this fragment that will be included. The `encoding` attribute specifies the encoding of the included document so that XMLSpy can transcode this document (or the part of it to be included) into the encoding of the including document. The contents of the `fallback` child element replace the `xi:include` element if the document to be included cannot be located.

Here is an example of an XML document that uses XInclude to include two XML documents:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-16"?>
<AddressBook xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.altova.com/sv/myaddresses
AddressBook.xsd"
  xmlns="http://www.altova.com/stylevision/tutorials/myaddresses"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xmlns:xi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XInclude">
  <xi:include href="BusinessAddressBook.xml"/>
  <xi:include href="PersonalAddressBook.xml"/>
</AddressBook>
```

When this XML document is parsed, it will replace the two XInclude elements with the files specified in the respective `href` attributes.

**xml:base**

When the XML validator of XMLSpy reads an XML document and encounters the `include` element in the XInclude namespace (hereafter `xi:include`), it replaces this element (`xi:include`) with the XML document named in the `href` attribute of the `xi:include` element. The document element (root element) of the included XML document (or the element identified by an XPointer) will be included with an attribute of `xml:base` in order to preserve the base URIs of the included element. If the resulting XML document (containing the included XML document/s or tree fragment/s) must be valid according to a schema, then the document element of the included document (or the top-level element of the tree fragment) must be created with a content model that allows an attribute of `xml:base`. If, according to the schema, the `xml:base` attribute is not allowed on this element, then the resulting document will be invalid. How to define an `xml:base` attribute in an element's content model using XMLSpy's Schema View is described in the [xml:Prefixed Attributes](#) section of the Schema View section of the documentation.

**XPointers**

XMLSpy supports XPointers in XInclude. The relevant W3C recommendations are the [XPointer Framework](#) and [XPointer element\(\) Scheme](#) recommendations. The use of an XPointer in an XInclude element enables a specific part of the XML document to be included, instead of the entire XML document. XPointers are used within an XInclude element as follows:

```
<xi:include href="PersonalAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa)"/>
<xi:include href="BusinessAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(/1/1)"/>
<xi:include href="BobsAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa/3/1)"/>
<xi:include href="PatsAddressBook.xml" xpointer="element(usa)
element(/1/1)"/>
```

In the element() scheme of XPointer, an NCName or a child sequence directed by integers may be used.

- In the first `xi:include` element listed above, the `xpointer` attribute uses the element scheme with an NCName of `usa`. According to the XPointer Framework, this NCName identifies the element that has an ID of `usa`.
- In the second `xi:include` listed above, the `xpointer` attribute with a value of `element(/1/1)` identifies, in the first step, the first child element of the document root (which, if the document is well-formed, will be its document (or root) element). In the second step, the first child element of the element located in the previous step is located; in our example, this would be the first child element of the document element.
- The `xpointer` attribute of the third `xi:include` listed above uses a combination of NCName and child sequence. This XPointer locates the first child element of the third child element of the element having an ID of `usa`.
- If you are not sure whether your first XPointer will work, you can back it up with a second one as shown in the fourth `xi:include` listed above: `xpointer="element(usa) element(/1/1)"`. Here, if there is no element with an ID of `usa`, the back-up XPointer specifies that the first child element of the document element is to be selected. Additional backups are also allowed. Individual XPointers may not be separated, or they may be separated by whitespace: for example, `xpointer="element(usa) element(addresses/1) element(/1/1)"`.

**Note:** The namespace binding context is not used in the element() scheme because the element() scheme does not support qualified names.

## Add Child DOCTYPE



The **XML | Add Child | DOCTYPE** command is only available in the Grid View of an **empty** document. It inserts a DOCTYPE declaration in an XML document. The DOCTYPE declaration can be used to declare an internal DTD subset.

## Add Child ExternalID



The **XML | Add Child | ExternalID** command is available only when the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML file is selected in Grid View. This command inserts a Grid View row for an external identifier (**PUBLIC** or **SYSTEM**). You must enter the type of identifier and its value.



The Text View corresponding to the screenshot of the Grid View shown above looks something like this:

```
<!DOCTYPE OrgChart SYSTEM "orgchart.dtd" [
  <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
]>
```

**Please note:** A row for External-ID can be added as a child when the DOCTYPE item is selected, or it can be inserted or appended when one of the child items of the DOCTYPE item is selected, for example, the ELEMENT declaration `name` in the example above.

## Add Child ELEMENT



The **XML | Add Child | ELEMENT** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents, or when the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It appends an ELEMENT declaration to the list of declarations.

## Add Child ATTLIST



The **XML | Add Child | ATTLIST** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents, or when the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It appends an ATTLIST declaration to the list of declarations.

### Add Child ENTITY



The **XML | Add Child | ENTITY** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents, or when the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It appends an ENTITY declaration to the list of declarations.

### Add Child NOTATION



The **XML | Add Child | NOTATION** command is available in Grid View only, for DTD documents, or when the DOCTYPE declaration of an XML document is selected. It appends a NOTATION declaration to the list of declarations.

### Add Child Encoded External File

The **XML | Add Child | Encoded External File** command is available in Grid View only. It adds a binary encoded file as a child node. The encoded external file is inserted as a child of the Grid View selection.

On clicking the command, the Insert Encoded External File dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up. In it you enter the path to the file, select the encoding you want, and specify whether the encoded file is to be inserted in an element or not.

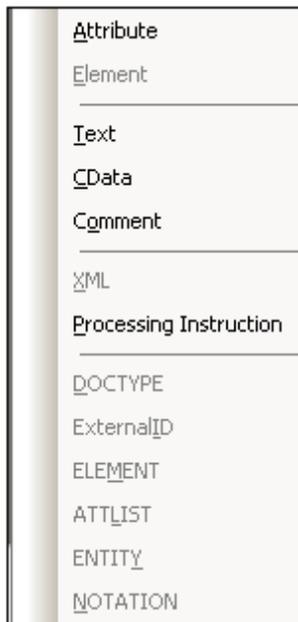


On clicking **OK**, the encoded text of the selected file is inserted at the cursor location, with an enclosing element if this has been specified.

The encoded file is added as a child in Grid View.

## 23.4.4 Convert To

The **XML | Convert to** command converts a selected item in Grid View to a different item type. This operation is available only in Grid View on individual items that do not contain any child node. Placing the cursor over the **Convert to** command displays a submenu (*see screenshot*) which contains the items to which the selected item can be converted.



**Please note:** If the operation you select would result in a loss of data (for example, converting an attribute to a comment would result in a loss of the attribute name), a warning dialog box will appear.

### **Convert To Attribute**

The **XML | Convert to | Attribute** command converts the selected item to a attribute.

### **Convert To Element**

The **XML | Convert to | Element** command converts the selected item to an element.

### **Convert To Text**

The **XML | Convert to | Text** command converts the selected item into text content.

### **Convert To CDATA**

The **XML | Convert to | Cdata** command converts the selected item into a CDATA segment.

### **Convert To Comment**

The **XML | Convert to | Comment** command converts the selected item into a comment.

### Convert To XML

The **XML | Convert to | XML** command converts the selected item to an XML declaration:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

**Please note:** Each XML document may only contain one XML declaration and it must appear at the very top of the file.

### Convert To Processing Instruction

The **XML | Convert to | Processing Instruction** command converts the selected item to a new Processing Instruction (PI).

### Convert To DOCTYPE

The **XML | Convert to | DOCTYPE** command converts the selected item to a DOCTYPE declaration (in an XML file).

**Please note:** A DOCTYPE declaration may only appear at the top of an XML instance document between the XML Declaration and the document element of the XML document.

### Convert To ExternalID

The **XML | Convert to | ExternalID** command converts the selected item to an external DTD reference in a DOCTYPE declaration (`PUBLIC` or `SYSTEM` identifier).

### Convert To ELEMENT

The **XML | Convert to | ELEMENT** command converts the selected item to an element declaration in a DOCTYPE declaration or in an external DTD.

### Convert To ATTLIST

The **XML | Convert to | ATTLIST** command converts the selected item to an attribute list declaration in a DOCTYPE declaration or in an external DTD.

### Convert To ENTITY

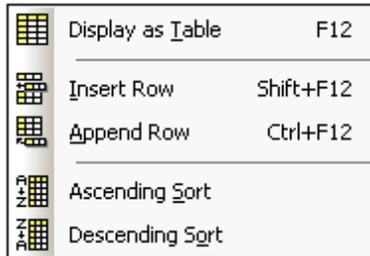
The **XML | Convert to | ENTITY** command converts the selected item to an entity declaration in a DOCTYPE declaration or in an external DTD.

### Convert To NOTATION

The **XML | Convert to | NOTATION** command converts the selected item to a notation declaration in a DOCTYPE declaration or in an external DTD.

### 23.4.5 Table

The **XML | Table** command, though enabled in all views, can be used only in Grid View. It displays a submenu with all the commands relevant to the [Database/Table View](#) of Grid View.



#### Display as Table

**Display as Table (F12)** menu command and toolbar icon

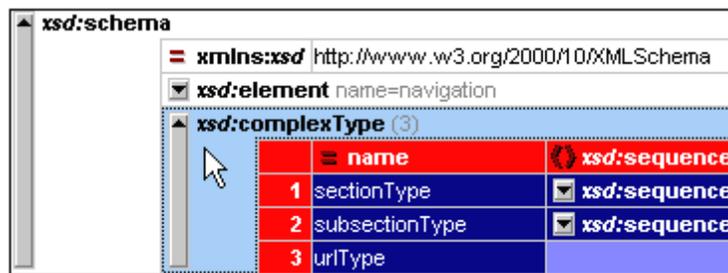
The **XML | Table | Display as Table** command allows you to switch between the standard [Grid View](#) and [Database/Table View](#) (or Table View) of a document element. The Table View enables you to view repeated elements as a table in which the rows represent the occurrences while the columns represent child nodes (including comments, CDATA sections, and PIs).

To switch to Table View:

1. Select any one occurrence of the repeating element you wish to view as a table.



2. Click **XML | Table | Display as Table** or **F12** or the toolbar icon.



The element is displayed as a table and the **Display as Table** toolbar icon is toggled on.

To switch from the Table View of a document element to the normal Grid View of that element, select the table or any of its rows or columns, and click the **Display as Table** toolbar icon. That table element switches to Grid View, and the icon is toggled off.

**Note:** Table View colors can be set in the Colors tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options | Colors**)

### Insert Row



**Shift+F12**

The **XML | Table | Insert Row** command is enabled in [Database/Table View](#) when a row or cell is selected. It inserts a new row before the selected row. The new row corresponds to an occurrence of the table element. Mandatory child elements are created for the new element

### Append Row



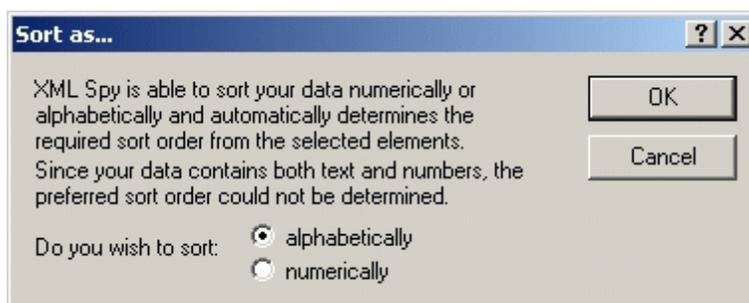
**Ctrl+F12**

The **XML | Table | Append Row** command is enabled in [Database/Table View](#) when a row or cell is selected. It appends a new row after the last row of the table. The new row corresponds to an occurrence of the table element. Mandatory child elements are created for the new element

### Ascending Sort



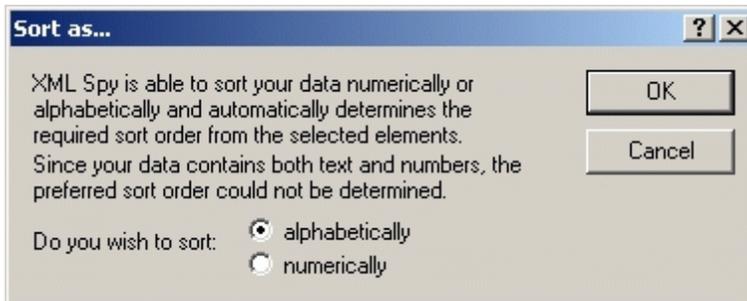
The **XML | Table | Ascending Sort** command is enabled in [Database/Table View](#) when a column or cell is selected. It sorts the column in either alphabetic or numeric ascending order. XMLSpy tries to automatically determine what kind of data is used in the column, and sorts on alphabetic or numeric order, as required. In case of uncertainty, you will be prompted for the sort method to use (see *screenshot*).



## Descending Sort



The **XML | Table | Descending Sort** command is enabled in [Database/Table View](#) when a column or cell is selected. It sorts the column in either alphabetic or numeric descending order. XMLSpy tries to automatically determine what kind of data is used in the column, and sorts on alphabetic or numeric order, as required. In case of uncertainty, you will be prompted for the sort method to use (see *screenshot*).



### 23.4.6 Move Left



Ctrl+L

The **XML | Move Left** command is available in Grid View only. It moves the selected node to the left by one level, thereby changing a child element into a sibling of its parent. This command is often referred to as the **Promote** command.

### 23.4.7 Move Right



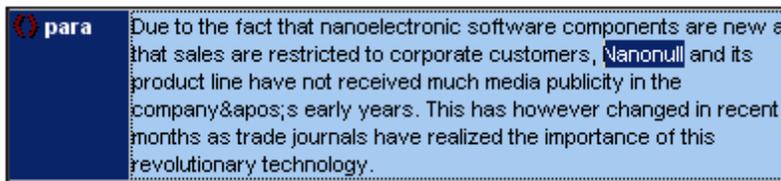
Ctrl+R

The **XML | Move Right** command is available in Grid View only. It moves the selected node to the right by one level, thereby turning it into a child element of the preceding sibling element. This command is often referred to as the **Demote** command.

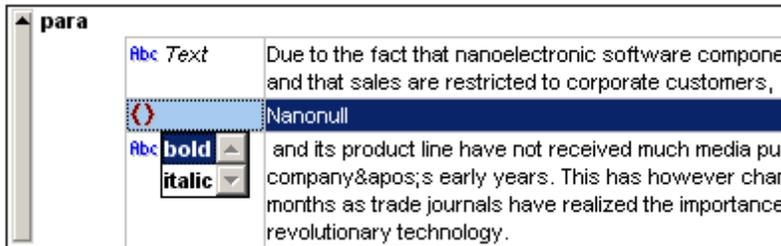
### 23.4.8 Enclose in Element

The **XML | Enclose in Element** command is enabled in Grid View only. It encloses a selected text range in a new element. The new element is created inline around the selected text. If you are editing a document based on a Schema or DTD, you will automatically be presented with a list of valid choices for the name of the element in which the text is to be enclosed.

For example, in the screenshot below, the text `Nanonull` in the `para` element is highlighted.



When you select the command **XML | Enclose in Element**, the text `Nanonull` is enclosed in a newly created inline element and a list appears offering a choice of `bold` or `italic` for the name of the element. These elements are defined in the schema as children of `para`.



The selection you make will be the name of the new element. Alternatively, you can enter some other name for the element.

### 23.4.9 Evaluate XPath



The **XML | Evaluate XPath** command opens the Output Windows if these are not open and activates the [XPath tab in the Output Windows](#). In the XPath tab, you can evaluate an XPath expression on the active document and see the results in the Output Window.

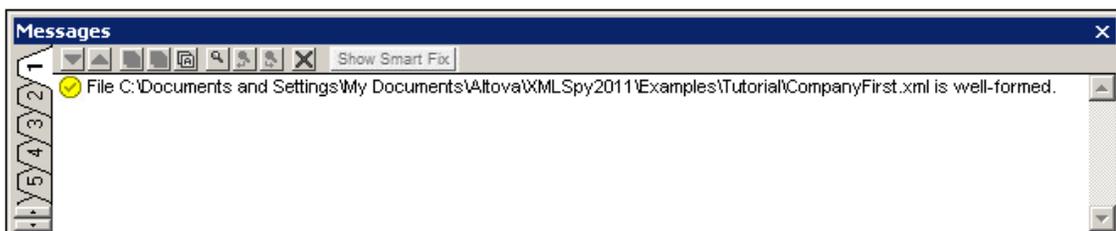
### 23.4.10 Check Well-Formedness



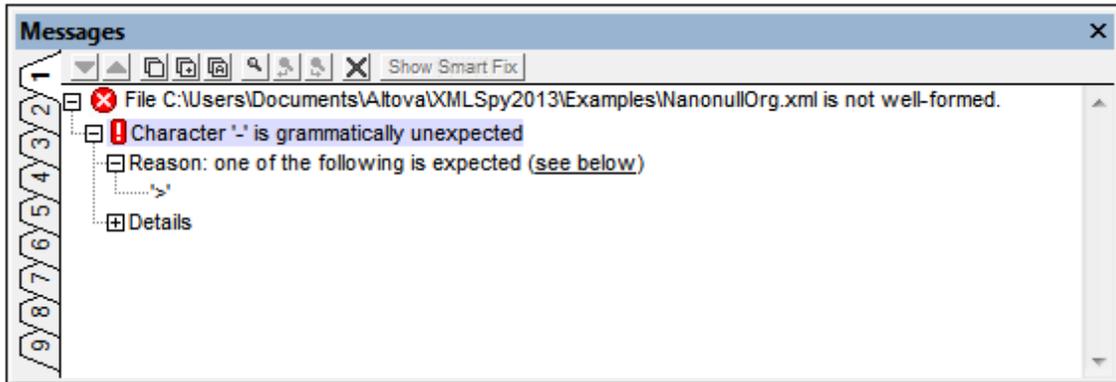
**F7**

The **XML | Check well-formedness (F7)** command checks the active document for well-formedness by the definitions of the XML 1.0 specification. Every XML document **must** be well-formed. XMLSpy checks for well-formedness whenever a document is opened or saved, or when the view is changed from Text View to any other view. You can also check for well-formedness at any time while editing by using this command.

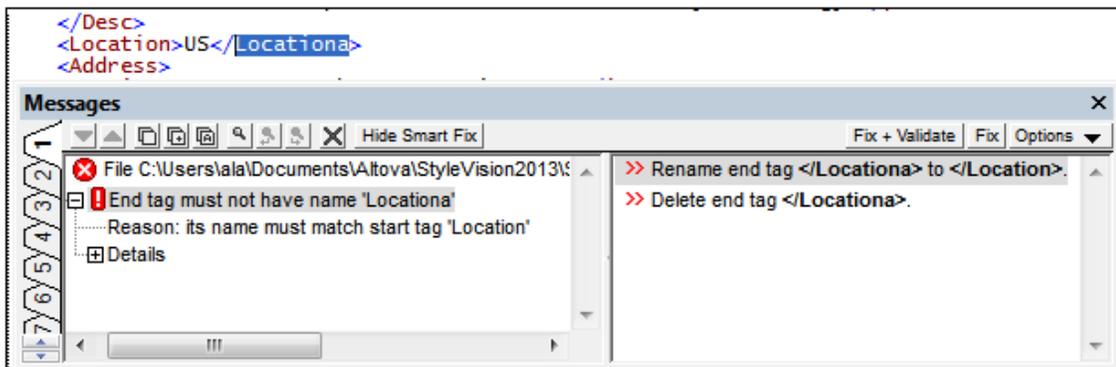
If the well-formedness check succeeds, a message is displayed in the Messages window (*screenshot below*).



If an error is encountered during the well-formedness check, a corresponding error message is displayed (*screenshot below*).



Based on information in the schema, options for a smart fix are also suggested if the well-formedness check was carried out in **Text View or Grid View**. To view a list of smart fix options, click the **Show Smart Fix** button (*see screenshot above*). A pane with suggested smart fix options appears in the Messages window (*see screenshot below*). Note that errors in the Messages window are displayed one error at a time.



In the Smart Fix pane, select one of the suggested smart fixes and click either the **Fix + Validate** button or the **Fix** button (*see screenshot above*). The error will be corrected with the smart fix. Alternatively, you can double-click the smart fix you want. This action either fixes the error, or fixes the error and validates the document, according to the option selected in the dropdown *Options* list. The **Fix + Validate** command is useful because the validator will now be able to validate beyond the fixed error and pick up the next well-formed error or validation error, if there is any.

To hide the Smart Fix pane, click the **Hide Smart Fix** button (*see screenshot above*).

**Note:** The Messages window has nine tabs. The validation result is always displayed in the active tab. So you can validate one XML document in Tab-1 and retain the result in that tab. To validate a second document, switch to Tab-2 (or Tab-3 if you like) before running the check. If you do not switch tabs, Tab-1 (or the active tab) will be overwritten with the results of the latest validation.

### Validating from the Project window

The **Validate** command can also be applied to a file, folder, or group of files in the active project. Select the required file or folder in the Project Window (by clicking on it). Then click **XML | Validate** or **F8**. Invalid files in a project will be opened and made active in the Main Window, and the *File is not valid* error message will be displayed.

**Note:** The Messages window has nine tabs. The result of the well-formed check is always displayed in the active tab. So you can check the well-formedness of one XML document in Tab-1 and retain the result in that tab. To check the well-formedness of a second document, switch to Tab-2 (or Tab-3 if you like) before running the check. If you do not switch tabs, Tab-1 (or the active tab) will be overwritten with the results of the latest check.

It is generally not permitted to save a malformed XML document, but XMLSpy gives you a Save Anyway option. This is useful when you want to suspend your work temporarily (in a not well-formed condition) and resume it later.

**Note:** You can also use the **Check well-formedness** command on any file, folder, or group of files in the active [project window](#). Click on the respective item, and then on the Check Well-Formedness icon.

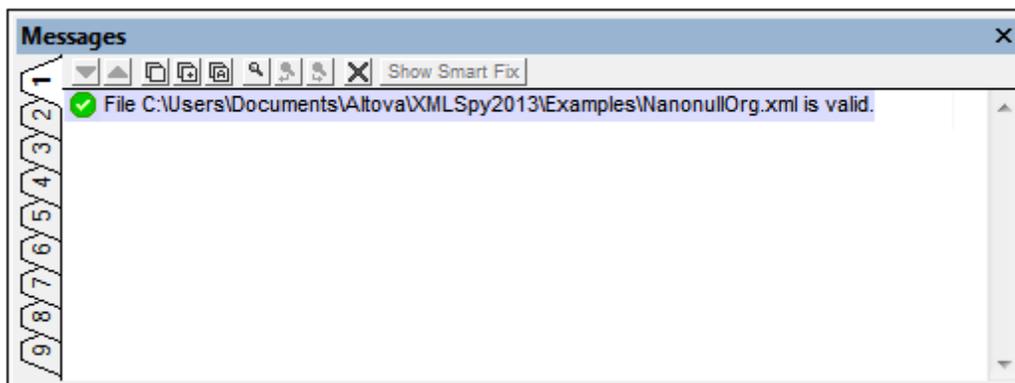
## 23.4.11 Validate XML



F8

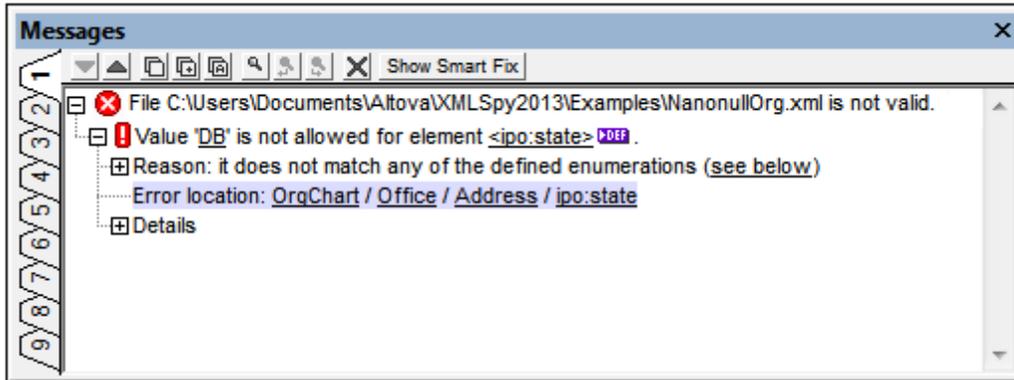
The **XML | Validate (F8)** command enables you to validate XML documents against DTDs, XML Schemas, and other schemas. Validation is automatically carried out when you switch from Text View to any other view. You can specify that a document be automatically validated when a file is opened or saved (**Tools | Options | File**). The **Validate** command also carries out a well-formedness check before checking validity, so there is no need to use the [Check Well-Formedness](#) command before using the **Validate** command.

If a document is valid, a successful validation message is displayed in the Messages window:



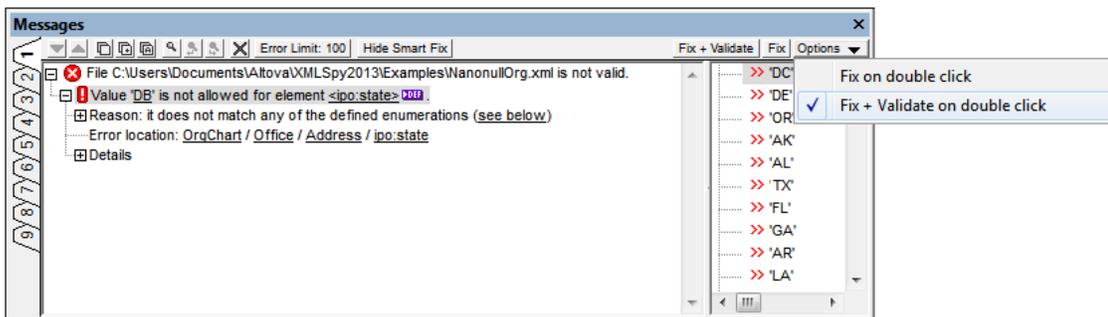
Otherwise, a message that describes the error is displayed (*screenshot below*). You can click on the links in the error message to jump to the node in the XML document where the error was

found.



Based on information in the schema, options for a smart fix are also suggested if validation was carried out in **Text View** or **Grid View**. To view a list of smart fix options, click the **Show Smart Fix** button (see screenshot above). A pane with suggested smart fix options appears in the Messages window (screenshot below).

Note that errors in the Messages window are displayed one at a time. Also, errors of well-formedness (such as mismatched start and end tags), if such exist, are displayed prior to validation errors being displayed. So the **Show Smart Fix** button will be enabled only when a validation error is reached (after all well-formedness errors have been corrected).



In the Smart Fix pane, select one of the suggested smart fixes and click either the **Fix + Validate** button or the **Fix** button (see screenshot above). The invalid text in the XML document will be replaced with the selected smart fix. Alternatively, you can double-click the smart fix you want. This action either fixes the error, or fixes the error and validates the document, according to the option selected in the dropdown *Options* list (see screenshot above). The **Fix + Validate** command is useful because the validator will now be able to validate beyond the fixed error and pick up the next error, if there is any.

To hide the Smart Fix pane, click the **Hide Smart Fix** button (see screenshot above).

**Note:** The Messages window has nine tabs. The validation result is always displayed in the active tab. So you can validate one XML document in Tab-1 and retain the result in that tab. To validate a second document, switch to Tab-2 (or Tab-3 if you like) before running the check. If you do not switch tabs, Tab-1 (or the active tab) will be overwritten with the results of the latest validation.

### Validating from the Project window

The **Validate** command can also be applied to a file, folder, or group of files in the active project. Select the required file or folder in the Project Window (by clicking on it). Then click **XML | Validate** or **F8**. Invalid files in a project will be opened and made active in the Main Window, and the *File is not valid* error message will be displayed..

### Validating XML documents

To validate an XML file, make the XML document active in the Main Window, and click **XML | Validate** or **F8**. The XML document is validated against the schema referenced in the XML file. If no reference exists, an error message is displayed in the Messages window. As long as the XML document is open, the schema is kept in memory (see [Flush Memory Cache](#) in the DTD/Schema menu).

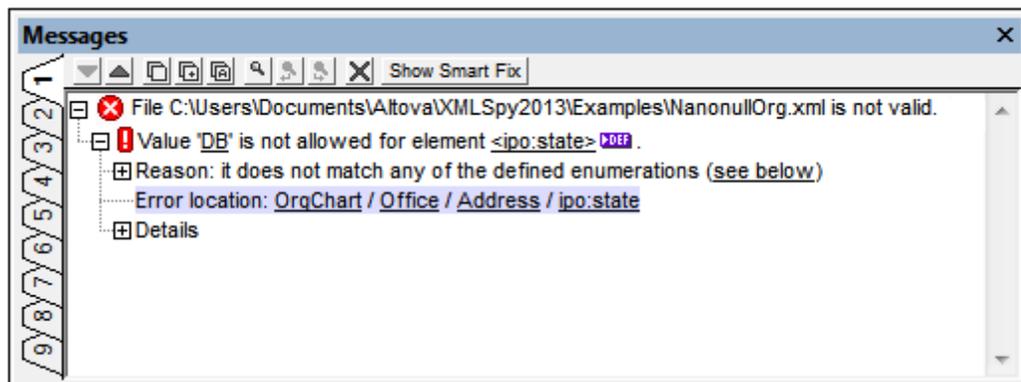
### Validating schema documents (DTDs and XML Schema)

XMLSpy supports major schema dialects, including DTD and XML Schema. To validate a schema document, make the document active in the Main Window, and click **XML | Validate** or **F8**.

### Validation messages

There are two kinds of messages:

- If the schema (DTD or XML Schema) is valid, a successful validation message is displayed in the Messages window.
- If the schema is not valid, an error message is displayed in the Messages window (*screenshot below*).



The error message is divided into three parts:

1. A description of the error. The description contains links to the relevant declarations or definitions.
2. The reason for the error and the full location path to the node containing the error. Clicking a node in the location path highlights that node in the document.
3. Details of the error provides more information about the error and contains a link to the relevant paragraph in the relevant specification.

**Note:** When the validation was done in Text View, clicking a link in the Messages window highlights the corresponding declaration or definition in Text View. When the validation was done in Schema View, clicking a definition link opens the definition and allows you to edit the component directly.

## Catalogs

XMLSpy supports a subset of the OASIS XML catalogs mechanism. The catalog mechanism enables XMLSpy to retrieve commonly used schemas (as well as stylesheets and other files) from local user folders. This increases the overall processing speed, enables users to work offline (that is, not connected to a network), and improves the portability of documents (because URIs need to be changed in the catalog files only.) The catalog mechanism in XMLSpy works as follows:

- XMLSpy loads a file called `RootCatalog.xml`, which contains a list of catalog files that will be looked up. You can enter as many catalog files to look up, each in a `nextCatalog` element in `RootCatalog.xml`.
- The catalog files included in `RootCatalog.xml` are looked up and the URIs are resolved according to the mappings specified in the catalog files. You should take care not to duplicate mappings, as this could lead to errors.
- Two catalog files are supplied with XMLSpy. How these work is described in the section [Catalogs in XMLSpy](#).
- The `PUBLIC` or `SYSTEM` identifier in the `DOCTYPE` statement of your XML file will be used for the catalog lookup. For popular schemas, the `PUBLIC` identifier is usually pre-defined, thus requiring only the URI in the catalog file to be changed when XML documents are used on multiple machines.

When writing your `CustomCatalog.xml` file (or other custom catalog file), use only the following subset of the OASIS catalog in order for XMLSpy to process the catalog correctly. Each of the elements in the supported subset can take the `xml:base` attribute, which is used to specify the base URI of that element.

```
<catalog...>
...
<public publicId="PublicID of Resource" uri="URL of local file"/>
<system systemId="SystemID of Resource" uri="URL of local file"/>
<rewriteURI uriStartString="StartString of URI to rewrite"
rewritePrefix="String to replace StartString"/>
<rewriteSystem systemIdStartString="StartString of SystemID"
rewritePrefix="Replacement string to locate resource locally"/>
<uri name="filename" uri="URL of file identified by filename"/>
...
</catalog>
```

### Please note:

- The `catalog.xml` file in the `%AltovaCommonFolder%\Schemas\schema` folder contains references to DTDs that implement older XML Schema specifications. You should not validate your XML Schema documents against any of these schemas. The referenced DTD files are included solely to provide XMLSpy with entry helper info for editing purposes should you wish to create documents according to these older recommendations. *Also see next point.*
- If you create a custom file extension for a particular schema (for example, the `.myhtml` extension for (HTML) files that are to be valid according to the HTML DTD), then you can

enable intelligent editing for files with these extensions by adding a line of text to CustomCatalog.xml. For the example extension mentioned, you should add the element `<spy:fileExtHelper ext="myhtml" uri="schemas/xhtml/xhtml1-transitional.dtd"/>` as a child of the `<catalog>` element. This would enable intelligent editing (auto-completion, entry helpers, etc) of .myhtml files in XMLSpy according to the XHTML 1.0 Transitional DTD.

- For more information on catalogs, see the [XML Catalogs specification](#).

### Automating validation with RaptorXML 2016

**RaptorXML** is Altova's standalone application for XML validation, XSLT transformation, and XQuery transformation. It can be used from the command line, via a COM interface, in Java programs, and in .NET applications. Validation tasks can therefore be automated with the use of RaptorXML. For example, you can create a batch file that calls RaptorXML to perform validation on a set of documents and sends the output to a text file. See the [RaptorXML documentation](#) for details.

#### 23.4.12 Validate XML on Server (high-performance)

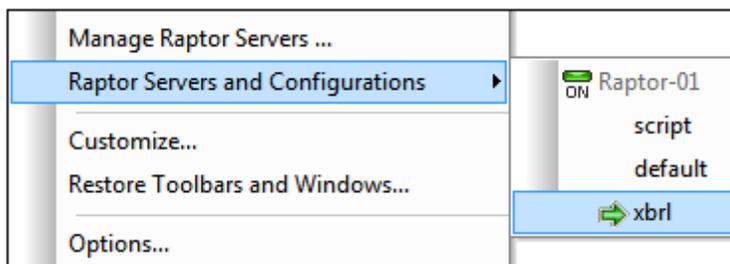


Ctrl+F8

The **XML | Validate on Server (high-performance) (Ctrl+F8)** command validates the active XML document on the [currently active RaptorXML Server](#) using the [active configuration](#). The command immediately carries out the validation and displays the results in the Messages window.

**Note:** The actual performance depends on the number of PC processor cores used by RaptorXML Server for the validation: The higher the number of cores used, the faster will be the processing.

If you have defined multiple configurations on multiple servers, you can select a server and one of its configurations as the active configuration. The active configuration will be used for subsequent validations. On placing the cursor over the **Tools | Raptor Servers and Configurations** command (see *screenshot below*), a submenu appears that contains all the added servers, together with the configuration of each. Select the server configuration you want to make the active configuration. In the screenshot below, the `xbrl` configuration of the server named `Raptor-01` has been selected as the active configuration (indicated by the green arrow).



**Note:** You can also select the active configuration in the dropdown menu of the **Validate on**

**Server** icon . This menu also has a command to validate EDGAR on the active server.

The **Validate XML on Server (high-performance) (Ctrl+F8)** command is also available in the Project entry helper. Right-click the project, a folder, or a file, and select **Validate XML on Server** to validate XML or XBRL data in the selected object.

**Note:** Raptor validation is available in Text View, Grid View, and XBRL View.

### 23.4.13 Validating WSDL Files

The following list contains important information about WSDL validation behavior in the Enterprise and Professional Editions of XMLSpy:

- The Professional Edition performs only simple schema validation, i.e., it treats the WSDL file as an XML file and validates it according to the appropriate schema defined at <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/>.
- The Enterprise Edition provides WSDL validation that goes beyond the validation provided by the Professional Edition. It does not validate against <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/> but rather uses the [http://www.altova.com/specs\\_wsdl.html#\\_document-s](http://www.altova.com/specs_wsdl.html#_document-s) as well as its own logic to provide more valuable validation information in the context of WSDL. Thus it can happen that a WSDL file is valid in the Professional Edition, but not valid in the Enterprise Edition (see Example).
- There is a difference between <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/> and [http://www.altova.com/specs\\_wsdl.html#\\_document-s](http://www.altova.com/specs_wsdl.html#_document-s). <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/> is missing the extensibility elements (the specification and the schema should be the same but are not; this difference appears to be an error in the schema).
- The fact that the Professional Edition uses <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/> for validation means that any extensibility elements will be considered invalid. The Enterprise Edition used [http://www.altova.com/specs\\_wsdl.html#\\_document-s](http://www.altova.com/specs_wsdl.html#_document-s), which allows extensibility elements. Thus a WSDL file containing extensibility elements is valid when using the Enterprise edition, and not valid when using the Professional Edition.
- The fact that the file is invalid in the Professional Edition is because we are using the official schema provided by the W3C working group. Any errors in this schema are beyond our control.

#### Example

The following example is part of a WSDL file. Notice the element "getCityTime" that has been declared in the file. This element is mistakenly referenced as "getCityTimes". The Enterprise Edition checks if elements that are referenced have previously been declared in the file; the Professional Edition does not. This file (assuming that the rest of the file is valid) would be found to be valid in the Professional Edition, but not valid in the Enterprise Edition (assuming that "getCityTimes" is not defined somewhere else in the file).

```
<s:element name="getCityTime">
  <s:complexType>
    <s:sequence>
      <s:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="city"
type="s:string"/>
    </s:sequence>
  </s:complexType>
```

```
</s:element>
<s:element name="abc">
  <s:complexType>
    <s:sequence>
      <s:element ref="getCityTimes"/>
    </s:sequence>
  </s:complexType>
</s:element>
```

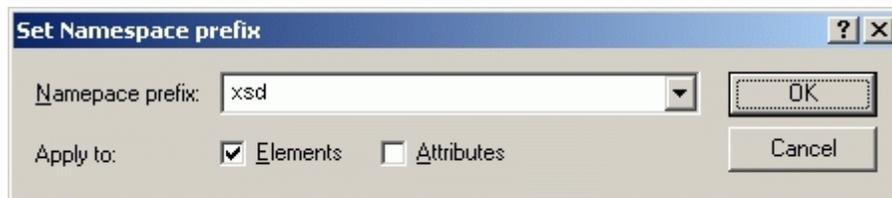
### 23.4.14 Update Entry Helpers



The **XML | Update Entry Helpers** command updates the Entry Helper windows by reloading the underlying DTD or Schema. If you have modified the XML Schema or DTD that an open XML document is based upon, it is advisable to update the Entry Helpers so that the intelligent editing information reflects the changes in the schema.

### 23.4.15 Namespace Prefix

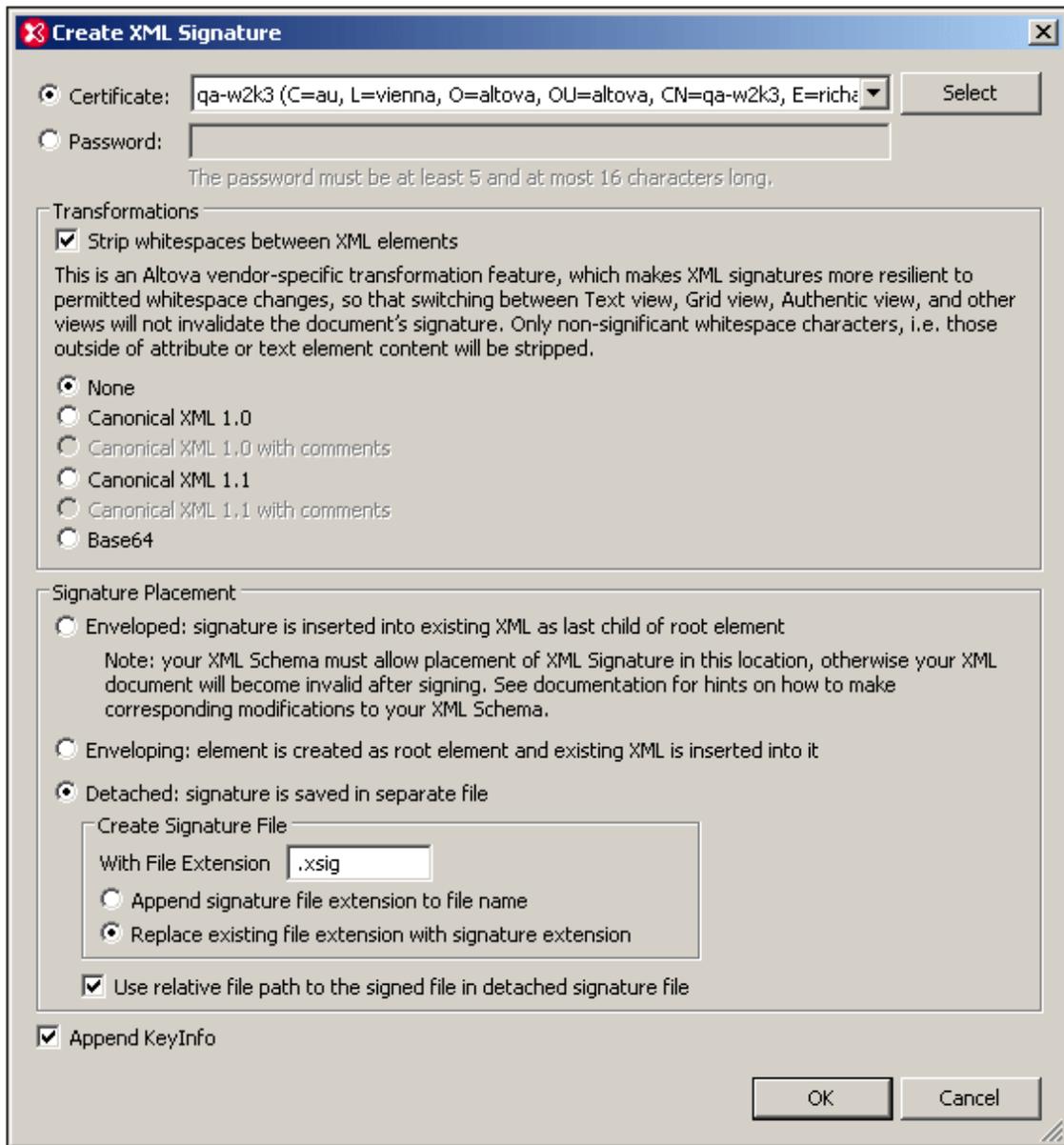
The **XML | Namespace Prefix** command is available in Grid View and opens a dialog box in which you can set the namespace prefix of the selected element or attribute, and, in the case of elements, of its descendants as well.



You can choose to set the namespace prefix on either elements, attributes, or both. The namespace prefix is applied to the selected element or attribute, and, if an element is selected, to descendant nodes of the selected element.

### 23.4.16 Create XML Signature

The **Create XML Signature** command is enabled in Text View, Grid View, Schema View, WSDL View and XBRL View, and enables you to create an XML signature for the active XML document. Clicking the command opens the Create XML Signature dialog (*screenshot below*), the settings of which are explained below.



### Authentication method: certificate or password

The signature can be based on a certificate or a password. Select the radio button of the method you wish to use.

- *Certificate:* If you wish to use a certificate, the certificate must have a private key and be located in an accessible [certificate store](#). The signature is generated using the private key of the certificate. To verify the signature, access to the certificate (or a public-key version of it) is required. The public key of the certificate is used to verify the signature. To select the private-public-key certificate you wish to use, click the **Select** button and browse for the certificate. For more details about certificates, see the section [Working with Certificates](#).
- *Password:* Enter a password with a length of five to 16 characters. This password will subsequently be required to verify the signature.

### Transformations

The XML data is transformed and the result of the transformation is used for the creation of the signature. You can specify the canonicalization algorithm to be applied to the file's XML data (the `SignedInfo` content) prior to performing signature calculations. Significant points of difference between the algorithms are noted below:

- *Canonical XML with or without comments*: If comments are included for signature calculation, then any change to comments in the XML data will result in verification failure. Otherwise, comments may be modified or be added to the XML document after the document has been signed, and the signature will still be verified as authentic.
- *Base64*: The root (or document) element of the XML document is considered to be Base64 encoded, and is read in its binary form. If the root element is not Base64, an error is returned or the element is read as empty, depending on what type of element is encountered.
- *None*: No transformation is carried out and the XML data from the binary file saved on disk is passed directly for signature creation. Any subsequent change in the data will result in a failed verification of the signature. However, if the *Strip Whitespace* check box option is selected, then all whitespace is stripped and changes in whitespace will be ignored. A major difference between the *None* option and a *Canonicalization* option is that canonicalization produces an XML data stream, in which some differences, such as attribute order, are normalized. As a result, a canonicalization transformation will normalize any changes such as that of attribute order (so verification will succeed), while no-transformation will reflect such a change (verification will fail).

### Signature placement

The signature can be placed within the XML file or be created as a separate file. The following options are available:

- *Enveloped*: The signature element is created as the last child element of the root (document) element.
- *Enveloping*: The signature element is created as the root (document) element and the XML document is inserted as a child element.
- *Detached*: The XML signature is created as a separate file. In this case, you can specify the file extension of the signature file and whether the file name is created with: (i) the extension appended to the name of the XML file (for example, `test.xml.xsig`), or (ii) the extension replacing the XML extension of the XML file (for example, `test.xsig`). You can also specify whether, in the signature file, the reference to the XML file is a relative or an absolute path.

**Note:** XML signatures for XML Schema (`.xsd`) files and for XBRL files can only be created as external signature files. For WSDL files, signatures can be created as external files and can be "enveloped" in the WSDL file.

**Note:** If the XML signature is created as a separate file, then the XML file and signature file are associated with each other via a reference in the signature file. Consequently, signature verification in cases where the signature is in an external file must be done with the signature file active—not with the XML file active.

### Append key information

The *Append Keyinfo* option is available when the signature is certificate-based. It is unavailable if the signature is password-based.

If the option is selected, public-key information is placed inside the signature, otherwise key information is not included in the signature. The advantage of including key information is that the certificate itself (specifically the public-key information in it) will not be required for the verification process (since the key information is present in the signature).

### 23.4.17 Verify XML Signature

An XML signature will be correctly verified if the XML file has not been changed since having been signed. Otherwise the verification will fail. The **Verify XML Signature** command executes the verification process and displays the results of the verification in the Messages windows. The various verification scenarios in XMLSpy are described below:

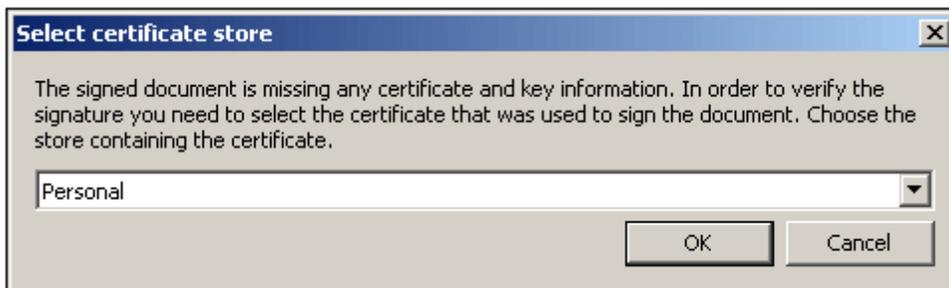
- [XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information included in signature](#)
- [XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information not contained in signature](#)
- [Certificate-based signature in external file, key information contained in signature](#)
- [Certificate-based signature in external file, key information not contained in signature](#)
- [XML file contains password-based signature](#)
- [Password-based signature in external file](#)

#### XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information included in signature

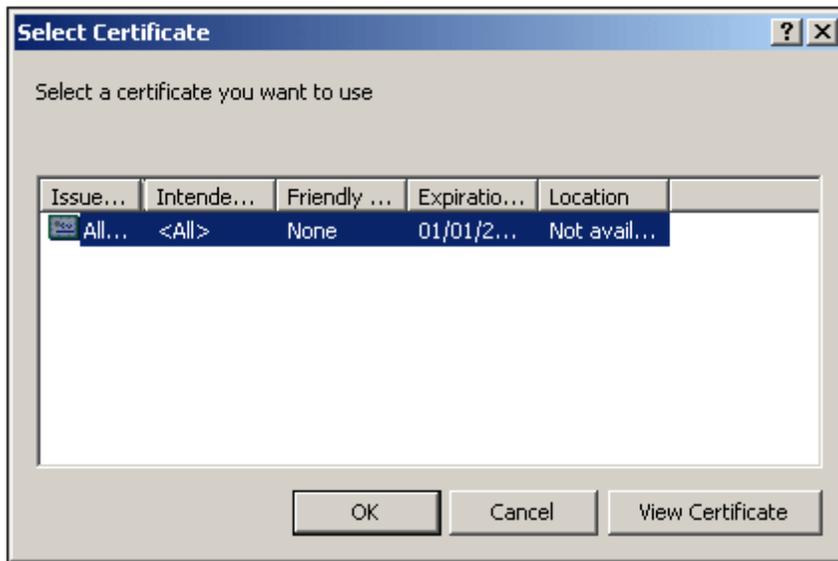
To verify the XML signature in this scenario, make the XML file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, the verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

#### XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information not contained in signature

If no key information is contained in the certificate-based signature, XMLSpy will prompt you for the certificate from which public-key information for the verification can be read. Verification is done with the XML file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, you will be prompted to select the [certificate store](#) in which the certificate is stored (*screenshot below*).



On selecting a [certificate store](#) and clicking **OK**, a dialog displaying the certificates in that store pops up (*screenshot below*). Select the certificate required for the verification and click **OK**.



The signature is verified and the result is displayed in the Messages window.

### **Certificate-based signature in external file, key information contained in signature**

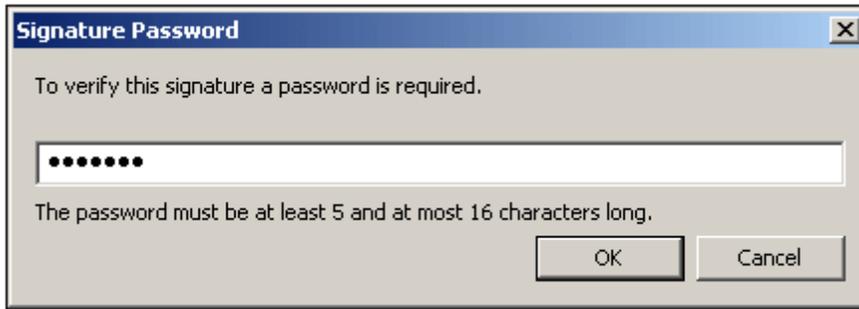
If a certificate-based XML signature is in an external file, the signature is verified with the signature file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, the verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

### **Certificate-based signature in external file, key information not contained in signature**

If a certificate-based XML signature is in an external file, the signature is verified with the signature file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, XMLSpy will prompt you for the certificate from which public-key information for the verification can be read. Select the certificate as described in the section: [XML file contains certificate-based signature, key information not contained in signature](#). The verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

### **XML file contains password-based signature**

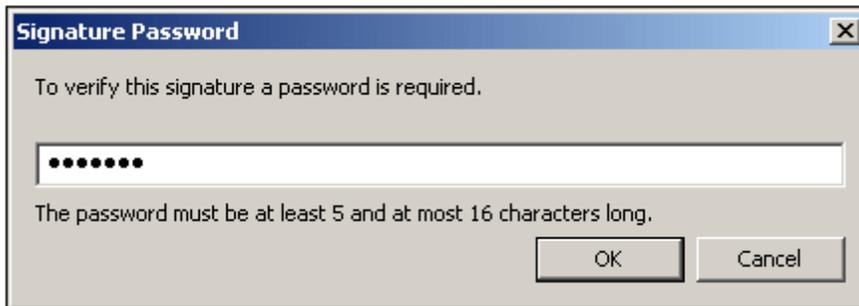
If the XML file contains a password-based XML signature, the signature is verified with the XML file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, a dialog pops up prompting you for the password (*screenshot below*).



Enter the password, which must be five to sixteen characters long, and then click **OK**. The verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

### **Password-based signature in external file**

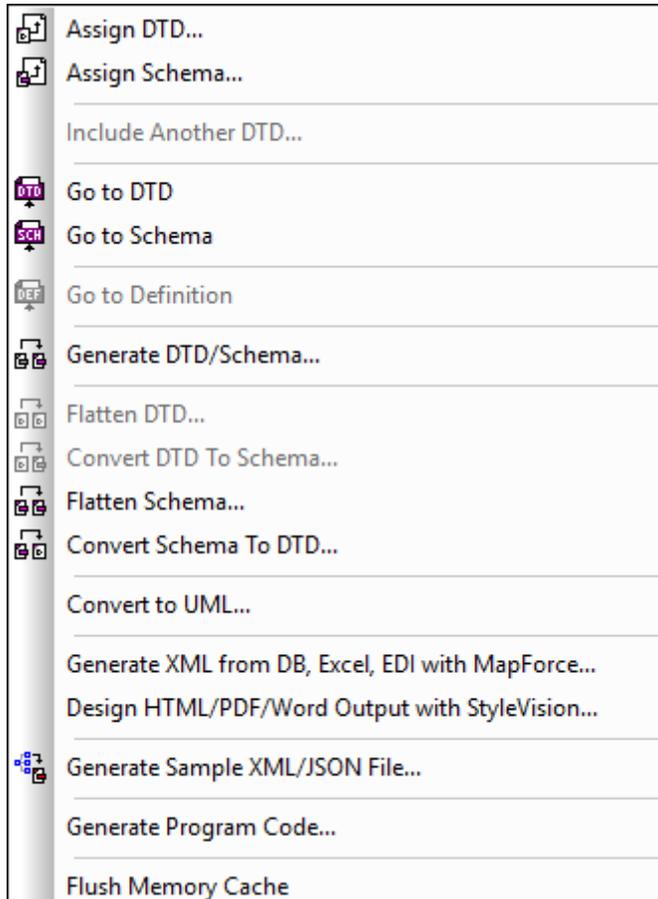
If a password-based XML signature is in an external file, the signature is verified with the signature file active in XMLSpy. On clicking the **XML | Verify XML Signature** command, a dialog pops up prompting you for the password (*screenshot below*).



Enter the password, which must be five to sixteen characters long, and then click **OK**. The verification process will be executed and the result will be displayed in the Messages window (verification succeeded or failed).

## 23.5 DTD/Schema Menu

The **DTD/Schema** menu (*screenshot below*) contains commands to work with DTDs and XML Schemas.



### 23.5.1 Assign DTD



The **DTD/Schema | Assign DTD...** command is enabled when an XML file is active. It assigns a DTD to an XML document, thus allowing the document to be validated and enabling intelligent editing for the document. The command opens the Assign File dialog to let you specify the DTD file you wish to assign. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button). Note that you can make the path of the assigned DTD file relative by clicking the Make Path Relative To... check box. When you are done, your XML document will contain a DOCTYPE declaration that references the assigned DTD. The DOCTYPE declaration will look something like this:

```
<!DOCTYPE main SYSTEM "http://link.xmlspy.com/spyweb.dtd">
```

**Please note:** A DTD can be assigned to a new XML file at the time the file is created.

## 23.5.2 Assign Schema



The **DTD/Schema | Assign Schema...** command is enabled when an XML document is active. It assigns an XML Schema to an XML document, thus allowing the document to be validated and enabling intelligent editing for the document. The command opens the Assign File dialog to let you specify the XML Schema file you wish to assign. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the **Browse** button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button). Note that you can make the path of the assigned file relative by clicking the Make Path Relative To... check box. When you are done, your XML document will contain an XML Schema assignment with the required namespaces. The schema assignment will look something like this:

```
xmlns="http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/icon/orgchart"  
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/1999/XMLSchema-instance"  
xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.xmlspy.com/schemas/icon/orgchart  
http://schema.xmlspy.com/schemas/icon/orgchart.xsd"
```

## 23.5.3 Include Another DTD

The **DTD/Schema | Include another DTD...** command allows you to include another Document Type Definition (DTD) or external parsed entity into the internal subset of a document type definition, or in any DTD document. This is done by defining a corresponding external parsed entity declaration and using that entity in the following line:

```
<!ENTITY % navigation.dtd SYSTEM "S:\xml\navigation.dtd">  
%navigation.dtd;
```

The command opens the Assign File dialog to let you specify the DTD file you want to include in your DTD.

**Please note:** This command is enabled in Grid View only.

## 23.5.4 Go to DTD



The **DTD/Schema | Go to DTD** command opens the DTD on which the active XML document is based. If no DTD is assigned, then an error message is displayed.

## 23.5.5 Go to Schema



The **DTD/Schema | Go to Schema** command opens the XML Schema on which the active XML document is based. If no XML Schema is assigned, then an error message is displayed.

### 23.5.6 Go to Definition



The **DTD/Schema | Go to Definition** command displays the exact definition of an element or attribute in the corresponding Document Type Definition or Schema document.

#### To see the item definition in Grid View

1. Click left on the item.
2. Select the menu item **DTD/Schema | Go to Definition**, or click on the icon.

#### To see the item definition in Schema View

- Use CTRL + Double click on the item you want to see the definition of, or
- Click the item and select menu option **DTD/Schema | Go to Definition**, or click on the icon.

In both cases, the corresponding DTD or Schema file is opened, and the item definition is highlighted.

### 23.5.7 Generate DTD/Schema



The **DTD/Schema | Generate DTD/Schema** command generates a new DTD or W3C XML Schema from an XML document (or from a set of XML documents contained in a folder in the project window). This command is useful when you want to generate a DTD or XML Schema from XML documents.

**Generate DTD/Schema**

DTD/Schema file format

DTD

W3C Schema

OK

Cancel

Generate one shared type for all equal named elements

Validate and resolve entities

Define types used for elements

Local (if applicable)

Global

Define simple types used for attributes

Global, merge equal types into one

As distinct global types

Local

Define attributes with same name and type

Local

Global

Simple type recognition

Best possible

Numbers only

No detection

Create enumerations for

All types of values

Plain strings only

Always

For a maximum  distinct values

Ignore values longer than  characters for enumerations

If you generate an XML Schema, the following options are available:

- **Elements:** The type of elements can be defined locally or globally (*Define types for elements*). If elements have the same name, a common type can be declared for use in the definition of these elements (*Generate one shared type*).
- **Attributes:** The simple types of attributes (*Define simple types for attributes*) can be defined as (i) common global types; (ii) distinct global types; (iii) local types. Attributes with the same name and type can be defined either locally or globally.
- **Simple type recognition:** The recognition of types (*Simple type recognition*) can be set to: (i) best possible; (ii) recognition of number datatypes only; (iii) no datatype recognition, in which case all datatypes are set to `xs:string`.
- **Entity resolution:** In the XML document, entities may appear in element content and attribute values. Whether they are resolved or not (*Validate and resolve entities*) is therefore significant for enumeration values. Furthermore, some entities (especially parsed entities that contain markup) can affect the content model differently depending on whether they are resolved or not. Note that the XML document will be validated for being correct XML before the schema is generated. If the document is invalid, the schema generation process will be discontinued.

- **Enumerations:** All types of values, or string values only, can be enumerated.

If you generate a DTD, the entity resolution and enumeration options are available.

The Generate DTD/Schema command normally operates on the active main window, but you can also use the **Generate DTD/Schema** command on any file, folder, or group of files in the active project window.

### 23.5.8 Flatten DTD

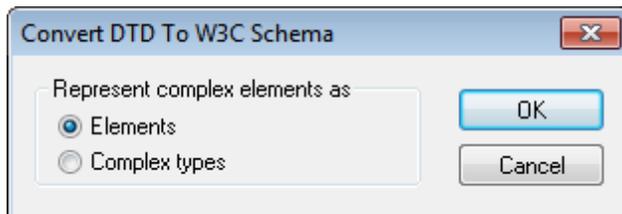
The **Flatten DTD** command is enabled when a DTD is the active document. It creates a new flat DTD, removing parameter entities and producing a single DTD from a collection of modules. It also suppresses sections marked `IGNORE` and deletes unused parameter entities.

The command pops up a Save dialog, in which you select a location at which to save the generated DTD file. Click **Save** to carry out the conversion. The flattened DTD file is generated and opened in XMLSpy.

### 23.5.9 Convert DTD to Schema

The **Convert DTD to Schema** command is enabled when a DTD is the active document. It converts a DTD into an XML Schema document (XSD).

The command pops up the Convert DTD to W3C Schema dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can select whether complex elements should be converted into elements or complex types. On clicking **OK**, you are prompted to select a location at which to save the generated XSD file. Click **Save** to carry out the conversion. The XSD file is generated and opened in XMLSpy.



When you convert a DTD to XML Schema, XMLSpy makes a few assumptions because of the limited information available. Most notably, the values of certain DTD components are treated literally rather than having their semantics parsed. This is because the program cannot know which of several possible usages is intended. In these cases, you should modify the generated conversion.

In any case, you should carefully examine the generated conversion to see if you can enhance it. A few areas in which improvements may be required are listed below.

#### Attribute Datatyping

DTDs allow for only 10 attribute datatypes, whereas XML Schemas, for instance, allow for more than 40 datatypes plus derived datatypes. You may wish to enhance a generated XML Schema, for example, by using a more restrictive datatype. Note that when an [XML Schema is converted to DTD](#) datatype information will be lost.

Namespaces

DTDs are not namespace-aware. As a result, if namespaces are to be specified in a DTD they must be hard-coded into element and attribute names. This could pose challenging problems when converting from one schema to another.

Entities

XML Schema does not have equivalents for the general entity declarations of DTDs. When XMLSpy converts a DTD to an XML Schema, it ignores entity declarations.

Unparsed data declarations

DTDs and XML Schemas use different mechanisms for handling unparsed data. This is explained in more detail below.

DTDs use the following mechanism:

- A notation is declared consisting of a name and an identifier, for example:  
`<!NOTATION gif SYSTEM "image/gif">`
- You declare the entity, for example:  
`<!ENTITY cover_img SYSTEM "graphics/cover_img.gif" NDATA gif>`
- Typically, you specify an attribute type of ENTITY on the relevant attribute, for example:  
`<!ELEMENT img EMPTY>`  
`<!ATTLIST img format ENTITY #REQUIRED>`

In XML Schema, the corresponding mechanism is as follows:

- Declare a notation. This functions in the same way as for the DTD.  
`<xs:notation name="gif" public="image/gif"/>`  
Note that the `public` attribute is mandatory and holds the identifier. An optional `system` attribute holds the system identifier and is usually an executable that can deal with resources of the notation type.
- You associate the notation declaration with a given attribute value using the NOTATION datatype. You cannot, however, use the NOTATION datatype directly, but must derive another datatype from the NOTATION datatype.  
`<xs:simpleType name="formatType">`  
    `<xs:restriction base="xs:NOTATION">`  
        `<xs:enumeration value="gif"/>`  
        `<xs:enumeration value="jpeg"/>`  
    `</xs:restriction>`  
`</xs:simpleType>`
- You associate the attribute with the datatype derived from the NOTATION datatype, e.g.  
`<xs:complexType name="imgType">`  
    `<xs:attribute name="height"/>`  
    `<xs:attribute name="width"/>`  
    `<xs:attribute name="location"/>`  
    `<xs:attribute name="format" type="formatType" use="required"/>`  
`</xs:complexType>`  
`<xs:element name="img" type="imgType"/>`

When you convert a DTD to an XML Schema, XMLSpy does the following:

- Something like

```
<!ATTLIST image format ENTITY #REQUIRED
...>
```

is converted to

```
<xs:attribute name="format" type="xs:ENTITY" use="required"/>
```

- And something like

```
<!NOTATION gif SYSTEM "image/gif">
```

is converted to

```
<xs:notation name="gif" system="image/gif"/>
```

You should therefore make the following modifications:

1. In notations like `<xs:notation name="gif" system="image/gif"/>` replace `system` with `public`, and add an optional system identifier if required.
2. Derive a datatype from the `NOTATION` datatype as described above for `formatType`.
3. Associate the derived datatype with the relevant attribute.

**Note:** According to the XML Schema specification, you do not need to—or cannot, depending on your viewpoint—declare an external entity.

### 23.5.10 Flatten Schema

The **Flatten Schema** command is enabled when an XML Schema is the active document. It generates a new flat XSD by (i) adding the components of all included schemas as global components of the active schema, and (ii) deleting the included schemas.

The command redirects to the [Flatten Schema](#) command of the Schema Design menu. Since the [Flatten Schema](#) command is available in Schema View only, you will be prompted about whether you wish to switch to Schema View or not. For more information, see the [Flatten Schema](#) command.

### 23.5.11 Convert Schema to DTD

The **Convert Schema to DTD** command is enabled when an XML Schema is the active document. It converts an XML Schema document (XSD) into a DTD.

The command pops up a Save dialog, in which you select a location at which to save the generated DTD file. Click **Save** to carry out the conversion. The DTD file is generated and opened in XMLSpy.

Note the following points:

1. When you convert an XML Schema to a DTD, the namespace prefixes used in the XML Schema—not the namespace URIs or the namespace declarations—are carried through to the names of the corresponding elements and attributes in the DTD.
2. Since XML parsers ignore namespaces when validating an XML document against a DTD, the namespace declarations themselves are not converted.
3. The `elementFormDefault` and `attributeFormDefault` attributes of the `xs:schema` element determine what elements and attributes have their prefixes included in the conversion process. If set to `unqualified`, then only globally declared elements and attributes, respectively, include prefixes in the conversion. If set to `qualified`, all element and attribute names have their prefixes included in the conversion.
4. Prefixes are converted to their corresponding string value plus a colon. Elements and

attributes in default namespaces are converted to elements and attributes with names that begin with the string: `default_NS_X`, where X is an integer (starting with 1 and having a maximum value equal to the number of default namespaces used in the XML Schema).

- In the DTD, element names are composed of parameter entities. This enables you to easily change the prefix in the DTD should the prefix in the XML document ever need to change. Parameter entity definitions can be changed either in the DTD document itself or by overriding the parameter entity definitions in the XML document's internal DTD subset.

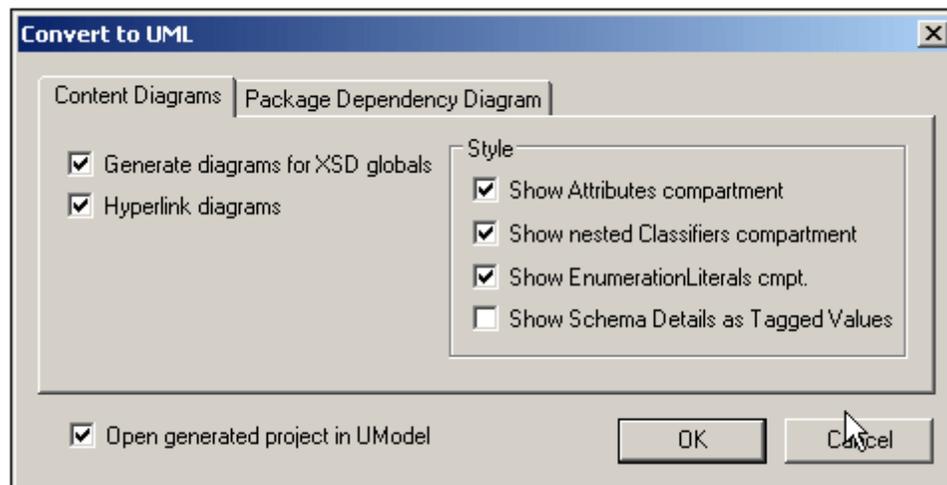
**Note:** Namespaces have no semantic value in DTDs, and namespace prefixes carried over from the XML Schema become merely a lexical part of the name of the element or attribute defined in the DTD.

### 23.5.12 Convert to UML

The **DTD/Schema | Convert to UML** command converts a W3C XML Schema to an Altova UModel Project (`.ump`) document (hereafter UModel project). UMP is the native format of Altova UModel, Altova's UML modeling application. UMP files can then be viewed and edited in Altova UModel.

To convert a schema to UML, do the following:

- With the schema open, click the **Convert to UML** command. This pops up the Convert to UML dialog (*screenshot below*).



- In the Content Diagrams tab, select the option Generate Diagrams for XSD Globals. This will generate, in the UModel project, a content model diagram for each global component.
- Select the required options from those available in the dialog. These options are explained below.
- If you wish to view the created project in UModel immediately, select the option to open the project in UModel. Otherwise leave this option unselected.
- Click **OK**.
- In the Save As dialog that appears, browse for the destination folder, then enter the name of the UMP file, and click **Save**.

#### Convert to UML options

The following options are available in the Convert to UML dialog.

In the **Content Diagrams** tab:

- *Hyperlink diagrams* creates in each diagram a link to the entry of that global component in the Model Tree view, thus enabling the component to be quickly located in the schema hierarchy.
- In the *Style* pane, the show compartments options enables various compartments to be either shown or hidden.

In the **Package Dependency Diagram** tab:

- The *Generate Diagram* option determines whether a package dependency diagram is generated. A package dependency diagram provides an overview of the entire package, showing the relationships of package components to one another. Note that the other options in this tab will be enabled only if the Generate Diagram option is selected.
- Selecting the *Hyperlink Package to Diagram* option creates a link from the package diagram to the Model Tree View.
- Four options are available for the layout of the package dependencies diagram: (i) unorganized layout (Autolayout option unselected); (ii) hierarchical layout (Autolayout and Hierarchical options selected); (iii) block (Autolayout and Block options selected); and (iv) evenly spaced (Autolayout and Force Directed options selected). The layout can be modified by editing the diagram in UModel.

**Note:** The Convert to UML feature supports W3C XML Schemas only.

### 23.5.13 Generate XML from DB, Excel, EDI with MapForce

The **DTD/Schema | Generate XML from DB, Excel, EDI with MapForce** command launches Altova's MapForce if the application is installed. MapForce enables you to map a schema to another DTD, XML Schema, or database and to generate XML.

### 23.5.14 Design HTML/PDF/Word Output with StyleVision...

The **DTD/Schema | Design HTML/PDF Output in StyleVision...** command launches Altova's StyleVision if the application is installed. StyleVision enables you to design stylesheets for HTML, PDF, and RTF output.

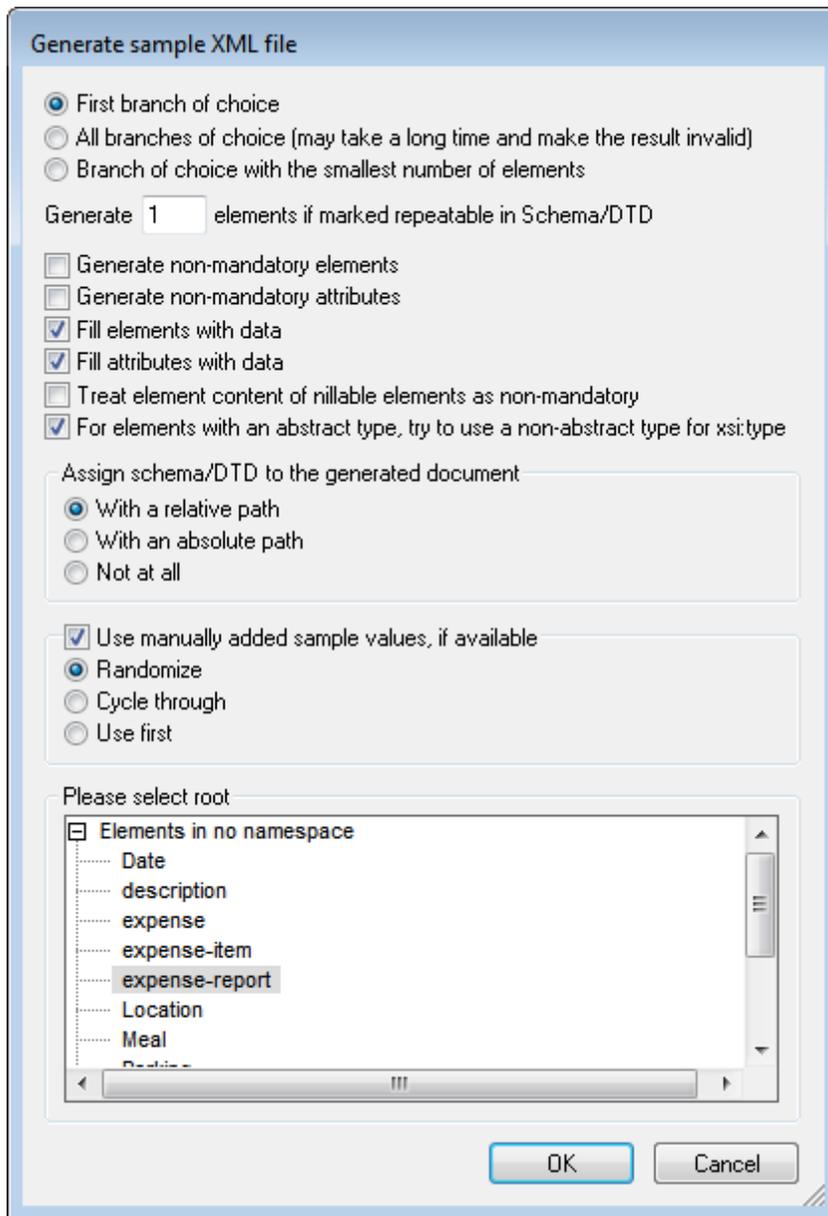
### 23.5.15 Generate Sample XML/JSON File

The **Generate Sample XML/JSON File** command is enabled in Text View, Grid View, and Schema View, and generates an XML or JSON instance based on the currently active schema file. If the currently active file is a DTD or XML Schema, then an XML instance file is generated. If the currently active file is a JSON schema, then a JSON instance file is generated.

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#### Generating sample XML files

With a DTD or XML Schema active, you can generate a sample XML instance based on the schema. On clicking the command, the Generate Sample XML File dialog (*screenshot below*) appears, in which you can specify the options for the sample generation.



### Elements of choice groups

A choice group is a group of elements from which one may be used. For example, if an element called `items` is defined as having a `choice` group consisting of the three elements: `cd`, `dvd`, `book`, then `items` can validly have any one of these three elements as a child element (with a maximum number of occurrences as specified in that element's `maxOccurs` attribute).

In the Generate Sample XML File dialog, you can select whether (i) the first branch (element) of the `choice` group, (ii) all branches, or (iii) the branch with the smallest number of descendant elements is generated. Note that the *All branches* selection could generate an invalid document since only one branch from a `choice` group is allowed.

If any of the `choice` groups's branches are repeatable (that is, it has a `maxOccurs` value of greater than 1), then you specify, in the first text box of the dialog, how many of the repeatable elements

to generate, up to a maximum of 99. If the `maxOccurs` attribute of the `choice` group is defined as unbounded or as a large number and *All branches* is selected in the Generate Sample XML File dialog, then the `maxOccurs` of the `choice` group is also limited by the number of repeatable elements you specify in the first text box of the dialog.

Generate non-mandatory elements

Activating this option generates both the mandatory and non-mandatory elements defined in the schema.

Generate non-mandatory attributes

Activating this option generates both the mandatory and non-mandatory attributes defined in the schema.

Generate X elements if marked repeatable in Schema/DTD

Activating this option generates the number of repeatable elements you enter in the text box. This applies to all elements, including those in `choice` groups.

Fill elements and attributes with data

Activating this option inserts the datatype values of the respective elements and attributes. For example if an element is defined as being of datatype `string`, then the element is given a dummy value of `string`.

Nilable elements and abstract types

The contents of nilable elements can be treated as non-mandatory, and elements with an abstract type can use a non-abstract type for its `xsi:type` attribute.

Schema assignment for the generated XML file

The schema used to generate the XML file can be assigned to the generated XML file with a relative or absolute path.

Use manually added sample values if available

If the schema component has sample values assigned to it, then these will be used as the value or content of that component. For individual components, sample values are assigned in the [Facets Entry Helper](#), in the Samples tab. Which value from the available sample values is selected for a single file generation can be specified:

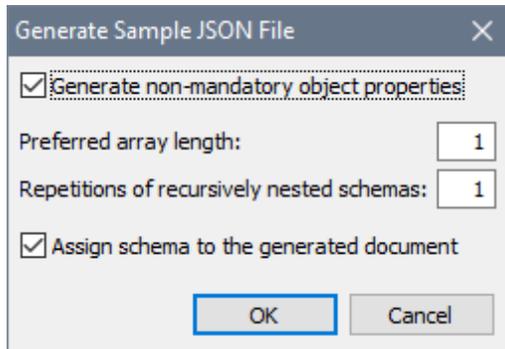
- A random selection.
- Each sample value in turn for each instance of the component. For each file generation, the cycle starts anew.
- The first value always.

Root element

If the schema contains more than one global element, these are listed, and the root element required for the sample XML file can be selected from the list.

### Generating sample JSON files

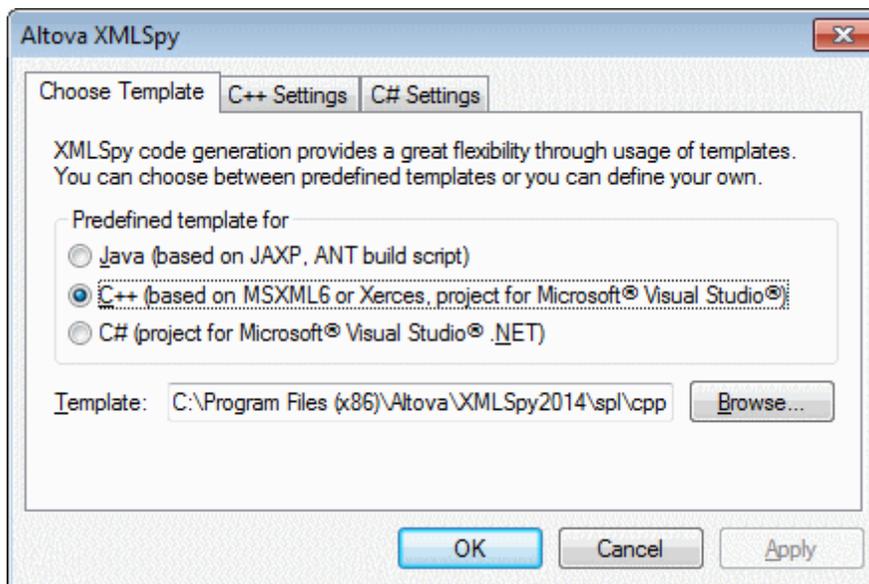
With a JSON schema active, you can generate a sample JSON instance based on the JSON schema. On clicking the command, the Generate Sample JSON File dialog (*screenshot below*) appears, in which you can specify the options for the sample generation.



You can choose whether to generate [non-mandatory object properties](#), the [length of arrays](#), and repetitions of recursive definitions. You can also specify whether the active JSON schema should be automatically [assigned](#) to the generated JSON sample file or not.

### 23.5.16 Generate Program Code

The **DTD/Schema | Generate Program Code...** command automatically generates Java, C++, or C# class files from definitions in the active schema (DTD or XML Schema) document.



Please see the [Code Generator](#) section of this documentation for details about code generation.

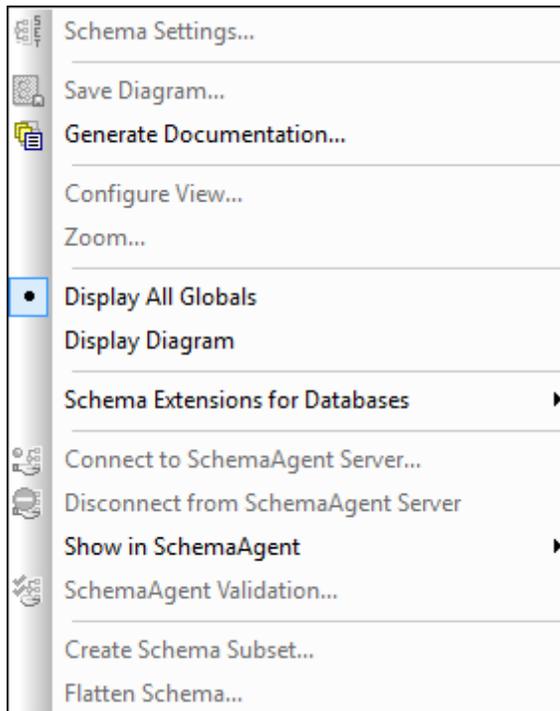
### 23.5.17 Flush Memory Cache

The **DTD/Schema | Flush Memory Cache** command flushes all cached schema (DTD and XML Schema) documents from memory. To speed up validation and intelligent editing, XMLSpy caches recently used schema documents and external parsed entities in memory. Information from these cached documents is also displayed when the [Go to Definition](#) command is invoked.

Flush the memory cache if memory is tight on your system, or if you have used documents based on different schemas recently.

## 23.6 Schema Design Menu

The **Schema Design** menu enables you to configure the Schema View of XMLSpy. This view enables you to design XML Schemas in a GUI. It is available when an XML Schema document is active in Schema View.



The commands available in this menu are described in this section.

### 23.6.1 Schema Settings



The **Schema Design | Schema Settings** command is enabled in Schema View and lets you define global settings for the active schema. These settings are the attributes of the `xs:schema` element.

Schema settings

elementFormDefault:  qualified  unqualified

attributeFormDefault:  qualified  unqualified

blockDefault:

finalDefault:

defaultAttributes: Contact

xpathDefaultNamespace: ##targetNamespace

version: 1.1

xml:lang:  id:

No targetNamespace

targetNamespace:

Prefix	Namespace
	http://www.altova.com/schemas/org
xs	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema

OK Cancel

The settings defined in the Schema Settings dialog above (when XSD mode is set to 1.1) will create the following `xs:schema` element.

```
<xs:schema xmlns="http://www.altova.com/schemas/org"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  targetNamespace="http://www.altova.com/schemas/org"
  elementFormDefault="qualified"
  attributeFormDefault="unqualified"
  xpathDefaultNamespace="##targetNamespace"
  version="1.1"
  defaultAttributes="Contact">
```

**Note:** What's in the Schema Settings dialog will differ according to the active XSD mode. When XSD 1.0 is the active mode, XSD 1.1 attributes are not present in the dialog.

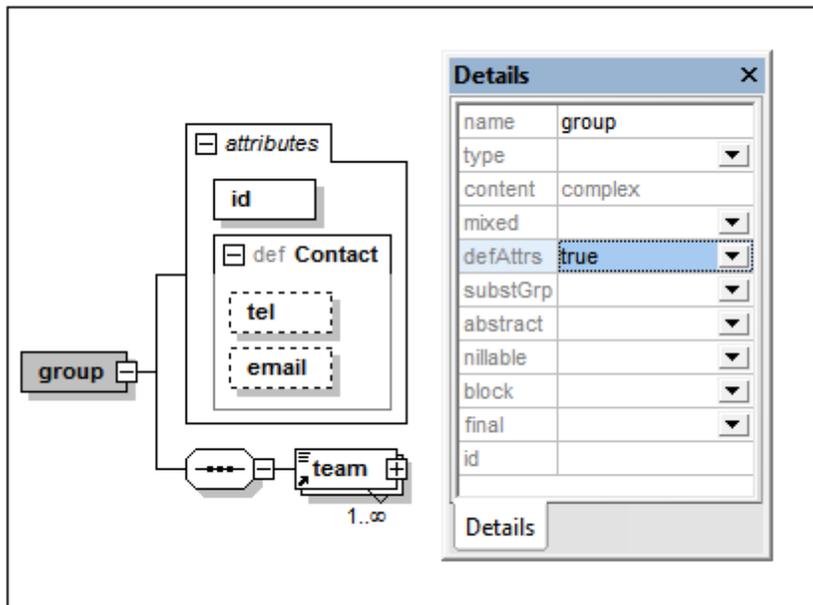
The `defaultAttributes` and `xpathDefaultNamespace` attributes are XML Schema 1.1 features and will be available only in [XSD 1.1 mode](#). The other attributes are available in both XSD 1.0 and XSD 1.1.

### The version attribute

The version attribute is the document version. It is not the [XSD version of the document](#).

### The `defaultAttributes` attribute

The `defaultAttributes` attribute enables you to select an attribute group as the default attribute group of all complex types in the schema. The default attribute group is displayed in the content model of these complex types. In the screenshot below, the `Contact` attribute group is the default attribute group (*also see screenshot above, where this has been set*), and is automatically available on the `group` element. To disable the attribute group, set the complex type's `defaultAttributesApply` to `false`. You can do this via the `defAttrs` property in the Details entry helper of the complex type (see screenshot below).



### The `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute

The `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute sets the default namespace for elements in XPath expressions used in the schema. If set in the Schema Settings dialog, the attribute is applied to the top-level `xs:schema` element. So the scope of the declaration will be the entire document. You can override the declaration on `xs:schema` with declarations on elements where the attribute is allowed:

- `xs:assert` and `xs:assertion`
- `xs:alternative`
- `xs:selector` and `xs:field` (in identity constraints)

You can change the XPath default namespace in the Details entry helper of the elements listed above.

The `xpathDefaultNamespace` attribute can have one of three allowed values:

- `##targetNamespace`: The XPath default namespace will be the same as the target namespace of the schema
- `##defaultNamespace`: The XPath default namespace will be the same as the default

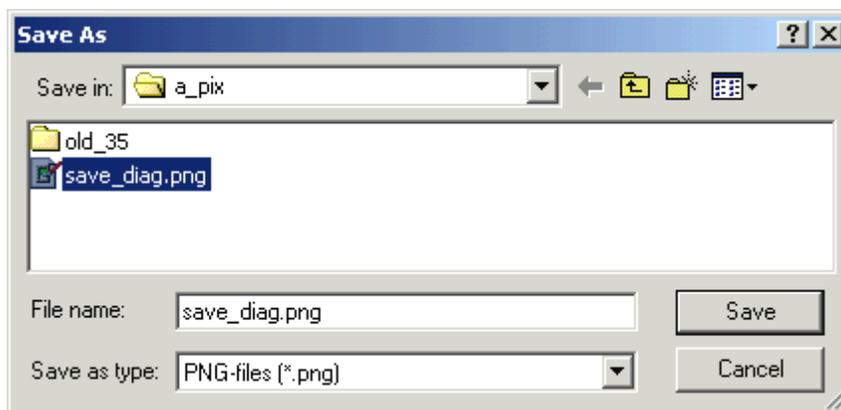
- namespace of the schema
- `##local:` There is no XPath default namespace

If no XPath default namespace is declared in the document, unprefixed elements in XPath expressions will be in no namespace. The XPath default namespace declaration does not apply to attributes.

## 23.6.2 Save Diagram



The **Schema Design | Save Diagram...** command saves the diagram of the Content Model currently displayed in the Main Window in PNG format to any desired location.



## 23.6.3 Generate Documentation



The **Schema Design | Generate Documentation** command generates detailed documentation about your XML or JSON schema (see screenshot below) in HTML, MS Word, RTF or PDF. The documentation generated by this command can be freely altered and used; permission from Altova to do so is not required. Documentation is generated for components you select in the (JSON) Schema Documentation dialog (which appears when you select the **Generate Documentation** command). Related elements (child elements, complex types, etc.) are typically hyperlinked in the onscreen output, enabling you to navigate from component to component. Components with a content model also have links to the content model definitions. Note that schema documentation is also generated for **included and imported schema components**. The various documentation-generation options for XML Schema are described in the section [Documentation Options](#). JSON schema documentation options are described in the section [Generating JSON Schema Documentation](#).

Note that the [Documentation Options](#) are applied on top of the settings you specify in the [Schema Display Configuration dialog](#).

**Note:** In order to generate documentation in MS Word format, you must have MS Word (version 2000 or later) installed.

You can either use XMLSpy's fixed standard design for the generated document, or you can use a StyleVision SPS for the design. Using a StyleVision SPS enables you to customize the design of the generated documentation as well as to generate PDF as an additional output format. How to work with an SPS is explained in the section, [User-Defined Design](#).

**Note:** In order to use an SPS to generate schema documentation, you must have StyleVision installed on your machine.

Schema **ipo.xsd**

schema location: **C:\Program Files\Altova\XMLSPY2004\Examples\ipo.xsd**  
 targetNamespace: **http://www.altova.com/IPO**

Elements            Complex types            Simple types  
**comment**            **Items**                    **SKU**  
**purchaseOrder** **PurchaseOrderType**

schema location: **C:\Program Files\Altova\XMLSPY2004\Examples\address.xsd**  
 targetNamespace: **http://www.altova.com/IPO**

Complex types    Simple types  
**Address**            **EU-Postcode**  
**EU-Address**       **US-State**  
**US-Address**

element **comment**

diagram	
namespace	http://www.altova.com/IPO
type	<b>string</b>
properties	content simple
used by	element <b>Items/item</b> complexType <b>PurchaseOrderType</b>
source	<code>&lt;element name="comment" type="string"/&gt;</code>

The screenshot above shows generated schema documentation with an index (all related schemas with their global components organized by component type) at the top of the document.

**Note:** When generating documentation for W3C schema documents, XMLSpy uses application-internal versions of these documents. Consequently, other locations of these documents are not considered, and redefinitions and other schema modifications will not be reflected in the documentation.

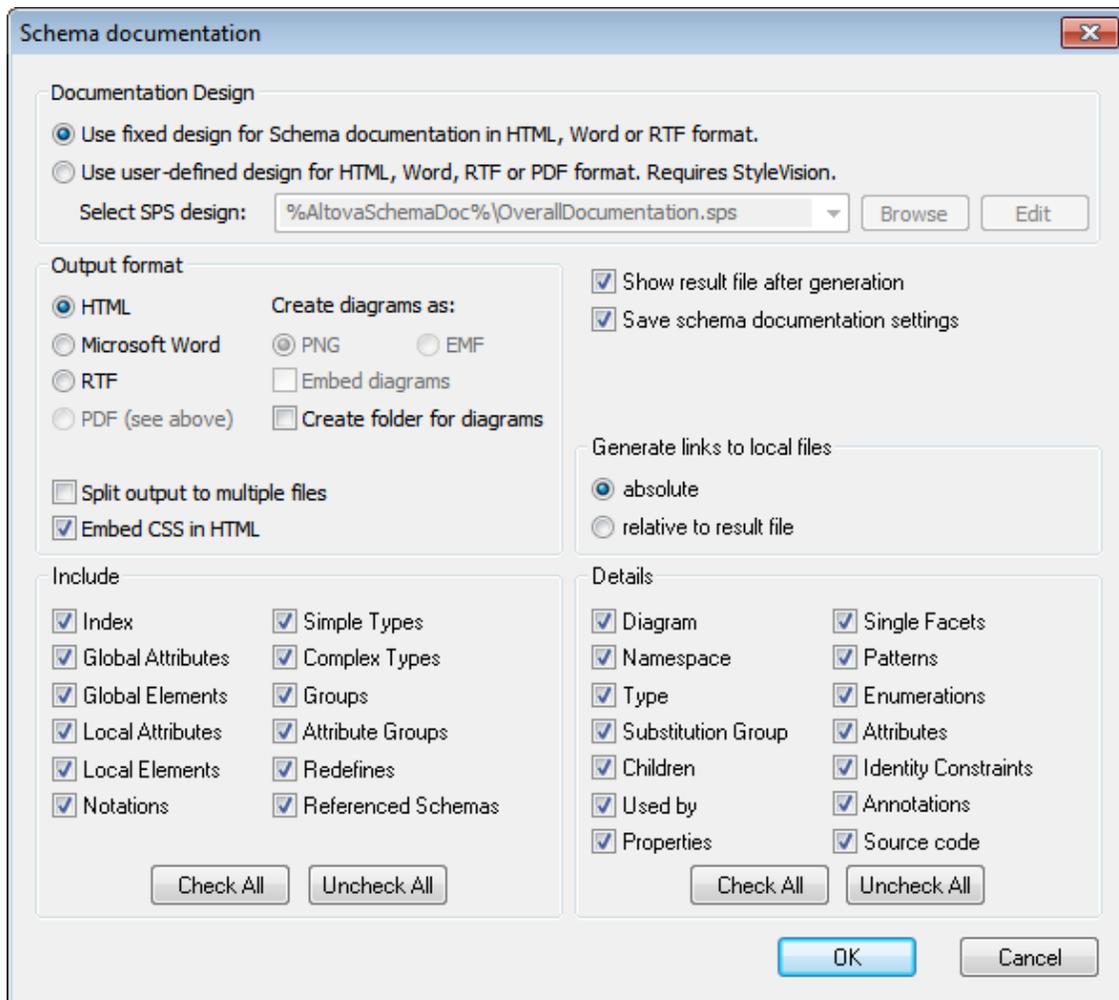
## Documentation Options

The **Schema Design | Generate Documentation** command generates detailed documentation of the active schema: XML Schema or JSON schema. This section describes the generation of XML Schema documentation. The procedure for generating JSON schema documentation is similar. For details about generating JSON schema documentation and a description of documentation generation settings, see the section [Generating JSON Schema Documentation](#).

### Generating XML Schema documentation

If an XML Schema document is active and you click the **Generate Documentation** command, the Schema Documentation dialog (*screenshot below*) is displayed. In this dialog, you can select options for the documentation.

In the Documentation Design pane of the dialog you can select whether to use the fixed XMLSpy design for the generated documentation or whether to use a customized design created in a StyleVision SPS. Select the option you want. Note that PDF output is available only for documentation generated with a StyleVision SPS, not for documentation generated using a fixed design. How to work with a user-defined design is described in the section, [User-Defined Design](#).



The other options in the Schema Documentation dialog are explained below:

- The required format is specified in the Output Format pane: either HTML, Microsoft Word, RTF, or PDF. (The PDF output format is only available if you use a StyleVision SPS to generate the documentation.) On clicking **OK**, you will be prompted for the name of the output file and the location to which it should be saved.

- Microsoft Word documents are created with the `.doc` file extension when generated using a fixed design, and with a `.docx` file extension when generated using a StyleVision SPS.
- The documentation can be generated either as a single file or be split into multiple files. When multiple files are generated, each file corresponds to a component. What components are included in the output is specified using the check boxes in the Include pane. In fixed designs, links between multiple documents are created automatically.
- For HTML output, the CSS style definitions can be either saved in a separate CSS file or embedded in the HTML file (in the `<head>` element). If a separate CSS file is created, it will be given the same name as the HTML file, but will have a `.css` extension. Check or uncheck the *Embed CSS in HTML* check box to set the required option.
- The *Embed Diagrams* option is enabled for the MS Word, RTF, and PDF output options. When this option is checked, diagrams are embedded in the result file, either in PNG or EMF format. Otherwise diagrams are created as PNG or EMF files, which are displayed in the result file via object links.
- When the output is HTML, all diagrams are created as document-external PNG files. If the *Create folder for diagrams* check box is checked, then a folder will be created in the same folder as the HTML file, and the PNG files will be saved inside it. This folder will have a name of the format `HTMLFilename_diagrams`. If the *Create folder for diagrams* check box is unchecked, the PNG files will be saved in the same folder as the HTML file.
- Links to local files (such as diagram image files and external CSS file) can be relative or absolute. In the *Generate links to local files* pane, select the appropriate radio button according to the option you prefer.
- In the Include pane, you select which item types you want to include in the documentation. Each item of the selected types will be displayed in the generated documentation. For example, if *Local Attributes* is checked, then the description of each local attribute is displayed as a separate entry. The Index option lists all related schemas at the top of the file, with their global components organized by component type. The **Check All** and **Uncheck All** buttons enable you to quickly select or deselect all the options in the pane. Note that the *Include* option does not affect the display of an item type within the graphical definitions. That display is controlled by the settings you make in the [Schema Display Configuration](#) dialog. So if you wish to disable the display of attributes within the graphical representation of a schema item, then uncheck the Attributes option in the [Schema Display Configuration](#) dialog.
- The Details pane lists the details that may be included for each component. Select the details you wish to include in the documentation. The **Check All** and **Uncheck All** buttons enable you to quickly select or deselect all the options in the pane.
- The *Show Result File* option is enabled for all output options. When this option is checked, the result files are displayed in Browser View (HTML output), MS Word (MS Word output), and the default applications for `.rtf` files (RTF output) and `.pdf` files (PDF output).

### Parameter values

If the StyleVision SPS contains one or more parameter definitions, then on clicking **OK**, a dialog pops up listing all the parameters defined in the SPS. You can enter parameter values in this dialog to override the default parameter values that were assigned in the SPS.

### User-Defined Design

Instead of the fixed standard XMLSpy design, you can create a customized design for schema documentation. The customized design is created in a StyleVision SPS, which is a design template for the output document.

### Creating the SPS

A StyleVision Power Stylesheet (or SPS) is created using [Altova's StyleVision](#) product. An SPS for generating schema documentation must be based on an XML Schema that specifies the structure of the schema documentation. This schema is called `SchemaDocumentation.xsd`, and it is delivered with your XMLSpy package. It is stored in the folder: `C:\Documents and Settings\<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Documentation\Schema`.

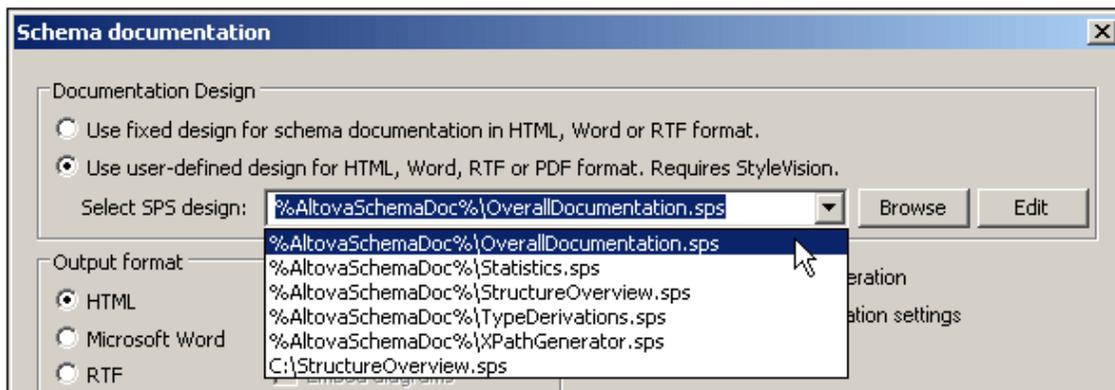
When creating the SPS design in StyleVision, nodes from the `SchemaDocumentation.xsd` schema are placed in the design template and assigned styles and properties. Additional components, like links, tables and images, can also be added to the SPS design. In this way, the entire output document can be designed in the SPS. How to create an SPS design in StyleVision is described in detail in the StyleVision user manual.

The advantage of using an SPS for generating schema documentation is that you have complete control over the schema documentation design. Note also that PDF output of the schema documentation is available only if a user-defined SPS is used; PDF output is not available if the fixed XMLSpy design is used.

### Specifying the SPS to use for schema documentation

After an SPS has been created, it can be used to generate schema documentation. The SPS you wish to use for generating the schema documentation is selected in the Schema Documentation dialog (accessed via the **Schema Design | Generate Documentation** command). In the Documentation Design pane of this dialog (see *screenshot below*), select the *Use User-Defined Design* radio button. You can then click the **Browse** button and browse for the SPS you want. Click the dialog's **OK** button, and, in the Save dialog that pops up, select the folder for, and enter the name of, the output file.

**Note:** The SPS file must correctly locate the schema on which it is based: `SchemaDocumentation.xsd` (see above).



The following editable SPS designs for schema documentation generation are delivered with XMLSpy. They are in the [\(My Documents\) folder](#): `C:\Documents and Settings\<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2011\Documentation\Schema\`. They are:

- `OverallDocumentation.sps`, which generates full documentation about the schema
- `Statistics.sps`, which lists the number of global and local elements, attributes and attribute groups, and simple and complex types for the main schema and for each schema file independently

- `StructureOverview.sps`, which outputs a structure of global elements and complex types up to a configurable depth
- `TypeDerivations.sps`, which lists simple and complex types and all their directly and indirectly derived types in the form of a tree
- `XPathGenerator.sps`, which generates all possible XPath statements up to a configurable depth

These files, together with other SPS files you have recently browsed for, will be available in the combo box of the *Use User-Defined* option (see screenshot above).

Clicking the **Edit** button in the Documentation Design pane launches StyleVision and opens the selected SPS in a StyleVision window. In order to preview the result document in StyleVision, you will need a Working XML file. A sample XML file for this purpose, called `OrgChart.xml`, is supplied with your application and is located in the [\(My Documents\) folder](#):

```
C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016
\Documentation\Schema\SampleData
```

**Note:** In order to use an SPS to generate schema documentation, you must have StyleVision installed on your machine.

## 23.6.4 Configure View

The **Schema Design | Configure view** command is active in Content Model View and allows you to configure the Content Model View. Clicking the command opens the Schema Display Configuration dialog at the bottom right of the XMLSpy window, enabling you to see the effect of your settings as you enter them in the dialog. The settings take effect when you click the **OK** button of the dialog, and apply to the Content Model View of all XML Schema files that are opened subsequently. These settings also apply to the [schema documentation output](#) and printer output. For example, if you wish to disable the display of attributes within the graphical representation of a schema item in the schema documentation output, then uncheck the *Attributes* option in the [Schema Display Configuration](#) dialog (screenshot below).

**Note:** For a description of how to configure JSON Schema Design View, see the section [Configuring JSON Schema Design View](#).

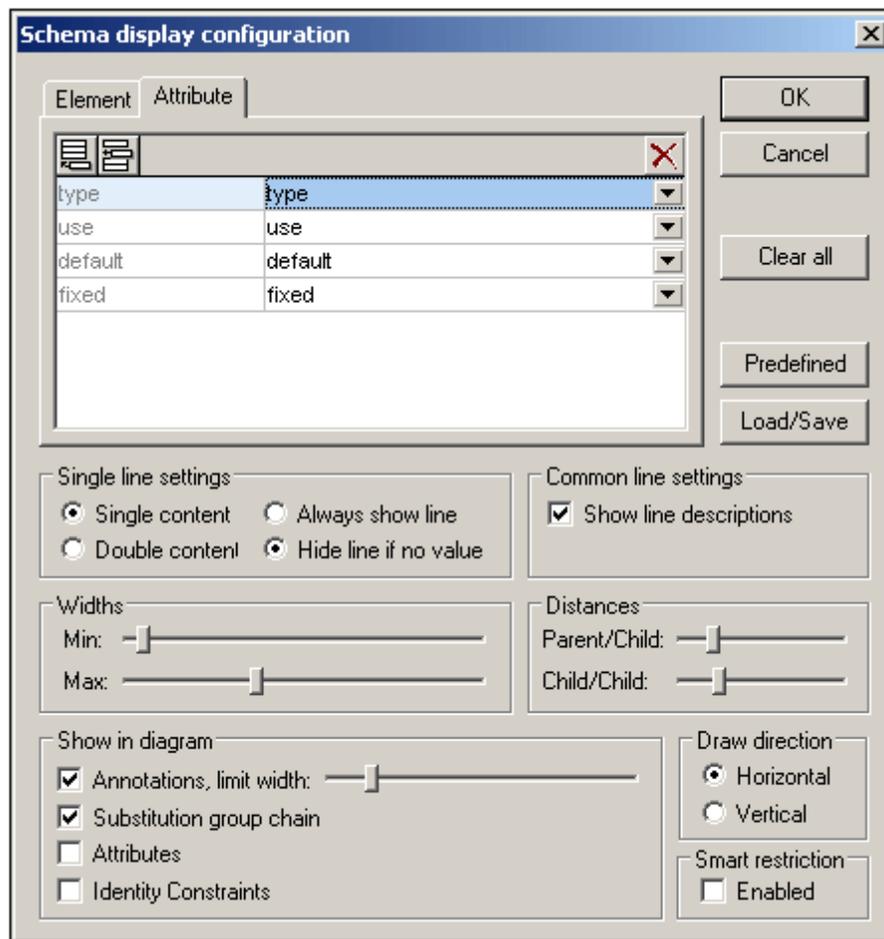
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### Defining property descriptor lines for the content model

You can define what properties of elements and attributes are displayed in the Content Model View. These properties appear as grid lines in component boxes.

To define property descriptor lines:

1. Select **Schema Design | Configure view**. The Schema display configuration dialog appears.
2. In the **Element** or **Attribute** tab, click the Append  or Insert  icon to add a property descriptor line. The line is added in the dialog and to element boxes in the Content Model View.
3. From the combo box, select the property you want to display. See screenshot.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 for as many properties as required.



The Content Model View is updated, showing the defined property descriptor lines for all elements for which they exist.

**Note:** For attributes, the configuration you define appears only when attributes are displayed in the diagram (as opposed to them being displayed in a pane below the Content Model View). The configured view applies to all Content Model Views opened after the configuration is defined.

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### Deleting a property descriptor line from the Content Model View

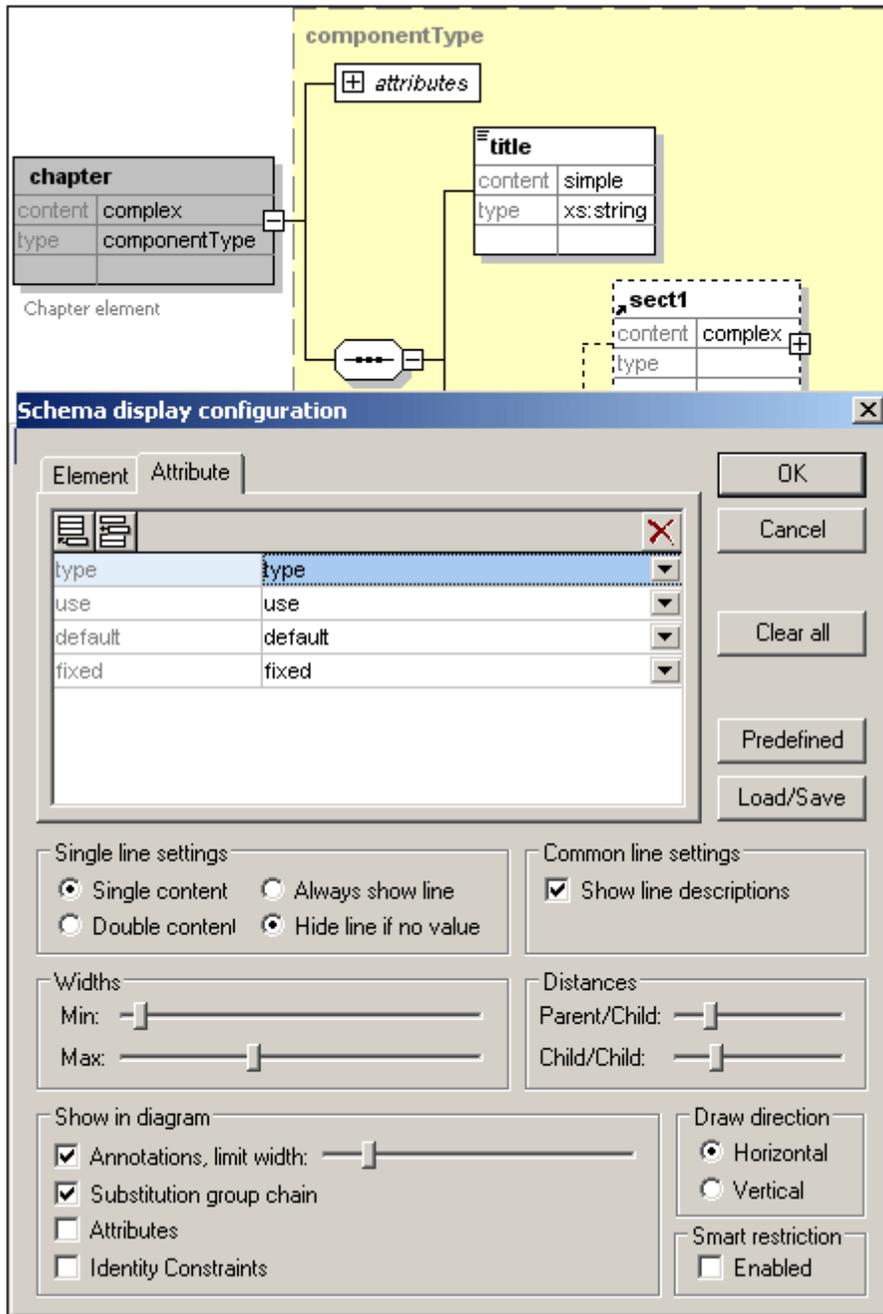
To delete individual property descriptor lines, in the Schema Display Configuration dialog, select the property descriptor line you want to delete, and click the Delete icon .

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### Settings for configuring the Content Model View

The Content Model View can be configured using settings in the Schema Display Configuration dialog. How to define what property descriptor lines are displayed in Content Model View has

been described above. The other settings are described below.



### Single line settings

You can define whether a property descriptor line is to contain single or double content, and whether individual lines must appear for every element or only for elements that contain that property. Use the appropriate radio buttons to define your settings. Note that these two settings can be set for individual lines separately (select the required line and make the setting).

### Common line settings

This option toggles the line descriptions (i.e. the name of the property) on and off.

### Widths

These sliders enable you to set the minimum and maximum size of the element rectangles in Content Model View. Change the sizes if line descriptor text is not fully visible or if you want to standardize your display.

### Distances

These sliders let you define the horizontal and vertical distances between various elements onscreen.

### Show in diagram

The Annotations check box toggles the display of annotation text on or off, as well as the annotation text width with the slider. You can also toggle the display of the substitution groups on or off. The Attributes and Identity Constraints appear in the Content Model diagram if their check boxes are selected; otherwise they appear as tabs in a pane at the bottom of the Content Model window.

### Draw direction

These options define the orientation of the element tree on screen, horizontal or vertical.

### Editing the content model in the diagram itself

You can change element properties directly in the content model diagram. To do this, double-click the property you wish to edit and start entering data. If a selection is available, a drop-down list appears, from which you can select an option. Otherwise, enter a value and confirm with **Enter**.

### Buttons in the Schema display configuration dialog

This dialog has the following buttons:

- The **Load/Save** button allows you to load and save the settings you make here.
- The **Predefined** button, resets the display configuration to default values.
- The **Clear all** button empties the list box of all entries.

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## Enabling smart restrictions

To enable [smart restrictions](#), check the Enable Schema Restrictions check box.

### 23.6.5 Zoom

The **Schema Design | Zoom** command controls the zoom factor of the Content Model View. This feature is useful if you have a large content model and wish to zoom out so that the entire content model fits in the Main Window. You can zoom between 10% and 200% of actual size.



To zoom in and out, either drag the slider or click in the entry box and enter a percentage value.

### 23.6.6 Display All Globals

The **Schema Design | Display All Globals** command switches from [Content Model View](#) to [Schema Overview](#) to display all global components in the schema. It is a toggle with the Display Diagram command. The currently selected toggle is indicated with a check mark to its left (see *screenshot*).



Alternatively, you could use the **Display All Globals** icon  at the top of the Content Model View to switch to the Schema Overview.

### 23.6.7 Display Diagram

The **Schema Design | Display Diagram** command switches to the [Content Model View](#) of the selected global component—if the selected component has a content model. Global components that have a content model (complex types, elements, and element groups) are indicated with the  icon to its left. The Display Diagram command is a toggle with the Display All Globals command. The currently selected toggle is indicated with a check mark to its left (*screenshot below*).



Alternatively, you could use the following methods to switch to Content Model View:

- Click the  icon next to the component, the content model of which you want to display.
- Double-click a component name in the Component Navigator Entry Helper (at top right).

### 23.6.8 Schema Extensions for Databases

This menu item pops out a sub-menu containing commands for Oracle and MS SQL Server schema extensions.

- [Enable Oracle Schema Extensions](#)
- [Oracle Schema Settings](#)
- [Enable Microsoft SQL Server Schema Extensions](#)
- [Named Schema Relationships](#)
- [Unnamed Element Relationships](#)

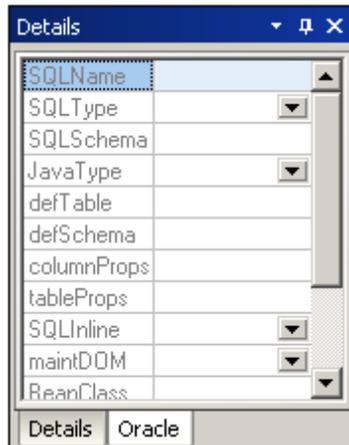
#### Enable Oracle Schema Extensions

XMLSpy provides support for Oracle schema extensions for use with Oracle 9i Project XDB. Using these schema extensions allows you to configure and customize how Oracle 9i Project XDB stores XML documents. These XML documents are then accessible through SQL queries and

legacy tools. Please see the [Oracle Website](#) for more information.

When you select the **Enable Oracle Schema Extensions** command, the following occurs:

- The XDB namespace is declared on the `schema` element: `xmlns:xdb="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb"`.
- An Oracle tab is created in the Details Entry Helper, enabling you to add attributes—including XDB-specific attributes—to schema elements such as `xsd:complexType` and `xsd:element`.



Oracle extensions can be defined for complex types, elements, and attributes. Use the Entry Helper as you normally would in XMLSpy.

**Please note:** This menu command can be toggled on and off, that is, extensions can be enabled or disabled. When Oracle extensions are enabled, the command is displayed with a check mark to its left. Disabling Oracle extensions (by clicking the enabled command) deletes the XDB namespace declaration and all XDB extensions in the file. A warning message appears since this action cannot be undone.

### Oracle Schema Settings

The **Oracle Schema Settings** command allows you to define global settings for Oracle schema extensions.



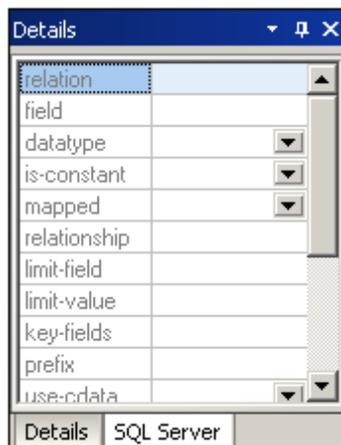
In order to access this dialog, Oracle schema extensions must be enabled (using the [Enable Oracle Schema Extensions](#) command).

## Enable Microsoft SQL Server Schema Extensions

XMLSpy provides support for Microsoft SQL Server 2000 schema extensions for use with Microsoft SQL Server. Using these schema extensions allows you to configure and customize how Microsoft SQL Server stores XML documents. These XML documents are then accessible through SQL queries and legacy tools. Please see the [Microsoft Website](#) for more information.

When you select the **Enable Microsoft SQL Server Schema Extensions** command, the following occurs:

- The SQL Server namespace is declared on the `schema` element:  
`xmlns:sql="urn:schemas-microsoft-com:mapping-schema"`.
- An SQL Server tab is created in the Details Entry Helper, enabling you to add attributes to schema elements such as `xsd:element`.



Where SQL Server extensions can be defined for a schema component, the SQL Server tab is available in the Details Entry Helper when the component is selected. Use the Entry Helper as you normally would in XMLSpy.

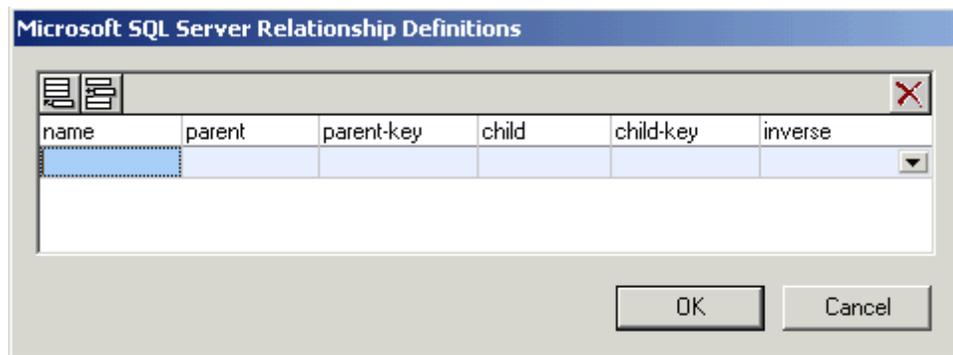
**Please note:** This menu command can be toggled on and off, that is, extensions can be enabled or disabled. When SQL Server extensions are enabled, the command is displayed with a check mark to its left. Disabling SQL Server extensions (by clicking the enabled command) deletes the SQL Server namespace declaration and all SQL extensions in the file. A warning message appears since this action cannot be undone.

## Named Schema Relationships

The **Named Schema Relationships** command allows the definition of named relationships to provide the information needed to create the document hierarchy. You have to have previously enabled the SQL Server schema extensions, using the menu option "Enable SQL Server Schema Extensions", to be able to access this menu option.

To create a named schema relationship:

1. Click the insert  or append icon , to add a new row to the dialog box.
2. Click the field and enter the corresponding relationship name.
3. Click **OK** to confirm.



This generates a SQL relationship element, placing it just after the namespace declaration.

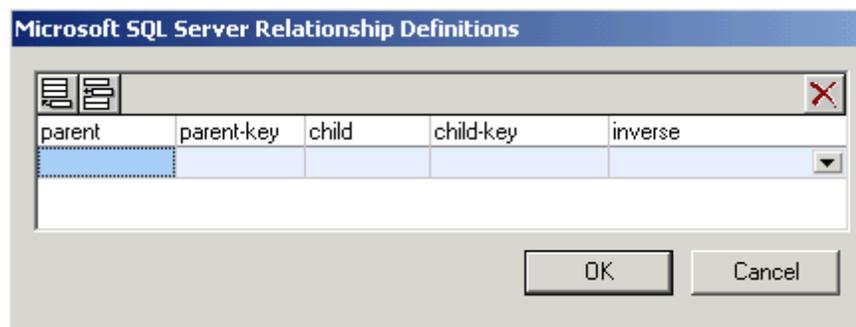
**Please note:** Click the delete icon , to delete a row from the dialog box.

### Unnamed Element Relationships

The **Unnamed Element Relationships** command allows the definition of unnamed relationships to provide the information needed to create the document hierarchy. You have to have previously enabled the SQL Server schema extensions, using the menu option **Enable Microsoft SQL Server Schema Extensions**, to be able to access this menu option.

To create an unnamed schema relationship:

1. Click the insert  or append icon , to add a new row to the dialog box.
2. Click the field and enter the corresponding name.
3. Click **OK** to confirm.



This generates a SQL relationship element for the currently selected schema element.

**Please note:** Click the delete icon , to delete a row from the dialog box.

## 23.6.9 Connect to SchemaAgent Server



The **Schema Design | Connect to SchemaAgent Server** command is enabled when an XML

Schema document is active and it enables you to connect to a SchemaAgent Server. You are able to connect to a SchemaAgent server only if a licensed Altova SchemaAgent product is installed on your machine. When you click this command, the Connect to SchemaAgent Server dialog (*screenshot below*) opens:



You can use either the local server (the SchemaAgent server that is packaged with Altova SchemaAgent) or a network server (the Altova SchemaAgent Server product, which is available free of charge). If you select **Work Locally**, the local server of SchemaAgent will be started when you click **OK** and a connection with it will be established. If you select **Connect to Network Server**, the selected SchemaAgent Server must be running in order for a connection to be made.

When connected to SchemaAgent Server, XMLSpy acts as a SchemaAgent client, and provides powerful and enhanced schema editing and management functionality. For details about SchemaAgent, the installation of SchemaAgent Server, and how to connect to SchemaAgent Server, see [SchemaAgent](#) in the DTD and XML Schema section of this user manual. For more information about installing and working with these two products, see the SchemaAgent user manual that is delivered with these products.

After you connect to SchemaAgent Server, a message appears in the bar at the top of the Main Window with information about the connection. You now have full access to all schemas and schema components in the search path/s (folder/s) defined for the SchemaAgent server to which XMLSpy is connected.

**Please note:** In order for the connection to succeed, you must have Altova's SchemaAgent Client product installed with a valid license on the same machine as that on which XMLSpy is installed.

### 23.6.10 Disconnect from SchemaAgent Server



The **Disconnect from SchemaAgent Server** command is enabled when a connection to a SchemaAgent Server has been made successfully. Selecting this command disconnects XMLSpy from the SchemaAgent Server.

### 23.6.11 Show in SchemaAgent

The **Show in SchemaAgent** menu item causes the active schema and, optionally, linked schemas to be displayed in the Altova product SchemaAgent. (This product must be installed on the same machine as XMLSpy if you wish to use SchemaAgent functionality). The schema/s are

opened in a new SchemaAgent Design in SchemaAgent.

Mousing over the **Show in SchemaAgent** menu item pops out a submenu with options about what schemas to show in SchemaAgent. These options are described in [SchemaAgent](#) in the DTD and XML Schema section of this user manual.

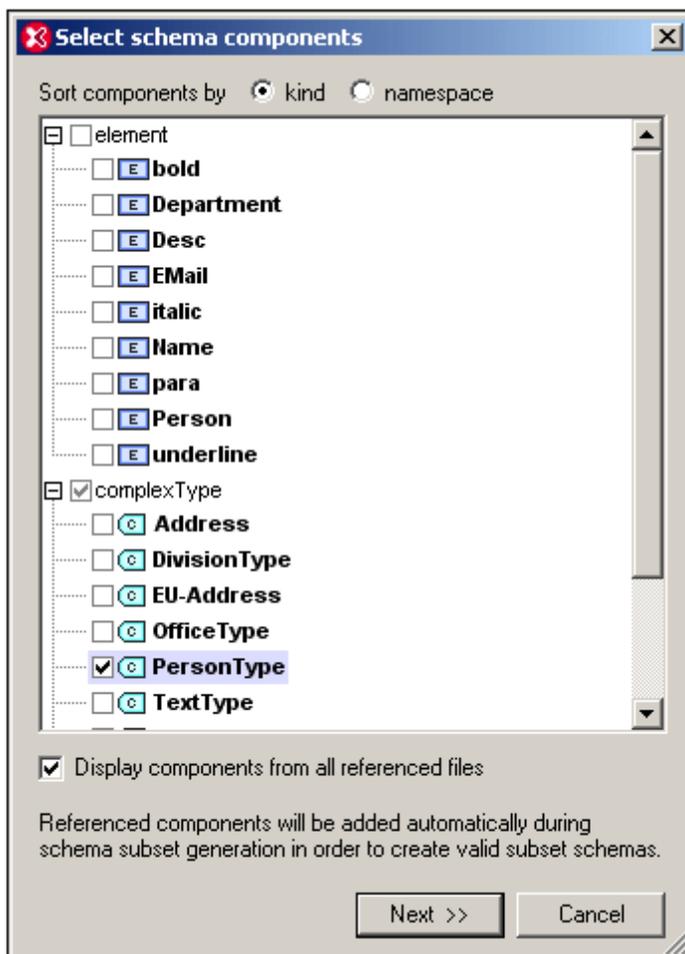
### 23.6.12 SchemaAgent Validation



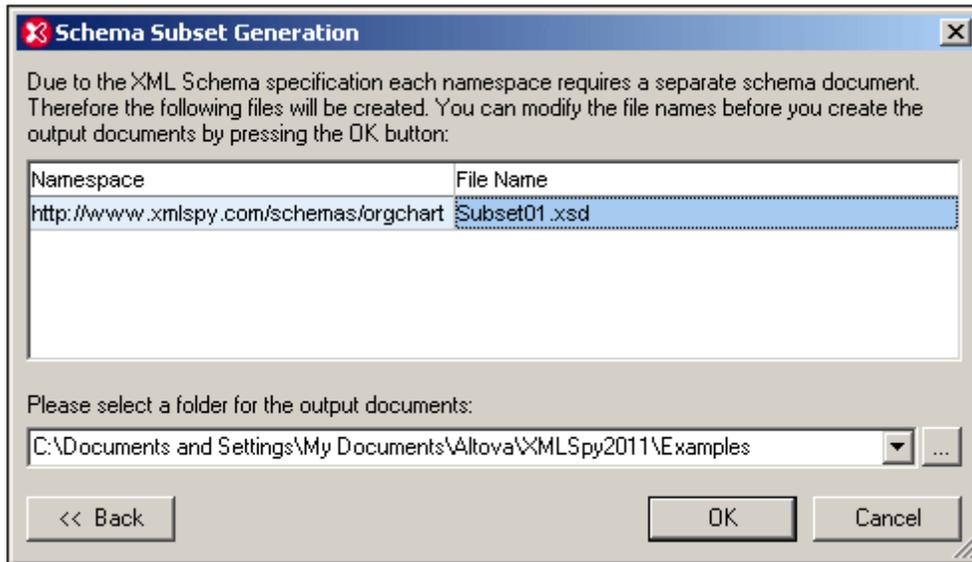
The **SchemaAgent Validation** command enables you to validate the currently active schema as well as schemas related to the currently active schema. This feature is described in detail in the [SchemaAgent Validation](#) section in the Schema View section of this user manual.

### 23.6.13 Create Schema Subset

The **Create Schema Subset** command pops up the Select Schema Components dialog (*screenshot below*). In this dialog, you check the component or components you wish to create as a single schema subset, then click **Next**. (Note that a check box below the pane enables components from all referenced files to also be listed for selection.)



In the Schema Subset Generation dialog that now appears (*screenshot below*), enter the name/s you want the file/s of the schema subset package to have. You must also specify the folder in which the new schema subset files are to be saved. A schema subset package could have multiple files if one or more of the components being created is an imported component in the original schema. A separate schema file is created for each namespace in the schema subset. The filenames displayed in the dialog are, by default, the names of the original files. But since you are not allowed to overwrite the original files, use new filenames if you wish to save the files in the same folder as the original files.

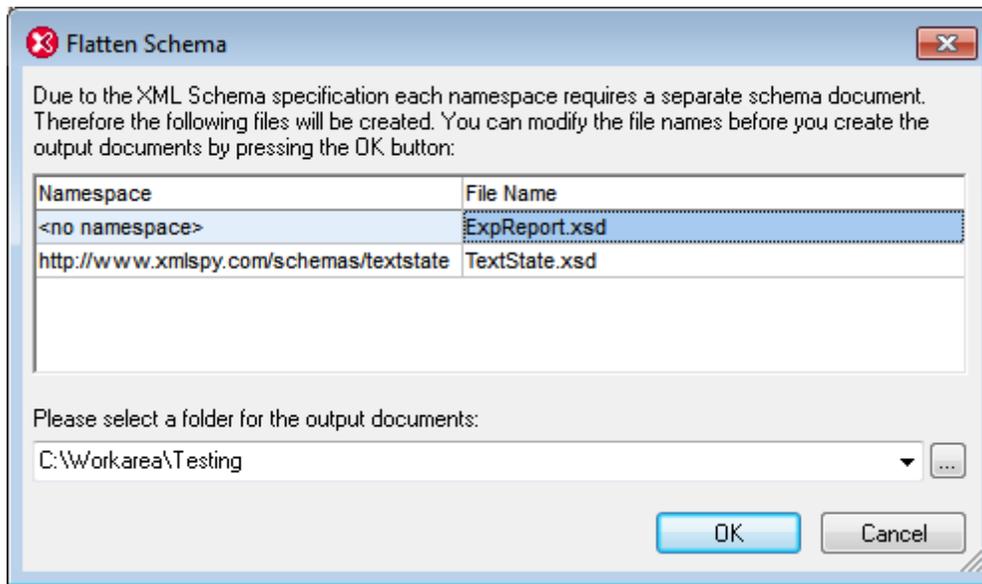


On clicking **OK**, the schema subset file with the namespace corresponding to that of the active file is opened in Schema View. Any other files in the package are created but not opened in Schema View.

### 23.6.14 Flatten Schema

Flattening the active schema in Schema View is the process of: (i) adding the components of all included schemas as global components of the active schema, and (ii) deleting the included schemas.

To flatten the active schema, select the command **Schema Design | Flatten Schema**. This pops up the Flatten Schema dialog (*screenshot below*), which contains the names of separate files, one for each namespace that will be in the flattened schema. These default names are the same as the original filenames. But since you are not allowed to overwrite the original files, the filenames must be changed if you wish to save in the same folder as the active file. You can browse for a folder in which the flattened schema and its associated files will be saved.



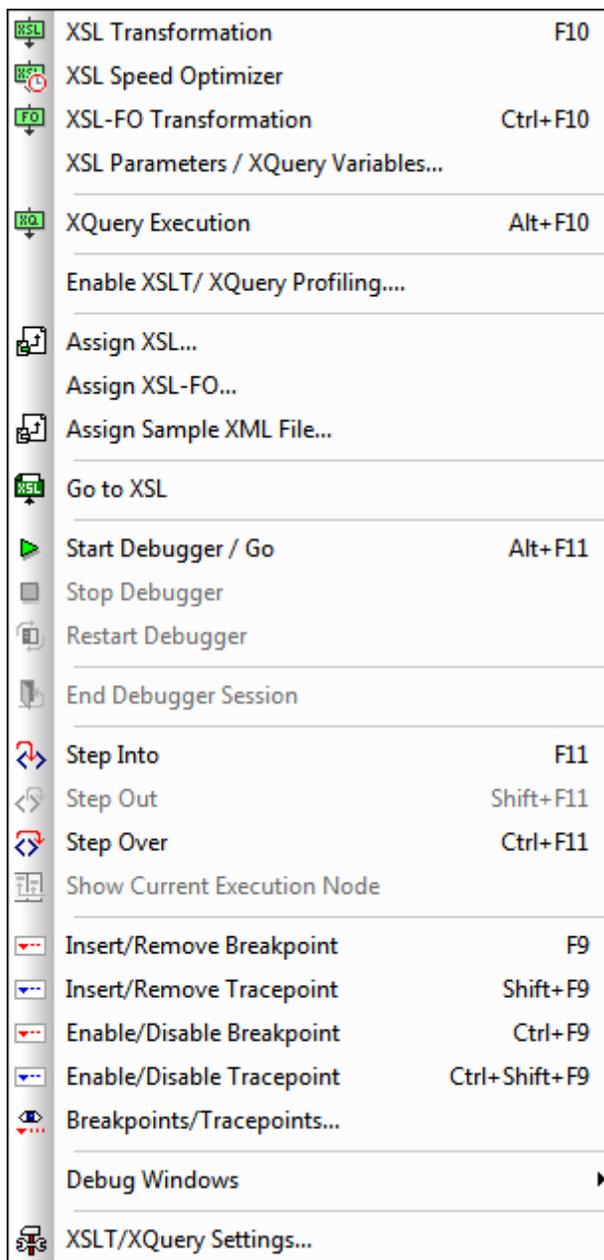
On clicking **OK**, the flattened schema file will be opened in Schema View.

## 23.7 XSL/XQuery Menu

The XSL Transformation language lets you specify how an XML document should be converted into other XML documents or text files. One kind of XML document that is generated with an XSLT document is an FO document, which can then be further processed to generate PDF output. XMLSpy contains built-in XSLT processors (for XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, and XSLT 3.0) and can link to an FO processor on your system to transform XML files and generate various kinds of outputs. The location of the FO processor must be specified in the XSL tab of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options](#)) in order to be able to use it directly from within the XMLSpy interface.

XMLSpy also has a built-in XQuery engine, which can be used to execute XQuery documents (with or without reference to an XML document).

Commands to deal with all the above transformations are accessible in the **XSL/XQuery** menu. In addition, this menu also contains commands to work with the Altova XSLT/XQuery Debugger.



### 23.7.1 XSL Transformation



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The **XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation** command transforms an XML document using an assigned XSLT stylesheet. The transformation can be carried out using the appropriate built-in Altova XSLT Engine (Altova XSLT 1.0 Engine for XSLT 1.0 stylesheets; Altova XSLT 2.0 Engine for XSLT 2.0 stylesheets; Altova XSLT 3.0 Engine for XSLT 3.0 stylesheets), the Microsoft-supplied MSXML module, or an external XSLT processor. The processor that is used in conjunction with this command is specified in the [XSL tab](#) of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).

If your XML document contains a reference to an XSLT stylesheet, then this stylesheet is used for the transformation. (An XSLT stylesheet can be assigned to an XML document using the [Assign XSL](#) command. If the XML document is part of a project, an XSLT stylesheet can be specified on a per-folder basis in the [Project Properties](#) dialog. Right-click the project folder/s or file/s you wish to transform and select XSL Transformation.) If an XSLT stylesheet has not been assigned to an XML file, you are prompted for the XSLT stylesheet to use. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button).

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### Transformations to ZIP files

In order to enforce output to a ZIP file, including Open Office XML (OOXML) files such as .docx, one must specify the ZIP protocol in the file path of the output file. For example:

```
filename.zip|zip/filename.xxx  
filename.docx|zip/filename.xxx
```

**Note:** The directory structure might need to be created before running the transformation. If you are generating files for an Open Office XML archive, you would need to zip the archive files in order to create the top-level OOXML file (for example, .docx).

## 23.7.2 XSL Speed Optimizer



The **XSL Speed Optimizer** command is enabled when an XSLT or XML document is active. It starts the XSL Speed Optimizer, which analyzes the possibility of carrying out faster transformations using the XSLT stylesheet being analyzed. The Optimizer works by running the XSLT stylesheet to be optimized over an XML dataset (one or more XML documents), and analyzing the stylesheet's performance. An optimization strategy is derived from this analysis and can be saved with the XSLT stylesheet (as a processing instruction at the end of the stylesheet). The optimized stylesheet can be used subsequently to produce faster transformations.

On clicking the command, you will be prompted to select, depending on whether an XSLT or XML document is active, respectively, an XML document or XSLT stylesheet. On clicking **OK**, the analysis starts. If the XSLT or XML document already has, respectively, an [XML assignment](#) or [XSLT assignment](#) in the document, this step is skipped, and the analysis starts straightaway. For details of how to use the Optimizer, see the section [XSL Speed Optimizer](#). The settings of the Optimizer can be made in the [XSL Speed Optimizer tab](#) of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).

### 23.7.3 XSL-FO Transformation



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FO is an XML format that describes paged documents. An FO processor, such as the Apache XML Project's FOP, takes an FO file as input and generates PDF as output. The production of a PDF document from an XML document is, therefore, a two-step process.

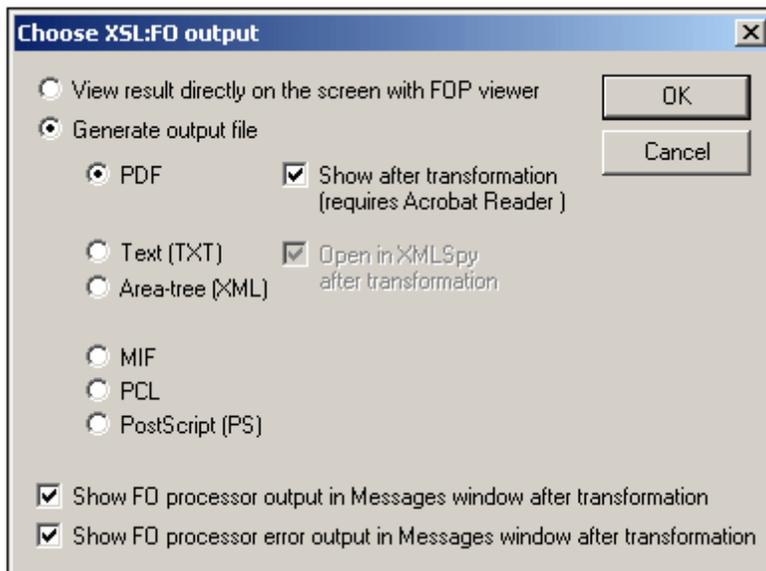
1. The XML document is transformed to an FO document using an XSLT stylesheet.
2. The FO document is processed by an FO processor to generate PDF (or some alternative output).

The **XSL/XQuery | XSL:FO Transformation** command transforms an XML document or an FO document to PDF.

- If the **XSL:FO Transformation** command is executed on a source XML document, then both of the steps listed above are executed, in sequence, one after the other. If the XSLT stylesheet required to transform to FO is not referenced in the XML document, you are prompted to assign one for the transformation. Note that you can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button). The transformation from XML to XSL-FO is carried out by the XSLT processor specified in the [XSL tab](#) of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**). By default the selected XSLT processor is XMLSpy's built-in XSLT processor. The resultant FO document is directly processed with the FO processor specified in the [XSL tab](#) of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).
- If the **XSL:FO Transformation** command is executed on an FO document, then the document is processed with the FO processor specified in the [XSL tab](#) of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**).

#### XSL:FO Transformation output

The **XSL:FO Transformation** command pops up the Choose XSL:FO Output dialog (*screenshot below*). (If the active document is an XML document without an XSLT assignment, you are first prompted for an XSLT file.)



You can view the output of the FO processor directly on screen using FOP viewer or you can generate an output file in any one of the following formats: PDF, text, an XML area tree, MIF PCL, or PostScript. You can also switch on messages from the FO processor to show (i) the processor's standard output message in the Messages window; and (ii) the processor's error messages in the Messages window. To switch on either these two options, check the appropriate check box at the bottom of the dialog.

**Note:**

- Unless you deselected the option to install the FOP processor of the [Apache XML Project](#), it will have been installed in the folder `C:\ProgramData\Altova\SharedBetweenVersions`. If installed, the path to it will automatically have been entered in the [XSL tab](#) of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**) as the FO processor to use. You can set the path to any FO processor you wish to use.
- The XSL:FO Transformation command can not only be used on the active file in the Main Window but also on any file or folder you select in the active project. To do this, right-click and select **XSL:FO Transformation**. The XSLT stylesheet assigned to the selected project folder is used.

### 23.7.4 XSL Parameters / XQuery Variables

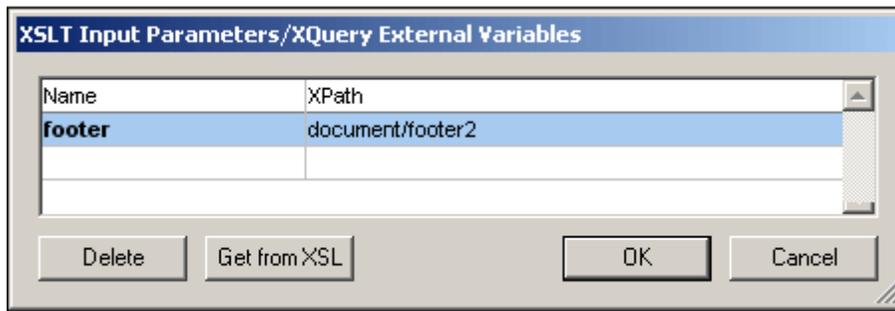
The **XSL/XQuery | XSL Parameters/XQuery Variables** command opens the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog (see *screenshot*). You can enter the name of one or more parameters you wish to pass to the XSLT stylesheet, or one or more external XQuery variables you wish to pass to the XQuery document, and their respective values. These parameters are used as follows in XMLSpy:

- When the **XSL Transformation** command in the XSL/XQuery menu is used to transform an XML document, the parameter values currently saved in the dialog are passed to the selected XSLT document and used for the transformation.
- When the **XQuery Execution** command in the XSL/XQuery menu is used to process an XQuery document, the XQuery external variable values currently saved in the dialog are passed to the XQuery document for the execution.

**Please note:** Parameters or variables that you enter in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog are only passed on to the built-in Altova XSLT engine. Therefore, if you are using MSXML or another external engine that you have configured, these parameters are not passed to this engine.

#### Using XSLT Parameters

The value you enter for the parameter can be an XPath expression without quotes or a text string delimited by quotes. If the active document is an XSLT document, the **Get from XSL** button will be enabled. Clicking this button inserts parameters declared in the XSLT into the dialog together with their default values. This enables you to quickly include declared parameters and then change their default values as required.



**Please note:** Once a set of parameter-values is entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog, it is used for all subsequent transformations until it is explicitly deleted or the application is restarted. Parameters entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog are specified at the application-level, and will be passed to the respective XSLT document for every transformation that is carried out via the IDE from that point onward. This means that:

- parameters are not associated with any particular document
- any parameter entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog is erased once XMLSpy has been closed.

#### Usage example for XSLT parameters

In the following example, we select the required document footer from among three possibilities in the XML document (footer1, footer2, footer3).

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<document xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="C:\workarea\footers\footers.xsd">
  <footer1>Footer 1</footer1>
  <footer2>Footer 2</footer2>
  <footer3>Footer 3</footer3>
  <title>Document Title</title>
  <para>Paragraph text.</para>
  <para>Paragraph text.</para>
</document>
```

The XSLT file contains a local parameter called `footer` in the template for the root element. This parameter has a default value of `footer1`. The parameter value is instantiated subsequently in the template with a `$footer` value in the definition of the footer block.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:fo="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Format">
  ...
  <xsl:param name="footer" select="document/footer1" />
  ...
  <xsl:template match="/">
    <fo:root>
      <xsl:copy-of select="$fo:layout-master-set" />
      <fo:page-sequence master-reference="default-page"
        initial-page-number="1" format="1">
```

```

<fo:static-content flow-name="xsl-region-after"
  display-align="after">
  ...
  <fo:inline color="#800000" font-size="10pt" font-weight="bold">
    <xsl:value-of select="$footer"/>
  </fo:inline>
  ...
</fo:static-content>
</fo:page-sequence>
</fo:root>
</xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>

```

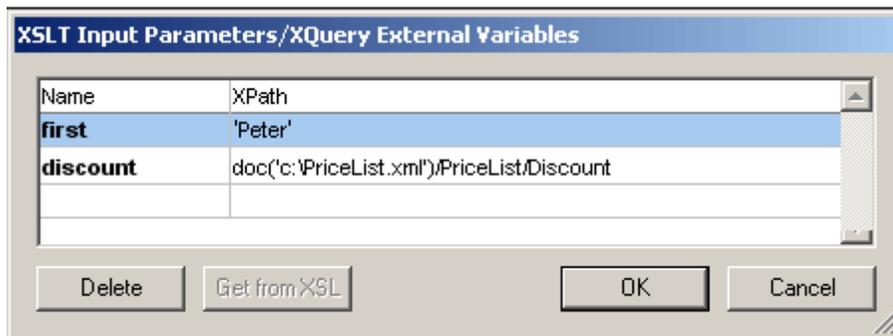
In the XSLT Input Parameters dialog, a new value for the `footer` parameter can be entered, such as the XPath: `document/footer2` (see screenshot above) or a text string. During transformation, this value is passed to the `footer` parameter in the template for the root element and is the value used when the footer block is instantiated.

**Note:**

- If you use the **XSL:FO Transformation** command (**XSL/XQuery | XSL:FO Transformation**), parameters entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog are **not** passed to the stylesheet. In order for these parameters to be used in PDF output, first transform from XML to FO using the XSLT Transformation command (**XSL/XQuery | XSL Transformation**), and then transform the FO to PDF using the **XSL:FO Transformation** command (**XSL/XQuery | XSL:FO Transformation**).
- If you use an XSLT processor other than the built-in Altova XSLT Engines, parameters you enter using the Input Parameters dialog will not be passed to the external processor.

**Using external XQuery variables**

The value you enter for an external XQuery variable could be an XPath expression without quotes or a text string delimited by quotes. The datatype of the external variable is specified in the variable declaration in the XQuery document.



**Note:** Once a set of external XQuery variables are entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog, they are used for all subsequent executions until they are explicitly deleted or the application is restarted. Variables entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog are specified at the application-level, and will be passed to the respective XQuery document for every execution that is carried out via the IDE from that point

onward. This means that:

- Variables are not associated with any particular document
- Any variable entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog is erased once the application (XMLSpy) has been closed down.

### Usage example for external XQuery variables

In the following example, a variable `$first` is declared in the XQuery document and is then used in the return clause of the FLWOR expression:

```
xquery version "1.0";
declare variable $first as xs:string external;
let $last := "Jones"
return concat($first, " ", $last )
```

This XQuery returns `Peter Jones`, if the value of the external variable (entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog) is `Peter`. Note the following:

- The `external` keyword in the variable declaration in the XQuery document indicates that this variable is an external variable.
- Defining the static type of the variable is optional. If a datatype for the variable is not specified in the variable declaration, then the variable value is assigned the type `xs:untypedAtomic`.
- If an external variable is declared in the XQuery document, but no external variable of that name is passed to the XQuery document, then an error is reported.
- If an external variable is declared and is entered in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog, then it is considered to be in scope for the XQuery document being executed. If a new variable with that name is declared within the XQuery document, the new variable temporarily overrides the in-scope external variable. For example, the XQuery document below returns `Paul Jones` even though the in-scope external variable `$first` has a value of `Peter`.

```
xquery version "1.0";
declare variable $first as xs:string external;
let $first := "Paul"
let $last := "Jones"
return concat($first, " ", $last )
```

**Note:** It is not an error if an external XQuery variable (or XSLT parameter) is defined in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog but is not used in the XQuery document. Neither is it an error if an XSLT parameter (or external XQuery variable) is defined in the XSLT Input Parameters/XQuery External Variables dialog but is not used in an XSLT transformation.

## 23.7.5 XQuery/Update Execution



The **XSL/XQuery | XQuery/ Update Execution** command executes an XQuery (1.0/3.1) or XQuery Update (1.0/3.0) document. Depending on whether the selected file is an XQuery or XQuery Update file, either an XQuery execution or an XQuery update is carried out. XMLSpy recognizes the type of document (XQuery or XQuery Update) on the basis of the document's [file type association](#) (defined in the [File types tab of the Options dialog](#)).

The XQuery Engine to use (1.0 or 3.1) is selected automatically on the basis of the version declaration in the document. If there is no version declaration in the document, then the default version specified in the [XQuery tab of the Options dialog](#) is used. The **XQuery/ Update Execution** command can be invoked when an XQuery, XQuery Update, or XML file is active. When invoked from an XML file, it opens a dialog asking for an XQuery file to associate with the XML file. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button).

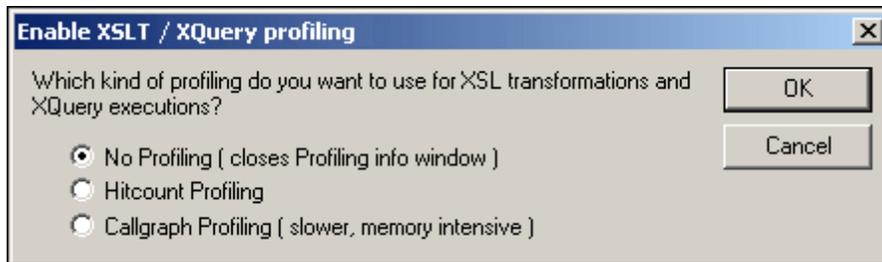
**Note:** The command is also available in the context menu of [Project window](#) items.

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## 23.7.6 Enable XSLT/XQuery Profiling

The **Enable XSLT/XQuery profiling** command opens the Enable XSLT/XQuery profiling dialog. This dialog allows you to activate the [Profiler](#), which is a tool that analyzes the time it takes for instructions to execute during an XSLT transformation or XQuery execution.



## 23.7.7 Assign XSL



The **XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL...** command assigns an XSLT stylesheet to an XML document. Clicking the command opens a dialog to let you specify the XSLT file you want to assign. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button).

An `xml-stylesheet` processing instruction is inserted in the XML document:

```
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl" href="C:\workarea\recursion\recursion.xslt"?>
```

**Please note:** You can make the path of the assigned file relative by clicking the **Make Path Relative To...** check box.

### 23.7.8 Assign XSL-FO

The **XSL/XQuery | Assign XSL:FO** command assigns an XSLT stylesheet for transformation to FO to an XML document. The command opens a dialog to let you specify the XSL or XSLT file you want to assign and inserts the required processing instruction into your XML document.

You can make the path of the assigned file relative by clicking the *Make Path Relative To* check box. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button).

**Please note:** An XML document may have two XSLT files assigned to it: one for standard XSLT transformations, a second for an XSLT transformation to FO.

### 23.7.9 Assign Sample XML File



The **XSL/XQuery | Assign Sample XML File** command assigns an XML file to an XSLT document. The command inserts a processing instruction naming an XML file to be processed with this XSLT file when the XSL Transformation is executed on the XSLT file:

```
<?altova_samplexml C:\workarea\html2xml\article.xml?>
```

**Please note:** You can make the path of the assigned file relative by clicking the *Make Path Relative To...* check box. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button).

### 23.7.10 Go to XSL



The **XSL/XQuery | Go to XSL** command opens the associated XSLT document. If your XML document contains a stylesheet processing instruction (i.e. an XSLT assignment) such as this:

```
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl" href="Company.xsl"?>
```

then the **Go to XSL** command opens the XSLT document in XMLSpy.

### 23.7.11 Start Debugger / Go



Alt+F11

The **XSL/XQuery | Start Debugger/Go** command starts or continues processing the XSLT/XQuery document till the end. If breakpoints have been set, then processing will pause at that point. If tracepoints have been set, output for these statements will be displayed in the Trace window when the closing node of the statement with the tracepoint has been reached. If the debugger session has not been started, then this button will start the session and stop at the first node to be processed. If the session is running, then the XSLT/XQuery document will be processed to the end, or until the next breakpoint is encountered.

### 23.7.12 Stop Debugger



The **XSL/XQuery | Stop Debugger** command stops the debugger. This is not the same as stopping the debugger **session** in which the debugger is running. This is convenient if you wish to edit a document in the middle of a debugging session or to use alternative files within the same debugging session. After stopping the debugger, you must restart the debugger to start from the beginning of the XSLT/XQuery document.

### 23.7.13 Restart Debugger



The **XSL/XQuery | Restart Debugger** command clears the output window and restarts the debugging session with the currently selected files.

### 23.7.14 End Debugger Session



The **XSL/XQuery | End Debugger Session** command ends the debugging session and returns you to the normal XMLSpy view that was active before you started the debugging session. Whether the output documents that were opened for the debugging session stay open depends on a setting you make in the [XSLT/XQuery Debugger Settings](#) dialog.

### 23.7.15 Step Into



F11

The **XSL/XQuery | Step Into** command proceeds in single steps through all nodes and XPath expressions in the stylesheet. This command is also used to re-start the debugger after it has been stopped.

### 23.7.16 Step Out



Shift+F11

The **XSL/XQuery | Step Out** command steps out of the current node to the next sibling of the parent node, or to the next node at the next higher level from that of the parent node.

### 23.7.17 Step Over



Ctrl+F11

The **XSL/XQuery | Step Over** command steps over the current node to the next node at the same level, or to the next node at the next higher level from that of the current node. This command is also used to re-start the debugger after it has been stopped.

### 23.7.18 Show Current Execution Node



The **XSL/XQuery | Show Current Execution Node** command displays/selects the current execution node in the XSLT/XQuery document and the corresponding context node in the XML document. This is useful when you have clicked in other tabs which show or mark specific code in the XSLT stylesheet or XML file, and you want to return to where you were before you did this.

### 23.7.19 Insert/Remove Breakpoint



F9

The **XSL/XQuery | Insert/Remove Breakpoint** command inserts or removes a breakpoint at the current cursor position. Inline breakpoints can be defined for nodes in both the XSLT/XQuery and XML documents, and determine where the processing should pause. A dashed red line appears above the node when you set a breakpoint. Breakpoints cannot be defined on closing nodes, and breakpoints on attributes in XSLT documents will be ignored. This command is also available by right-clicking at the breakpoint location.

### 23.7.20 Insert/Remove Tracepoint



Shift+F9

The **XSL/XQuery | Insert/Remove Tracepoint** command inserts or removes a tracepoint at the current cursor position in an XSLT/XQuery document. For statements with a tracepoint, during debugging, the value of the statement is displayed in the Trace window when the closing node of that statement is reached. A dashed blue line appears above the node when you set a tracepoint. Tracepoints cannot be defined on closing nodes. This command is also available by right-clicking at the tracepoint location.

### 23.7.21 Enable/Disable Breakpoint



Ctrl+F9

The **XSL/XQuery | Enable/Disable Breakpoint** command enables or disables already defined breakpoints. The red breakpoint highlight turns to gray when the breakpoint is disabled. The debugger does not stop at disabled breakpoints. To disable/enable a breakpoint, place the cursor in that node name and click the **Enable/Disable Breakpoint** command. This command is also available by right-clicking at the location where you want to enable/disable the breakpoint.

### 23.7.22 Enable/Disable Tracepoint



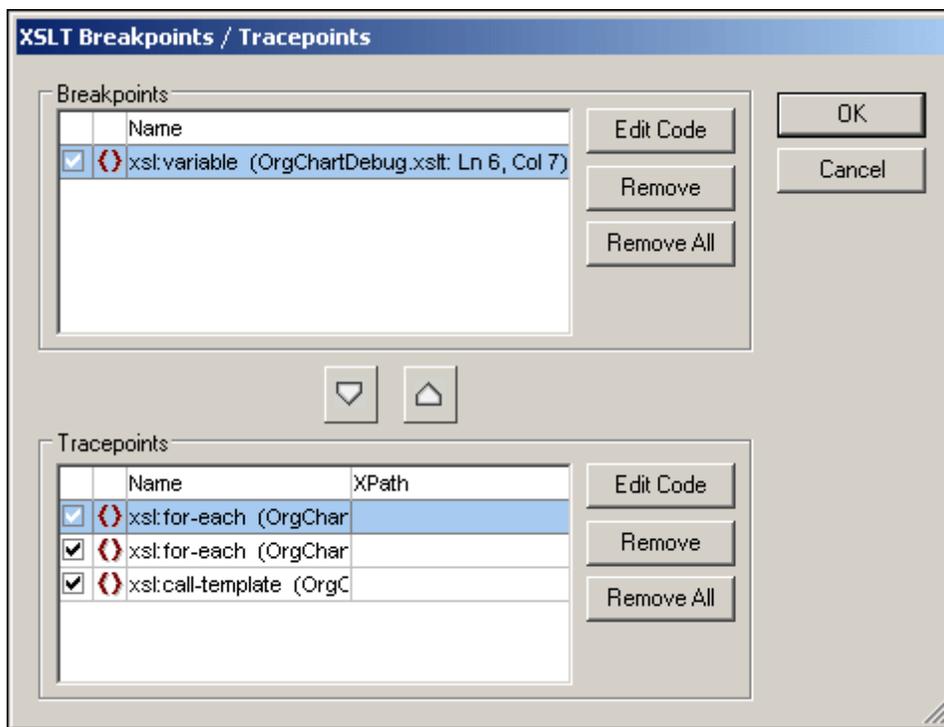
**Ctrl+Shift+F9**

The **XSL/XQuery | Enable/Disable Tracepoint** command enables or disables already defined tracepoints. The blue tracepoint highlight turns to gray when the tracepoint is disabled. No output is displayed for statements with disabled tracepoints. To disable/enable a tracepoint, place the cursor in that node name and click the **Enable/Disable Tracepoint** command. This command is also available by right-clicking at the location where you want to enable/disable the tracepoint.

### 23.7.23 Breakpoints/Tracepoints



The **XSL/XQuery | Breakpoints/Tracepoints...** command opens the XSLT Breakpoints / Tracepoints dialog, which displays a list of all currently defined breakpoints and tracepoints (including disabled breakpoints and tracepoints) in all files in the current debugging session.



The check boxes indicate whether a breakpoint or tracepoint is enabled (checked) or disabled. You can remove the highlighted breakpoint or tracepoint by clicking the corresponding **Remove** button, and remove all breakpoints by clicking the corresponding **Remove All** button. The **Edit Code** button takes you directly to that breakpoint/tracepoint in the file.

Use the down arrow  to move the highlighted breakpoint to the **Tracepoints** pane and the up arrow  to move the highlighted tracepoint to the **Breakpoints** pane.

In the **XPath** column in the Tracepoints pane, you can set an XPath for each tracepoint.

### 23.7.24 Debug Windows

Placing the cursor over the **XSL/XQuery | Debug Windows** command pops out a submenu with a list of the various Information Windows of the XSLT/XQuery Debugger. Selecting an Information Window from this list shows/hides that Information Window in the XSLT/XQuery Debugger interface. This command can be used to effect only when a debugging session is in progress.

### 23.7.25 Debug Settings



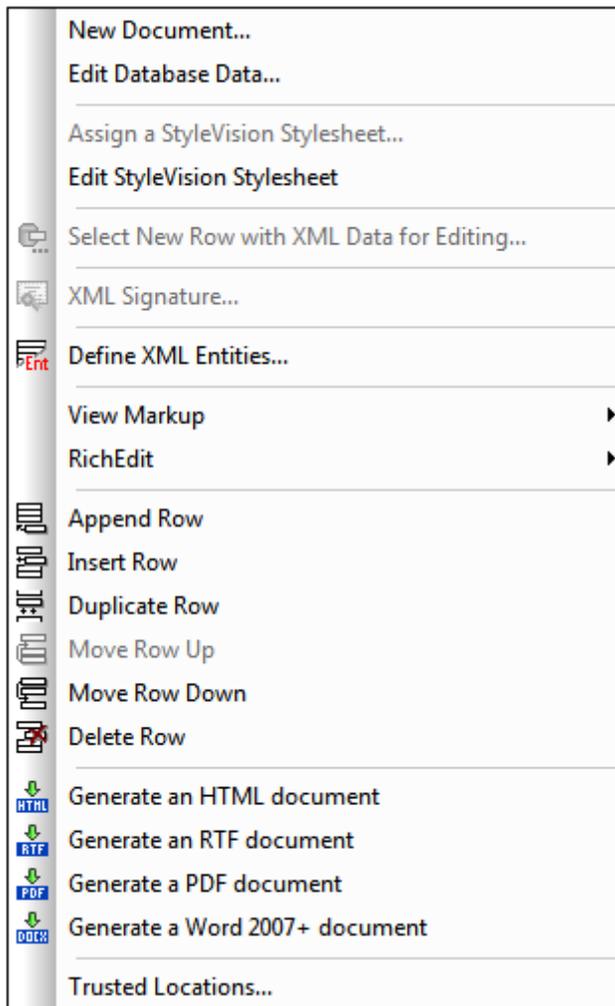
The **XSL/XQuery | Debug Settings** command opens the [Debug Settings dialog](#), which enables you to set user options for the Debugger. See the [XSLT/XQuery Debugger](#) section for details.

## 23.8 Authentic Menu

Authentic View enables you to edit XML documents **based on StyleVision Power Stylesheets (.sps files) created in Altova's StyleVision product!** These stylesheets contain information that enables an XML file to be displayed graphically in Authentic View. In addition to containing display information, StyleVision Power Stylesheets also allow you to write data to the XML file. This data is dynamically processed using all the capability available to XSLT stylesheets and instantly produces the output in Authentic View.

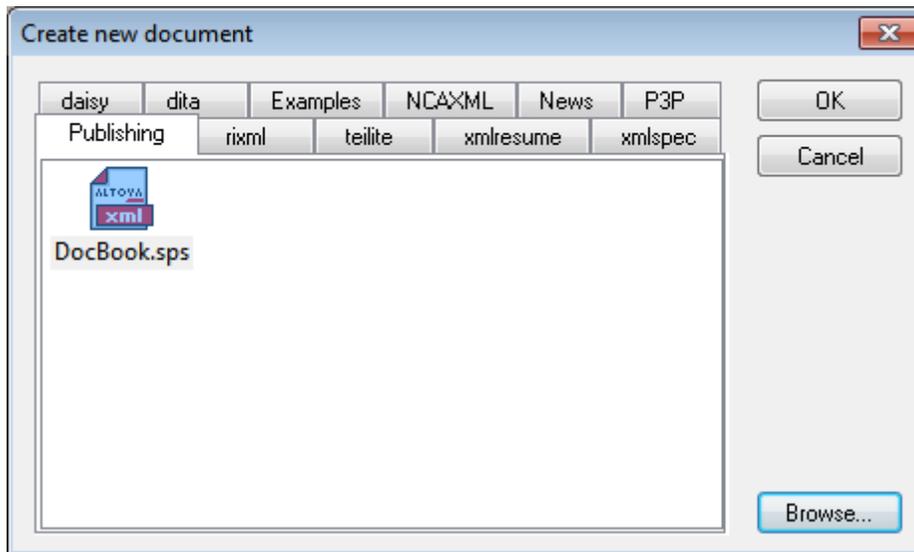
Additionally, StyleVision Power Stylesheets can be created to display an editable XML view of a database. The StyleVision Power Stylesheet contains information for connecting to the database, displaying the data from the database in Authentic View, and writing back to the database.

The **Authentic** menu contains commands relevant to editing XML documents in Authentic View. For a tutorial on Authentic View, see the [Authentic View Tutorials](#) section.



### 23.8.1 New Document

This command enables you to open a new XML document template in Authentic View. The XML document template is based on a StyleVision Power Stylesheet (.sps file), and is opened by selecting the StyleVision Power Stylesheet (SPS file) in the Create New Document dialog (*screenshot below*). On selecting an SPS and clicking **OK**, the XML document template defined for that SPS file is opened in Authentic View.



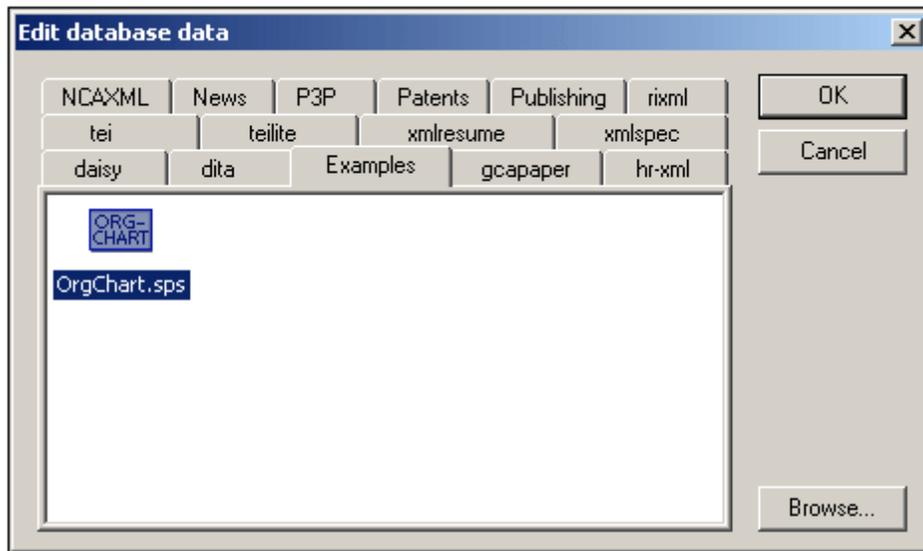
The Create New Document dialog offers a choice of XML document templates that are based on popular DTDs or schemas. Alternatively, you can browse for a custom-made SPS file that has a Template XML File assigned to it. SPS files are created using Altova StyleVision, an application that enables you to design XML document templates based on a DTD or XML Schema. After designing the required SPS in StyleVision, an XML file is assigned (in StyleVision) as a Template XML File to the SPS. The data in this XML file provides the starting data of the new document template that is opened in the Authentic View of XMLSpy.

The new XML document template will therefore have the documentation presentation properties defined in the SPS and the data of the XML file that was selected as the Template XML File. The Authentic View user can now edit the XML document template in a graphical WYSIWYG interface, and save it as an XML document.

### 23.8.2 Edit Database Data

The **Authentic | Edit Database Data...** command enables you to open an editable view of a database (DB) in Authentic View. All the information about connecting to the DB and how to display the DB and accept changes to it in Authentic View is contained in a StyleVision Power Stylesheet. It is such a DB-based StyleVision Power Stylesheet that you open with the **Edit Database Data...** command. This sets up a connection to the DB and displays the DB data (through an XML lens) in Authentic View.

Clicking the **Edit Database Data...** command opens the Edit Database Data dialog.



Browse for the required SPS file, and select it. This connects to the DB and opens an editable view of the DB in Authentic View. The design of the DB view displayed in Authentic View is contained in the StyleVision Power Stylesheet.

**Please note:** If, with the **Edit Database Data...** command, you attempt to open a StyleVision Power Stylesheet that is not based on a DB or to open a DB-based StyleVision Power Stylesheet that was created in a version of StyleVision prior to the StyleVision 2005 release, you will receive an error.

**Please note:** StyleVision Power Stylesheets are created using Altova StyleVision.

### 23.8.3 Assign a StyleVision Stylesheet

The **Assign a StyleVision Stylesheet** command assigns a StyleVision Power Stylesheet (SPS) to an **XML document** to enable the viewing and editing of that XML document in Authentic View. The StyleVision Power Stylesheet that is to be assigned to the XML file must be based on the same schema as that on which the XML file is based.

To assign a StyleVision Power Stylesheet to an XML file:

1. Make the XML file the active file and select the **Authentic | Assign a StyleVision Stylesheet...** command.
2. The command opens a dialog box in which you specify the StyleVision Power Stylesheet file you wish to assign to the XML.
3. Click **OK** to insert the required SPS statement into your XML document. Note that you can make the path to the assigned file relative by clicking the **Make path relative to ...** check box. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button).

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<?altova_sps HTML-Orgchart.sps?>
```

In the example above, the StyleVision Power Stylesheet is called `HTML_Orgchart.sps`, and it is located in the same directory as the XML file.

**Note:** Previous versions of Altova products used a processing instruction with a target or name

of `xmlspysps`, so a processing instruction would look something like `<?xmlspysps HTML-Orgchart.sps?>`. These older processing instructions are still valid with Authentic View in current versions of Altova products.

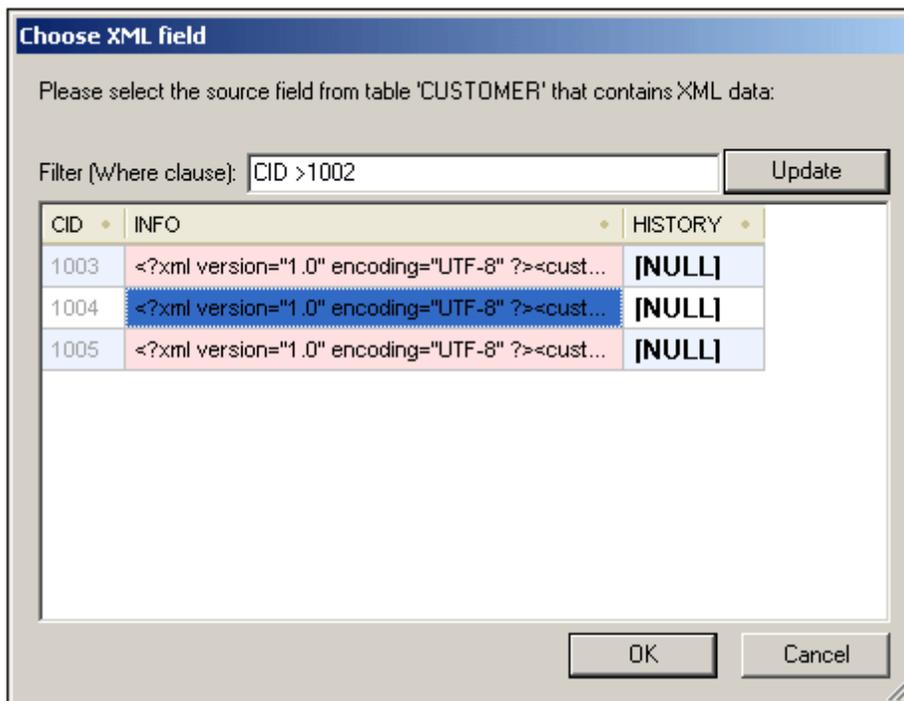
### 23.8.4 Edit StyleVision Stylesheet

The **Authentic | Edit StyleVision Stylesheet** command starts StyleVision and allows you to edit the StyleVision Power Stylesheet immediately in StyleVision. The command is enabled only if a StyleVision Power Stylesheet has been assigned to the XML document.

### 23.8.5 Select New Row with XML Data for Editing

The **Select New Row with XML Data for Editing** command enables you to select a new row from the relevant table in an XML DB, such as IBM DB2. This row appears in Authentic View, can be edited there, and then saved back to the DB.

When an XML DB is used as the XML data source, the XML data that is displayed in Authentic View is the XML document contained in one of the cells of the XML data column. The **Select New Row with XML Data for Editing** command enables you to select an XML document from another cell (or row) of that XML column. Selecting the **Select New Row...** command pops up the Choose XML Field dialog (*screenshot below*), which displays the table containing the XML column.



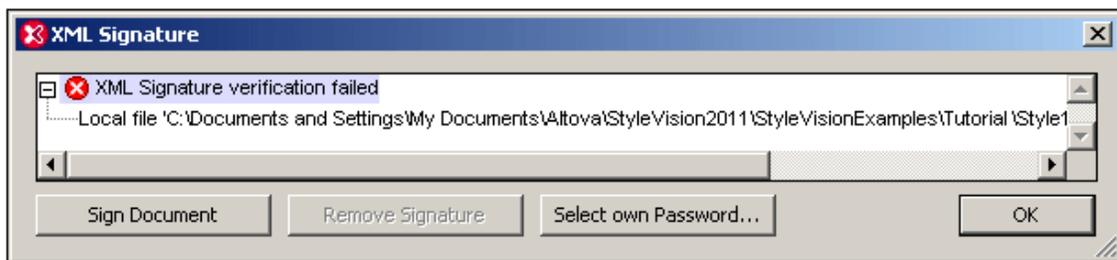
You can enter a filter for this table. The filter should be an SQL `WHERE` clause (just the condition, without the `WHERE` keyword, for example: `CID>1002`). Click **Update** to refresh the dialog. In the screenshot above, you can see the result of a filtered view. Next, select the cell containing the required XML document and click **OK**. The XML document in the selected cell (row) is loaded into Authentic View.

## 23.8.6 XML Signature

The **XML Signature** command is available in Authentic View when the associated SPS has XML Signatures enabled. The **XML Signature** command is also available as the XML Signature toolbar icon  in the Authentic toolbar.

### Verification and own certificate/password

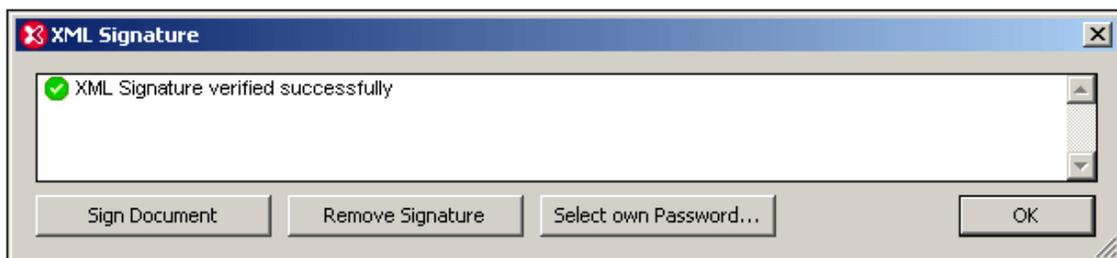
Clicking the **XML Signature** command starts the signature verification process. If no signature is present in the document, a message to that effect is displayed in the XML Signature dialog (see *screenshot below*), and the dialog will have a button that enables the Authentic View user to sign the document.



If the **Select Own Certificate** or **Select Own Password** button is present in this dialog, it means that the Authentic View has been given the option of selecting an own certificate/password. (Whether a certificate or password is to be chosen has been decided by the SPS designer at the time the signature was configured. The signature will be either certificate-based or password-based.) Clicking either of these buttons, if present in the dialog, enables the Authentic View user to browse for a certificate or to enter a password. The Authentic View user's selection is stored in memory and is valid for the current session only. If, after selecting a certificate or password, the document or application is closed, the certificate/password setting reverts to the setting originally saved with the SPS.

### Verification and authentication information

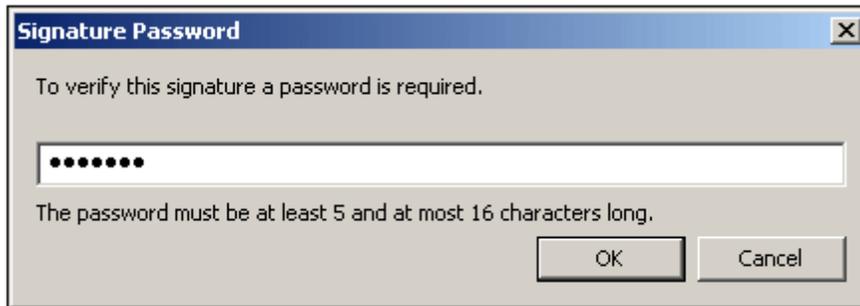
If the verification process is run on a signed document, two general situations are possible. First: If the authentication information is available (in the signature or the SPS), then the verification process is executed directly and the result is displayed (*screenshot below*).



Authentication information is either the signing certificate's key information or the signing password. The SPS designer will have specified whether the certificate's key information is saved in the signature when the XML document is signed, or, in the case of a password-based signature, whether the password is saved in the SPS. In either of these cases, the authentication

is available. Consequently the verification process will be run directly, without requiring any input from the Authentic View user.

The second possible general situation occurs when authentication information is not available in the signature (certificate's key information) or SPS file (password). In this situation, the Authentic View user will be asked to supply the authentication information: a password (*see screenshot below*) or the location of a certificate.



### 23.8.7 Define XML Entities

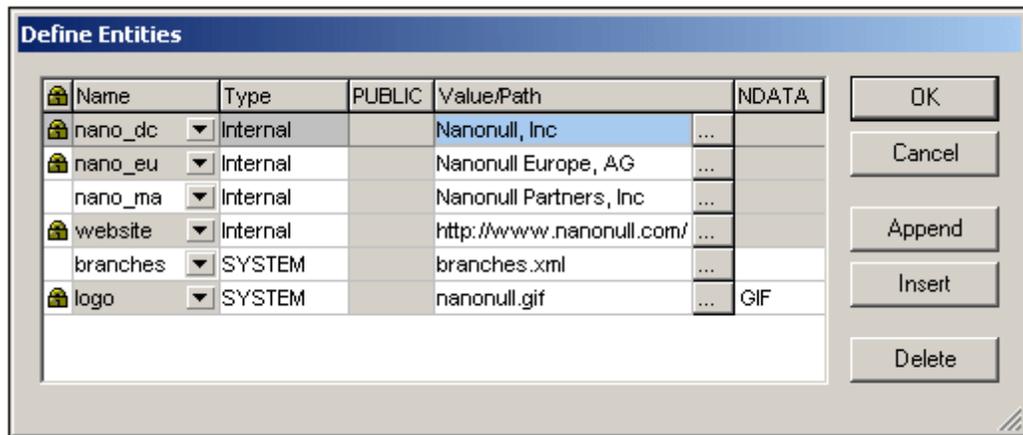
You can define entities for use in Authentic View, whether your document is based on a DTD or an XML Schema. Once defined, these entities are displayed in the Entities Entry Helper and in the **Insert Entity** submenu of the context menu. When you double-click on an entity in the Entities Entry Helper, that entity is inserted at the cursor insertion point.

An entity is useful if you will be using a text string, XML fragment, or some other external resource in multiple locations in your document. You define the entity, which is basically a short name that stands in for the required data, in the Define Entities dialog. After defining an entity you can use it at multiple locations in your document. This helps you save time and greatly enhances maintenance.

There are two broad types of entities you can use in your document: a **parsed entity**, which is XML data (either a text string or a fragment of an XML document), or an **unparsed entity**, which is non-XML data such as a binary file (usually a graphic, sound, or multimedia object). Each entity has a name and a value. In the case of parsed entities the entity is a placeholder for the XML data. The value of the entity is either the XML data itself or a URI that points to a `.xml` file that contains the XML data. In the case of unparsed entities, the value of the entity is a URI that points to the non-XML data file.

To define an entity:

1. Click **Authentic | Define XML Entities...** This opens the Define Entities dialog.



2. Enter the name of your entity in the **Name** field. This is the name that will appear in the Entities Entry Helper.
3. Enter the type of entity from the drop-down list in the **Type** field. Three types are possible. An **Internal** entity is one for which the text to be used is stored in the XML document itself. Selecting **PUBLIC** or **SYSTEM** specifies that the resource is located outside the XML file, and will be located with the use of a public identifier or a system identifier, respectively. A system identifier is a URI that gives the location of the resource. A public identifier is a location-independent identifier, which enables some processors to identify the resource. If you specify both a public and system identifier, the public identifier resolves to the system identifier, and the system identifier is used.
4. If you have selected **PUBLIC** as the Type, enter the public identifier of your resource in the **PUBLIC** field. If you have selected **Internal** or **SYSTEM** as your Type, the **PUBLIC** field is disabled.
5. In the **Value/Path** field, you can enter any one of the following:
  - If the entity type is **Internal**, enter the text string you want as the value of your entity. Do not enter quotes to delimit the entry. Any quotes that you enter will be treated as part of the text string.
  - If the entity type is **SYSTEM**, enter the URI of the resource or select a resource on your local network by using the **Browse** button. If the resource contains parsed data, it must be an XML file (i.e. it must have a `.xml` extension). Alternatively, the resource can be a binary file, such as a GIF file.
  - If the entity type is **PUBLIC**, you must additionally enter a system identifier in this field.
6. The **NDATA** entry tells the processor that this entity is not to be parsed but to be sent to the appropriate processor. The **NDATA** field should therefore be used with unparsed entities only.

### Dialog features

You can append, insert, and delete entities by clicking the appropriate buttons. You can also sort entities on the alphabetical value of any column by clicking the column header; clicking once sorts in ascending order, twice in descending order. You can also resize the dialog box and the width of columns.

Once an entity is used in the XML document, it is locked and cannot be edited in the Define Entities dialog. Locked entities are indicated by a lock symbol in the first column. Locking an entity ensures that the XML document valid with respect to entities. (The document would be invalid if an entity is referenced but not defined.)

Duplicate entities are flagged.

### Limitations

- An entity contained within another entity is not resolved, either in the dialog, Authentic View, or XSLT output, and the ampersand character of such an entity is displayed in its escaped form, i.e. `&amp;`.
- External entities are not resolved in Authentic View, except in the case where an entity is an image file and it is entered as the value of an attribute which has been defined in the schema as being of type `ENTITY` or `ENTITIES`. Such entities are resolved when the document is processed with an XSLT generated from the SPS.

## 23.8.8 View Markup

The **View Markup** command has a submenu with options to control markup in the Authentic XML document. These options are described below.



The **Hide Markup** command hides markup symbols in Authentic View.



The **Show Small Markup** command shows small markup symbols in Authentic View.



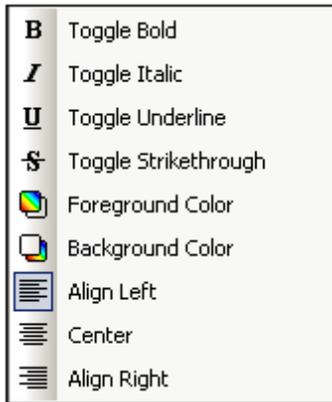
The **Show Large Markup** command shows large markup symbols in Authentic View.



The **Show Mixed Markup** command shows mixed markup symbols in Authentic View. The person who designs the StyleVision Power Stylesheet can specify either large markup, small markup, or no markup for individual elements/attributes in the document. The Authentic View user sees this customized markup in mixed markup viewing mode.

## 23.8.9 RichEdit

Mousing over the **RichEdit** command pops out a submenu containing the RichEdit markup commands (*screenshot below*). The menu commands in this submenu are enabled only in Authentic View and when the cursor is placed inside an element that has been created as a RichEdit component in the SPS design.



The text-styling properties of the RichEdit menu will be applied to the selected text when a RichEdit markup command is clicked. The Authentic View user can, in addition to the font and font-size specified in the Authentic toolbar, additionally specify the font-weight, font-style, font-decoration, color, background color and alignment of the selected text.

### 23.8.10 Append/Insert/Duplicate/Delete Row



The **Append Row** command appends a row to the current table in Authentic View.



The **Insert Row** command inserts a row into the current table in Authentic View.



The **Duplicate Row** command duplicates the current table row in Authentic View.



The **Delete Row** command deletes the current table row in Authentic View.

### 23.8.11 Move Row Up/Down



The **Move Row Up** command moves the current table row up by one row in Authentic View.



The **Move Row Down** command moves the current table row down by one row in Authentic View.

### 23.8.12 Generate HTML, RTF, PDF, Word 2007+ Document

These four commands generate output documents from the Authentic View XML document stored in a PXF file:

- **Generate an HTML Document**
- **Generate an RTF Document**
- **Generate a PDF Document**
- **Generate a Word 2007+ Document**

They are also available in the Portable XML Form (PXF) toolbar (*screenshot below*).

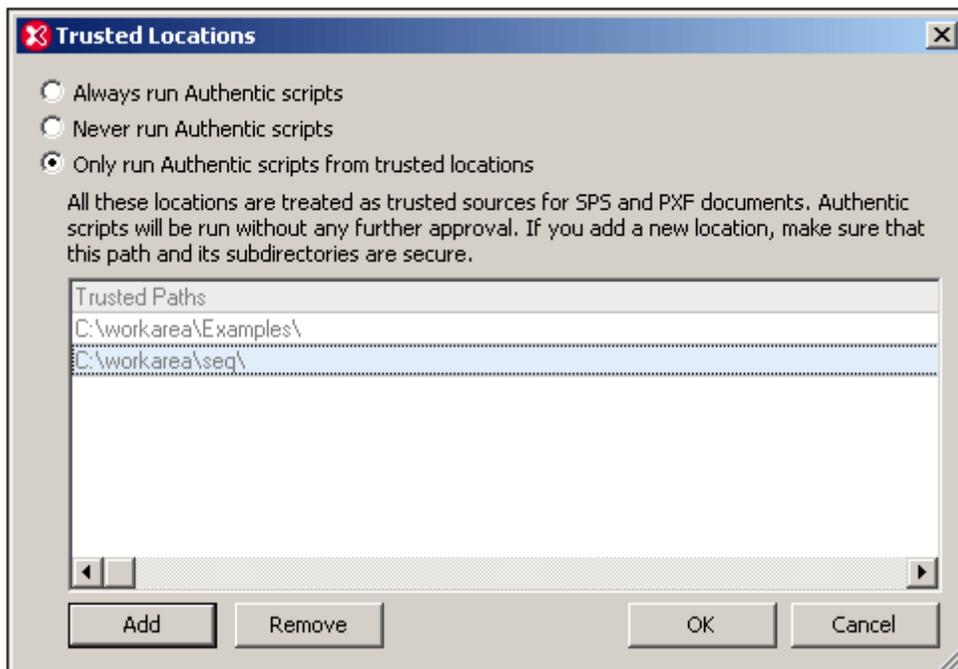


Clicking the individual command or buttons generates HTML, RTF, PDF, or DocX output, respectively.

These buttons are enabled when a PXF file is opened in Authentic View. Individual commands and buttons are enabled if the PXF file was configured to contain the XSLT stylesheet for that specific output format. For example, if the PXF file was configured to contain the XSLT stylesheets for HTML and RTF, then only the commands and toolbar buttons for HTML and RTF output will be enabled while those for PDF and DocX (Word 2007+) output will be disabled.

### 23.8.13 Trusted Locations

The Trusted Locations command pops up the Trusted Locations dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can specify the security settings for scripts in an SPS. When an XML file based on a script-containing SPS is switched to Authentic View, the script will be allowed to run or not depending on the settings you make in this dialog.

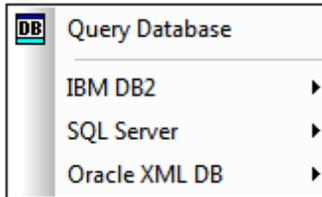


The three available options are:

- Authentic scripts are always run when a file is opened in Authentic View.
- Authentic scripts are never run when a file is opened in Authentic View.
- Only Authentic scripts in trusted locations are run. The list of trusted (folder) locations is shown in the bottom pane. Use the **Add** button to browse for a folder and add it to the list. To remove an entry from the list, select an entry in the Trusted Locations list and click **Remove**.

## 23.9 DB Menu

The **DB** menu is the menu for database (DB) operations. It is shown in the screenshot below and contains the menu items listed below. Descriptions of commands in the sub-menus of the DB menu are in the sub-sections of this section.

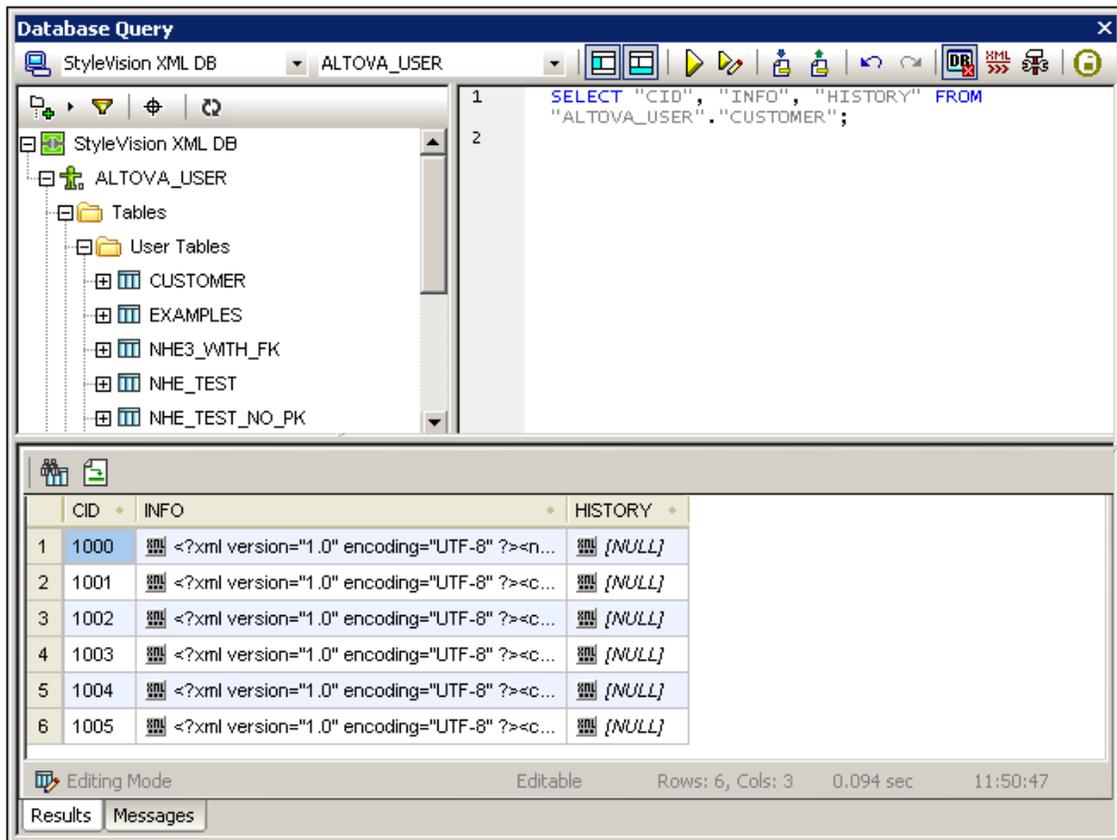


- [Query Database](#), which enables you to query a variety of databases.
- [IBM DB2](#), which contains commands that provide support for IBM DB2-specific functionality.
- [SQL Server](#), which contains commands for managing SQL Server databases.
- [Oracle databases](#), which contains command for working with Oracle databases.

The operations described in this section require a connection to a database (for instructions, see [Connecting to a Database](#) ).

### 23.9.1 Query Database

The **Query Database** command opens the Database Query window (*screenshot below*). Once the Query Window is open, its display can be toggled on and off by clicking either the **DB | Query Database** command or the Query Database toolbar icon .



### Overview of the Database Query window

The Database Query window consists of three parts:

- A [Browser pane](#) at top left, which displays connection info and database tables.
- A [Query pane](#) at top right, in which the query is entered.
- A tabbed [Results/Messages pane](#). The Results pane displays the query results in what we call the Result Grid. The Messages pane displays messages about the query execution, including warnings and errors.

The Database Query window has a toolbar at the top. At this point, take note of the two toolbar icons below. The other toolbar icons are described in the section, [Query Pane: Description and Features](#).



Toggles the Browser pane on and off.



Toggles the Results/Messages pane on and off.

### Overview of the Query Database mechanism

The Query Database mechanism is as follows. It is described in detail in the sub-sections of this section

1. A [connection to the database is established](#) via the Database Query window. Supported databases include: MS Access 2000 and 2003; Microsoft SQL Server; Oracle; MySQL; Sybase; and IBM DB2.

2. The connected database or parts of it are displayed in the [Browser pane](#), which can be configured to suit viewing requirements.
3. A [query](#) written in a syntax appropriate to the database to be queried is entered in the [Query pane](#), and the query is executed.
4. The [results of the query](#) can be viewed through various filters, edited, and saved back to the DB.

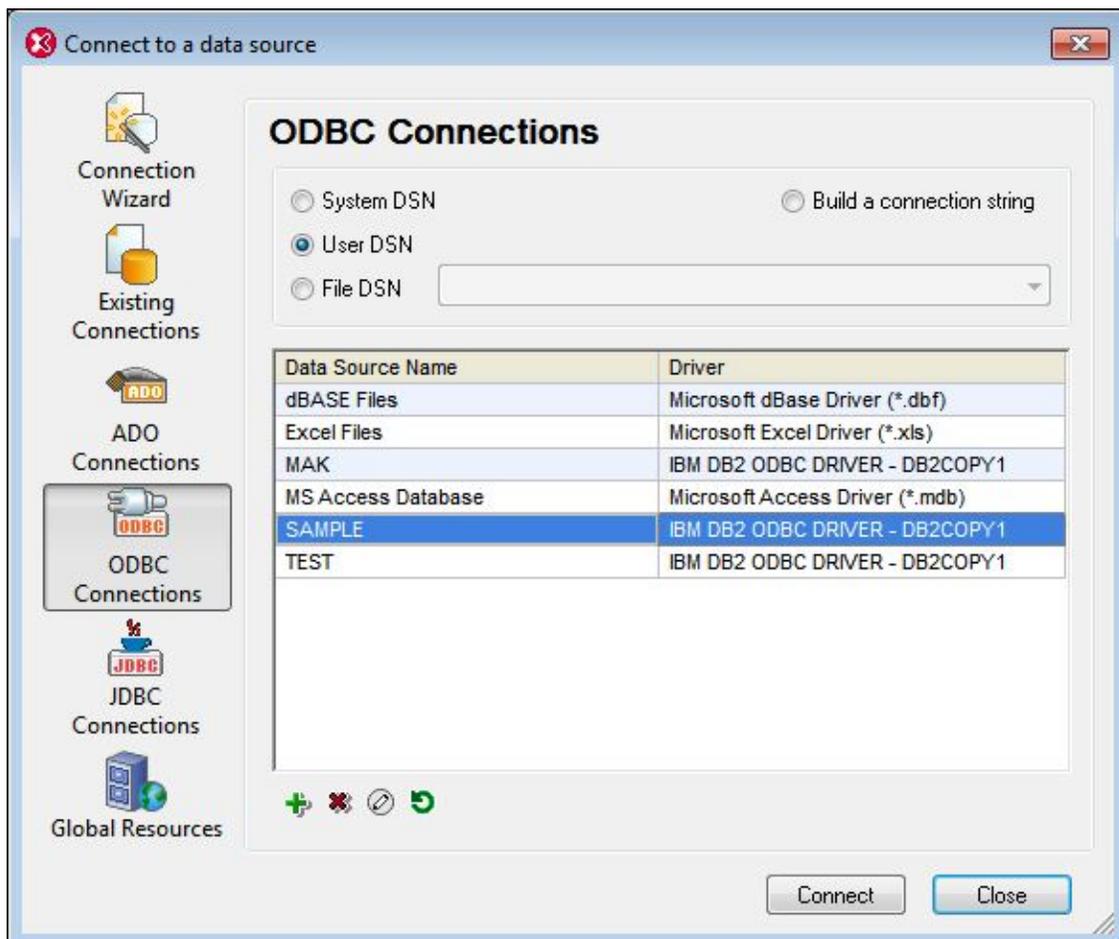
## Data Sources

In order to query a database, you have to first connect to the required database. This section describes how to:

- Connect to a database, and
- Select the required data source and root object from among multiple existing connections.

## Connecting to a database

When you click the **Query Database** command for the first time in a session (or when no database connection exists), the Quick Connect dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up to enable you to connect to a database. To make connections subsequently, click the Quick Connect icon  in the Database Query window.



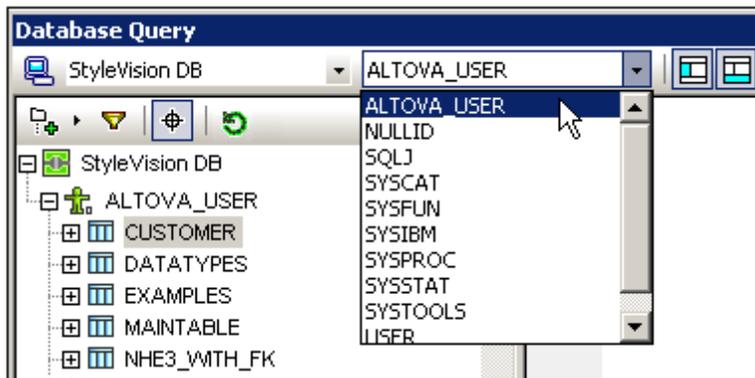
How to connect to a database via the Quick Connect dialog is described in the section [Connecting to a Data Source](#).

The following databases are supported. The available root object for each database is also listed. While Altova endeavors to support other databases, successful connection and data processing have only been tested with the databases listed below. If your Altova application is a 64-bit version, ensure that you have access to the 64-bit database drivers needed for the specific database you are connecting to.

Database	Root Object	Notes
Firebird 2.5.4	database	
IBM DB2 8.x, 9.1, 9.5, 9.7, 10.1, 10.5	schema	
IBM DB2 for i 6.1, 7.1	schema	Logical files are supported and shown as views.
IBM Informix 11.70	database	
Microsoft Access 2003, 2007, 2010, 2013	database	
Microsoft SQL Server 2005, 2008, 2012, 2014	database	
MySQL 5.0, 5.1, 5.5, 5.6	database	
Oracle 9i, 10g, 11g, 12c	schema	
PostgreSQL 8.0, 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 9.0.10, 9.1.6, 9.2.1, 9.4	database	
SQLite 3.x	database	<p>SQLite connections are supported as native, direct connections to the SQLite database file. No separate drivers are required.</p> <p>In Authentic view, data coming from a SQLite database is not editable. When you attempt to save SQLite data from the Authentic view, a message box will inform you of this known limitation.</p>
Sybase ASE15	database	

### Selecting the required data source

All the existing connections and the root objects of each are listed, respectively, in two combo boxes in the toolbar of the Database Query window (*screenshot below*).



In the screenshot above, the database with the name `StyleVision DB` has been selected. Of the available root objects for this database, the root object `ALTOVA_USER` has been selected. The database and the root object are then displayed in the Browser pane.

### Browser Pane: Viewing the DB Objects

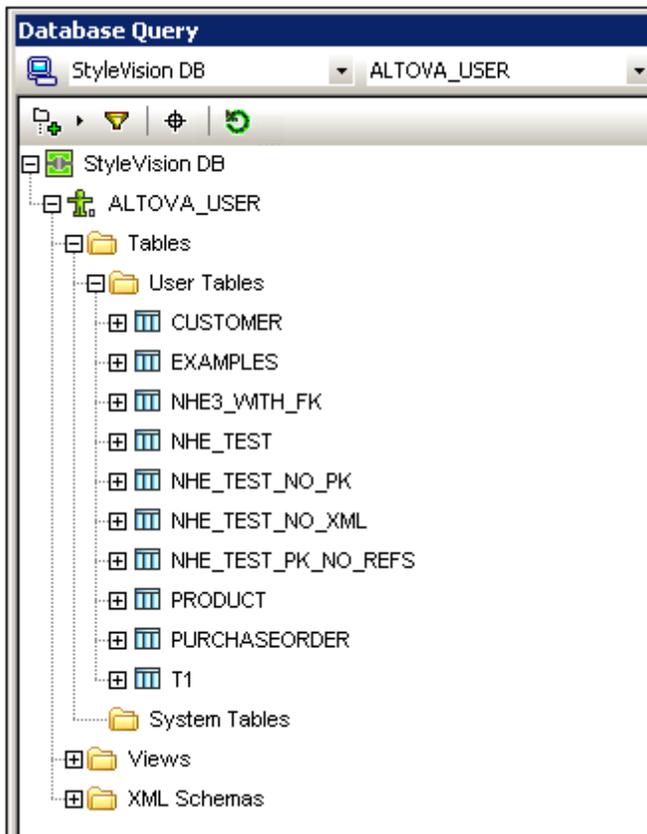
The Browser pane provides an overview of objects in the selected database. This overview includes database constraint information, such as whether a column is a primary or foreign key. In IBM DB2 version 9 databases, the Browser additionally shows registered XML schemas in a separate folder.

This section describes the following:

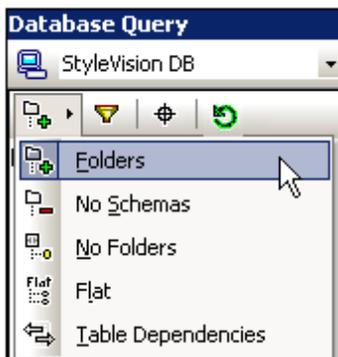
- The [layouts](#) available in the Browser pane.
- [How to filter](#) database objects.
- [How to find](#) database objects.

### Browser pane layouts

The default Folders layout displays database objects hierarchically. Depending on the selected object, different context menu options are available when you right-click an item.



To select a layout for the Browser, click the Layout icon in the toolbar of the Browser pane and select the layout from the drop-down list (*screenshot below*). Note that the icon changes with the selected layout.



The available layouts are:

- *Folders*: Organizes database objects into folders based on object type in a hierarchical tree, this is the default setting.
- *No Schemas*: Similar to the Folders layout, except that there are no database schema folders; tables are therefore not categorized by database schema.
- *No Folders*: Displays database objects in a hierarchy without using folders.
- *Flat*: Divides database objects by type in the first hierarchical level. For example, instead of columns being contained in the corresponding table, all columns are displayed in a separate Columns folder.

- *Table Dependencies*: Categorizes tables according to their relationships with other tables. There are categories for tables with foreign keys, tables referenced by foreign keys and tables that have no relationships to other tables.

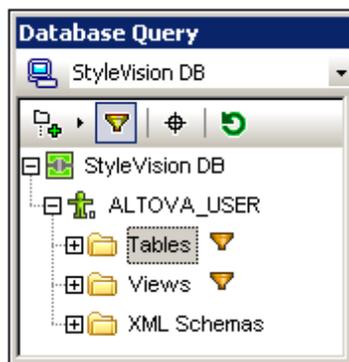
To sort tables into User and System tables, switch to Folders, No Schemas or Flat layout, then right-click the Tables folder and select **Sort into User and System Tables**. The tables are sorted alphabetically in the User Tables and System Tables folders.

### Filtering database objects

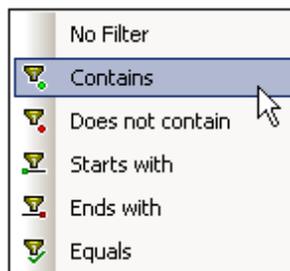
In the Browser pane (in all layouts except No Folders and Table Dependencies), schemas, tables, and views can be filtered by name or part of a name. Objects are filtered as you type in the characters, and filtering is case-insensitive by default.

To filter objects in the Browser, do the following:

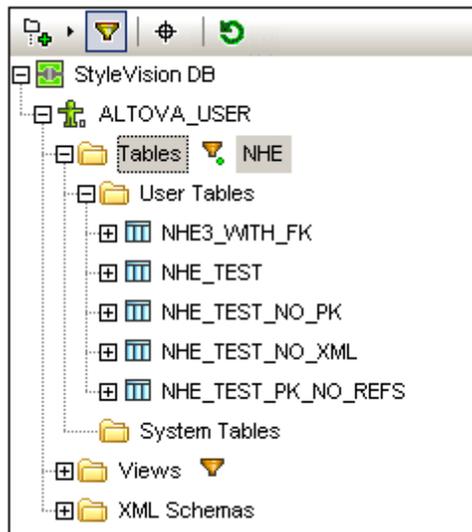
1. Click the Filter Folder Contents icon in the toolbar of the Browser pane. Filter icons appear next to the Tables and Views folders in the currently selected layout (*screenshot below*).



2. Click the filter icon next to the folder you want to filter, and select the filtering option from the popup menu, for example, *Contains*.



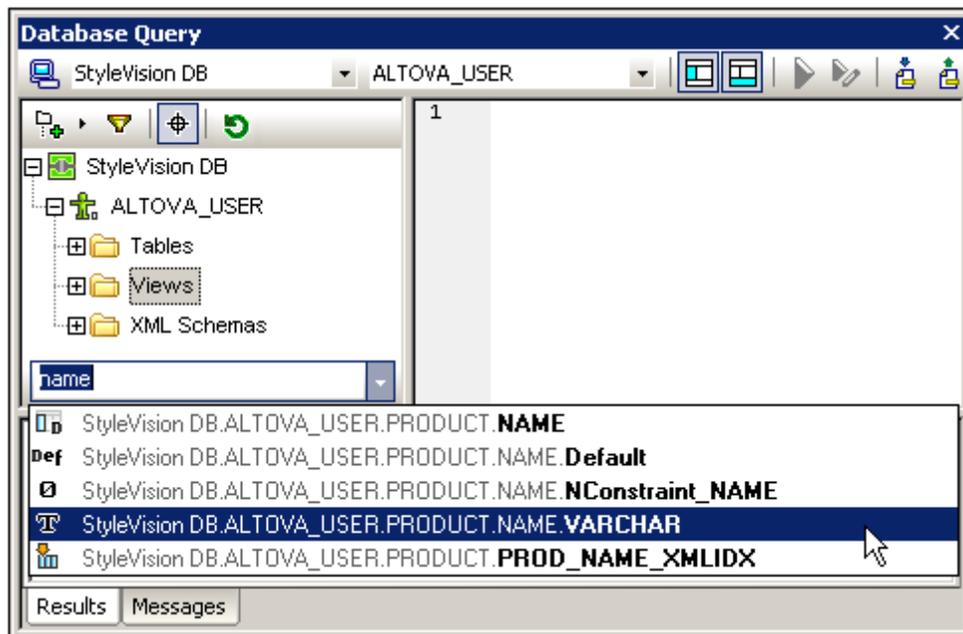
3. In the entry field that appears, enter the filter string (in the screenshot below, the filter string on the `Tables` folder is `NHE`). The filter is applied as you type.



### Finding database objects

To find a specific database item by its name, you can use the Browser pane's Object Locator. This works as follows:

1. In the toolbar of the Browser pane, click the Object Locator icon. A drop-down list appears at the bottom of the Browser.
2. Enter the search string in the entry field of this list, for example `name` (screenshot below). Clicking the drop-down arrow displays all objects that contain the search string.



3. Click the object in the list to see it in the Browser.

## Query Pane: Description and Features

The Query pane is an intelligent SQL editor for entering queries to the selected database. After entering the query, clicking the Execute command of the Database Query window executes the query and displays the result and execution messages in the [Results/Messages pane](#). How to work with queries is described in the next section, [Query Pane: Working with Queries](#). In this section, we describe the main features of the Query pane:

- SQL Editor icons in the Database Query toolbar
- SQL Editor options
- Auto-completion of SQL statements
- Definition of regions in an SQL script
- Insertion of comments in an SQL script
- Use of bookmarks

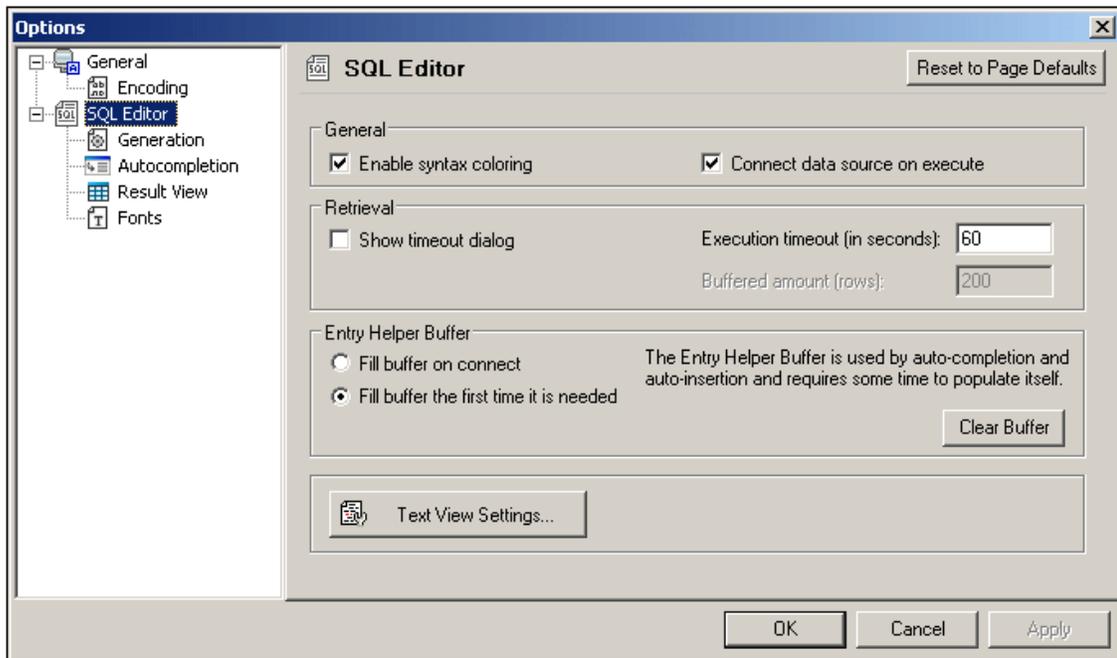
### SQL Editor icons in the Database Query toolbar

The following icons in the toolbar of the Database Query window are used when working with the SQL Editor:

	<b>Execute</b>	Executes currently selected SQL statement. If script contains multiple statements and none is selected, then all are executed.
	<b>Execute with Data Editing</b>	Same as for Execute command, except that results (in Results tab) are editable.
	<b>Import SQL File</b>	Opens an SQL file in the SQL Editor.
	<b>Export SQL File</b>	Saves SQL queries to an SQL file.
	<b>Undo</b>	Undoes an unlimited number of edits in SQL Editor.
	<b>Redo</b>	Redoes an unlimited number of edits in SQL Editor.
	<b>Hide DB Query on XML Open</b>	Sets whether the DB Query window should be hidden when an XML document is opened for editing.
	<b>Auto-Commit on XML Save</b>	When an edited XML document is saved in XMLSpy, changes are committed to the DB if this toggle is on. Otherwise, changes have to be explicitly committed in the Results Pane.
	<b>Options</b>	Open the Options dialog of SQL Editor.
	<b>Open SQL Script in DatabaseSpy</b>	Opens the SQL script in Altova's DatabaseSpy product.

### Options

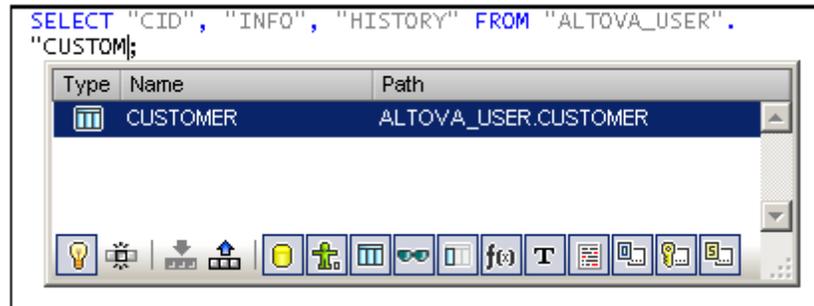
Clicking the **Options** icon in the Database Query toolbar pops up the Options dialog (*screenshot below*). A page of settings can be selected in the left-hand pane, and the options on that page can be selected. Click the **Reset to Page Defaults** button to reset the options on that page to their original settings.



The key settings are as follows:

- General | Encoding:** Options for setting the encoding of new SQL files, of existing SQL files for which the encoding cannot be detected, and for setting the Byte Order Mark (BOM). (If the encoding of existing SQL files can be detected, the files are opened and saved without changing the encoding.)
- SQL Editor:** Options for toggling syntax coloring and data source connections on execution on/off. A timeout can be set for query execution, and a dialog to change the timeout can also be shown if the specified time is exceeded. The buffer for the entry helper information can be filled either on connection to the data source or the first time it is needed. The Text View settings button opens the Text View options window of XMLSpy.
- SQL Editor | SQL Generation:** The application generates SQL statements when you drag objects from the Browser pane into the Query pane. Options for SQL statement generation can be set in the SQL generation tab. Use the *Database* pane to select a database kind and set the statement generation options individually for the different database kinds you are working with. Activating the *Apply to all databases* check box sets the options that are currently selected for all databases. Options include appending semi-colons to statements and surrounding identifiers with escape characters. When the *Append semicolons to statement end* check box is activated, a semicolon is appended when you generate an SQL statement in the SQL Editor. Note that editing of data in Oracle databases and IBM iSeries and DB2 databases via a JDBC connection is possible only if this check box is unchecked.
- SQL Editor | Auto-completion:** The Auto-Completion feature works by suggesting, while you type, relevant entries from various SQL syntax categories. It is available for the following databases: MS SQL Server 2000, 2005, and 2008, MS Access 2003 and 2007, and IBM DB2 v.9. When the Auto-Completion option is switched on, the Auto-Completion window (*screenshot below*) appears, containing suggestions for auto-completion. Select the required entry to insert it. You can define whether the autocompletion popup should be triggered automatically after a delay which you can set in the *Triggering Auto-completion* pane, or if the popup has to be invoked manually. You can also select the keys to be used to insert the selected completion. The SQL Editor can intelligently

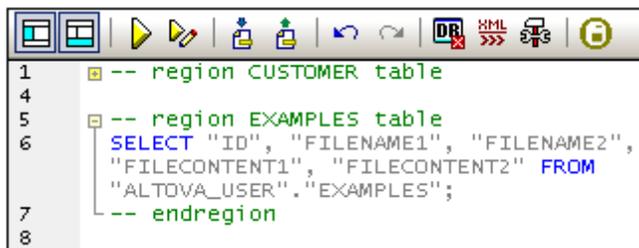
suggest autocompletion entries based on language statistics. If this feature is activated, items that are frequently used appear on top of the list of suggested entries. In the Auto-completion window (*screenshot below*) itself, note the buttons at the bottom of the window. The *Context-Sensitive Suggestion* button sets whether only entries that are relevant to the context are displayed or all possible entries with that spelling. The *Single Mode* button enables you to click a category button to select only that category. The *Set All Categories* button selects all categories. You can then deselect a category by clicking its button. The *Clear All Categories* button de-selects all categories. The other buttons are the various category buttons.



- **SQL Editor | Result View:** Options to configure the Result tab.
- **SQL Editor | Fonts:** Options for setting the font style of the text in the Text Editor and in the Result View.

### Definition of regions in an SQL script

Regions are sections in SQL scripts that are marked and declared to be a unit. Regions can be collapsed and expanded to hide or display parts of the script. It is also possible to nest regions within other regions. Regions are delimited by `--region` and `--endregion` comments, respectively, before and after the region. Regions can optionally be given a name, which is entered after the `-- region` delimiter (*see screenshot below*).



To insert a region, select the statement/s to be made into a region, right-click, and select **Insert Region**. The expandable/collapsible region is created. Add a name if you wish. In the screenshot above, also notice the line-numbering. To remove a region, delete the two `--region` and `--endregion` delimiters.

### Insertion of comments in an SQL script

Text in an SQL script can be commented out. These portions of the script are skipped when the script is executed.

- To comment out a block, mark the block, right-click, and select **Insert/Remove Block Comment**. To remove the block comment, mark the comment, right-click and select **Insert/Remove Block Comment**.

- To comment out a line or part of a line, place the cursor at the point where the line comment should start, right-click, and select **Insert/Remove Line Comment**. To remove the line comment, mark the comment, right-click and select **Insert/Remove Line Comment**.

### Use of bookmarks

Bookmarks can be inserted at specific lines, and you can then navigate through the bookmarks in the document. To insert a bookmark, place the cursor in the line to be bookmarked, right-click, and select **Insert/Remove Bookmark**. To go to the next or previous bookmark, right-click, and select **Go to Next Bookmark** or **Go to Previous Bookmark**, respectively. To remove a bookmark, place the cursor in the line for which the bookmark is to be removed, right-click, and select **Insert/Remove Bookmark**. To remove all bookmarks, right-click, and select **Remove All Bookmarks**.

### Query Pane: Working with Queries

After connecting to a database, an SQL script can be entered in the SQL Editor and executed. This section describes:

- How an SQL script is entered in the SQL Editor.
- How the script is executed in the Database Query window.

The following icons are referred to in this section:



**Execute Query** Executes currently selected SQL statement. If script contains multiple statements and none is selected, then all are executed.



**Execute for Data Editing** Same as for Execute command, except that results (in Results tab) are editable.



**Import SQL File** Opens an SQL file in the SQL Editor.

### Creating SQL statements and scripts in the SQL Editor

The following GUI methods can be used to create SQL statements or scripts:

- *Drag and drop*: Drag an object from the Browser pane into the SQL Editor. An SQL statement is generated to query the database for that object.
- *Context menu*: Right-click an object in the Browser pane and select **Show in SQL Editor | Select**.
- *Manual entry*: Type SQL statements directly in SQL Editor. The Auto-completion feature can help with editing.
- *Import an SQL script*: Click the **Import SQL File** icon in the toolbar of the Database Query window.

### Executing SQL statements

If the SQL script in the SQL Editor has more than one SQL statement, select the statement to execute and click either the **Execute** icon or **Execute with Data Editing** icon in the toolbar of the Database Query window. If no statement in the SQL script is selected, then all the statements in the script are executed. The database data is retrieved and displayed as a grid in the [Results tab](#). If **Execute with Data Editing** was selected, then the retrieved data in the Result

Grid [can be edited](#). Messages about the execution are displayed in the [Messages tab](#).

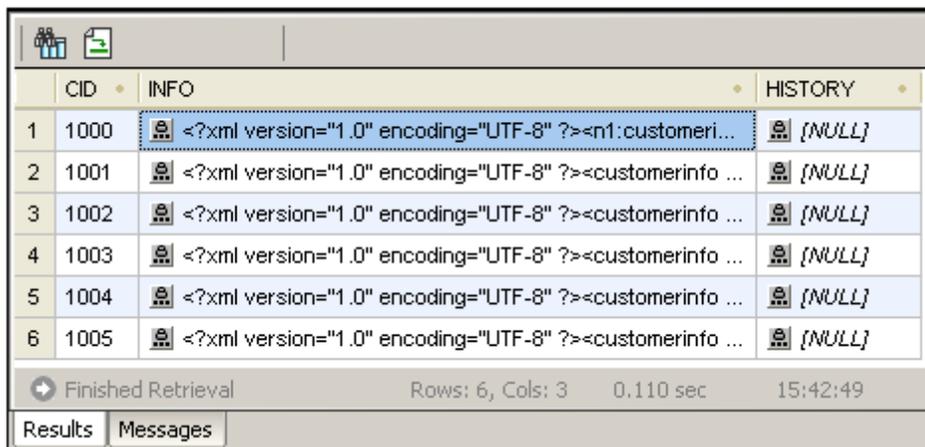
## Results and Messages

The Results/Messages pane has two tabs:

- The [Results tab](#) shows the data that is retrieved by the query.
- The [Messages tab](#) shows messages about the query execution.

### Results tab

The data retrieved by the query is displayed in the form of a grid in the Results tab (*screenshot below*). When the query results have been generated using the **Execute Query** command, the XML documents in the Results tab are indicated with the XML icon  (*screenshot below*). If the **Execute for Data Editing** command was used, XML documents are shown with the Editable XML icon .



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1	1000	 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?><n1:customerinfo ...	 [NULL]
2	1001	 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?><customerinfo ...	 [NULL]
3	1002	 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?><customerinfo ...	 [NULL]
4	1003	 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?><customerinfo ...	 [NULL]
5	1004	 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?><customerinfo ...	 [NULL]
6	1005	 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?><customerinfo ...	 [NULL]

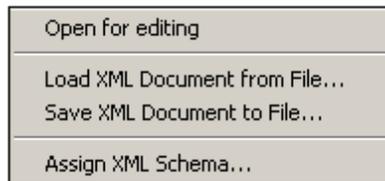
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Results Messages

The following operations can be carried out in the Results tab, via the context menu that pops up when you right-click in the appropriate location in the Results tab:

- *Sorting on a column:* Right-click anywhere in the column on which the records are to be sorted, then select **Sorting | Ascending/Descending/Restore Default**.
- *Copying to the clipboard:* This consists of two steps: (i) selecting the data range; and (ii) copying the selection. Data can be selected in several ways: (i) by clicking a column header or row number to select the column or row, respectively; (ii) selecting individual cells (use the **Shift** and/or **Ctrl** keys to select multiple cells); (iii) right-clicking a cell, and selecting **Selection | Row/Column/All**. After making the selection, right-click, and select **Copy Selected Cells**. This copies the selection to the clipboard, from where it can be pasted into another application.
- *Appending a new row:* If the query was executed for editing, right-click anywhere in the Results pane to access the **Append row** command.
- *Deleting a row:* If the query was executed for editing, right-click anywhere in a row to access the **Delete row** command.
- *Editing records:* If the query was executed for editing, individual fields can be edited. To commit changes, click the **Commit** button in the toolbar of the Results tab.
- *Editing XML records:* This feature is supported for IBM DB2, SQLServer, PostgreSQL (8.3 and higher), and Oracle (9 and higher) databases, and only for those DB tables that have a primary key. If the query was executed for editing and an editable field is an XML field, clicking the Editable XML icon  in the Result Grid opens the Edit XML menu

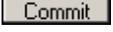
(*screenshot below*). An XML field can also be opened for data editing by right-clicking the XML field in the Folders pane and selecting the command **Edit Data**.



The **Open for Editing** command opens the XML document in an XMLSpy window, and the Editable XML icon changes to , in which the three dots are red. When this document is saved and if the Auto-Commit XML Changes icon  in the Query Database toolbar was selected when the document was opened, the changes to the XML document are committed automatically to the database. Otherwise, saved changes will have to be committed using the Commit button of the Results pane. (Note that to toggle between the XML document window and the Database Query window, you must click the **DB | Query Database** command.) The **Load XML Document from File** command loads an external XML document to the selected field in the database. The **Save XML Document to File** saves the XML document in the selected database field to a file location you choose. The Assign XML Schema command pops up the [Choose XML Schema dialog](#), in which you can select an XML Schema to assign to the XML document. This assignment is saved to the database. XML Schema assignment is explained in more detail in the section, [IBM DB2 | Assign XML Schema](#).

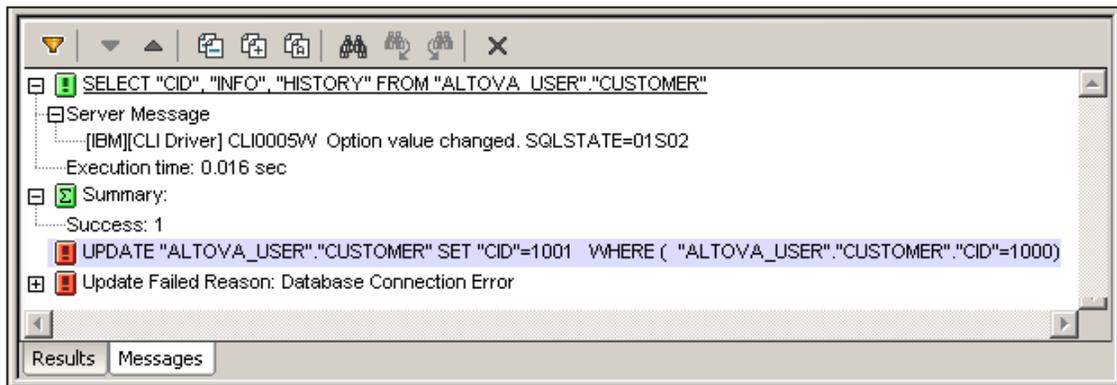
- *Set NULL, Set default, Undo changes for this cell*: If the query was executed for editing, right-clicking in a cell provides access to commands that enable you to set a `NULL` value or, if defined, a column default value for that cell. Changes made to a cell can be undone with the **Undo changes for this cell** command; the current edited value is replaced by the value currently in the DB.

The Results tab has the following toolbar icons:

	<b>Go to Statement</b>	Highlights the statement in the SQL Editor that produced the current result.
	<b>Find</b>	Finds text in the Results pane. XML document content is also searched.
	<b>Add New Line</b>	Adds a new row to the Result Grid.
	<b>Delete Row</b>	Deletes the current row in the Result Grid.
	<b>Undo Changes to Result Grid</b>	Undoes all changes to the Result Grid.
	<b>Commit</b>	Commits changes made in the Result Grid to the database.

### Messages tab

The Messages tab provides information on the previously executed SQL statement and reports errors or warning messages.



The toolbar of the Messages tab contains icons that enable you to customize the view, navigate it, and copy messages to the clipboard. The **Filter** icon enables the display of particular types of messages to be toggled on or off. The **Next** and **Previous** icons move the selection down and up the list, respectively. Messages can also be copied with or without their child components to the clipboard, enabling them to be pasted in documents. The **Find** function enables you to specify a search term and then search up or down the listing for this term. Finally, the **Clear** icon clears the contents of the Messages pane.

**Note:** These toolbar icon commands are also available as context menu commands.

## 23.9.2 IBM DB2

The **IBM DB2** menu item rolls out a submenu containing commands (i) to register and unregister schemas with an IBM DB2 database ([Manage XML Schemas](#)), and (ii) to assign schemas for XML file validation ([Assign XML Schema](#)).

Both these mechanisms require that you connect to the required IBM DB2 database. For a connection example, see [Connecting to IBM DB2 \(ODBC\)](#). In this section the focus is on how to manage schemas in an IBM DB2 database and how to assign XML Schemas to a DB XML file.

**Note:** The Result Grid of the [Database Query window](#) provides important functionality for working with XML files in IBM DB2 databases. This functionality includes the ability to open files for editing, loading XML files into a DB XML files, saving DB XML files externally, and assigning XML Schemas to DB XML files.

### Manage XML Schemas

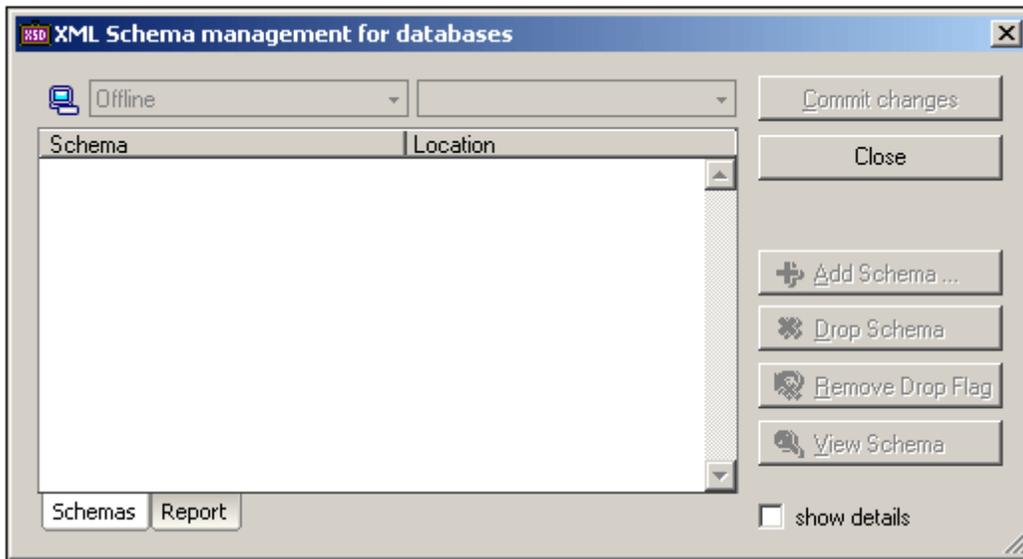
The **Manage XML Schemas** feature enables schemas to be added to and dropped from individual database schemas in an IBM DB2 database. To manage schemas, you have to do the following:

- Connect to the IBM DB2 database
- Select the database schema for which XML Schemas need to be added or dropped
- Carry out the schema management actions.

These steps are described in detail below.

### Connecting to the IBM DB2 database

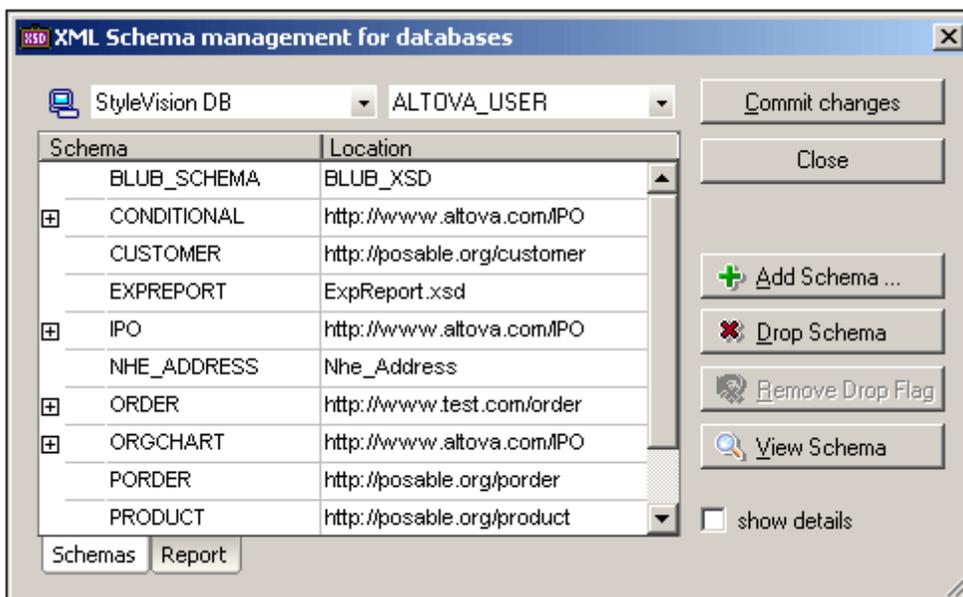
Clicking the **Manage XML Schemas** command pops up the XML Schema Management for Databases dialog (*screenshot below*).



The first thing to do if there is no connection to the required database is to connect to it. If a connection already exists, it appears in the Database combo box. To start the connection process, click the Quick Connect icon  in the dialog. This pops up the Quick Connect dialog, through which you can make the connection to the database (for instructions, see [Connecting to a Database](#) ).

### Displaying the list of XML Schemas

After the connection to the IBM DB2 database has been established, the database is listed in the combo box at left (*see screenshot below*). If more than one connection is currently open, you can select the required database in this combo box. In the screenshot below, the StyleVision DB database is selected.



The combo box at right lists all the database schemas of the currently selected IBM DB2 database. When a database schema is selected in this combo box, all the XML Schemas registered for the selected database schema are displayed in the main pane. In the screenshot above, all the XML Schemas registered with the `Altova_User` database schema are listed, together with their locations. Checking the Show Details check box causes additional information columns to be displayed in the main pane.

### Managing the XML Schemas

The list of schemas in the main pane represents the schemas registered for the selected database schema. After the list of XML Schemas is displayed, you can add schemas to the list or drop (delete) schemas from the list.

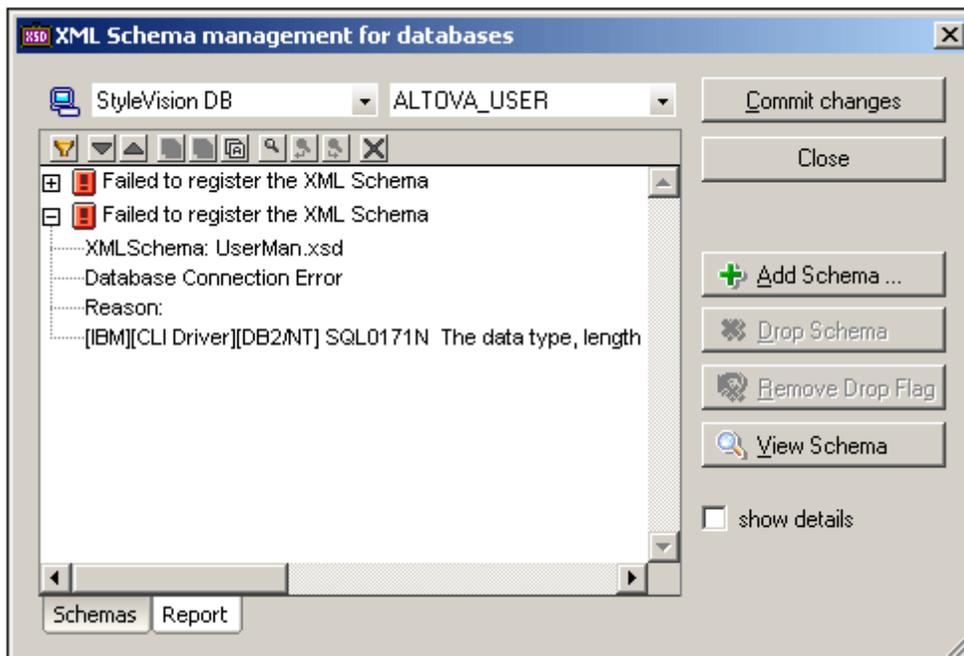
To add a schema, click the **Add** button, browse for the required schema file, and select it. The selected schema file is added to the list in the main pane. Clicking the **Commit Changes** button registers the newly added schema with the database schema.

To drop a schema, select the schema in the main pane and click the **Drop Schema** button. A Drop Flag is assigned to the schema, indicating that it is scheduled for dropping when changes are next committed. The Drop Flag can be removed by selecting the flagged schema and clicking the **Remove Drop Flag** button. When the **Commit Changes** button is clicked, all schemas that have been flagged for dropping will be unregistered from the database schema.

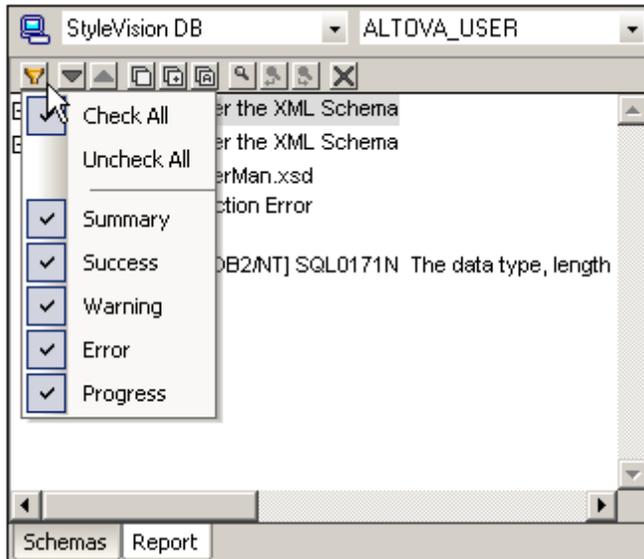
Clicking the View Schema button opens the schema in XMLSpy. To close the XML Schema Management dialog, click the **Close** button.

### Reports

When the **Commit Changes** button is clicked, the database is modified according to the changes you have made. A report of the Commit action is displayed in the Report pane (*screenshot below*), enabling you to evaluate whether the success of the action and to debug possible errors. Each subsequent report is displayed below the previous report.



The report pane has a toolbar containing icons that enable you to customize the display of the report listing, navigate the listing, copy report messages, search for text, and clear the pane (see *screenshot below*).



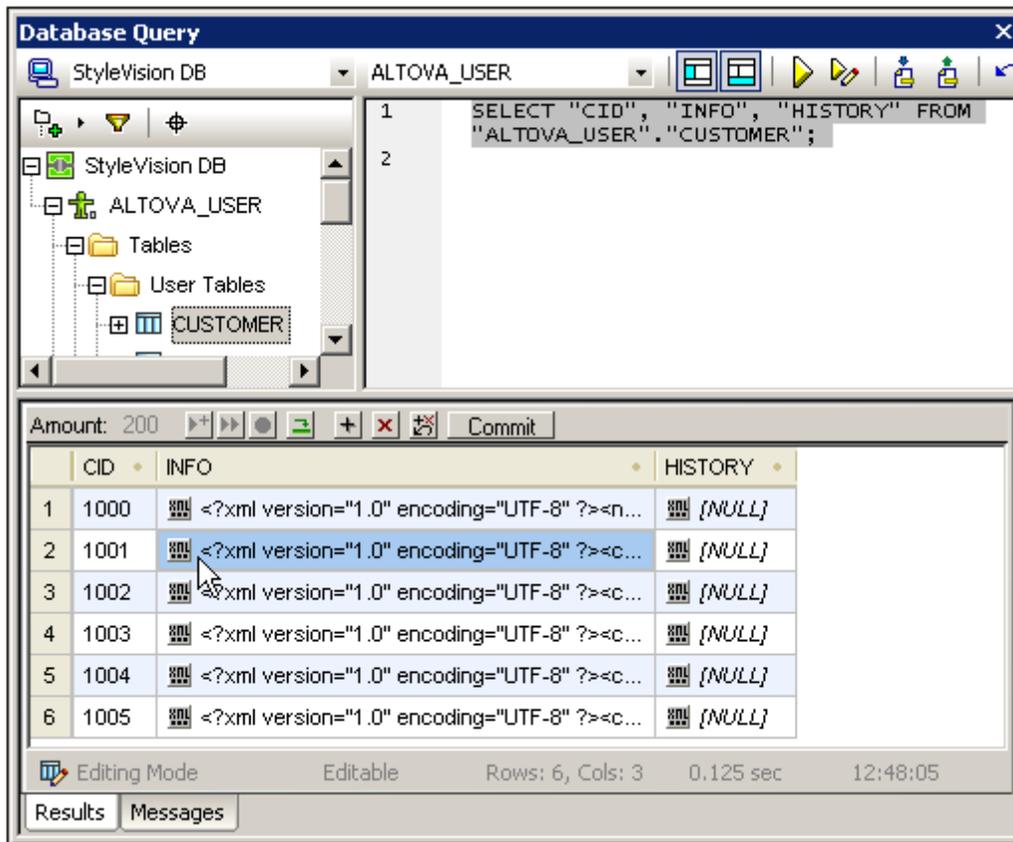
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### Assign XML Schema

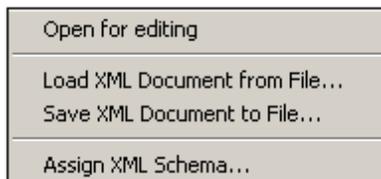
The Assign XML Schema assigns a schema to an XML file opened for editing via the Result Grid of the Database Query window. After the assignment is made, the XML file can be validated against the assigned schema. The assignment is written to the DB when the XML file is saved in XMLSpy.

### Opening a DB XML file for editing

In the Database Query window, when a query is addressed to an XML DB and the query is executed for data editing, the Result Grid at the bottom of the Database Query window provides access to the XML files in the database so these can be edited (see *screenshot below*).



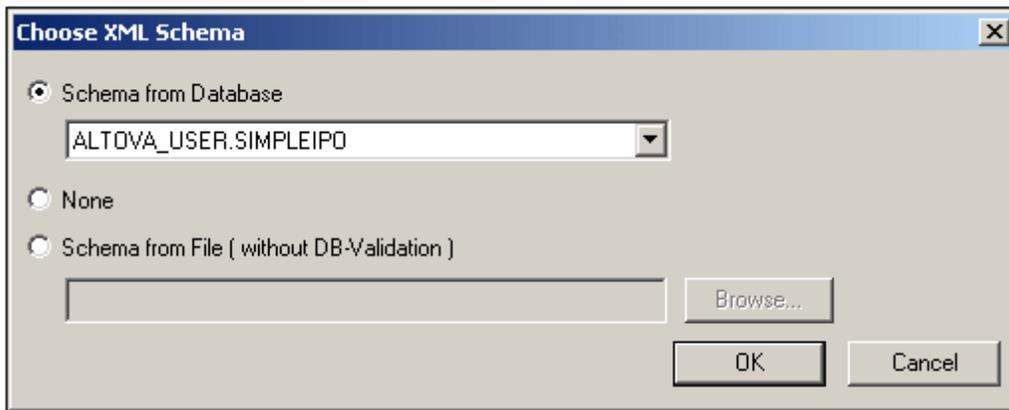
Clicking the XML icon  pops up the following menu.



Selecting the **Open for Editing** command opens the XML document in XMLSpy, where it can be edited.

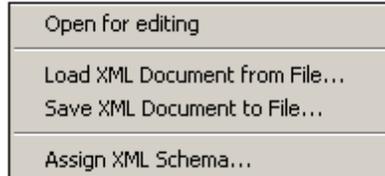
### Assigning a schema to the DB XML file

It is when the DB XML file is opened for editing in XMLSpy that the **IBM DB2 | Assign XML Schema** command is enabled. With the XML document active in XMLSpy, clicking the **Assign XML Schema** command pops up the Choose XML Schema dialog (*screenshot below*).



A schema can be selected from among those stored in the database (these are listed in the dropdown list of the Schema from Database combo box), or from among external files that can be browsed. Clicking **OK** assigns the schema to the XML file. Note that the assignment is not written into the XML file. When the XML file is saved in XMLSpy—and if the Auto-Commit XML changes icon  in the Query Database toolbar was selected when the document was opened—then the schema assignment is saved to the database. Note that the schema assignment is written to the database—and not to the XML file.

**Note:** The Edit XML menu in the Result Grid of the Database Query window also has an **Assign XML Schema** command (see screenshot below), which also assigns a schema to the DB XML file.



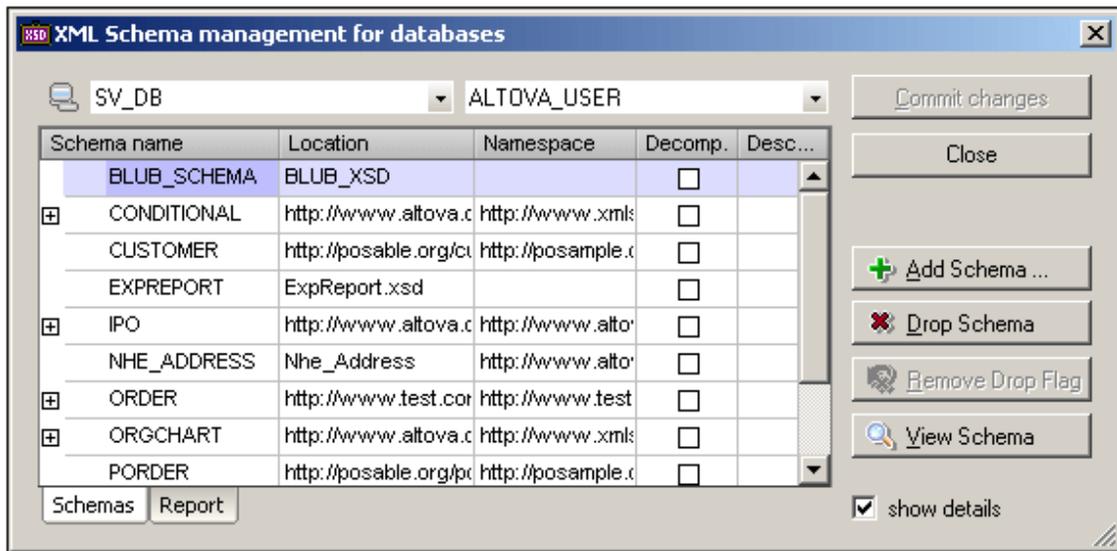
The difference between the two Assign XML Schema commands is that the command in the **DB | IBM DB2** menu enables you to assign an XML Schema while you are editing the XML file thereby allowing you to change schema assignments while editing the XML document and to validate the XML document immediately.

### 23.9.3 SQL Server

The **SQL Server** menu item rolls out a submenu containing the Manage XML Schemas command.

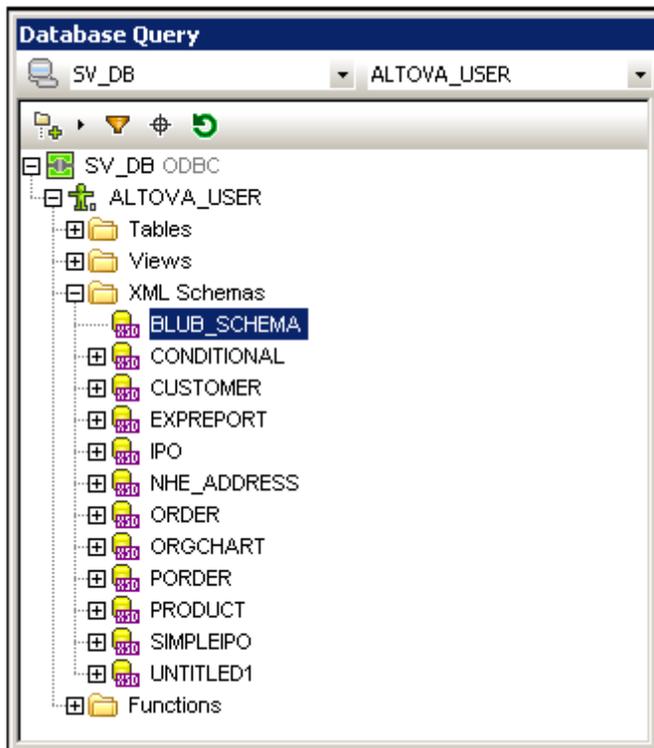
#### Manage XML Schemas

XML Schema management for databases enables you to add and delete XML Schemas from the schema repository of an XML database. After connecting to the database, XMLSpy provides the XML Schema Management for Databases dialog, in which XML Schemas can be managed.



The dialog box provides a Quick Connect  icon which calls the [Quick Connect wizard](#) to connect to a data source. If more than one connection currently exists, the required connection can be selected from the combo box on the left-hand side. The required root object can then be selected from the right-hand side combo box. All the XML Schemas currently in the repository for that root object are displayed in the dialog box. The name, location, and namespace of each schema are listed, as well as the option for decomposition..

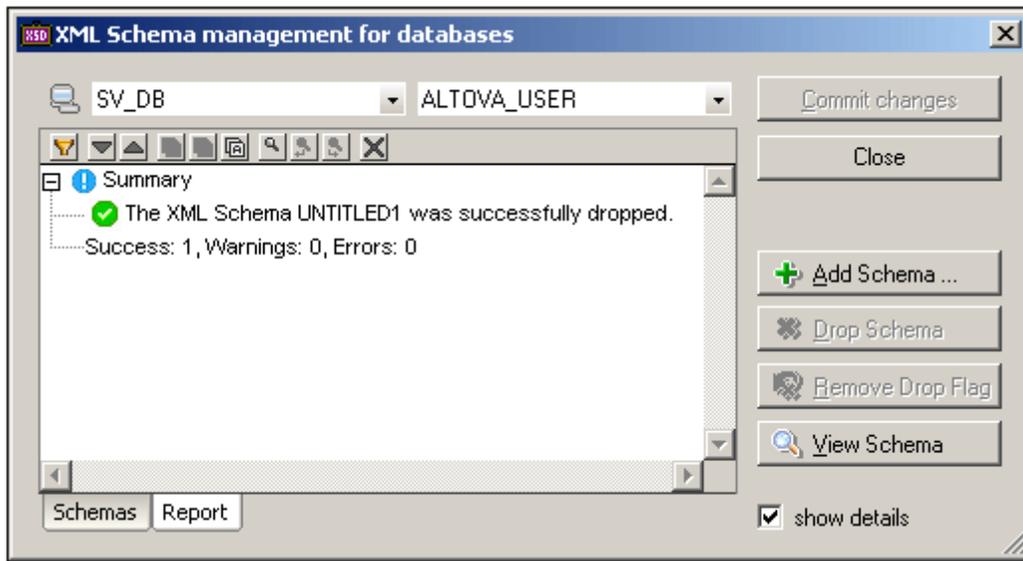
Note that the stored schemas can also be viewed in the Database Query window (screenshot below), but they cannot be managed there. To manage schemas, use the XML Schema Management for Databases dialog.



In the XML Schema Management dialog you can do the following:

- Add a schema using the **Add Schema** button. The selected schema will be appended to the list and marked for addition.
- Mark schemas in the list for deletion with the **Drop Schema** button. The Drop flag can be removed with the **Remove Drop Flag** button.
- Open a selected schema in Schema View by clicking the **View Schema** button.
- Commit the addition and drop (deletion) changes with the **Commit Changes** button.

After changes have been committed, a report of the commit action can be viewed in the Report tab (screenshot below).



### 23.9.4 Oracle XML DB

XMLSpy allows you to connect to and query Oracle XML Db databases.

The following database functions are supported:

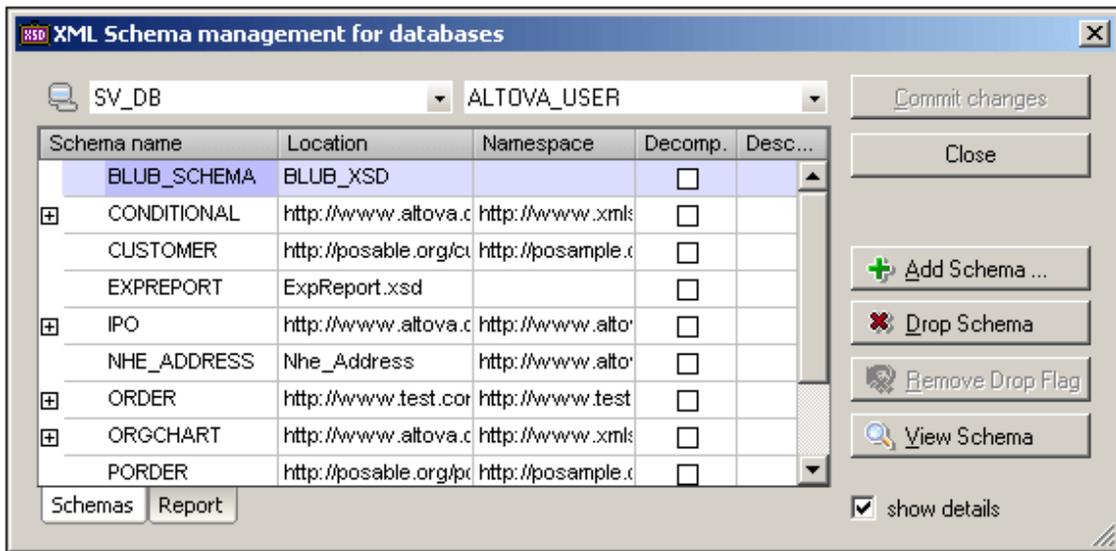
- Add (and register) an XML schema to the Oracle XML Db. The Oracle XML DB client must be installed for you to be able to register XML schemas through XMLSpy.
- Open and delete schemas
- Query the database using XPath statements (DBUri)
- Browse XML documents (using WebDAV)
- Create an XML document based on a schema saved in the database

General installation process:

- Download and install XMLSpy
- Install Oracle server (if necessary)
- Create an Oracle database

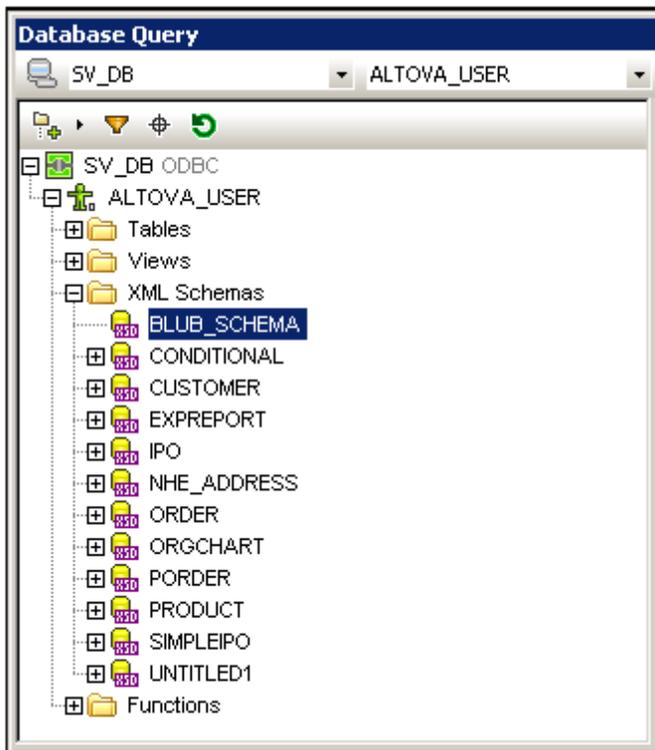
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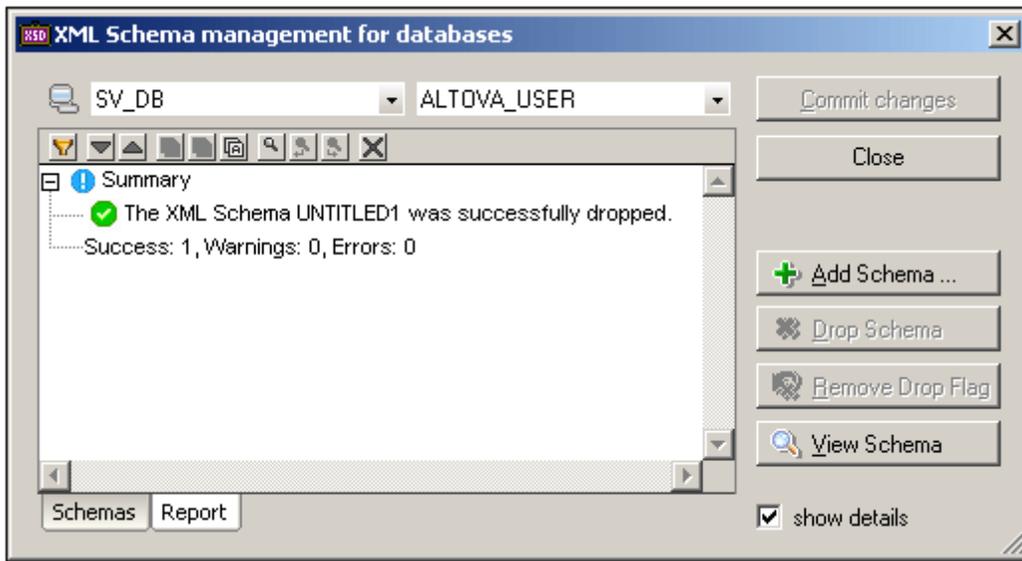
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In the XML Schema Management dialog you can do the following:

- Add a schema using the **Add Schema** button. The selected schema will be appended to the list and marked for addition.
- Mark schemas in the list for deletion with the **Drop Schema** button. The Drop flag can be removed with the **Remove Drop Flag** button.
- Open a selected schema in Schema View by clicking the **View Schema** button.
- Commit the addition and drop (deletion) changes with the **Commit Changes** button.

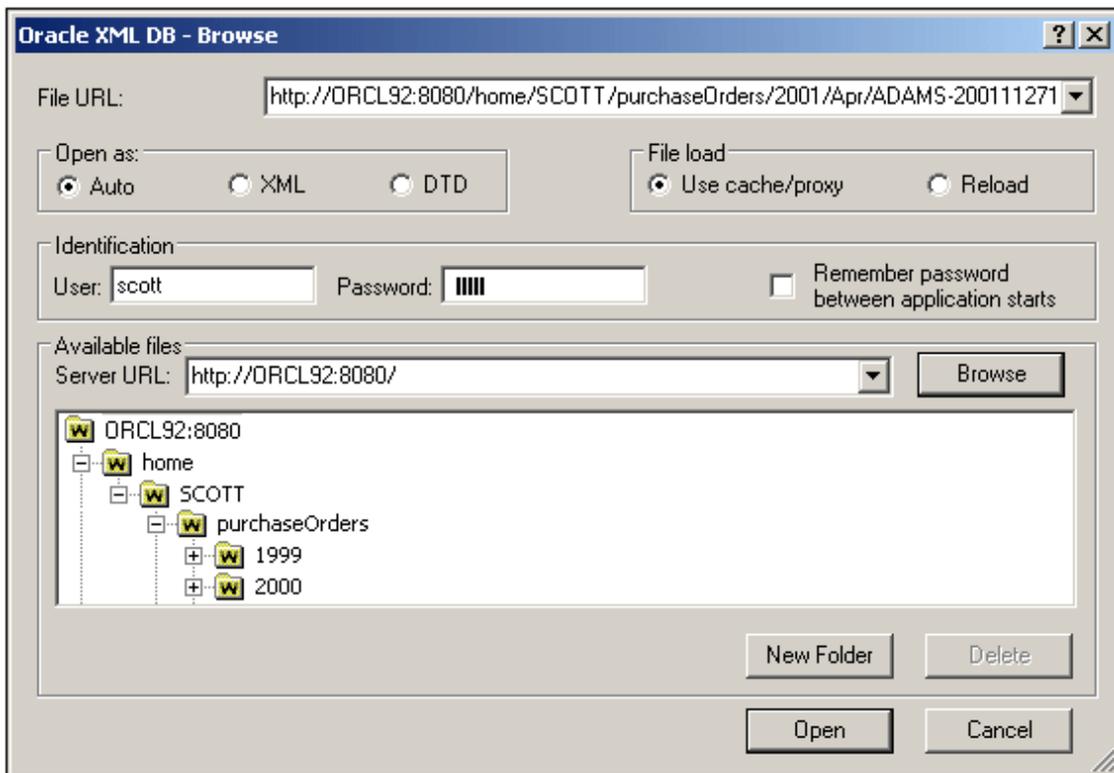
After changes have been committed, a report of the commit action can be viewed in the Report tab (screenshot below).



## Browse Oracle XML documents



This command allows you to browse the XML documents available on your server. The server details are automatically filled in if you previously queried the database or listed schemas. If this is not the case, then you have to enter them manually.

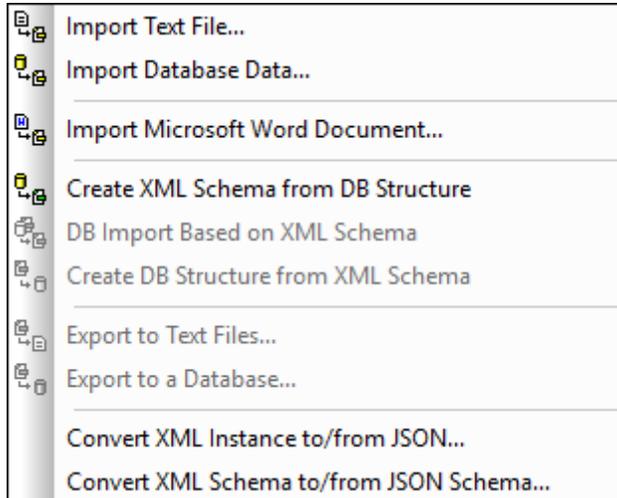


Use the tree view to find specific XML files. Double clicking a file in the tree view opens it. You can

also click a file and click **Open** to achieve the same thing. The **New Folder** button adds a new folder, the **Delete** button deletes the currently selected XML file.

## 23.10 Convert Menu

The **Convert** menu (*screenshot below*) provides powerful data exchange functionality between data formats:



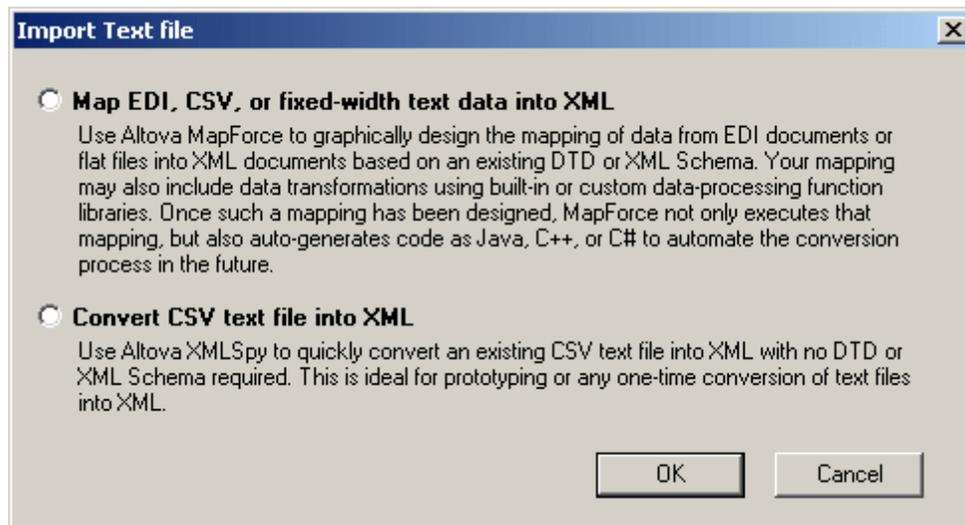
- Import and export text, word processor, database, and XML files.
- [Import database](#) data based on an existing XML Schema.
- [Create an XML Schema](#) based on the structure of an existing database.
- Create a [database structure](#), based on an existing XML schema.
- Convert [between XML instances and JSO instances](#), and [between XML Schemas and JSON Schemas](#).

### 23.10.1 Import Text File

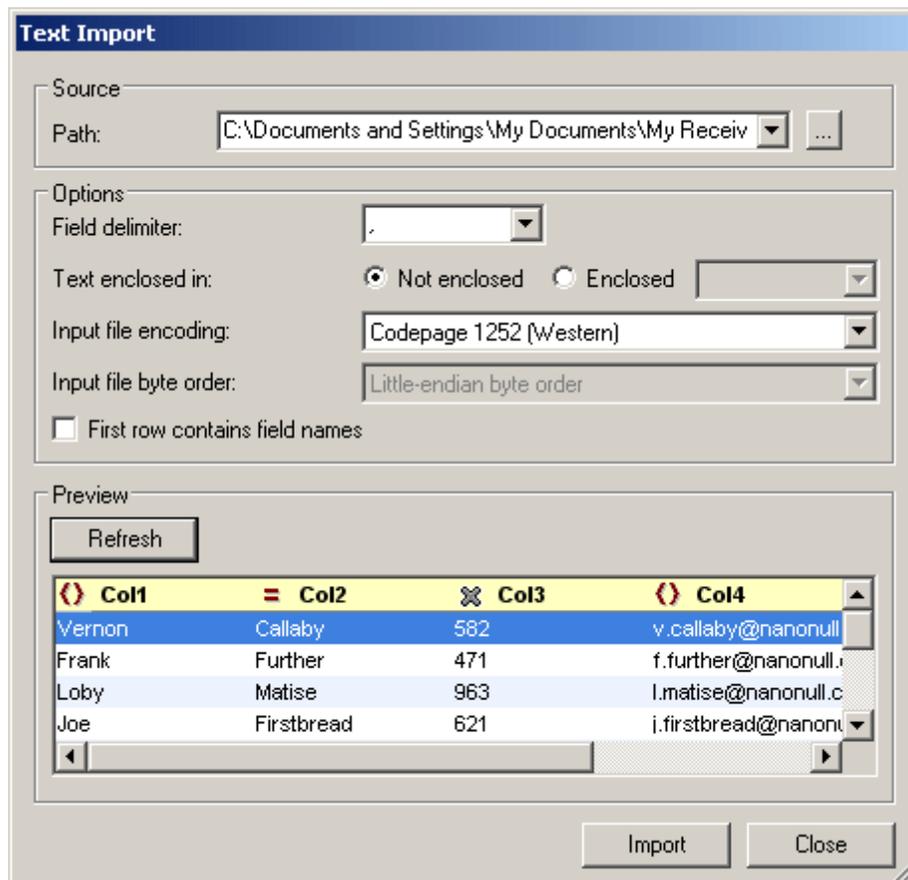


This command lets you **import** any **structured text** file into XMLSpy and convert it to XML format immediately. This is useful when you want to import legacy data from older systems. The steps for importing data in a text file as an XML document are described below.

1. Select the menu item **Convert | Import Text File**. The following dialog appears:



2. Select one of the following:
  - Map EDI, CSV, or fixed-width text data into XML (you must have installed Altova MapForce in order to select this option)
  - Convert CSV text file into XML
3. Click **OK**. The Text import dialog appears (*screenshot below*). How to use this dialog is described below.



**Path**

Enter the path to the file to import in the Path text box, or select the file using the Browse button to the right of the text box. After the file is selected, a Grid View preview of the XML file is displayed in the Preview pane. Any change in the options selected in this dialog will be reflected in the preview immediately.

**Delimiter**

To successfully import a text file, you need to specify the field delimiter that is used to separate columns or fields within the file. XMLSpy will auto-detect common row separators (CR, LF, or CR+LF).

**String quotes**

Text files exported from legacy systems sometimes enclose textual values in quotes to better distinguish them from numeric values. If this is the case, you can specify what kind of quotes are being used in your file, and remove them automatically when the data is imported.

**Encoding**

The data is converted into [Unicode](#) (the basis of all XML documents), so you need to specify which character-set the file is currently encoded in. For US or Western European Windows systems this will most likely be Codepage 1252, also referred to as the ANSI encoding.

**Byte order**

If you are importing 16-bit or 32-bit Unicode (UCS-2, UTF-16, or UCS-4) files, you can also switch between little-endian and big-endian byte order.

**First row contains column names**

It is also very common for text files to contain the field names in the first row within the file. If this is the case, check this check box.

**Preview**

In the Preview pane you can rename column headers by clicking in a name and editing it. The column headers will be the element or attribute names in the XML document. You can also select whether a column should be an element or an attribute in the XML document, or whether it should not be imported into the XML document. Click the column-type icon in each column header to toggle through these options. In the screenshot above, Co11 is an element, Co12 is an attribute, and Co13 will not be imported.

When you are satisfied with the options, click **Import**. The imported data is converted into an XML document that is displayed in Grid View.

## 23.10.2 Import Database Data



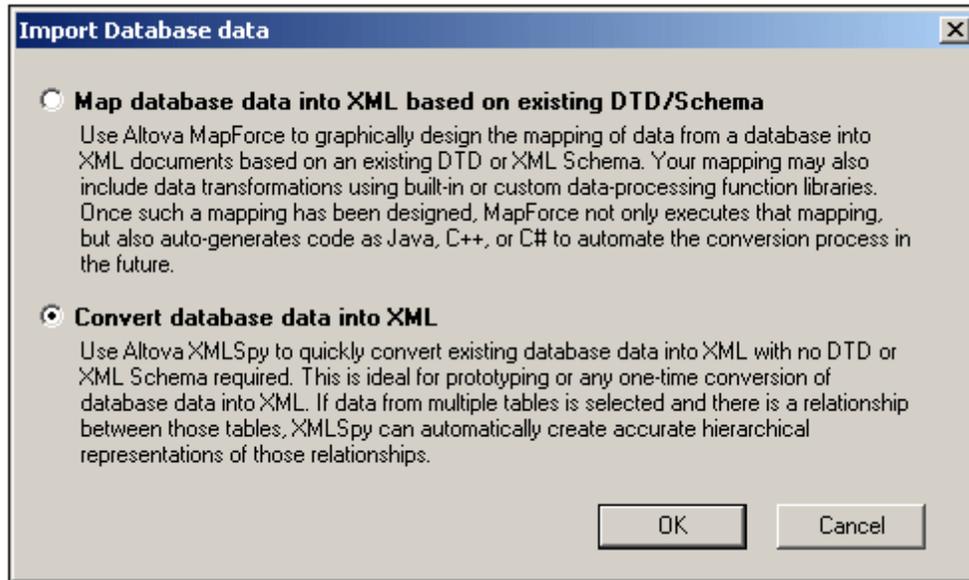
The **Import Database Data** command enables you to import data from any of a variety of databases into an XML file. The import mechanism involves two steps:

1. A connection to the database is established. For instructions, see [Connecting to a Database](#).

2. The [data to be imported is selected](#).

To import database data, do the following:

1. When you click the Import Database Data command, the Import Database Data dialog (screenshot below) pops up.

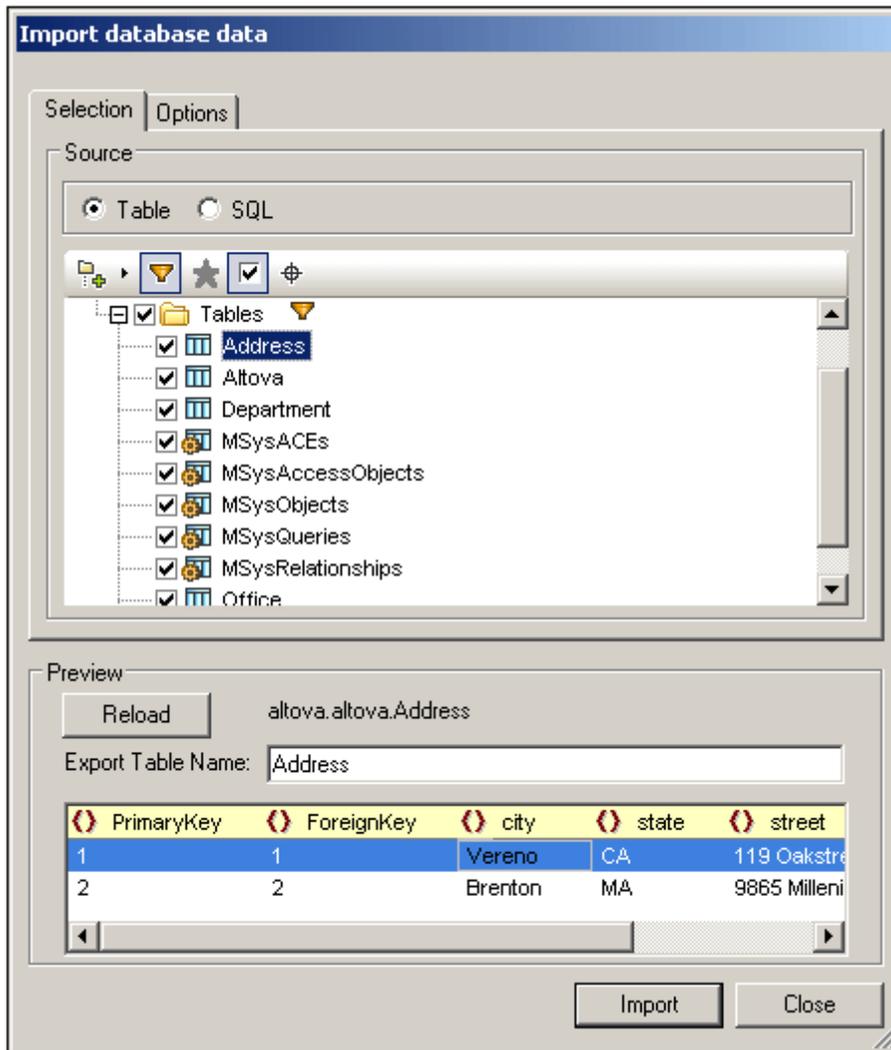


2. Select Convert Database Data into XML and click **OK**. The Connect to a Data Source dialog appears. (The Map Database Data into XML Based on Existing DTD/Schema option requires the use of Altova MapForce to carry out the mapping.)
3. In the Connect to Data Source dialog, you establish a connection to the database. For instructions, see [Connecting to a Database](#).
4. After the connection to the database is established, the Import Database Data dialog displays tabs and windows that enable you to select the database data to import. These options are described below. After finishing, click the **Import** button to import the database data.

### Data selection and import options

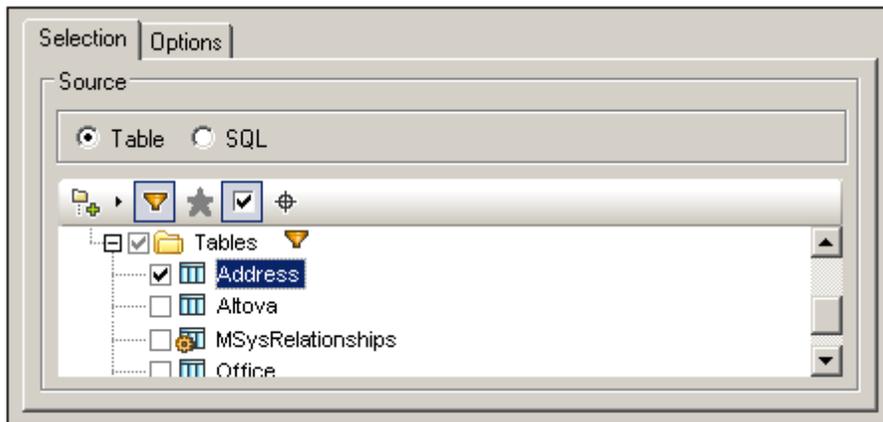
The Import Database Data dialog for setting the selection and import options consists of two parts (*shown separately in the screenshots below*):

- an upper part with two tabs: (i) Selection, and (ii) Options.
- a lower part, which is a Preview window showing the data according to the data selection and import options.



### Selection tab

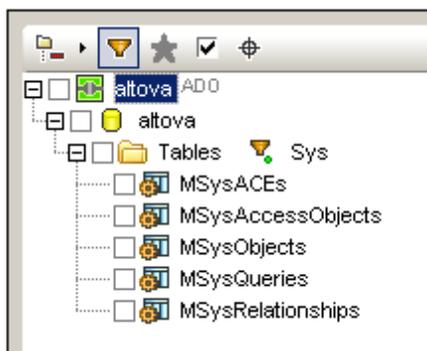
In the Selection tab (*screenshot above*), the Source pane (*screenshot below*) displays either a representation of the tables of the database or an editable SQL statement for selecting the required tables, each view being selected by clicking the respective radio button.



In the Table view, you can select the tables in the database that you want to import by checking the table's check box (*screenshot above*). The contents of the table can then be displayed in the Preview pane. The table selection can be further filtered in the Preview pane (*see below*).

The database structure can be displayed differently and can be filtered. The Layout icon  in the Source pane enables you to organize database objects into: (i) folders based on object type; (ii) folders based on object type, but without schema folders; (iii) in a hierarchy, but without folders; and (iv) categories of tables, based on their relationships with other tables.

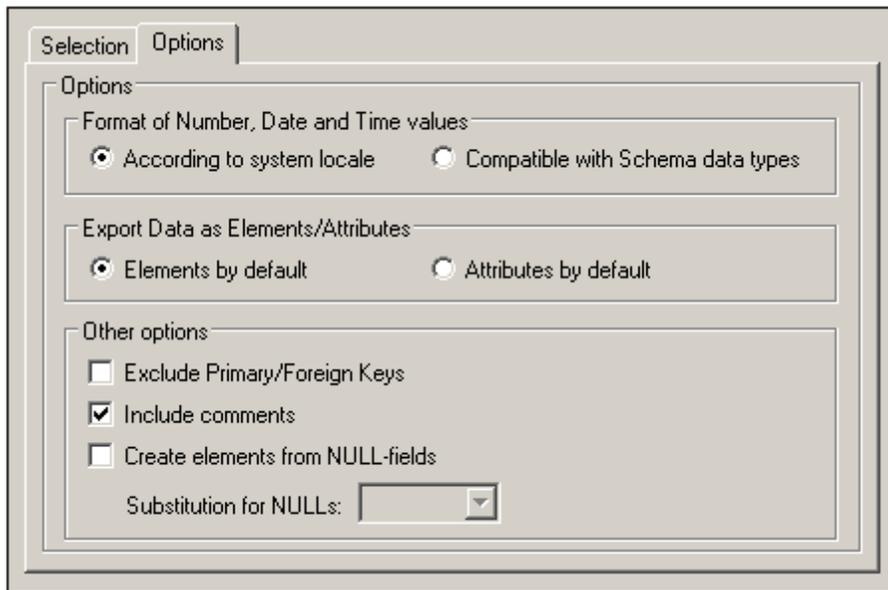
Clicking the Filter Folder Contents  icon applies a filter to the selected folder (*in the screenshot below, to the Tables folder*). Clicking the filter icon on the table pops out a menu with a list of filter possibilities. In the screenshot below, the filter has been set to display objects that contain the text `sys` in its name. The view is filtered accordingly.



Clicking the Object Locator icon  pops up a text field, which behaves like a Search entry field. You can enter a text string and the dropdown list will display all the objects whose names contain that text string. Selecting one of these objects from the dropdown list will highlight that object in the tree.

### Options tab

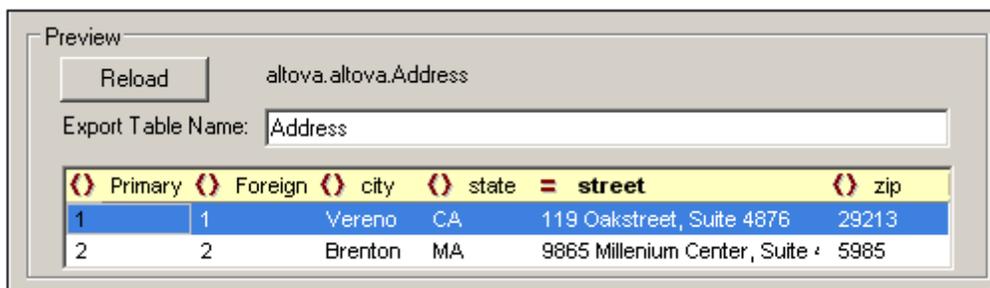
In the Options tab (*screenshot below*), you can specify how number, date, and time values are to be imported; whether data is imported as elements or attributes; and whether comments and NULL fields are to be included in the import.



When `NULL` fields are enabled for import, you can enter a substitution XML value for them.

### Preview pane

The Preview pane (*screenshot below*) displays the structure of the table currently selected in the Selection tab. When a new table is selected in the Selection tab, click the **Preview** button in the Preview pane to display the table. Click the **Reload** button to refresh the preview.



A field can be specified to be imported as an element or attribute, or not to be imported, by clicking the symbol to the left of the column name. You can click through the element, attribute, and ignore options. In the screenshot above, the `city` field, for example, has been set to be imported as an element while the `street` field has been set to be imported as an attribute.

### Datatype conversions

Information about the conversion of database datatypes to XML Schema datatypes is listed in the [Appendices](#).

## 23.10.3 Import Microsoft Word Document



This command enables the direct **import** of any **Word document** and conversion into XML format if you have been using paragraph styles in Microsoft Word. This option requires Microsoft Word or Microsoft Office (Version 97 or 2000).

When you select this command, the Open dialog box appears. Select the Word document you want to import.

XMLSpy automatically generates an XML document with included CSS stylesheet. Each Word paragraph generates an XML element, whose name is defined as the name of the corresponding paragraph style in Microsoft Word.

#### 23.10.4 Create XML Schema from DB Structure

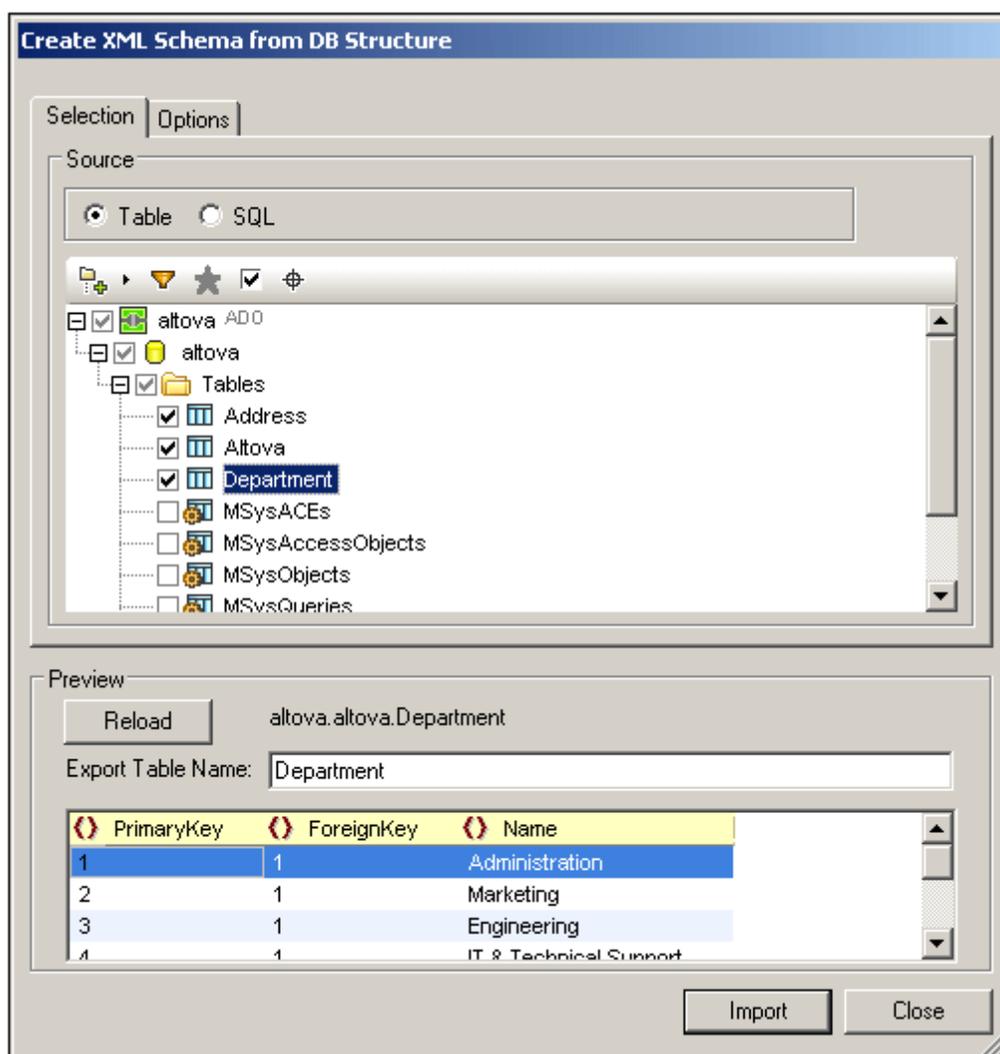


The **Create XML Schema from DB Structure** command enables you to create an XML Schema from the structure of any of a variety of databases. The XML Schema-creation mechanism involves two steps:

1. A connection to the database is established.
2. Options for the database data selection and the XML Schema are specified.

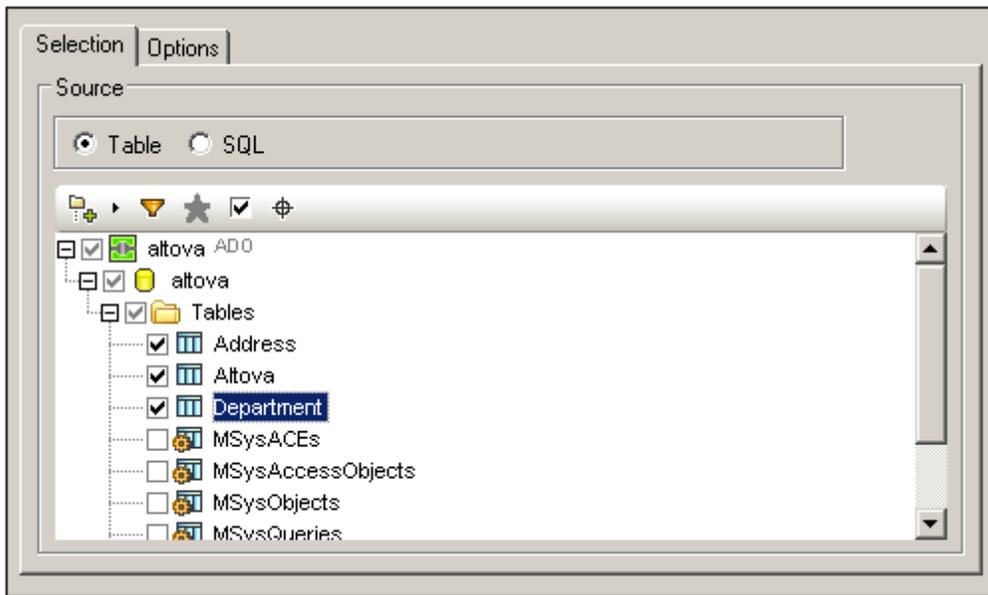
To create an XML Schema from a DB structure you would do the following:

1. When you click the **Create XML Schema from DB Structure** command, the Database Connection Wizard box appears.
2. Using the Database Connection Wizard, you establish a connection to the database (for instructions, see [Connecting to a Database](#) ).
3. After the connection to the database is established, the Create XML Schema from DB Structure dialog (*screenshot below*) displays tabs and windows that enable you to select the database structure to import. These options are described below. After finishing, click the **Import** button to import the database data.



### Selection tab

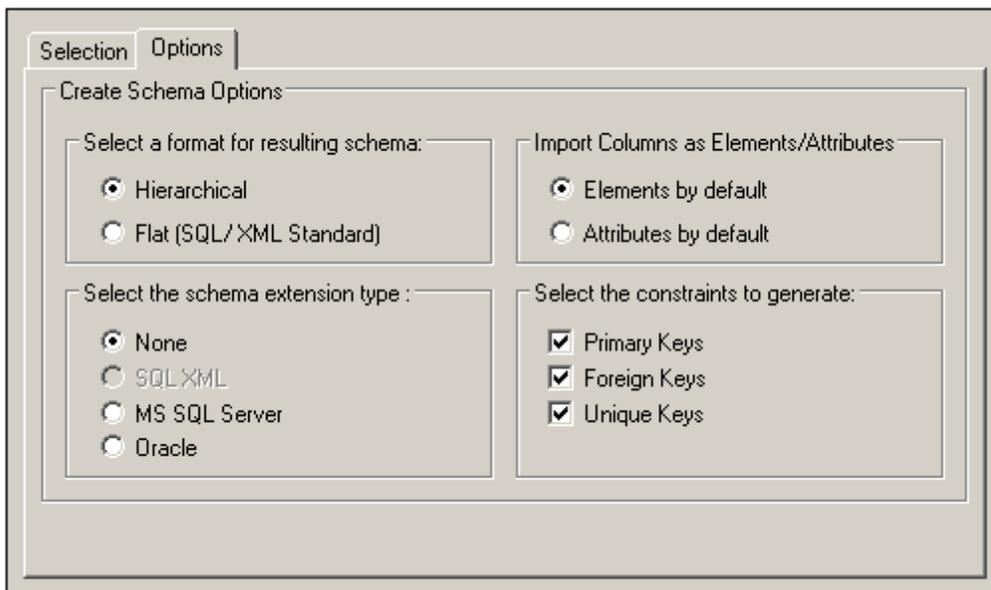
In the Selection tab (*screenshot below*), the data source is listed in the Source Database pane. The Source pane displays either a representation of the tables of the database or an editable SQL statement for selecting the required tables.



In the Table view, you can select the tables in the database that you want to import by checking the table's check box (*screenshot above*). The contents of the table can then be displayed in the Preview pane. The table selection can be further filtered in the Preview pane (*see below*). You can configure the display in the Source pane as described in the section [Import Database Data](#).

### Options tab

In the Options tab (*screenshot below*), you can specify the format of the schema, its extension type, whether columns should be imported as elements or attributes, and the database constraints that should be generated in the schema.



**Schema format:** You can select between a flat (SQL/XML Standard) and a hierarchical schema form

- The **flat** schema model is based on an ISO-ANSI SQL/XML specification INCITS/ISO/IEC 9075-14-2008. The SQL/XML specification defines how to map databases to XML. Relationships are defined in schemas using identity constraints; there are no references to elements. Hence the schema is flat structure which resembles a tree-like view of the database. The specification can be purchased at the [ANSI store](#). For more information, see [www.sqlx.org](http://www.sqlx.org).
- The **hierarchical** schema model displays the table dependencies visually, in a type of tree view where dependent tables are shown as indented child elements in the content model. Table dependencies are also displayed in the Identity constraints tab. Tables are listed as global elements in the schema, and columns are the elements or attributes of these global elements (The user decides whether to map the columns as elements or as attributes). Relationships are created in a hierarchical way so that a foreign key field in one table is actually a reference to the global element that represents that table.

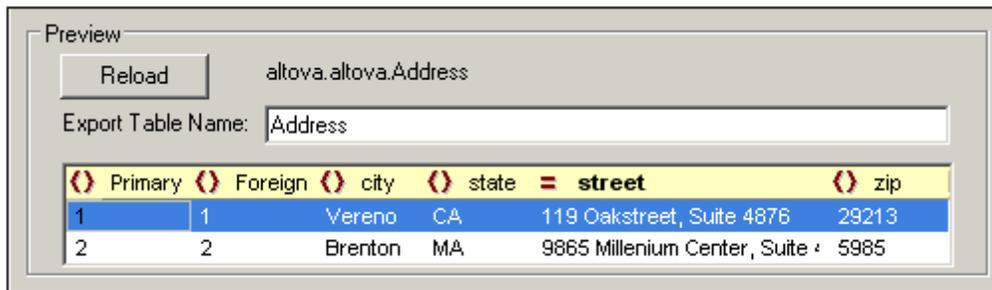
**Schema extension type:** Schema extension information is additional information read from a database that is then embedded in the schema as either annotation data or attributes. There are four extension type options when generating schemas: (i) no extensions information; (ii) SQL/XML extensions; (iii) MS SQL Server extensions; and (iv) Oracle extensions. These are described below:

- **None:** No additional information is provided by the database.
- **SQL XML:** SQL/XML extensions are only inserted when generating schemas in a flat format. The extension information is stored in annotations and is described in the SQL/XML specification ([INCITS/ISO/IEC 9075-14-2008](#)).
- **MS SQL Server:** Selecting Microsoft SQL Server, generates SQL Server extensions. See [SQL Server Books Online](#) for resources and [MSDN's information about annotating XSD schemas](#). The following annotation-related elements are generated in the schema: `sql:relation`, `sql:field`, `sql:datatype`, `sql:mapped`.
- **Oracle:** Oracle extensions are selected by default when working with an Oracle database. Additional database information is stored as attributes. Detailed information can be found in [Oracle's online documentation](#). The following subset of attributes is currently generated: `SQLName`, `SQLType`, `SQLSchema`.

**Note:** Although SQL Server and Oracle extensions can be generated for their respective databases they are not restricted in this way. This proves useful when working with a third database and wanting to generate a schema that later should be working with either SQL Server or Oracle.

### Preview pane

The Preview pane (*screenshot below*) displays the structure of the table currently selected in the Selection tab. When a new table is selected in the Selection tab, click the **Reload** button in the Preview pane to refresh the preview.



A field can be specified to be imported as an element or attribute, or not to be imported, by clicking the symbol to the left of the column name. You can click through the element, attribute, and ignore options. In the screenshot above, the `city` field, for example, has been set to be imported as an element while the `street` field has been set to be imported as an attribute.

### Datatype conversions

Information about the conversion of database datatypes to XML Schema datatypes is listed in the [Appendices](#).

## 23.10.5 DB Import Based on XML Schema



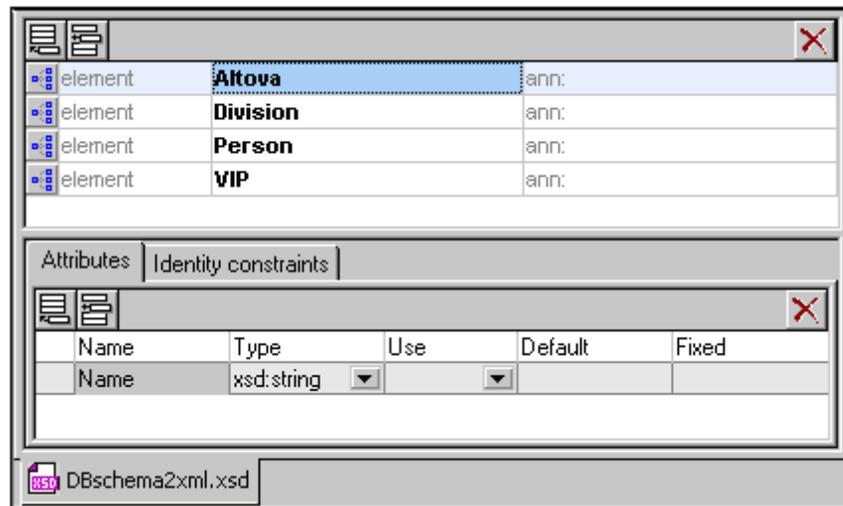
The **DB Import Based on XML Schema** command creates an XML document which is valid according to a given XML Schema and contains data imported from a database. For this feature, the following databases are supported:

- Microsoft Access 2000 and 2003
- Microsoft SQL Server
- Oracle
- MySQL
- Sybase
- IBM DB2

The data to be imported is determined by the table that is selected in the database. With the required XML Schema (that on which you wish to base the import) as the active document in Schema View, connect to the database. Then select the table/s you wish to import, and click Import. The data is imported into an XML document, and the document has the structure of the XML Schema that was active when the data was imported.

In the example below, data from an MS Access database is imported with an XML Schema active in Schema View. These would be the steps to carry out for the import:

1. Open the schema file in Schema View (*screenshot below*).



2. Select the menu command **DB Import based on XML Schema**. This opens the [Connect to Data Source](#) dialog.
3. Select the Microsoft Access (ADO) option and click **Next**.
4. Click **Browse** and select the database file. Then click **Next**.
5. In the DB Import Based on XML Schema dialog which pops up, go to the Tables tab, select one or more tables you wish to import (for example, *Altova*), then click **Import**. The table is imported into an XML document that is displayed in Grid View.

### Datatype conversions

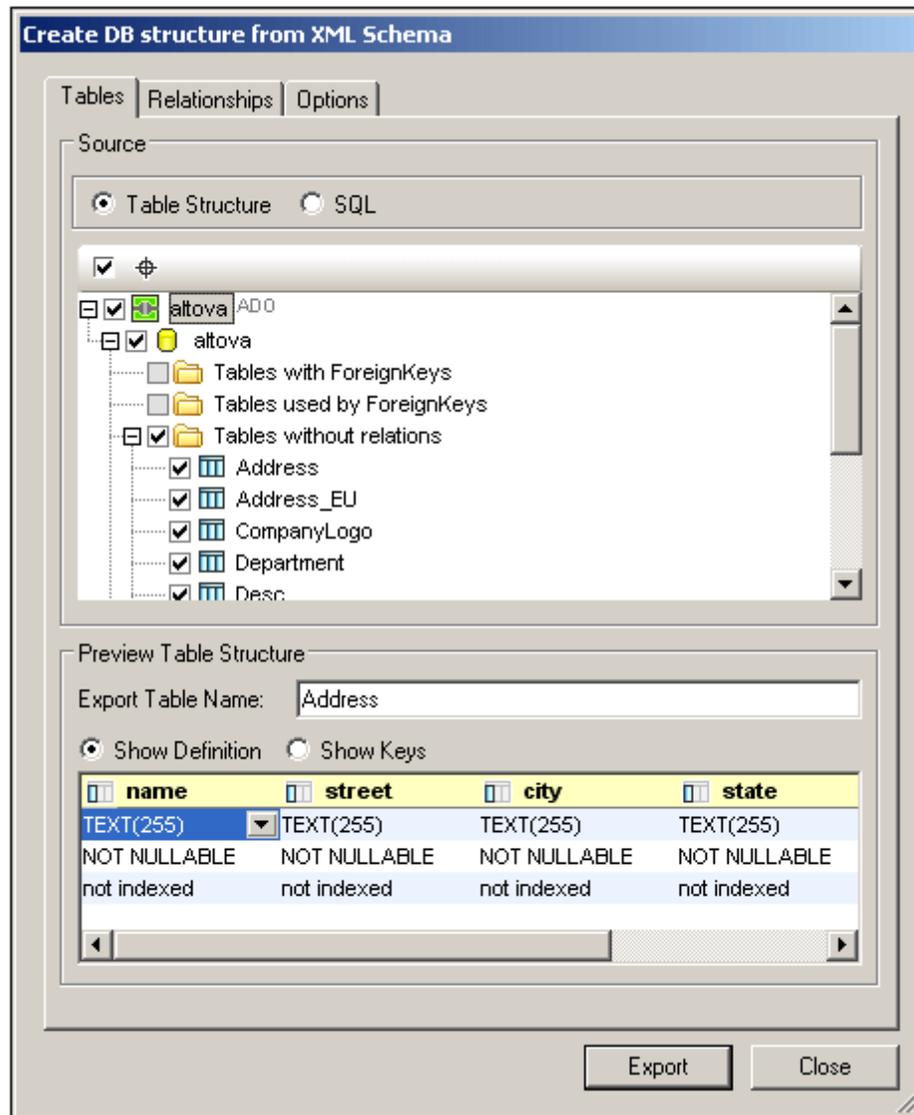
Information about the conversion of database datatypes to XML Schema datatypes is listed in the [Appendices](#).

## 23.10.6 Create DB Structure from XML Schema



XMLSpy allows you to create an empty database (or skeleton database) based on an existing schema file. The method described below is generally the same for each type of database.

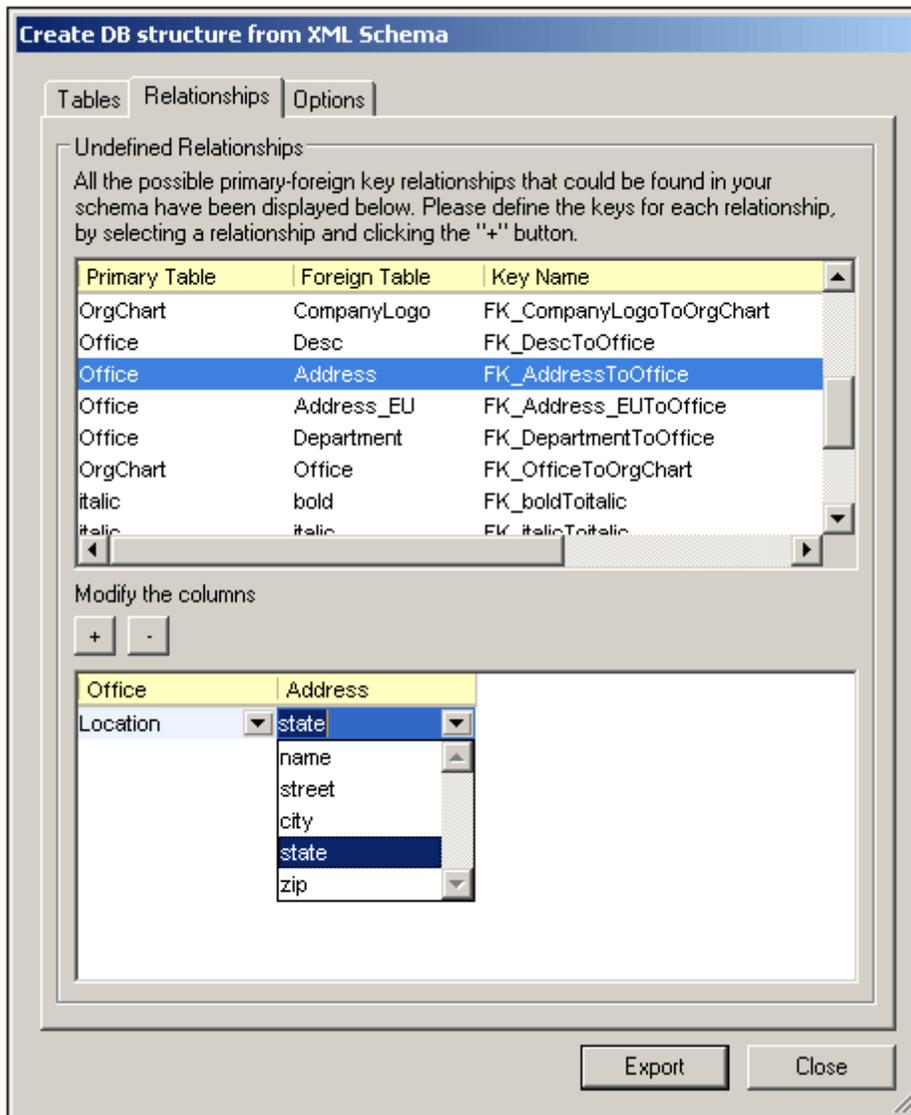
1. Open the schema file in Schema/WSDL View
2. Select the menu command **Convert | Create DB Structure from XML Schema**. This pops up the [Connect to a Data Source](#) dialog, which enables you to connect to a database (DB).
3. Use the steps described in the section [Connecting to a Data Source](#) to connect to the required database. For example, to connect to a Microsoft Access database, select the Microsoft Access radio button, and continue the process to select a database. You can use an existing database or create a new database in which the schema structure will be contained.
4. In the Create DB Structure from XML Schema dialog, tables are created from the schema and displayed in a tree format at the location where they will occur in the DB. For example, in the screenshot below, the Address table is created and selected for export. Tables that should not be exported should be deselected (by unchecking the check box or selecting the appropriate item from the context menu for that table).



### Creating DB tables with relationships

If the XML Schema from which the DB structure is generated has relationships defined in the form of identity constraints, then these relationships are automatically created in the generated DB structure and displayed in the Table Structure. Tables with relationships are listed under the sections: Tables with ForeignKeys and Tables used by ForeignKeys. Tables without relationships are listed in the Independent Tables section.

In the Relationships tab, you can create and modify table relationships. The tab lists all possible primary-key/foreign-key relationships (*screenshot below*).



To create a relationship, do the following:

1. Select one of the possible primary-key/foreign-key relationships.
2. In the lower pane of the dialog, click the Plus button to create a relationship.
3. Select the required columns in each of the two tables from the respective dropdown lists.

You can also remove a relationship by selecting it and then clicking the Minus button.

### Notes on database structure and connecting

The schema structure, defined by the identity constraints, is mirrored in the resulting database. The table below shows the type of database created, the restrictions, and the connecting methods, when using the **Create DB Structure from XML Schema** menu command.

	Directly	using ODBC	using ADO
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MS Access (2000 and 2003)	OK *	OK	OK
MS SQL Server	OK *	OK	OK
Oracle	OK *	OK	OK
MySQL	-	OK *	OK †
Sybase	-	OK *	OK
IBM DB2	-	OK *	OK

\* *Recommended connection method for each database.*

† *MySQL: When creating the ADO connection based on ODBC, it is recommended to use either the User or System DSN.*

- *Not supported*

XMLSpy will map both [hierarchical and flat formatted schemas](#). XMLSpy recognizes both formats automatically.

The flat format is mapped to SQL in two different ways.

- SQL Server DB, Oracle DB, or Sybase DB:  
A schema that was generated in flat format, for one of the above databases, will have the schema catalog name extracted and used in the generated SQL script as the DB name. This means that the resulting SQL script will be executed on a target DB whose name must be identical to the schema catalog name.
- Access (2000 or 2003), MySQL, or DB2 DB:  
A schema that was generated in flat format, for one of the above databases, will **ignore** the schema catalog name when the SQL script is generated. This means that the resulting SQL script will be executed on a target database that was logged into.

### Datatype conversions

Information about the conversion of XML Schema datatypes to database datatypes is listed in the [Appendices](#).

## 23.10.7 Export to Text Files



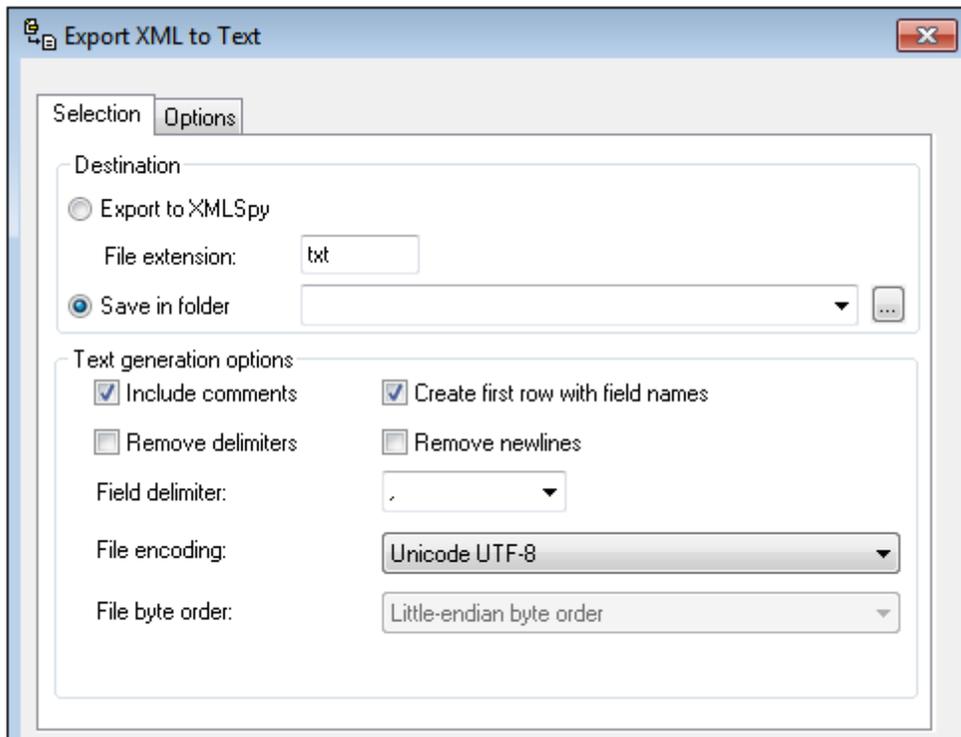
The command **Convert | Export to Text Files** exports XML data into text formats for exchange with databases or legacy systems. On clicking this command, the Export XML to Text dialog pops. It consists of two parts (*shown in separate screenshots below*):

- an upper part with two tabs: (i) Selection, and (ii) Export Options.
- a lower part, which is a Preview window.

After you have selected the desired options in this dialog (*described below*), click the **Export** button to export to text file/s.

### Selection

In the Selection tab (*screenshot below*), you can select the destination of the file to be exported and text generation options.



**Destination:** The exported file can be saved directly to a folder. The file extension can be specified. The filenames will be those of the elements (in the XML file) that will be exported. Alternatively, untitled files can be exported to XMLSpy. These files will be displayed in the GUI, and can be saved later.

**Include comments:** Activate this option to include an XMLSpy-generated comment in the exported XML file. The comment will contain the SQL query used to select the data as well as a list in which there is one listitem for each column header in the database table.

**Create first row with field names:** When activated, the exported tables include the names of columns from the database. Otherwise column names will not be included in the exported text file.

**Remove delimiters:** Removes delimiters that are contained in text values in the exported data. Set the delimiter you want to remove by using the Delimiter combo box in this tab. For example, if this option is activated and the selected delimiter is the apostrophe, when you export the XML value `Ba'ker`, the string will be `Baker` in the exported text.

**Remove newlines:** Removes newlines from exported data.

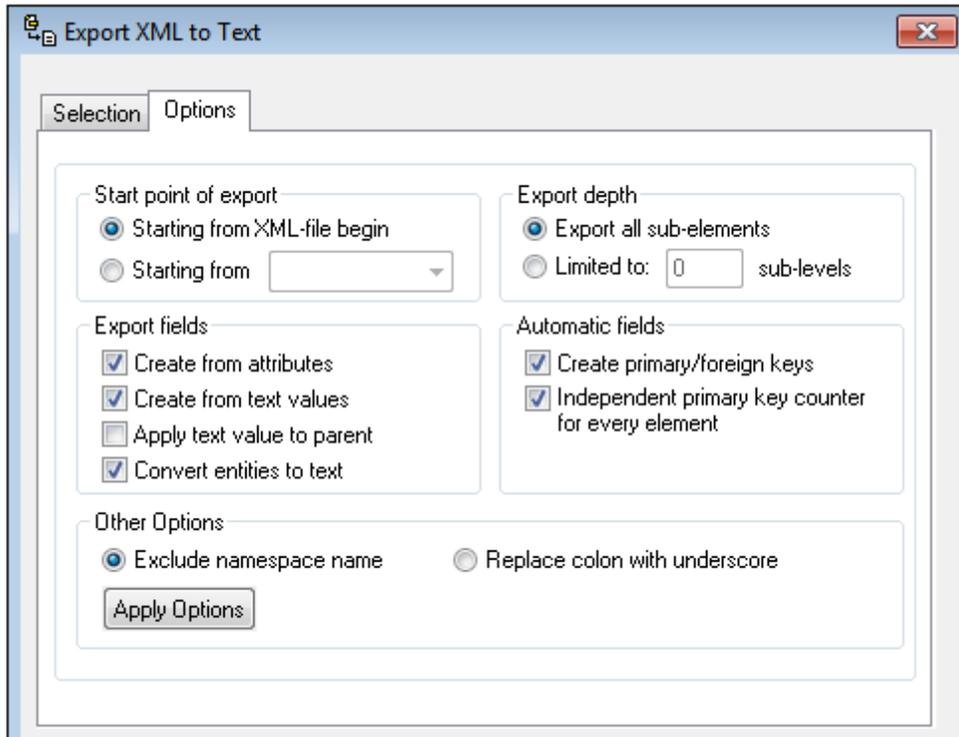
**Delimiter:** Select from the drop-down list the character that you wish to have removed during export. Alternatively, enter the desired character string.

**Encoding:** Select from the drop-down list, the desired encoding for files that are generated during export.

**Byte order:** If you are exporting 16-bit or 32-bit Unicode (UCS-2, UTF-16, or UCS-4) files, you can also switch between little-endian and big-endian byte order.

## Export Options

Additional export options, which are described below, can be specified in the Options tab (screenshot below):



**Start point of export:** You can choose to export the entire XML document or restrict your export to the data hierarchy starting from the currently selected element. The number of sub-levels below the start point that will be exported is specified in the *Export Depth* option.

**Export depth:** Specifies the number of sub-levels below the start point that will be exported.

**Export fields:** Depending on your XML data, you may want to export only elements, attributes, or the textual content of your elements. Note that you can deselect the export of individual elements in the Preview window.

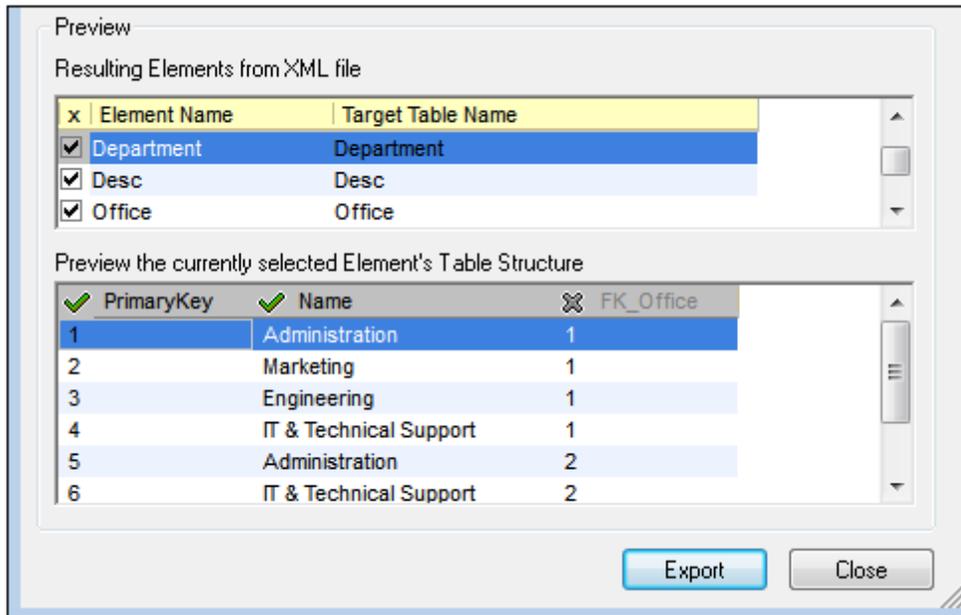
**Automatic fields:** XMLSpy will produce one output file or table for each element type selected. You can choose to automatically create primary/foreign key pairs to link your data in the relational model, or define a primary key for each element.

**Exclude namespace name:** Together with the *Replace Colon With Underscore* radio button this is an either/or choice. Specifies whether namespace prefixes of elements and attributes should be excluded or whether the colon in the namespace prefix should be replaced with an underscore.

**Apply Options:** After you have set options, click this button to apply the options. The preview in the preview pane will be updated with the new options.

## Preview window

The Preview window (*screenshot below*) is displayed below the Selection and Options tabs.



The *Resulting Elements from XML File* pane shows the node names that will be exported and the name in the generated file. You can select/deselect nodes that will be exported. When an element is selected, a preview of its structure is shown in a second pane below. In this pane, clicking to the left of a column header name toggles the export of that column on and off. In the screenshot above, the last column (*FK\_Office*) has been toggled off.

### 23.10.8 Export to a Database



The command **Convert | Export to a Database** exports XML data to a database. On clicking this command, the Connection Wizard starts up and enables you to set up a connection to the database you wish to update. After a connection has been established, the Export Data to Database dialog pops. It consists of two parts (*shown separately in the screenshots below*):

- an upper part with two tabs: (i) Selection, and (ii) Export Options.
- a lower part, which is a Preview window.

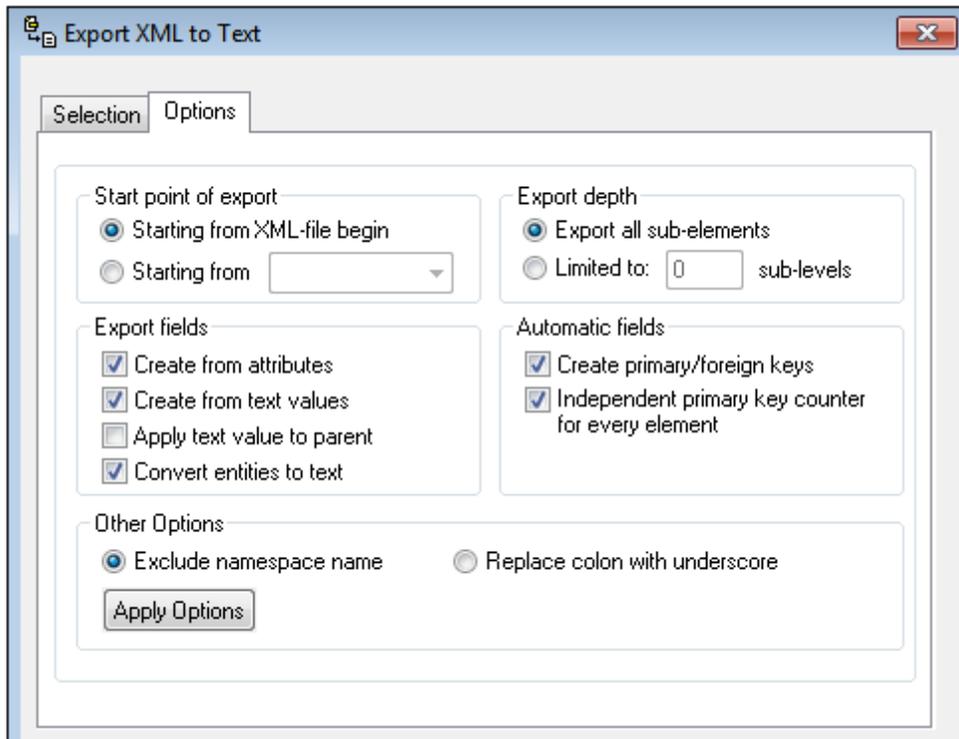
After you have selected the desired options in this dialog (*described below*), click the **Export** button to export to the database.

#### Selection

In the Selection tab, you can select the destination database and table generation options. The destination field selects the connection to the database. You must select whether the data is created as new tables, updates existing tables, or first tries to update an existing table and then creates a new table if an update is not possible. You can also set a stop action based on the number of errors, and, optionally, SQL script logging.

## Export Options

Export options, which are described below, can be specified in the Options tab (*screenshot below*):



**Start point of export:** You can choose to export the entire XML document or restrict your export to the data hierarchy starting from the currently selected element. The number of sub-levels below the start point that will be exported is specified in the *Export Depth* option.

**Export depth:** Specifies the number of sub-levels below the start point that will be exported.

**Export fields:** Depending on your XML data, you may want to export only elements, attributes, or the textual content of your elements. Note that you can deselect the export of individual elements in the Preview window.

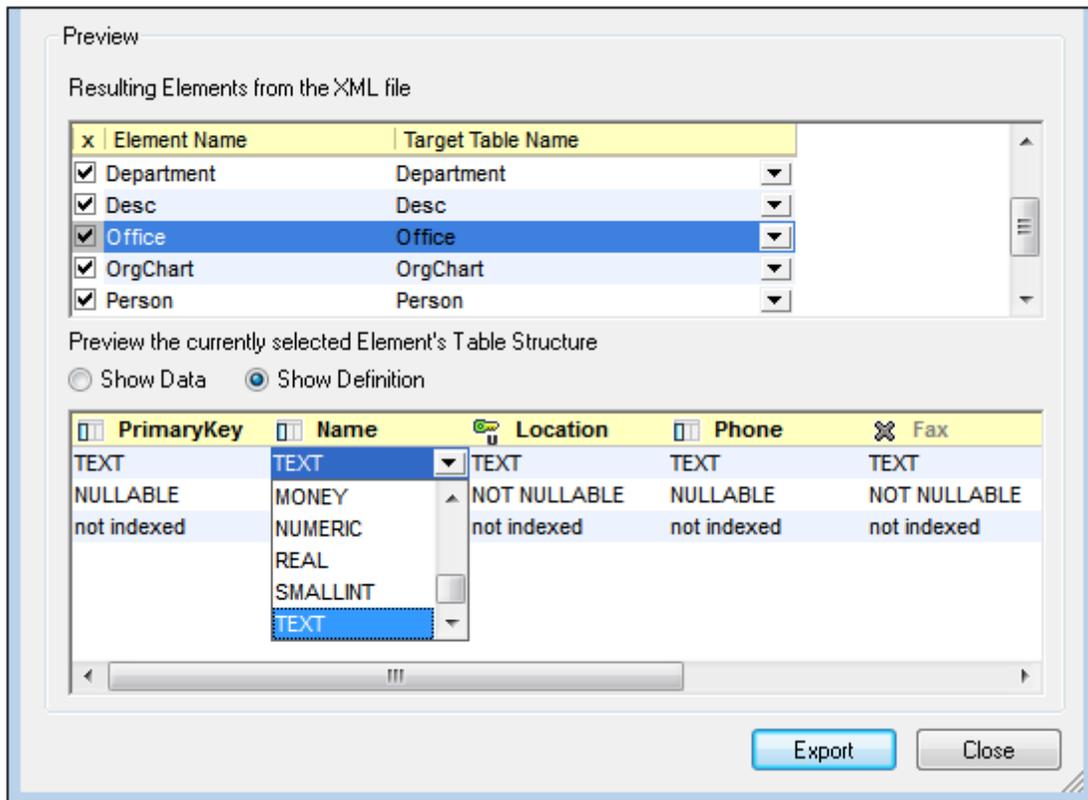
**Automatic fields:** XMLSpy will produce one output file or table for each element type selected. You can choose to automatically create primary/foreign key pairs to link your data in the relational model, or define a primary key for each element.

**Exclude namespace name:** Together with the *Replace Colon With Underscore* radio button this is an either/or choice. Specifies whether namespace prefixes of elements and attributes should be excluded or whether the colon in the namespace prefix should be replaced with an underscore.

**Apply Options:** After you have set options, click this button to apply the options. The preview in the preview pane will be updated with the new options.

## Preview window

The Preview window (*screenshot below*) is displayed below the Selection and Options tabs.



The *Resulting Elements from XML File* pane shows the name of the nodes in the XML document that will be exported and its corresponding name in the generated file. You can select/deselect nodes that will be exported. When an element is selected, a preview of its structure in the generated file is shown in a second pane below. This preview can be switched between a preview of: (i) data in the generated structure (*Show Data*); or (ii) definitions of each column in the generated structure (*Show Definition*). The screenshot above shows the column definitions.

In this second pane, clicking to the left of a column name cycles the column through four settings: (i) Include in table structure; (ii) Unique constraint; (iii) Primary Key constraint; (iv) Exclude from table structure. In the screenshot above, the `Location` column has a Unique constraint, while the `Fax` column has been excluded from the table structure. All the other columns are included in the table structure.

When the element's table structure shows field definitions (*Show Definition*), the definitions can be edited by selecting the definition and selecting an option from the definition's combo box (see *screenshot above*).

### 23.10.9 Convert XML Instance to/from JSON

If the active document is an XML document, this command generates a JSON document from it. If the active document is a JSON document, the command generates an XML document from it. The generated document is opened in a new window, and can then be saved to any location. Conversion options are described below. For more information about JSON and JSON editing support in XMLSpy, see the section [JSON and JSON Schema](#).

### Sample conversions

Given below is an example of a source XML document, and, below it, the JSON document generated by the **Convert XML Instance to/from JSON** command.

#### XML document

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Person first="Jim" last="James">
  <Address>
    <street>4 New Street</street>
    <city>New York</city>
    <state>NY</state>
    <code>10123</code>
  </Address>
  <Tel type="home">
    123 123-1234
  </Tel>
  <Tel type="office">
    123 987-9876
  </Tel>
</Person>
```

#### JSON document

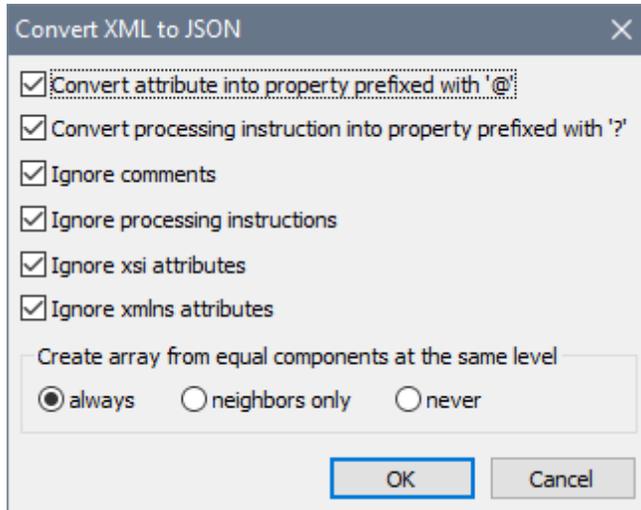
```
{
  "XML": {
    "version": 1.0,
    "encoding": "UTF-8"
  },
  "Person": {
    "first": "Jim",
    "last": "James",
    "Address": {
      "street": "4 New Street",
      "city": "New York",
      "state": "NY",
      "code": 10123
    },
    "Tel": [ { "type": "home",
      "Text": "\r      123 123-1234\r  " }, { "type": "office",
      "Text": "\r      123 987-9876\r  " } ]
  }
}
```

To convert a JSON document to XML, make the JSON document active and click the **Convert XML Instance to/from JSON** command.

#### XML to JSON conversion options

When you click the **Convert XML Instance to/from JSON** command to convert an XML instance

document to a JSON instance document, the Convert XML to JSON dialog (*screenshot below*) appears. Set the conversion options you want, and click **OK**. A JSON instance document will be generated from the XML instance, and the generated JSON document will be opened in a new window.



The first two options define whether prefixes should be added to JSON property names so that conflicts with elements at the same level are avoided. The two listings below explain this. The XML *attribute* `somenode` has been converted to the JSON property `@somenode`. In this way, a conflict with the JSON property `somenode` (created from the XML *element* `somenode`) is avoided.

#### XML instance

```
<root somenode="value">
  <somenode>content</somenode>
</root>
```

#### JSON instance

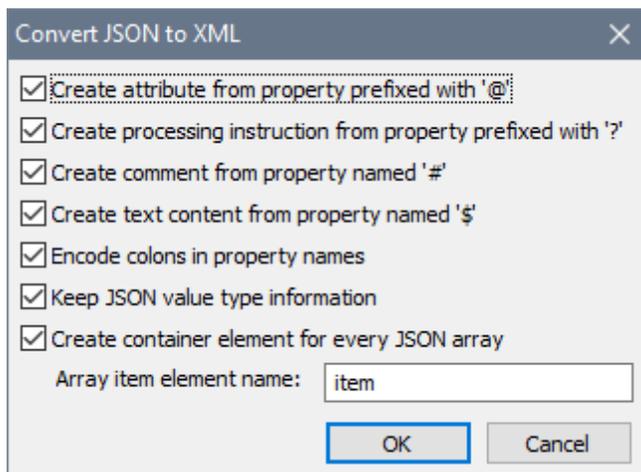
```
{
  "root": {
    "@somenode": "value",
    "somenode": "content"
  }
}
```

The next options enable you to specify whether certain types of XML nodes are to be converted or not. If XML comments are included they are given the name `"#"`. Text nodes (that typically occur in elements with mixed content) are given the name `"$"`. If an XML nodes has a namespace prefix, then the corresponding JSON name will be created with this namespace prefix. If elements with the same name exist at the same level, they are considered to be equal components. Similarly, nodes such as comments, processing instructions, and `text()` at the same level are also equal components. If equal components are present at the same level, you are able to choose whether to create an array or not. The options are whether to create the array out of all such equal

components, only neighboring equal components, or not to create an array at all.

### JSON to XML conversion options

When you click the **Convert XML Instance to/from JSON** command to convert a JSON instance document to an XML instance document, the Convert JSON to XML dialog (*screenshot below*) appears. Set the conversion options you want, and click **OK**. An XML instance document will be generated from the JSON instance, and the generated XML document will be opened in a new window.



Note the following points:

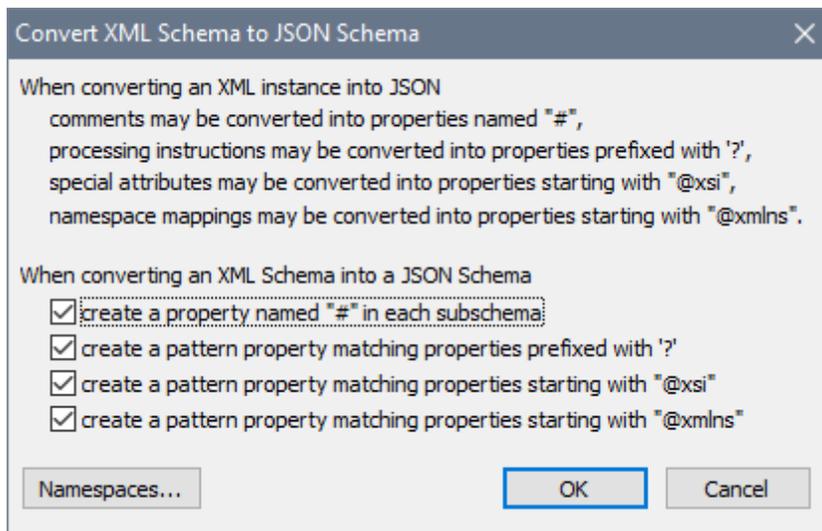
- JSON object properties are converted to XML elements. The first options in the dialog enable you to choose whether some types of properties are created or not.
- *Encode colons in property names*: If selected, colons in JSON names are encoded and not created as colons. If not selected, colons are left as is.
- *Keep JSON value type information*: If selected, a property's JSON type information is created as an attribute-value pair of the corresponding element.
- *Create container element for every JSON array*: The container element in the XML document will be given the name of the JSON array object. The items of the JSON array are created as XML elements within this container. Each is given the name you specify in the *Array item element name* text box.

### 23.10.10 Convert XML Schema to/from JSON Schema

If the active document is an XML Schema, this command generates a JSON schema document from the XML schema. If the active document is a JSON schema, the command generates an XML Schema from the JSON schema. The generated document is opened in a new window, and can then be saved to any location. Conversion options are described below. For more information about JSON and JSON editing support in XMLSpy, see the section [JSON and JSON Schema](#).

### XML Schema to JSON Schema conversion options

When you click the **Convert XML Schema to/from JSON Schema** command to convert an XML Schema document to a JSON schema, the Convert XML Schema to JSON Schema dialog (*screenshot below*) appears. Set the conversion options you want, and click **OK**. A JSON schema will be generated from the XML Schema, and the generated document will be opened in a new window.

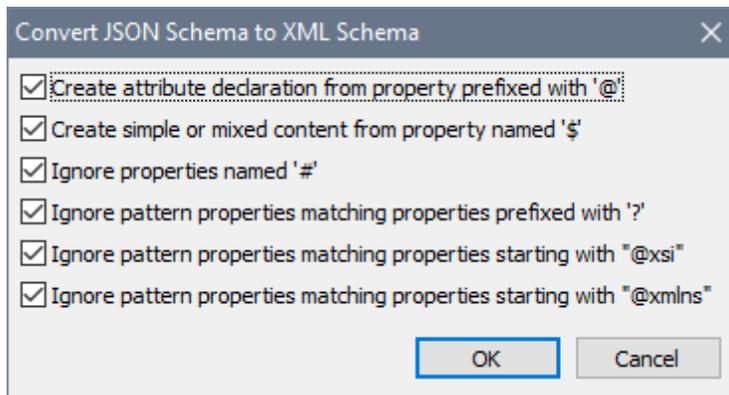


The top part of the dialog provides information about how certain XML Schema components are converted. The bottom part of the dialog provides the following options:

- *Create a property named "# in each subschema*: If selected, a property with this name is created in each JSON schema definition.
- *Create pattern properties matching properties prefixed with '?', "@xsi", "@xmlns"*: Specifies, for each of these prefixes, a pattern property to match properties with names that have these prefixes. For more information about pattern properties, see the section [JSON Objects and Properties](#).

### JSON Schema to XML Schema conversion options

When you click the **Convert XML Schema to/from JSON Schema** command to convert a JSON Schema document to an XML schema, the Convert JSON Schema to XML Schema dialog (*screenshot below*) appears. Set the conversion options you want, and click **OK**. An XML schema will be generated from the JSON Schema, and the generated document will be opened in a new window.

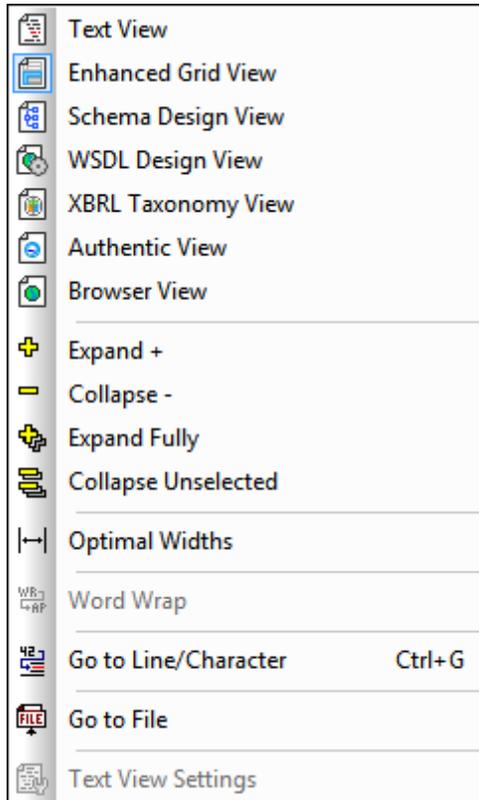


You can select the following options:

- Whether JSON property names that begin with '@' and '\$' are created or not. They would be created, respectively, as attribute nodes and text nodes.
- Whether properties named '#' are created, as XML comment nodes, or not.
- Whether pattern properties that match properties prefixed with '?', "@xsi", and/or "@xmlns" are ignored or not. If not ignored, then the properties prefixed with '?', "@xsi", and "@xmlns" are converted, respectively, to processing instructions, xsi: prefixed attributes, and xmlns: prefixed attributes.

## 23.11 View Menu

The **View** menu (*screenshot below*) controls the display of the active [Main window](#) and allows you to change the way the document is displayed.



This section provides a description of commands in the **View** menu.

### 23.11.1 Text View



This command switches the current view of the document to [Text View](#), which enables you to edit the document in its text form. It supports a number of advanced text editing features, described in detail in [Text View](#) section of this document.

**Note:** You can configure aspects of Text View in various tabs of the Options dialog ([Tools | Options](#)).

### 23.11.2 Enhanced Grid View



This command switches the current document into [Grid View](#). If the previous view was [Text View](#), the document is automatically checked for well-formedness.

ipo:purchaseOrder	
xmlns:xsi	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance
xmlns:ipo	http://www.altova.com/IPO
orderDate	1999-12-01
xsi:schema...	http://www.altova.com/IPO/ipo.xsd
shipTo export-code=1 xsitype=ipo:EU-Address	
billTo	
xsi:type	ipo:US-Address
name	Robert Smith
street	8 Oak Avenue
city	Old Town
state	AK
zip	95819

### Table View

XMLSpy allows you to display recurring elements in a [table structure](#) in Grid View. This function is available wherever the Grid View can be activated, and can be used when editing any type of XML file: XML, XSD, XSLT, etc. For more information, see the [Grid View](#) section of this documentation.

## 23.11.3 Schema Design View



This command switches the current document, if it is an XML Schema document, to Schema Design View. For a detailed description of mechanisms available in this view, see the [Schema View](#) section of this documentation.

## 23.11.4 WSDL Design View



This command switches the current document, if it is a WSDL document (having a `.wsdl` file extension) to WSDL Design View. This view is described in detail in the [WSDL View](#) section of this documentation.

## 23.11.5 XBRL Taxonomy View



This command switches the current document to XBRL Taxonomy View if the document is an XBRL taxonomy document (having a `.xsd` file extension). Note that XBRL instance documents, which are XML files and have `.xml` suffixes, must be edited as normal XML files in other editing views and cannot be edited in XBRL Taxonomy View. For more information, see the [XBRL View](#) section of this documentation.

## 23.11.6 Authentic View



This command switches the current document to [Authentic View](#).

Authentic View enables you to edit XML documents based on StyleVision Power Stylesheet templates created in Altova's StyleVision application. These templates (StyleVision stylesheets or SPS files) display XML documents in a graphical format that makes editing the XML document easier (than editing it in a text format with markup).

If an XML document is associated with an SPS file ([Authentic | Assign a StyleVision Stylesheet](#)), the XML document can be viewed in Authentic View. You can also open an SPS file as a new empty template in Authentic View, in one of two ways:

- Select the **File | New** command and then click the **Select a StyleVision stylesheet** button.
- Select the **Authentic | New Document** command and then browse for the SPS file.

See the [Authentic View](#) and StyleVision documentation for more information.

### 23.11.7 Browser View



This command switches the current document to [Browser View](#). An XML-enabled browser renders the XML document using information from available CSS and/or XSL stylesheets.

When switching to Browser View, the document is first checked for validity if the *Validate upon saving* option in the [File tab of the Options dialog](#) (**Tools | Options**) is checked. For more information, see the [Browser View](#) section of this documentation.

### 23.11.8 Expand



This command (*shortcut*: numeric pad '+') is enabled in Grid View and expands the selected element one level. The element remains selected after expansion, so you can expand the element additional levels by repeatedly clicking the shortcut '+' key.

### 23.11.9 Collapse



This command (*shortcut*: numeric pad '-') is enabled in Grid View and collapses the selected element one level. You can expand or collapse any element by clicking the gray bar to the left of the element.

### 23.11.10 Expand Fully



This command (*shortcut*: \* or x on the numeric keypad) is enabled in Grid View and in Text View if the Text View folding margin is active. It expands all descendant nodes of the selected element.

### 23.11.11 Collapse Unselected



This command (shortcut: **Ctrl** + numeric pad '-') is enabled in Grid View and keeps the selected item uncollapsed while collapsing all other items. This helps maximize focus on one element and its children while reducing the focus on other nodes.

### 23.11.12 Optimal Widths



This command is enabled in Grid View and adjusts the widths of all columns in Grid View so that each column has a width that exactly accommodates in one line the longest text string in any of its cells. A maximum optimal width can be specified in the View tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**). Note that optimal widths are calculated on the basis of the visible cells of columns. This enables the optimization of the view when individual elements are collapsed or expanded.

### 23.11.13 Word Wrap

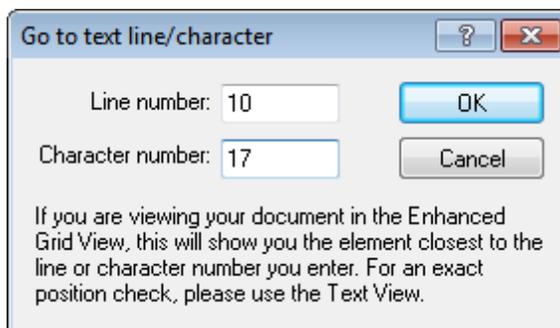


This command enables or disables word wrapping in Text View. When word-wrapping is toggled on, text will wrap at the window's edge.

### 23.11.14 Go to Line/Character



This command (*shortcut*: **Ctrl+g**) is enabled in Text View and Grid View. It pops up a dialog (*screenshot below*) in which you can enter the line number and character number to go to. In Text View, the cursor will jump to the position you entered. In Grid View, the node closest to the line and/or character number you entered will be highlighted.



This feature is useful when you need to quickly navigate to a location, for example, when the location of an error is given in an error message.

### 23.11.15 Go to File

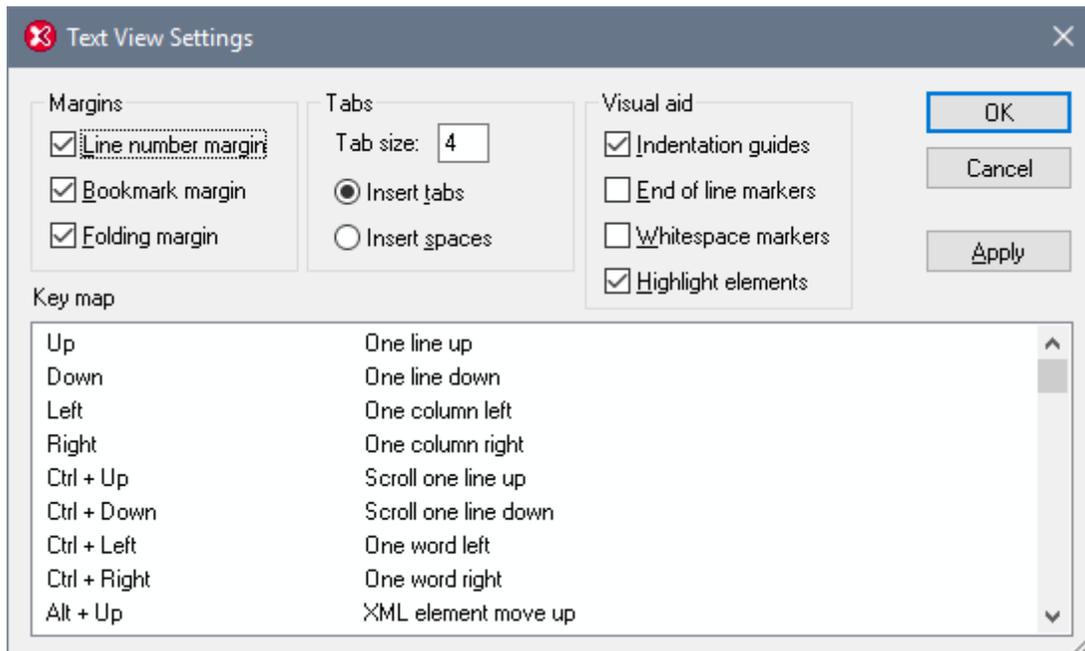


This command is enabled in Text View and Grid View. When the cursor is placed inside text that references a file (in Text View) or in a node (in Grid View) that contains text referencing a file, the referenced document is opened. It opens a document that is being referred to, from within the file you are currently editing.

### 23.11.16 Text View Settings



The **Text View Settings** command is enabled in Text View. It opens the Text View Settings dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can configure Text View. A shortcut icon is available in the Text toolbar.



#### Margins

In the Margins pane, the Line Number, Bookmark, and Source Folding margins can be toggled on and off. These are separate margins and display, respectively, line numbers, bookmarks, and source folding (icons to expand and collapse nodes). These settings determine whether the margins are displayed in Text View or not. Bookmark commands are in the **Edit** menu. To expand and collapse nodes, the Folding margin must be toggled on.

#### Tabs

The Tab pane enables you to set the tab size in terms of spaces. The radio buttons for inserting either tabs or spaces determine whether documents are displayed with tab or space indentation when pretty-printing with indentation is toggled on in the [View tab of the Options dialog \(Tools |](#)

[Options](#)).

### **Visual Aid**

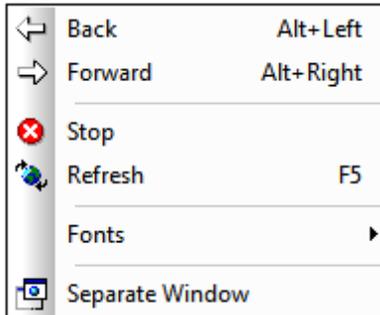
The Visual Aid pane contains settings to toggle on indentation guides (dotted vertical lines that show the indentation of the text), end-of-line markers, and whitespace markers. The *Highlight elements* option enables element names in corresponding start and end tags to be highlighted in different colors according to whether the names match or not. The highlight colors can be set in the [Options dialog](#).

### **Key map**

The key map is a list of XMLSpy shortcuts and their associated commands.

## 23.12 Browser Menu

The commands in the **Browser** menu are enabled in [Browser View](#) only. The **Back** and **Forward** commands, however, is enabled in Schema View also, where it takes you to the previously used command.



### 23.12.1 Back



The **Back** command (*shortcut: Alt + Left arrow*) is enabled in Browser View and Schema View.

In Browser View, the **Back** command displays the previously viewed page. The **Backspace** key achieves the same effect. The command is useful if you click a link in your XML document and then want to return to your XML document.

In Schema View, the **Back** command takes you to the previously viewed component or view. It can take you back to up to 500 previously viewed positions.

### 23.12.2 Forward



The **Forward** command (*shortcut: Alt + Right arrow*) is enabled in Browser View. In Schema View it is enabled only after you have used the **Back** command. The **Forward** command moves you forward through (i) previously viewed pages in Browser View, and (ii) previous views of schema components in Schema View.

### 23.12.3 Stop



The **Stop** command is enabled in Browser View and instructs the browser to stop loading your document. This is useful if large external files or graphics are being downloaded over a slow Internet connection, and you wish to stop the process.

### 23.12.4 Refresh



The **Refresh (F5)** command is enabled in Browser View and updates Browser View by reloading the current document and documents related to the current document (such as CSS and XSL stylesheets, and DTDs).

### 23.12.5 Fonts

The **Fonts** command rolls out a sub-menu from which you can select the default font size for rendering the text of your XML document. The selection is available in Browser View only.

### 23.12.6 Separate Window

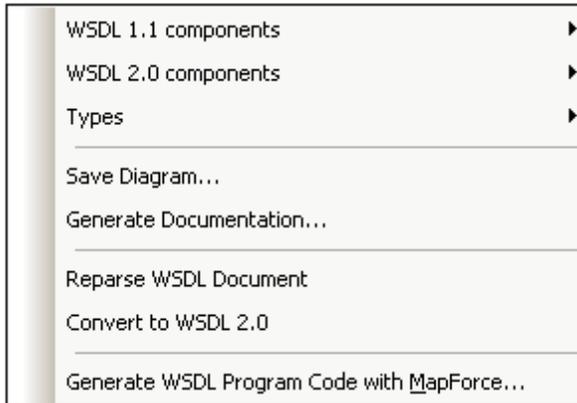


The **Separate Window** command is enabled in Browser View and undocks the Browser View of the document from the other views. As a separate window, Browser View can be displayed side-by-side with an editing view of the document.

To refresh the separated Browser View after making a change in an editing view, press **F5** in the editing view. To dock a separate Browser View window back into the window containing the other views, make the Browser View window active and click the **Separate Window** command.

## 23.13 WSDL Menu

The commands in the **WSDL** menu are available when viewing a WSDL document in [WSDL View](#), which is graphical editor for creating and editing WSDL documents..



For a description of WSDL View, see the section [WSDL View](#). To get started with WSDL, see the [WSDL Tutorial](#).

**See also:** More information about working with WSDL documents is available in the sections, [WSDL View](#) and [WSDL Tutorial](#).

### 23.13.1 WSDL 1.1 Components

Mousing over the **WSDL 1.1 Components** menu item scrolls out a submenu (*screenshot below*) from which various commands for editing WSDL 1.1 components can be selected.



Each item of the WSDL 1.1 menu (*screenshot above*) rolls out its own submenu, from which commands relating to that component can be selected. The commands in each of these submenus are described in the subsections of this section.

#### Messages

##### Insert message

Adds a new message to the WSDL document. The Messages item in the Overview entry helper opens, and the newly created message is highlighted there.

##### Delete message

Deletes the selected message from the input or output element.

**Add message part (parameter)**

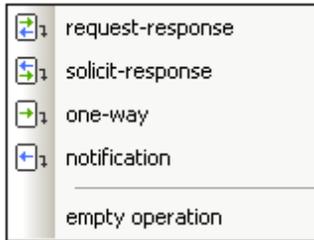
Adds a message part (parameter) to the selected message.

**Delete message part (parameter)**

Deletes a message part (parameter) from the selected message.

**Operations****Append Operation**

Appends a new operation to the selected PortType. The type of operation to be appended can be selected from the submenu (*screenshot below*) of the **Append Operation** menu command.

**Delete Operation**

Deletes the selected PortType operation.

**Add Input Element**

Adds an input element to the selected PortType operation.

**Add Output Element**

Adds an output element to the selected PortType operation.

**Add Fault Element**

Adds a Fault element to the selected PortType operation.

**Delete Input/Output/Fault Element**

Deletes the selected PortType input, output or fault element.

**Add New Message to Input/Output/Fault Element**

Adds a new (default) message, to the currently selected PortType input, output, or fault element.

**PortType****Insert PortType**

Adds a new PortType to the PortTypes column of the Main Window.

**Delete PortType**

Deletes the selected PortType from the PortTypes column of the Main Window.

**Binding****Insert Binding**

Adds a new binding to the Bindings column of the Main Window.

**Delete Binding**

Deletes the selected binding from the Bindings column of the Main Window.

### Append Child

Enables the addition of a new extensibility element to an input or output message. If the menu item is unavailable, it is not allowed in this position. See the W3C WSDL Specs for more information on Extensibility items.

The following extensibility items are available:

- soap:body
- soap:header
- soap:headerfault
- soap:fault
- mime:content
- mime:multipartrelated
- mime:part
- mime:mimeXml
- http:urlencoded
- http:urlreplacement

### Delete Extensibility

Deletes the selected extensibility item.

## Service

### Insert Service

Adds a new service in the Services column of the Main Window.

### Delete Service

Deletes the selected service in the Services column of the Main Window.

### Insert Port

Adds a new port to the selected service in the Services column of the Main Window.

### Delete Port

Deletes the selected port from the currently selected service.

## 23.13.2 WSDL 2.0 Components

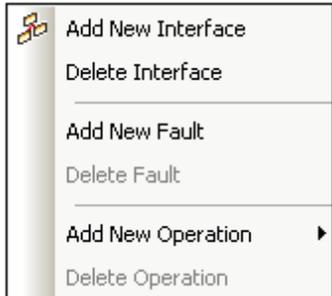
Mousing over the **WSDL 2.0 Components** menu item scrolls out a submenu (*screenshot below*) from which various commands for editing WSDL 2.0 components can be selected.



Each item of the WSDL 2.0 Components menu (*screenshot above*) rolls out its own submenu, from which commands relating to that component can be selected. The commands in each of these submenus are described in the subsections of this section.

## Interface

The following commands are available in the **Interface** menu (*screenshot below*).



### Add new interface

Adds a new interface box to the Interfaces column of the Main Window. The default name of the interface is highlighted in the interface box, enabling you to enter a new name directly.

### Delete interface

Deletes the selected interface.

### Add new fault

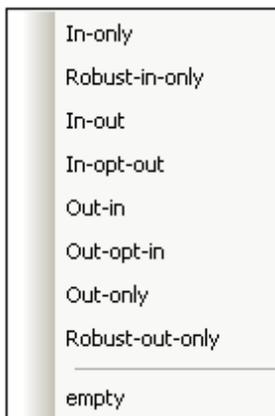
Adds a new `fault` element to the selected interface. The default name of the `fault` is highlighted in the interface box, enabling you to enter a new name directly.

### Delete fault

Deletes the selected fault.

### Add new operation

Adds a new `operation` element to the selected interface. The type of operation to be added is selected from the pop-out menu (*screenshot below*), and may be one of the operation types shown in the screenshot.



The default name of the `operation` is highlighted in the interface box, enabling you to enter a new

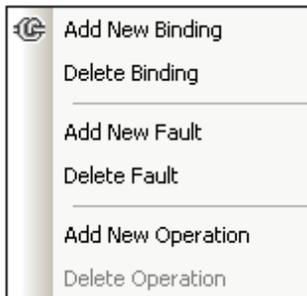
name directly.

### Delete operation

Deletes the selected operation.

## Binding

The following commands are available in the **Binding** menu (*screenshot below*).



### Add new binding

Adds a new binding box to the Bindings column of the Main Window. The default name of the binding is highlighted in the binding box, enabling you to enter a new name directly.

### Delete binding

Deletes the selected binding.

### Add new fault

Adds a new `fault` element to the selected binding. A `fault` element in a binding contains a `ref` attribute that references a fault declared in an interface. In the newly created fault in the binding, the interface fault that is to be referenced can be selected from the combo box of the newly created fault.

### Delete fault

Deletes the selected fault.

### Add new operation

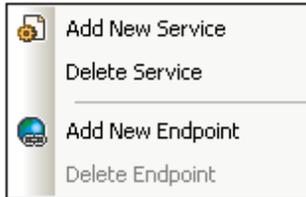
Adds a new `operation` element to the selected binding. An `operation` element in a binding contains a `ref` attribute that references an operation declared in an interface. In the newly created operation in the binding, the interface operation that is to be referenced can be selected from the combo box of the newly created binding operation.

### Delete operation

Deletes the selected operation.

## Service

The following commands are available in the **Service** menu (*screenshot below*).



### Add new service

Adds a new service box to the Services column of the Main Window. The default name of the service is highlighted in the service box, enabling you to enter a new name directly. The interface reference can be selected from the combo box for the *Interface* property.

### Delete service

Deletes the selected service.

### Add new endpoint

Adds a new *endpoint* element to the selected service. The default name of the endpoint is highlighted in the service box, enabling you to enter a new name directly. The binding reference can be selected from the combo box for the *Binding* property. The address of the endpoint must be entered in the field for the *Address* property

### Delete endpoint

Deletes the selected endpoint.

## 23.13.3 Types, Save Diagram

The **Types** menu item has a sub-menu containing the following commands. These are described below.

- **New Schema**
- **Embed Schema**
- **Extract Schema(s)**
- **Edit Schema(s) in Schema View**

The **Save Diagram** command saves the design diagram as a PNG file.

### Types | New Schema

This option only becomes active if the WSDL file does not contain a schema element. Please note that when using the **File | New** menu option, a schema element is included in the skeleton WSDL file. The menu item cannot be selected in this case (see below).

```
<types>
```

```
<xs:schema/>
```

</types>

### Types | Embed Schema

The command pops up an Open-File dialog, in which you can browse for the schema file you wish to embed. On clicking **OK** in the dialog, the schema is created as an inline schema within the `types` element. If the selected schema has already been imported, you will be prompted about whether you wish to embed the already imported schema. If you choose to embed the imported schema, it will be converted to an inline schema within the `types` element.

### Types | Extract Schema(s)

On selecting this command, each of the embedded schemas (defined inline within the `types` element) is opened as a temporary file in Schema View and a Save As dialog pops up for each file. If you choose to save a schema file, the schema will be extracted from the WSDL file, saved to the location you specify, and then imported into the WSDL file. It will no longer be an embedded schema, but an external, imported schema.

### Types | Edit Schema(s) in Schema View

Opens a skeleton schema file if the WSDL file does not contain a reference to a specific schema. This is the case if you have used the **File | New** menu option. If a reference to a specific schema exists, then the schema opens in the embedded Schema View of the graphical WSDL editor.

## 23.13.4 Generate Documentation

The **WSDL | Generate Documentation** command generates detailed documentation of the current WSDL file. You can output the documentation as an HTML, MS Word, RTF, or PDF file. The documentation generated by this command can be freely altered and used; permission from Altova to do so is not required. Documentation is generated for components you select in the WSDL Documentation dialog (which appears when you select the Generate Documentation command). Related components are hyperlinked in the onscreen output, enabling you to navigate from component to component. Note that WSDL documentation can also be generated for **imported WSDL and XML Schema files**. The various documentation-generation options are described in the section, [Documentation Options](#).

**Note:** In order to generate documentation in MS Word format, you must have MS Word (version 2000 or later) installed.

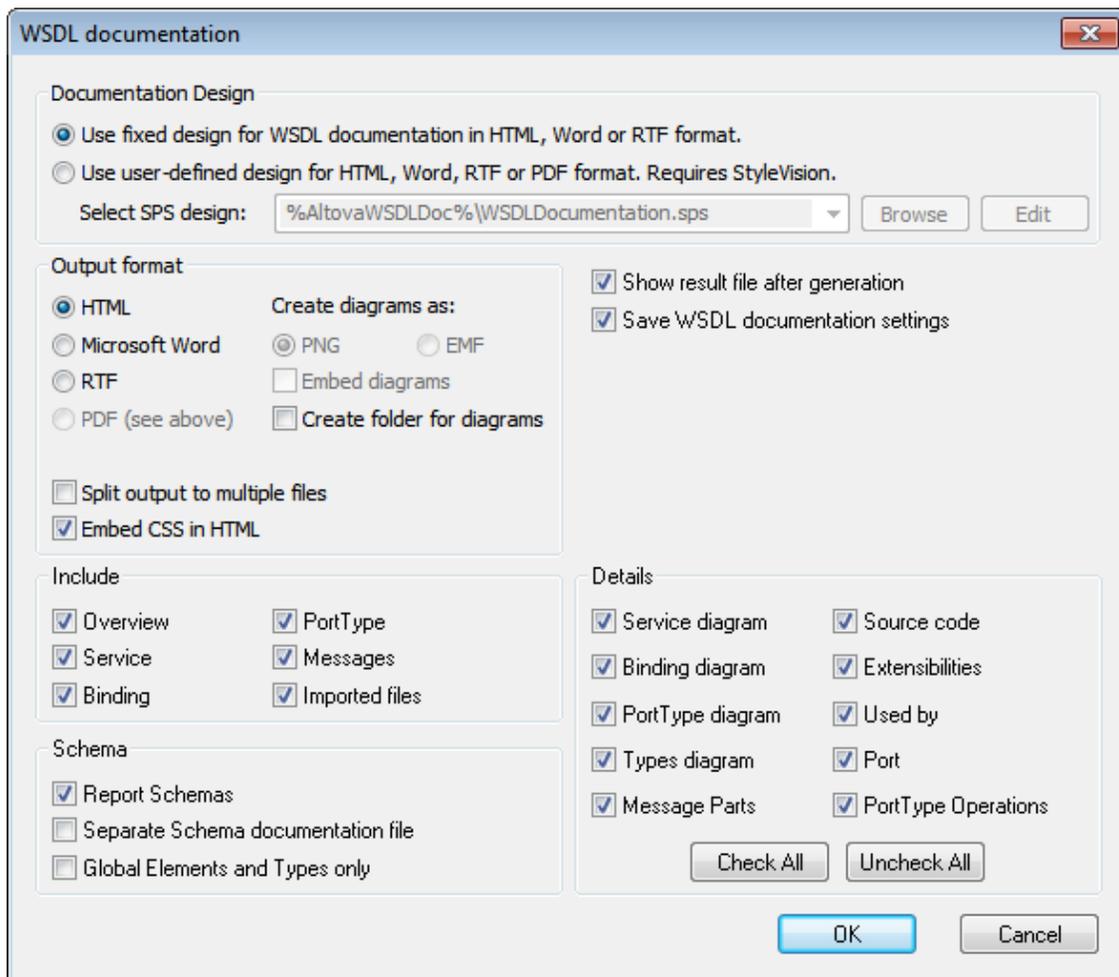
You can either use XMLSpy's fixed design for the generated document, or you can use a StyleVision SPS for the design. Using a StyleVision SPS enables you to customize the design of the generated documentation. How to do this is explained in the section, [User-Defined Design](#).

**Note:** In order to use an SPS to generate WSDL documentation, you must have StyleVision installed on your machine.

## Documentation Options

The **WSDL | Generate Documentation** command pops up the WSDL Documentation dialog (screenshot below), in which you can select options for the documentation.

In the Documentation Design pane of the dialog you can select whether to use the fixed XMLSpy design for the generated documentation or whether to use a customized design created in a StyleVision SPS. Select the option you want. Note that PDF output is available only for documentation generated with a StyleVision SPS, not for documentation generated using a fixed design. How to work with a user-defined design is described in the section, [User-Defined Design](#).



The other options in the WSDL Documentation dialog are explained below. Depending on whether a WSDL 1.1 document or a WSDL 2.0 document is active, the items in the Include and Details pane of the dialog will be different. The screenshot above shows the WSDL Documentation dialog for a WSDL 1.1 document.

- The required format is specified in the Output Format pane: either HTML, Microsoft Word, RTF, or PDF. (The PDF output format is only available if you use a StyleVision SPS to generate the documentation.) On clicking **OK**, you will be prompted for the name of the output file and the location to which it should be saved.
- Microsoft Word documents are created with the `.doc` file extension when generated using a fixed design, and with a `.docx` file extension when generated using a StyleVision SPS.

- The documentation can be generated either as a single file or be split into multiple files. When multiple files are generated, each file corresponds to a component. What components are included in the output is specified using the check boxes in the Include pane. In fixed designs, links between multiple documents are created automatically.
- For HTML output, the CSS style definitions can be either saved in a separate CSS file or embedded in the HTML file (in the `<head>` element). If a separate CSS file is created, it will be given the same name as the HTML file, but will have a `.css` extension. Check or uncheck the *Embed CSS in HTML* check box to set the required option.
- The *Embed Diagrams* option is enabled for the MS Word, RTF, and PDF output options. When this option is checked, diagrams are embedded in the result file, either in PNG or EMF format. Otherwise diagrams are created as PNG or EMF files, which are displayed in the result file via object links.
- When the output is HTML, all diagrams are created as document-external PNG files. If the *Create folder for diagrams* check box is checked, then a folder will be created in the same folder as the HTML file, and the PNG files will be saved inside it. This folder will have a name of the format `HTMLFilename_diagrams`. If the *Create folder for diagrams* check box is unchecked, the PNG files will be saved in the same folder as the HTML file.
- In the Include pane, you select which items you want to include in the documentation. The *Overview* option lists all components, organized by component type, at the top of the file. If the *Imported Files (WSDL 1.1)* or *Imported/Included Files (WSDL 2.0)* option is checked, then components in imported files (as well as included files in the case of WSDL 2.0) are included in the schema documentation.
- In the Schema pane, you can select whether schemas in the file are reported or not. If you choose to have schemas reported, you can further choose: (i) whether the schema documentation should be reported in a separate file or in the main documentation file, and (ii) whether the full schema should be reported or only global elements, simple types, and complex types.
- The Details pane lists the details that may be included for each component. Select the details you wish to include in the documentation. The **Check All** and **Uncheck All** buttons enable you to quickly select or deselect all the options in the pane.
- The *Show Result File* option is enabled for all output options. When this option is checked, the result files are displayed in Browser View (HTML output), MS Word (MS Word output), and the default applications for `.rtf` files (RTF output) and `.pdf` files (PDF output).

### Parameter values

If the StyleVision SPS contains one or more parameter definitions, then on clicking **OK**, a dialog pops up listing all the parameters defined in the SPS. You can enter parameter values in this dialog to override the default parameter values that were assigned in the SPS.

### User-Defined Design

Instead of the fixed standard XMLSpy design, you can create a customized design for the WSDL documentation. The customized design is created in a StyleVision SPS, which is a design template for the output document.

### Creating the SPS

A StyleVision Power Stylesheet (or SPS) is created using [Altova's StyleVision](#) product. An SPS for generating WSDL documentation must be based on an XML Schema that specifies the structure of the WSDL documentation. Two schemas, one for WSDL 1.1 and the second for WSDL 2.0, are delivered with your XMLSpy package. They are, respectively,

WSDLDocumentation.xsd and WSDL20Documentation.xsd, located respectively in the folders of the [\(My Documents\) folder](#):

- C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Documentation\WSDL.
- C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Documentation\WSDL20.

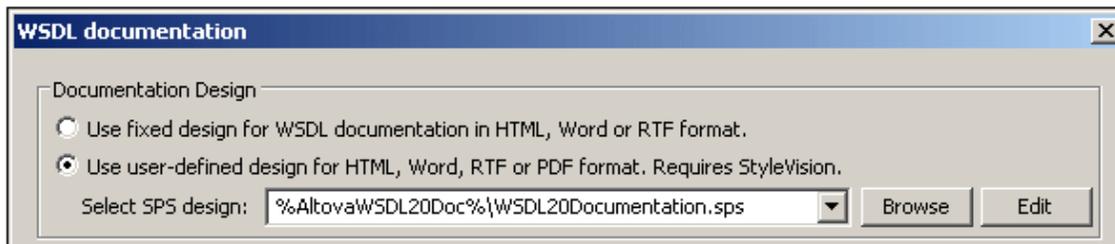
When creating the SPS design in StyleVision, nodes from the schema are placed in the design template and assigned styles and properties. Additional components, like links, tables and images, can also be added to the SPS design. In this way, the entire output document can be designed in the SPS. How to create an SPS design in StyleVision is described in detail in the StyleVision user manual.

The advantage of using an SPS for generating WSDL documentation is that you have complete control over the SPS design. Note also that PDF output of the WSDL documentation is available only if a user-defined SPS is used; PDF output is not available if the fixed XMLSpy design is used.

### Specifying the SPS to use for WSDL documentation

After an SPS has been created, it can be used to generate WSDL documentation. The SPS you wish to use for generating the WSDL documentation is selected in the WSDL Documentation dialog (accessed via the **WSDL | Generate Documentation** command). In the Documentation Design pane of this dialog (*screenshot below*), select the *Use User-Defined Design* radio button. You can then click the **Browse** button and browse for the SPS you want. Click the dialog's **OK** button, and, in the Save dialog that pops up, select the folder for, and enter the name of, the output file.

**Note:** The SPS file must correctly locate the schema on which it is based: WSDLDocumentation.xsd or WSDL20Documentation.xsd (*see above*).



Two editable SPS designs, one each for WSDL 1.1 and WSDL 2.0, are delivered with XMLSpy. They are, respectively, in the WSDL and WSDL20 sub-folders of the [\(My Documents\) folder](#): C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2011\Documentation\ . They are named:

- WSDL\WSDLDocumentation.sps
- WSDL20\WSDL20Documentation.sps

These files, together with other SPS files you have recently browsed for, will be available in the combo box of the *Use User-Defined* option (*see screenshot above*).

Clicking the **Edit** button in the Documentation Design pane launches StyleVision and opens the selected SPS in a StyleVision window. In order to preview the result document in StyleVision, you

will need a Working XML file. Sample XML files for this purpose, called `TimeService.xml` and `TimeService20.xml`, are supplied with your application and are located in the [\(My Documents\) folder](#):

```
C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016
\Documentation\WSDL(20)\SampleData
```

**Note:** In order to use an SPS to generate WSDL documentation, you must have StyleVision installed on your machine.

### 23.13.5 Reparse WSDL Document

Reparses the document. This is required in some situations, for example, when a schema associated with the WSDL document has been modified. Reparsing the WSDL document will update it with information from the modified schema document.

### 23.13.6 Convert to WSDL 2.0

The **Convert to WSDL 2.0** command is enabled only when a WSDL 1.1 is active in WSDL View. It generates a WSDL 2.0 document from the active WSDL 1.1 document. Clicking this command pops up a File Save dialog, in which you can specify the location and name of the WSDL 2.0 file that will be generated by XMLSpy.

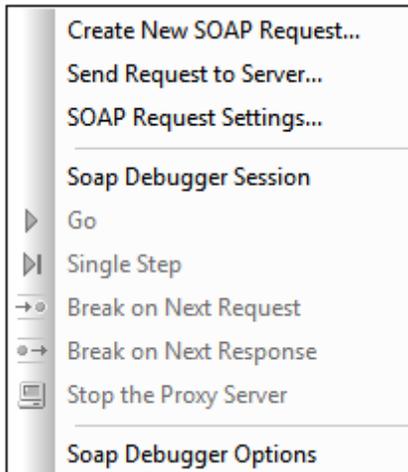
On clicking **OK** in the File Save dialog, a WSDL 2.0 document is generated and saved to the specified location, and opened in WSDL View in a new tab. The file can then be edited as required, just like any other WSDL 2.0 document.

### 23.13.7 Generate WSDL Program Code with MapForce

The **Generate WSDL Program Code with MapForce** command launches Altova's MapForce if the application is installed. MapForce enables you to map a schema to another DTD, XML Schema, or database, to generate XML, and to generate program code from the WSDL file.

## 23.14 SOAP Menu

XMLSpy supports SOAP versions 1.1 and 1.2, and WSDL versions 1.1 and 2.0.



The [SOAP: How To](#) section that follows the menu descriptions, shows you how to use the SOAP debugger using the **nanonull.com timeservice** server supplied by Altova. Please use this service to test the SOAP debugger. The AirportWeather web service, described on the following pages, might not always be available to you.

Use the SOAP functionality:

- To test your web services without having to implement client applications
- For quick testing of third party web services

For more info on these specifications please see:

SOAP <http://www.w3.org/TR/SOAP/>

WSDL <http://www.w3.org/TR/wsd/>

### 23.14.1 Create New SOAP Request

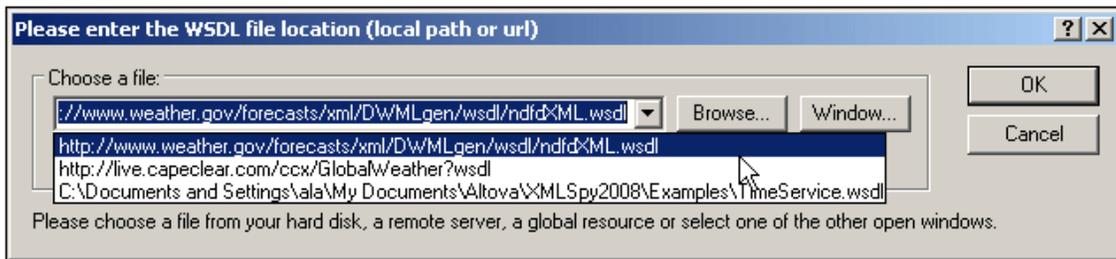
This command creates a new SOAP request document. It involves the following steps:

1. [Enter the WSDL file location and connect to the SOAP server.](#)
2. The server responds with a list of operations. [Select the SOAP operation you want.](#)
3. The server responds with a SOAP Request form in XML format. [Define the SOAP Request form.](#)

We demonstrate the process below by creating a SOAP request for the US National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD) SOAP Service (<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/xml/>).

#### Connecting to the SOAP server

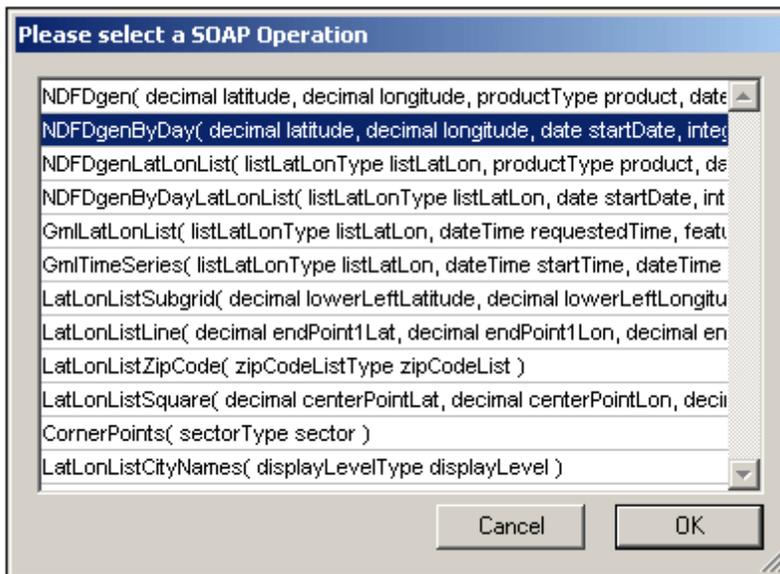
The connection is made via a WSDL file. In our example, the URI of the WSDL file is: <http://www.weather.gov/forecasts/xml/DWMLgen/wsd/ndfdXML.wsdl>. To make the connection, click the **Create New SOAP Request** command, and enter the file URI in the dialog that appears (*screenshot below*).



Click **OK** to confirm the selection.

### Select the required SOAP operation

The server responds with a list of operation which are displayed in a dialog (*screenshot below*).



Select an operation and click **OK**. We selected the `NDFDgenByDay` operation.

### Define the SOAP Request

The server responds by sending an XML file, which is displayed in the Text View of XMLSpy. For the operation we selected, we received the following XML file.

```
<SOAP-ENV:Envelope xmlns:SOAP-ENV="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
xmlns:SOAP-ENC="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/" xmlns:xsi="http://
www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
xmlns:m0="http://www.weather.gov/forecasts/xml/DWMLgen/schema/DWML.xsd">
  <SOAP-ENV:Body>
    <m:NDFDgenByDay xmlns:m="http://www.weather.gov/forecasts/xml/
DWMLgen/wsd/ndfdXML.wsd"
      SOAP-ENV:encodingStyle="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/">
      <latitude xsi:type="xsd:decimal">0.0</latitude>
      <longitude xsi:type="xsd:decimal">0.0</longitude>
      <startDate xsi:type="xsd:date">1967-08-13</startDate>
      <numDays xsi:type="xsd:integer">0</numDays>
      <format xsi:type="m0:formatType">String</format>
```

```

        </m:NDFDgenByDay>
    </SOAP-ENV:Body>
</SOAP-ENV:Envelope>

```

We filled in the parameters as required by the XML (*in bold below*):

```

<SOAP-ENV:Body>
  <m:NDFDgenByDay xmlns:m="http://www.weather.gov/forecasts/xml/DWMLgen/
wsdl/ndfdXML.wsdl"
    SOAP-ENV:encodingStyle="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/">
    <latitude xsi:type="xsd:decimal">45</latitude>
    <longitude xsi:type="xsd:decimal">-90</longitude>
    <startDate xsi:type="xsd:date">2009-10-13</startDate>
    <numDays xsi:type="xsd:integer">1</numDays>
    <format xsi:type="m0:formatType">24 hourly</format>
  </m:NDFDgenByDay>
</SOAP-ENV:Body>

```

This completes the **definition** of this SOAP request. In the next step, we shall [send the request](#).

### 23.14.2 Send Request to Server

This command sends a SOAP request to the SOAP server. The SOAP request is an XML document. It must be the active document in XMLSpy when the command is selected. How to define a SOAP request is described in the description of the command [Create New SOAP Request](#).

After the SOAP request is sent, a response is received from the SOAP server. This response is an XML document, which is displayed in the Text View of XMLSpy. For example, show below is a screenshot of the XML document that was returned in response to the SOAP request we defined in the section [Create New SOAP Request](#).

```

1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
2  <SOAP-ENV:Envelope SOAP-ENV:encodingStyle="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/" xmlns:SOAP-ENC="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/" xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" SOAP-ENC:root="true">
3    <SOAP-ENV:Body>
4      <ns1:NDFDgenByDayResponse xmlns:ns1="http://www.weather.gov/forecasts/xml/DWMLgen/wsdl/1.0" xsi:type="ns1:NDFDgenByDayResponse">
5        <dwmlByDayOut xsi:type="xsd:string"><?xml version="1.0"?>
6          <dwml version="1.0" xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="http://www.nws.noaa.gov/forecasts/xml/DWMLgen/schema/DWML.xsd">
7            <head>
8              <location key="point1">
9                <point latitude="45.00" longitude="-90.00"/>
10             </location>
11             <moreWeatherInformation applicable-location="point1">
12               http://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?textField1=45.00&amp;textfield2=-90.00
13             </moreWeatherInformation>
14             <time-layout time-coordinate="local" summarization="24hourly">
15             </time-layout>
16             <time-layout time-coordinate="local" summarization="12hourly">
17             </time-layout>
18             <parameters applicable-location="point1">
19               <temperature type="maximum" units="Fahrenheit" time-layout="k-p24h-n1-1">
20                 <name>Daily Maximum Temperature</name>
21                 <value>45</value>
22               </temperature>
23               <probability-of-precipitation type="12 hour" units="percent" time-layout="k-p12h-n2-2">
24                 <name>12 Hourly Probability of Precipitation</name>
25                 <value>14</value>
26                 <value xsi:nil="true"/>
27               </probability-of-precipitation>
28             </parameters>
29           </dwml>
30         </dwmlByDayOut>
31       </ns1:NDFDgenByDayResponse>
32     </SOAP-ENV:Body>
33 </SOAP-ENV:Envelope>

```

### Saving and reusing a SOAP request

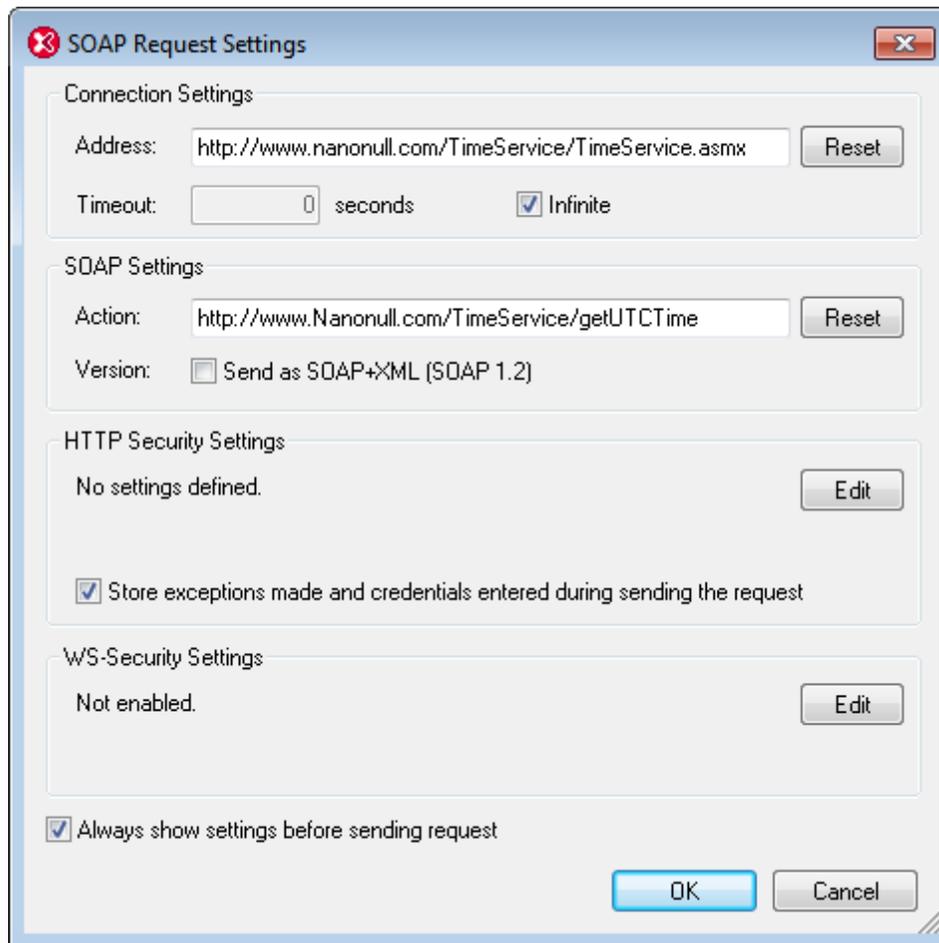
XMLSpy allows you to save a SOAP request and resend it at a later time. Do this as follows:

1. Save the SOAP request XML document (**File | Save as**).
2. Close the SOAP request file.
3. Reopen the SOAP request XML document, and select the menu option **SOAP | Send Request to Server**. (Any XML file can be used as a SOAP request document.)

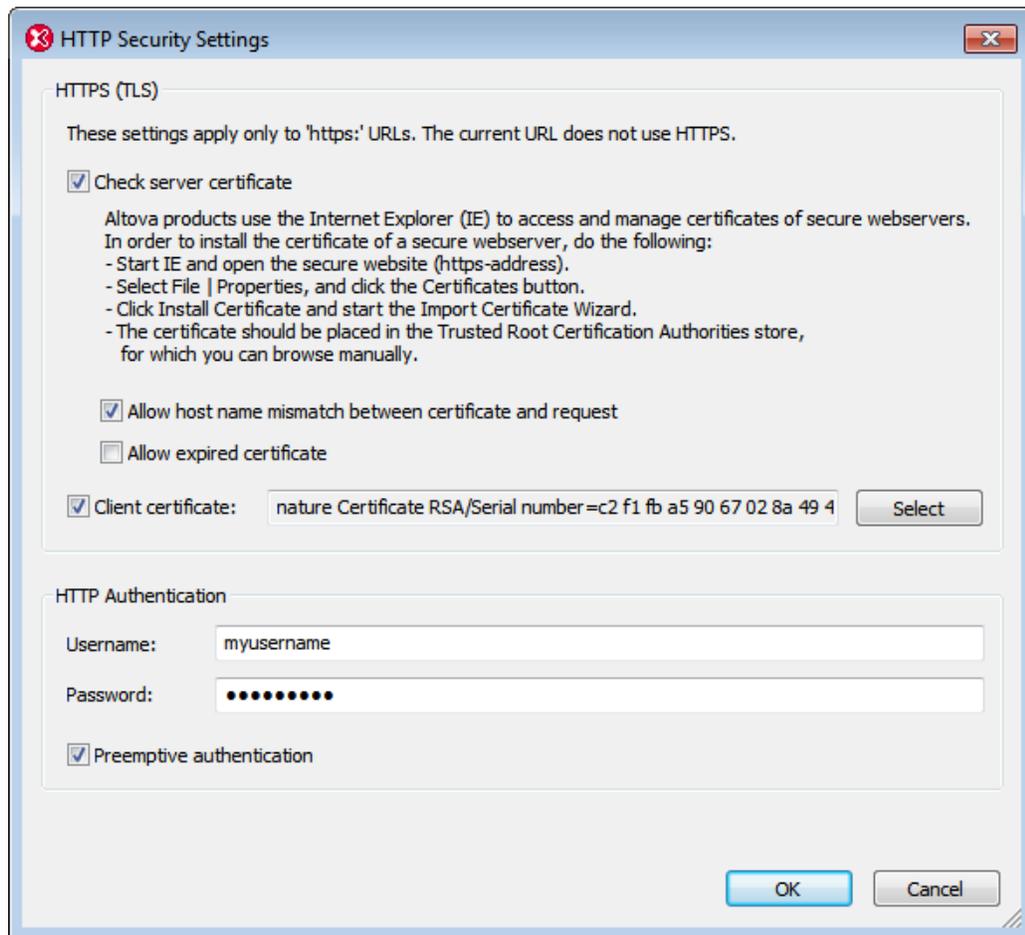
### 23.14.3 SOAP Request Settings

This command displays the SOAP Request Settings dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can specify various settings of the [SOAP request](#). These settings are described below.

1. Make the SOAP request document active.
2. Select the menu option **Soap | SOAP Request Settings**. This opens the SOAP Request Settings dialog box (*screenshot below*).

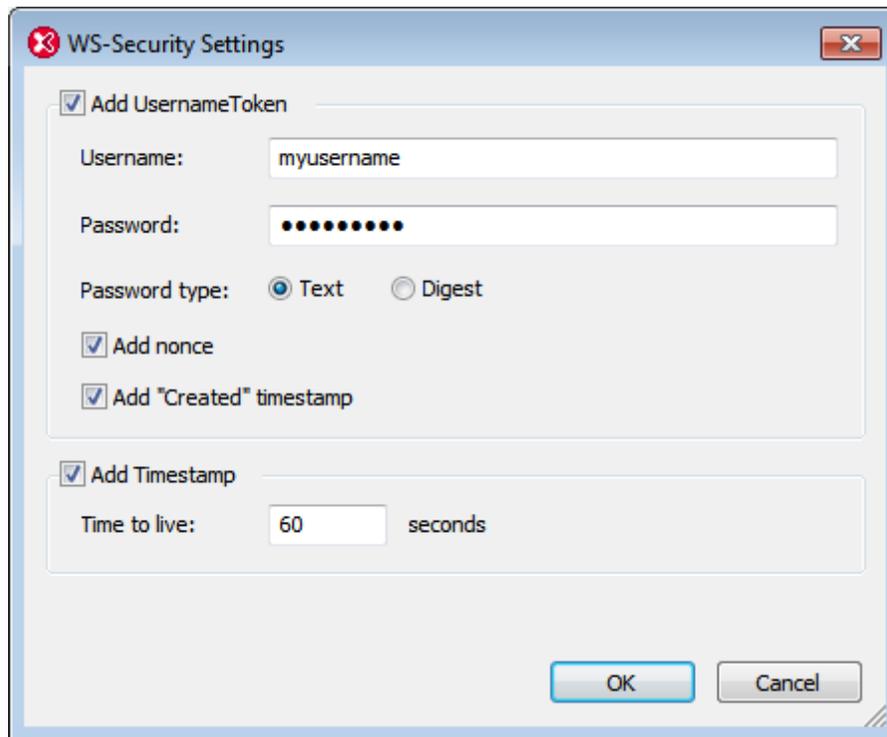


3. In the *Address* field, enter the desired connection endpoint. If the SOAP request was created from a WSDL file in XMLSpy, then the value of the *Address* field will be the location of the endpoint selected in the WSDL. Click **Reset** to obtain this endpoint. A connection timeout value can be specified in seconds. To set no timeout value, check the *Infinite* check box.
4. In the *Action* field, enter the SOAP action to perform. To send the request as SOAP 1.2, check the *Send as SOAP+XML (SOAP 1.2)* check box. If the SOAP request was created from a WSDL file in XMLSpy, then the SOAP action is received from the extensibility element under the corresponding SOAP binding operation in the WSDL file. In this case, the SOAP version is also pre-selected from the WSDL. (The SOAP version affects the value of the HTTP header Content-Type: `text/xml` or `application/soap+xml`.) Click **Reset** to obtain the SOAP action from the WSDL file.
5. The HTTP Security Settings pane provides a summary of the security settings lists. If the *Store exceptions while sending request* option is checked, then all the settings are saved when the request is sent, and can be re-used for the next request. Click the **Edit** button to display the HTTP Security Settings dialog (*screenshot below*). How to install server certificates is described below.



If you wish to allow a **host name mismatch** (between the host name in the server certificate and the actual address you use) or an **expired server certificate**, then check these options in the dialog. If the server requires a **client certificate**, you can specify the location of the client certificate. If authentication is required by the server, specify the **user name** and **password** for standard authentication. When the initial client request to the server contains the required authentication information, this process is referred to as **preemptive authentication**. If required by the server, select the *Preemptive authentication* option. Otherwise, leave the *Preemptive authentication* option unselected.

- In addition to security on the transport layer (HTTP security settings), you can also specify web service security settings if these are required by the web service. Click the **Edit** button of the WS Security Settings pane to display the WS Security Settings dialog (*screenshot below*). The security information includes the username, password, the type of the password, an automatically generated nonce code string, and a timestamp. You can also specify the validity period of the security information (*Add Timestamp*). The dialog creates an XML fragment that contains the security information and embeds this fragment in the SOAP request. *See listing below*.



7. When you are done, click **OK**.

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### About trusted certificates

Altova products use Internet Explorer (IE) to access and manage trusted certificates of secure web servers. Installing the certificate of a web server in IE allows IE to access the web server without issuing a warning or aborting the process. In order to install the certificate of a secure web server, do the following:

- In Internet Explorer 8, open the secure website.
- Select **File | Properties**, and click the Certificates button.
- Click **Install Certificate** and start the Import Certificate Wizard. (This Wizard can also be accessed via **Tools | Internet Options | Content | Certificates | Import**.)
- The certificate should be placed in the Trusted Root Certification Authorities store, for which you can browse manually.
- Finish the Wizard steps, close the Certificates and Properties dialogs respectively by clicking **OK**. You might need to restart Internet Explorer.

**Note:** Only change the SOAP action settings if you can access all the SOAP methods and their corresponding SOAP actions.

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### Web service security information

Some web services require user authentication. (The web service security layer would be in

addition to the HTTP security layer implemented by the server.) The web service authentication information is stored in the SOAP request as an XML fragment having a structure as listed below. This XML fragment is generated automatically in the SOAP request from the web service authentication information you enter in the WS Security Settings dialog.

```
<wsse:Security xmlns:wsse="..." xmlns:wsu="..." SOAP-ENV:mustUnderstand="true">
  <wsse:UsernameToken>
    <wsse:Username>usr</wsse:Username>
    <wsse:Password Type="...#PasswordText">pwd</wsse:Password>
    <wsse:Nonce EncodingType="...#Base64Binary">UqrtD963797WBRgWiJPu2w==</
wsse:Nonce>
    <wsu:Created>2014-11-17T16:08:07.016Z</wsu:Created>
  </wsse:UsernameToken>
  <wsu:Timestamp>
    <wsu:Created>2014-11-17T16:08:07.016Z</wsu:Created>
    <wsu:Expires>2014-11-17T16:09:07.016Z</wsu:Expires>
  </wsu:Timestamp>
</wsse:Security>
```

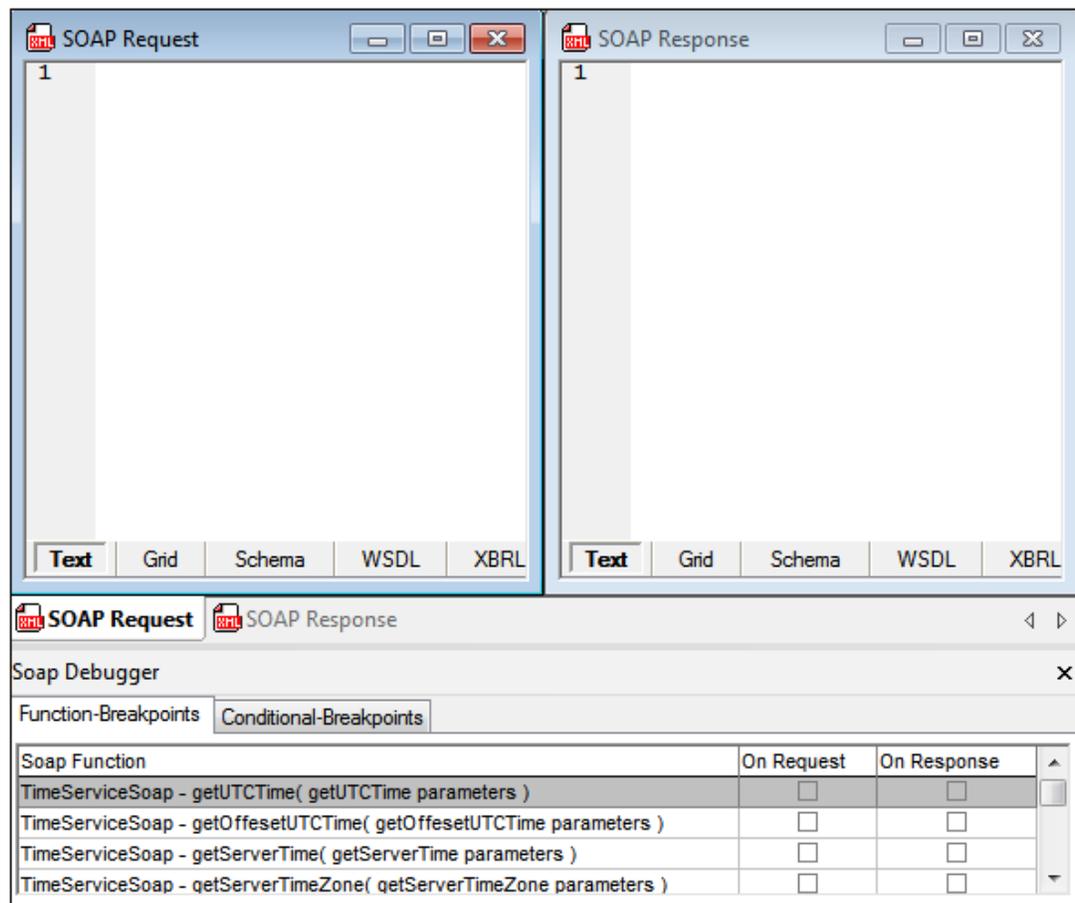
### 23.14.4 Soap Debugger Session

This command starts a SOAP debugger session.

- A dialog box is immediately opened after you select this command. You then have to select a WSDL file location, generally a URL. You can also select a file via a global resource (click the  icon and select a global resource in the dialog that pops up) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy.
- Select the source and target ports needed for the debugger proxy server and the web service, in the following dialog box.

This opens the SOAP debuggers proxy server in its **inactive** state. Clicking one of the SOAP toolbar icons, starts the SOAP debugger and waits for the client requests.

Please see the [Soap - How to](#) section for a more detailed description.



### 23.14.5 Go



This command activates the SOAP proxy server and processes the WSDL file until a breakpoint is encountered. The respective SOAP document then appears in one of the SOAP document windows.

### 23.14.6 Single Step



This command allows you to single-step through the incoming and outgoing SOAP requests and responses. The SOAP debugger stops for each request and response. The proxy server is also started if it was inactive.

### 23.14.7 Break on Next Request



This command causes the debugger to stop on the next SOAP request, and display the data in the SOAP Request document window. You can directly edit the data in this window before sending it on to the web service.

### 23.14.8 Break on Next Response



This command causes the debugger to stop on the next SOAP Response, and display the data in the SOAP Response document window. You can directly edit the data in this window before sending it on to the client.

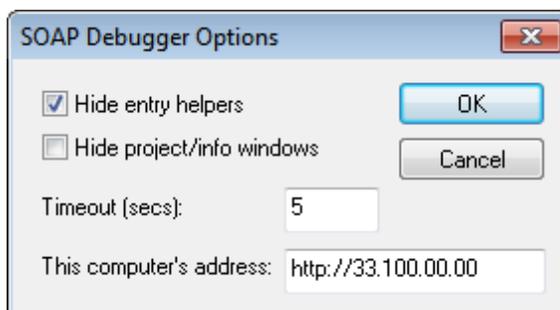
### 23.14.9 Stop the Proxy Server



This command stops the debugger proxy server.

### 23.14.10 SOAP Debugger Options

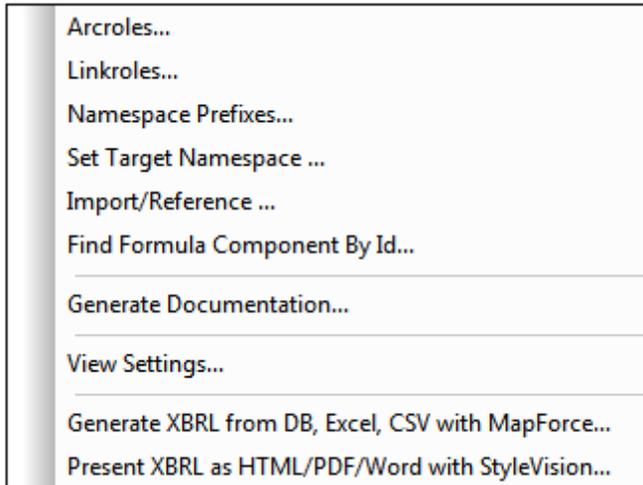
The SOAP Debugger Options dialog (*screenshot below*) enables you to specify the computer's IP address, and other debugger options, which are listed below. Access the dialog with the **SOAP | SOAP Debugger Options** menu command.



- **Computer Address:** The address of the proxy server from which the debugger runs. The debugger on the proxy server takes requests from machines on the network and sends them to the web service. Since the debugger runs inside XMLSpy, the machine on which XMLSpy is installed also serves as the proxy server. The IP address of the machine is automatically detected and entered in this field. Only if the IP address cannot be detected automatically, do you need to enter the IP address (as an `http` address) in this field. To find out your computer's IP address, open a command prompt window, enter the command `ipconfig /all`, and press **Enter**.
- **Timeout:** This value is the amount of time the SOAP Debugger stays in a breakpoint. The default is 5 seconds.
- **Hide entry helpers; Hide project/info windows:** These options are useful for providing more screen space for the SOAP Debugger window.

## 23.15 XBRL Menu

The **XBRL** menu (*screenshot below*) contains commands that are enabled when a taxonomy is being edited in XBRL View. These commands are listed below and described in the sub-sections of this section.



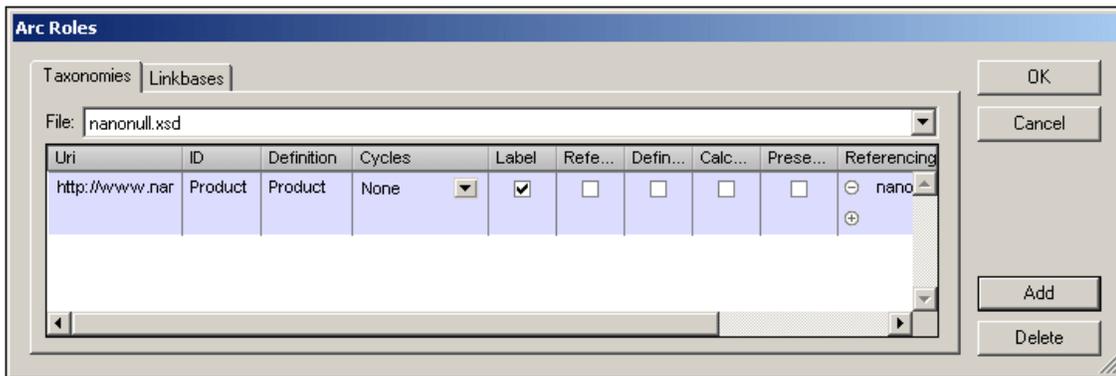
- [Arcroles](#): defines arcroles
- [Linkroles](#): defines linkroles
- [Namespace Prefixes](#): manages taxonomy namespaces
- [Set Target Namespace](#): defines and declares the target namespace of the taxonomy
- [Import/Reference](#): imports an XBRL taxonomy or references a linkbase
- [Find Formula Component by ID](#): finds formula components on the basis of the user-supplied ID
- [Generate Documentation](#): generates documentation of the current XBRL taxonomy
- [View Settings](#): sets default for XBRL View
- [Generate XBRL from DB, Excel, CSV with MapForce](#): launches Altova MapForce for generating an XBRL instance file
- [Present XBRL as HTML/PDF/Word with StyleVision](#): launches Altova StyleVision for designing an XBRL report

For more information about XBRL, see the sections [XBRL](#) and [Editing Views | XBRL View](#).

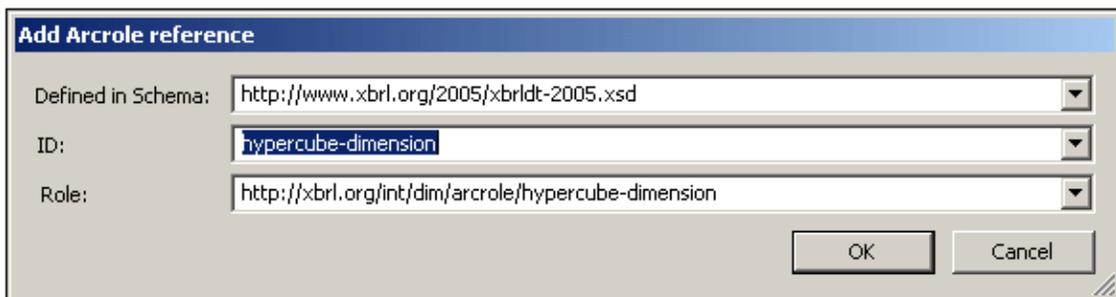
### 23.15.1 Arcroles

The **Arcroles** command pops up the Arc Roles dialog (*screenshot below*) in which arcroles can be created for a taxonomy. Arcroles are stored in the concept definitions file, within the `appinfo` element. They specify the role of an arc.

In the **Taxonomies tab** of the Arc Roles dialog (*screenshot below*), only taxonomies that are editable or that contain an arcrole or linkrole are listed in the combo box. You can add an arcrole to a taxonomy by clicking the **Add** button. Then define the arcrole's URI, ID, definition, and cycles. To specify in which kinds of relationships the arcrole should be available, check the boxes of the required relationship kinds. Linkbases that reference an arcrole can be added to the Referencing Linkbase Files column.



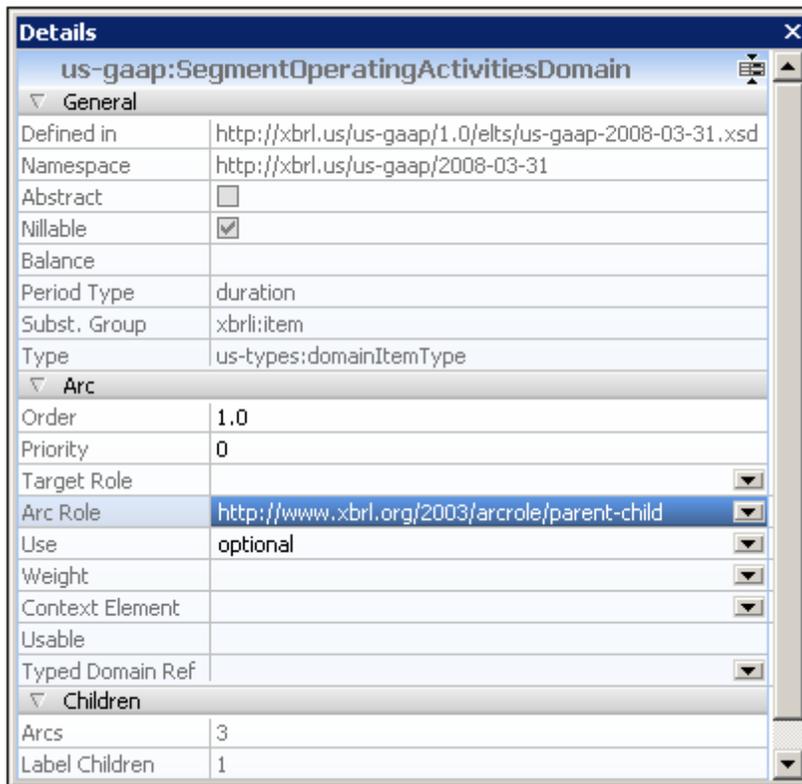
The **Linkbases tab** provides another view of the taxonomy's arcoles. In this view, you add and view arcoles according to individual linkbases (for example calculation or presentation linkbases). Select a linkbase in the combo box and then add or delete an arcole as required. When you click the **Add** button, the Add Arcrole Reference dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up.



Each of the entries in this dialog is a combo box that enables you to select from available options. The *Defined in Schema* field enables you to select the taxonomy in which the arcole is defined. The *ID* and *Role* combo boxes provide the available arcoles. After you have selected an arcole and clicked **OK**, the reference is added to the linkbase. In the Taxonomies tab, the arcole you referenced will show the referencing linkbase in the Referencing Linkbase Files column. If you wish to make this arcole available for a particular kind of relationship, you will still, however, have to check the appropriate relationship kind check box.

After an arcole has been created in the taxonomy it can be used to specify the role of an arc in a relationship kind for which the arc is available according to its definition. In the screenshot above, for example, the arcole has been made available for arcs in label relationships.

The arcole of an arc is selected in the Details entry helper (*screenshot below; arcole highlighted*).



With the element at the end of an arc selected, in the Details Entry Helper, select the required item from the dropdown list of the arcrole entry.

### 23.15.2 Linkroles

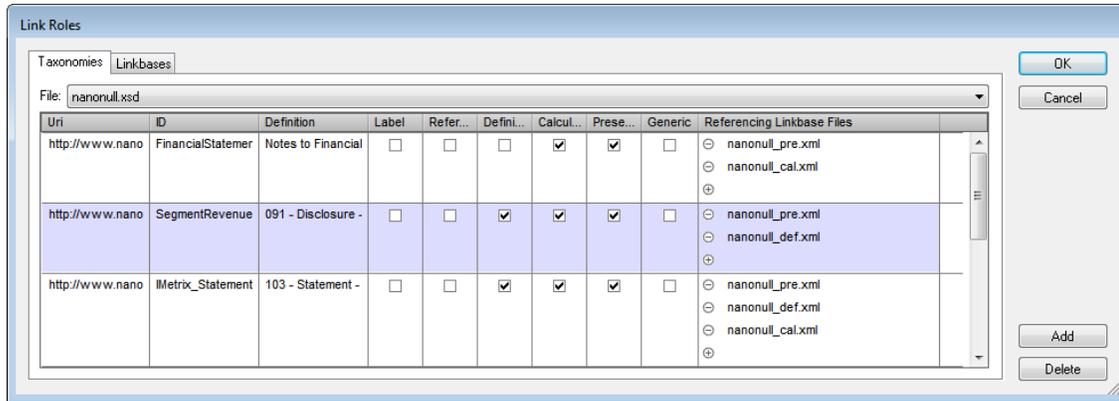
The **Linkroles** command pops up the Link Roles dialog (*screenshot below*) in which linkroles can be created for a taxonomy. Linkroles are stored in the concept definitions file, within the `appinfo` element (*see listing below*). Linkroles are used not only in `definitionLink` elements but also in the containing elements of other relationship kinds (for example, in `calculationLink` and `presentationLink` elements).

```
<xs:appinfo>
  <link:roleType id="SegmentRevenueAndOperatingIncome"
    roleURI="http://www.nanonull.com/taxonomy/role/
SegmentRevenueAndOperatingIncome">
    <link:definition>006091 - Disclosure - Segment Revenue and Operating
Income</link:definition>
    <link:usedOn>link:calculationLink</link:usedOn>
    <link:usedOn>link:definitionLink</link:usedOn>
    <link:usedOn>link:presentationLink</link:usedOn>
  </link:roleType>
</xs:appinfo>
```

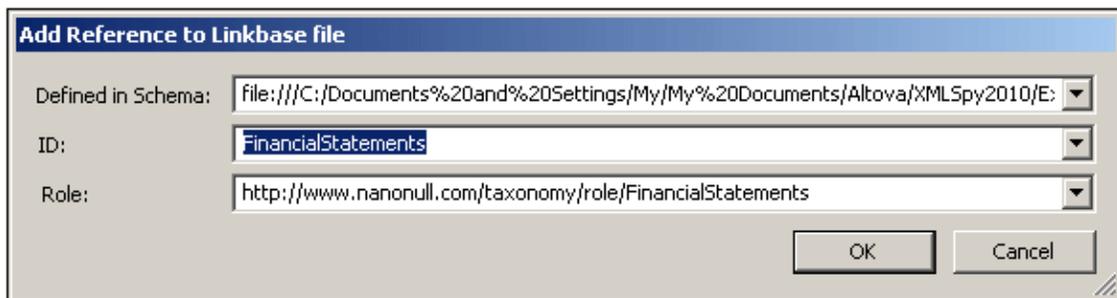
In the listing above, notice that there are `usedOn` elements that specify in which kind of relationships this linkrole may be used.

In the **Taxonomies tab** of the Link Roles dialog (*screenshot below*), you can add a linkrole to a

taxonomy file by clicking the **Add** button. Then define the linkrole's URI and ID (*refer to listing above*). To specify for which kinds of relationships a linkrole should be available, check the boxes of the required relationship kinds. In the Referencing Linkbase Files column, for each linkrole, you can add or delete the linkbase files that reference the linkrole.



The **Linkbases tab** provides another view of the taxonomy's linkroles. In this view, you add and view linkroles according to individual linkbases (for example calculation or presentation linkbases). Select a linkbase in the combo box and then add or delete a linkrole as required. For example, you could add a linkrole to the calculation linkbase. When you click the **Add** button, the Add Reference to Linkbase File dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up.



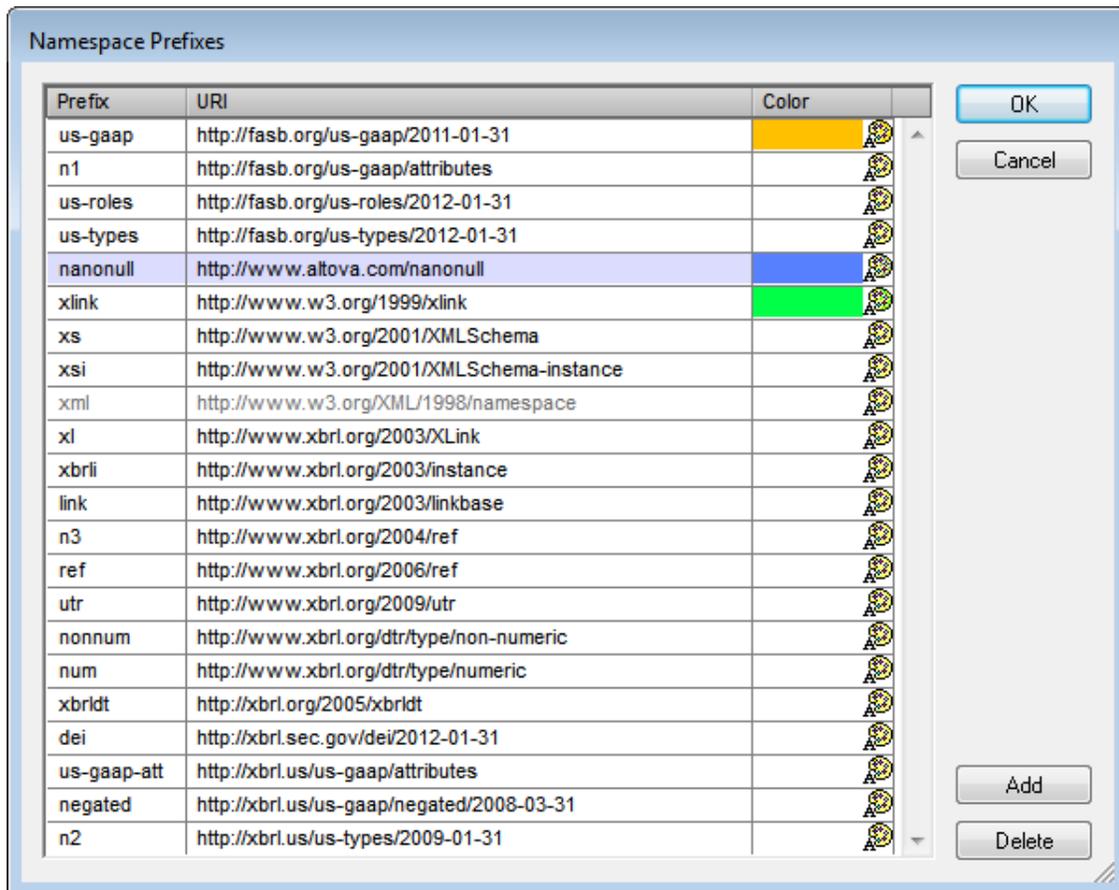
Each of the entries in this dialog is a combo box that enables you to select from available options. The *Defined in Schema* field enables you to select the taxonomy in which the linkrole is defined. The *ID* and *Role* combo boxes provide the available linkroles. After you have selected a linkrole and clicked **OK**, the reference is added to the linkbase. In the Taxonomies tab, the linkrole you referenced will show the referencing linkbase in the Referencing Linkbase Files column. If you wish to make this linkrole available for a particular kind of relationship, you will still, however, have to check the appropriate relationship kind check box.

After a linkrole has been created in the taxonomy it is used when [creating relationships](#).

### 23.15.3 Namespace Prefixes

The **Namespace Prefixes** command pops up the Namespace Prefixes dialog (*screenshot below*), which displays all the namespaces in the taxonomy, including those of imported taxonomies. In the Namespace Prefixes dialog you can edit namespaces and prefixes, and set background colors for individual namespaces. When a background color is set for a namespace, elements in that namespaces appear in the Main Window and entry helpers with that background

color. Note that a color setting for a given namespace applies for that namespace across all taxonomy documents opened in XBRL View.

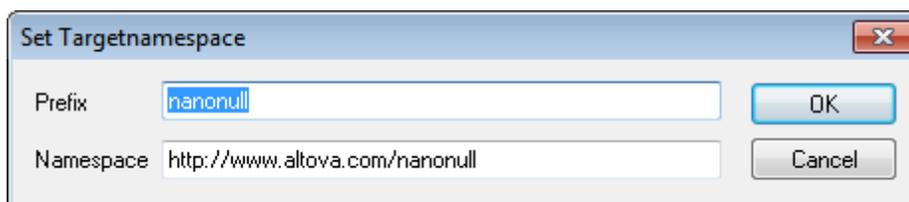


To add or delete a namespace, use the **Add** or **Delete** buttons, respectively. A color is assigned to a namespace via the color palette for that namespace. When you are done with editing in the Namespaces dialog, click **OK** to finish.

The **target namespace** of the taxonomy is also listed in the Namespaces dialog. The target namespace, however, should not be modified in this dialog, but via the [Set Target Namespace](#) command. For more information on target namespaces, see the [XBRL section of the documentation](#).

### 23.15.4 Set Target Namespace

The **Set Target Namespace** command enables a target namespace to be set for a taxonomy document. Clicking the command pops up the Set Target Namespace dialog (*screenshot below*). In it you can enter the desired target namespace and a prefix for it. Click **OK** to finish.



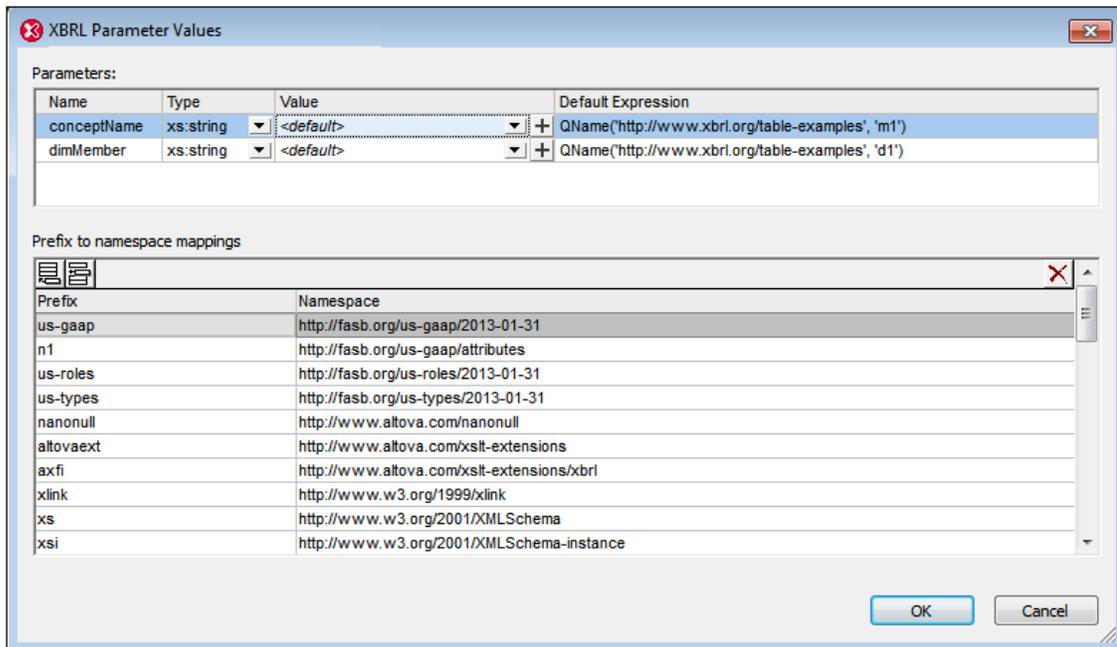
The target namespace will be defined and it will also be declared:

```
<xs:schema targetNamespace="http://www.altova.com/XBRL/Taxonomies"
           xmlns:ns1="http://www.altova.com/XBRL/Taxonomies" >
    ...
</xs:schema>
```

In the listing above, the target namespace is defined with the `targetNamespace` attribute and it is then declared with a prefix of `ns1`.

### 23.15.5 Parameter Values

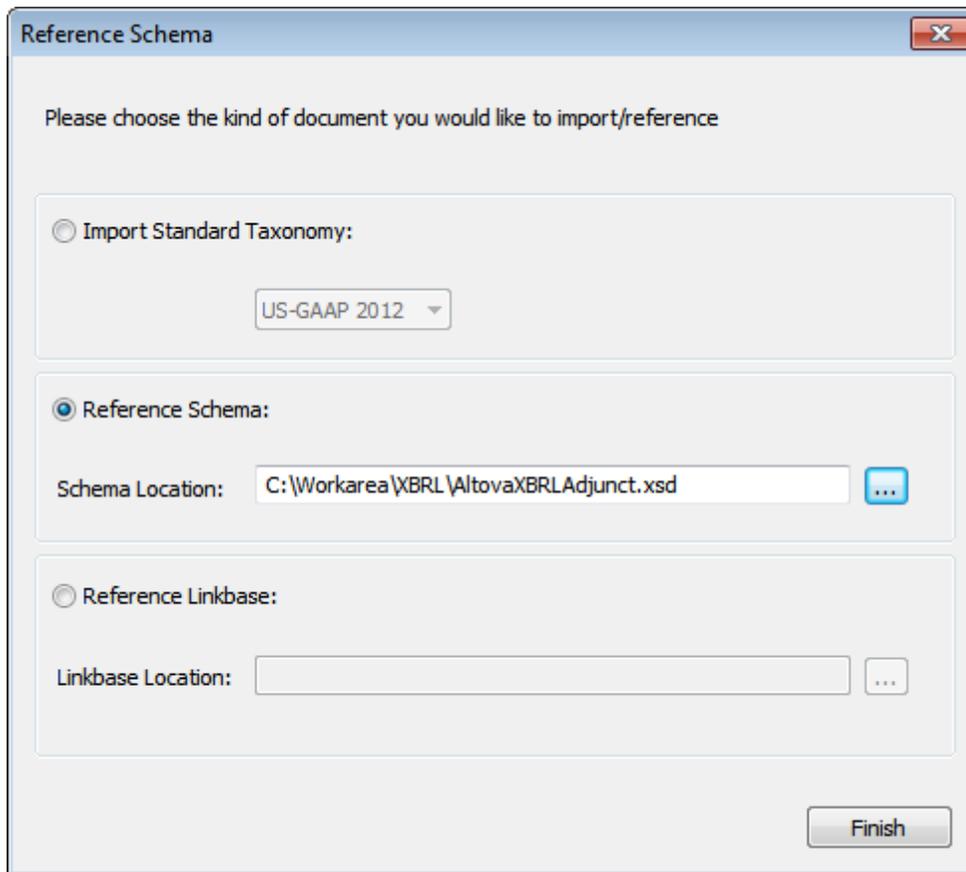
The **Parameter Values** command displays the XBRL Parameter Values dialog (*screenshot below*). It displays parameters defined in the Formula tab (formula parameters) and Table tab (table parameters). In the XBRL Parameter Values dialog, you can edit the parameter's datatype and provide a parameter value that overrides the default value. The parameter value you enter will override the default value that you entered via the diagram. Since table parameters can take multiple values, you can add additional parameter values for a parameter by clicking the **+** icon in the *Value* column.



The values of global parameters as assigned in this dialog are evaluated for table parameters only. Formula parameters, although displayed, are not editable in this dialog.

### 23.15.6 Import/Reference

The **Import/Reference** command pops up a dialog (*screenshot below*) in which you can specify the schema to import or the linkbase to reference.



The dialog provides the following radio button options:

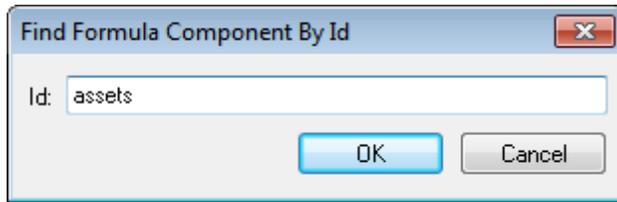
- *Importing a standard taxonomy:* This option enables you to quickly and correctly import a US-GAAP taxonomy or an IFRS taxonomy. Select the required standard taxonomy from the dropdown menu of the combo box and click Next. This takes you to the respective next dialog, for completing your specification of the required taxonomy. The process is described in the section, [Creating a New Taxonomy](#).
- *Importing any taxonomy (Reference Schema):* This option enables you to import any taxonomy by specifying the location of the taxonomy file (.xsd file).

```
<xs:import namespace="http://www.altova.com/nanonu11"
schemaLocation="XBRL%20Examples/Nanonu11/nanonu11.xsd"/>
```

- *Referencing a linkbase:* A linkbase can be specified for inclusion in the taxonomy. Do this by specifying the location of the linkbase file and clicking **Finish**. A reference to the linkbase file is created in the taxonomy. The relationship type of the newly referenced linkbase can then be specified right-clicking the filename and selecting the [Set Linkbase Kind](#) command.

### 23.15.7 Find Component by ID

In taxonomies with large formula or table linkbases containing several components of the same kind, it might be helpful to search for a component by its ID. The menu command **XBRL | Find Component By Id** enables a search by ID. On clicking the command a dialog pops asking for the ID to find (*screenshot below*).



Click **OK** to start the search.

### 23.15.8 Generate Documentation

The **XBRL | Generate Documentation** command generates detailed documentation of the current XBRL taxonomy. You can output the documentation as an HTML, MS Word, RTF, or PDF file. The documentation generated by this command can be freely altered and used; permission from Altova to do so is not required. Documentation is generated for components you select in the XBRL Taxonomy Documentation dialog (which appears when you select the Generate Documentation command). Related components are hyperlinked in the onscreen output, enabling you to navigate from component to component. The various documentation-generation options are described in the section, [Documentation Options](#).

**Note:** In order to generate documentation in MS Word format, you must have MS Word (version 2000 or later) installed.

You can either use XMLSpy's fixed standard design for the generated document, or you can use a StyleVision SPS for the design. Using a StyleVision SPS enables you to customize the design of the generated documentation as well as to generate PDF as an additional output format. How to work with an SPS this is explained in the section, [User-Defined Design](#).

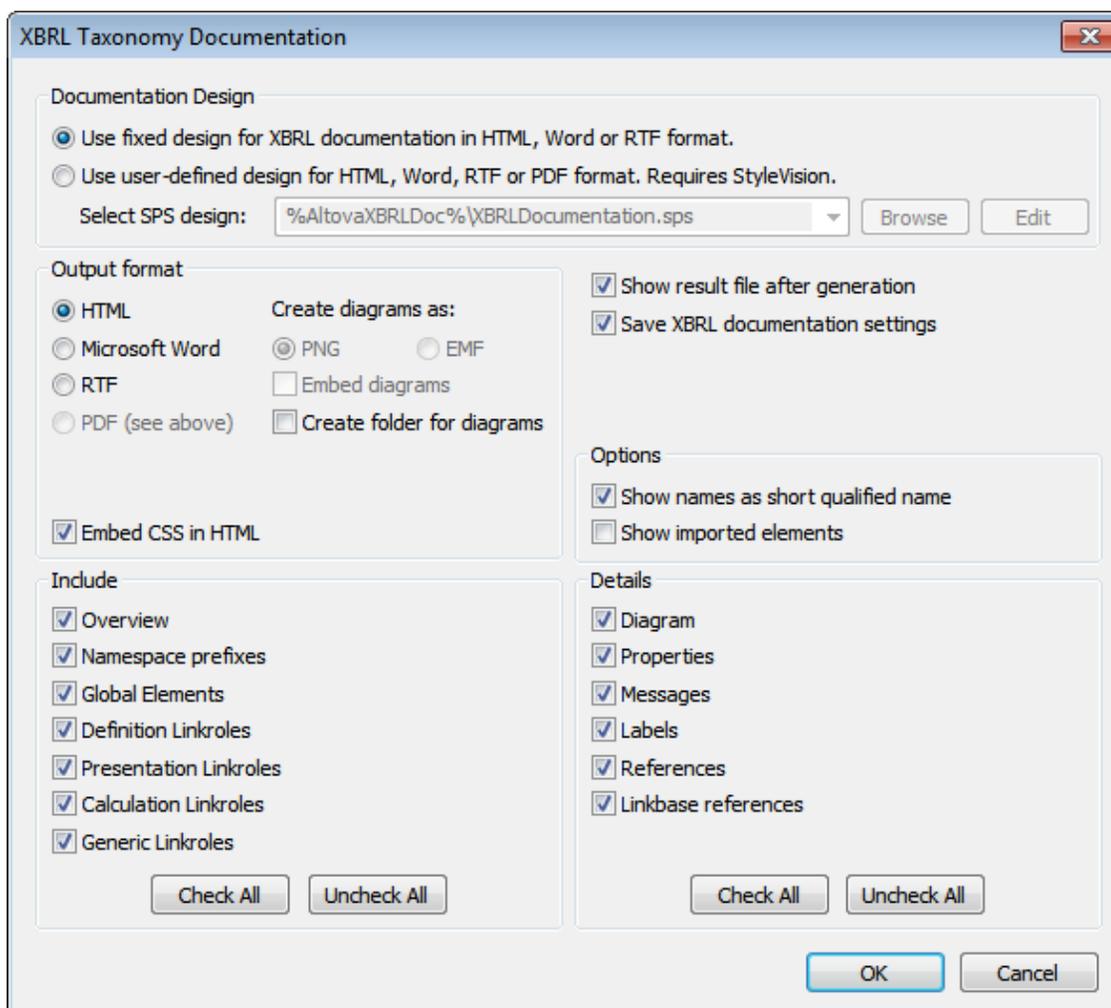
**Note:** In order to use an SPS to generate schema documentation, you must have StyleVision installed on your machine.

#### Documentation Options

The **XBRL | Generate Documentation** command pops up the XBRL Taxonomy Documentation dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can select options for the documentation.

In the Documentation Design pane of the dialog you can select whether to use the fixed standard XMLSpy design for the generated documentation or whether to use a customized design created in a StyleVision SPS. Select the option you want. Note that PDF output is available only for documentation generated with a StyleVision SPS, not for documentation generated using a fixed design. How to work with a user-defined design is described in the section, [User-Defined Design](#).

**Note:** In order to use an SPS to generate schema documentation, you must have StyleVision installed on your machine.



Clicking the **Generate Documentation** command opens the XBRL Taxonomy Documentation dialog:

- The required format is specified in the Output Format pane: either HTML, Microsoft Word, RTF, or PDF. (The PDF output format is only available if you use a StyleVision SPS to generate the documentation.) On clicking **OK**, you will be prompted for the name of the output file and the location to which it should be saved.
- Microsoft Word documents are created with the `.doc` file extension when generated using a fixed design, and with a `.docx` file extension when generated using a StyleVision SPS. In order to generate documentation in MS Word format, you must have MS Word (version 2000 or later) installed.
- For HTML output, the CSS style definitions can be either saved in a separate CSS file or embedded in the HTML file (in the `<head>` element). If a separate CSS file is created, it will be given the same name as the HTML file, but will have a `.css` extension. Check or uncheck the *Embed CSS in HTML* check box to set the required option.
- The *Embed Diagrams* option is enabled for the MS Word and RTF output options. When this option is checked, diagrams are embedded in the result file, either in PNG or EMF format. Otherwise diagrams are created as PNG or EMF files, which are displayed in the result file via object links.
- When the output is HTML, all diagrams are created as document-external PNG files. If the *Create folder for diagrams* check box is checked, then a folder will be created in the

same folder as the HTML file, and the PNG files will be saved inside it. This folder will have a name of the format *HTMLFilename\_diagrams*. If the *Create folder for diagrams* check box is unchecked, the PNG files will be saved in the same folder as the HTML file.

- In the Include pane, you select which items you want to include in the documentation. The *Overview* option lists all components, organized by component type, at the top of the file. The **Check All** and **Uncheck All** buttons enable you to quickly select or deselect all the options in the pane.
- The Details pane lists the details that may be included for each component. Select the details you wish to include in the documentation. The **Check All** and **Uncheck All** buttons enable you to quickly select or deselect all the options in the pane. The *Messages* check box is only enabled, if *Generic Linkroles* is checked in the Include pane. All other checkboxes are enabled if *Global Elements* or *Generic Linkroles* is checked in the Include pane.
- The *Show Result File* option is enabled for all output options. When this option is checked, the result files are displayed in Browser View (HTML output), MS Word (MS Word output), and the default applications for *.rtf* files (RTF output) and *.pdf* files (PDF output).
- In the Options pane, you can select (i) whether element name should be shown with just a prefix (short qualified name) or in its expanded form (with the full namespace); and (ii) whether imported elements should also be displayed.

### Parameter values

If the StyleVision SPS contains one or more parameter definitions, then on clicking **OK**, a dialog pops up listing all the parameters defined in the SPS. You can enter parameter values in this dialog to override the default parameter values that were assigned in the SPS.

### User-Defined Design

Instead of the fixed standard XMLSpy design, you can create a customized design for XBRL taxonomy documentation. The customized design is created in a StyleVision SPS, which is a design template for the output document.

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### Creating the SPS

A StyleVision Power Stylesheet (or SPS) is created using [Altova's StyleVision](#) product. An SPS for generating XBRL taxonomy documentation must be based on an XML Schema that specifies the structure of the XBRL taxonomy documentation. This schema is called *XBRLDocumentation.xsd*, and it is delivered with your XMLSpy package. It is stored in the folder: `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Documentation\XBRL`.

When creating the SPS design in StyleVision, nodes from the *XBRLDocumentation.xsd* schema are placed in the design template and assigned styles and properties. Additional components, like links, tables and images, can also be added to the SPS design. In this way, the entire output document can be designed in the SPS. How to create an SPS design in StyleVision is described in detail in the StyleVision user manual.

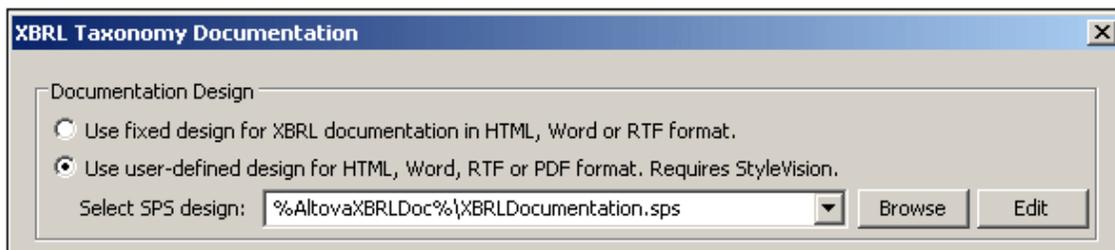
The advantage of using an SPS for generating XBRL taxonomy documentation is that you have complete control over the SPS design. Note also that PDF output of the XBRL taxonomy documentation is available only if a user-defined SPS is used; PDF output is not available if the

fixed XMLSpy design is used.

### Specifying the SPS to use for XBRL taxonomy documentation

After an SPS has been created, it can be used to generate XBRL taxonomy documentation. The SPS you wish to use for generating the XBRL taxonomy documentation is selected in the XBRL Taxonomy Documentation dialog (accessed via the **XBRL | Generate Documentation** command). In the Documentation Design pane of this dialog (see *screenshot below*), select the *Use User-Defined Design* radio button. You can then click the **Browse** button and browse for the SPS you want. Click the dialog's **OK** button, and, in the Save dialog that pops up, select the folder for, and enter the name of, the output file.

**Note:** The SPS file must correctly locate the schema on which it is based: `XBRLDocumentation.xsd` (see *above*).



One editable SPS design for XBRL taxonomy documentation generation is delivered with XMLSpy. It is named `XBRLDocumentation.sps` and is in the folder: `C:\Documents and Settings\<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2011\Documentation\XBRL\`. This SPS file, together with other SPS files you have recently browsed for, will be available in the combo box of the *Use User-Defined* option (see *screenshot above*).

Clicking the **Edit** button in the Documentation Design pane launches StyleVision and opens the selected SPS in a StyleVision window. In order to preview the result document in StyleVision, you will need a Working XML file. A sample XML file for this purpose, called `nanonull.xml`, is supplied with your application and is located in the folder:

```
C:\Documents and Settings\<username>\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016
\Documentation\XBRL\SampleData
```

**Note:** In order to use an SPS to generate XBRL taxonomy documentation, you must have StyleVision installed on your machine.

## 23.15.9 View Settings

The **View Settings** command pops up the XBRL View Settings dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can specify default settings for XBRL View.

The following settings can be made:

- **Display of concept names** can be set to the short or expanded qualified name or to labels. These defaults apply to the Main Window and the Details entry helper. The element-name display setting for the Global Elements entry helper is independent of the settings made in the XBRL View Settings dialog; the settings are in the [entry helper's menu bar](#).
- **Resource display format:** In the Formula and Table tabs, resources can be displayed either by their names (if no name has been assigned, the description of the resource is used), or with a label.
- **Expand by default:** In the Main Window, element details, the labels box, and the references box can be set by default to the expanded state. Note that, if the labels or references boxes are set to be shown expanded by default, then the expanded boxes will be visible only when the Element details are expanded (either by default or manually). Each time the view is refreshed (for example, when the view is switched from Text View to XBRL View), XBRL View reverts to the default settings.
- **Label defaults** specifies the default language and the default label roles to use if labels are not defined. The combo box for each property displays a list of available values.
- **XBRL Table Layout Preview:** The minimum and maximum column widths can be set in pixels.

### 23.15.10 Generate XBRL from DB, Excel, CSV with MapForce

This command starts the generation of an XBRL instance file based on the currently active taxonomy. The data for the instance file is obtained from an MS Excel datasheet, a database, or

a CSV file. The XBRL instance file is generated by [Altova's MapForce program](#) which you must have installed on your machine. The command starts Altova MapForce and loads the taxonomy into it. You can then specify the source data file and graphically design the required instance file output.

### 23.15.11 Present XBRL as HTML/PDF/Word with StyleVision

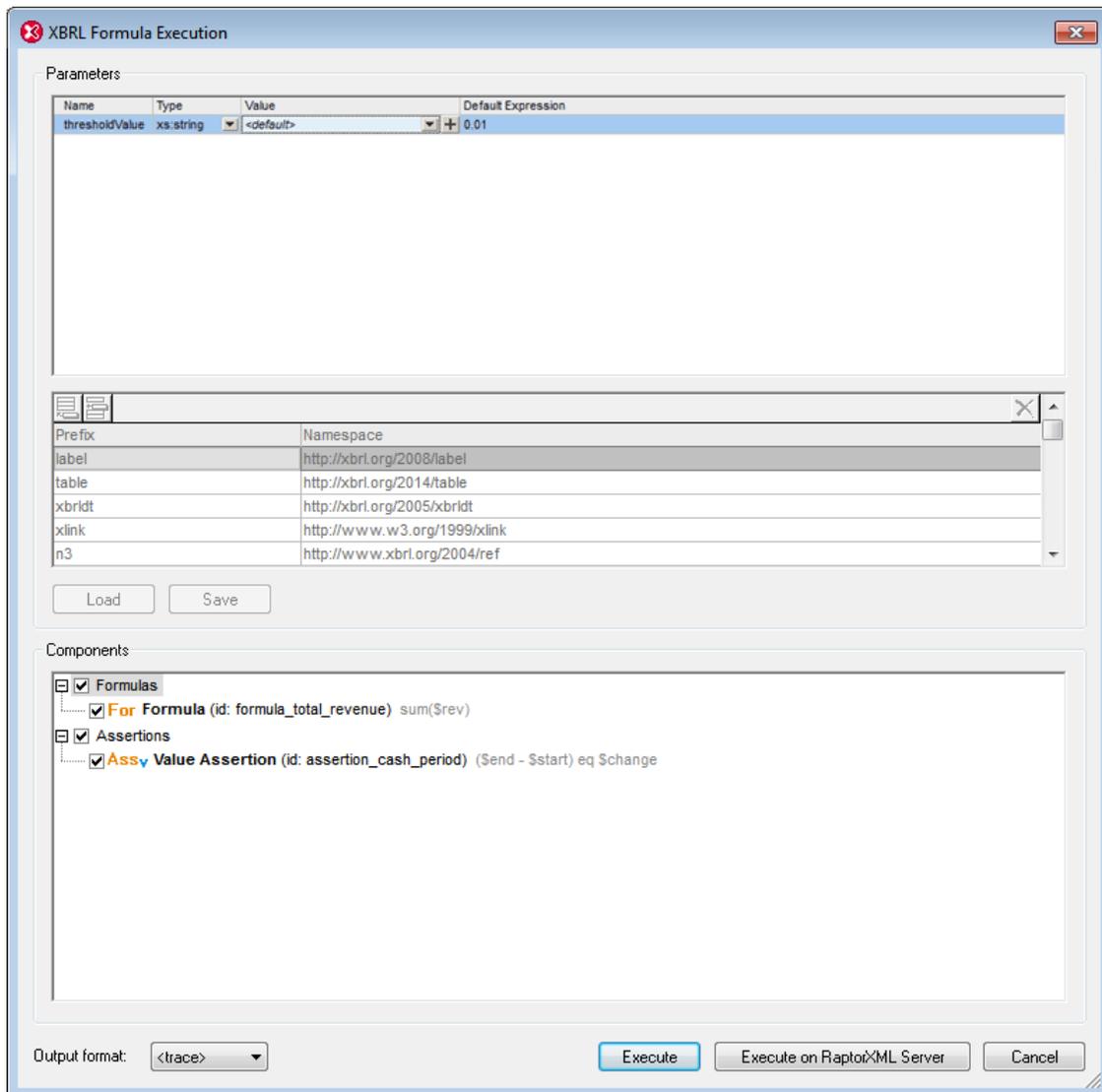
This command loads the currently active taxonomy into [Altova StyleVision](#), which enables you to generate a design for reports based on the taxonomy. In order to use this command, you must have Altova's StyleVision program installed on your machine.

### 23.15.12 Execute Formula

The **Execute Formula** command is enabled when an XBRL instance document is the active document in Text View or Grid View. It executes formulas and/or assertions defined in the DTS associated with the XBRL instance file. (A DTS, short for Discoverable Taxonomy Set, is a collection of taxonomies.) Formulas are evaluated with data in the XBRL instance file, and the results are output in an XBRL instance file. Assertions are evaluated separately, and the results are output in a JSON or XML file.

You can use the built-in engine of XMLSpy or a RaptorXML+XBRL Server to run this command. Use the command [Tools | Manage Raptor Servers](#) to set up a RaptorXML+XBRL Server.

If there are no formulas or assertions defined in the DTS, a message to this effect is displayed. If there is a valid formula or assertion in the DTS, the XBRL Formula Execution dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up.



### Parameters

If parameters are defined in the DTS, each parameter will be displayed in the Parameters pane and a value can be entered for it. Parameter names are read-only. Mandatory parameters are displayed with a red exclamation mark, and the **OK** button is disabled till the parameter is assigned a value. Optional parameters have a default value. If a required type is specified, the type is displayed. Parameters that require multiple values are indicated with a **+** icon, which can be clicked to add a new value. Note that optional parameters without a value will not be passed to the engine for execution. Default values are read-only and will be executed if the user does not enter a value.

### Namespace mappings

This table defines prefixes that are used in the QNames of parameters and types. Additional namespaces for use in parameter evaluation may be defined here.

### Saving and loading parameters

Parameter settings, including namespace mappings, can be saved in JSON or XML format by

clicking the **Save** button. The file format is determined by the file extension given to the file. Note that optional parameters without a value will not be saved. Once saved, a parameters file can be loaded into the dialog via the **Load** button.

### Components

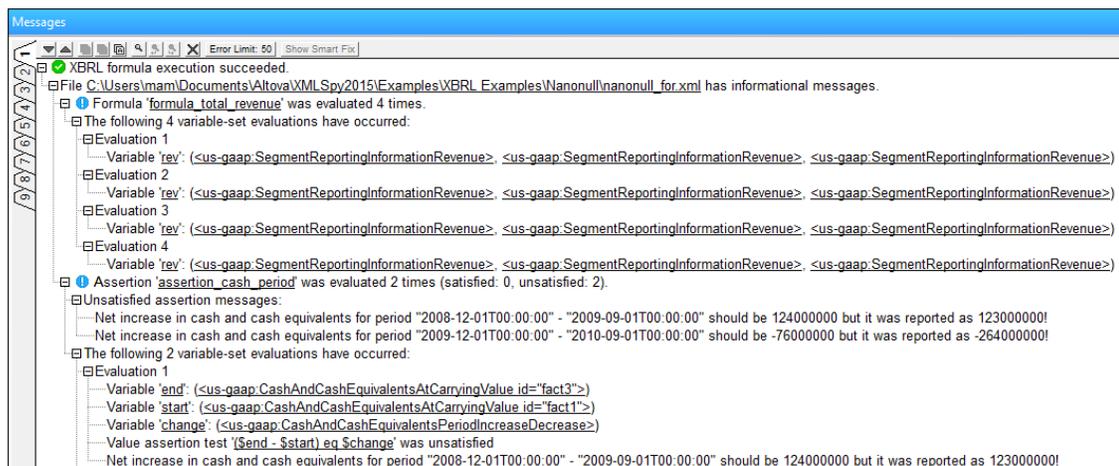
This pane contains a tree view that allows the selection of formula and/or assertion components to be executed. Each item shows an icon and its description, as well as the ID and expression if these are available. To select a component for execution, check its check box. Outputs of assertion executions can be either JSON or XML; select the output format from the *Output Format* combo box. The format of an XBRL formula execution is always XML.

### Execution

You can select whether the execution should be done with XMLSpy's internal engine or with Altova's [RaptorXML Server](#). In case of an execution error, an error message is shown in the output window. Otherwise, a success message is displayed. The output files, `assertions-output-file.xml/json` and/or `formula-output-file.xml`, are opened in new document windows, not saved to disk. You will need to explicitly save the file to the desired location on disk.

### Trace

If you select `<trace>` in the *Output Format* combo box (at the bottom left of the dialog), extra debug information for all “variable set evaluations” will be collected during the formula execution and then be displayed in the Messages window (see *screenshot below*). The trace lists the individual variable set evaluations for each formula/assertion at the points where the actual assignment of the variables in that evaluation are displayed. If the variables reference instance facts, clicking on the values takes you to the corresponding fact element in the instance. Clicking on the formula/assertion or variable name will take you to the corresponding definition in the formula linkbase files. In the case of validation assertions, the assertion messages that have been generated in that evaluation step are also displayed.

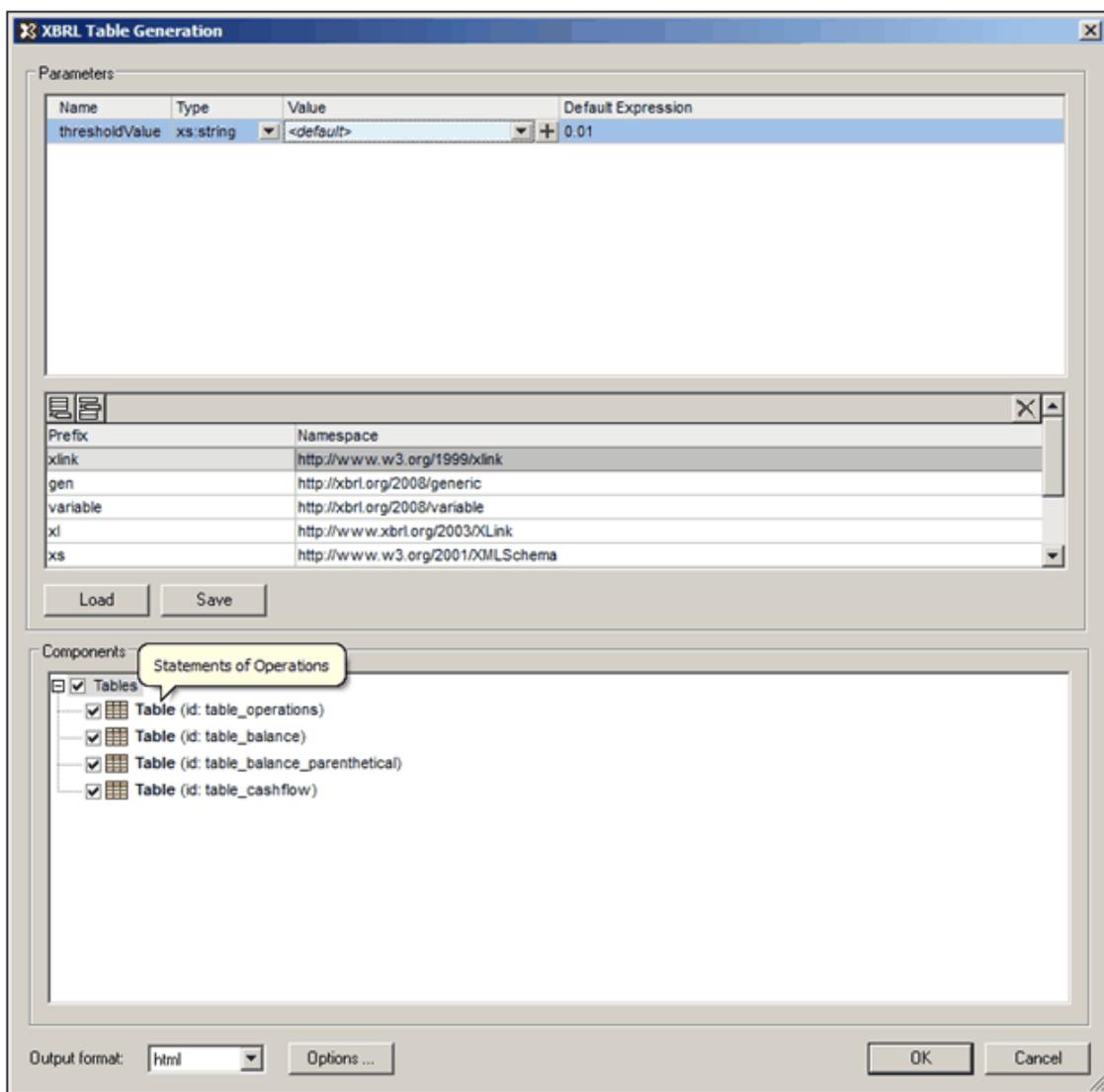


**Note:** Running a trace can require significant overheads in terms of memory as well as computation speed. When using large XBRL instances, assertions can be evaluated millions of times, and each evaluation might need to store the values of up to 40 variables. So, this feature should only be used for debugging with small/reduced samples, otherwise execution will be slow and XMLSpy might even run out of memory. For this reason, each trace is has a hard-coded limit of 1000 evaluations.

### 23.15.13 Generate Table

The **Generate Table** command is enabled when (i) an XBRL instance document is the active document in Text View or Grid View, or (ii) an XBRL taxonomy is the active document in XBRL View, Text View, Grid View, or Schema View. It generates an XML or HTML document containing XBRL tables defined in the DTS associated with the active document. (A DTS, short for Discoverable Taxonomy Set, is a collection of taxonomies.) In the case of XBRL instance files, tables are generated with data in the XBRL instance file.

If there are no tables defined in the DTS, a message to this effect is displayed. If there is a valid table definition in the DTS, the XBRL Table Generation dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up.



#### Parameters

If parameters are defined in the DTS, each parameter will be displayed in the Parameters pane and a value can be entered for it. Parameter names are read-only. Mandatory parameters are

displayed with a red exclamation mark, and the **OK** button is disabled till the parameter is assigned a value. Optional parameters have a default value. If a required type is specified, the type is displayed. Parameters that require multiple values are indicated with a **+** icon, which can be clicked to add a new value. Note that optional parameters without a value will not be passed to the engine for execution. Default values are read-only and will be executed if the user does not enter a value.

### **Namespace mappings**

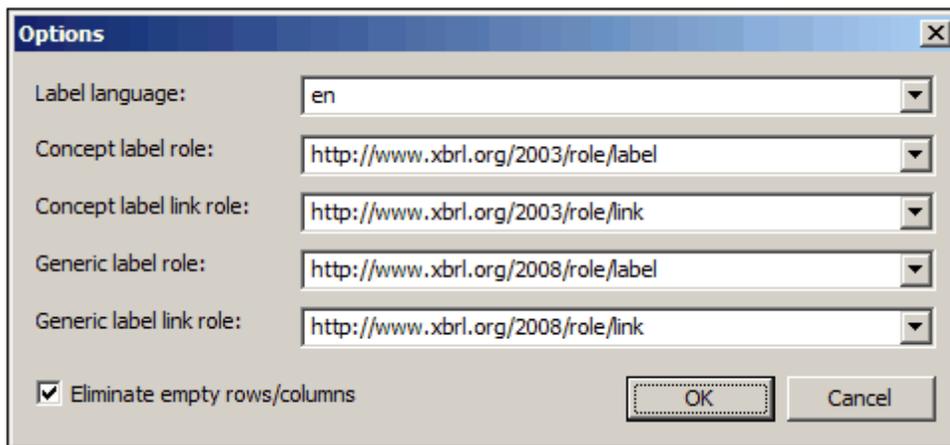
This table defines prefixes that are used in the QNames of parameters and types. Additional namespaces for use in parameter evaluation may be defined here.

### **Saving and loading parameters**

Parameter settings, including namespace mappings, can be saved in JSON or XML format by clicking the **Save** button. The file format is determined by the file extension given to the file. Note that optional parameters without a value will not be saved. Once saved, a parameters file can be loaded into the dialog via the **Load** button.

### **Components**

This pane contains a tree view that allows the selection of table components to be executed. Each item shows an icon and its description, as well as the ID if this is available. To select a table component for execution, check its check box. Outputs can be either in XML or HTML format; select the output format from the *Output Format* combo box. If the HTML output format is selected, additional options for labels and the treatment of empty rows are available via the **Options** button (*screenshot below*). If preferred label options are available, these are used; otherwise, the defaults specified in the Options dialog are used.



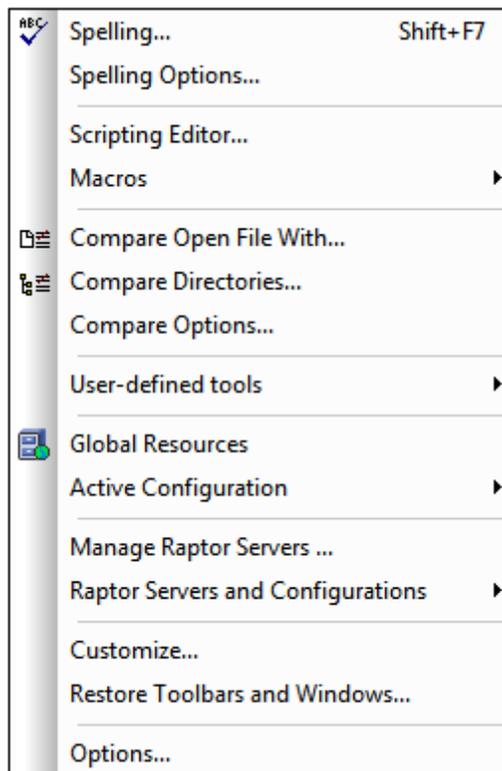
### **Execution**

In case of an execution error, an error message is shown in the output window. Otherwise, a success message is displayed. The output files, `table-ouput-file.xml/html` is opened in new document window, not saved to disk. You will need to explicitly save the file to the desired location on disk.

## 23.16 Tools Menu

The Tools menu allows you to:

- Check the [spelling](#) of your XML documents
- Access the [scripting environment](#) of XMLSpy. You can create, manage and store your own forms, macros and event handlers
- [View](#) the currently assigned macros
- Compare any two files to check for differences
- Compare any two folders to check for differences
- Access customized commands that use external applications. These commands can be created in the [Tools tab of the Customize dialog](#).
- [Define global resources](#)
- [Change the active configuration](#) for global resources in XMLSpy
- [Add RaptorXML Servers](#) for XML and XBRL validation, and to [configure RaptorXML validation options](#)
- [Select a Raptor Server configuration](#) as the active configuration
- [Customize](#) your version of XMLSpy: define your own toolbars, keyboard shortcuts, menus, and macros
- Define global XMLSpy [settings](#)



### 23.16.1 Spelling

XMLSpy's spellchecker with built-in language dictionaries (*see note below*) is enabled in Text View, Grid View, and Authentic View. If you wish to spellcheck a document that you have been editing in another view, you can switch to Text View or Grid View and run a spelling check. For example, if you have been editing an XML Schema document in Schema View, switch to Text

View or Grid View for the spelling check.

**Note:** The selection of built-in dictionaries that ship with Altova software does not constitute any language preferences by Altova, but is largely based on the availability of dictionaries that permit redistribution with commercial software, such as the [MPL](#), [LGPL](#), or [BSD](#) licenses. Many other open-source dictionaries exist, but are distributed under more restrictive licenses, such as the [GPL](#) license. Many of these dictionaries are available as part of a separate installer located at <http://www.altova.com/dictionaries>. It is your choice as to whether you can agree to the terms of the license applicable to the dictionary and whether the dictionary is appropriate for your use with the software on your computer.

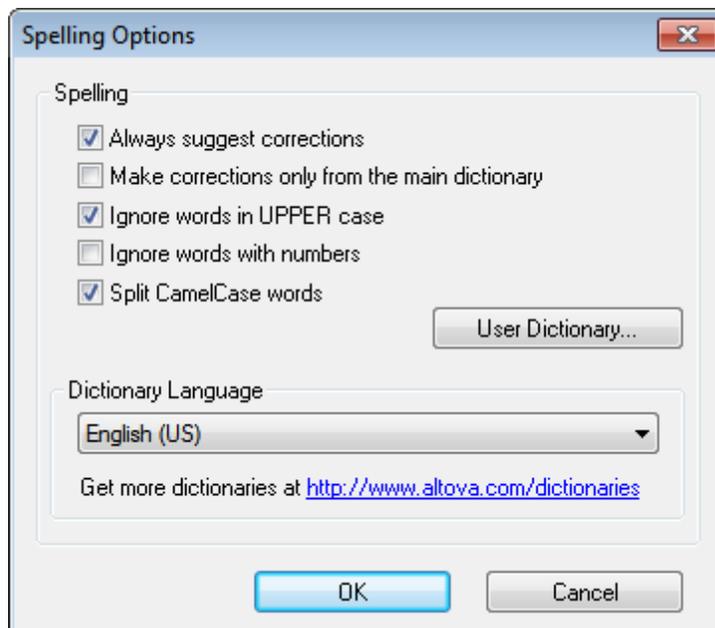
This section describes how to use the spellchecker. It is organized into the following sub-sections:

- [Selecting the spellchecker language](#)
- [Defining the scope of the check](#)
- [Running the spelling check](#)

### Selecting the spellchecker language

The spellchecker language can be set as follows:

1. Click the **Tools | Spelling Options** menu command.
2. In the XML Spelling Options dialog that pops up, click the **MoreSpelling Options** button.
3. In the Spelling Options dialog that now pops up (*screenshot below*), select one of the installed dictionaries from the dropdown list of the Dictionary Language combo box.

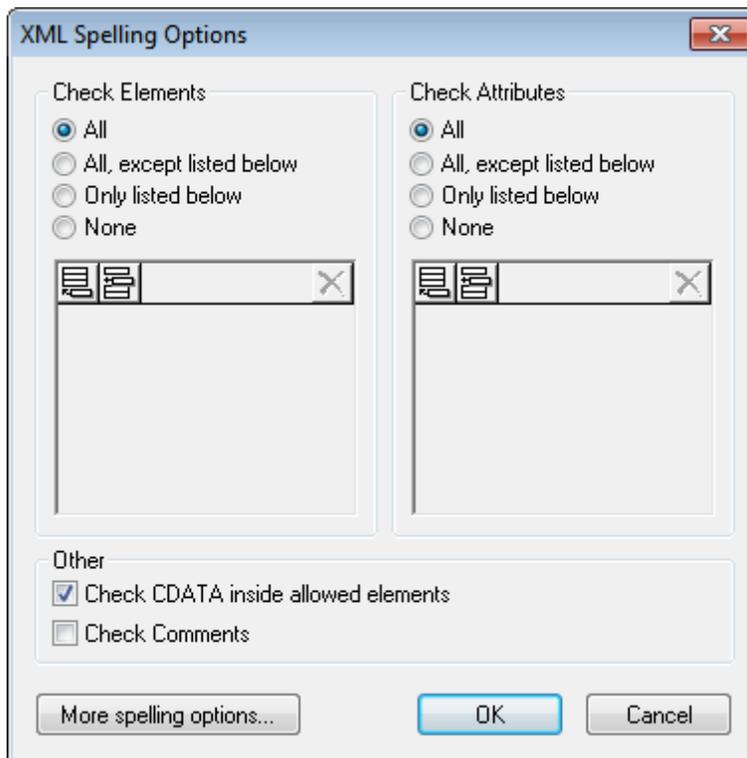


4. Click **OK** to finish.

The dictionary language you selected will be used by the spellchecker for spelling checks. If the language you want is not already installed, you can download additional language dictionaries. How to do this is described in the section, [Adding dictionaries for the spellchecker](#).

### Defining the scope of the check

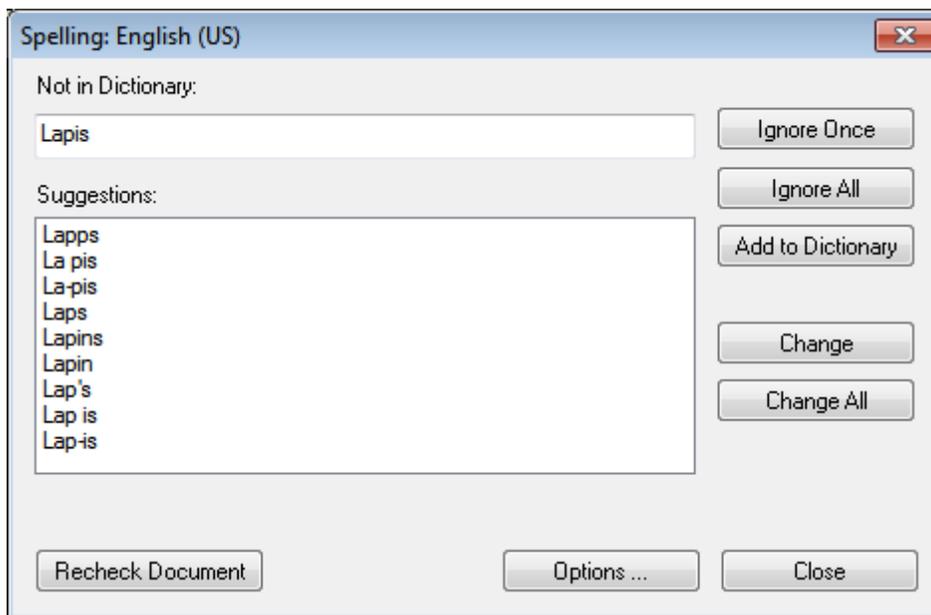
When the spellchecker is run in Text View or Grid View, the scope of the check can be defined immediately before starting the check. Do this by selecting the command **Tools | Spelling Options** and by defining the required scope in the [XML Spelling Options dialog](#) that pops up (see *screenshot below*).



You can select which elements and attributes are to be checked and whether CDATA sections and comments should be checked. Also see the description of the [Spelling Options](#) command for related information.

### Running the spellchecker

The **Tools | Spelling (Shift+F7)** command automatically starts checking the currently active XML document according to the [defined scope](#). If an unknown word is encountered, the *Spelling: Not in Dictionary* dialog pops up (*screenshot below*). Otherwise the spelling check runs through to completion.



The various parts of the *Spelling: Not in Dictionary* dialog and the available options are described below:

#### *Not in Dictionary*

This text box contains the word that cannot be found in either the selected language dictionary or user dictionary. The following options are available:

- You can edit the word in the text box manually or select a suggestion from the *Suggestions* pane. Then click **Change** to replace the word in the XML document with the edited word. (Double-clicking a suggestion inserts it directly in the XML document.) When a word is shown in the *Not in Dictionary* text box, it is also highlighted in the XML document, so you can edit the word directly in the document if you like. Clicking **Change All** will replace all occurrences of the word in the XML document with the edited word.
- You can choose to not make any change and to ignore the spellchecker warning—either just for the current occurrence of the word or for every occurrence of it.
- You can add the word to the user dictionary and so allow the word to be considered correct for all checks from the current check onwards.

#### *Suggestions*

This list box displays words resembling the unknown word (supplied from the language and user dictionaries). Double-clicking a word in this list automatically inserts it in the document and continues the spellchecking process.

#### *Ignore once*

This command allows you to continue checking the document while ignoring the first occurrence of the unknown word. The same word will be flagged again if it appears in the document.

#### *Ignore all*

This command ignores all instances of the unknown word in the whole document.

*Add to dictionary*

This command adds the unknown word to the **user dictionary**. You can access the user dictionary (in order to edit it) via the [Spelling Options](#) dialog.

*Change*

This command replaces the currently highlighted word in the XML document with the (edited) word in the *Not in Dictionary* text box.

*Change all*

This command replaces all occurrences of the currently highlighted word in the XML document with the (edited) word in the *Not in Dictionary* text box.

*Recheck Document*

The **Recheck Document** button restarts the check from the beginning of the document.

*Options*

Clicking the **Options** button opens a dialog box depending on the current view.

- If the current view is Authentic View, the [Spelling Options](#) dialog box is opened.
- If the current view is Text View or Grid View, then the [XML Spelling Options](#) dialog box is opened.

For more information about these dialog boxes, see the section [Spelling Options](#).

*Close*

This command closes the Spelling dialog box.

## 23.16.2 Spelling Options

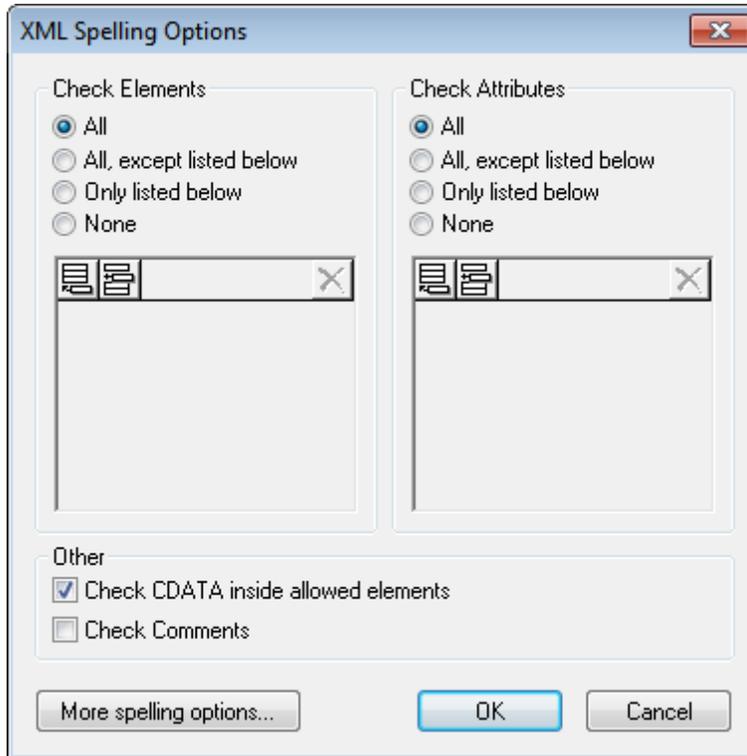
The **Tools | Spelling Options** command opens the [Spelling Options](#). Depending on which view is active, the **Tools | Spelling Options** command opens either the [Spelling Options](#) dialog directly (Schema View, WSDL View, XBRL View, Authentic View, Browser View), or the [XML Spelling Options](#) dialog (Text View, Grid View, ). The XML Spelling Options dialog has a **Spelling Options** button to access the Spelling Options dialog.

The various settings available in these two dialogs are described in the sub-sections of this section:

- [Spelling check context](#)
- [Spelling options](#)
- [Adding dictionaries for the spellchecker](#)
- [Working with the user dictionary](#)

### XML Spelling Options dialog

Clicking the **Tools | Spelling Options** command in Text View or Grid View opens the XML Spelling Options dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can select the scope of the spelling check. You can select which elements and attributes are to be checked and whether CDATA sections and comments should be checked.

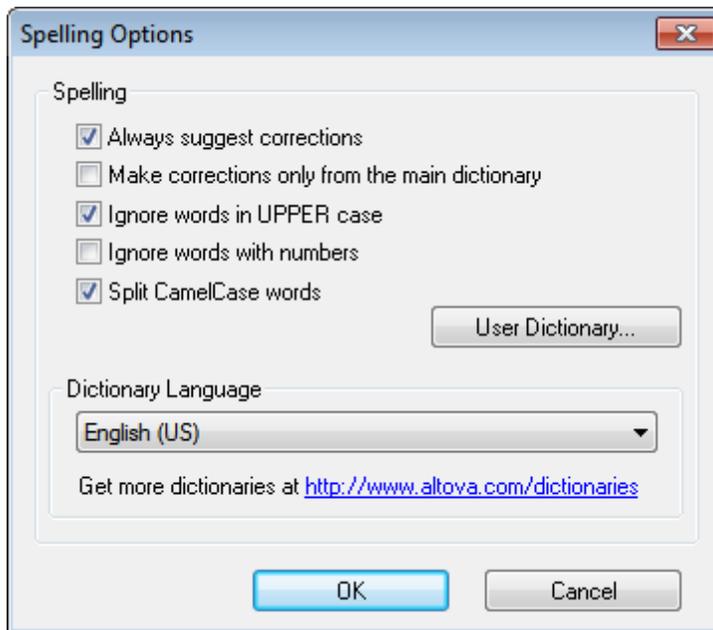


You can compile a list of elements and/or attributes that you wish to have spellchecked or have excluded from the spelling check. Alternatively, you can choose to run the spelling check on all elements and/or attributes or on no element or attribute.

Clicking the **More Spelling Options** button at the bottom of the dialog opens the Spelling Options dialog.

### Spelling options

The Spelling Options dialog is used to define global spellchecker options.



*Always suggest corrections:*

Activating this option causes suggestions (from both the language dictionary and the user dictionary) to be displayed in the Suggestions list box. Disabling this option causes no suggestions to be shown.

*Make corrections only from main dictionary:*

Activating this option causes only the language dictionary (main dictionary) to be used. The user dictionary is not scanned for suggestions. It also disables the **User Dictionary** button, preventing any editing of the user dictionary.

*Ignore words in UPPER case:*

Activating this option causes all upper case words to be ignored.

*Ignore words with numbers:*

Activating this option causes all words containing numbers to be ignored.

*Split CamelCase words*

CamelCase words are words that have capitalization within the word. For example the word "CamelCase" has the "C" of "Case" capitalized, and is therefore said to be CamelCased. Since CamelCased words are rarely found in dictionaries, the spellchecker would flag them as errors. To avoid this, the *Split CamelCase words* option splits CamelCased words into their capitalized components and checks each component individually. This option is checked by default.

*Dictionary Language*

Use this combo box to select the dictionary language for the spellchecker. The default selection is US English. Other language dictionaries are available for download free of charge from the [Altova website](http://www.altova.com/dictionaries).

## **Adding dictionaries for the spellchecker**

For each dictionary language there are two Hunspell dictionary files that work together: a `.aff` file and `.dic` file. All language dictionaries are installed in a `Lexicons` folder at the following location:

*On Windows 7 and Windows 8:* `C:\ProgramData\Altova\SharedBetweenVersions\SpellChecker\Lexicons`

*On Windows XP:* `C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Application Data\Altova\SharedBetweenVersions\SpellChecker\Lexicons`

Within the `Lexicons` folder, different language dictionaries are each stored in different folder: `<language name>\<dictionary files>`. For example, on a Windows 7 or Windows 8 machine, files for the two English-language dictionaries (`English (British)` and `English (US)`) will be stored as below:

```
C:\ProgramData\Altova\SharedBetweenVersions\SpellChecker\Lexicons\English
(British)\en_GB.aff
C:\ProgramData\Altova\SharedBetweenVersions\SpellChecker\Lexicons\English
(British)\en_GB.dic
C:\ProgramData\Altova\SharedBetweenVersions\SpellChecker\Lexicons\English (US)
\en_US.dic
C:\ProgramData\Altova\SharedBetweenVersions\SpellChecker\Lexicons\English (US)
\en_US.dic
```

In the Spelling Options dialog, the dropdown list of the *Dictionary Language* combo box displays the language dictionaries. These dictionaries are those available in the `Lexicons` folder and have the same names as the language subfolders in the `Lexicons` folder. For example, in the case of the English-language dictionaries shown above, the dictionaries would appear in the Dictionary Language combo box as: *English (British)* and *English (US)*.

All installed dictionaries are shared by the different users of the machine and the different major versions of Altova products (whether 32-bit or 64-bit).

You can add dictionaries for the spellchecker in two ways, neither of which require that the files be registered with the system:

- By adding Hunspell dictionaries into a new subfolder of the `Lexicons` folder. Hunspell dictionaries can be downloaded, for example, from <http://wiki.services.openoffice.org/wiki/Dictionary> or <http://extensions.services.openoffice.org/en/dictionaries>. (Note that OpenOffice uses the zipped `OXT` format. So change the extension to `.zip` and unzip the `.aff` and `.dic` file to the language folders in the `Lexicons` folder. Also note that Hunspell dictionaries are based on Myspell dictionaries. So Myspell dictionaries can also be used.)
- By using the [Altova dictionary installer](#), which installs a package of multiple language dictionaries by default to the correct location on your machine. The installer can be downloaded via the link in the Dictionary language pane of the Spelling Options dialog (see *screenshot below*). Installation of the dictionaries must be done with administrator rights, otherwise installation will fail with an error.

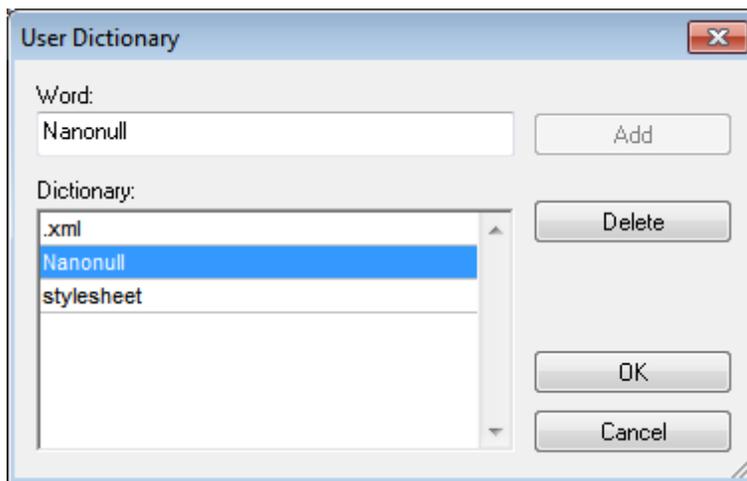


**Note:** It is your choice as to whether you agree to the terms of the license applicable to the

dictionary and whether the dictionary is appropriate for your use with the software on your computer.

### Working with the user dictionary

Each user has one user dictionary, in which user-allowed words can be stored. During a spellcheck, spellings are checked against a word list comprising the words in the language dictionary and the user dictionary. You can add words to and delete words from the user dictionary via the User Dictionary dialog (*screenshot below*). This dialog is accessed by clicking the User Dictionary button in the Spelling Options dialog (*see second screenshot in this section*).



To add a word to the user dictionary, enter the word in the Word text box and click **Add**. The word will be added to the alphabetical list in the Dictionary pane. To delete a word from the dictionary, select the word in the Dictionary pane and click **Delete**. The word will be deleted from the Dictionary pane. When you have finished editing the User Dictionary dialog, click **OK** for the changes to be saved to the user dictionary.

Words may also be added to the User Dictionary during a spelling check. If an unknown word is encountered during a spelling check, then the [Spelling dialog](#) pops up prompting you for the action you wish to take. If you click the **Add to Dictionary** button, then the unknown word is added to the user dictionary.

The user dictionary is located at:

*On Windows 7 and Windows 8:* C:\Users\

*On Windows XP:* C:\Documents and Settings\

### 23.16.3 Scripting Editor

The **Scripting Editor** command opens the Scripting Editor window. How to work with the Scripting Editor is described in the [Scripting section](#) of this documentation.

**Note:** The .NET Framework version 2.0 or higher will have to be installed on your machine in order for the Scripting Editor to run.

### 23.16.4 Macros

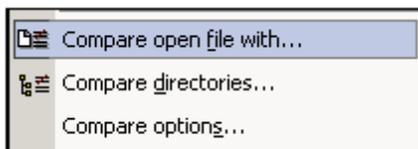
Mousing over the **Macros** command rolls out a submenu containing the macros defined in the Scripting Project that is currently active in XMLSpy (*screenshot below*).



Clicking a macro in the submenu (*see screenshot above*) runs the macro.

### 23.16.5 Comparisons

XMLSpy provides a comparison (or differencing) feature, with which you can compare XML and Text files, as well as folders, in order to check for differences.



There are the following menu items in the **Tools** menu that enable you to perform comparison tasks on files and folders:

- [Compare open file with](#)
- [Compare directories](#)
- [Compare options](#)

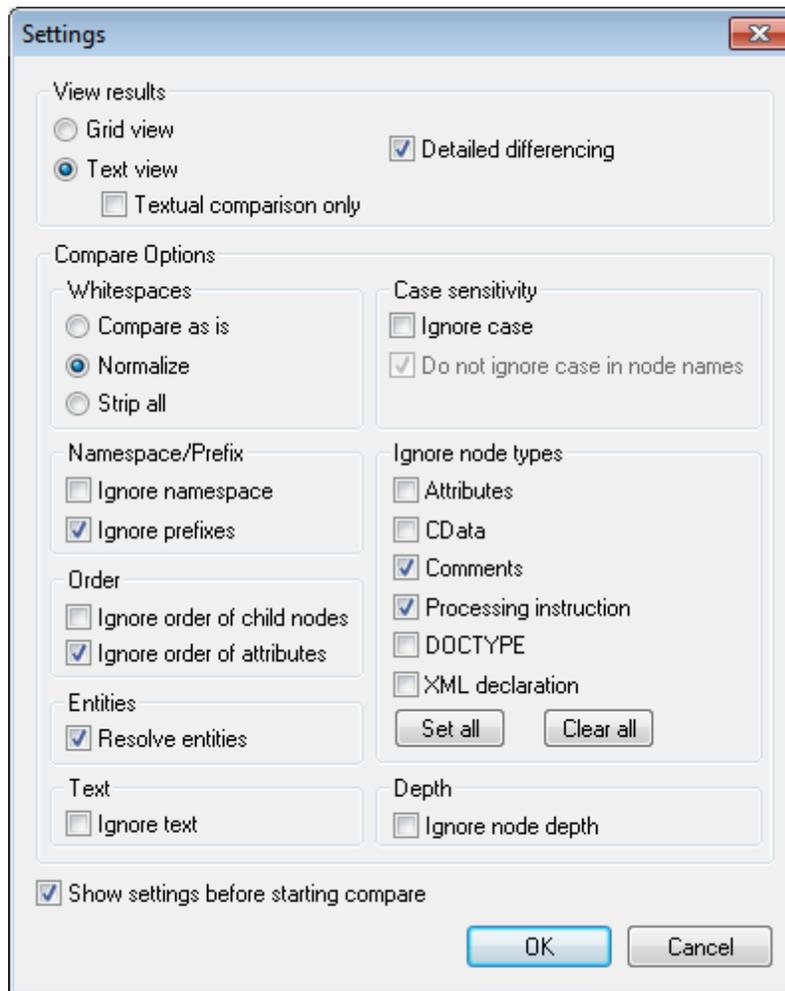
These commands are described in detail in the following sub-sections.

#### Compare Open File With

This command allows you to compare the open file with another file. The comparison shows both files tiled vertically in the main window with the differences between them highlighted in each file in green. You can compare files as XML documents (where the structure and semantics of tags is significant) or as text documents.

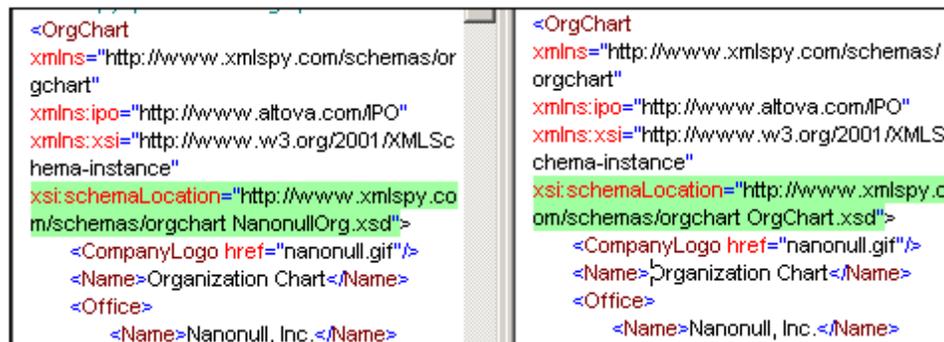
To compare the open file with another file:

1. With the file active in the Main Window (only one open file can be active in the Main Window at a given time), click **Tools | Compare open file with....**
2. Browse for the file you wish to compare the open file with, and select it. You can also select a file via a global resource or a URL (click the [Browse](#) button) or a file in one of the open windows in XMLSpy (click the **Window** button).
3. Click **OK**. The second file is opened, and the Settings dialog appears:

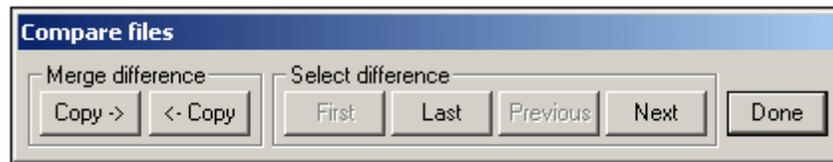


These settings are described under [Compare Options](#). If you do not wish to have this dialog appear each time you start a compare session, uncheck **Show settings before starting compare**, which is at the bottom of the dialog.

4. Select the required settings, then click **OK**. The two files now appear in the Main Window. Lines that are different are highlighted in green. One difference is selected at a time and is indicated in both files in a darker green color. (Also see the 'Highlight Colors' section below.)



A Compare Files control window also appears:



To select the next difference, click the **Next** button. The **First**, **Last**, and **Previous** buttons help you to navigate among the differences and to select a difference.

The "Merge difference" pane enables you to copy the selected difference from one file to the other. In order to enable merging, the following Compare options must be set:

Detailed differencing must be checked and Ignore node depth must be unchecked. If you wish to undo a merge, stop the Compare session, select the file in which the change is to be undone, and select **Edit | Undo** or press **Ctrl + Z**.

5. When you are done with reviewing and/or merging differences, click **Done**.

### Highlight colors

The differences and merged differences in the two files are indicated by the following highlight colors:

	<i>Difference</i>
	<i>Current difference</i>
	<i>Merged difference</i>
	<i>Current merged difference</i>

### Please note:

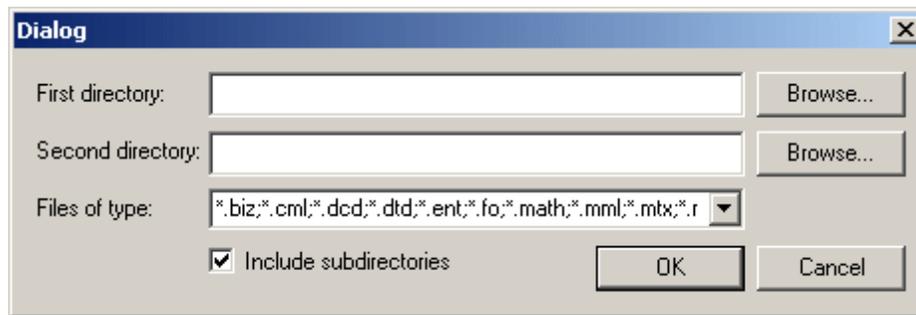
- While the Compare session is active, no editing or change of views is allowed. Any attempt to edit or change the view of either file will pop up a message warning that the Compare session will be ended.
- Compare settings can be changed during a Compare session (by selecting **Tools | Compare options...**), but will only take effect from the next Compare session onward; the new settings will not affect the current session.

### Compare Directories

The Compare directories command allows you to compare two directories, with or without their sub-directories. Directories are compared to indicate missing files, and whether files of the same name are different or not.

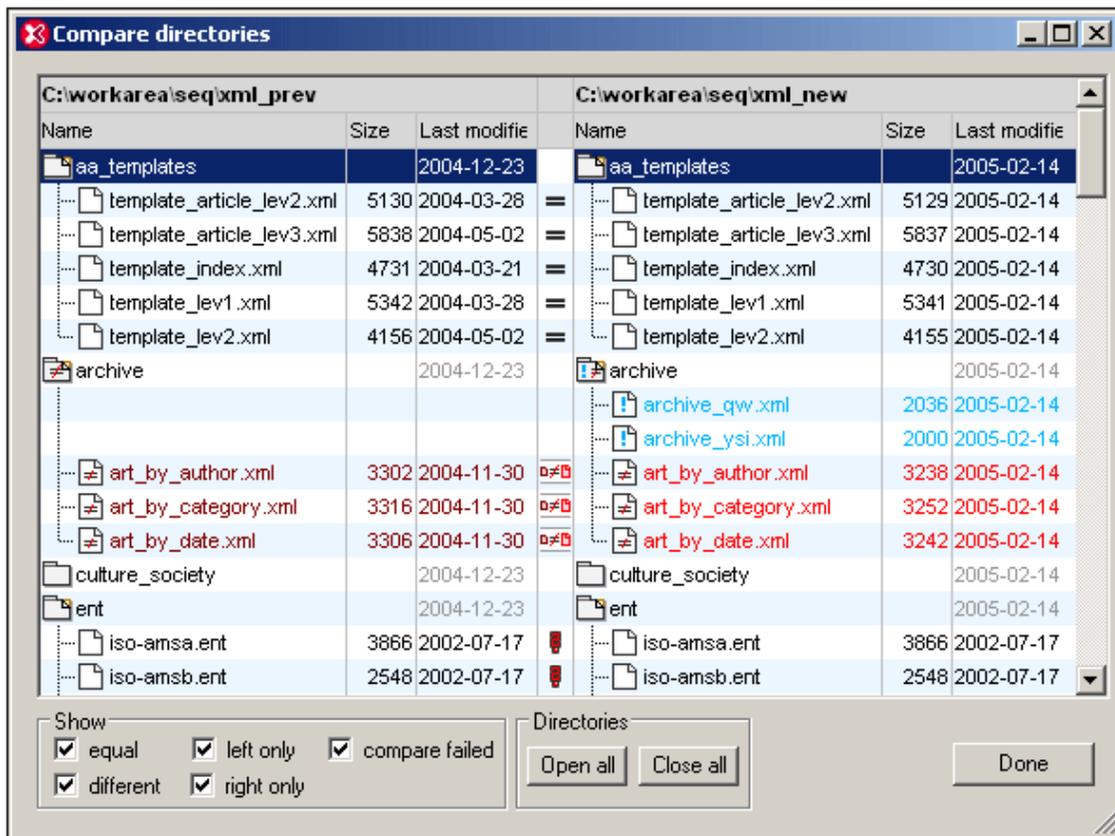
To compare two directories:

1. Click **Tools | Compare directories**. The following dialog appears.



2. Browse for the directories to compare, and check the **Include subdirectories** check box if you wish to include subdirectories in the Compare.
3. Select the file types you want to compare in the **Files of type** field. There are three options in the dropdown menu: (i) XML filetypes; (ii) [Filetypes defined in XMLSpy](#); and (iii) all filetypes. Zip archives are treated as directories, and directories and files in the Zip archive are displayed in the results window. To ensure that Zip archives are read as directories, make sure that the required extension is included in the Files of Type entry.
4. Click **OK**. The Settings dialog (described in [Compare Options](#)) appears.
5. Select the required settings for comparing files.
6. Click **OK**. A dialog will appear indicating the progress of the Compare.

The result will appear in a window, and will look like this:



### Directory symbols

All directory names are given in black.

-  Directory is collapsed and its contents are not displayed.
-  Directory is expanded, indicated by the turned down corner. The contents are displayed.
-  Directory contains files, all of which either cannot be compared or are not different from the corresponding file in the compared directory.
-  Directory contains one or more files that do not exist in the compared directory.
-  Directory contains one or more files that are different from the corresponding file in the compared directory.
-  Directory contains one or more files that do not exist in the compared directory and one or more files that are different from the corresponding file in the compared directory.

### File symbols

The colors in which file names appear depend on their compare status. These colors are noted below.



This file cannot be compared (with the corresponding file in the compared directory). A question mark appears in the middle column. The file name appears in black.



This file is not different from the corresponding file in the compared directory. An equals-to sign appears in the middle column. The file name appears in black.



This file does not exist in the compared directory. The middle column is empty. The file name appears in blue.



This file is different from the corresponding file in the compared directory, and the last modification to this file is more recent than the last modification to the corresponding file. The newer file appears in a brighter red, and the icon shows the brighter red file symbol on the side having the newer file.

### Viewing options

- Select what files to show by checking or unchecking the options in the Show pane at the bottom of the Result window.
- Open or close all subdirectories by clicking the appropriate button in the Directories pane.
- Expand or collapse subdirectories by double-clicking the folder icon.
- The Size and Last Modified can be toggled on and off by right-clicking on either file titlebar and clicking Size and Last Modified.



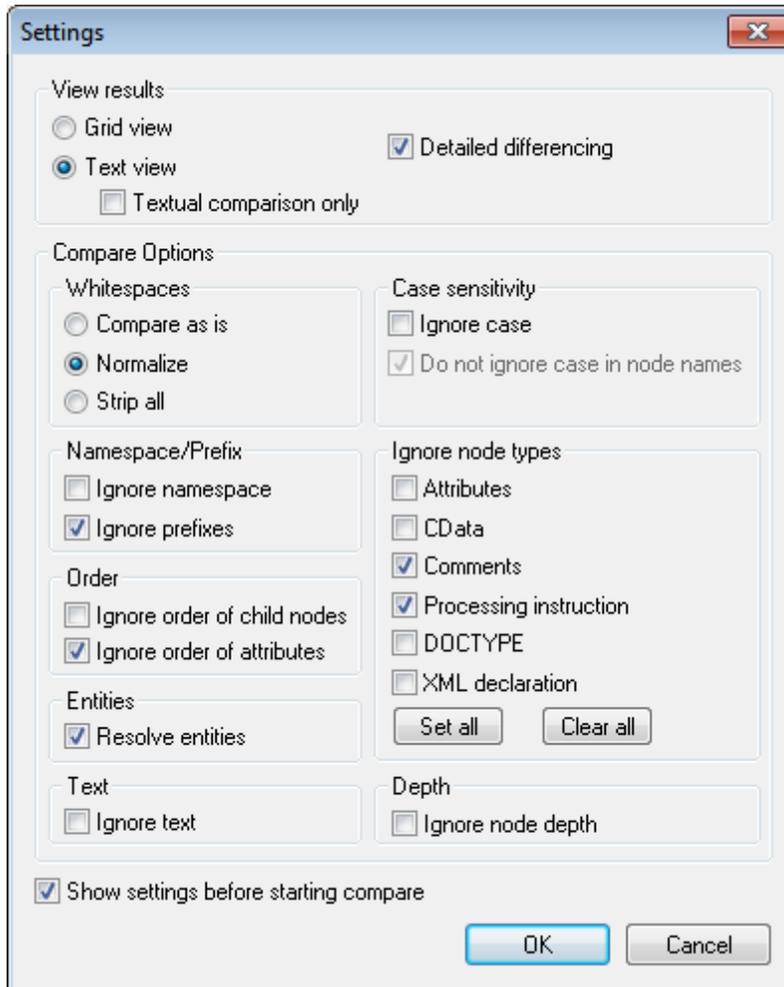
- Change column widths by dragging columns.
- The Result window can be maximized, minimized, and resized.

### Comparing and merging files

Double-clicking on a line opens both files on that line in the Main Window, and directly starts a File Compare for the two files. You can then continue as in a regular Compare session (see [Compare open file with...](#)).

## Compare Options

Click **Tools | Compare options** to open the Settings dialog (see *screenshot*). In it you make the settings for your Compare sessions. The settings that are current when a Compare session is started are the settings that are applied to that Compare session.



### View results

Selects the view in which results are shown. You can select from the following options:

- Grid View (XML comparison)
- Text View with Textual Comparison Only unchecked (XML comparison)
- Text View with Textual Comparison Only checked (Text comparison)

If a view that provides XML comparison is selected, then the documents are treated as XML documents, and XML Compare Options are enabled. If Text comparison is selected, only Compare Options valid for Text comparison (Whitespaces and Case-sensitivity) are enabled; all other Compare Options are disabled.

**Please note:** You can merge differences in both Grid View and Text View, and in both XML and Text comparison modes. If you wish to undo a merge, stop the Compare session, select the file in which the change is to be undone, and select **Edit | Undo** or press **Ctrl + Z**.

**Detailed differencing**

If unselected, differences in immediate sibling elements are represented as a single difference, and the merge option is disabled. If selected, differences in immediate siblings are represented as separate differences, and merging is enabled.

**Please note:** The **Detailed differencing** check box must be checked to enable merging.

**Whitespaces**

Whitespace characters are space, tab, carriage return, and line feed. The options here compare files with whitespace unchanged; with whitespace normalized (i.e., all consecutive whitespace characters are reduced to one whitespace character); and with all whitespace stripped. The Whitespaces option is available for both XML and Text comparisons.

**Case sensitivity**

If the **Ignore case** check box is checked, then you have the option of ignoring or not ignoring case in node names (for XML comparisons only). The Case-sensitivity option is available for both XML and Text comparisons.

**Namespace/Prefix**

These are options for ignoring namespaces and prefixes when searching for differences.

**Order**

If **Ignore order of child nodes** is checked, then the position of child nodes relative to each other does not matter. The comparison is made for the entire set of child nodes, and if the only difference between a child node in one document and a child node in the compare document is the relative position in the nodeset, then this difference is ignored.

**Please note:** Each child element node is identified by its name, its attributes, and its position. If the names of more than one node in the sibling set are the same, then the position of these nodes is used to identify the nodes even if the "Ignore order of child nodes" option is checked. This option applies to each level separately.

If **Ignore order of child nodes** is unchecked, then differences in order are represented as differences.

The option of ignoring the order of attributes is also available, and applies to the order of attributes of a single element.

**Entities**

If "Resolve entities" is selected, then all entities in the document are resolved. Otherwise the files are compared with the entities as is.

**Text**

If "Ignore text" is selected, then differences in corresponding text nodes are not reported.

**Ignore node types**

Check the node types that will not be compared in the Compare session. Node types that may be ignored are Attributes, CDATA, Comments, Processing Instructions, DOCTYPE statements, and the XML declaration.

**Depth**

If **Ignore node depth** is checked, then the additional depth of any element (i.e. more levels of descendants) relative to the depth of the corresponding element in the compared file is ignored. This option must be unchecked to enable merging.

**Show settings before starting compare**

Checking this option causes the Settings dialog (this dialog) to appear before each file or directory comparison is carried out (via the **Compare open file with** and **Compare Directories** commands). Having the Settings dialog appear before each comparison allows you to check and modify the settings for each comparison.

If this command is unchecked, then the Compare session will start directly when a comparison is invoked.

**23.16.6 User-defined Tools**

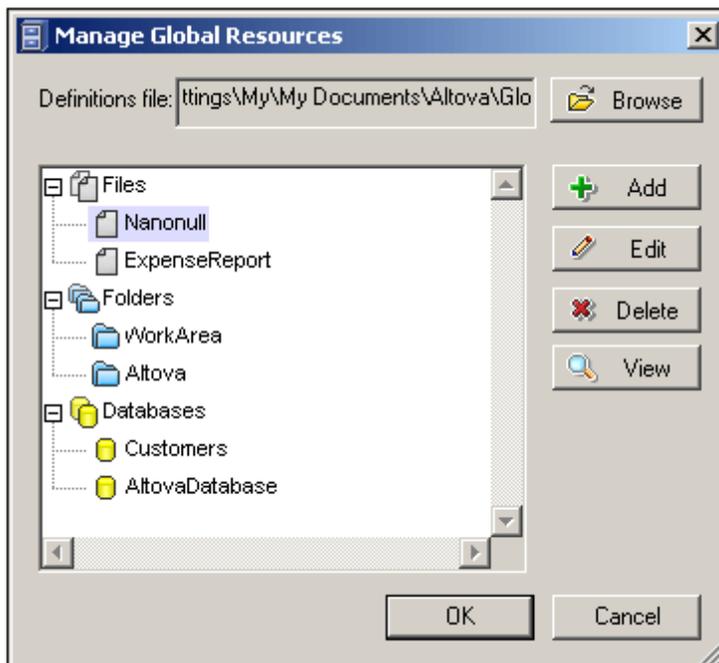
Placing the cursor over the **User-defined Tools** command rolls out a sub-menu containing custom-made commands that use external applications. You can create these commands in the [Tools tab of the Customize dialog](#). Clicking one of these custom commands executes the action associated with this command.

The **User-Defined Tools | Customize** command opens the [Tools tab of the Customize dialog](#) (in which you can create the custom commands that appear in the menu of the **User-Defined Tools** command.)

**23.16.7 Global Resources**

The **Global Resources** command pops up the Global Resources dialog (*screenshot below*), in which you can:

- Specify the Global Resources XML File to use for global resources.
- Add file, folder, and database global resources (or aliases)
- Specify various configurations for each global resource (alias). Each configuration maps to a specific resource.

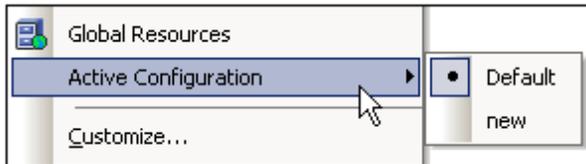


How to define global resources is described in detail in the section, [Defining Global Resources](#).

**Note:** The Altova Global Resources dialog can also be accessed via the [Global Resources toolbar](#) (**Tools | Customize | Toolbars | Global Resources**).

### 23.16.8 Active Configuration

Mousing over the **Active Configuration** menu item rolls out a submenu containing all the configurations defined in the currently active [Global Resources XML File](#) (*screenshot below*).

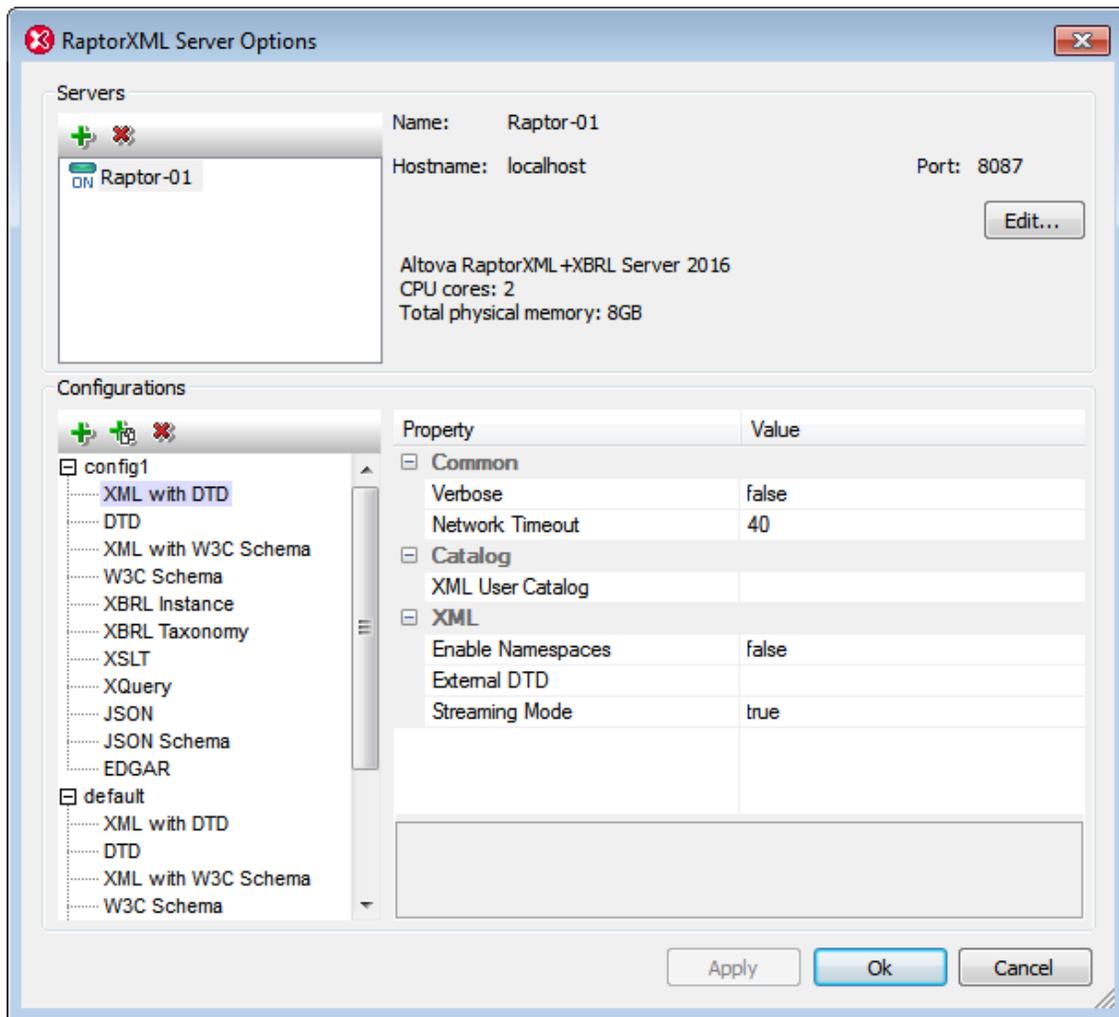


The currently active configuration is indicated with a bullet. In the screenshot above the currently active configuration is `Default`. To change the active configuration, select the configuration you wish to make active.

**Note:** The active configuration can also be selected via the [Global Resources toolbar](#) (**Tools | Customize | Toolbars | Global Resources**).

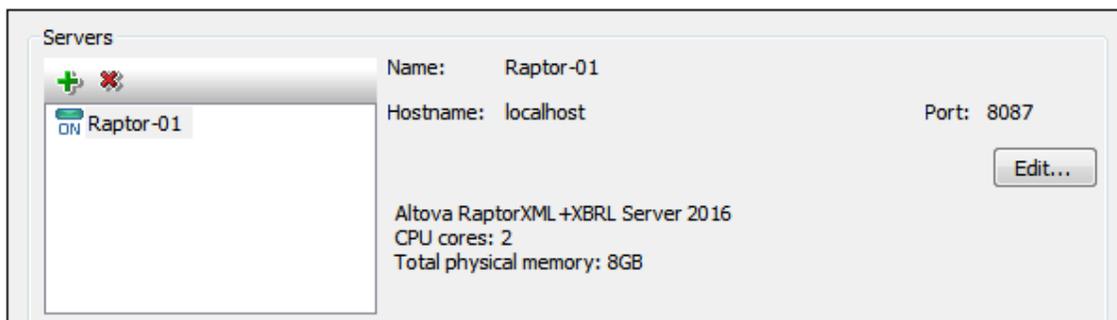
### 23.16.9 Manage Raptor Servers

The **Manage Raptor Servers** command enables you to add multiple Raptor Servers to the pool of available Raptor Servers and to then define multiple configurations for each server. For an overview of how to use RaptorXML Server for validating XML and XBRL documents, see the topic [Validating with RaptorXML Server](#).



### Adding a Raptor Server

In the dialog's *Servers* pane (*screenshot below*), click the **Add Server** icon, then enter the name by which you wish to identify the Raptor server, the network name of the machine on which Raptor is installed (host name), and the port of the Raptor Server. Click **OK** to save the settings.



- *Name*: Any string you choose. It is used in XMLSpy to identify a particular RaptorXML

Server.

- *Host name*: The name or IP address of the network machine on which the Raptor server is installed. Processing will be faster if you use an IP address rather than a host name. The IP address corresponding to `localhost` (the local machine) is `127.0.0.1`.
- *Port*: The port via which the Raptor server is accessed. This port is specified in Raptor's configuration file (called `server_config.xml`). The port must be fixed and known so that requests can be correctly addressed to the service. For more information about the Raptor configuration file, see the user manuals: [RaptorXML Server](#) and [RaptorXML+XBRL Server](#).

After entering the server information, click **OK**. The server name you entered appears in the server list (in the left of the pane). A green icon appears next to the server's name, indicating that the Raptor server has been started and is running. The details of the server are displayed in the pane (see *screenshot above*). A red icon indicates that the server is offline. If the server cannot be found, an error message is displayed.

**Note:** The Raptor server must be running when the server is added. This is necessary so that XMLSpy can obtain information about the server and store it. If, after the server has been added, the server is offline or cannot be found, then these situations are indicated, respectively, by a red icon or an error message.

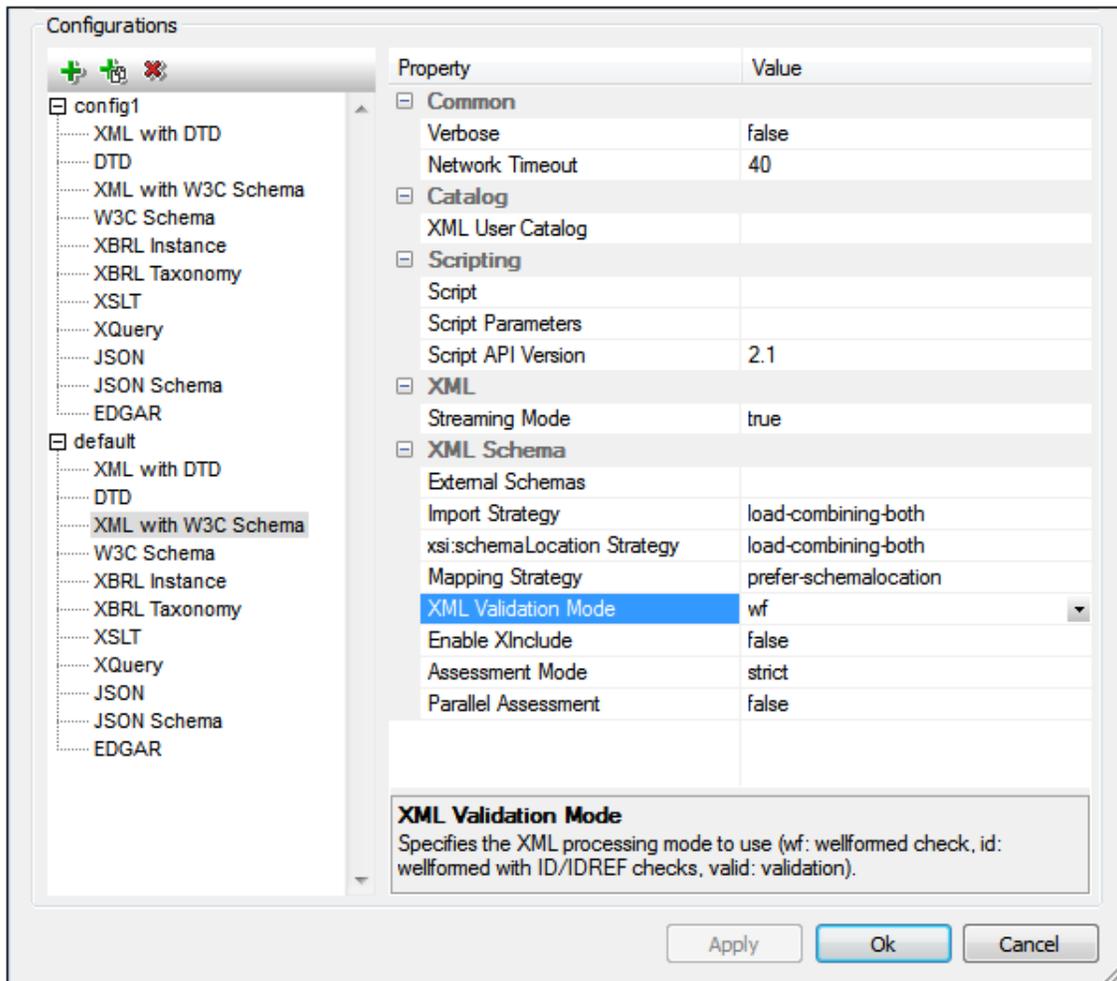
To edit a server's name, host name, or port, select the server in the left-hand pane, click the **Edit** button, and, in the dialog that appears, edit the information you want to change. To remove a server from the pool, select the server and click the **Remove Selected Server** icon.

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### Server Configurations

A configuration is a set of RaptorXML validation options. When a server is added, it will have a configuration named `default`. This is a set of RaptorXML options set to their default values. You can edit these values. You can also add new configurations that contain other option values. After you have defined multiple server configurations, you can select one configuration to be the active configuration. This is the configuration that will be used when the **Validate on Server** command is executed.

The *Configurations* pane has two parts: (i) a left-hand pane, which shows the configurations and the types of document that can be validated; (ii) a right-hand pane, which displays the options, organized in groups, of the validation type that is selected in the left-hand pane; at the bottom of the right-hand pane is a description of the selected option (see *screenshot above*).



### Adding a configuration

In the *Configurations* pane of the RaptorXML Server Options dialog (screenshot above), click **Add a Configuration**. A new configuration is added with default option values. You can also create a new configuration by clicking **Copy Selected Configuration**. This creates a new configuration with option values that are the same as that of the copied configuration. New configurations are created with default names of the type `config<X>`; you can edit the name of a configuration by double-clicking it and entering the new name. You can then edit any of the configuration's option values.

### Editing a configuration's option values

First select the validation document in the left-hand pane. This displays the options of that group in the right-hand pane. To edit the value of an option, do one of the following (depending on the type of option value):

- If the value can be one of a set of predefined values, select the value you want from the combo box of that option's value column.
- If the value is not constrained, click in the option's value field and enter the value you want.
- If the value is a file path, in addition to being able to enter the value, you can also browse

for the file you want by using the **Browse** button in the option's value column.

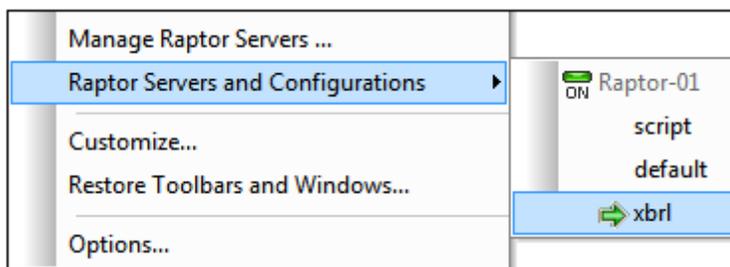
If you select an option, its description is displayed in a box at the bottom of the right-hand pane. For more detailed descriptions of each option, see the command line interface chapters of the [RaptorXML Server](#) and [RaptorXML\(+XBRL\) Server](#) user manuals.

#### Removing a configuration

In the left-hand pane, select the configuration to be removed and click **Remove Selected Configuration**.

### 23.16.10 Raptor Servers and Configurations

If you have defined multiple configurations on multiple servers, you can select a server and one of its configurations as the active configuration. The active configuration will be used for subsequent validations. On placing the cursor over the **Tools | Raptor Servers and Configurations** command (see *screenshot below*), a submenu appears that contains all the added servers, together with the configuration of each. Select the server configuration you want to make the active configuration. In the screenshot below, the `xbrl` configuration of the server named `Raptor-01` has been selected as the active configuration (indicated by the green arrow).



**Note:** You can also select the active configuration in the dropdown menu of the **Validate on Server** icon . This menu also has a command to validate EDGAR on the active server.

### 23.16.11 Customize

The **Customize** command lets you customize application menus and toolbars to suit your personal needs. Clicking the command pops up the Customize dialog, which has the following tabs:

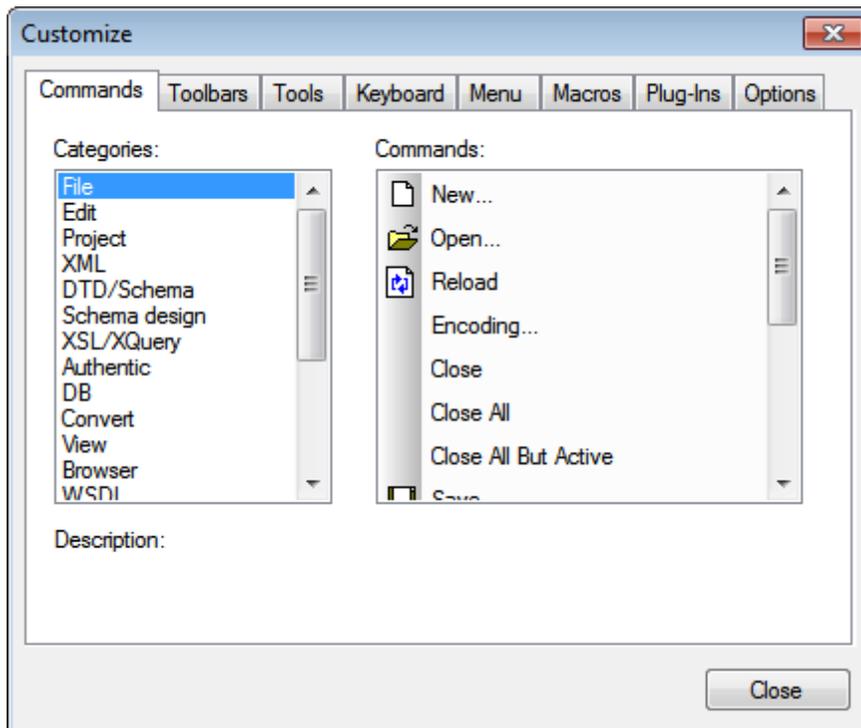
- **Commands:** All application and macro commands can be dragged from this tab into menu bars, menus and toolbars.
- **Toolbars:** Toolbars can be activated, deactivated, and reset individually.
- **Tools:** Commands that open external programs from within the interface can be added to the interface.
- **Keyboard:** Keyboard shortcuts can be created for individual application and macro commands.
- **Menu:** Menu bars and context menus to be customized are selected and made active in this tab. Works together with the Commands tab.
- **Macros:** Macros can have new commands associated with them.

- [Plug-ins](#): Plug-ins can be activated and integrated in the interface.
- [Options](#): Display options for toolbars are set in this tab.

This section also describes the [context menu](#) that appears when the Customize dialog is open and menu bar, menu, or tool bar items are right-clicked.

## Commands

The **Commands** tab allows you customize your menus and toolbars. You can add application commands to menus and toolbars according to your preference. Note, however, that you cannot create new application commands or menus yourself.



To add a command to a toolbar or menu:

1. Select the menu item **Tools | Customize**. The Customize dialog appears.
2. Select the **All Commands** category in the *Categories* list box. The available commands appear in the *Commands* list box.
3. Click on a command in the *Commands* list box and drag it to an existing menu or toolbar. An I-beam appears when you place the cursor over a valid position to drop the command.
4. Release the mouse button at the position you want to insert the command.

Note the following points.

- When you drag a command, a small button appears at the tip of mouse pointer: This indicates that the command is currently being dragged.
- An "x" below the pointer indicates that the command cannot be dropped at the current cursor position.
- If the cursor is moved to a position at which the command can be dropped (a toolbar or

- menu), the "x" disappears and an I-beam indicates the valid position.
- Commands can be placed in menus or toolbars. If you have [created your own toolbar](#), you can use this customization mechanism to populate it.
  - Moving the cursor over a closed menu, opens that menu, allowing you to insert the command anywhere in that menu.

### Adding commands to context menus

You can also add commands to context menus by dragging commands from the *Commands* list box into the context menu. The procedure is as follows:

1. In the Customize dialog, click the [Menu tab](#).
2. In the Context Menu pane, select a context menu from the combo box. The selected context menu pops up.
3. In the Customize dialog, switch back to the Commands tab.
4. Drag the command you wish to create from the *Commands* list box and drop it into the desired location in the context menu.

### Deleting a command or menu

To delete a command from a menu, context menu (see above for details of accessing context menus), or toolbar, or to delete an entire menu, do the following.

1. Open the Customize dialog (**Tools | Customize**). The Customize dialog appears.
2. With the Customize dialog open (and any tab selected), right-click a menu or a menu command, and then select **Delete** from the context menu that pops up. Alternatively, drag the menu or menu command till an "x" icon appears below the mouse pointer, and then drop the menu or menu command. The menu or menu command will be deleted.

To re-instate deleted menu commands, use the mechanisms described in this section. To re-instate a deleted menu, go to **Tools | Customize | Menu**, and click the **Reset** button in the *Application Frame Menus* pane. Alternatively, go to **Tools | Customize | Toolbars**, select Menu Bar, and click the **Reset** button.

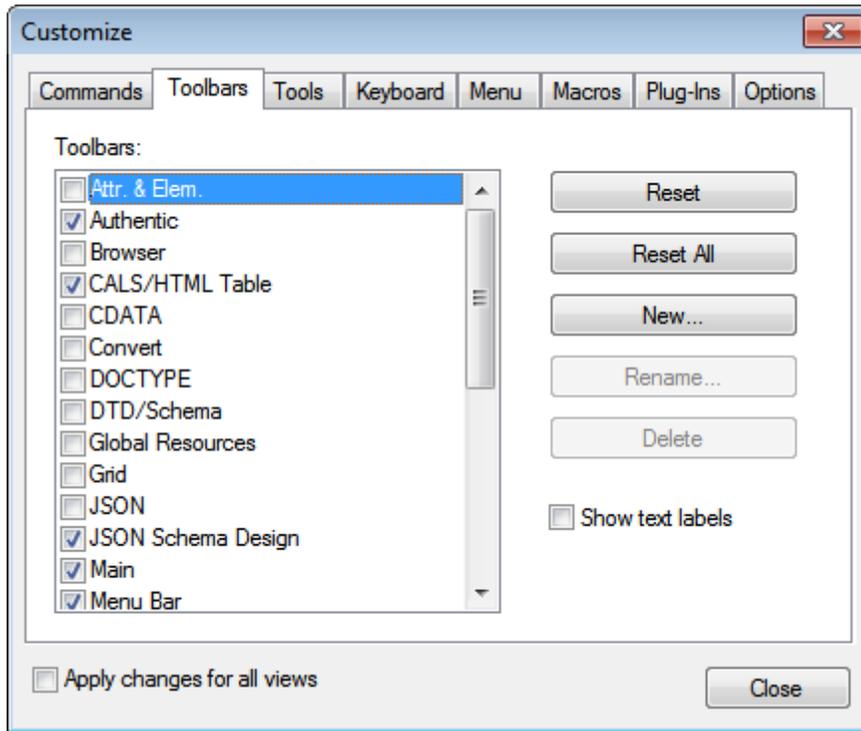
### Toolbars

The **Toolbars** tab allows you: (i) to activate or deactivate specific toolbars (that is, to decide which ones to display in the interface); (ii) to set what icons are displayed in each toolbar; and (iii) to create your own specialized toolbars.

The toolbars contain icons for the most frequently used menu commands. Information about each icon is displayed in a tooltip and in the Status Bar when the cursor is placed over the icon. You can drag a toolbar to any location on the screen, where it will appear as a floating window.

**Note:** To add a command to a toolbar, drag the command you want from the *Commands* list box in the [Commands](#) tab to the toolbar. To delete a command from a toolbar, open the Customize dialog, and with any tab selected, drag the command out of the toolbar (see [Commands](#) for more details).

**Note:** Toolbar settings defined in a particular view are, by default, valid for that view only. To make the settings apply to all views, click the check box at the bottom of the dialog.

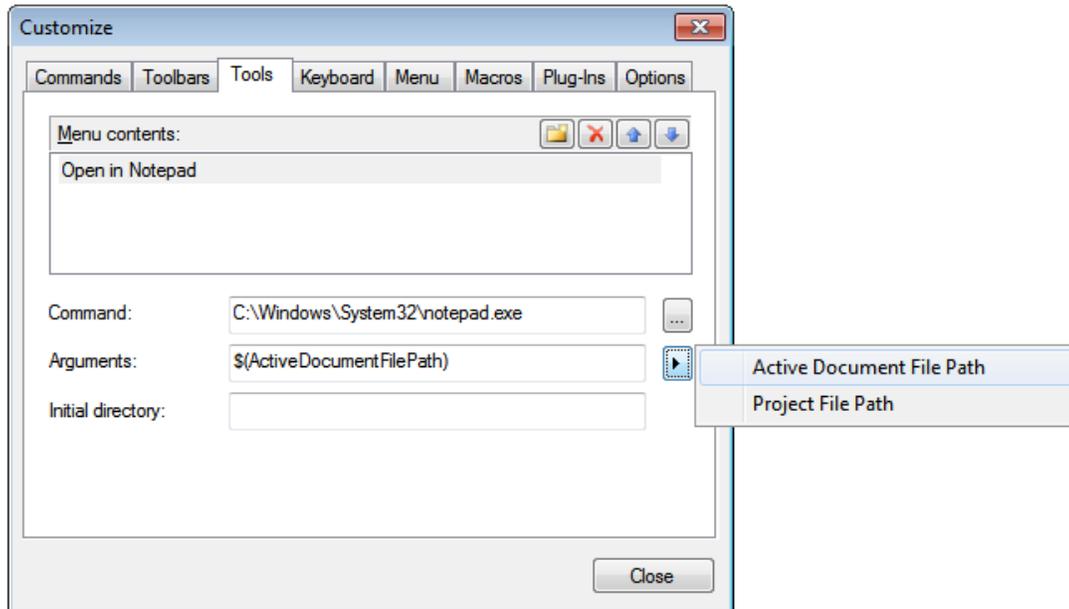


The following functionality is available:

- *To activate or deactivate a toolbar:* Click its check box in the *Toolbars* list box.
- *To apply changes to all views:* Click the check box at the bottom of the dialog. Otherwise, changes are applied only to the active view. Note that only changes made **after** clicking the *All Views* check box will apply to all views.
- *To add a new toolbar:* Click the **New** button and give the toolbar a name in the *Toolbar Name* dialog that pops up. From the [Commands](#) tab drag commands into the new toolbar.
- *To change the name of an added toolbar:* Select the added toolbar in the *Toolbars* pane, click the **Rename** button, and edit the name in the *Toolbar Name* dialog that pops up.
- *To reset the Menu bar:* Select the *Menu Bar* item in the *Toolbars* pane, and then click **Reset**. This resets the Menu bar to the state it was in when the application was installed.
- *To reset all toolbar and menu commands:* Click the **Reset All** button. This resets all toolbars and menus to the states they were in when the application was installed.
- *To delete a toolbar:* Select the toolbar you wish to delete in the *Toolbars* pane and click **Delete**.
- *To show text labels of commands in a particular toolbar:* Select that toolbar and click the *Show Text Labels* check box. Note that text labels have to be activated for each toolbar separately.

## Tools

The **Tools** tab allows you to set up commands to use external applications from within XMLSpy. These commands will be added to the **Tools | User-defined Tools** menu. For example, the active file in the main window of XMLSpy can be opened in an external application, such as Notepad, by clicking a command in the **Tools | User-defined Tools** menu that you created.



To set up a command to use an external application, do the following:

1. In the *Menu Contents* pane (see screenshot above), click the **New** icon in the title bar of the pane and, in the item line that is created, enter the name of the menu command you want. In the screenshot above, we have entered a single menu command, **Open in Notepad**. We plan to use this command to open the active document in the external Notepad application. More commands can be added to the command list by clicking the **New** icon. A command can be moved up or down the list relative to other commands by using the **Move Item Up** and **Move Item Down** icons. To delete a command, select it and click the **Delete** icon.
2. To associate an external application with a command, select the command in the *Menu Contents* pane. Then, in the *Command* field, enter the path to, or browse for, the executable file of the external application. In the screenshot above, the path to the Notepad application has been entered in the *Command* field.
3. The actions available to be performed with the external application are displayed when you click the flyout button of the *Arguments* field (see screenshot above). These actions are described in the list below. When you select an action, a code string for the action is entered in the *Arguments* field.
4. If you wish to specify a current working directory, enter it in the *Initial Directory* field.
5. Click **Close** to finish.

The command/s you created will appear in the **Tools | User-defined Tools** menu, and in the context menu of Project window files and folders—in the **User-defined Tools** submenu.

When you click the command (in the **Tools | User-defined Tools** menu) that you created, the action you associated with the command will be executed. The command example shown in the screenshot above does the following: It opens, in Notepad, the document that is active in the Main Window of XMLSpy. The external application command is also available in the context menu of files in the Project window (right-click a file in the Project window to display that file's context menu). Via the Project Window you can also open multiple files (for applications that allow this) by making a multi-selection and then selecting the command from the context menu.

### Arguments

The *Arguments* field specifies the action to be executed by the external application command. The following arguments are available.

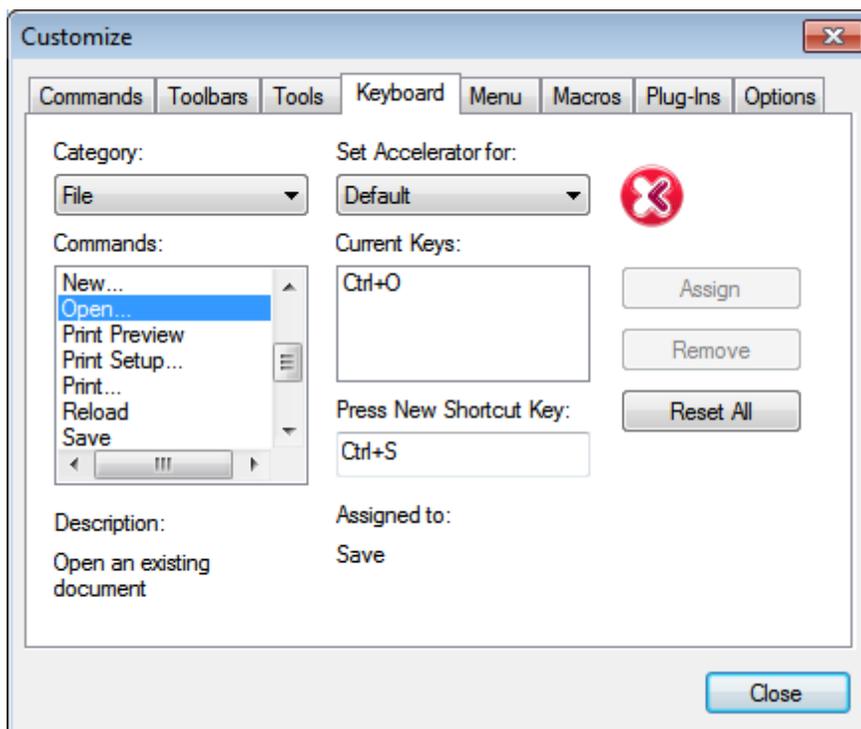
- *Active Document File Path*: The command in the **Tools | User-defined Tools** menu opens the document that is active in XMLSpy in the external application. The command in the context menu of a file in the Project window opens the selected file in the external application.
- *Project File Path*: Opens the XMLSpy project file (the `.spp` file) in the external application.

### Initial directory

The *Initial Directory* entry is optional and is a path that will be used as the current directory.

### Keyboard

The **Keyboard** tab allows you to create new keyboard shortcuts, or change existing shortcuts, for any application command.



To assign a new shortcut to a command, or to change an existing shortcut, do the following.

1. Select the *All Commands* category in the *Category* combo box. Note that if a [macro has been selected as an Associated Command](#), then macros are also available for selection in the *Category* combo box and a shortcut for the macro can be set.
2. In the *Commands* list box, select the command to which you wish to assign a new shortcut or select the command the shortcut of which you wish to change.
3. Click in the *Press New Shortcut Key* text box, and press the shortcut you wish to assign to that command. The shortcut appears in the *Press New Shortcut Key* text box. If the shortcut has not yet been assigned to any command, the **Assign** button is enabled. If the shortcut has already been assigned to a command, then that command is displayed below the text box and the **Assign** button is disabled. (To clear the *Press New Shortcut Key* text box, press any of the control keys, **Ctrl**, **Alt** or **Shift**).
4. Click the **Assign** button to assign the shortcut. The shortcut now appears in the *Current Keys* list box. You can assign multiple shortcuts to a single command.
5. Click the **Close** button to confirm.

### Deleting a shortcut

A shortcut cannot be assigned to multiple commands. If you wish to delete a shortcut, click it in the *Current Keys* list box and then click the **Remove** button. Click **Close**.

### Set accelerator for

Currently no function is available.

**Default keyboard shortcuts (by shortcut)**

The table below lists shortcuts assigned at the time of installation to various commonly used commands.

Shortcut	Command
F1	Help Menu
F3	Find Next
F5	Refresh
F7	Check well-formedness
F8	Validate
F9	Insert/Remove breakpoint
Shift+F9	Insert/Remove tracepoint
CTRL+F9	Enable/Disable breakpoint
Shift+CTRL+F9	Enable/Disable tracepoint
F10	XSL Transformation
CTRL+F10	XSL:FO Transformation
F11	Step into
CTRL+F11	Step Over
Shift + F11	Step Out
Alt+F11	Start Debugger/Go
Num +	Expand
Num -	Collapse
Num *	Expand fully
CTRL+Num-	Collapse unselected
CTRL + G	Goto line/char
CTRL+TAB	Switches between open documents
CTRL+F6	Cycle through open windows
Arrow keys	
(up / down)	Move selection bar
Esc.	Abandon edits/close dialog box
Return/Space bar	confirms a selection
Alt + F4	Closes XMLSpy
CTRL + F4	Closes active window
Alt + F, 1	Open last file
CTRL + Double click	Display element definition

an element (Schema view )	
CTRL + N	File New
CTRL + O	File Open
CTRL + S	File Save
CTRL + P	File Print
CTRL + A	Select All
Shift + Del	Cut (or CTRL + X)
CTRL + C	Copy
CTRL + V	Paste
CTRL + Z	Undo
CTRL + Y	Redo
Del	Delete (Delete item in Schema/Grid View )
CTRL + F	Find
F3	Find Next
CTRL + H	Replace
CTRL + I	Append Attribute
CTRL + E	In Grid View , Append Element. in Text View , Jump to Start/End Tag w hen cursor is in other member of the pair
CTRL + T	Append Text
CTRL + D	Append CDATA
CTRL + M	Append Comment
CTRL + SHIFT + I	Insert Attribute
CTRL + SHIFT + E	Insert Element
CTRL + SHIFT + T	Insert Text content
CTRL + SHIFT + D	Insert CDATA
CTRL + SHIFT + M	Insert Comment
CTRL + ALT + I	Add Child Attribute
CTRL + ALT + E	Add Child Element
CTRL + ALT + T	Add Child Text
CTRL + ALT + D	Add Child CDATA
CTRL + ALT + M	Add Child Comment

<b>Hotkeys for Text View</b>	
CTRL + "+"	Zoom In
CTRL + "-"	Zoom Out
CTRL + 0	Reset Zoom

CTRL + mouse wheel forward	Zoom In
CTRL + mouse wheel back	Zoom Out

**Default keyboard shortcuts (by function)**

The table below lists shortcuts assigned at the time of installation to various commonly used commands, organized alphabetically on function.

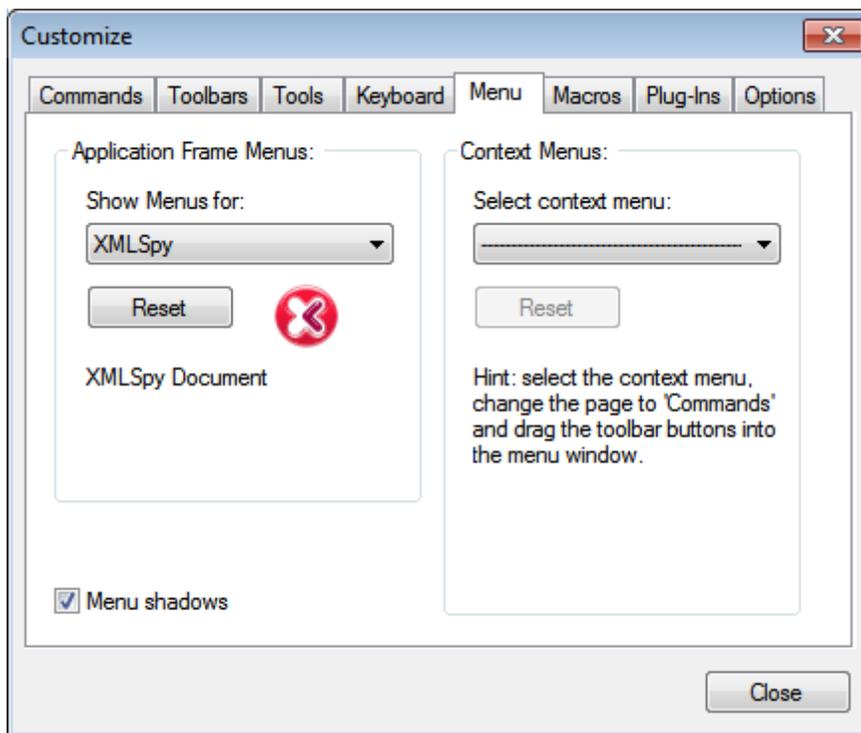
Function/Command	Shortcut
Abandon edits	Esc.
Add Child Attribute	CTRL + ALT + I
Add Child CDATA	CTRL + ALT + D
Add Child Comment	CTRL + ALT + M
Add Child Element	CTRL + ALT + E
Add Child Text	CTRL + ALT + T
Append Attribute	CTRL + I
Append CDATA	CTRL + D
Append Comment	CTRL + M
Append Element	CTRL + E (Grid View )
Append Text	CTRL + T
Check well-formedness	F7
Closes active window	CTRL + F4
Close XMLSpy	Alt + F4
Collapse	Num -
Collapse unselected	CTRL + Num-
Confirms a selection	Return / Space bar
Copy	CTRL + C
Cut	SHIFT + Del (or CTRL + X)
Cycle through windows	CTRL + TAB and CTRL + F6
Delete item	Del
Enable/Disable breakpoint	CTRL + F9
Enable/Disable tracepoint	Shift + CTRL + F9
Expand	Num +
Expand fully	Num *
File New	CTRL + N
File Open	CTRL + O
File Print	CTRL + P
File Save	CTRL + S
Find	CTRL + F
Find Next	F3
Goto line/char	CTRL + G
Help Menu	F1
Highlight other tag in start-end pair when cursor is inside start or end element tag	CTRL + E (Text View )
Insert Attribute	CTRL + SHIFT + I
Insert CDATA	CTRL + SHIFT + D

Insert Comment	CTRL + SHIFT + M
Insert Element	CTRL + SHIFT + E
Insert/Remove breakpoint	F9
Insert/Remove tracepoint	SHIFT+F9
Insert Text content	CTRL + SHIFT + T
Move selection bar	Arrow keys (up / down)
Open last file	Alt + F, 1
Paste	CTRL + V
Redo	CTRL + Y
Refresh	F5
Replace	CTRL + H
Select All	CTRL + A
Start Debugger/Go	Alt + F11
Step Into	F11
Step Out	Shift + F11
Step Over	CTRL + F11
To view an element definition	CTRL + Double click on an element.
Undo	CTRL + Z
Validate	F8
XSL Transformation	F10
XSL:FO Transformation	CTRL + F10

In the application, you can see a list of commands, together with their shortcuts and descriptions, in the Keyboard Map dialog ([Help | Keyboard Map](#)).

## Menu

The **Menu** tab allows you to customize the two main menu bars (default and application menu bars) as well as the application's context menus.



### Customizing the default menu bar and application menu bar

The default menu bar is the menu bar that is displayed when no document is open in the main window. The application menu bar is the menu bar that is displayed when one or more documents are open in the main window. Each menu bar can be customized separately, and customization changes made to one do not affect the other.

To customize a menu bar, select it in the *Show Menus For* combo box (see screenshot above). Then switch to the [Commands tab of the Customize dialog](#) and drag commands from the Commands list box to the menu bar or into any of the menus.

### Deleting commands from menus and resetting the menu bars

To delete an entire menu or a command inside a menu, select that menu or menu command, and then either (i) right-click and select **Delete**, or (ii) drag away from the menu bar or menu, respectively.

You can reset each of these two menu bars (default and application menu bars) to its original installation state by selecting the menu in the *Show Menus For* combo box and then clicking the **Reset** button below the combo box.

### Customizing the application's context menus

Context menus are the menus that appear when you right-click certain objects in the application's interface. Each of these context menus can be customized by doing the following:

1. Select the context menu you want in the *Select Context Menu* combo box. This pops up

- the context menu.
2. Switching to the [Commands tab of the Customize dialog](#).
  3. Drag a command from the *Commands* list box into the context menu.
  4. If you wish to delete a command from the context menu, right-click that command in the context menu, and click **Delete**. Alternatively, you can drag the command you want to delete out of the context menu.

You can reset any context menu to its original installation state by selecting it in the *Select Context Menu* combo box and then clicking the **Reset** button below the combo box.

### Menu shadows

Click the *Menu shadows* check box to give all menus shadows.

### Macros

The **Macros** tab allows you to create application commands for macros that were created using XMLSpy's Scripting Editor. These application commands (which run the macros associated with them) can subsequently be made available in menus and toolbars, either from the Macros tab directly or by using the mechanisms available in the [Commands tab of the Customize dialog](#). As application commands, they can also be assigned shortcuts in the [Keyboard tab of the Customize dialog](#).

### How macros work in XMLSpy

Macros in XMLSpy work as follows:

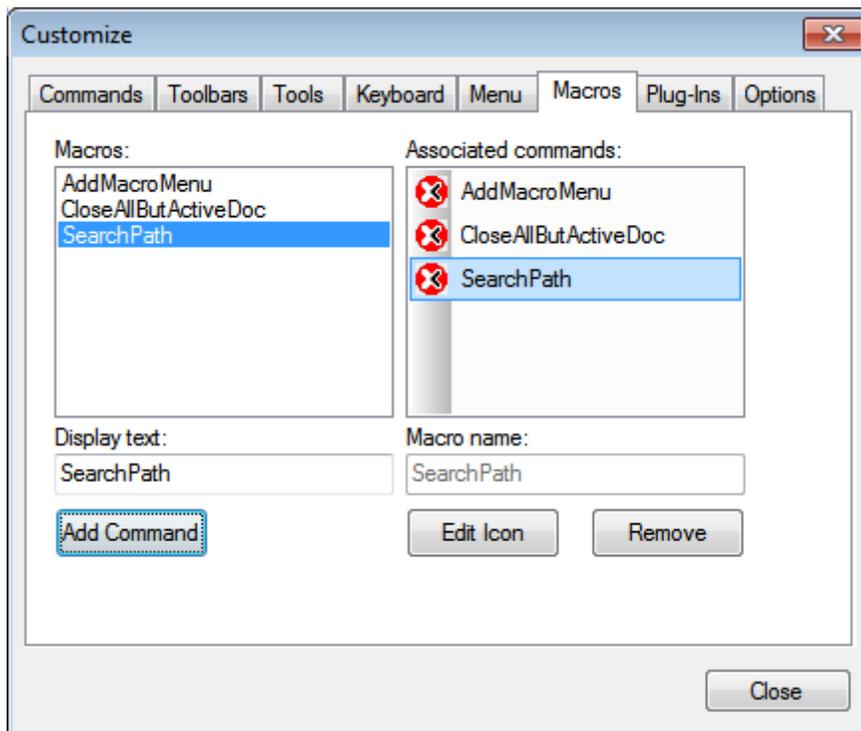
- Altova scripting projects (*.asprj* files) are created in XMLSpy's [Scripting Editor](#). It is these scripting projects that can contain the macros used in XMLSpy.
- Two scripting projects can be active at a time in XMLSpy: (i) An application scripting project, which is specified in the [Scripting tab of the Options dialog](#), and (ii) The scripting project of the active [application project](#), which is specified in the [Script Settings dialog \(Project | Script Settings\)](#).
- The macros in these two scripting projects are available in the application: in the **Project | Macros** menu (from where the macros can be run), and in the Macros tab of the Customize dialog (*screenshot below*), in which they can be set as application commands. After a macro has been set as an application command, the command can be placed in a menu and/or toolbar.

### Creating an application command for a macro

In [Scripting Editor \(Tools | Scripting Editor\)](#) create the macro you wish and save it to a scripting project. Specify this file to be either the application scripting project (via the [Scripting tab of the Options dialog](#)) or the active application project's scripting project (via the application project's [Script Settings dialog \(Project | Script Settings\)](#)). The macros in the scripting project will now appear in the *Macros* pane of the Macros tab (*see screenshot below*).

To create an application command for a macro, select the macro in the *Macros* pane, set the text of the command in the *Display Text* text box, and click **Add Command** (*see screenshot below*). A command associated with the selected macro will be added to the *Associated Commands* list

box.



To edit the icon of an associated command, select the command and click **Edit Icon**. To delete an associated command, click **Remove**.

### Placing an macro-associated command in a menu or toolbar

There are two ways to place a macro-associated command in a menu or toolbar:

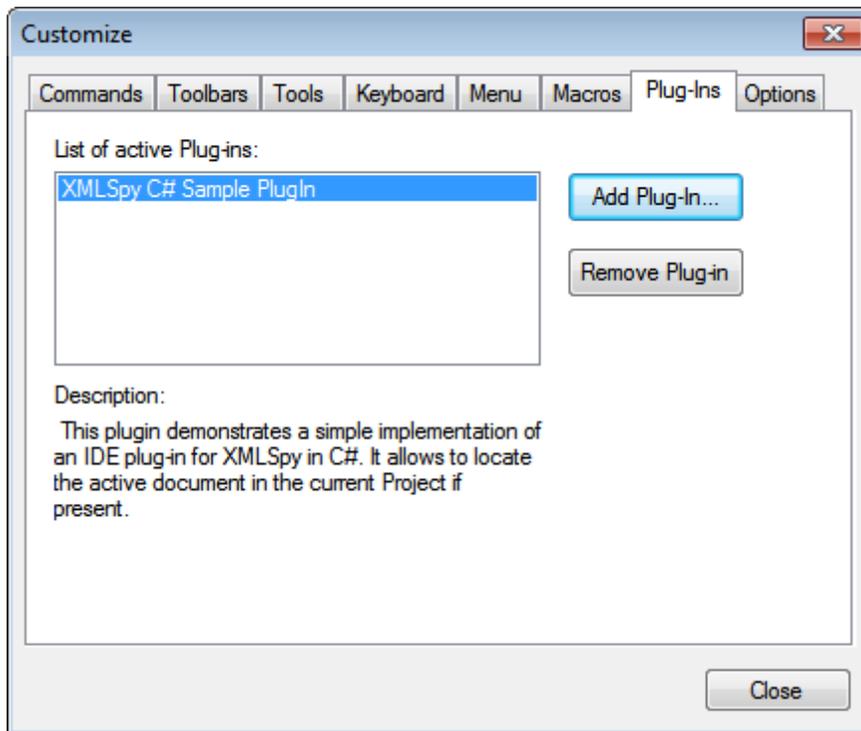
- Drag the command from the Associated Commands list box to the desired location in the menu or toolbar.
- Use the mechanisms available in the [Commands tab of the Customize dialog](#).

In either case, the command will be created at the desired location. Clicking on the command in the menu or toolbar will execute the macro.

**Note:** If a macro has been set as an associated command, you can set a [keyboard shortcut for it](#). In the [Keyboard tab of the Customize dialog](#), select *Macros* in the *Category* combo box, then select the required macro, and set the shortcut. You must set a macro as an associated command in order for it to be available to be created as a keyboard shortcut.

### Plug-Ins

The **Plug-Ins** tab allows you to integrate plug-ins and to place commands, where these have been so programmed, in an application menu and/or toolbar. In the Plug-In tab (*screenshot below*), click **Add Plug-In**, and browse for the plug-in's DLL file (see *'Creating plug-ins'* below). Click **OK** to add the plug-in. Multiple plug-ins can be added.



After a plug-in has been added successfully, a description of the plug-in appears in the dialog and the **Remove Plug-In** button becomes enabled. If the plug-in code creates toolbars and menus, these will be immediately visible in the application interface. To remove a plug-in select it and click **Remove Plug-In**.

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### Creating plug-ins

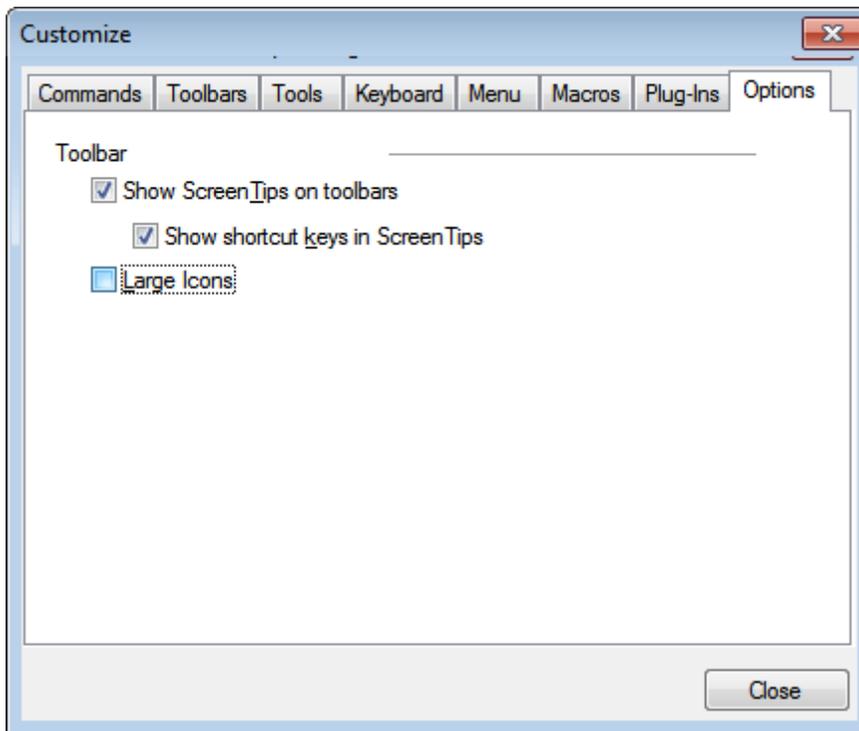
Source code for sample plug-ins has been provided in the application's [\(My\) Documents folder](#): `Examples\IDEPlugin` folder. To build a plug-in from such source code, do the following:

1. Open the solution you want to build as a plug-in in Visual Studio.
2. Build the plug-in with the command in the Build menu.
3. The plug-in's DLL file that will be created in the `Bin` or `Debug` folder. This DLL file is the file that must be added as a plug-in (see *above*).

For more information about plug-ins, see the section [IDE Plugins](#).

### Options

The **Options** tab allows you to define general environment settings.

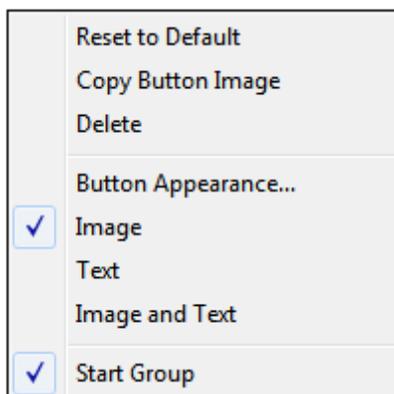


Click the check boxes to toggle on the following options:

- *Show Screen Tips on toolbar*: Displays a popup when the mouse pointer is placed over an icon in any toolbar. The popup contains a short description of the icon function, as well as the associated keyboard shortcut, if one has been assigned and if the *Show shortcut keys* option has been checked .
- *Show shortcut keys in Screen Tips*: Defines whether shortcut information will be shown in screen tips.
- *Large icons*: Toggles the size of toolbar icons between standard and large.

### Customize Context Menu

The **Customize context menu** (*screenshot below*) is the menu that appears when you have the Customize dialog open and then right-click an application menu, menu command, or toolbar icon.

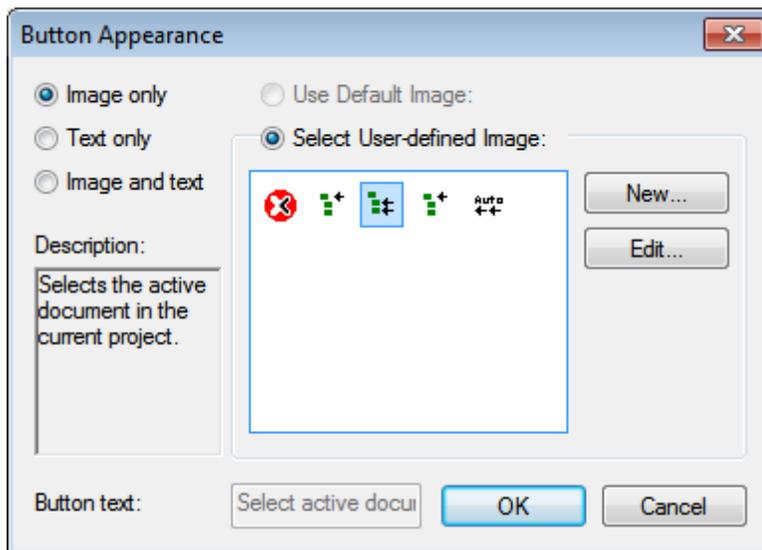


The following functionality is available:

- *Reset to Default*: Currently no function.
- *Copy Button Image*: Copies the icon you right-click to the clipboard.
- *Delete*: Deletes the selected menu, menu command, or toolbar icon. For information about how to restore deleted items, see below.
- *Button Appearance*: Pops up the Button Appearance dialog (see screenshot below), in which you can set properties that define the appearance of the selected toolbar icon. See the description below for details.
- *Image, Text, Image and Text*: Mutually exclusive options that determine whether the selected toolbar icon will be an icon only, text only, or both icon and text. You can select one of these options to make the change. Alternatively, you can make this change in the Button Appearance dialog.
- *Start Group*: Inserts a vertical group-divider to the left of the selected toolbar icon. This makes the selected toolbar icon the first of a group of icons.

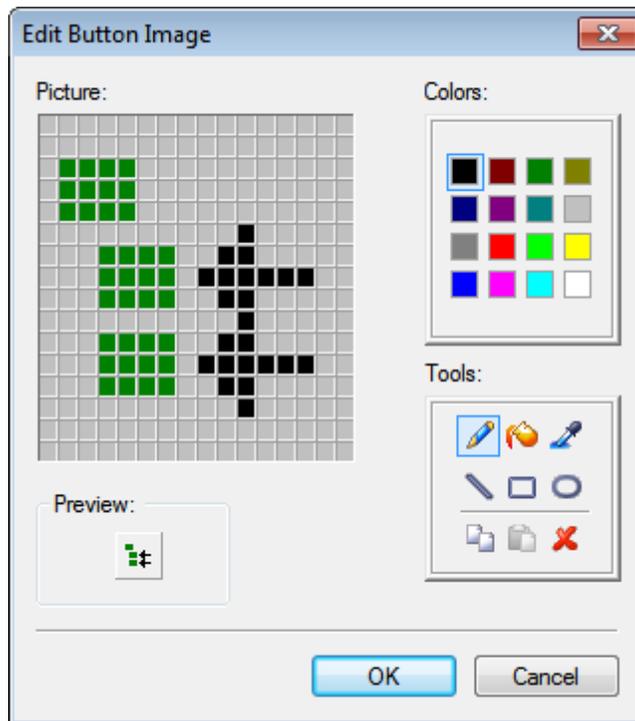
### The Button Appearance dialog

Right-click a toolbar icon and click **Button Appearance** to get the Button Appearance dialog (screenshot below). Via this dialog you can edit the toolbar icon image, as well as its text. Currently only toolbar icons for macros and from plug-ins can be edited using this dialog.



The following editing functionality is available for the selected toolbar icon (the one that was right-clicked to get the Customize context menu):

- *Image only, Text only, Image and text*: Select the desired radio button to specify what form the toolbar icon will take.
- *Image editing*: When *Image only* or *Image and text* is selected, then the image editing options are enabled. Click **New** to create a new image that will be added to the user-defined images in the images pane. Select an image and click **Edit** to edit it.



- *Image selection:* Select an image from the Images pane and click OK to use the selected image as the toolbar icon.
- *Text editing and selection:* When *Text only* or *Image and text* is selected, then the *Button Text* text box is enabled. Enter or edit the text and click **OK** to make this the text of the toolbar icon.

**Note:** The Button Appearance dialog can also be used to edit the text of menu commands. Right-click the menu command (with the Customize dialog open), click **Button Appearance**, and then edit the menu command text in the *Button Text* text box.

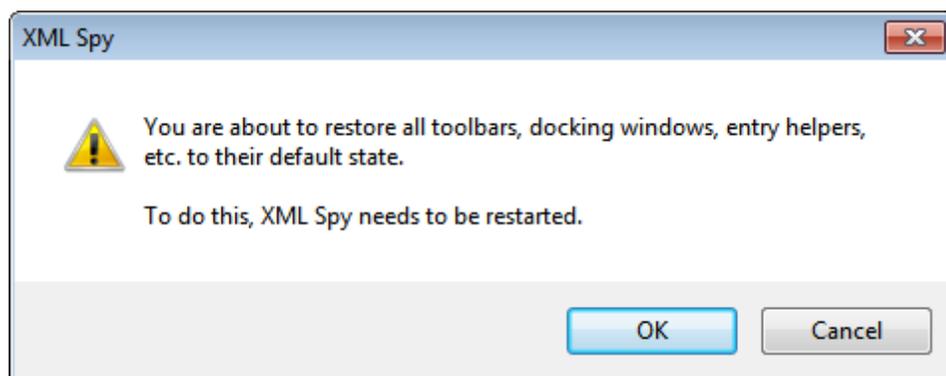
### Restoring deleted menus, menu commands, and toolbar icons

If a menu, menu command, or toolbar icon has been deleted by using the **Delete** command in the Customize context menu, these can be restored as follows:

- *Menus:* Go to [Tools | Customize | Menu](#), and click the **Reset** button in the *Application Frame Menus* pane. Alternatively, go to [Tools | Customize | Toolbars](#), select *Menu Bar*, and click the **Reset** button.
- *Menu commands:* Go to [Tools | Customize | Commands](#), and drag the command from the *Commands* list box into the menu.
- *Toolbar icons:* Go to [Tools | Customize | Commands](#), and drag the command from the *Commands* list box into the toolbar.

### 23.16.12 Restore Toolbars and Windows

The **Restore Toolbars and Windows** command closes down XMLSpy and re-starts it with the default settings. Before it closes down a dialog pops up asking for confirmation about whether XMLSpy should be closed (*screenshot below*).



This command is useful if you have been resizing, moving, or hiding toolbars or windows, and would now like to have all the toolbars and windows as they originally were.

### 23.16.13 Options

The **Tools | Options** command enables you to define global application settings. These settings are specified in a tabbed dialog box and saved in the registry. They apply to all current and future document windows. The **Apply** button in the Options dialog displays the changes in the currently open documents and fixes the current settings. The changes are seen immediately in the background windows.

Each tab of the Options dialog is described in detail in this section.

#### File

The **File** tab defines the way XMLSpy opens and saves documents. Related settings are in the [Encoding tab](#).

The screenshot shows the XMLSpy Tools Menu dialog box with the following settings:

- Open/New file in Grid view:**  Expand all lines
- Automatic reload of changed files:**  Watch for file changes,  Ask before reload
- Validation:**
  - Validate files automatically:
    - On Open Up to file size: 10 MB
    - On Save
    - Cache DTD/Schema files in memory
  - XML Schema Version:
    - v1.1 if <xs:schema vc:minVersion="1.1" ... >
    - Always v1.1
    - Always v1.0
- Project:**  Open last project on program start
- Save File:**
  - Include comment: "Edited with XMLSpy"
  - Include in diagrams: "Generated by XMLSpy"
  - Authentic: save link to design file
  - Line breaks:  Preserve old,  CR & LF,  CR,  LF
  - No output formatting for:
    - xsl:attribute

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### Open/New file in Grid view

You can choose to open an existing file or create a new file either in Grid View or in Text View. If you select Grid View, you can also choose to automatically expand all lines.

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### Automatic reload of changed files

If you are working in a multi-user environment, or if you are working on files that are dynamically generated on a server, you can watch for changes to files that are currently open in the interface. Each time XMLSpy detects a change in an open document, it will prompt you about whether you want to reload the changed file.

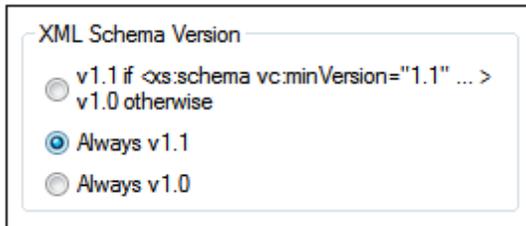
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### Validation

If you are using DTDs or schemas to define the structure of your XML documents, you can automatically check the document for validity whenever it is opened or saved. During Open and Save operations, you have the option of validating files only if the file-size is less than a size you specify in MB. If the document is not valid, an error message will be displayed. If it is valid, no message will be displayed and the operation will proceed without any notification. XMLSpy can also cache these files in memory to save any unnecessary reloading (e.g. when the schema being referred to is accessed through a URL). If your schema location declaration uses an URL, disable the "cache DTD/Schema files in memory" option to have changes made to the schema appear immediately, and not use the cached version of the schema.

### XML Schema Version

The XSD mode that is enabled in Schema View depends on both (i) the presence/absence—and, if present, the value—of the `/xs:schema/@vc:minVersion` attribute of the XSD document, and (ii) the XML Schema Version option selected in the File tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**, *screenshot below*).



The following situations are possible. *XML Schema Version* in the table below refers to the selection in the XML Schema Version pane shown above. The `vc:minVersion` values in the table refer to the value of the `xs:schema/@vc:minVersion` attribute in the XML Schema document. For more details, see the section [Editing Views | Schema View | XSDMode](#).

XML Schema Version	<code>vc:minVersion</code> attribute	XSD mode
<i>Always v1.0</i>	Is absent, or is present with any value	1.0
<i>Always v1.1</i>	Is absent, or is present with any value	1.1
<i>Value of @vc:minVersion</i>	Attribute has value of 1.1	1.1
<i>Value of @vc:minVersion</i>	Attribute is absent, or attribute is present with a value other than 1.1	1.0

### Project

When you start XMLSpy, you can open the last-used project automatically.

### Save File

When saving an XML document, XMLSpy includes a short comment `<!-- Edited with XMLSpy http://www.altova.com -->` near the top of the file. This option can only be deactivated by licensed users, and takes effect when editing or saving files in the Enhanced Grid or Schema Design View.

When saving a content model diagram (using the menu option **Schema design | Generate Documentation**), XMLSpy includes the XMLSpy logo. This option can only be deactivated by licensed users.

If a StyleVision Power Stylesheet is associated with an XML file, the 'Authentic: save link to design file' option will cause the link to the StyleVision Power Stylesheet to be saved with the XML file.

### Line breaks

When you open a file, the character coding for line breaks in it are preserved if **Preserve old** is selected. Alternatively, you can choose to code line breaks in any of three codings: **CR&LF** (for PC), **CR** (for MacOS), or **LF** (for Unix).

### No output formatting for

In Text View, the indentation of an element can be made to reflect its position in the element hierarchy (see **Save File**). You can, however, override this indentation for individual elements. To do this, enter the element name in the **No output formatting for** field. All elements entered in this field will be formatted such that their descendant elements have no whitespace between them (see *screenshots*).

Hierarchical indentation for all elements:

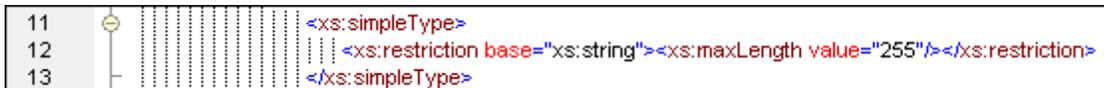


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11 | <xs:simpleType>
12 | | <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
13 | | | <xs:maxLength value="255"/>
14 | | </xs:restriction>
15 | </xs:simpleType>

```

*No output formatting* has been specified for element `xs:restriction`:



```

11 | <xs:simpleType>
12 | | <xs:restriction base="xs:string"><xs:maxLength value="255"/></xs:restriction>
13 | </xs:simpleType>

```

### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

### File Types

The **File types** tab allows you to customize the behavior of XMLSpy on a per-file-type basis.

The screenshot shows the 'File Types' dialog box in XMLSpy. On the left, a list of file extensions is shown, with '.xqu' selected. The main area is divided into several sections: 'Windows Explorer settings' (Description: XQuery Update Facility, Content type: [empty], Use XMLSpy as default editor: checked), 'Conformance' (XML conformant, XML, DTD, XML Entity, XQuery conformant, XQuery, XQuery Update, ZIP conformant, JSON conformant, Other format), 'Default view' (Grid view, Schema, Text view, Browser view, WSDL, XBRL taxonomy), 'Grid view' (Build tables automatically: checked), and 'Text view' (Use syntax coloring: checked). There are also checkboxes for 'Disable automatic validation', 'Save empty elements in short "<E/>" format', and 'Use RaptorXML Server to validate on Open/Save'. At the bottom are buttons for 'Add new file extension' and 'Delete selected file extension'.

Choose a file type from the File Types list box, and then customize the functions for that particular file type as described below.

### Windows Explorer settings

You can define the file type description and MIME-compliant content type used by Windows Explorer and whether XMLSpy is to be the default editor for documents of this file type.

### Conformance

XMLSpy provides specific editing and other features for various file types. The features for a file type are set by specifying the conformance in this option. XMLSpy lets you set file type to conform with XML, XQuery, ZIP, JSON, and other (text) grammars. Furthermore, XML conformance is differentiated between XML, DTD, and XML Entity file types. A large number of file types are defined with a default conformance that is appropriate for the file type. We recommend that you do not modify these settings unless you are adding a new file type or deliberately wish to set a file type to another kind of conformance.

### Default view

This group lets you define the default view to be used for each file type.

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**Grid View**

This check box lets you define whether the Grid View should automatically build tables.

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**Text View**

This check box lets you set syntax-coloring for particular file types.

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**Disable automatic validation**

This option enables you to disable automatic validation per file type. Automatic validation typically takes place when a file is opened or saved, or when a view is changed.

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**Save empty elements in short <E/> format**

Some applications that use XML documents or output generated from XML documents may have problems understanding the short `<Element/>` form for empty elements defined in the XML 1.0 Specification. You can instruct XMLSpy to save elements in the longer (but also valid) `<Element></Element>` form.

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**Use RaptorXML Server to validate on Open/Save**

Specifies whether RaptorXML Server should be used to validate files of the selected file type when the file is opened and saved. For this to work, a [RaptorXML Server must be set up and configured](#).

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**Add new file extension**

Adds a new file type to the File types list. You must then define the settings for this new file type using the other options in this tab.

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**Delete selected file extension**

Deletes the currently selected file type and all its associated settings.

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**Save and exit**

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

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## Editing

The **Editing** tab enables you to specify editing behaviour in XMLSpy.

<p><b>Intelligent editing</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show entry helpers</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Load entry helpers upon opening file</p> <p>Sort: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attributes <input type="checkbox"/> Elements</p> <p>Mandatory first: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attributes <input type="checkbox"/> Elements</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Auto-append mandatory children to new elements</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> First branch of choice</p> <p><input type="radio"/> All branches of choice (may take a long time and make the result invalid)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Branch of choice with the smallest number of elements</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Generate non-mandatory Elements</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Generate non-mandatory Attributes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Treat element content of nillable elements as non-mandatory</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For elements with an abstract type, try to use a non-abstract type for xsi:type</p>	<p><b>Text View</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Auto-complete in Text View</p> <p>Disable auto-completion and entry helpers if file size is bigger than: <input type="text" value="10"/> MB</p> <p><b>Table view</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Smart table detection for rep. elements</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Build table for any repeated elements</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Show single table subelements as table</p> <p>No automatic tables for elements:</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>p</td></tr> <tr><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td></tr> </table> <p><b>Default copy to clipboard in Grid View as</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> XML-Text</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Structured text (TAB-delimited)</p>	p		
p				

### Intelligent editing

While editing documents, XMLSpy provides intelligent editing based on these settings. You can also customize various aspects of the Entry Helper behavior in this pane. The customization settings made here will be applied when relevant to the file type being edited. For example, the option to load entry helpers on opening the file and sorting attributes will not be applicable to DTD or XQuery documents.

Mandatory child elements of `choice` groups are auto-appended on the basis of the setting made in this pane. You can select whether (i) the first branch (element) of the `choice` group, (ii) all branches, or (iii) the branch with the smallest number of descendant elements is generated. Note that the *All branches* selection could generate an invalid document since only one branch from a `choice` group is allowed.

### Text View

The *Auto-complete* option automatically adds unambiguous structural components. For example, when the closing angular bracket of the start tag of an element is entered, then the end tag of that element is automatically added if this option is enabled.

In Text View, Auto-completion and entry helpers can be disabled if a file is bigger than the size specified in the *Disable Auto-completion...* combo box. This is useful if you wish to speed up the

editing of large files and can do without the auto-completion feature and entry helpers. If the file size is bigger than that specified for this option, then the Text View context menu contains a toggle command for switching on and off Auto-completion and entry helper use. So you can always switch these editing aids on and off at any time during editing (in the event of files having a size greater than the size specified for this option). If the value specified for this option is smaller than the size of the opened file, locations indicated in error messages will not correctly correspond to the location in Text View.

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### **Default copy to clipboard in grid view as**

You can choose the format in which data will be exported to foreign applications using the clipboard. If you select XML-Text, the contents of the clipboard will be formatted and tagged just like the resulting XML file itself. The structured text mode attempts to format the clipboard contents as a table, for use in a spreadsheet or database application. This option does not affect the internal clipboard format that XMLSpy uses for copying and pasting.

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### **Table view**

You can also control, how XMLSpy decides when to display repeating elements in the [Table View](#).

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### **Save and exit**

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

### **View**

The **View** tab enables you to customize the XML documents presentation in XMLSpy.

<p><b>Enhanced Grid view</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show attribute previews</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Automatically provide optimal widths</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Limit optimal width to <input type="text" value="60"/> pixels</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Limit cell height to <input type="text"/> lines</p>	<p><b>Program logo</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show on start</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show on print</p>	<p><b>Window title</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> File name only</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Full path name</p>
<p><b>Pretty-print</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use Indentation</p> <p>Pretty-print is used when its button is pressed in Text view or when switching or saving from all other views.</p>	<p><b>Authentic view</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Always open files in Authentic view when StyleVision Stylesheet assigned</p>	<p><b>Browser view</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Show in a separate window by default</p>
	<p><b>Schema view</b></p> <p>A derived type may have content which is affected by changing its base type.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preserve content, if it still can be used in combination with the new base type</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Confirm options on every base type modification</p>	

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### Grid View

XML elements in Grid View can be collapsed into a single line displaying the element name. When collapsed, the element's attributes can also be displayed in that line. If the *Show Attribute Previews* option is checked, attributes are displayed in gray with collapsed elements. Otherwise, attributes are not displayed with the collapsed element. Columns in the grid can be set to adjust automatically to [optimal widths](#). Additionally, the maximum optimal width and cell height can be limited. If the content of a cell is more than can fit in a cell, this is indicated by an ellipsis.

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### Pretty-print

When you select **Edit | Pretty-Print XML Text** in Text View or switch from another view to Text View, the XML document will be "pretty-printed". The pretty-printing will be with or without indentation according to whether the *Use Indentation* option in this dialog is checked or not. The amount of indentation can be specified in the Tabs pane of the [Text View Settings dialog](#).

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### Program logo

You can turn off the splash screen on program startup to speed up the application. Also, if you have a purchased license (as opposed to, say, a trial license), you will have the option of turning off the program logo, copyright notice, and registration details when printing a document from XMLSpy.

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### Window title

The window title for each document window can contain either the file name only or the full path name.

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### Authentic View

XML files based on a **StyleVision Power Stylesheet** are automatically opened in the Authentic View when this option is active.

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### Browser View

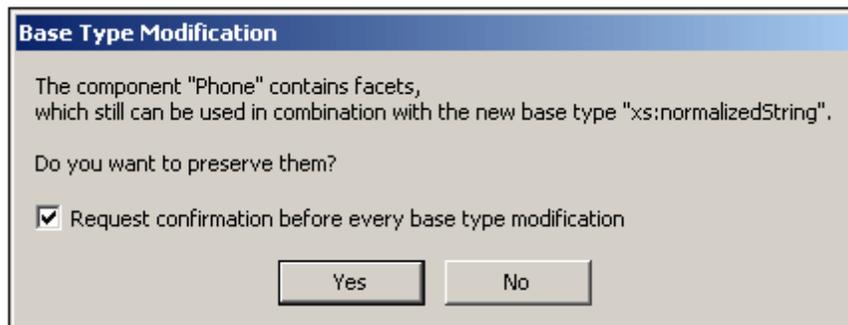
You can choose to see the browser view in a separate window, enabling side-by-side placement of the edit and browser views.

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### Schema view

An XML Schema datatype can be derived from another datatype. For example, a datatype for E-mail elements can be derived from a base datatype of `xs:string` (for example, by restricting the `xs:string` datatype to a specific set of characters). If the base datatype is subsequently changed, you can set the following options:

- *Preserve content*: If the definitions used to define the derived type can be used with the new base type, checking this option will automatically preserve the definitions.
- *Confirm on every modification*: After changing the base type, a dialog (see *screenshot below*) will pop up asking whether the old definitions should be preserved and used with the new base type.



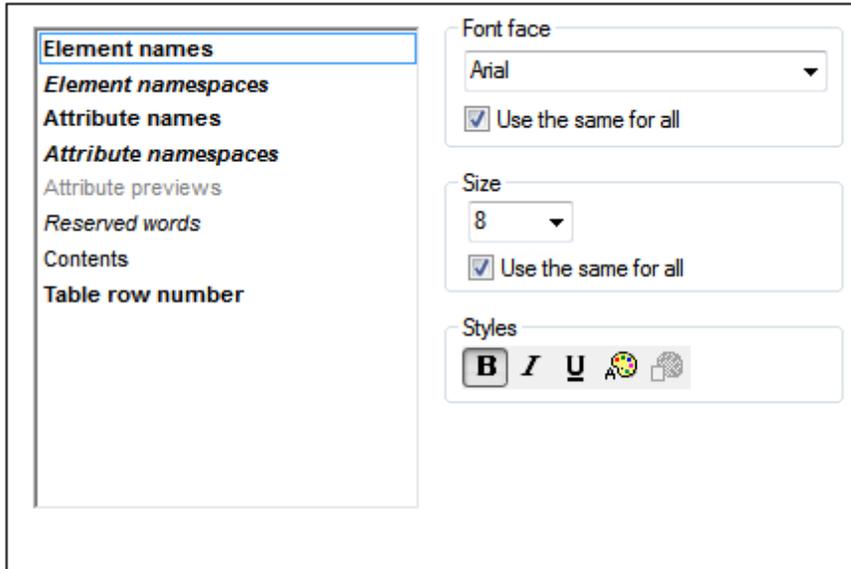
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### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

## Grid Fonts

The **Grid fonts** tab allows you to customize the appearance of text in [Grid View](#).



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### Font face

You can select the font face and size to be used for displaying the various items in Grid View. The same fonts are also used for printing, so only TrueType fonts should be selected.

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### Size

Select the required size. If you want to use the same font size for all items, check the **Use the same for all** check box.

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### Styles

The style and color can be set using the options in this pane. The current settings are immediately reflected in the list in the left-hand pane, so you can preview the way your document will look.

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### Set Defaults

The **Set Defaults** button resets fonts to the original installation settings.

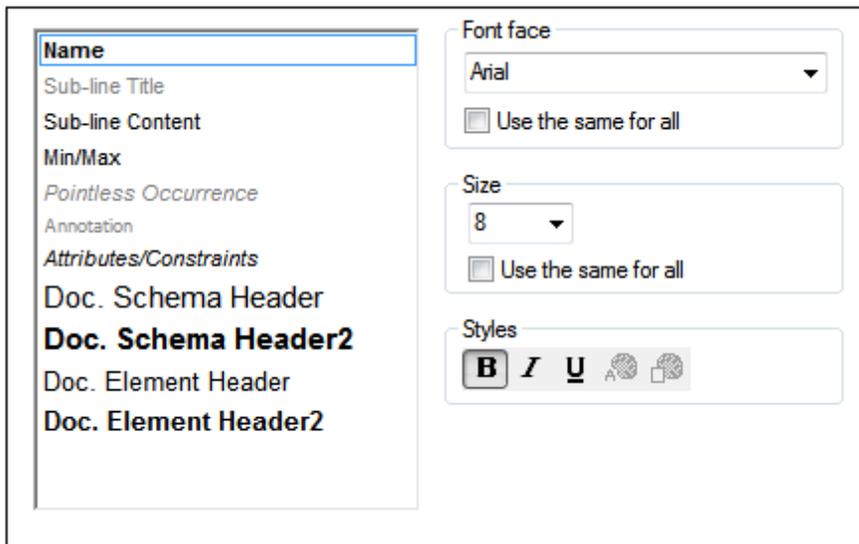
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### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

### Schema Fonts

The **Schema fonts** tab enables you to customize the appearance of text in [Schema View](#).



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### Font face

You can select the font face and size to be used for displaying the various items in the Schema Design view. The same fonts are used when printing and creating [schema documentation](#), so only TrueType fonts should be selected. Components prefixed with "Doc." are used in the schema documentation.

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### Size

Select the required size. If you want to use the same font size for all items, click on the "Use The Same For All" check box.

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### Styles

The style and color can be set using the options in this pane. The current settings are immediately reflected in the list in the left pane, so you can preview the way your document will look.

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### Set Defaults

The **Set Defaults** button resets fonts to the original installation settings.

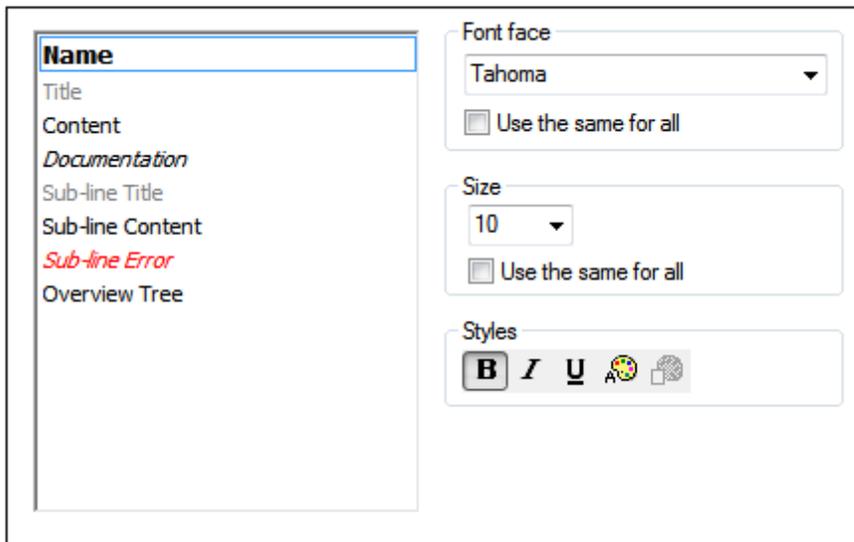
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### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

### WSDL Fonts

The **WSDL fonts** tab you to customize the appearance of text in [WSDL View](#).



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### Font face

You can select the font face and size to be used for displaying the various items in the WSDL Design view. The same fonts are used when printing and creating documentation, so only TrueType fonts should be selected.

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### Size

Select the required size. If you want to use the same font size for all items, click on the "Use The Same For All" check box.

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## Styles

The style and color can be set using the options in this pane. The current settings are immediately reflected in the list in the left pane, so you can preview the way your document will look.

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## Set Defaults

The **Set Defaults** button resets fonts to the original installation settings.

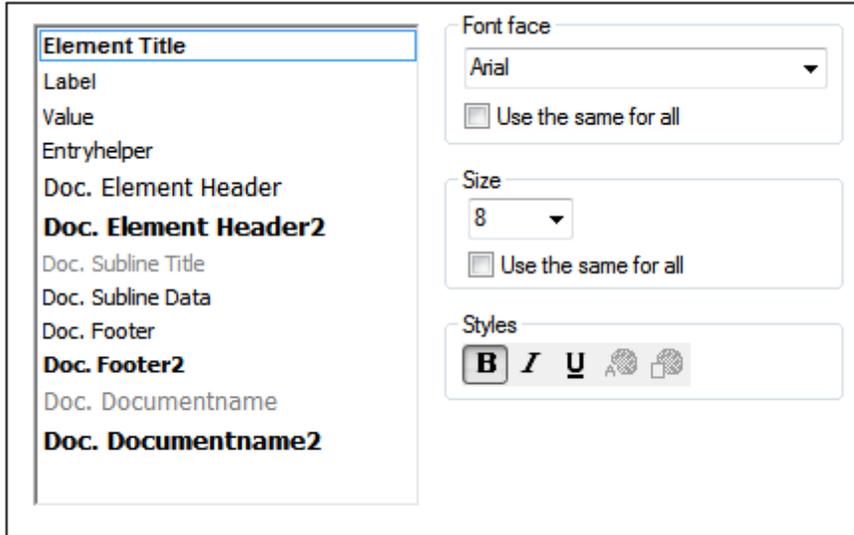
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## Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

## XBRL Fonts

The **XBRL fonts** tab you to customize the appearance of text in XBRL View.



## Font face

You can select the font face and size to be used for displaying the various items in XBRL View. The same fonts are used when printing and creating documentation, so only TrueType fonts should be selected.

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### Size

Select the required size. If you want to use the same font size for all items, click on the *Use The Same For All* check box.

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### Styles

The style and color can be set using the options in this pane. The current settings are immediately reflected in the list in the left pane, so you can preview the way your document will look.

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### Set Defaults

The **Set Defaults** button resets fonts to the original installation settings.

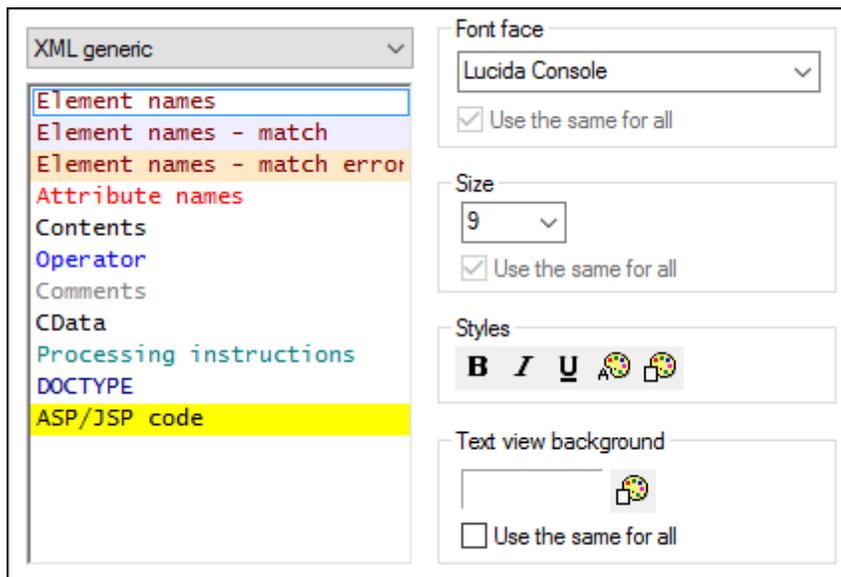
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### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

### Text Fonts

The **Text fonts** tab enables you to customize the appearance of text in Text View. You can customize the appearance of text items according to the type of text item. For example, you can color element names and attribute names differently.



### Customizing by file type

The text item types are categorized into three groups:

- XML generic
- XQuery
- CSS
- JSON
- Output

To customize text fonts, do the following:

1. In the combo box at top left, select the type of document for which you wish to customize text fonts. On doing this, the text item types for that document type appear in the box below the combo box. (*In the screenshot above, XML generic has been selected as the document type.*)
2. Select the text item type you wish to customize by clicking it. (*In the screenshot above, Element names has been selected.*)
3. Set the font properties using the options in the panes on the right-hand side. You can select the font-family, font-size, font-style, font-color, and background-color for the text. Additionally, you can also select a background color for the entire Text View.

Note the following points:

- The same font, style, and size is used for all text item types. Only the text color and background color can be changed for individual text types. This enables the syntax coloring feature.
- The *Element names* text type consists of three subtypes: (i) *Element names* applies to element names that are not selected; (ii) *Element names - match* applies to those element names that are selected (names in which the cursor is placed) and where the start tag name matches the end tag name; (i) *Element names - match error* applies to those element names that are selected, but where the start tag name matches the end tag name. Element names that are being edited will therefore be highlighted with different background colors according to whether the start tag names match the end tag names or not. These highlight colors can be changed by changing the respective background colors. Highlighting is turned on by default, and can be turned off by deselecting the *Highlight elements* option in the [Text View Settings](#) dialog.

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### Set defaults

The **Set Defaults** button resets fonts to the original installation settings.

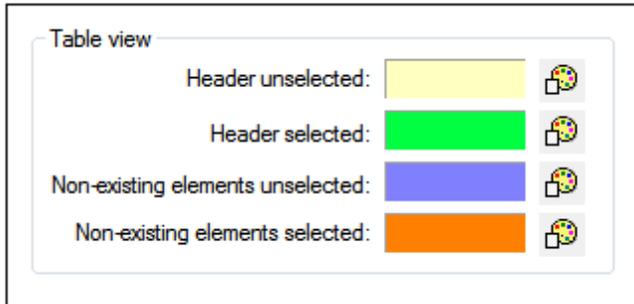
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### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

## Colors

The **Colors** tab enables you to customize the background colors used in the Table View of Grid View. In the screenshot below, the colors have been changed from the default colors by clicking the palette icon next to each item and then selecting the preferred color.



## Table View

The Header unselected and Header selected options refer to the column and row headers. The screenshot below shows headers unselected; its color is as set in the dialog above.

Administration				
Person (3)				
	First	Last	Title	PhoneExt
1	Vernon	Callaby		582
2	Frank	Further	Accounts Receivable	471
3	Loby	Matise		963

The Header Selected color is activated when all headers are selected (*screenshot below*)—not when individual headers are selected. The screenshot below shows this using the colors defined in the dialog shown above. All headers can be selected by clicking the cell that intersects both headers or by selecting the element created as the table—or any of its ancestors.

Person (3)				
	First	Last	Title	PhoneExt
1	Vernon	Callaby		582
2	Frank	Further	Accounts Receivable	471
3	Loby	Matise		963

## Non-existent Elements

When an element or attribute does not exist in the XML document, then it can be given different background colors when selected and unselected. This is shown in the screenshot below, in which the first row is selected.

	First	Last	Title	PhoneExt
1	Vernon	Callaby		582
2	Frank	Further	Accounts Receivable	471
3	Loby	Matise		963

**Note:** In addition to the colors you define here, XMLSpy uses the regular selection and menu color preferences set in the Display Settings in the Control Panel of your Windows installation.

### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

### Encoding

The **Encoding** tab specifies options for file encodings.

<p>Default encoding for new XML files</p> <p>Unicode UTF-8</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Little-endian byte order</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Big-endian byte order</p>	<p>BOM</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Always create BOM if not UTF-8</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Preserve detected BOM on saving</p>
<p>Open XML files with unknown encoding as</p> <p>Unicode UTF-8</p>	
<p>Open non-XML files in</p> <p>Codepage 1252 (Western)</p>	

### Default encoding for new XML files

The default encoding for new XML files can be set by selecting an option from the dropdown list. A new document is created with an XML declaration containing the encoding value you specify here. If a two- or four-byte encoding is selected as the default encoding (i.e. UTF-16, UCS-2, or UCS-4) you can also choose between little-endian and big-endian byte-ordering.

The encoding of existing XML files will be retained and can only be changed with the [File | Encoding](#) command.

**Open XML files with unknown encoding as**

If the encoding of an XML file cannot be determined or if the XML document has no encoding specification, the file will be opened with the encoding you select in this combo box.

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**Open non-XML files in**

Existing and new non-XML files are opened with the encoding you select in this combo box. You can change the encoding of the document by using the [File | Encoding](#) command.

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**BOM (Byte Order Mark)**

When a document with two-byte or four-byte character encoding is saved, the document can be saved either with (i) little-endian byte-ordering and a little-endian BOM (*Always create BOM if not UTF-8*); or (ii) the detected byte-ordering and the detected BOM (*Preserve detected BOM on saving*).

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**Save and exit**

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

**XSL**

The **XSL** tab (*screenshot below*) enables you to define options for [XSLT transformations](#) and [XSL-FO transformations](#) carried out from within the application.

Built-in RaptorXML XSLT engine (Important: the built-in engine is always used for XSLT debugging)

Validate XML files used in transformation

Microsoft® XML Parser (MSXML): 
  v3.0 
  v4.0 
  v6.0 
  Choose version automatically

External XSL transformation program:

Please enter the command line for executing an external XSL transformation program in the form:  
**Program.exe %1 %2 %3**  
 where %1 will be replaced with the XML input file name, %2 with the output file name and %3 (optional) with XSL style-sheet file name. Feel free to add any other parameters that are required by the external program.

Show external program output in Messages window after transformation  
 Show external program error output in Messages window after transformation

Default file extension of output file:   Reuse output window  
 Use file extension from <xsl:output method=""> attribute if provided

Please enter path to XSL-FO transformation engine (if using FOP enter path to fop.bat):

Use XSLT engine selected above to perform XSLT part and then XSL-FO engine for FO part  
 Use XSL-FO engine for both XSLT and FO parts of transformation

### XSLT transformations

XMLSpy contains the Altova RaptorXML XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, and XSLT 3.0 engines, which you can use for XSLT transformations as well as for validating the XML files used in transformations. The appropriate XSLT engine (1.0, 2.0, or 3.0) is used (according to the value of the `version` attribute of the `xsl:stylesheet` or `xsl:transform` element). This applies both for XSLT transformations as well as for XSLT debugging using XMLSpy's XSLT/XQuery Debugger.

For transforming XML documents using XSLT, you could use one of the following:

- The built-in Altova XSLT Engines (XSLT 1.0, XSLT 2.0, and XSLT 3.0).
- The MSXML 3.0, 4.0, or 6.0 parser (which is pre-installed). If you know which version of the MSXML parser is running on your machine, you could select it; otherwise, you should let the application select the version automatically. (The *Choose version automatically* option is active by default.) In this case, the application tries to select the most recent available version.
- An external XSLT processor of your choice. You must specify the command line string that the external XSLT processor uses to run a transformation. The following variables are available for building the command line string:

%1 = XML document to process  
 %2 = Output file to generate  
 %3 = XSLT stylesheet to use (if the XML document does not contain a reference to a stylesheet)

For example, say you have a processor that uses the following command to run an XSLT transformation:

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myxsltengine.exe -o output.xml input.xml stylesheet.xslt parameter-
name=parameter-value
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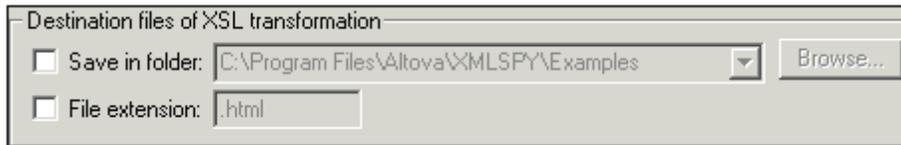
Then, in XMLSpy, you can use the variables listed above to generate this command. Select the *External XSL Transformation Program* radio button, and enter the following line in the text box:

```
c:\myxsltengine\myxsltengine.exe -o %2 %1 %3 parameter-name=parameter-value
```

Check the respective check boxes to show the output and error messages of the external program in the Messages Window in XMLSpy.

**Note:** The parameters set in XMLSpy's [XSLT Input Parameters dialog](#) are passed to the internal Altova XSLT Engines only. They are not passed to any other XSLT Engine that is set up as the default XSLT processor.

The *Reuse output window* option causes subsequent transformations to display the result document in the same output window. If the XML file belongs to a project and *Reuse output window* option is disabled, the setting only takes effect if the *Save in folder* output file path (*screenshot below*) in the relevant [project properties](#) is **also** disabled.



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## XSL-FO transformations

FO documents are processed using an FO processor, and the path to the executable of the FO processor must be specified in the text box for the XSL-FO transformation engine. The transformation is carried out using the [XSL/XQuery | XSL-FO Transformation](#) menu command. If the source file (the active document when the command is executed in the IDE) is an XSL-FO document, the FO processor is invoked for the transformation. If the source document is an XML document, an XSLT transformation is required to first convert the XML document to an XSL-FO document. This XSLT transformation can be carried out either by the XSLT engine you have specified as the default engine for the application ([see above](#)), or by the XSLT engine that might be built into the FO processor you have specified as the default FO processor for the application. To select between these two options, click the appropriate radio button.

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

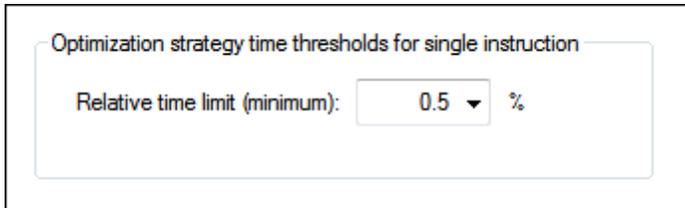
**Note:** Unless you deselected the option to install the FOP processor of the [Apache XML Project](#), it will have been installed in the folder `C:\ProgramData\Altova\SharedBetweenVersions`. If installed, the path to it will automatically have been entered in the XSL-FO Engine input box. You can set the path to any FO processor you wish to use. Note, however, that the same path will be used by other Altova products that use FO processors and have settings to select the FO processor (StyleVision and Authentic Desktop).

**Save and exit**

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

**XSL Speed Optimizer**

The **XSL Speed Optimizer** tab (*screenshot below*) enables you to define options for [XSL Speed Optimizer](#).



A time threshold for single XSLT instructions in an XSLT stylesheet can be specified for the Optimizer. Values range from 0.1% of total transformation time to 99% of total time. If an instruction takes more time to execute than that specified as the threshold, then optimization analysis is invoked. Otherwise no analysis is carried out. If optimization analysis is unsuccessful, the reason might be that the time threshold is too high. Consider lowering it.

**Save and exit**

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

**XQuery**

The **XQuery** tab (*screenshot below*) defines options related to the editing and execution of XQuery and XQuery Update documents.

Serialization Method:

Serialization Encoding:

Omit XML Declaration

Indent Output

Always skip XML Source

Validate XML files used in transformation

DB2 commands will retrieve maximum  rows

XQuery default version (used when declaration is missing):  1.0  3.0

**XQuery Update**

Open files on updating  Update files directly on disk

Preserve original formatting of files to the maximum extent possible  
(always preserved when executed from XPath/XQuery output window)

### General XQuery options

The following options are available:

- *Serialization*: You can choose the serialization method (XML, XHTML, HTML, text) and serialization encoding. Serialization refers to the output document produced when an XQuery document is executed.
- *Omit XML declaration*: Omits the XML declaration in the serialized (output) document.
- *Indent output*: Indents the output document to show the document hierarchy.
- *Always skip XML source*: When an XQuery document is executed, XMLSpy can prompt for an XML source on which to execute the XQuery document. The prompt is a dialog that enables you to browse for the XML file. Select this option to skip this dialog and directly execute the XQuery document. If this option is selected, then the XQuery document should be able to execute correctly without being passed an XML document. This could be either because no XML document is required, or because XML data is accessed via functions within the XQuery document.
- *Validate XML files*: Validates XML files that are used in the execution of XQuery documents. Invalid XML files are flagged, and the XQuery document is not processed.
- *DB2 row retrieval*: In displays that show DB data, you can specify the maximum number of rows to be retrieved. XMLSpy recognizes `.xqr` [file extensions](#) as XQuery-for-DB files.
- *XQuery default version*: Specifies the XQuery engine version to use for execution of XQuery documents that do not have a `version` keyword. This applies to both XQuery and XQuery Update documents, and selects the default XQuery Engine to use.

### XQuery Update options

The following XQuery Update options are available:

- *Updating*: When an XQuery Update file is executed, target XML files can either be updated directly on disk, or be opened in XMLSpy and updated in memory. The *Open Files on Updating* option enables you to review the updates and save the file to disk or reject the updates (by closing the file without saving).
- *Preserve original formatting*: Preserves the original formatting of the updated document as much as possible.

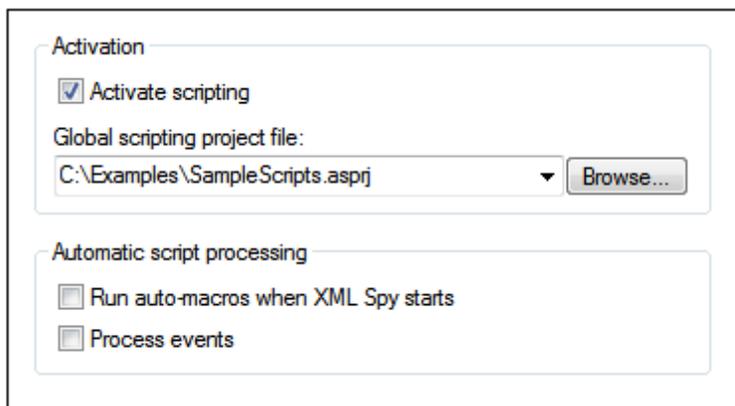
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### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.

### Scripting

The **Scripting** tab (*screenshot below*) allows you to enable the [Scripting Environment](#) on application startup. Check the *Activate Scripting* check box to do this. You can then specify the Global Scripting Project file (*see screenshot below*).



To set a global scripting project for XMLSpy, check the *Activate Scripting* check box and then browse for the Altova Scripting Project (.asprj) file you want. You can also specify: (i) whether Auto-Macros in the scripting project should be automatically executed when XMLSpy starts, and (ii) whether application event handler scripts in the project should be automatically executed or not; check or uncheck the respective check boxes accordingly.

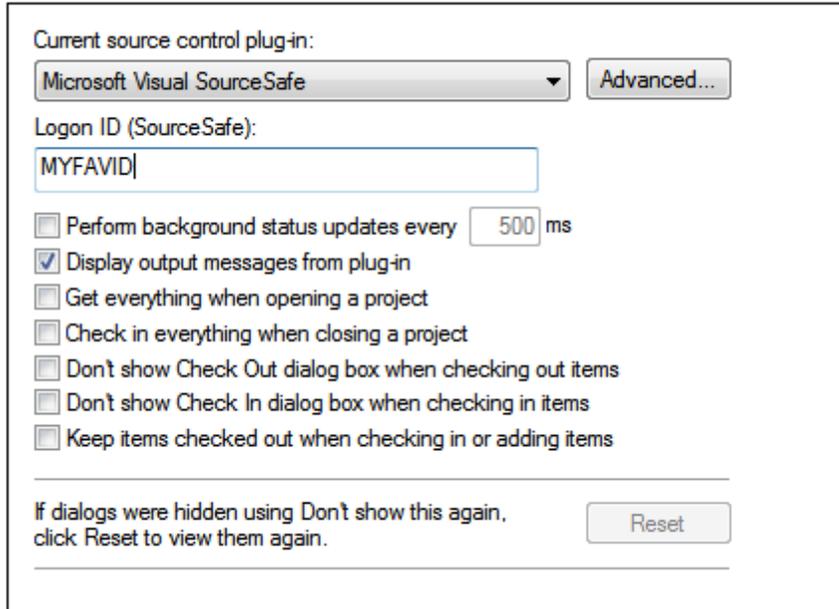
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### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish. Macros in the Global Scripting Project will then be displayed in the submenu of the **Macros** command.

### Source Control

The **Source Control** tab (*screenshot below*) enables you to specify the source control provider, and the settings and default logon ID for each source control provider.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Current source control plug-in:". It features a dropdown menu with "Microsoft Visual SourceSafe" selected and an "Advanced..." button to its right. Below this is a text box labeled "Logon ID (SourceSafe):" containing the text "MYFAVID". A list of checkboxes follows: "Perform background status updates every 500 ms" (unchecked), "Display output messages from plug-in" (checked), "Get everything when opening a project" (unchecked), "Check in everything when closing a project" (unchecked), "Don't show Check Out dialog box when checking out items" (unchecked), "Don't show Check In dialog box when checking in items" (unchecked), and "Keep items checked out when checking in or adding items" (unchecked). At the bottom, there is a "Reset" button and a note: "If dialogs were hidden using Don't show this again, click Reset to view them again."

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### Source Control Plugin

The current source control plugin can be selected from among the currently installed source control systems. These systems are listed in the dropdown list of the combo box. After selecting the required source control, specify the login ID for it in the next text box. The **Advanced** button pops up a dialog specific to the selected source control plugin, in which you can define settings for that source control plugin. These settings are different for different source control plugins.

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### User preferences

A range of user preferences is available, including the following:

- Status updates can be performed in the background after a user-defined interval of time, or they can be switched off entirely. Very large source control databases could consume considerable CPU and network resources. The system can be speeded up, however, by disabling background status updates or increasing the interval between them..
- When opening and closing projects, files can be automatically checked out and checked in, respectively.
- The display of the Check Out and Check In dialogs can be suppressed.
- The **Reset** button is enabled if you have checked/activated the *Don't show this again* option in one of the dialog boxes. On clicking the **Reset** button, the *Don't show this again* prompt is re-enabled.

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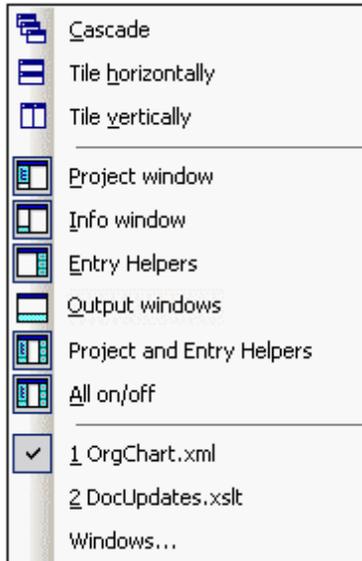
### Save and exit

After making the settings, click **OK** to finish.



## 23.17 Window Menu

To organize the individual document windows in an XMLSpy session, the **Window** menu contains standard commands common to most Windows applications.



You can cascade the open document windows, tile them, or arrange document icons once you have minimized them. You can also switch the various Entry Helper windows on or off, or switch to an open document window directly from the menu.

### 23.17.1 Cascade

This command rearranges all open document windows so that they are all cascaded (i.e. staggered) on top of each other.

### 23.17.2 Tile Horizontally

This command rearranges all open document windows as **horizontal tiles**, making them all visible at the same time.

### 23.17.3 Tile Vertically

This command rearranges all open document windows as **vertical tiles**, making them all visible at the same time.

### 23.17.4 Project Window

This command lets you switch the [Project Window](#) on or off.

This is a dockable window. Dragging on its title bar detaches it from its current position and makes it a floating window. Click right on the title bar, to allow docking or hide the window.

### 23.17.5 Info Window

This command lets you switch the [Info Window](#) on or off.

This is a dockable window. Dragging on its title bar detaches it from its current position and makes it a floating window. Click right on the title bar, to allow docking or hide the window.

### 23.17.6 Entry Helpers

This command lets you switch all three Entry-Helper Windows on or off.

All three Entry helpers are dockable windows. Dragging on a title bar detaches it from its current position and makes it a floating window. Click right on the title bar to allow docking or hide the window.

### 23.17.7 Output Windows

The Output Windows are a set of tabbed output windows, such as the Messages window (which displays messages like validation results), the Find in Files window, and the XPath window (which shows XPath evaluation results). The initial setting is for them to open at below the Main Window. The Output Windows command lets you switch the Output Windows on or off.

The Output Windows window is dockable. Dragging on its title bar detaches it from its current position and makes it a floating window. Click right on the title bar to allow docking or to hide the window.

For a complete description of Output Windows see [Output Windows](#) in the section, Text View.

### 23.17.8 Project and Entry Helpers

This command toggles on and off the display of the Project Window and the Entry Helpers together.

### 23.17.9 All On/Off



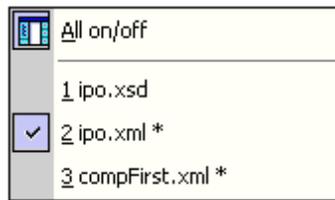
This command lets you switch all dockable windows on, or off:

- the [Project Window](#)
- the [Info Window](#)
- the three Entry-Helper Windows
- the [Output Windows](#)

This is useful if you want to hide all non-document windows quickly, to get the maximum viewing area for the document you are working on.

### 23.17.10 Currently Open Window List

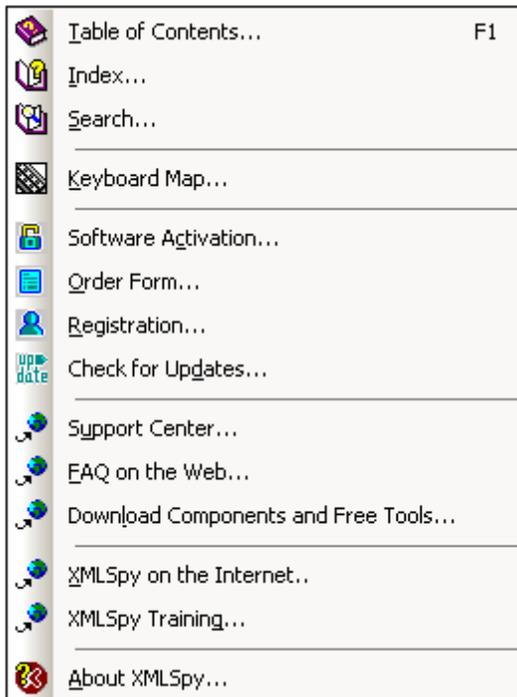
This list shows all currently open windows, and lets you quickly switch between them.



You can also use the Ctrl-TAB or CTRL F6 keyboard shortcuts to cycle through the open windows.

## 23.18 Help Menu

The **Help** menu contains commands required to get help or more information about XMLSpy, as well as links to information and support pages on the Altova web server.



The **Help** menu also contains the [Registration dialog](#), which lets you enter your license key-code once you have purchased the product.

### 23.18.1 Table of Contents, Index, Search

#### ▼ Table of Contents

##### ☐ Description

Opens the onscreen help manual of XMLSpy with the Table of Contents displayed in the left-hand-side pane of the Help window. The Table of Contents provides an overview of the entire Help document. Clicking an entry in the Table of Contents takes you to that topic.

#### ▼ Index

##### ☐ Description

Opens the onscreen help manual of XMLSpy with the Keyword Index displayed in the left-hand-side pane of the Help window. The index lists keywords and lets you navigate to a topic by double-clicking the keyword. If a keyword is linked to more than one topic, a list of these topics is displayed.

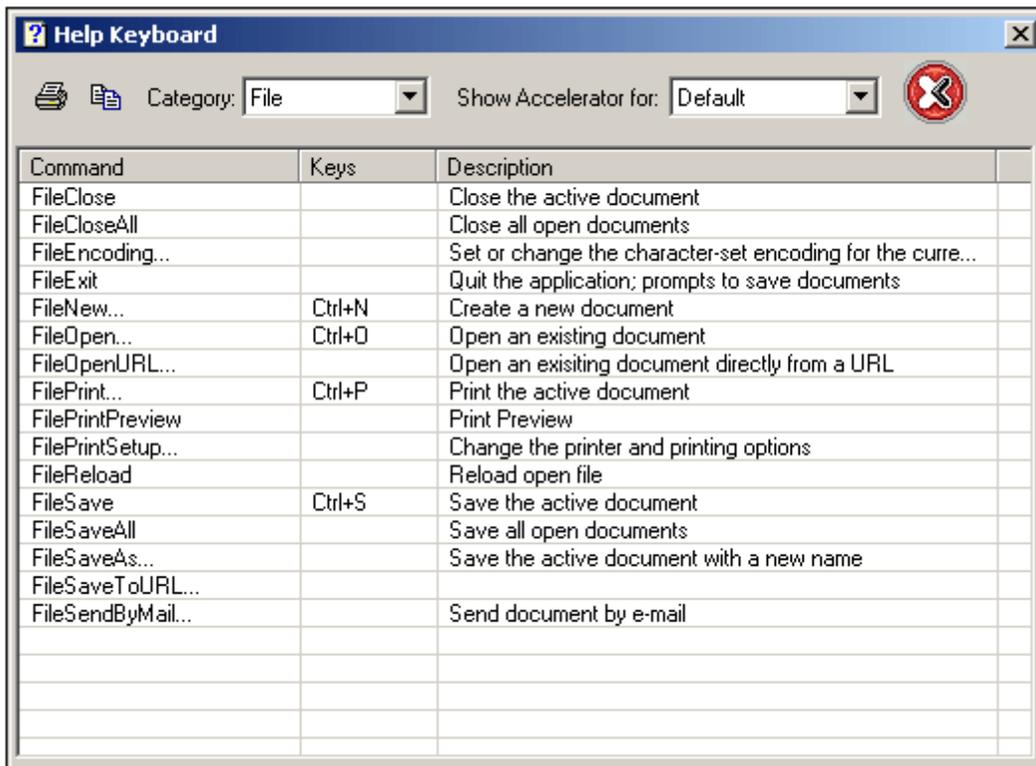
## ▼ Search

### ▣ Description

Opens the onscreen help manual of XMLSpy with the Search dialog displayed in the left-hand-side pane of the Help window. To search for a term, enter the term in the input field, and press **Return**. The Help system performs a full-text search on the entire Help documentation and returns a list of hits. Double-click any item to display that item.

## 23.18.2 Keyboard Map

The **Help | Keyboard Map** command causes an information box to be displayed that contains a menu-by-menu listing of all commands in XMLSpy. Menu commands are listed with a description and shortcut keystrokes for the command.



To view commands in a particular menu, select the menu name in the Category combo box. You can print the command by clicking the printer icon.

You should note the following points about shortcuts:

- Certain commands (and their shortcuts) are applicable only within a certain view. For example, most of the commands in the XML menu are applicable only in Grid View. Other

commands (such as **File | Save** or **XML | Check Well-Formedness**) are available in multiple views.

- Other cool shortcuts: For example, **Shift+F10** brings up the context menu in Text View and Schema View; **Ctrl+E** when the cursor is inside an element start or end tag in Text View moves the cursor to the end or start tag, respectively.
- In the [Keyboard tab](#) of the Customize dialog, you can also set your own shortcuts for various menu commands.

### 23.18.3 Activation, Order Form, Registration, Updates

#### ▼ Software Activation

##### ☐ Description

After you download your Altova product software, you can activate it using either a free evaluation key or a purchased permanent license key.

- **Free evaluation key.** When you first start the software after downloading and installing it, the Software Activation dialog will pop up. In it is a button to request a free evaluation key-code. Enter your name, company, and e-mail address in the dialog that appears, and click Request Now! The evaluation key is sent to the e-mail address you entered and should reach you in a few minutes. Now enter the key in the key-code field of the Software Activation dialog box and click **OK** to start working with your Altova product. The software will be unlocked for a period of 30 days.
- **Permanent license key.** The Software Activation dialog contains a button to purchase a permanent license key. Clicking this button takes you to Altova's online shop, where you can purchase a permanent license key for your product. There are two types of permanent license: single-user and multi-user. Both will be sent to you by e-mail. A *single-user license* contains your license-data and includes your name, company, e-mail, and key-code. A *multi-user license* contains your license-data and includes your company name and key-code. Note that your license agreement does not allow you to install more than the licensed number of copies of your Altova software on the computers in your organization (per-seat license). Please make sure that you enter the data required in the registration dialog exactly as given in your license e-mail.

**Note:** When you enter your license information in the Software Activation dialog, ensure that you enter the data exactly as given in your license e-mail. For multi-user licenses, each user should enter his or her own name in the Name field.

The Software Activation dialog can be accessed at any time by clicking the **Help | Software Activation** command.

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#### ▼ Order Form

##### ☐ Description

When you are ready to order a licensed version of the software product, you can use

either the **Order license key** button in the Software Activation dialog (see *previous section*) or the **Help | Order Form** command to proceed to the secure Altova Online Shop.

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#### ▼ Registration

##### ☐ Description

Opens the Altova Product Registration page in a tab of your browser. Registering your Altova software will help ensure that you are always kept up to date with the latest product information.

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#### ▼ Check for Updates

##### ☐ Description

Checks with the Altova server whether a newer version than yours is currently available and displays a message accordingly.

### 23.18.4 Other Commands

#### ▼ Support Center

##### ☐ Description

A link to the Altova Support Center on the Internet. The Support Center provides FAQs, discussion forums where problems are discussed, and access to Altova's technical support staff.

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#### ▼ FAQ on the Web

##### ☐ Description

A link to Altova's FAQ database on the Internet. The FAQ database is constantly updated as Altova support staff encounter new issues raised by customers.

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#### ▼ Components Download

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▣ Description

A link to Altova's Component Download Center on the Internet. From here you can download a variety of companion software to use with Altova products. Such software ranges from XSLT and XSL-FO processors to Application Server Platforms. The software available at the Component Download Center is typically free of charge.

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▼ **XMLSpy on the Internet**

▣ Description

A link to the [Altova website](#) on the Internet. You can learn more about XMLSpy and related technologies and products at the [Altova website](#).

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▼ **About XMLSpy**

▣ Description

Displays the splash window and version number of your product. If you are using the 64-bit version of XMLSpy, this is indicated with the suffix (x64) after the application name. There is no suffix for the 32-bit version.

## 23.19 Command Line

Certain XMLSpy actions can be carried out from the command line. These commands are listed below:

### Open a file

**Command:** `xmlspy.exe file.xml`

**Action:** Opens the file, `file.xml`, in XMLSpy

**Note:** If an XML file has an SPS file already assigned to it, then the XML file is opened in Authentic View. Otherwise, the XML file is opened in Text View. If an SPS file is not assigned, one can be assigned with the `/sps` flag (*see below*).

### Open multiple files

**Command:** `xmlspy.exe file1.xml file2.xml`

**Action:** Opens the files, `file1.xml` and `file2.xml`, in XMLSpy

### Assign an SPS file to an XML file for Authentic View editing

**Command:** `xmlspy.exe myxml.xml /sps mysps.sps`

**Action:** Opens the file, `myxml.xml` in Authentic View with `mysps.sps` as its SPS file. The `/sps` flag specifies that the SPS file that follows is to be used with the XML file that precedes the `/sps` flag (for Authentic View editing).

### Open a new XML template file via an SPS file

**Command:** `xmlspy.exe mysps.sps`

**Action:** Opens a new XML file in Authentic View. The display will be based on the SPS and the new XML file will have a skeletal structure based on the SPS schema. The name of the newly created XML file must be assigned when saving the XML file.

### Open an SPS file as an XML document in Text View

**Command:** `xmlspy.exe /raw mysps.sps`

**Action:** Opens the file `mysps.sps` as an XML document in Text View. The `/raw` flag specifies that the SPS file that follows is to be edited as an XML file.

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**Programmers' Reference**

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# Programmers' Reference

XMLSpy is an Automation Server: It exposes programmable objects to other applications called Automation Clients. An Automation Client can directly access the objects and functionality that the Automation Server makes available. So, an Automation Client of XMLSpy can use, for example, the XML validation functionality of XMLSpy. As a consequence, developers can enhance their applications with the ready-made functionality of XMLSpy.

The programmable objects of XMLSpy are made available to Automation Clients via the Application API of XMLSpy, which is a COM API. The Application API of XMLSpy will also be called Application API for short from now onwards. The object model of the Application API and a complete description of all the available objects are provided in this documentation (see the section [Application API](#)).

## Execution environments

The Application API can be accessed from within the following environments:

- [Scripting Editor](#)
- [IDE Plug-ins](#)
- [External programs](#)
- [ActiveX Integration](#)

Each of these environments is described briefly below.

### Scripting Editor: Customizing and modifying XMLSpy functionality

You can customize your installation of XMLSpy by modifying and adding functionality to it. You can also create Forms for user input and modify the user interface so that it contains new menu commands and toolbar shortcuts. All these features are achieved by writing scripts that interact with objects of the Application API. To aid you in carrying out these tasks efficiently, XMLSpy offers you an in-built Scripting Editor. A complete description of the functionality available in the Scripting Editor and how it is to be used is given in the [Scripting Editor](#) section of this documentation. The supported programming languages are **JScript** and **VBScript**.

### IDE Plug-ins: Creating plug-ins for XMLSpy

XMLSpy enables you to create your own plug-ins and integrate them into XMLSpy. You can do this using XMLSpy's special interface for plug-ins. A description of how to create plug-ins is given in the section [XMLSpy IDE Plug-ins](#).

An application object gets passed to most methods that must be implemented by an IDE plug-in and gets called by the application. Typical languages used to implement an IDE plug-in are **C#** and **C++**. For more information, see the section [XMLSpy IDE Plugins](#).

## External programs

Additionally, you can manipulate XMLSpy with external scripts. For example, you could write a script to open XMLSpy at a given time, then open an XML file in XMLSpy, validate the file, and print it out. External scripts would again make use of the Application API to carry out these tasks. For a description of the Application API, see the section [Application API](#).

Using the Application API from outside XMLSpy requires an instance of XMLSpy to be started first. How this is done depends on the programming language used. See the section, [Programming Languages](#), for information about individual languages.

Essentially, XMLSpy will be started via its COM registration. Then the `Application` object associated with the XMLSpy instance is returned. Depending on the COM settings, an object associated with an already running XMLSpy can be returned. Any programming language that supports creation and invocation of COM objects can be used. The most common of these are listed below.

- [JavaScript](#) and [VBScript](#) script files have a simple syntax and are designed to access COM objects. They can be run directly from a DOS command line or with a double click on Windows Explorer. They are best used for simple automation tasks.
- [C#](#) is a full-fledged programming language that has a wide range of existing functionality. Access to COM objects can be automatically wrapped using C#.
- C++ provides direct control over COM access but requires relatively larger amounts of code than the other languages.
- [Java](#): Altova products come with native Java classes that wrap the Application API and provide a full Java look-and-feel.
- Other programming languages that make useful alternatives are: Visual Basic for Applications, Perl, and Python.

### ActiveX Integration

A special case of accessing the Application API is via the XMLSpy ActiveX control. This feature is only available if the [XMLSpy integration package](#) is installed. Every ActiveX Control has a property that returns a corresponding COM object for its underlying functionality. The manager control provides an `Application` object, the document control a `Document` object, and the placeholder object, in cases where it contains the project tree, returns the `Project` object. The methods supported by these objects are exactly as described in the [Interfaces section of the Application API](#). Care must be taken not to use methods that do not make sense in the context of ActiveX control integration. For details see [ActiveX Integration](#).

### About Programmers' Reference

The documentation contained in the Programmers' Reference for XMLSpy consists of the following sections:

- [Scripting Editor](#): a user reference for the Scripting Environment available in XMLSpy
- [IDE Plug-ins](#): a description of how to create plug-ins for XMLSpy
- [Application API](#): a reference for the Application API
- [ActiveX Integration](#): a guide and reference for how to integrate the XMLSpy GUI and XMLSpy functionality using an ActiveX control

# 1 Scripting Editor

The Scripting Editor of XMLSpy uses the Form Editor components of the Microsoft .NET Framework, and thus provides access to the Microsoft .NET Framework. This means that JScripts and VBScripts not only work with the XMLSpy API—which is a COM API and the API of XMLSpy—but can also access and use classes of the Microsoft .NET framework.

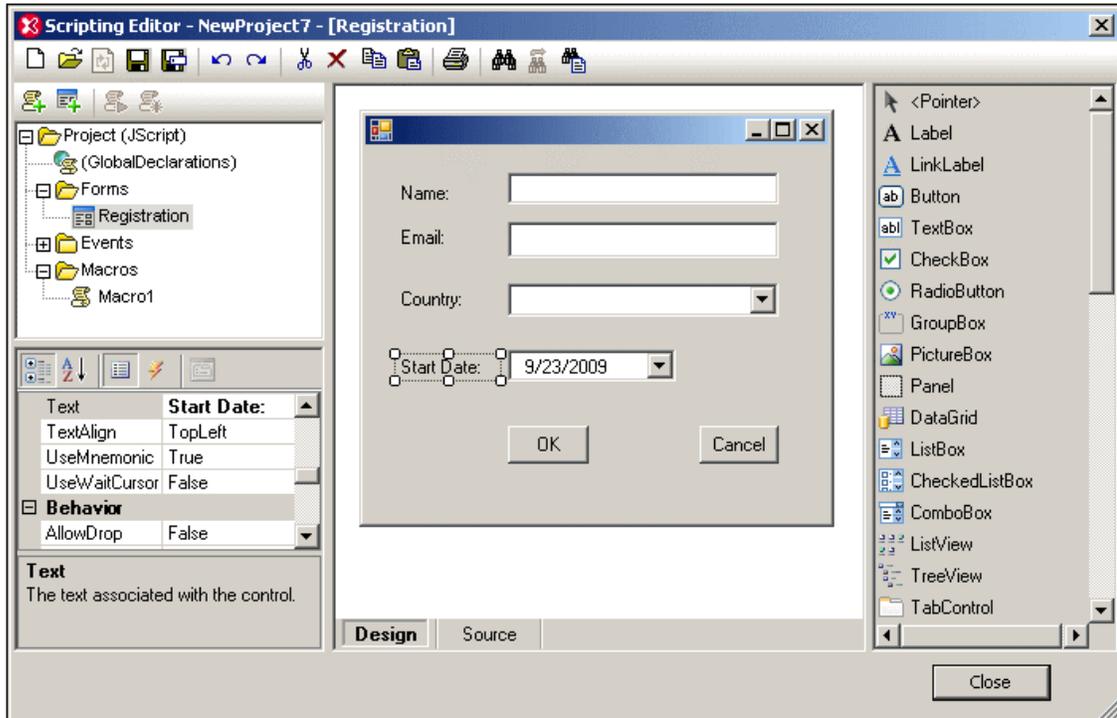
You can therefore create and use your own macros and forms within XMLSpy, and thus add to and modify the functionality of your installation of XMLSpy.

**Note:** Visual Basic is **not supported** as a language in the scripting environment. Only VBScript and JavaScript are. Ensure that you use VBScript syntax and not Visual Basic syntax in the scripting environment.

**Note:** Microsoft's **.NET Framework 2.0 or higher** is a system prerequisite for Scripting Editor, and it must be installed before XMLSpy is installed.

## The Scripting Editor

The Scripting Editor (*screenshot below*) opens in a separate window and is accessed via the **Tools | Scripting Editor** menu command in the XMLSpy GUI. The programming languages that can be used in the Scripting Environment are **JScript** and **VBScript**. The scripting language can be changed by right-clicking the Project item in the Project window, selecting **Scripting Language**, and selecting the language you want.



**What you can do with the Scripting Editor**

In the Scripting Editor, you can create Forms, Event Handlers, and Macros to build up a Scripting Project. A Scripting Project can then be set as the Global Scripting Project for XMLSpy, thus enabling scripts in the Scripting Project to be used in the application. Additionally, different Scripting Projects can be assigned to different XMLSpy projects, thus allowing different scripts to be used for different XMLSpy projects.

Every script project can define the .NET runtime version it wants to use. An application can handle multiple scripting projects with different .NET runtime versions simultaneously, but the appropriate .NET version must be installed. For example, script projects with .NET 4.0 will only run on computers having .NET 4.0 installed.

**Documentation about the Scripting Editor**

The documentation describing the Scripting Environment (this section) is organized into the following parts:

- [An overview](#), which provides a high level description of the Scripting Editor and Scripting Projects.
- [A list of steps required to create a Scripting Project](#).
- [An explanation of Global Declarations](#), together with an example.
- [A description of how to create Forms](#).
- [A discussion of XMLSpy-specific event handlers](#).
- [An explanation of how to use macros](#) in the Scripting Editor and in XMLSpy.

## 1.1 Overview

The Scripting Editor provides an interface in which you can: (i) graphically design Forms while assigning scripts for components in the Form; (ii) create Event Handlers, and (iii) create Macros.

These Forms, Event Handlers, and Macros are organized into scripting projects, which are then assigned to XMLSpy application projects and can be used in the application.

Variables and functions can be defined in a Global Declarations script, which is always executed before Macro or Event Handler scripts.

This section gives an overview of the Scripting Editor and Scripting Projects. It is organized into the following sections:

- [Scripting Projects in XMLSpy](#), which describes how the scripting projects you create with the Scripting Editor will be used in XMLSpy.
- [The Scripting Editor GUI](#), which provides a detailed look at the different parts of the Scripting Editor GUI and how they are to be used.
- [Components of a Scripting Project](#), which explains the different components that go to make up a scripting project.

The details about the creation of the various components ([Global Declarations](#), [Forms](#), [Event Handlers](#), and [Macros](#)) are described in their respective sections.

### **.NET assemblies**

Every scripting project can have references to .NET assemblies—in addition to the default references. .NET assemblies can be added for the whole scripting project or for individual macros (by using the new `CLR.LoadAssembly` command in the source code; see [Built-in Commands](#)). Assemblies can be added, for example, from the Global Assembly Cache.

To add an assembly, right-click the project or macro, and, from the context menu that pops up, select **Add .NET Assembly | Assembly from Global Cache (GAC)**.

This works in the same way as with Visual Studio and allows access not only to the complete Microsoft .NET Framework but also to any user-defined assembly.

### 1.1.1 Scripting Projects in XMLSpy

All scripts and scripting information created in the Scripting Editor are stored in **Altova Scripting Projects** (`.asprj` files).

You can create any number of Altova Scripting Projects. After a scripting project has been created, it can be used in the following ways:

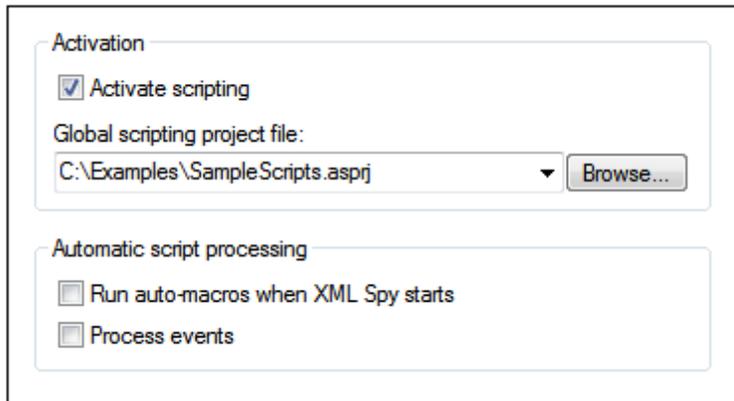
- It can be set as the global scripting project for XMLSpy. Scripts in the global scripting project can then be called from within the application, and macros of the Global Scripting Project can be used for all XMLSpy projects.
- It can be assigned to an XMLSpy project (as an application project). When an XMLSpy project is open in XMLSpy, scripts in the associated scripting project can be called.

Your XMLSpy package contains a sample scripting project called `SampleScripts.asprj`. This file is located in the folder: `C:\Documents and Settings\\My Documents\Altova`

\XMLSpy2016\Examples\ and contains global declarations for a few standard tasks.

### Setting the global scripting project of an application

The global scripting project of an application is set in the Scripting tab of the Options dialog of XMLSpy (*screenshot below*, **Tools | Options**).



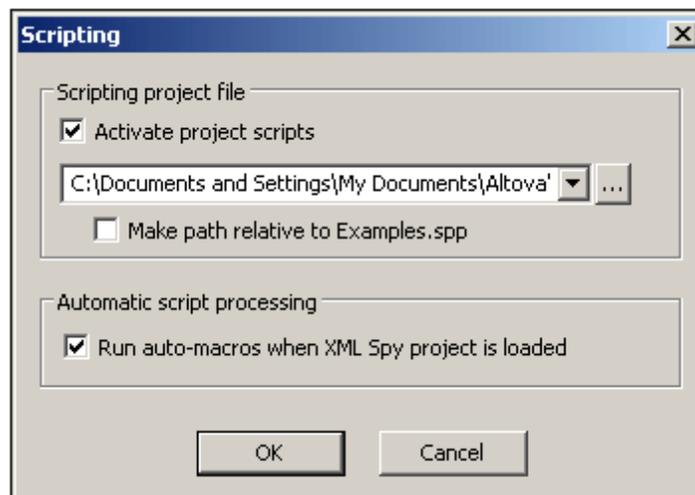
To set a global scripting project for XMLSpy, check the *Activate Scripting* check box and then browse for the Altova Scripting Project (.asprj) file you want. You can also specify: (i) whether Auto-Macros in the scripting project should be automatically executed when XMLSpy starts, and (ii) whether application event handler scripts in the project should be automatically executed or not; check or uncheck the respective check boxes accordingly.

**Note:** Nested script execution is possible, i.e. Macros can call other macros, and events are received during macro, or event, execution.

### Assigning a scripting project to an XMLSpy project

A scripting project is assigned to an XMLSpy project as follows:

1. In the XMLSpy GUI, open the required application project.
2. Select the menu command **Project | Script Settings**. The Scripting dialog (*screenshot below*) opens.



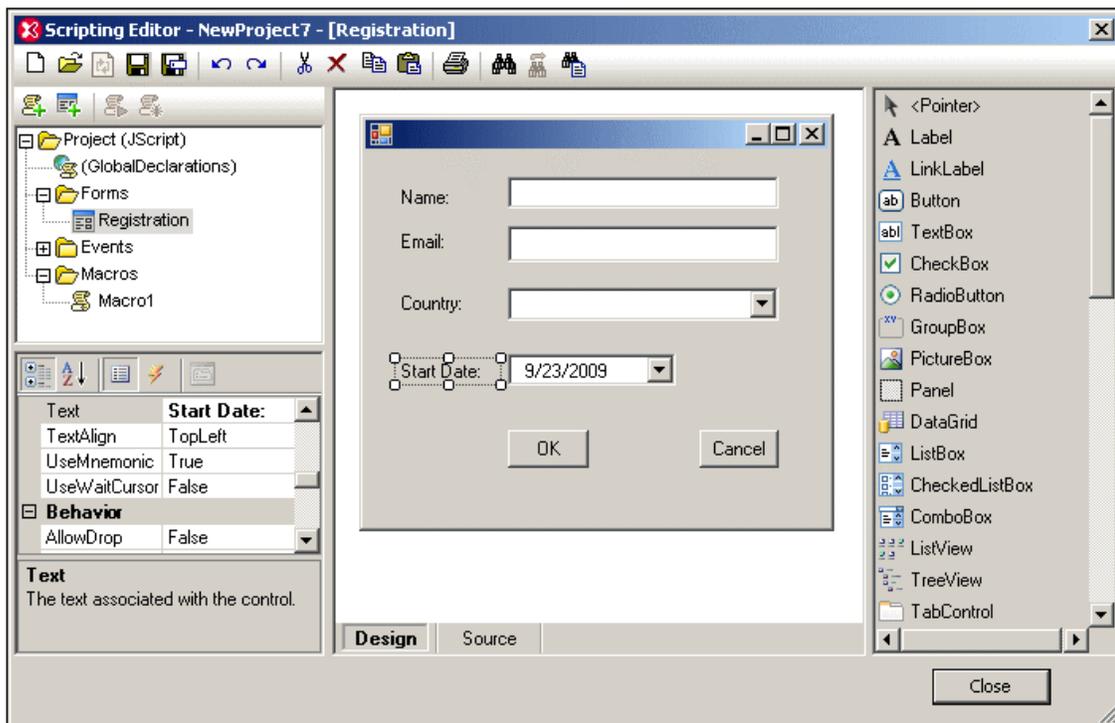
3. Check the *Activate Project Scripts* check box and select the required scripting project (.asprj file). If you wish to run Auto-Macros when the XMLSpy project is loaded, check the *Run Auto-Macros* check box.
4. Click **OK** to finish.

**Note:** To deactivate (that is, unassign) the scripting project of an XMLSpy project, uncheck the *Activate Project Scripts* check box.

## 1.1.2 The Scripting Editor GUI

The Scripting Editor GUI is shown below. It has the following parts:

- A [toolbar](#)
- A [Scripting Project Tree pane](#) (top left-hand side)
- A [Properties and Events pane](#) (bottom left)
- A [Main Window](#) with Design and Source tabs
- A [Form Object Palette](#) (right-hand side)



### Scripting Editor toolbar

The Scripting Editor toolbar contains icons for:

- Standard file commands such as **New**, **Open**, **Save**, and **Print**. These commands are used to create new scripting projects, open existing scripting projects, and save and print scripting projects.
- Standard editing commands such as **Copy**, **Paste**, **Undo**, **Redo**, **Find**, and **Replace**. Note that the **Find** and **Replace** commands are applied to code in the Source tab of the

 Scripting Editor.

### Scripting Project Tree

The Scripting Project Tree (*screenshot below*) shows the various components of the scripting project, structured along four main branches: (i) Global Declarations, (ii) Forms, (iii) Events, and (iv) Macros.



The Scripting Project Tree provides access to each component of the scripting project. For example, in order to display and edit a particular Form, expand the Forms folder in the tree (*see screenshot above*), right-click the Form you wish to display or edit, and click **Open** from the context menu that pops up.

A quicker way to open a Form, Event, macro, or the Global Declarations script, is to double-click the respective icon, or text. To delete a Form or Macro from the scripting project, right-click the component and select the **Delete** command from the context menu.

The Scripting Project Tree pane contains a toolbar with icons (*screenshot below*).

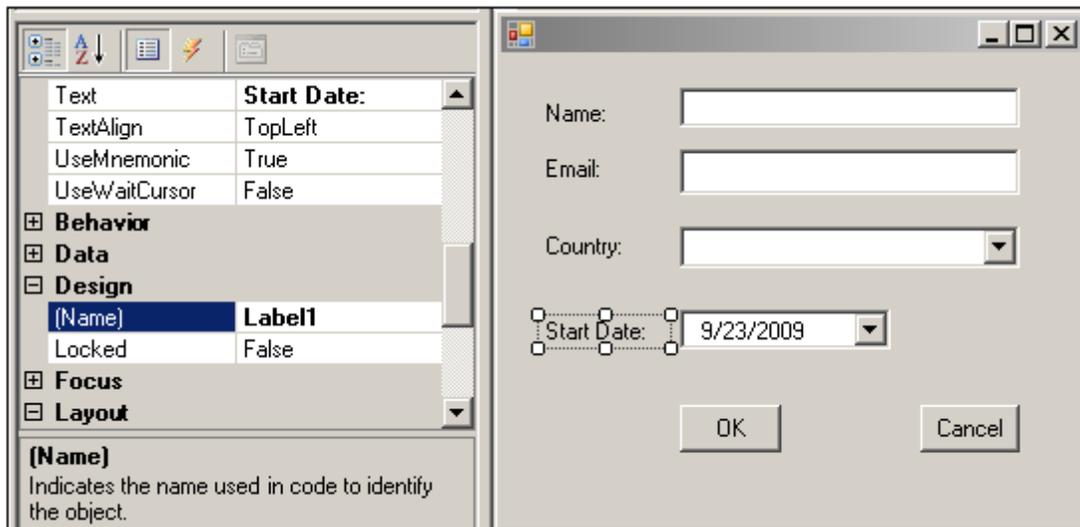


The icons, from left to right, are for: (i) [creating a new macro](#), (ii) [creating a new form](#), (iii) [running a macro](#), and (iv) [debugging a macro](#). These commands are also available in the context menu that appears when you right-click any component in the Scripting Project Tree.

### Properties and Events

The Properties and Events pane (*screenshot below*) displays the following:

- Form properties, when the Form is selected
- Object properties, when an object in a Form is selected. (The screenshot below shows, at left, the properties of the object selected in the Form at right.)
- Form events, when a Form is selected
- Object events, when an object in a Form is selected



To switch between the properties and events of the selected component, click, respectively, the **Properties** icon (third from left in the Properties and Events toolbar, see *screenshot above*) and the **Events** icon (fourth from left).

The first and second icons from left in the toolbar are, respectively, the **Categorized** and **Alphabetical** icons. These display the properties or events either organized by category or organized in ascending alphabetical order.

When a property or event is selected, a short description of it is displayed at the bottom of the Properties and Events pane.

### Main Window

The Main Window displays one component at a time and has one or two tabs depending on what is being displayed. If a Global Declarations script, an Event, or a Macro is being displayed, then a single tab, the Source tab, displays the source code of the selected component.

The Source tab supports:

- syntax coloring
- source code folding
- setting/deleting bookmarks using **CTRL+F2**
- autocompletion entry helper with parameter info
- Goto Brace, Goto Brace Extend
- Zoom In / Zoom Out
- full method/property signature shown next to the autocompletion entry helper
- brace highlighting during code entry
 

```
if ( x == y.GetName( a, b, c() ) )
```
- mouse over popups; placing the mouse over a known method or property, displays its signature (and documentation if available)

If a **Form** is being displayed, then the Main Window has two tabs: a Design tab showing and

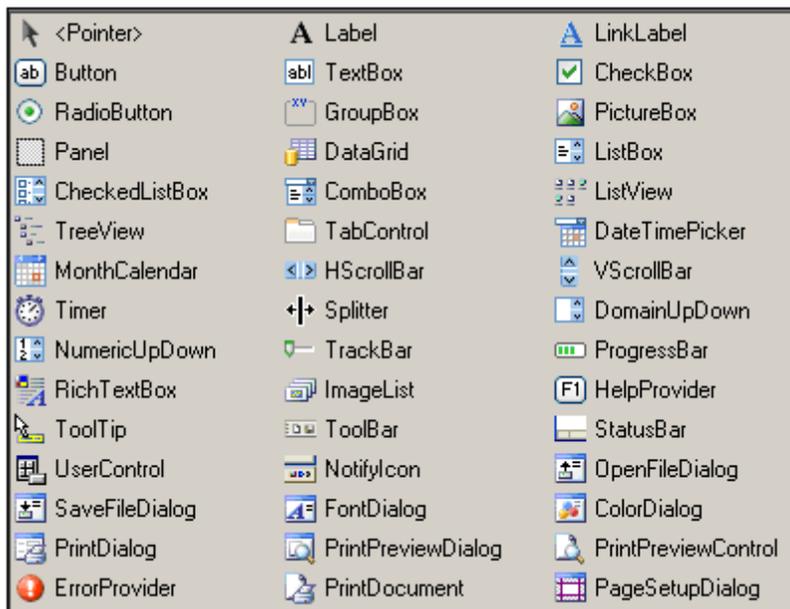
enabling the layout of the Form, and a Source tab containing the source code for the Form. Content in both the Design tab and Source tab can be edited.

**Note:** Since JScript and VB Script are untyped languages, entry helpers and auto-completion is supported only in cases of "fully qualified constructs" and "predefined" names.

If names start with `objDocument`, `objProject`, `objXMLData`, or `objAuthenticRange`, members of the corresponding interface will be shown. Auto-completion entry helper and parameter info are shown during editing, but can also be obtained on demand by pressing **Ctrl+Space**.

### Form Object Palette

The Form Object Palette contains all the objects that are available for designing Forms and looks something like the screenshot below. Registered ActiveX controls can be added to the Form Object Palette by right-clicking the pane and selecting the **Add ActiveX Control** command



To insert an object from the Form Object Palette click the object you want in the palette, then click at the location in the Form where you wish to insert the object. The object will be placed at this location. In many cases you will need to supply some properties of the object via the Properties and Events pane. You can drag the object to other locations as well as resize it. Further, a number of editing commands, such as centering and stacking objects, can be accessed via the context menu of the selected Form object.

Some Form objects, such as `Timer`, are not added to the Form but are created as Tray Components in a tray at the bottom of the Main Window. You can select the object in the tray and set properties and event handlers for the object via the Properties and Events pane. For an example of how Tray Components are handled, see [Form usage and commands](#).

### 1.1.3 Components of a Scripting Project

An Altova Scripting Project consists of the following four major components:

- *Global Declarations*, a component which contains definitions of variables and functions that are available to, and can be used by, all Forms, Macros, and Event Handler scripts in the scripting project.
- *Forms*, a component which contains all the Forms defined in the scripting project.
- *Events*, a component which contains Event Handler scripts for all application-based—as opposed to Form-based—events.
- *Macros*, a component which contains all the Macros defined in the scripting project.

These components are displayed in and accessed via the Scripting Project Tree of the Scripting Editor (*screenshot below*).



Given below is a brief description of each of these components.

#### Global Declarations

The Global Declarations component is a script that contains variables and functions that can be used by Forms, Event Handlers, and Macros. The functions make use of the XMLSpy API to access XMLSpy functionality. Creating a variable or function in the Global Declarations module enables it to be accessed from all the Forms, Event Handlers and Macros in the scripting project.

To add a variable or function, open the Global Declarations component (by right-clicking it in the Scripting Project Tree and selecting **Open**) and edit the Global Declarations script in the Main Window. In this script, add the required variable or function.

#### Forms

In the Scripting Editor, you can build a Form graphically using a palette of Form objects such as text input fields and buttons. For example, you can create a Form to accept the input of an element name and to then remove all occurrences of that element from the active XML document.

For such a Form, a function script can be associated with a text box so as to take an input variable, and an Event Handler can be associated with a button to start execution of the delete functionality, which is available in the XMLSpy API. A Form is invoked by a call to it either within a function (in the Global Declarations script) or directly in a Macro. For details of how to create and edit Forms, see the [Forms](#) section.

#### Event handling

Event Handler scripts can be associated with a variety of available events. You can control events that occur both within Forms ([Form events](#)) and within the general application interface ([application events](#)). The script associated with an event is executed immediately upon the triggering of that event.

Most events have parameters which provide detailed information about the event. The return value from the script typically instructs the application about how to continue its processing (for example, the application may not allow editing).

An Event Handler runs when the relevant event occurs in the Form or in XMLSpy. For details about how to create event handlers, see [Event Handlers](#).

### **Macros**

Macros are used to implement complex or repetitive tasks. Macros do not use either parameters or return values.

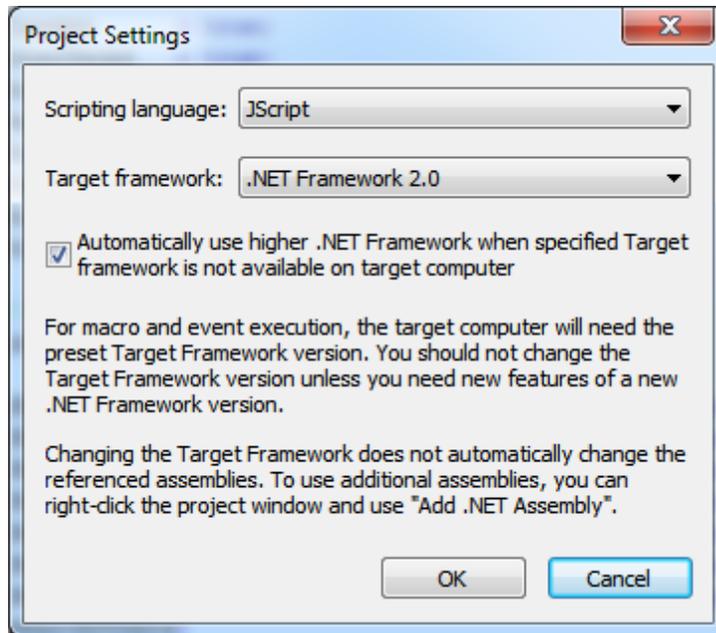
In a Macro, it is possible to access all variables and functions declared in the Global Declarations and to display Forms for user input.

For a simple example of creating a Macro, see [Writing a Macro](#). Also see [Running Macros](#) for a description of the ways in which a Macro can be called. A Macro is run from within the XMLSpy interface by clicking **Tools | Macros | [MacroName]**

## 1.2 Creating a Scripting Project

The broad steps for creating a Scripting Project are as follows:

1. Open the Scripting Editor by clicking the command **Tools | Scripting Editor**.
2. In the Scripting Editor, open a new scripting project by clicking the **New** icon in the Scripting Editor toolbar. The Project Settings dialog (*screenshot below*) pops up. You can also access this dialog by right-clicking a project in the Scripting Project Tree pane (in the top left part of the Scripting Editor window) and clicking the command **Project Settings**.



Select either JScript or VBScript in the first combo box and the .NET Framework in the second combo box. To enable higher .NET Frameworks (such as .NET Framework 4.5 on Windows 8), check the *Automatically use higher .NET Framework* check box. Then click **OK**. The new Scripting Project is created.

3. Click the **Save** icon in the Scripting Editor toolbar to save the Scripting Project as a `.asprj` file.
4. A Scripting Project can be considered to be made up of several components that work together. These components will typically be a combination of: Global Declarations, Forms, Events, and Macros. They can be created in any order, but you should clearly understand how they work together. The way each type of component is called and executed is [described below](#). How to create each type of component is described in the respective sections about the component type.
5. After you have finished creating all the required components, save the Scripting Project (by clicking the **Save** icon in the Scripting Editor toolbar).
6. Close the Scripting Editor.

**Note:** Right-clicking the Project folder and selecting **Project Settings** lets you change the scripting language at any time.

### How Forms, Event Handlers, and Macros are called and executed

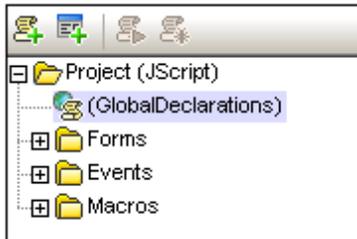
Forms, Event Handlers, and Macros are all created in the Scripting Editor. However, the way they are called and executed is different for each and has a bearing on how you create your scripting

projects.

- A Form is invoked by a call to it either within a function in the Global Declarations script or directly in a Macro.
- An Event Handler runs when the relevant event occurs in XMLSpy. If an Event Handler for a single event is defined in both the Global Scripting Project and the XMLSpy-project-specific Scripting Project, then the event handler for the project-specific Scripting Project is executed first and that for the Global Scripting Project immediately afterwards.
- A Macro is executed from within the XMLSpy interface by clicking **Tools | Macros | [MacroName]**. In a Macro, it is possible to access all variables and functions declared in the Global Declarations and to display Forms for user input.

## 1.3 Global Declarations

The Global Declarations component is present by default in every Scripting Project (see *screenshot below*), and therefore does not have to be created. In order to add variables and functions to the Global Declarations script of a Scripting Project, you need to open the Global Declarations script and add the code fragment to the Global Declarations script. See [Components of a Scripting Project](#) and [Creating a Scripting Project](#) for more information.



To open the Global Declarations script of a Scripting Project, right-click the *Global Declarations* item in the Scripting Project Tree (*screenshot above*), and select **Open**. The Global Declarations script opens in the Main Window.

**Note:** Every time a macro is executed or an event handler is called, global declarations are re-initialized.

Given below is an example function. Remember that creating a variable or function in the Global Declarations script makes this variable or function accessible to all Forms, Event Handlers, and Macros.

### Example function

A function called `RemoveAllNamespaces` would have code like this:

```
function RemoveAllNamespaces(objXMLData)
{
    if(objXMLData == null)
        return;

    if(objXMLData.HasChildren)    {
        var objChild;

        // spyXMLDataElement := 4
        objChild = objXMLData.GetFirstChild(4);

        while(objChild) {
            RemoveAllNamespaces(objChild);

            try {
                var nPos,txtName;
                txtName = objChild.Name;

                if((nPos = txtName.indexOf(":")) >= 0)    {
                    objChild.Name = txtName.substring(nPos+1);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
        objChild = objXMLData.GetNextChild();
    }
    catch (Err) {
        objChild = null;
    }
}
}
```

**Note:**

- It is possible to define local variables and helper functions within macros and event handlers. Example:

```
//return value: true allows editing
//return value: false disallows editing
var txtLocal;
function Helper()
{
    txtMessage = txtLocal;
    Application.ShowForm("MsgBox");
}
function On_BeforeStartEditing(objXMLData)
{
    txtLocal = "On_BeforeStartEditing()";
    Helper();
}
```

- Recursive functions are supported.

## 1.4 Forms

Creating and editing Forms in the Scripting Editor consists of the following steps:

1. [Creating a New Form](#). The new Form is created and named, and has properties defined for it.
2. [Designing the Form](#). A Form is designed by adding Form Objects to it and assigning values for the different Form Objects.
3. [Scripting Form Events](#). Scripts are assigned to Form-related events.

### 1.4.1 Creating a New Form

Creating a new Form in the Scripting Editor involves the following steps:

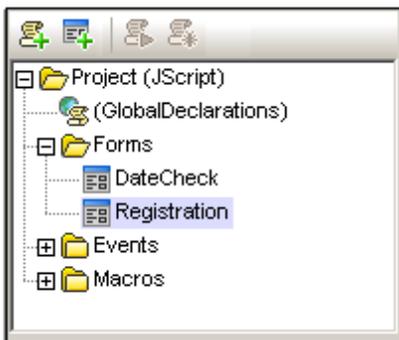
1. [Creating a new Form and naming it](#)
2. [Specifying the properties of the Form](#)

#### Creating a new Form and naming it

To add a new Form to a scripting project, click the **Add Form** icon (*highlighted in screenshot below*) in the toolbar of the Project Overview pane. Enter the name of the new Form.

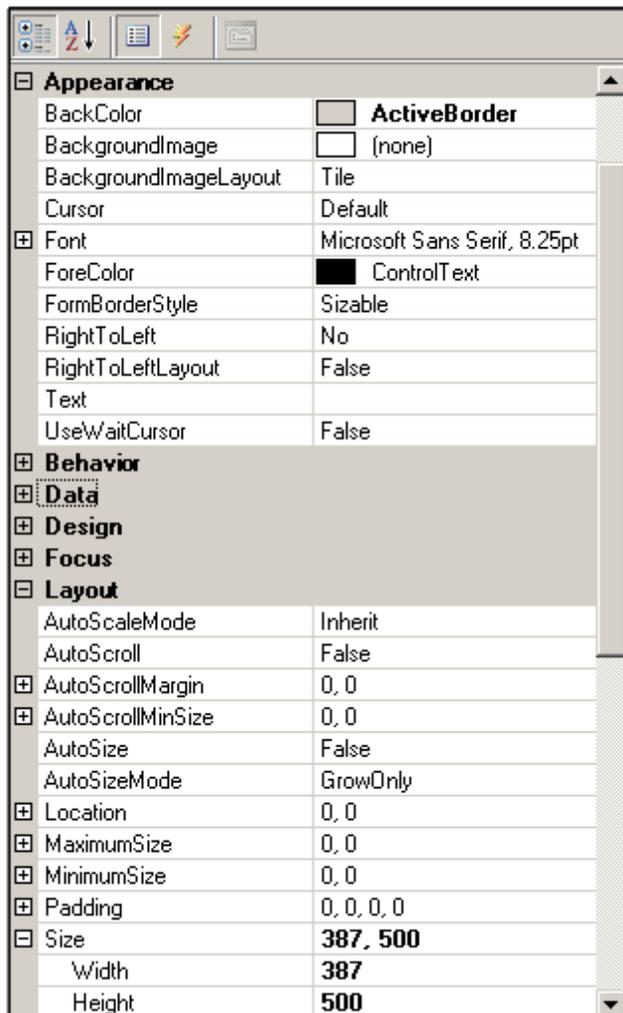


A new Form is added to the project. It appears in the Main Window and an entry for it is created in the Scripting Project Tree pane, under the Forms heading. Press the F2 function key to rename the form, or right click the form name and select Rename from the context menu. In the screenshot below, we have named the new Form *Registration*.



#### Form properties

The properties of the Form, such as its size, background color, and font properties, can be set in the Properties pane. The screenshot below shows the size and background-color property values in bold, in the *Layout* and *Appearance* categories, respectively.



### Testing a Form

You can test a form in the Scripting Editor by right-clicking it in the Project Overview pane and selecting the **Test Form** Command.

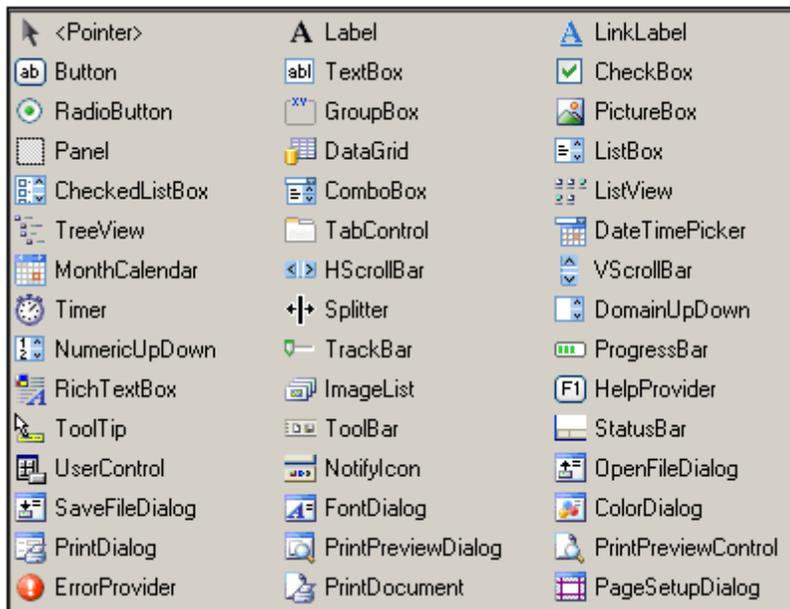
## 1.4.2 Form Design and Form Objects

Designing a Form consists of the following steps:

- Placing an object from the [Form Object Palette](#) in the Form design.
- Assigning values for the [properties of individual Form Objects](#).
- [Assigning scripts for Form-based events](#).

### The Form Object Palette

The Form Object Palette contains all the objects that are available for designing Forms and looks something like the screenshot below. Registered ActiveX controls can be added to the Form Object Palette by right-clicking the pane and selecting the **Add ActiveX Control** command



To insert an object from the Form Object Palette click the object you want in the palette, then click at the location in the Form where you wish to insert the object. The object will be placed at this location. In many cases you will need to supply some properties of the object via the Properties and Events pane. You can drag the object to other locations as well as resize it. Further, a number of editing commands, such as centering and stacking objects, can be accessed via the context menu of the selected Form object.

Some Form objects, such as `Timer`, are not added to the Form but are created as Tray Components in a tray at the bottom of the Main Window. You can select the object in the tray and set properties and event handlers for the object via the Properties and Events pane. For an example of how Tray Components are handled, see [Form usage and commands](#).

Some of the most commonly used objects are described below:

-  **Label:** Adds text fields such as captions or field descriptions.
-  **Button:** Adds a button. It is possible to assign bitmaps as background images for these buttons.
-  **Check Box:** Adds a check box, which enables Yes/No type selections.
-  **Combo Box:** Adds a combo box, which allows the user to select an option from a drop-down menu.
-  **List Box:** Adds a list box, which displays a list of items for selection.
-  **TextBox:** Enables the user to enter a single line of text.
-  **Rich TextBox:** Enables the user to enter multiple lines of text.

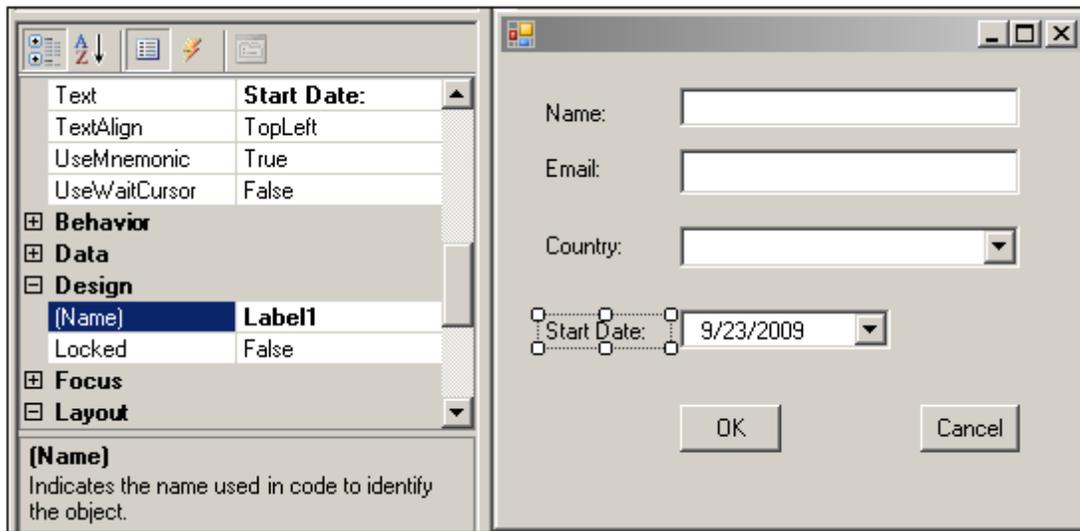
### Creating objects and setting their properties

To create an object in the Form, first select the required object in the Form Object Palette and then click the location in the Form where you want to insert it. After the object has been inserted, you can resize it as well as drag it to another location in the Form.

When an object is selected in the design, you can specify its properties in the Properties and Events pane. In the toolbar of the Properties and Events pane, click the Properties icon to display a list of the object's properties.

For example, in the screenshot below, the Label object with the text *Start Date* has been selected in the design. In the Properties and Events pane, the name of the object (which is the name that is to be used to identify the object in code, `Label1` in the screenshot below) is given in the *Design* category of properties; in this case, the name of the object is `Label1`.

The text of the label (which is what appears in the Form) must be entered as the value of the *Text* property in the *Appearance* category of properties.



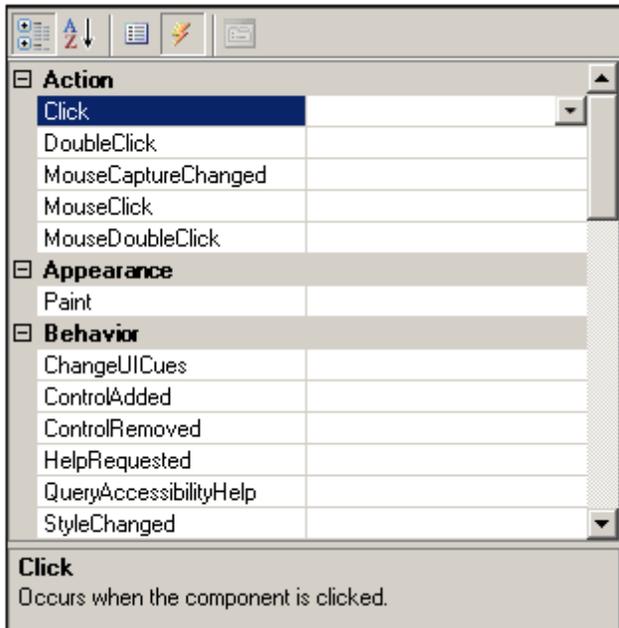
To assign other object properties, enter values for them in the Properties and Events pane.

### Testing a Form

You can test a form in the Scripting Editor by right-clicking it in the Project Overview pane and selecting the **Test Form** Command.

## 1.4.3 Form Events

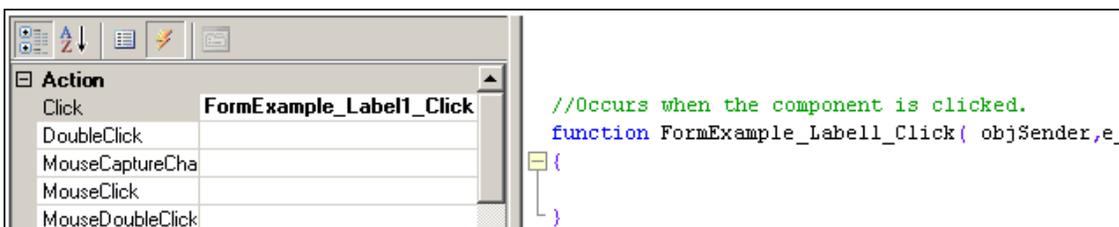
When an object is selected in the design, clicking on the Events icon in the toolbar of the Properties and Events pane (*fourth icon from left*), displays all the events available for that object (*see screenshot below*). These can be displayed either by category (*screenshot below*) or alphabetically.



For each event, you can enter the name of an existing event handler or function. Alternatively:

- you can double click on an event to create: (i) an empty function script in the *Source* tab of the Main Window, and (ii) an association of the newly created function with the selected event.
- double click a button in the design tab, to directly generate the handler stub in the code window.

The screenshot below was taken after the *Click* event was double-clicked. Notice that an empty event handler function called `FormExample_Label1_Click` has been created in the Main Window and that, in the Properties and Events pane, this function has been associated with the *Click* event.



Enter the required scripting code and save the project.

### Writing the required scripts

After the visual design of the form is complete, form objects will typically be associated with suitable scripts. The example below is a script that adds colors when a button is clicked. The script is inserted as an event handler for the `Click` event of the button `Button1` (the event is available in the Properties and Events pane when the button is selected in the design):

```
function FormExample_Button1_Click( objSender, e_EventArgs )
{
    // Sets the ForeColor (red) of the button.
```

```
objSender.ForeColor = CLR.Static( "System.Drawing.Color" ).Red;
// Sets the BackColor (blue) of the button.
objSender.BackColor = CLR.Static( "System.Drawing.Color" ).Blue;
// Sets the form BackColor (green).
objSender.FindForm().BackColor =
CLR.Static( "System.Drawing.Color" ).Green;
}
```

## 1.5 Events

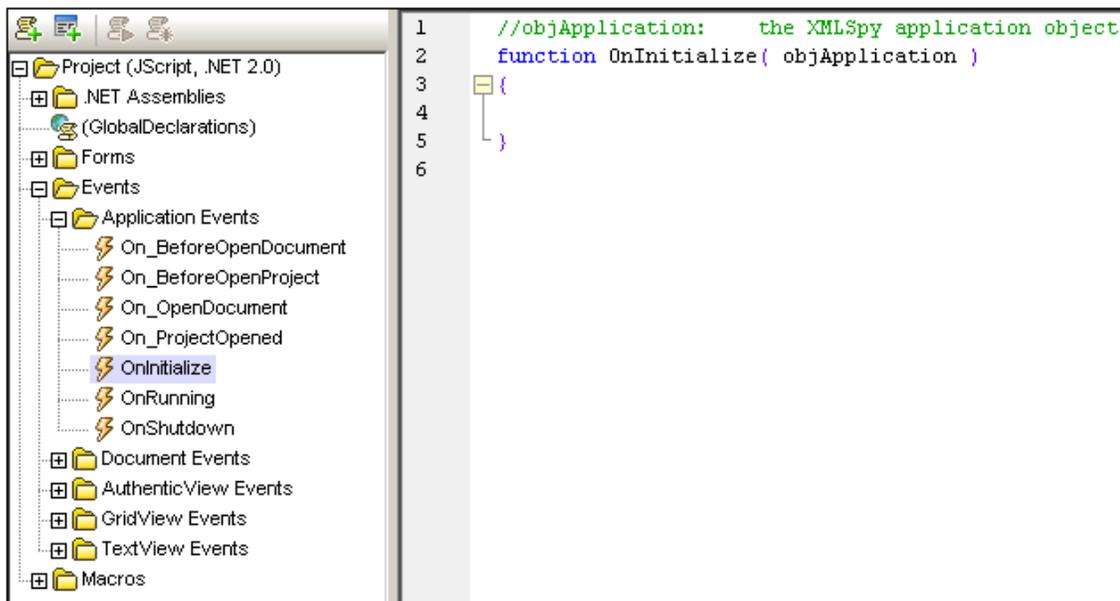
The Events folder of the scripting project (see *screenshot below*) contains folders for the following type of events:

- Application Events
- Document Events
- Authentic View Events
- Grid View Events
- Text View Events

Note that these events are XMLSpy-specific, as opposed to Form-based events. Each of the folders listed above contains a set of events for which Event Handler scripts can be written.

Application Events, for example, are shown in the screenshot below.

To access the event handler script of any of these events, right-click the event and select **Open** from the context menu. The script will be displayed in the Main Window (see *screenshot below*) and can be edited there. After you have finished editing the script, save changes by clicking the **Save** command in the toolbar of the Scripting Editor.



Note the following points:

- Event Handlers need function headers with the correct spelling of the event name. Otherwise the Event Handler will not be called.
- It is possible to define local variables and helper functions within Macros and Event Handlers. Example:

```

//return value: true allows editing
//return value: false disallows editing
var txtLocal;
function Helper()
{
    txtMessage = txtLocal;
    Application.ShowForm("MsgBox");
}

```

```

}
function On_BeforeStartEditing(objXMLData)
{
    txtLocal = "On_BeforeStartEditing()";
    Helper();
}

```

- In order for events to be processed, the Process Events options must be toggled on in the Scriptings options of XMLSpy. See [Scripting Projects in XMLSpy](#) for details.
- Also see [Programming Points](#).

## Application Events

### OnInitialize

The `OnInitialize` event is raised after the main window becomes visible but before any project is loaded. This event is not raised if the application can't be loaded at all.

### OnRunning

If the application is completely loaded and after the `OnInitialize` event occurs, the `OnRunning` event is raised.

### OnShutdown

The event is raised after any open project and all documents have been closed on shutdown of the application. The main window is no longer visible.

## Example

The following script is an Event Handler for the `On_BeforeOpenProject` event. It allows you to add a script that will be executed each time before XMLSpy opens a project. The example script below sequentially opens all XML files located in the XML folder of the project and validates them. If the validation fails, the script shows the validation error and stops. If a file passes the validity test, it will be closed and the next file will be opened.

Enter the following script for the `On_BeforeOpenProject()` event, and then save the scripting project.

```

function On_BeforeOpenProject()
{
    var bOK;
    var nIndex, nCount;
    var objItems, objXMLFolder = null;

    objItems = Application.CurrentProject.RootItems;
    nCount = objItems.Count;

    // search for XML folder
    for (nIndex = 1; nIndex <= nCount; nIndex++) {
        var txtExtensions;
        txtExtensions = objItems.Item(nIndex).FileExtensions;

        if (txtExtensions.indexOf("xml") >= 0) {
            objXMLFolder = objItems.Item(nIndex);
            break;
        }
    }
}

```

```
}

// does XML folder exist?
if(objXMLFolder) {
    var objChild,objDoc;

    nCount = objXMLFolder.ChildItems.Count;

    // step through associated xml files
    for(nIndex = 1;nIndex <= nCount;nIndex++) {
        objChild = objXMLFolder.ChildItems.Item(nIndex);

        try{
            objDoc = objChild.Open();

            // use JScript method to access out-parameters
            var strError = new Array(1);
            var nErrorPos = new Array(1);
            var objBadData = new Array(1);

            bOK = objDoc.IsValid(strError,nErrorPos,objBadData);

            if(!bOK) {
                // if the validation fails, we should display the
                // message from XMLSpy
                // of course we have to create the form "MsgBox" and
                // define the global txtMessage variable
                //
                // txtMessage = Position:" + nErrorPos[0] + "\n" + // strError[0];
                // txtMessage += "\n\nXML:\n" + objBadData[0].Name + ", " +
                //     objBadData[0].TextValue;
                //
                // Application.ShowForm("MsgBox");

                break;
            }

            objDoc.Close(true);
            objDoc = null;
        }
        catch(Err) {
            // displaying the error description here is a good idea

            // txtMessage = Err.Description;
            // Application.ShowForm("MsgBox");

            break;
        }
    }
}
}
```

**Testing the Event Handler**

Switch to XMLSpy, and open a project to see how the `BeforeOpenProject` event is handled.

## 1.6 Macros

Macros automate repetitive or complex tasks. In the Scripting Environment, you can create a script that calls application functions as well as custom functions that you have defined. This flexibility provides you with a powerful method of automating tasks within XMLSpy. This section about macros is organized as follows:

- [Creating and Editing a Macro](#) describes how to create a new macro and edit an existing one.
- [Running a Macro](#) explains how a macro can be run from the Scripting Editor and from the broader XMLSpy environment as well.
- [Debugging](#) describes how macros can be debugged.

### Key points about macros

Given below is a summary of important points about macros.

- Any number of macros can be added to the active scripting project. These macros are saved in the Altova Scripting Project file (.asprj file).
- Functions that are used in a macro can be saved as a Global Declaration. All Global Declarations are also saved in the Altova scripting project file (.asprj file).
- The macro can be tested by running it from within the Scripting Editor, and it can be debugged from within the Scripting Editor.
- XMLSpy can have one global Scripting Project, and a second scripting project, assigned to the currently loaded project, active at any one time; the macros are available to both of them. See [Running a Macro](#) for details.

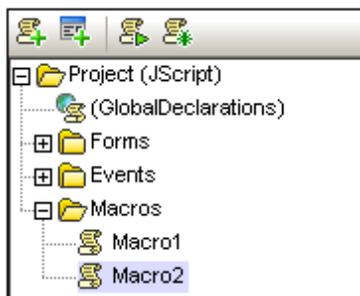
### 1.6.1 Creating and Editing a Macro

The following operations enable you to create a new macro and edit an existing macro.

#### Creating a new macro

Right-click the Macro folder in the Scripting Projects tree and select **Add Macro** from the context menu. (The **Add Macro** command can also be selected from the context menu of any item in the Scripting Projects tree.) Alternatively, click the **New Macro** icon in the toolbar of the Scripting Projects tree.

The newly created (and empty) macro document is displayed in the Main Window, and the name of the macro is displayed in the title bar of the Scripting Editor (*screenshot below*).



#### Naming or renaming a macro

To name or rename a macro, click the macro name in the Scripting Project tree and press the **F2** function key, or right click the name and select **Rename** from the context menu.

### Opening a macro

To open a macro, right-click the macro in the Macros folder of the Scripting Project tree (see *screenshot above*), and select the **Open** command. The macro is displayed in the Main Window and its name is displayed in the title bar of the Scripting Editor (*screenshot below*). Alternatively, double-clicking a macro in the Scripting Project tree opens it in the Main Window.



### Editing the macro

To edit a macro, enter or edit its code in the Main Window. For example, the following code creates the Form named `Form1` in memory and then shows it. `Form1` must already have been created (using the Scripting Editor's [Form creation](#)) before this macros is run.

```
objForm = CreateForm( 'Form1' );  
objForm.ShowDialog();
```

The following macro uses the `RemoveAllNamespaces` function to remove all namespaces in the active XML document.

```
if(Application.ActiveDocument != null) {  
    RemoveAllNamespaces(Application.ActiveDocument.RootElement);  
    Application.ActiveDocument.UpdateViews();  
}
```

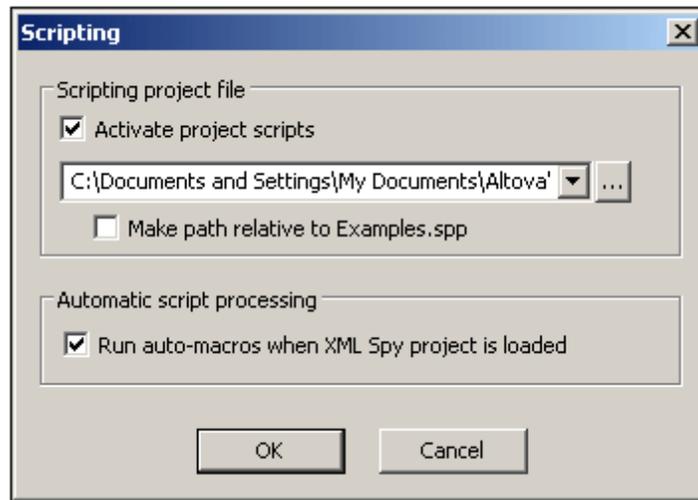
The `RemoveAllNamespaces` function itself will have to be defined in the Global Declarations script. After the `RemoveAllNamespaces` function has been defined, the macro is complete and can be run.

**Note:** Macros do not support parameters or return values.

### Setting a macro as an Auto-Macro

When a macro is set as an Auto-Macro it can be run automatically when: (i) XMLSpy is started, or (ii) an Altova XMLSpy project is loaded in XMLSpy. To specify whether Auto-Macros should be run in each of these two events, check the *Run Auto-Macros* option in the Automatic Script Processing pane of the relevant dialogs:

- *When XMLSpy is started:* the Scripting tab of the XMLSpy Options dialog (**Tools | Options** menu command).
- *When an XMLSpy project is loaded into XMLSpy:* the Scripting dialog (*screenshot below*, **Project | Scripting Settings** menu command).



To set a macro as an Auto-Macro, right-click the macro in the Scripting Project tree and select the command **Set as Auto-Macro**. This is a toggle command; so to remove the Auto-Macro setting of a macro, select the command again.

## 1.6.2 Running a Macro

To run a macro in the Scripting Editor, right-click the macro in the Scripting Project tree and select the command **Run Macro**.

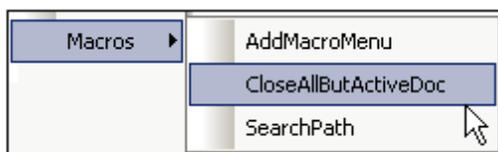
There are different ways to run a macro from XMLSpy:

- [Via the Tools | Macros menu](#) of XMLSpy.
- [By creating and using a toolbar button](#) for a macro.
- [By creating and using a menu item](#) for a macro.

Note that only one macro can be run at a time. After a macro (or event) is executed, the script is closed and global variables lose their values.

### The XMLSpy command to run Macros

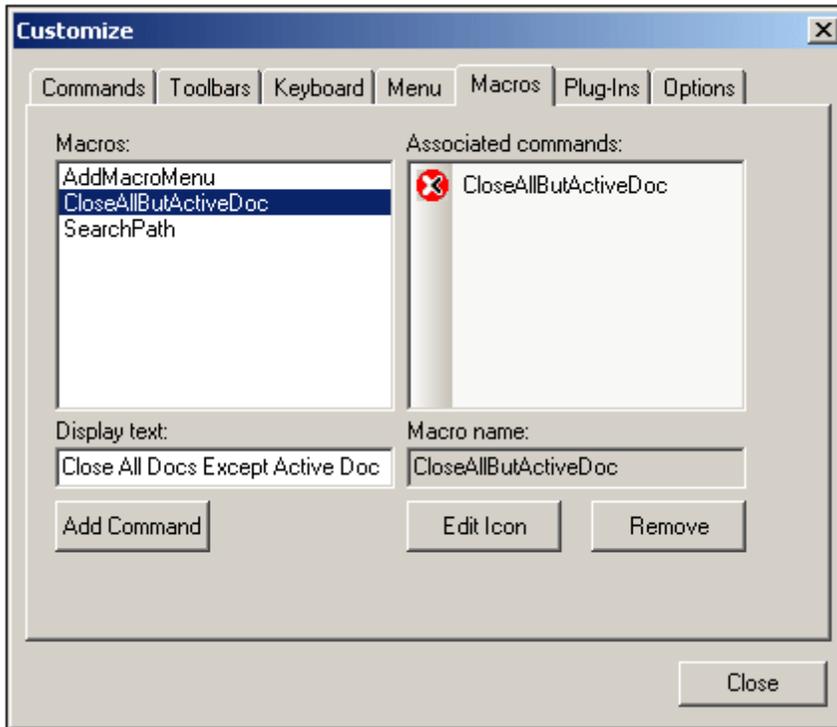
The **Tools | Macros** menu command (*screenshot below*) opens a submenu containing the macros defined in the Scripting Project that is currently active in XMLSpy. The active Scripting Projects are specified in the Scripting tab of the Options dialog, or in the Scripting tab of the project settings.



From the submenu of available macros, select the macro to run. The macro will be executed.

### Toolbar icon

You can create an icon in the toolbar or a menu item that runs a selected macro. To do this, click **Tools | Customize | Macros**. This causes the Customize dialog to be displayed (*screenshot below*).



Now do the following:

1. In the Macros tab of the Customize dialog, select the required macro from the Macros pane. The macros in the Macros pane are those in the active Scripting Project (which is specified in the Scripting tab of the Options dialog).
2. In the *Display Text* input field enter the name of the icon. This name will appear when the cursor is placed over the icon when it is in the toolbar.
3. Click **Add Command** to add it to the list of commands.
4. Select the command and click **Edit Icon** to create a new icon.
5. Drag the finished icon from the *Associated Commands* pane and drop it on to the toolbar or menu when the cursor changes from an arrow to an I-beam or line.
6. Macros can even be assigned their own shortcuts in the Keyboard tab of the Customize dialog (*see screenshot above*).

To remove the toolbar icon, open the Macros tab of the Customize dialog and drag the icon out of the toolbar and into the *Associated Commands* pane. Select the command in the *Associated Commands* pane and click **Remove** to remove the command from the pane.

### Item in the Tools menu

The XMLSpy API includes a function, `AddMacroMenuItem()`, to add macros as menu items to the **Tools** menu. This function can be used to add one or more macros to the **Tools | Macros** list of macros. Typically, you should do this as follows:

1. Add the macro menu item by calling the XMLSpy API function, `AddMacroMenuItem()`.

```
Application.AddMacroMenuItem("DeleteElements", "Delete Elements  
Dialog");
```

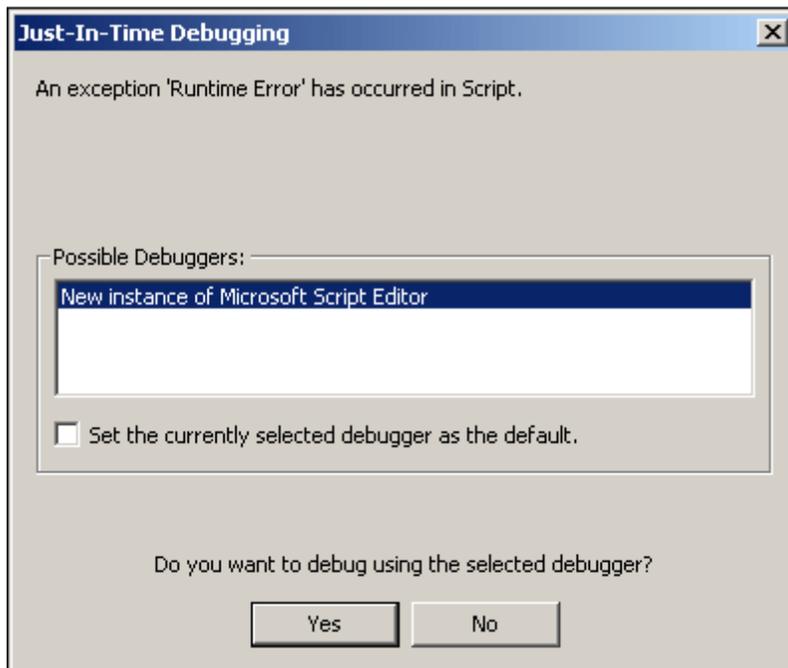
- The function's first parameter (`DeleteElements` in the example listing above) is the name of the macro. If you run the macro and there is an open project having scripts associated with it, XMLSpy searches for the macro in the project scripts first. If there are no project scripts, or if XMLSpy cannot find the macro, then it looks for the macro in the global scripts.
  - The second parameter (`Delete Elements Dialog`) is the display text for the menu item.
2. Reset the **Tools** menu by calling `ClearMacroMenu()`. This removes all previously added menu items

The best way to call these two functions is with the `Autorun` macro of the global scripting project or the `On_OpenProject` event.

### 1.6.3 Debugging a Macro

You can debug a macro using an installed debugger. To do this, right-click the macro in the Scripting Project tree and select the command **Debug Macro**.

This pops up the Just-In-Time Debugging dialog (*screenshot below*), which lists the debuggers available on the machine. Select the debugger you wish to use and click **Yes**.



The selected debugger starts.

## 1.7 Programming Points

The following programming points should be noted:

- All namespaces and types of the following .NET assemblies can be accessed in the Microsoft .NET Framework per default:

```
System
System.Data
System.Design
System.Drawing
System.Windows.Forms
System.XML
```

Additional assemblies can be added to the scripting project via the [project's context menu](#), or dynamically (at runtime) in the source code by using [CLR.LoadAssembly](#).

- Out-parameters from methods of the XMLSpy API require special variables in JScript. Given below are some examples.

```
// use JScript method to access out-parameters
var strError = new Array(1);
var nErrorPos = new Array(1);
var objBadData = new Array(1);
bOK = objDoc.IsValid(strError,nErrorPos,objBadData);END
```

- Out-parameters from methods of the .NET Framework require special variables in JScript. For example:

```
var dictionary =
CLR.Create( "System.Collections.Generic.Dictionary< System.String,
System.String >" );
dictionary.Add("1", "A");
dictionary.Add("2", "B");

// use JScript method to access out-parameters
var strOut = new Array(1);
if ( dictionary.TryGetValue("1", strOut) ) // TryGetValue will set
the out parameter
    alert( strOut[0] ); // use out parameter
```

- .NET Methods that require integer arguments should not be called directly with JScript Number Objects which are Floating Point Values.

For example, instead of:

```
var objCustomColor = CLR.Static( "System.Drawing.Color" ). FromArgb( 128,
128, 128 );
```

use:

```
var objCustomColor = CLR.Static( "System.Drawing.Color" ).
FromArgb( Math.floor( 128 ), Math.floor( 128 ), Math.floor( 128 ) );
```

- To iterate .NET collections the JScript Enumerator as well as the .NET iterator technologies can be used:

For example:

```
// iterate using the JScript iterator
var itr = new Enumerator( coll );
for ( ; !itr.atEnd(); itr.moveNext() )
    alert( itr.item() );

// iterate using the .NET iterator
var itrNET = coll.GetEnumerator();
while( itrNET.MoveNext() )
    alert( itrNET.Current );
```

- .NET templates can be instantiated as shown below:

```
var coll =
CLR.Create( "System.Collections.Generic.List<System.String>" );
```

or

```
CLR.Import( "System" );
CLR.Import( "System.Collections.Generic" );
var dictionary = CLR.Create( "Dictionary< String, Dictionary<
String, String >>" );
```

- .NET Enum values are accessed as shown below:

```
var enumValStretch =
CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Forms.ImageLayout" ).Stretch;
```

- Enumeration literals, as defined in the Altova type libraries, can now be used instead of numerical values.

```
objExportXMLFileDialog.XMIType = eXMI21ForUML23;
```

## 1.7.1 Built-in Commands

This section lists:

- [Built-in commands](#)
  - [alert](#)
  - [conform](#)
  - [doevents](#)
  - [CreateForm](#)
  - [lastform](#)
  - [prompt](#)
  - [ShowForm](#)
  - [watchdog](#)
- [.NET interoperability](#) commands
  - [CLR.Create](#)
  - [CLR.Import](#)
  - [CLR.LoadAssembly](#)

[CLR.ShowImports](#)  
[CLR.ShowLoadedAssemblies](#)  
[CLR.Static](#)

### Built-in commands

The following built-in commands are available.

#### ShowForm(strFormName : String)

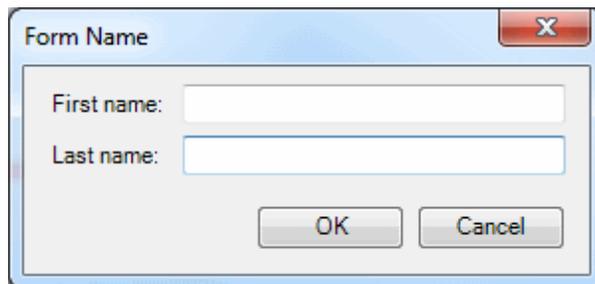
Instantiates a New Form object from the given form name and immediately shows it as Dialog.

*Return Value:* A Number that represents the generated DialogResult (System.Windows.Forms.DialogResult).

Example:

```
var dialogResult = ShowForm( "FormName" );
```

Shows Form "FormName" as Dialog:



The DialogResult can be evaluated e.g. by:

```
if ( dialogResult ==  
CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Forms.DialogResult" ).OK )  
    alert( "ok" );  
else  
    alert( "cancel" );
```

#### CreateForm(strFormName : String)

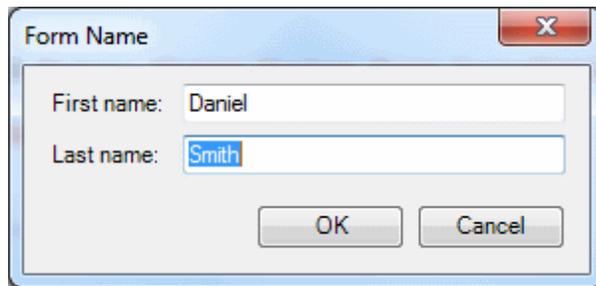
Instantiates a New Form object from the given Form name.

*Return Value:* The Form object (System.Windows.Forms.Form) of the given name, or null if no Form with such name exists.

Example:

```
var myForm = CreateForm( "FormName" );  
if ( myForm != null )  
{  
    myForm.textboxFirstName.Text = "Daniel";  
    myForm.textboxLastName.Text = "Smith";  
    var dialogResult = myForm.ShowDialog();  
}
```

Shows Form "FormName" as Dialog - TextBoxes are initialized:



The DialogResult can be evaluated e.g. by:

```
if ( dialogResult ==
CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Forms.DialogResult" ).OK )
    alert( "ok" );
else
    alert( "cancel" );
```

#### **lastform**

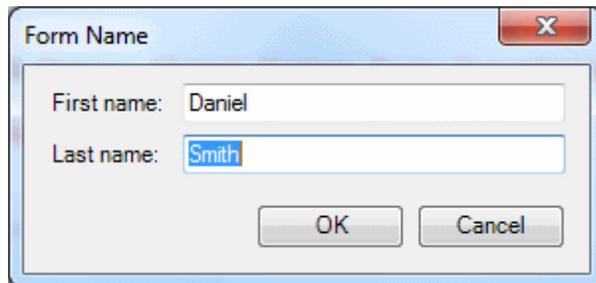
This global field can be used to conveniently access the last form object that was created.

**Return Value:** Returns a reference to the last form object (`System.Windows.Forms.Form`) that was successfully instantiated via `CreateForm()` or `ShowForm()`.

Example:

```
CreateForm( "FormName" );
if ( lastform != null )
{
    lastform.textboxFirstName.Text = "Daniel";
    lastform.textboxLastName.Text = "Smith";
    var dialogResult = lastform.ShowDialog();
}
```

Shows Form "FormName" as Dialog - TextBoxes are initialized (similar to the `CreateForm` example above):



#### **doevents ()**

Processes all Windows messages currently in the message queue.

**Return Value:** None

Example:

```
for ( i=0; i < nLongLastingProcess; ++i )
{
```

```
        // do long lasting process

        doevents(); // process windows messages; give UI a chance to update
    }
```

**watchdog(bEnable : boolean)**

Long running CPU-intensive scripts cause the watchdog to ask the user if the script should be terminated. The `watchdog()` method is used to disable or enable this behavior.

Per default the watchdog is enabled.

*Return Value:* None

Example:

```
watchdog( false ); // disable watchdog - we know the next statement is
CPU intensive but it will terminate for sure
doCPUIntensiveScript();
watchdog( true ); // re-enable watchdog
```

**Usage tip:**

Calling `watchdog(true)` can also be used to reset the watchdog. This can be useful before executing long running (CPU intensive) tasks to ensure they have the maximum allowed script processing quota.

**alert(strMessage : String) or MsgBox(strMessage : String)**

An alert box is used to show a given message. The user will have to click "OK" to proceed.

*Return Value:* None

Example:

```
alert( "Hello World" );
```

**confirm(strMessage : String)**

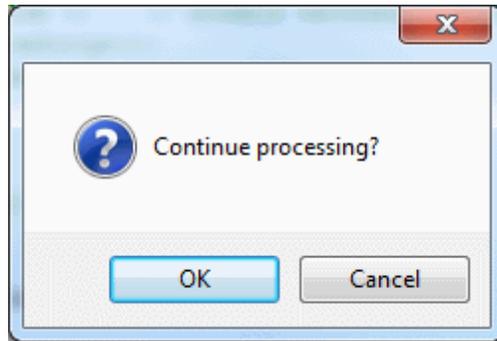
Opens a dialog that shows the given confirm message.

A confirm box is often used to verify or accept something. The user will have to click either "OK" or "Cancel" to proceed.

*Return Value:* A Boolean that represents the users answer. If the user clicks "OK", the dialog returns true, if the user clicks "Cancel", the dialog returns false.

Example:

```
if ( confirm( "Continue processing?" ) == false )
    return;
```



**prompt(strMessage : String, strDefault : String)**

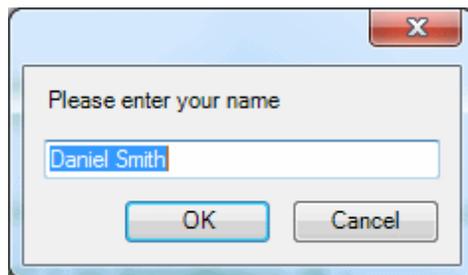
Opens a dialog that shows the given prompt message and a TextBox control with a default answer.

A prompt box is often used to input a simple string value.

*Return Value:* A String that contains the TextBox value or null if the user selected "Cancel".

Example:

```
var name = prompt( "Please enter your name", "Daniel Smith" );
if ( name != null )
    alert( "Hello " + name + "!" );
```



**.NET interoperability commands**

To allow further interoperability with the .NET Framework additional functions are provided under CLR.

**CLR.Import(strNamespaceCLR : String)**

This is the scripting equivalent to the C# *using* / VB.Net *imports* keyword. This allows to leave out the given namespaces in successive calls like `CLR.Create()` and `CLR.Static()`.

*Return Value:* None

Example:

Instead of always having to use full qualified names:

```
if ( ShowForm( "FormName" ) ==
CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Forms.DialogResult" ).OK )
{
    var sName = lastform.textboxFirstName.Text + " " +
lastform.textboxLastName.Text;
    CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Forms.MessageBox" ).Show( "Hello " +
```

```
sName );
}
```

one can import namespaces and use the short form:

```
CLR.Import( "System.Windows.Forms" );
if ( ShowForm( "FormName" ) == CLR.Static( "DialogResult" ).OK )
{
    var sName = lastform.textboxFirstName.Text + " " +
lastform.textboxLastName.Text;
    CLR.Static( "MessageBox" ).Show( "Hello " + sName );
}
```

**Please note:**

Importing a namespace does not add or load the corresponding assembly to the scripting project! Assemblies can be added to the scripting project dynamically (at runtime) in the source code by using [CLR.LoadAssembly](#).

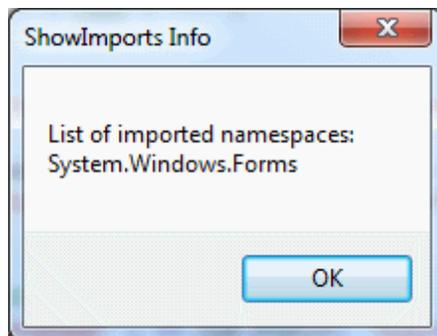
**CLR.ShowImports ()**

Opens a MessageBox dialog that shows the currently imported namespaces. The user will have to click "OK" to proceed.

*Return Value:* None

Example:

```
CLR.ShowImports();
```



**CLR.LoadAssembly(strAssemblyNameCLR : String)**

Loads the .NET assembly with the given long assembly name or file path.

*Return Value:* A Boolean value. True if the assembly could be loaded, false otherwise.

Example:

```
// set clipboard text (if possible)
// System.Windows.Clipboard is part of the PresentationCore assembly, so
load this assembly first:
if ( CLR.LoadAssembly( "PresentationCore, Version=3.0.0.0,
Culture=neutral, PublicKeyToken=31bf3856ad364e35", true ) )
{
    var clipboard = CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Clipboard" );
    if ( clipboard != null )
        clipboard.SetText( "HelloClipboard" );
}
```

```
}
```

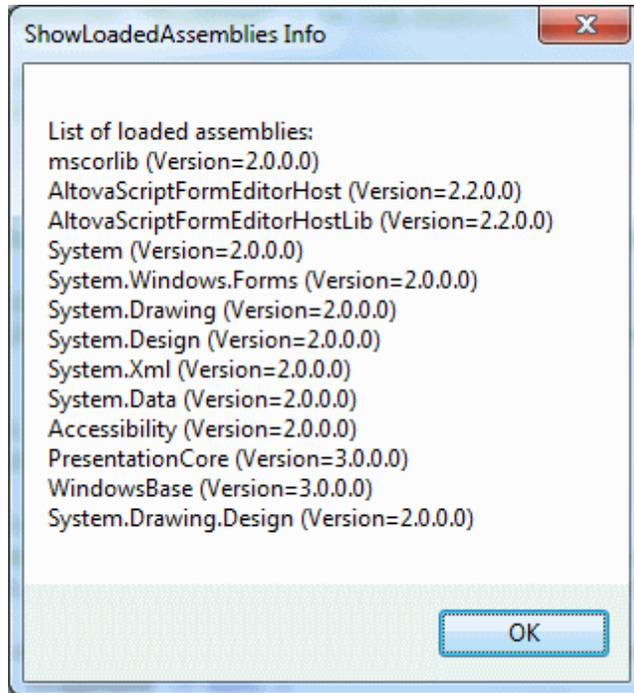
**CLR.ShowLoadedAssemblies ()**

Opens a MessageBox dialog that shows the currently loaded assemblies. The user will have to click "OK" to proceed.

*Return Value:* None

Example:

```
CLR.ShowLoadedAssemblies ();
```

**CLR.Create(strTypeNameCLR : String, constructor arguments ...)**

Creates a new .NET object instance for the given typename. If more than one argument is passed the successive arguments are interpreted as the arguments for the constructor of the .NET object.

*Return Value:* A reference to the created .NET object

Examples:

```
var objArray = CLR.Create("System.Collections.ArrayList");

var newItem = CLR.Create("System.Windows.Forms.ListViewItem",
    "NewItemText" );

var coll =
CLR.Create("System.Collections.Generic.List<System.String>" );

CLR.Import("System" );
CLR.Import("System.Collections.Generic" );
var dictionary = CLR.Create("Dictionary<String, Dictionary<String,
String > >" );
```

**CLR.Static(strTypeNameCLR : String)**

Gives access to .NET types that have no instances and contain only static members.

*Return Value:* A reference to the static .NET object

Examples:

```
var enumValStretch =
    CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Forms.ImageLayout" ).Stretch

var clipboard = CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Clipboard" );
clipboard.SetText( "HelloClipboard" );

if ( ShowForm( "FormName" ) ==
    CLR.Static( "System.Windows.Forms.DialogResult" ).OK )
    alert( "ok" );
else
    alert( "cancel" );
```

**Form usage and commands**

Form usage is as follows:

With Form objects, the Form Component Tree can be accessed naturally via field access:

For example, suppose there is a Form designed as follows:

```
MyForm
  ButtonPanel
    OkButton
    CancelButton
  TextEditor
  AxMediaPlayer1

TrayComponents:
  MyTimer
```

The Form can then be instantiated from script as:

```
var objForm = CreateForm("MyForm");
```

To access one its components the field access can be used:

```
objForm.ButtonPanel.OkButton.Enabled = false;
```

or

```
objForm.TextEditor.Text = "Hello World";
```

To access Tray Components use the following method on the Form object:

```
var objTrayComponent = <A form object>.GetTrayComponent(strComponentName :
String);
```

In our example to get a reference to the Timer Component to enable it use the following:

```
var objTimer = objForm.GetTrayComponent("MyTimer");  
objTimer.Enabled = true;
```

For ActiveX Controls the underlying COM object can be accessed via the OCX property:

```
var ocx = lastform.AxMediaPlayer1.OCX; // get underlying COM object  
ocx.enableContextMenu = true;  
ocx.URL = "mms://apasf.apa.at/fm4_live_worldwide";
```

## 1.8 Migrating to Scripting Editor 2010 and Later

The Scripting Editor in XMLSpy from version 2010 onwards uses a different underlying technology than earlier versions used. Consequently, scripting projects that were created with versions of XMLSpy prior to version 2010 might need to be modified. The following points need to be noted.

- If a previous Scripting Projects (.prj file) is opened with the new Scripting Editor (version 2010 and later), the visual layout of Forms will be migrated as faithfully as possible and scripts will be copied as they are in the .prj file. You will then need to modify the scripts to be in accordance with the new technology used by the Scripting Editor, and which is described in this documentation.
- `TheView` object: The old Scripting Environment provided an artificial property named `TheView` that was only accessible from inside event handlers. It was used to access the Form that triggered the event (either directly or from one of its child controls). The new Scripting IDE does **not** provide this artificial property but instead provides the same functionality, and much more, with orthogonal [built-in scripting helper functions](#) combined with the power of the .NET framework.
- Since all event handlers in the new Scripting Environment get a sender object as a first parameter, the source that triggered the event is always available. By calling the .NET function `FindForm()` on the sender object one can access the Form object easily. Alternatively (if only one Form is involved) the built-in property `lastform` can be used. Note that the use of `lastform` is not constrained to event handlers (as was the case with `TheView`). It can be used everywhere in script code.

Given below is a list of methods and properties of the `TheView` object, each accompanied by an alternative mechanism offered by the new Scripting Environment.

### Methods

The following methods were provided by the `TheView` object and must be migrated as explained:

#### **Cancel()**

In the new scripting environment the same can be achieved with: `lastform.Close(); // Use .NET Form.Close()`

#### **IsFormOpen(Name as String) as Boolean**

Since for .NET Forms there is a distinction between showing a Form and instantiating a Form, the previous concept does not directly translate. Instead the user can ask if a certain Form is currently shown. For example:

```
var objFormPencilSelector = CreateForm("PencilSelector");
var objFormColorSelector = CreateForm("ColorSelector");
...
// Anywhere in code ...

if(objFormColorSelector.Visible)
{
    ...
}
```

#### **FormFind(Name as String) as Object**

The new Scripting Environment allows you to instantiate more Forms of the same kind. In the old

Scripting Environment each Form could only exist once (as a Singleton). Thus there is no equivalent of `FormFind()`. In the new Scripting Environment.

#### **OpenDoc(File as String)**

The same can be achieved with: `Application.OpenDocument( File as String )`

#### **PumpData()**

This corresponds to the built-in function `doevents()` which processes all Windows messages currently in the message queue.

#### **RunClick(), RunInitialize(), RunTerminate()**

There is no direct replacement for these methods. Call the corresponding handlers directly instead.

## **Properties**

The following properties were provided by the `TheView` object and must be migrated as explained:

#### **ToolTipText as String**

To use tooltips in the new scripting environment, the .NET infrastructure can be used. This allows fine-grained control of tooltip behaviour (adjusting delays, when to show, etc). For example, to provide tooltips for a Form with two controls, the following code could be added to the Form's Load event handler:

```
//Occurs whenever the user loads the form.
function MyForm_Load( objSender, e_EventArgs )
{
    // Create the ToolTip and associate with the Form container.
    var toolTip = CLR.Create("System.Windows.Forms.ToolTip");

    // Set up the delays for the ToolTip.
    toolTip.AutoPopDelay = 3000;
    toolTip.InitialDelay = 1000;
    toolTip.ReshowDelay = 500;

    // Force the ToolTip text to be displayed whether or not
    // the form is active.
    toolTip.ShowAlways = true;

    // Set up the ToolTip text for several Controls.
    toolTip.SetToolTip(objSender.ProgressBar1,
        "Shows the progress of the operation");
    toolTip.SetToolTip(objSender.Button1,
        "Click Button to start the processing");
}
```

#### **Color as Long**

Since all Form/controls in the new Scripting Environment are .NET controls from the `System.Windows.Forms` namespace, the possibilities to modify colors, background image, fonts, and all other visual aspects are numerous. For example, every Visual Component has the properties `BackColor` and `ForeColor` to modify the visual appearance. The following handler could be used to change the color of a button at runtime:

```
function TestForm_Button1_Click( objSender, e_EventArgs )
{
    objSender.BackColor =
CLR.Static( "System.Drawing.Color" ).SlateBlue;
}
```

Please refer to the .NET documentation to find out more about this topic:  
<http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/system.windows.forms.aspx>

## 2 IDE Plugins

XMLSpy allows you to create your own IDE plug-ins and integrate them into XMLSpy.

Use plug-ins to:

- Configure your version of XMLSpy, add commands through menus, icons, buttons etc.
- React to events from XMLSpy.
- Run your specific code within XMLSpy with access to the complete XMLSpy API

XMLSpy expects your plug-in to implement the [IXMLSpyPlugin](#) interface. C# and C++ examples are included with your installation package and are located in the `XMLSpy2016\Examples\IDEPlugin` folder of your XMLSpy installation.

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents
Windows Vista, Windows 7/8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents

See [ATL sample files](#) for an example using C++.

## 2.1 Registration of IDE Plugins

XMLSpy maintains a specific key in the Registry where it stores all registered IDE plug-ins:

```
HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Altova\XML Spy\Plugins
```

All values of this key are treated as references to registered plug-ins and must conform to the following format:

Value name:	ProgID of the plug-in
Value type:	must be REG_SZ
Value data:	CLSID of the component

Each time the application starts the values of the "Plugins" key is scanned, and the registered plug-ins are loaded.

---

### Register plug-in manually

To register a plug-in manually, use the "Customize" dialog box of the XMLSpy "Tools" menu. Use the "Add Plug-In..." button to specify the DLL that implements your plug-in. XMLSpy registers the DLL as a COM server and adds the corresponding entry in its "Plugins" key.

If you experience problems with manual registration you can check if the CLSID of your plug-in is correctly registered in the "Plugins" key. If this is not the case, the name of your plug-in DLL was probably not sufficiently unique. Use a different name or perform direct registration.

---

### Register plug-in directly

A plug-in can be directly registered as an IDE plug-in by first registering the DLL and then adding the appropriate value to the "Plugins" key of XMLSpy during plug-in setup for example. The new plug-in will be activated the next time XMLSpy is launched.

---

### Creating plug-ins

Source code for sample plug-ins has been provided in the application's [\(My\) Documents folder](#): `Examples\IDEPlugin` folder. To build a plug-in from such source code, do the following:

1. Open the solution you want to build as a plug-in in Visual Studio.
2. Build the plug-in with the command in the Build menu.
3. The plug-in's DLL file that will be created in the `Bin` or `Debug` folder. This DLL file is the file that must be added as a plug-in (*see above*).

## 2.2 ActiveX Controls

ActiveX controls are supported. Any IDE Plugin which is also an ActiveX control will be displayed in a Dialog Control Bar. A sample Plugin that is also an ActiveX control is included in the `XMLSpyPluginActiveX` folder in the `Examples` folder of your application folder.

## 2.3 Configuration XML

The IDE plug-in allows you to change the user interface (UI) of XMLSpy. This is done by describing each separate modification using an XML data stream. The XML configuration is passed to XMLSpy using the [GetUIModifications](#) method of the `IXMLSpyPlugin` interface.

The XML file containing the UI modifications for the IDE Plugin, must have the following structure:

```
<ConfigurationData>
  <ImageFile>path To image file</ImageFile>
  <Modifications>
    <Modification>
      ...
    </Modification>
    ...
  </Modifications>
</ConfigurationData>
```

You can define icons or toolbar buttons for the new menu items which are added to the UI of XMLSpy by the plug-in. The path to the file containing the images is set using the `ImageFile` element. Each image must be 16 x 16 pixels using max. 256 colors. The image references must be arranged from left to right in a single (`<ImageFile>...`) line. The rightmost image index value, is zero.

The `Modifications` element can have any number of `Modification` child elements. Each `Modification` element defines a specific change to the standard UI of XMLSpy. Starting with version 4.3, it is also possible to remove UI elements from XMLSpy.

### Structure of Modification elements

All Modification elements consist of the following two child elements:

```
<Modification>
  <Action>Type of action</Action>
  <UIElement Type="type of UI element">
  </UIElement>
</Modification>
```

Valid values for the `Action` element are:

- Add - to add the following UI element to XMLSpy
- Hide - to hide the following UI element in XMLSpy
- Remove - to remove the UI element from the "Commands" list box, in the customize dialog

You can combine values of the `Action` element e.g. "Hide Remove"

The `UIElement` element describes any new, or existing UI element for XMLSpy. Possible elements are currently: new toolbars, buttons, menus or menu items. The `type` attribute, defines which UI element is described by the XML element.

### Common UIElement children

The ID and Name elements are valid for all different types of XML UIElement fragments. It is however possible, to ignore one of the values for a specific type of UIElement e.g. Name is ignored for a separator.

```
<ID></ID>
<Name></Name>
```

If **UIElement** describes an existing element of the UI, the value of the ID element is predefined by XMLSpy. Normally these ID values are not known to the public. If the XML fragment describes a new part of the UI, then the ID is arbitrary and the value should be less than 1000.

The **Name** element sets the textual value. Existing UI elements can be identified just by name, for e.g. menus and menu items with associated sub menus. For new UI elements, the **Name** element sets the caption e.g. the title of a toolbar, or text for a menu item.

### Toolbars and Menus

To define a toolbar its necessary to specify the ID and/or the name of the toolbar. An existing toolbar can be specified using only the name, or by the ID if it is known. To create a **new** toolbar both values must be set. The **type** attribute must be equal to "ToolBar".

```
<UIElement Type="ToolBar">
  <ID>1</ID>
  <Name>TestPlugIn</Name>
</UIElement>
```

To specify an XMLSpy menu you need two parameters:

- The ID of the menu bar which contains the menu. If no XML documents are open in the main window, the menu bar ID is 128. If one or more XML documents are open, the menu bar ID is 129.
- The menu name. Menus do not have an associated ID value. The following example defines the "Edit" menu of the menu bar which is active, when at least one XML document is open:

```
<UIElement Type="Menu">
  <ID>129</ID>
  <Name>Edit</Name>
</UIElement>
```

An additional element is used if you want to create a new menu. The **Place** element defines the position of the new menu in the menu bar:

```
<UIElement Type="Menu">
  <ID>129</ID>
  <Name>PlugIn Menu</Name>
  <Place>12</Place>
</UIElement>
```

A value of -1 for the **Place** element sets the new button or menu item at the end of the menu or toolbar.

### Commands

If you add a new command, through a toolbar button or a menu item, the **UIElement** fragment can contain any of these sub elements:

```
<MacroName></MacroName>
<Info></Info>
<ImageID></ImageID>
```

If **MacroName** is specified, XMLSpy searches for a macro with the same name in the scripting environment and executes it each time this command is processed. The **Info** element contains a short description string which is displayed in the status bar, when the mouse pointer is over the associated command (button or menu item). **ImageID** defines the index of the icon the external image file. Please note that all icons are stored in one image file.

To define a toolbar button create an **UIElement** with this structure:

```
<UIElement Type="ToolBarItem">
  <!--don't reuse local IDs even the commands do the same-->
  <ID>5</ID>
  <Name>Open file from repository...</Name>
  <!--Set Place To -1 If this is the first button To be inserted-->
  <Place>-1</Place>
  <ImageID>0</ImageID>
  <ToolBarID>1</ToolBarID>
  <!--instead of the toolbar ID the toolbar name could be used-->
  <ToolBarName>TestPlugIn</ToolBarName>
</UIElement>
```

Additional elements to declare a toolbar button are **Place**, **ToolBarID** and **ToolBarName**. **ToolBarID** and **ToolBarName** are used to identify the toolbar which contains the new or existing button. The textual value of **ToolBarName** is case sensitive. The (UIElement) **type** attribute must equal "ToolBarItem".

To define a menu item, the elements **MenuID**, **Place** and **Parent** are available in addition to the standard elements used to declare a command. **MenuID** can be either 128 or 129. Please see "Toolbars and Menus" for more information on these values.

The **Parent** element is used to identify the **menu** where the new menu entry should be inserted. As sub menu items have no unique Windows ID, we need some other way to identify the parent of the menu item.

The value of the **Parent** element is a path to the menu item. The text value of the Parent element, must equal the **parent menu name** of the submenu, where the submenu name is separated by a colon. If the menu has no parent, because its not a submenu, add a colon to the beginning of the name. The **type** attribute must be set to "MenuItem". Example for an **UIElement** defining a menu item:

```
<UIElement Type="MenuItem">
  <!--the following element is a Local command ID-->
  <ID>3</ID>
  <Name>Open file from repository...</Name>
  <Place>-1</Place>
  <MenuID>129</MenuID>
  <Parent>:PlugIn Menu</Parent>
  <ImageID>0</ImageID>
</UIElement>
```

XMLSpy makes it possible to add toolbar separators and menus if the value of the **ID** element is set to 0.

## 2.4 ATL sample files

The following pages show how to create a simple XMLSpy IDE plug-in DLL using ATL. To build the DLL it is necessary to know about ATL, the wizards that generate new ATL objects, as well as MS VisualStudio.

To access the API the implementation imports the Type Library of XMLSpy. The code reads various properties and calls methods using the smart pointers provided by the #import statement.

In addition, the sample code uses the MFC class CString and the ATL conversion macros such as W2T.

At a glance the steps to create an ATL DLL are as follows:

1. Open VisualStudio and select "New..." from the "File" menu.
2. Select the "Projects" tab.
3. Select "ATL COM AppWizard" and type in a project name.
4. Select "Support for MFC" if you want to use MFC classes, or if you want to create a project for the sample code.

Having created the project files you can add an ATL object to implement the IXMLSpyPlugIn interface:

1. Select "New ATL Object..." from the "Insert" menu.
2. Select "Simple Object" from the wizard and click "Next".
3. Type in a name for the object.
4. On the "Attributes" tab, select "Custom" for the type of interface, and disable Aggregation.

These steps produce the skeleton code for the implementation of the IDE plug-in interface. Please see the following pages on how to modify the code and achieve some basic functionality.

### 2.4.1 Interface description (IDL)

The IDL of the newly created ATL object contains a declaration for one COM interface.

- This interface declaration must be replaced by the declaration of IXMLSpyPlugIn as shown below.
- The IDL must also contain the definition of the SPYUpdateAction enumeration.
- Replace the generated default interface name, (created by the wizard) with "IXMLSpyPlugIn" in the coclass declaration. The IDL should then look something like the example code below:

Having created the ATL object, you then need to implement the IDE plug-in interface of XMLSpy.

```
import "oaidl.idl";
import "ocidl.idl";

// ----- please insert the following block into your IDL file -----
typedef enum {
    spyEnable = 1,
    spyDisable = 2,
    spyCheck = 4,
    spyUncheck = 8
```

```

    } SPYUpdateAction;

// ----- end insert block -----

// ----- E.g. Interface entry automatically generated by the ATL wizard -----
// [
//   object,
//   uuid(AB7CD86A-8145-429A-A1F3-270692EO8AFC),

//   helpstring("IXMLSpyPlugIn Interface")
//   pointer_default(unique)
// ]
// interface IXMLSpyPlugIn : IUnknown
// {
// };

// ----- end automatically generated Interface Entry

// ----- replace the Interface Entry (shown above) generated for you by the ATL
// wizard, with the following block -----

[
    odl,
    uuid(88F2A622-4B7E-42CD-8D04-3C0E5389DD85),
    helpstring("IXMLSpyPlugIn Interface")
]
interface IXMLSpyPlugIn : IUnknown
{
    HRESULT _stdcall OnCommand([in] long nID, [in] IDispatch* pXMLSpy);

    HRESULT _stdcall OnUpdateCommand([in] long nID, [in] IDispatch* pXMLSpy,
[out, retval] SPYUpdateAction* pAction);

    HRESULT _stdcall OnEvent([in] long nEventID, [in] SAFEARRAY(VARIANT)*
arrayParameters, [in] IDispatch* pXMLSpy, [out, retval] VARIANT* pReturnValue);

    HRESULT _stdcall GetUIModifications([out, retval] BSTR* pModificationsXML);

    HRESULT _stdcall GetDescription([out, retval] BSTR* pDescription);
};

// ----- end replace block -----

// ----- The code below is automatically generated by the ATL wizard and will
// look slightly different in your case -----

[
    uuid(24FE0D1B-3FC0-494E-B36E-1D4CE412B014),
    version(1.0),
    helpstring("XMLSpyIDEPlugInDLL 1.0 Type Library")
]

```

```

library XMLSPYIDEPLUGINDLLLib
{
importlib("stdole32.tlb");
importlib("stdole2.tlb");

[
    uuid(3800E791-7F6B-4ACD-9E32-2AC184444501),
    helpstring("XMLSpyIDEPlugIn Class")
]
coclass XMLSpyIDEPlugIn
{
    [default] interface IXMLSpyPlugIn;    // ----- define IXMLSpyPlugIn as the
default interface -----
};
};

```

## 2.4.2 Class definition

In the class definition of the ATL object, several changes must be made. The class has to derive from IXMLSpyPlugIn, the "Interface Map" needs an entry for IXMLSpyPlugIn, and the methods of the IDE plug-in interface must be declared:

```

#ifndef __XMLSPYIDEPLUGIN_H_
#define __XMLSPYIDEPLUGIN_H_

#include "resource.h"           // main symbols

////////////////////////////////////
// CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn
class ATL_NO_VTABLE CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn :
public CComObjectRootEx<CComSingleThreadModel>,
public CComCoClass<CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn, &CLSID_XMLSpyIDEPlugIn>,
public IXMLSpyPlugIn
{
public:
    CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn()
    {
    }

DECLARE_REGISTRY_RESOURCEID(IDR_XMLSPYIDEPLUGIN)
DECLARE_NOT_AGGREGATABLE(CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn)

DECLARE_PROTECT_FINAL_CONSTRUCT()

BEGIN_COM_MAP(CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn)
    COM_INTERFACE_ENTRY(IXMLSpyPlugIn)
END_COM_MAP()

// IXMLSpyIDEPlugIn
public:
    virtual HRESULT STDMETHODCALLTYPE OnCommand(long nID, IDispatch* pXMLSpy);

    virtual HRESULT STDMETHODCALLTYPE OnUpdateCommand(long nID, IDispatch* pXMLSpy,
    SPYUpdateAction* pAction);

```

```

    virtual HRESULT _stdcall OnEvent(long nEventID, SAFEARRAY **arrayParameters,
    IDispatch* pXMLSpy, VARIANT* pReturnValue);

    virtual HRESULT _stdcall GetUIModifications(BSTR* pModificationsXML);

    virtual HRESULT _stdcall GetDescription(BSTR* pDescription);
};

#endif // __XMLSPYIDEPLUGIN_H_

```

### 2.4.3 Implementation

The code below shows a simple implementation of an XMLSpy IDE plug-in. It adds a menu item and a separator (available with XMLSpy) to the Tools menu. Inside the OnUpdateCommand() method, the new command is only enabled when the active document is displayed using the Grid View. The command searches for the XML element which has the current focus, and opens any URL starting with "http://", from the textual value of the element.

```

////////////////////////////////////
// CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn

#import "XMLSpy.tlb"
using namespace XMLSpyLib;

HRESULT CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn::OnCommand(long nID, IDispatch* pXMLSpy)
{
    USES_CONVERSION;

    if(nID == 1) {
        IApplicationPtr ipSpyApp;

        if(pXMLSpy) {
            if(SUCCEEDED(pXMLSpy->QueryInterface(__uuidof(IApplication), (void **)
&ipSpyApp))) {
                IDocumentPtr ipDocPtr = ipSpyApp->ActiveDocument;

                // we assume that grid view is active
                if(ipDocPtr) {
                    IGridViewPtr ipGridPtr = ipDocPtr->GridView;

                    if(ipGridPtr) {
                        IXMLDataPtr ipXMLData = ipGridPtr->CurrentFocus;

                        CString strValue = W2T(ipXMLData->TextValue);

                        if(!strValue.IsEmpty() && (strValue.Left(7) == _T("http://")))
                            ::ShellExecute(NULL, _T("open"), W2T(ipXMLData->TextValue), NULL, NULL, SW_SHOWNORMAL);
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }

    return S_OK;
}

HRESULT CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn::OnUpdateCommand(long nID, IDispatch* pXMLSpy,
SPYUpdateAction* pAction)
{
    *pAction = spyDisable;

    if(nID == 1) {
        IApplicationPtr ipSpyApp;

        if(pXMLSpy) {
            if(SUCCEEDED(pXMLSpy->QueryInterface(__uuidof(IApplication), (void **)
&ipSpyApp))) {
                IDocumentPtr ipDocPtr = ipSpyApp->ActiveDocument;

                // only enable if grid view is active
                if((ipDocPtr != NULL) && (ipDocPtr->CurrentViewMode == spyViewGrid))
                    *pAction = spyEnable;
            }
        }
    }

    return S_OK;
}

HRESULT CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn::OnEvent(long nEventID, SAFEARRAY **arrayParameters,
IDispatch* pXMLSpy, VARIANT* pReturnValue)
{
    return S_OK;
}

HRESULT CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn::GetUIModifications(BSTR* pModificationsXML)
{
    CComBSTR bstrMods = _T(" \
        <ConfigurationData>\
        <Modifications>");
    // add "Open URL..." to Tools menu
    bstrMods.Append (_T(" \
        <Modification> \
        <Action>Add</Action> \
        <UIElement type=\"MenuItem\"> \
        <ID>1</ID> \
        <Name>Open URL...</Name> \
        <Place>0</Place> \
        <MenuID>129</MenuID> \
        <Parent>:Tools</Parent> \
        </UIElement> \
        </Modification>"));
}

```

```
// add Seperator to Tools menu
bstrMods.Append (_T(" \
    <Modification> \
    <Action>Add</Action> \
    <UIElement type=\"MenuItem\"> \
    <ID>0</ID> \
    <Place>1</Place> \
    <MenuID>129</MenuID> \
    <Parent>:Tools</Parent> \
    </UIElement> \
    </Modification>"));
// finish modification description
bstrMods.Append (_T(" \
    </Modifications> \
    </ConfigurationData>"));

return bstrMods.CopyTo(pModificationsXML);
}

HRESULT CXMLSpyIDEPlugIn::GetDescription(BSTR* pDescription)
{
    CComBSTR bstrDescr = _T("ATL C++ XMLSpy IDE PlugIn;This PlugIn demonstrates the
implementation of a simple ATL DLL as a IDE PlugIn for XMLSpy.");
    return bstrDescr.CopyTo(pDescription);
}
```

## 2.5 IXMLSpyPlugIn

See also

### Methods

[OnCommand](#)

[OnUpdateCommand](#)

[OnEvent](#)

[GetUIModifications](#)

[GetDescription](#)

### Description

If a DLL is added to XMLSpy as an IDE plug-in, it is necessary that it registers a COM component that answers to an IXMLSpyPlugIn interface with the reserved uuid(88F2A622-4B7E-42CD-8D04-3C0E5389DD85), for it to be recognized as a plug-in.

### 2.5.1 OnCommand

See also

**Declaration:** `OnCommand(nID as long, pXMLSpy as IDispatch)`

### Description

The `OnCommand()` method of the interface implementation, is called each time a command added by the the IDE plug-in (menu item or toolbar button) is processed. `nID` stores the command ID defined by the `ID` element of the respective `UIElement`.

`pXMLSpy` holds a reference to the dispatch interface of the `Application` object of XMLSpy.

### Example

```
Public Sub IXMLSpyPlugIn_OnCommand(ByVal nID As Long, ByVal pXMLSpy As Object)
    If (Not (pXMLSpy Is Nothing)) Then
        Dim objDlg
        Dim objDoc As XMLSpyLib.Document
        Dim objSpy As XMLSpyLib.Application
        Set objSpy = pXMLSpy

        If nID = 3 Or nID = 5 Then
            Set objDlg = CreateObject("MSComDlg.CommonDialog")
            objDlg.Filter = "XML Files (*.xml)|*.xml|All Files (*.*)|*.*||"
            objDlg.FilterIndex = 1
            objDlg.ShowOpen

            If Len(objDlg.FileName) > 0 Then
                Set objDoc = objSpy.Documents.OpenFile(objDlg.FileName, False)
                Set objDoc = Nothing
            End If
        End If

        If nID = 4 Or nID = 6 Then
            Set objDlg = CreateObject("MSComDlg.CommonDialog")
            objDlg.Filter = "All Files (*.*)|*.*||"
            objDlg.Flags = cdIOFNPathMustExist
        End If
    End Sub
```

```

        objDlg.ShowSave

        If Len(objDlg.FileName) > 0 Then
            Set objDoc = objSpy.ActiveDocument

            If Not (objDoc Is Nothing) Then
                objDoc.SetPathName objDlg.FileName
                objDoc.Save
                Set objDoc = Nothing
            End If
        End If
    End If
End Sub

    Set objSpy = Nothing
End If
End Sub

```

## 2.5.2 OnUpdateCommand

### See also

**Declaration:** `OnUpdateCommand(nID as long, pXMLSpy as IDispatch) as SPYUpdateAction`

### Description

The `OnUpdateCommand()` method is called each time the visible state of a button or menu item needs to be set. `nID` stores the command ID defined by the `ID` element of the respective `UIElement`.

`pXMLSpy` holds a reference to the dispatch interface of the `Application` object.

Possible return values to set the update state are:

```

spyEnable           = 1
spyDisable          = 2
spyCheck            = 4
spyUncheck          = 8

```

### Example

```

Public Function IXMLSpyPlugIn_OnUpdateCommand(ByVal nID As Long, ByVal pXMLSpy
As Object) As SPYUpdateAction
    IXMLSpyPlugIn_OnUpdateCommand = spyDisable

    If (Not (pXMLSpy Is Nothing)) Then
        Dim objSpy As XMLSpyLib.Application
        Set objSpy = pXMLSpy

        If nID = 3 Or nID = 5 Then
            IXMLSpyPlugIn_OnUpdateCommand = spyEnable
        End If
        If nID = 4 Or nID = 6 Then
            If objSpy.Documents.Count > 0 Then
                IXMLSpyPlugIn_OnUpdateCommand = spyEnable
            Else

```

```

        IXMLSpyPlugIn_OnUpdateCommand = spyDisable
    End If
End If
End If
End Function

```

### 2.5.3 OnEvent

#### See also

**Declaration:** `OnEvent (nEventID as long, arrayParameters as SAFEARRAY (VARIANT) , pXMLSpy as IDispatch) as VARIANT`

#### Description

`OnEvent ()` is called each time an event is raised from XMLSpy.

Possible values for `nEventID` are:

<code>On_BeforeStartEditing</code>	= 1
<code>On_EditingFinished</code>	= 2
<code>On_FocusChanged</code>	= 3
<code>On_Beforedrag</code>	= 4
<code>On_BeforeDrop</code>	= 5
<code>On_OpenProject</code>	= 6
<code>On_OpenDocument</code>	= 7
<code>On_CloseDocument</code>	= 8
<code>On_SaveDocument</code>	= 9

Events available since XMLSpy 4r4:

<code>On_DocEditDragOver</code>	= 10
<code>On_DocEditDrop</code>	= 11
<code>On_DocEditKeyDown</code>	= 12
<code>On_DocEditKeyUp</code>	= 13
<code>On_DocEditKeyPressed</code>	= 14
<code>On_DocEditMouseMove</code>	= 15
<code>On_DocEditButtonUp</code>	= 16
<code>On_DocEditButtonDown</code>	= 17
<code>On_DocEditContextMenu</code>	= 18
<code>On_DocEditPaste</code>	= 19
<code>On_DocEditCut</code>	= 20
<code>On_DocEditCopy</code>	= 21
<code>On_DocEditClear</code>	= 22
<code>On_DocEditSelectionChanged</code>	= 23

Events available since XMLSpy 2004:

<code>On_DocEditDragOver</code>	= 10
---------------------------------	------

Events available since XMLSpy 2004r4 (type library version 1.4):

On_BeforeOpenProject	= 25
On_BeforeOpenDocument	= 26
On_BeforeSaveDocument	= 27
On_BeforeCloseDocument	= 28
On_ViewActivation	= 29
On_DocEditKeyboardEvent	= 30
On_DocEditMouseEvent	= 31

Events available since XMLSpy 2006 SP1 (type library version 1.5):

On_BeforeValidate	= 32
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Events available since XMLSpy 2007 (type library version 1.6):

On_BeforeShowSuggestions	= 33
On_ProjectOpened	= 34
On_Char	= 35

Events available since XMLSpy 2009 (type library version 2.2):

On_Initialize	= 36
On_Running	= 37
On_Shutdown	= 38

Events available since XMLSpy 2012 (type library version 2.8):

On_AuthenticBeforeSave	= 39
On_AuthenticContextMenuActivated	= 40
On_AuthenticLoad	= 41
On_AuthenticToolBarButtonClicked	= 42
On_AuthenticToolBarButtonExecuted	= 43
On_AuthenticUserAddedXMLNode	= 44

The names of the events are the same as they appear in the Scripting Environment of XMLSpy. For IDE plug-ins the names used are immaterial. The events are identified using the ID value.

`arrayParameters` is an array which is filled with the parameters of the currently raised event. Order, type and meaning of the single parameters are available through the scripting environment of XMLSpy. The events module of a scripting project, contains predefined functions for all events prior to version 4.4. The parameters passed to the predefined functions are identical to the array elements of the `arrayParameters` parameter.

Events raised from the Authentic View of XMLSpy do not pass any parameters directly. An "event" object is used instead. The event object can be accessed through the Document object of the active document.

`pXMLSpy` holds a reference to the dispatch interface of the `Application` object of XMLSpy.

If the return value of `OnEvent()` is set, then neither the IDE plug-in, nor an event handler inside of the scripting environment will get this event afterwards. Please note that all IDE plug-ins get/

process the event before the Scripting Environment does.

## 2.5.4 GetUI Modifications

### See also

**Declaration:** `GetUI Modifications () as String`

### Description

The `GetUI Modifications ()` method is called during initialization of the plug-in, to get the configuration XML data that defines the changes to the UI of XMLSpy. The method is called when the plug-in is loaded for the first time, and at every start of XMLSpy.

See also [Configuration XML](#) for a detailed description how to change the UI.

### Example

```
Public Function IXMLSpyPlugIn_GetUI Modifications () As String
    ' GetUI Modifications () gets the XML file with the specified modifications of
    ' the UI from the config.xml file in the plug-in folder
    Dim strPath As String
    strPath = App.Path

    If Len(strPath) > 0 Then
        Dim fso As New FileSystemObject
        Dim file As file

        Set file = fso.GetFile(strPath & "\config.xml")

        If (Not (file Is Nothing)) Then
            Dim stream As TextStream
            Set stream = file.OpenAsTextStream(ForReading)

            ' this replaces the token '**path**' from the XML file with
            ' the actual installation path of the plug-in to get the image file
            Dim strMods As String
            strMods = stream.ReadAll
            strMods = Replace(strMods, "**path**", strPath)

            IXMLSpyPlugIn_GetUI Modifications = strMods
        Else
            IXMLSpyPlugIn_GetUI Modifications = ""
        End If
    End If
End Function
```

## 2.5.5 GetDescription

### See also

**Declaration:** `GetDescription () as String`

### Description

`GetDescription ()` is used to define the description string for the plug-in entries visible in the Customize dialog box.

**Example**

```
Public Function IXMLSpyPlugIn_GetDescription() As String
    IXMLSpyPlugIn_GetDescription = "Sample Plug-in for XMLSpy;This Plug-in
demonstrates the implementation of a simple VisualBasic DLL as a Plug-in for
XMLSpy."
End Function
```

## 3 Application API

The COM-based API of XMLSpy (also called the Application API from now on) enables other applications to use the functionality of XMLSpy. As a result, it is possible to automate a wide range of tasks, from validating an XML file to modifying complex XML content (with the [XMLData](#) interface).

XMLSpy and its Application API follow the common specifications for automation servers set out by Microsoft. It is possible to access the methods and properties of the Application API from common development environments, such as those using C, C++, VisualBasic, and Delphi, and with scripting languages like JScript and VBScript.

### Execution environments for the Application API

The Application API can be accessed from the following execution environments:

- External programs (described [below](#) and in the [Overview](#) part of this section)
- From within the built-in Scripting Editor of XMLSpy. For a description of the scripting environment, see the section, [Scripting Editor](#).
- XMLSpy allows you to create and integrate your own plug-ins into the application using a special interface for plug-ins. A description of how to create plug-ins is given in the section [IDE Plug-ins](#).
- Via an ActiveX Control, which is available if the [integration package](#) is installed. For more information, see the section [ActiveX Integration](#).

### External programs

In the [Overview](#) part of this section, we describe how the functionality of XMLSpy can be accessed and automated from external programs.

Using the Application API from outside XMLSpy requires an instance of XMLSpy to be started first. How this is done depends on the programming language used. See the section, [Programming Languages](#), for information about individual languages.

Essentially, XMLSpy will be started via its COM registration. Then the `Application` object associated with the XMLSpy instance is returned. Depending on the COM settings, an object associated with an already running XMLSpy can be returned. Any programming language that supports creation and invocation of COM objects can be used. The most common of these are listed below.

- JScript and [VBScript](#) script files have a simple syntax and are designed to access COM objects. They can be run directly from a DOS command line or with a double click on Windows Explorer. They are best used for simple automation tasks.
- [C#](#) is a full-fledged programming language that has a wide range of existing functionality. Access to COM objects can be automatically wrapped using `C#`.
- C++ provides direct control over COM access but requires relatively larger amounts of code than the other languages.
- [Java](#): Altova products come with native Java classes that wrap the Application API and provide a full Java look-and-feel.
- Other programming languages that make useful alternatives are: Visual Basic for Applications, Perl, and Python.

### Programming points

The following limitations must be considered in your client code:

- Be aware that if your client code crashes, instances of XMLSpy may still remain in the system.
- Don't hold references to objects in memory longer than you need them, especially those from the `XMLData` interface. If the user interacts between two calls of your client, then there is no guarantee that these references are still valid.
- Don't forget to disable dialogs if the user interface is not visible.
- See [Error handling in JScript](#) (and in [C#](#) and [Java](#)) for details of how to avoid annoying error messages.
- Free references explicitly if you are using C or C++.

### This documentation

This documentation section about the Application API is broadly divided into two parts.

- The first part consists of an [Overview](#), which describes the object model for the API and explains how the API is accessed via various [programming languages](#).
- The second part is a reference section ([Interfaces](#) and [Enumerations](#)) that contains descriptions of the interface objects of the Application API.

## 3.1 Overview

This overview of the Application API is organized as follows:

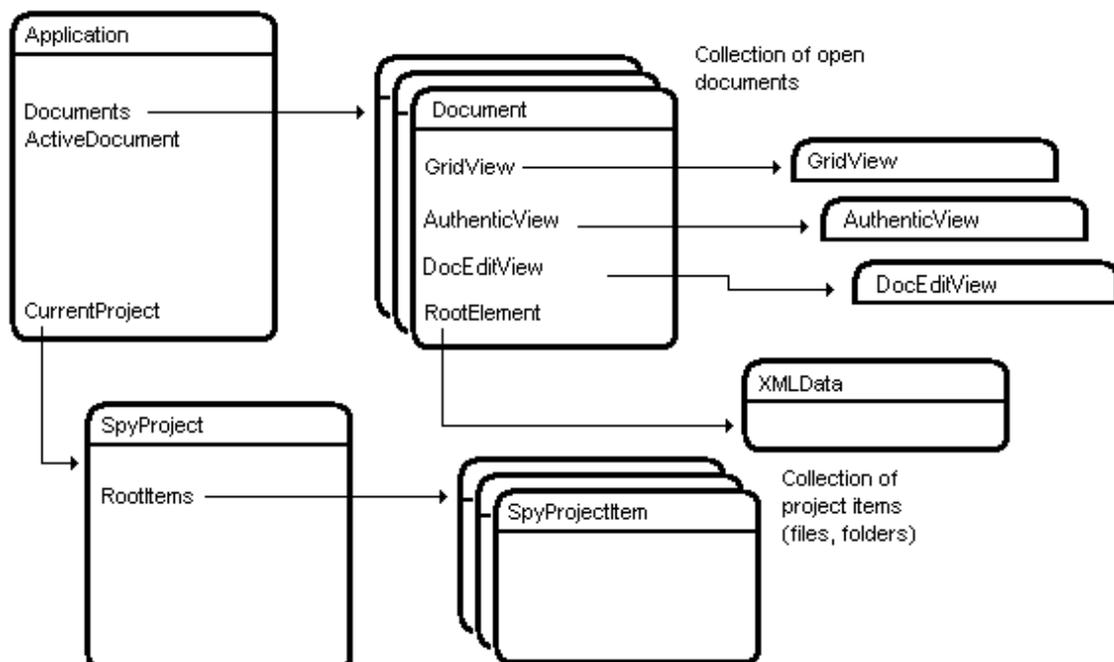
- [The Object Model](#) describes the relationships between the objects of the Application API.
- [Programming Languages](#) explains how the most commonly used programming languages (JScript, VBScript, C#, and Java) can be used to access the functionality of the Application API. Code listings from the example files supplied with your application package are used to describe basic mechanisms.
- [The DOM and XMLData](#) explains the relationship between the Application API's `XMLData` interface and the DOM.
- [Obsolete: Authentic View Row Operations](#) supplies information about obsolete objects for Authentic View table row operations.
- [Obsolete: Authentic View Editing Operations](#) supplies information about obsolete objects for Authentic View editing operations.

### 3.1.1 Object Model

The starting point for every application which uses the Application API is the `Application` object. This object contains general methods like import/export support and references to the open documents and any open project.

To create an instance of the `Application` object, call `CreateObject("XMLSpy.Application")` from VisualBasic or a similar function from your preferred development environment to create a COM object. There is no need to create any other objects in order to use the complete Application API; it is in fact not even possible. All other interfaces are accessed through other objects with the `Application` object as the starting point.

The picture below shows the links between the main objects of the Application API:



The application object consists of the following parts:

1. Document collection and reference to the active document.
2. Reference to current project and methods for creating and opening projects.
3. Methods to support the export to and import from databases, text files, and Word documents.
4. URL management.
5. Methods for macro menu items.

Once you have created an `Application` object you can start using the functionality of XMLSpy. In most cases, you either open a project and access the documents from there or you directly open a document via the [Documents](#) interface.

### 3.1.2 Programming Languages

Programming languages differ in the way they support COM access. A few examples for the most frequently used languages (*links below*) will help you get started. The code listings in this section show how basic functionality can be accessed. This basic functionality is included in the files in the API Examples folder and can be tested straight away. The path to the API Examples folder is given below:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

#### JScript

The JScript listings demonstrate the following basic functionality:

- [Start application or attach to a running instance](#)
- [Simple document access](#)
- [Iteration](#)
- [Error handling](#)
- [Events](#)
- [Import and export of data](#)

#### VBScript

VBScript is different than JScript only syntactically; otherwise it works in the same way. The listings below describe is an example of how VBScript can be used. For more information, refer to the [JScript examples](#).

- [Events](#): Shows how events are handled using VBScript.

#### C#

C# can be used to access the Application API functionality. The code listings show how to access the API for certain basic functionality.

- [Start XMLSpy](#): Starts XMLSpy, which is registered as an automation server, or activates the program if XMLSpy is already running.
- [Open OrgChart.pxf](#): Locates one of the example documents installed with XMLSpy and opens it. If this document is already open it becomes the active document.
- [OnDocumentOpened Event On/Off](#): Shows how to listen to XMLSpy events. When turned on, a message box will pop up after a document has been opened.
- [Open ExpReport.xml](#): Opens another example document.
- [Toggle View Mode](#): Changes the view of all open documents between Text View and Authentic View. The code shows how to iterate through open documents.
- [Validate](#): Validates the active document and shows the result in a message box. The code shows how to handle errors and COM output parameters.
- [Shutdown XMLSpy](#): Stops XMLSpy.

## Java

The XMLSpy API can be accessed from Java code. [The Java sub-section of this section](#) explains how some basic XMLSpy functionality can be accessed from Java code. It is organized into the following sub-sections:

- [Mapping Rules for the Java Wrapper](#)
- [Example Java Project](#)
- [Application Startup and Shutdown](#)
- [Simple Document Access](#)
- [Iterations](#)
- [Use of Out-Parameters](#)
- [Event Handlers](#)

## JScript

This section contains listings of JScript code that demonstrate the following basic functionality:

- [Start application or attach to a running instance](#)
- [Simple document access](#)
- [Iteration](#)
- [Error handling](#)
- [Events](#)
- [Import and export of data](#)
- [Example: Bubble Sort Dynamic Tables](#)

## Example files

The code listings in this section are available in example files that you can test as is or modify to suit your needs. The JScript example files are located in the `JScript` folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

The example files can be run in one of two ways:

- *From the command line*: Open a command prompt window and type the name of one of

the example scripts (for example, `Start.js`). The Windows Scripting Host that is packaged with newer versions of Windows (XP, Vista, 7) will execute the script.

- *From Windows Explorer:* In Windows Explorer, browse for the JScript file and double-click it. The Windows Scripting Host that is packaged with newer versions of Windows (XP, Vista, 7) will execute the script. After the script is executed, the command console gets closed automatically.

### Start Application

The JScript below starts the application and shuts it down. If an instance of the application is already running, the running instance will be returned.

### Script listing

The JScript listing below is explained with comments in the code.

```
// Initialize application's COM object. This will start a new instance of the
// application and
// return its main COM object. Depending on COM settings, the main COM object of
// an already
// running application might be returned.
try
{
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
}
catch(err)
{
    Exit("Can't access or create XMLSpy.Application");
}

// if newly started, the application will start without its UI visible. Set it
// to visible.
objSpy.Visible = true;

WScript.Echo("Hello");

objSpy.Visible = false;    // will shutdown application if it has no more COM
connections
//objSpy.Visible = true;   // will keep application running with UI visible
```

### Running the script

The JScript code listed above is available in the file `Start.js` located in the `JScript` folder of the `API Examples` folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

To run the script, start it from a command prompt window or from Windows Explorer.

### Simple Document Access

The JScript listing below shows how to open documents, set a document as the active document, iterate through the open documents, and close documents.

### Running the script

The JScript code listed below is available in the file `DocumentAccess.js` located in the JScript folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

To run the script, start it from a command prompt window or from Windows Explorer.

### Script listing

The JScript listing below is explained with comments in the code.

```
// Initialize application's COM object. This will start a new instance of the
// application and
// return its main COM object. Depending on COM settings, a the main COM object
// of an already
// running application might be returned.
try
{
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
}
catch(err)
{
    Exit("Can't access or create XMLSpy.Application");
}

// if newly started, the application will start without its UI visible. Set it
// to visible.
objSpy.Visible = true;

// ***** code snippet for "Simple Document Access"
// *****

// Locate examples via USERPROFILE shell variable. The path needs to be adapted
// to major release versions.
objWshShell = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell");
strExampleFolder = objWshShell.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%USERPROFILE%") + "\\My
Documents\\Altova\\XMLSpy2012\\Examples\\";

// Tell XMLSpy to open two documents. No dialogs
objDoc1 = objSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strExampleFolder + "OrgChart.pxf", false);
objSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strExampleFolder + "ExpReport.xml", false);
```

```

// The document currently active can be easily located.
objDoc2 = objSpy.ActiveDocument;

// Let us make sure that the document is shown in grid view.
objDoc2.SwitchViewMode(0); // SPYViewModes.spyViewGrid = 0

// Now switch back to the document opened first
objDoc1.SetActiveDocument();

// ***** code snippet for "Simple Document Access"
// *****

// ***** code snippet for "Iteration"
// *****

// go through all open documents using a JScript Enumerator
bRequiresSaving = false;
for (var iterDocs = new Enumerator(objSpy.Documents); !iterDocs.atEnd();
iterDocs.moveNext())
    if (iterDocs.item().IsModified)
        bRequiresSaving = true;

// go through all open documents using index-based access to the document
collection
for (i = objSpy.Documents.Count; i > 0; i--)
    objSpy.Documents.Item(i).Close(false);

// ***** code snippet for "Iteration"
// *****

//objSpy.Visible = false;           // will shutdown application if it has no more
COM connections
objSpy.Visible = true;           // will keep application running with UI visible

```

### Iteration

The JScript listing below shows how to iterate through the open documents.

### Running the script

You can test this script by copying the listing below to a file, naming the file with a `.js` extension, and running the file from either the command line or Windows Explorer. You could copy the file to the JScript folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

To run the script, start it from a command prompt window or from Windows Explorer.

## Script listing

The JScript listing below is explained with comments in the code.

```
// Initialize application's COM object. This will start a new instance of the
// application and
// return its main COM object. Depending on COM settings, a the main COM object
// of an already
// running application might be returned.
try
{
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
}
catch(err)
{
    Exit("Can't access or create XMLSpy.Application");
}

// if newly started, the application will start without its UI visible. Set it
// to visible.
objSpy.Visible = true;

// ***** Accessing documents, setting the active document
// *****

// Locate examples via USERPROFILE shell variable. The path needs to be adapted
// to major release versions.
objWshShell = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell");
strExampleFolder = objWshShell.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%USERPROFILE%") + "\\My
Documents\\Altova\\XMLSpy2012\\Examples\\";

// Tell XMLSpy to open two documents. No dialogs
objDoc1 = objSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strExampleFolder + "OrgChart.pxf", false);
objSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strExampleFolder + "ExpReport.xml", false);

// The document currently active can be easily located.
objDoc2 = objSpy.ActiveDocument;

// Let us make sure that the document is shown in grid view.
objDoc2.SwitchViewMode(0); // SPYViewModes.spyViewGrid = 0

// Now switch back to the document opened first
objDoc1.SetActiveDocument();

// ***** Two ways of iterating; close documents
// *****

// Go through all open documents using a JScript Enumerator
bRequiresSaving = false;
for (var iterDocs = new Enumerator(objSpy.Documents); !iterDocs.atEnd();
iterDocs.moveNext())
    if (iterDocs.item().IsModified)
        bRequiresSaving = true;

// Go through all open documents using index-based access to the document
```

```

collection
// and close each document. Comment out to leave documents open.

for (i = objSpy.Documents.Count; i > 0; i--)
    objSpy.Documents.Item(i).Close(false); // Closes the iterated documents

// ***** Shut down the application or not
// *****

//objSpy.Visible = false; // will shutdown application if it has no more
COM connections
objSpy.Visible = true; // will keep application running with UI
visible

```

### Error Handling

The Application API returns errors in two different ways:

- The `HRESULT` returned by every API method
- The `IErrorInfo` interface of the Application API

Every API method returns an `HRESULT`. This return value gives the caller information about errors during execution of the method. If the call was successful, the return value is `S_OK`. The `HRESULT` option is commonly used in C/C++ programs.

However, programming languages such as VisualBasic and scripting languages (and other high-level development environments) don't give the programmer access to the `HRESULT` return of a COM call. Such languages use the `IErrorInfo` interface, which is also supported by the Application API. If an error occurs, the Application API creates a new object that implements the `IErrorInfo` interface. The information provided by the `IErrorInfo` interface is imported by the development environment into its own error-handling mechanism.

### JScript error handling

JScript provides a try-catch mechanism to deal with errors raised from COM calls. An error object containing the necessary information is declared. The listing below shows how.

```

// go through all open documents using a JScript Enumerator
bRequiresSaving = false;
for (var iterDocs = new Enumerator(objSpy.Documents); !iterDocs.atEnd();
iterDocs.moveNext())
{
    if (iterDocs.item().IsModified)
        bRequiresSaving = true;

    var strErrorText = new Array(1);
    var nErrorNumber = new Array(1);
    var errorData = new Array(1);

    if (!iterDocs.item().IsValid(strErrorText, nErrorNumber, errorData))
    {
        var text = strErrorText;
    }
}

```

```

        // access that XMLData object only if filled in
        if (errorData[0] != null)
            text += "(" + errorData[0].Name + "/" +
errorData[0].TextValue + ")";

        WScript.Echo("Document \"" + iterDocs.item().Name + "\" validation
error[" + nErrorNumber + "]: " + text);
    }
    else
    {
        // The COM call succeeded and the document is valid.
        WScript.Echo("Document \"" + iterDocs.item().Name + "\" is
valid.");
    }
}

```

### Events

COM specifies that a client must register itself at a server for callbacks using the connection point mechanism. The automation interface for XMLSpy defines the necessary event interfaces. The way to connect to those events depends on the programming language you use in your client. The following code listing shows how this is done using JScript.

The method `WScript.ConnectObject` is used to receive events.

```

// The event-handler function
function DocEvent_OnBeforeCloseDocument(objDocument)
{
    WScript.Echo("Received event - before closing document");
}

// Create or connect to XMLSpy (or Authentic Desktop)
try
{
    // Create the environment and XMLSpy (or Authentic Desktop)
    objWshShell = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell");
    objFSO = WScript.CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject");
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");

    // If only Authentic Desktop is installed (and XMLSpy is not installed) use:
    // objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "AuthenticDesktop.Application")
}
catch(err)
{ WScript.Echo ("Can't create WScript.Shell object or XMLSpy"); }

// Create document object and connect to its events
objSpy.Visible = true;
objDoc = objSpy.Documents.OpenFile ("C:\\Program Files\\Altova\\XMLSpy2012\\
\\Examples\\OrgChart.xml", false);
WScript.ConnectObject(objDoc, "DocEvent_");

// Keep running while waiting for the event
// In the meanwhile close this document in XMLSpy (or Authentic Desktop)
manually

```

```

WScript.Echo ("Sleeping for 10 seconds ...");
WScript.Sleep (10000);

objDoc = null;
WScript.Echo ("Stopped listening for event");
objSpy.Quit ();

```

### **Import and Export of Data**

Before you implement your import and export tasks with the Application API, it is good practice to test the connections, parameters, SQL queries and so on in XMLSpy. In this way you are able to verify the results and make quick adjustments to import or export parameters.

Most of the methods for importing and exporting data are placed in the [Application](#) object, the remaining functions are accessible via the [Document](#) interface.

There is some preparatory work necessary, before the actual import or export can be started. Every import/export job consists of two parts. You need to define a connection to your data and the specific behaviour for the import/export process.

In case of an import, the connection is either a database, a text-file or a Word document. The behaviour is basically which data (columns) should be imported in XMLSpy.

In case of an export, the connection is either a database or a text file. Specify which data (elements of the XML file) and additional parameters (for example, automatic key generation or number of sub-levels) to use from the XML-structure.

The properties in the `DatabaseConnection`, `TextImportExportSettings` and `ExportSettings` interfaces have default values. See the corresponding descriptions in the [Interfaces](#) chapter for further information.

### **Descriptions**

The sub-sections of this section describe each of these operations in detail.

- [Import from Database](#)
- [Export to Database](#)
- [Import from Text](#)
- [Export to Text](#)

### **Running the script**

The JScript code listed below contains snippets for importing and exporting to database and text. It is available in the file `ImportExport.js` located in the `JScript` folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

To run the script, start it from a command prompt window or from Windows Explorer.

## Script listing

The listing below contains code snippets for import and export to database and text.

```
// Initialize application's COM object. This will start a new instance of the
application and
// return its main COM object. Depending on COM settings, a the main COM object
of an already
// running application might be returned.
try
{
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
}
catch(err)
{
    Exit("Can't access or create XMLSpy.Application");
}

// if newly started, the application will start without its UI visible. Set it
to visible.
objSpy.Visible = true;

// ***** Import from database: Start
*****

// Locate examples via USERPROFILE shell variable. The path needs to be adapted
to major release versions.
objWshShell = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell");
strExampleFolder = objWshShell.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%USERPROFILE%") + "\\My
Documents\\Altova\\XMLSpy2012\\Examples\\";

try
{
    // specify the source of data import
    objImpSettings = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings();
    objImpSettings.File = strExampleFolder + "Tutorial\\Company.mdb";
    objImpSettings.SQLSelect = "SELECT * FROM Address";

    // column filter
    objElementList = objSpy.GetDatabaseImportElementList(objImpSettings);

    // import into a new XML file
    objImpDocFromDB =
objSpy.ImportFromDatabase(objImpSettings,objElementList);
}
catch(err)
{
    WScript.Echo("Error importing from database.\n\n" +
        "Error: " + (err.number & 0xffff) + "\n" +
        "Description: " + err.description);
}

// ***** Import from database: End
```

```
*****

// ***** Export to database: Start
*****

//try
//{
    // set the behaviour of the export with ExportSettings
    objExpSettings = objSpy.GetExportSettings()

    //set the destination with DatabaseConnection
    objDB = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings();
    objDB.CreateMissingTables = true;
    objDB.CreateNew = true;
    objDB.File = "C:\\Temp\\Export.mdb";

    try
    {
        objImpDocFromDB.ExportToDatabase(objImpDocFromDB.RootElement,
        objExpSettings, objDB);
    }
    catch(err)
    {
        WScript.Echo("Error exporting to database.\n\n" +
            "Error: " + (err.number & 0xffff) + "\n" +
            "Description: " + err.description);
    }

// ***** Export to database: End
*****

// ***** Import from text: Start
*****

    try
    {
        // specify the source of data import
        objImpSettings = objSpy.GetTextImportExportSettings();
        objImpSettings.ImportFile = strExampleFolder + "Tutorial\\Shapes.txt";
        objImpSettings.HeaderRow = false;

        // column filter
        objElementList = objSpy.GetTextImportElementList(objImpSettings);

        // import into a new XML file
        objImpDocFromText = objSpy.ImportFromText(objImpSettings,objElementList);
    }
    catch(err)
    {
        WScript.Echo("Error importing from text file.\n\n" +
            "Error: " + (err.number & 0xffff) + "\n" +
```

```

        "Description: " + err.description);
    }

// ***** Import from text: End
// *****

// ***** Export to text: Start
// *****

//try
//{
    objExpSettings = objSpy.GetExportSettings();
    objExpSettings.ElementList =
objImpDocFromText.GetExportElementList(objImpDocFromText.RootElement,
objExpSettings);

    objTextExp = objSpy.GetTextImportExportSettings();
    objTextExp.HeaderRow = true;
    objTextExp.DestinationFolder = "C:\\Temp";
try
{
    objImpDocFromText.ExportToText(objImpDocFromText.RootElement,
objExpSettings, objTextExp);
}
catch(err)
{
    WScript.Echo("Error exporting to text.\n\n" +
        "Error: " + (err.number & 0xffff) + "\n" +
        "Description: " + err.description);
}

// ***** Export to text: End
// *****

//objSpy.Visible = false;           // will shutdown application if it has no more
COM connections
objSpy.Visible = true;           // will keep application running with UI visible

```

Given below are the steps to establish a connection to an existing database for import:

1. Use a [DatabaseConnection](#) object and set the properties:  
The method [Application.GetDatabaseSettings](#) returns a new object for a database connection:

```
objImpSettings = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings();
```

You have to set either an **ADO connection string**,

- objImpSettings.ADOConnection = strADOConnection

or the **path** to an existing database file:

- objImpSettings.File = strExampleFolder + "Tutorial\\Company.mdb";

To complete the settings you create a **SQL select statement** to define the data to be

queried:

- `objImpSettings.SQLSelect = "SELECT * FROM Address";`

2. Call [Application.GetDatabaseImportElementList](#) to get a collection of the resulting columns of the SQL query:

```
objElementList = objSpy.GetDatabaseImportElementList(objImpSettings);
```

This collection gives you the opportunity to control which columns should be imported and specify the datatype of the new elements. Each item of the collection represents one column to import. If you remove an item, the corresponding column will not be imported. You can additionally modify the [ElementListItem.ElementKind](#) property to set the datatype of the XML elements for each column.

Please consider that `GetDatabaseImportElementList()` executes the SQL query and could initiate a time-consuming call. To avoid this, it is possible to pass a null-pointer as the second parameter to `ImportFromDatabase()`; this imports all columns as plain XML elements.

3. Start the import with [Application.ImportFromDatabase](#):

```
objImpDocFromDB =
objSpy.ImportFromDatabase(objImpSettings,objElementList);
```

### Running the script

You can test the script below by copying the listing below to a file, naming the file with a `.js` extension, and running the file from either the command line or Windows Explorer. You could copy the file to the `JScript` folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

To run the script, start it from a command prompt window or from Windows Explorer.

### Script listing

The following listing shows how data can be imported from a database.

```
// Initialize application's COM object. This will start a new instance of the
// application and
// return its main COM object. Depending on COM settings, a the main COM object
// of an already
// running application might be returned.
try
{
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
}
catch(err)
{
```

```

        Exit("Can't access or create XMLSpy.Application");
    }

    // if newly started, the application will start without its UI visible. Set it
    // to visible.
    objSpy.Visible = true;

    // ***** Import from database
    // *****

    // Locate examples via USERPROFILE shell variable. The path needs to be adapted
    // to major release versions.
    objWshShell = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell");
    strExampleFolder = objWshShell.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%USERPROFILE%") + "\\My
    Documents\\Altova\\XMLSpy2012\\Examples\\";

    try
    {
        // specify the source of data import
        objImpSettings = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings();
        objImpSettings.File = strExampleFolder + "Tutorial\\Company.mdb";
        objImpSettings.SQLSelect = "SELECT * FROM Address";

        // column filter
        objElementList = objSpy.GetDatabaseImportElementList(objImpSettings);

        // import into a new XML file
        objImpDocFromDB =
objSpy.ImportFromDatabase(objImpSettings,objElementList);
    }
    catch(err)
    {
        WScript.Echo("Error importing from database.\n\n" +
            "Error: " + (err.number & 0xffff) + "\n" +
            "Description: " + err.description);
    }

    // ***** End *****

    //objSpy.Visible = false;           // will shutdown application if it has no more
    //COM connections
    objSpy.Visible = true;           // will keep application running with UI visible

```

To export data to a database, carry out the steps below:

1. Use a [DatabaseConnection](#) object and set the necessary properties. All properties except `SQLSelect` are important for the export. `ADOConnection` or `File` defines the target for the output. You need to set only one of them.
2. Fill an [ExportSettings](#) object with the required values. These properties are the same options as those available in the export dialog of XMLSpy. Select the menu option **Convert | Export to Text files/Database** to see the options and try a combination of export settings. After that it is easy to transfer these settings to the properties of the interface.

Call [Application.GetExportSettings](#) to get an `ExportSettings` object:

```
objExpSettings = objSpy.GetExportSettings ()
```

3. Build an element list with [Document.GetExportElementList](#).  
The element list enables you to eliminate XML elements from the export process. It also gives you information about the record and field count in the `RecordCount` and `FieldCount` properties. Set the [ExportSettings.ElementList](#) property to this collection. It is possible to set the element list to `null/Nothing` (default) to export all elements.
4. Call [Document.ExportToDatabase](#) to execute the export.  
The description of the `ExportToDatabase` method contains also a code example for a database export.

### Running the script

You can test the script below by copying the listing below to a file, naming the file with a `.js` extension, and running the file from either the command line or Windows Explorer. You could copy the file to the `JScript` folder of the API Examples folder:

#### See also

#### Methods

[GetDatabaseImportElementList](#)

[GetDatabaseSettings](#)

[GetDatabaseTables](#)

[ImportFromDatabase](#)

[CreateXMLSchemaFromDBStructure](#)

[GetTextImportElementList](#)

[GetTextImportExportSettings](#)

[ImportFromText](#)

[ImportFromWord](#)

[ImportFromSchema](#)

[GetExportSettings](#)

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### Properties

[Application](#)

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[WarningText](#)

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[Edition](#)

[IsAPISupported](#)

[ServicePackVersion](#)

### Description

Application is the root for all other objects. It is the only object you can create by `CreateObject` (VisualBasic) or other similar COM related functions.

### Example

```
Dim objSpy As Application
Set objSpy = CreateObject("XMLSpy.Application")
```

To run the script, start it from a command prompt window or from Windows Explorer.

### Script listing

The following listing shows how data can be exported to a database.

```
// Initialize application's COM object. This will start a new instance of the
// application and
// return its main COM object. Depending on COM settings, a the main COM object
// of an already
// running application might be returned.
try
{
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
```

```

}
catch(err)
{
    Exit("Can't access or create XMLSpy.Application");
}

// if newly started, the application will start without its UI visible. Set it
to visible.
objSpy.Visible = true;

// ***** Export to database
// *****

//try
//{
    // set the behaviour of the export with ExportSettings
    objExpSettings = objSpy.GetExportSettings()

    //set the destination with DatabaseConnection
    objDB = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings();
    objDB.CreateMissingTables = true;
    objDB.CreateNew = true;
    objDB.File = "C:\\Temp\\Export.mdb";

try
{
    objImpDocFromDB.ExportToDatabase(objImpDocFromDB.RootElement,
objExpSettings, objDB);
}
catch(err)
{
    WScript.Echo("Error exporting to database.\n\n" +
        "Error: " + (err.number & 0xffff) + "\n" +
        "Description: " + err.description);
}

// ***** End *****

//objSpy.Visible = false;           // will shutdown application if it has no more
COM connections
objSpy.Visible = true;           // will keep application running with UI visible

```

Importing data from a text file is similar to the import from a database. You must use other interfaces (described in steps 1 to 3 below) with different methods and properties:

1. Use a [TextImportExportSettings](#) object and set the properties:  
The method [Application.GetTextImportExportSettings](#) returns a new object to specify a text file for import.

```
objImpSettings = objSpy.GetTextImportExportSettings();
```

You have to set at least the `ImportFile` property to the path of the file for the import. Another important property is `HeaderRow`. Set it to `False` if the text file does not contain a

leading line as a header row.

```
objImpSettings.ImportFile = strExampleFolder + "Tutorial\\Shapes.txt";
```

2. Call [Application.GetTextImportElementList](#) to get a collection of all columns inside the text file:

```
objElementList = objSpy.GetTextImportElementList(objImpSettings);
```

3. Start the import with [Application.ImportFromText](#).

```
objImpDocFromText = objSpy.ImportFromText(objImpSettings,objElementList);
```

### Running the script

You can test the script below by copying the listing below to a file, naming the file with a `.js` extension, and running the file from either the command line or Windows Explorer. You could copy the file to the `JScript` folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

To run the script, start it from a command prompt window or from Windows Explorer.

### Script listing

The following listing shows how data can be imported from text.

```
// Initialize application's COM object. This will start a new instance of the
// application and
// return its main COM object. Depending on COM settings, a the main COM object
// of an already
// running application might be returned.
try
{
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
}
catch(err)
{
    Exit("Can't access or create XMLSpy.Application");
}

// if newly started, the application will start without its UI visible. Set it
// to visible.
objSpy.Visible = true;

// ***** Import from text
// *****

try
{
    // specify the source of data import
```

```

objImpSettings = objSpy.GetTextImportExportSettings();
objImpSettings.ImportFile = strExampleFolder + "Tutorial\\Shapes.txt";
objImpSettings.HeaderRow = false;

// column filter
objElementList = objSpy.GetTextImportElementList(objImpSettings);

// import into a new XML file
objImpDocFromText = objSpy.ImportFromText(objImpSettings,objElementList);
}
catch(err)
{
    WScript.Echo("Error importing from text file.\n\n" +
                "Error: " + (err.number & 0xffff) + "\n" +
                "Description: " + err.description);
}

// ***** End *****

//objSpy.Visible = false;           // will shutdown application if it has no more
COM connections
objSpy.Visible = true;           // will keep application running with UI visible

```

To export data to text, carry out the steps below:

1. Use a [TextImportExportSettings](#) object and set the necessary properties.
2. Fill an [ExportSettings](#) object with the required values. See Item 2 in [Export to database](#).
3. Build an element list with [Document.GetExportElementList](#). See Item 3 in [Export to database](#).
4. Call [Document.ExportToText](#) to execute the export.

### Running the script

You can test the script below by copying the listing below to a file, naming the file with a .js extension, and running the file from either the command line or Windows Explorer. You could copy the file to the JScript folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

To run the script, start it from a command prompt window or from Windows Explorer.

### Script listing

The following listing shows how data can be exported to text.

```
// Initialize application's COM object. This will start a new instance of the
```

```

application and
// return its main COM object. Depending on COM settings, a the main COM object
of an already
// running application might be returned.
try
{
    objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
}
catch(err)
{
    Exit("Can't access or create XMLSpy.Application");
}

// if newly started, the application will start without its UI visible. Set it
to visible.
objSpy.Visible = true;

// ***** Export to text
// *****

//try
//{
    objExpSettings = objSpy.GetExportSettings();
    objExpSettings.ElementList =
objImpDocFromText.GetExportElementList(objImpDocFromText.RootElement,
objExpSettings);

    objTextExp = objSpy.GetTextImportExportSettings();
    objTextExp.HeaderRow = true;
    objTextExp.DestinationFolder = "C:\\Temp";
try
{
    objImpDocFromText.ExportToText(objImpDocFromText.RootElement,
objExpSettings, objTextExp);
}
catch(err)
{
    WScript.Echo("Error exporting to text.\n\n" +
                "Error: " + (err.number & 0xffff) + "\n" +
                "Description: " + err.description);
}

// ***** End *****

//objSpy.Visible = false;           // will shutdown application if it has no more
COM connections
objSpy.Visible = true;           // will keep application running with UI visible

```

### **Example: Bubble Sort Dynamic Tables**

The following JScript snippet will sort any dynamic table by the table column identified by the current cursor position. The sort process is performed on screen. The undo buffer is available for all performed operations.

If you can run JScript on your computer - as you most likely will - copy the following code into a file with extension 'js'. Execute the script by double-clicking it in Windows Explorer, or run it from the command line.

```
// some useful XMLSpy enum constants
var spyAuthenticTag = 6;
var spyAuthenticTable = 9;
var spyAuthenticTableRow = 10;
var spyAuthenticTableColumn = 11;

var spyAuthenticRangeBegin = 2;

// example call for the sort table function
try
{
    var objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application");
    // If only Authentic is installed (and XMLSpy is not installed) use:
    // var objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "AuthenticDesktop.Application")

    // use current selection to indicate which column to sort
    SortCurrentTable (objSpy.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection);
}
catch (err)
{ WScript.Echo ("Please open a document in authentic view, and select a table
column\n" +
                "Error : (" + (err.number & 0xffff) + ") " + err.description);
}

// we assume that XMLSpy is running, a document with a dynamic table
// is open, and the cursor is in a table column that will
// be used for sorting.
function SortCurrentTable (objCursor)
{
    if (objCursor.IsInDynamicTable())
    {
        // calculate current column index
        var nColIndex = 0;
        while (true)
        {
            // go left column-by-column
            try { objCursor.GotoPrevious(spyAuthenticTableColumn); }
            catch (err) { break; }
            nColIndex++;
        }

        // count number of table rows, so the bubble loops become simpler.
        // goto begin of table
        var objTableStart =
        objCursor.ExpandTo(spyAuthenticTable).CollapsToBegin().Clone();
        var nRows = 1;
        while (true)
        {
            // go down row-by-row
            try { objTableStart.GotoNext(spyAuthenticTableRow); }

```

```
    catch (err) { break; }
    nRows++;
}

// bubble sort through table
for (var i = 0; i < nRows - 1; i++)
{
    // select correct column in first table row
    var objBubble =
    objCursor.ExpandTo(spyAuthenticTable).CollapsToBegin().Clone();
    objBubble.Goto (spyAuthenticTableColumn, nColIndex,
    spyAuthenticRangeBegin).ExpandTo(spyAuthenticTag);

    // bubble this row down as far as necessary
    for (var j = 0; j < nRows - i - 1; j++)
    {
        var strField1 = objBubble.Text;
        // now look for the comparison table cell: start of next row and right of
        the correct column
        var strField2 = objBubble.GotoNext(spyAuthenticTableRow).
            Goto (spyAuthenticTableColumn, nColIndex,
            spyAuthenticRangeBegin).
            ExpandTo(spyAuthenticTag).Text;
        if (strField1 > strField2)
        {
            objBubble.MoveRowUp(); // swap the rows
            // and re-calculate objBubble to select the cell to bubble
            objBubble.GotoNext(spyAuthenticTableRow).
                Goto (spyAuthenticTableColumn, nColIndex,
                spyAuthenticRangeBegin).
                ExpandTo(spyAuthenticTag);
        }
    }
}
}
else
    WScript.Echo ("please, select a table cell first");
}
```

## VBScript

VBScript is syntactically different than JScript but works in the same way. This section contains a listing showing [how events are used with VBScript](#) and an [example](#).

For information about other functionality, refer to the JScript examples listed below:

- [Start application or attach to a running instance](#)
- [Simple document access](#)
- [Iteration](#)
- [Error handling](#)
- [Import and export of data](#)

## Events

COM specifies that a client must register itself at a server for callbacks using the connection point mechanism. The automation interface for XMLSpy defines the necessary event interfaces. The way to connect to those events depends on the programming language you use in your client. The following code listing shows how this is done using VBScript.

The method `WScript.ConnectObject` is used to receive events.

```
' the event handler function
Function DocEvent_OnBeforeCloseDocument(objDocument)
    Call WScript.Echo("received event - before closing document")
End Function

' create or connect to XMLSPY
Set objWshShell = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell")
Set objFSO = WScript.CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
Set objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application")
' If only Authentic is installed (and XMLSpy is not installed) use:
' Set objSpy = WScript.GetObject("", "AuthenticDesktop.Application")

' create document object and connect to its events
objSpy.Visible = True
Set objDoc = objSpy.Documents.OpenFile ("C:\\Program Files\\Altova\\
XMLSPY2004\\Examples\\OrgChart.xml", False)
Call WScript.ConnectObject(objDoc, "DocEvent_")

' keep running while waiting on the event
' in the meantime close the document in XMLSPY manually
Call WScript.Echo ("sleeping for 10 seconds ...")
Call WScript.Sleep (10000)

Set objDoc = Nothing
Call WScript.Echo ("stopped listening for event")
Call objSpy.Quit
```

## Example: Using Events

Authentic View supports event connection on a per-object basis. Implementation of this feature is based on COM connection points and is available in environments that support this mechanism.

The following example is a VBScript code example that shows how to use events from within a VBScript project.

```
Rem -----
Rem VBScript example that demonstrates how to use events.
Rem -----

' Event handler for OnSelectionChanged event of AuthenticView
Function AuthenticViewEvent_OnSelectionChanged(objAuthenticRange)
    If objAuthenticRange.FirstTextPosition <>
objAuthenticRange.LastTextPosition Then
        Call WScript.Echo("Selection: " & objAuthenticRange.Text & vbNewLine &
vbNewLine & "Close this dialog.")
    End If
End Function
```

```

Else
    Call WScript.Echo("Cursor position: " &
objAuthenticRange.FirstTextPosition & vbNewLine & vbNewLine & "Close this
dialog.")
End If
End Function

' Here starts the main code.
' Find out user's personal folder and locate one of the installed XMLSpy 2011
examples.
Set WshShell = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell")
personalFolder = WshShell.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%UserProfile%")
xmlspyExamplesFolder = personalFolder & "\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2011
\Examples\"
docPath = xmlspyExamplesFolder & "OrgChart.xml"

' Start/access XMLSpy and connect to its automation interface.
Set objSpy = GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application")
' Make the UI of XMLSpy visible.
objSpy.Visible = True

' Create object to access windows file system and test if the our document
exists.
Set fso = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
If fso.FileExists(docPath) Then
    ' open the document
    Call objSpy.Documents.OpenFile(docPath, False)
    set objDoc = objSpy.ActiveDocument

    ' switch active document to authentic view
    objDoc.SwitchViewMode 4 ' spyViewAuthentic

    ' Register for connection point events on the authentic view of the active
document.
    ' Any function with a valid event name prefixed with "AuthenticViewEvent_"
will
    ' be called when the corresponding event gets triggered on the specified
object.
    set objView = objDoc.AuthenticView
    Call WScript.ConnectObject(objView, "AuthenticViewEvent_")
    Call WScript.Echo("Events are connected." & vbNewLine & vbNewLine & "Now set
or move the cursor in XMLSpy." & vbNewLine & vbNewLine & "Close this dialog to
shut down XMLSpy.")

    ' To disconnect from the events delete the reference to the object.
    set objView = Nothing
Else
    Call WScript.Echo("The file " & docPath & " does not exist.")
End If

' shut down XMLSpy when this script ends
objSpy.Visible = False

```

## C#

The C# programming language can be used to access the Application API functionality. You could use Visual Studio 2008 or Visual Studio 2010 to create the C# code, saving it in a Visual Studio project. Create the project as follows:

1. In Microsoft Visual Studio, add a new project using **File | New | Project**.

2. Add a reference to the XMLSpy Type Library by clicking **Project | Add Reference**. The Add Reference dialog appears. Browse for the XMLSpy Type Library component, which is located in the XMLSpy application folder, and add it.
3. Enter the code you want.
4. Compile the code and run it.

### Example C# project

Your XMLSpy package contains an example C# project, which is located in the C# folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

You can compile and run the project from within Visual Studio 2008 or Visual Studio 2010.

The code listing below shows how basic application functionality can be used. This code is similar to the example C# project in the API Examples folder of your application package, but might differ slightly.

### Platform configuration

If you have a 64-bit operating system and are using a 32-bit installation of XMLSpy, you must add the x86 platform in the solution's Configuration Manager and build the sample using this configuration.

A new x86 platform (for the active solution in Visual Studio) can be created in the New Solution Platform dialog (**Build | Configuration Manager | Active solution platform | <New...>**).

### What the code listing below does

The example code listing below creates a simple user interface (*screenshot below*) with buttons that invoke basic XMLSpy operations:



- [Start XMLSpy](#): Starts XMLSpy, which is registered as an automation server, or activates the application if it is already running.
- [Open OrgChart.pxf](#): Locates one of the example documents installed with XMLSpy and opens it. If this document is already open it becomes the active document.
- [OnDocumentOpened Event On/Off](#): Shows how to listen to XMLSpy events. When turned on, a message box will pop up after a document has been opened.
- [Open ExpReport.xml](#): Opens another example document.
- [Toggle View Mode](#): Changes the view of all open documents between Text View and Authentic View. The code shows how to iterate through open documents.
- [Validate](#): Validates the active document and shows the result in a message box. The code shows how to handle errors and COM output parameters.
- [Shut down XMLSpy](#): Stops XMLSpy.

You can modify the code (of the code listing below or of the example C# project in the API Examples folder) in any way you like and run it.

### Compiling and running the example

In the API Examples folder, double-click the file `AutomateXMLSpy_VS2008.sln` (to open it in Visual Studio 2008) or the file `AutomateXMLSpy_VS2010.sln` (to open it in Visual Studio 2010). Alternatively the file can be opened from within Visual Studio (with **File | Open | Project/Solution**). To compile and run the example, select **Debug | Start Debugging** or **Debug | Start Without Debugging**.

### Code listing of the example

Given below is the C# code listing of the basic functionality of the form (`Form1.cs`) created in the `AutomateXMLSpy` example. Note that the code listed below might differ slightly from the code in the API Examples form. The listing below is commented for ease of understanding. Parts of the code are also presented separately in the sub-sections of this section, according to the Application API functionality they access.

The code essentially consists of a series of handlers for the buttons in the user interface shown in the screenshot above.

```

namespace WindowsFormsApplication2
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }

        // An instance of XMLSpy accessed via its automation interface
        XMLSpyLib.Application XMLSpy;

        // Location of examples installed with XMLSpy
        String strExamplesFolder;

        private void Form1_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            // Locate examples installed with XMLSpy
            // REMARK: You might need to adapt this if you have a different
major version of the product
            strExamplesFolder =
Environment.GetEnvironmentVariable("USERPROFILE") + "\\My Documents\\Altova\\
XMLSpy2012\\Examples\\";
        }

        // Handler for the "Start XMLSpy" button
        private void StartXMLSpy_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            if (XMLSpy == null)
            {
                Cursor.Current = Cursors.WaitCursor;

                // If no XMLSpy instance is open, create one and make it visible
                XMLSpy = new XMLSpyLib.Application();
                XMLSpy.Visible = true;

                Cursor.Current = Cursors.Default;
            }
            else
            {
                // If an instance of XMLSpy is already running, make sure it's
visible
                if (!XMLSpy.Visible)
                    XMLSpy.Visible = true;
            }
        }

        // Handler for the "Open OrgChart.pxf" button
        private void openOrgChart_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            // Make sure there's a running XMLSpy instance, and that it's
visible
            StartXMLSpy_Click(null, null);
        }
    }
}

```

```

        // Open one of the example files installed with the product
        XMLSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strExamplesFolder + "OrgChart.pxf",
false);
    }

    // Handler for the "Open ExpReport.xml" button
private void openExpReport_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // Make sure there's a running XMLSpy instance, and that it's
visible
    StartXMLSpy_Click(null, null);

    // Open one of the sample files installed with the product.
    XMLSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strExamplesFolder + "ExpReport.xml",
false);
}

    // Handler for the "Toggle View Mode" button
private void toggleView_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // Make sure there's a running XMLSpy instance, and that it's
visible
    StartXMLSpy_Click(null, null);

    // Iterate through all open documents and toggle view between Text
View and Authentic View
    foreach (XMLSpyLib.Document doc in XMLSpy.Documents)
        if (doc.CurrentViewMode == XMLSpyLib.SPYViewModes.spyViewText)
            doc.SwitchViewMode(XMLSpyLib.SPYViewModes.spyViewAuthentic);
        else
            doc.SwitchViewMode(XMLSpyLib.SPYViewModes.spyViewText);
}

    // Handler for the "Shutdown XMLSpy" button
// Shut down the application instance by explicitly releasing the COM
object
private void shutdownXMLSpy_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    if (XMLSpy != null)
    {
        // Allow shutdown of XMLSpy by releasing the UI
        XMLSpy.Visible = false;

        // Explicitly release the COM object
        try
        {
            while
(System.Runtime.InteropServices.Marshal.ReleaseComObject(XMLSpy) > 0) ;
        }
        finally
        {
            // Disallow subsequent access to this object
            XMLSpy = null;
        }
    }
}

    // Handler for button "Validate"
private void validate_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{

```

```

        // COM errors are returned to C# as exceptions. We use a try/catch
        block to handle them.
        try
        {
            // Method 'IsValid' is one of the few functions that uses output
            parameters
            // Use 'object' type for these parameters
            object strErrorText = "";
            object nErrorNumber = 0;
            object errorData = null;

            if (!XMLSpy.ActiveDocument.IsValid(ref strErrorText, ref
nErrorNumber, ref errorData))
            {
                // The COM call succeeded but the document is not valid
                // A detailed description of the problem is returned in
                strErrorText, nErrorNumber and errorData
                listBoxMessages.Items.Add("Document " +
XMLSpy.ActiveDocument.Name + " is not valid.");
                listBoxMessages.Items.Add("\tErrorText : " + strErrorText);
                listBoxMessages.Items.Add("\tErrorNumber: " + nErrorNumber);
                listBoxMessages.Items.Add("\tElement   : " + (errorData !=
null ? ((XMLSpyLib.XMLData)errorData).TextValue : "null"));
            }
            else
            {
                // The COM call succeeded and the document is valid
                listBoxMessages.Items.Add("Document " +
XMLSpy.ActiveDocument.Name + " is valid.");
            }
        }
        catch (Exception ex)
        {
            // The COM call was not successful
            // Probably no application instance has been started or no
            document is open.
            listBoxMessages.Items.Add("Error validating active document: " +
ex.Message);
        }
    }

    // Event handler for OnDocumentOpened event
    private void handleOnDocumentOpened(XMLSpyLib.Document i_ipDocument)
    {
        MessageBox.Show("Document " + i_ipDocument.Name + " was opened!");
    }

    // Remember if the event handler is currently registered.
    private bool bEventHandlerIsRegistered = false;

    // Handler for button 'OnDocuemntOpened Event On/Off
    private void toggleOnDocumentOpenedEvent_Click(object sender, EventArgs
e)
    {
        if (XMLSpy != null)
        {
            if (bEventHandlerIsRegistered)
                XMLSpy.OnDocumentOpened -= new

```

```

XMLSpyLib._IApplicationEvents_OnDocumentOpenedEventHandler (handleOnDocumentOpen
d);
        else
            XMLSpy.OnDocumentOpened += new
XMLSpyLib._IApplicationEvents_OnDocumentOpenedEventHandler (handleOnDocumentOpen
d);

        bEventHandlerIsRegistered = !bEventHandlerIsRegistered;
    }
}
}
}
}

```

### Add Reference to XMLSpy API

Add the application's type library as a reference in a .NET project as follows: With the .NET project open, click **Project | Add Reference**. Then browse for the type library, which is called XMLSpy.tlb, and is located in the XMLSpy application folder.

Then declare a variable to access the XMLSpy API:

```

// An instance of XMLSpy is accessed via its automation interface.
XMLSpyLib.Application XMLSpy;

```

### Application Startup and Shutdown

In the code snippets below, the methods `StartXMLSpy_Click` and `ShutdownXMLSpy_Click` are those assigned to buttons in the [AutomateXMLSpy example](#) that, respectively, start up and shut down the application. This example is located in the C# folder of the API Examples folder (see *the file Form1.cs*):

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

You can compile and run the project from within Visual Studio 2008 or Visual Studio 2010.

### Starting XMLSpy

The following code snippet from the [AutomateXMLSpy example](#) shows how to start up the application.

```

// Handler for the "Start XMLSpy" button
private void StartXMLSpy_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    if (XMLSpy == null)
    {
        Cursor.Current = Cursors.WaitCursor;

        // If no XMLSpy instance is running, we create one and make it

```

```

visible
        XMLSpy = new XMLSpyLib.Application();
        XMLSpy.Visible = true;

        Cursor.Current = Cursors.Default;
    }
    else
    {
        // If an instance of XMLSpy is already running, make sure it's
visible
        if (!XMLSpy.Visible)
            XMLSpy.Visible = true;
    }
}

```

### Shutting down XMLSpy

The following code snippet from the [AutomateXMLSpy example](#) shows how to shut down the application.

```

// Handler for the "Shutdown XMLSpy" button
// Shut down the application instance by explicitly releasing the COM
object
private void shutdownXMLSpy_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    if (XMLSpy != null)
    {
        // Allow shutdown of XMLSpy by releasing the UI
        XMLSpy.Visible = false;

        // Explicitly release COM object
        try
        {
            while
(System.Runtime.InteropServices.Marshal.ReleaseComObject(XMLSpy) > 0) ;
        }
        finally
        {
            // Disallow subsequent access to this object
            XMLSpy = null;
        }
    }
}

```

### Opening Documents

The code snippets below (from the [AutomateXMLSpy example](#)) show how two files are opened via two separate methods assigned to two buttons in the user interface. Both methods use the same Application API access mechanism: [XMLSpy.Documents.OpenFile\(string, boolean\)](#).

The [AutomateXMLSpy example](#) (see the file *Form1.cs*) is located in the C# folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
------------	---

Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
--	---

You can compile and run the project from within Visual Studio 2008 or Visual Studio 2010.

### Code snippet

```
// Handler for the "Open OrgChart.pxf" button
private void openOrgChart_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // Make sure there's a running XMLSpy instance, and that it's
visible
    StartXMLSpy_Click(null, null);

    // Open a file from the Examples folder installed with the product
XMLSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strExamplesFolder + "OrgChart.pxf",
false);
}

// Handler for the "Open ExpReport.xml" button
private void openExpReport_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // Make sure there's a running XMLSpy instance, and that it's
visible
    StartXMLSpy_Click(null, null);

    // Open a file from the Examples folder installed with the product
XMLSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strExamplesFolder + "ExpReport.xml",
false);
}
```

The file opened last will be the active file.

### Iterating through Open Documents

The code snippet below (from the [AutomateXMLSpy example](#); see the file *Form1.cs*) shows how to iterate through open documents. A condition is then tested within the iteration loop, and the document view is switched between Text View and Authentic View.

```
// Handler for the "Toggle view mode" button
private void toggleView_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // Make sure there's a running XMLSpy instance, and that it's
visible
    StartXMLSpy_Click(null, null);

    // Iterate through open documents and toggle current view between
text and authentic view.
    foreach (XMLSpyLib.Document doc in XMLSpy.Documents)
        if (doc.CurrentViewMode == XMLSpyLib.SPYViewModes.spyViewText)
            doc.SwitchViewMode(XMLSpyLib.SPYViewModes.spyViewAuthentic);
        else
            doc.SwitchViewMode(XMLSpyLib.SPYViewModes.spyViewText);
}
```

The [AutomateXMLSpy example](#) example is located in the C# folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

You can compile and run the project from within Visual Studio 2008 or Visual Studio 2010.

### Errors and COM Output Parameters

The code snippet below (from the [AutomateXMLSpy example](#)) shows how to handle errors and COM output parameters. The method `XMLSpy.ActiveDocument.IsValid(ref strErrorText, ref nErrorNumber, ref errorData)` uses output parameters that are used, in the code snippet below, to generate an error-message text.

The [AutomateXMLSpy example](#) (see the file `Form1.cs`) is located in the C# folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

You can compile and run the project from within Visual Studio 2008 or Visual Studio 2010.

### Code snippet

```
// Handler for button "Validate"
private void validate_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // COM errors are returned to C# as exceptions. We use a try/catch
    block to handle them.
    try
    {
        // Method 'IsValid' is one of the few functions that uses output
        parameters
        // Use 'object' type for these parameters
        object strErrorText = "";
        object nErrorNumber = 0;
        object errorData = null;

        if (!XMLSpy.ActiveDocument.IsValid(ref strErrorText, ref
        nErrorNumber, ref errorData))
        {
            // The COM call succeeded but the document is not valid
            // A detailed description of the problem is returned in
            strErrorText, nErrorNumber and errorData
        }
    }
}
```

```

        listBoxMessages.Items.Add("Document " +
XMLSpy.ActiveDocument.Name + " is not valid.");
        listBoxMessages.Items.Add("\tErrorText : " + strErrorText);
        listBoxMessages.Items.Add("\tErrorNumber: " + nErrorNumber);
        listBoxMessages.Items.Add("\tElement : " + (errorData !=
null ? ((XMLSpyLib.XMLData)errorData).TextValue : "null"));
    }
    else
    {
        // The COM call succeeded and the document is valid
        listBoxMessages.Items.Add("Document " +
XMLSpy.ActiveDocument.Name + " is valid.");
    }
}
catch (Exception ex)
{
    // The COM call was not successful
    // Probably no application instance has been started or no
document is open.
    listBoxMessages.Items.Add("Error validating active document: " +
ex.Message);
}
}
}

```

### Events

The code snippet below (from the [AutomateXMLSpy example](#)) lists the code for two event handlers. The [AutomateXMLSpy example](#) (see the file *Form1.cs*) is located in the C# folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

You can compile and run the project from within Visual Studio 2008 or Visual Studio 2010.

```

// Event handler for OnDocumentOpened event
private void handleOnDocumentOpened(XMLSpyLib.Document i_ipDocument)
{
    MessageBox.Show("Document " + i_ipDocument.Name + " was opened!");
}

// Remember if the event handler is currently registered.
private bool bEventHandlerIsRegistered = false;

// Handler for button 'OnDocuemntOpened Event On/Off
private void toggleOnDocumentOpenedEvent_Click(object sender, EventArgs
e)
{
    if (XMLSpy != null)
    {
        if (bEventHandlerIsRegistered)
            XMLSpy.OnDocumentOpened -= new
XMLSpyLib._IApplicationEvents_OnDocumentOpenedEventHandler (handleOnDocumentOpene

```

```
d);  
  
        else  
            XMLSpy.OnDocumentOpened += new  
XMLSpyLib._IApplicationEvents_OnDocumentOpenedEventHandler (handleOnDocumentOpen  
ed);  
  
        bEventHandlerIsRegistered = !bEventHandlerIsRegistered;  
    }  
}
```

## Java

The Application API can be accessed from Java code. To allow accessing the XMLSpy automation server directly from Java code, the libraries listed below must reside in the `classpath`. They are installed in the folder: `JavaAPI` in the XMLSpy application folder.

- `AltovaAutomation.dll`: a JNI wrapper for Altova automation servers (`AltovaAutomation_x64.dll` in the case of 64-bit versions)
- `AltovaAutomation.jar`: Java classes to access Altova automation servers
- `XMLSpyAPI.jar`: Java classes that wrap the XMLSpy automation interface
- `XMLSpyAPI_JavaDoc.zip`: a Javadoc file containing help documentation for the Java API

**Note:** In order to use the Java API, the DLL and Jar files must be on the Java Classpath.

## Example Java project

An example Java project is supplied with your product installation. You can test the Java project and modify and use it as you like. For more details of the example Java project, see the section, [Example Java Project](#).

## Rules for mapping the Application API names to Java

The rules for mapping between the Application API and the Java wrapper are as follows:

- **Classes and class names**  
For every interface of the XMLSpy automation interface a Java class exists with the name of the interface.
- **Method names**  
Method names on the Java interface are the same as used on the COM interfaces but start with a small letter to conform to Java naming conventions. To access COM properties, Java methods that prefix the property name with `get` and `set` can be used. If a property does not support write-access, no setter method is available. Example: For the `Name` property of the `Document` interface, the Java methods `getName` and `setName` are available.
- **Enumerations**  
For every enumeration defined in the automation interface, a Java enumeration is defined with the same name and values.
- **Events and event handlers**  
For every interface in the automation interface that supports events, a Java interface with

the same name plus 'Event' is available. To simplify the overloading of single events, a Java class with default implementations for all events is provided. The name of this Java class is the name of the event interface plus 'DefaultHandler'. For example:

Application: Java class to access the application

ApplicationEvents: Events interface for the Application

ApplicationEventsDefaultHandler: Default handler for ApplicationEvents

### Exceptions to mapping rules

There are some exceptions to the rules listed above. These are listed below:

Interface	Java name
Document, method SetEncoding	setFileEncoding
AuthenticView, method Goto	gotoElement
AuthenticRange, method Goto	gotoElement
AuthenticRange, method Clone	cloneRange

### This section

This section explains how some basic XMLSpy functionality can be accessed from Java code. It is organized into the following sub-sections:

- [Example Java Project](#)
- [Application Startup and Shutdown](#)
- [Simple Document Access](#)
- [Iterations](#)
- [Use of Out-Parameters](#)
- [Event Handlers](#)

### Example Java Project

The XMLSpy installation package contains an example Java project, located in the Java folder of the API Examples folder:

Windows XP	C:/Documents and Settings/<username>/My Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/
Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8	C:/Users/<username>/Documents/ Altova/XMLSpy2016/Examples/API/

This folder contains Java examples for the XMLSpy API. You can test it directly from the command line using the batch file `BuildAndRun.bat`, or you can compile and run the example project from within Eclipse. See below for instructions on how to use these procedures.

### File list

The Java examples folder contains all the files required to run the example project. These files are listed below. If you are using a 64-bit version of the application, some filenames contain `_x64` in

the name. These filenames are indicated with (`_x64`).

<code>AltovaAutomation(_x64).dll</code>	Java-COM bridge: DLL part
<code>AltovaAutomation.jar</code>	Java-COM bridge: Java library part
<code>XMLSpyAPI.jar</code>	Java classes of the XMLSpy API
<code>RunXMLSpy.java</code>	Java example source code
<code>BuildAndRun.bat</code>	Batch file to compile and run example code from the command line prompt. Expects folder where Java Virtual Machine resides as parameter.
<code>.classpath</code>	Eclipse project helper file
<code>.project</code>	Eclipse project file
<code>XMLSpyAPI_JavaDoc.zip</code>	Javadoc file containing help documentation for the Java API

### What the example does

The example starts up XMLSpy and performs a few operations, including opening and closing documents. When done, XMLSpy stays open. You must close it manually.

- [Start XML Spy](#): Starts XMLSpy, which is registered as an automation server, or activates XMLSpy if it is already running.
- [Open OrgChart.pxf](#): Locates one of the example documents installed with XMLSpy and opens it.
- [Iteration and Changing the View Mode](#): Changes the view of all open documents to Text View. The code also shows how to iterate through open documents.
- [Iteration, validation, output parameters](#): Validates the active document and shows the result in a message box. The code shows how to use output parameters.
- [Event Handling](#): Shows how to handle XMLSpy events.
- [Shut down XMLSpy](#): Shuts down XMLSpy.

You can modify the example in any way you like and run it.

### Running the example from the command line

To run the example from the command line, open a command prompt window, go to the Java folder of the API Examples folder (*see above for location*), and then type:

```
buildAndRun.bat "<Path-to-the-Java-bin-folder>"
```

The Java binary folder must be that of a JDK 1.5 or later installation on your computer.

Press the **Return** key. The Java source in `RunXMLSpy.java` will be compiled and then executed.

### Loading the example in Eclipse

Open Eclipse and use the **Import | Existing Projects into Workspace** command to add the Eclipse project file (`.project`) located in the Java folder of the API Examples folder (*see above for*

*location*). The project `RunXMLSpy` will then appear in your Package Explorer or Navigator.

Select the project and then the command **Run as | Java Application** to execute the example.

**Note:** You can select a class name or method of the Java API and press F1 to get help for that class or method.

### Java source code listing

The Java source code in the example file `RunXMLSpy.java` is listed below with comments.

```
001 // Access general JAVA-COM bridge classes
002 import com.altova.automation.libs.*;
003
004 // Access XMLSpy Java-COM bridge
005 import com.altova.automation.XMLSpy.*;
006 import com.altova.automation.XMLSpy.Enums.SPYViewModes;
007
008 /**
009  * An example that starts XMLSpy COM server and performs view operations on
    it
010  * Feel free to extend
011  */
012 public class RunXMLSpy
013 {
014     public static void main(String[] args)
015     {
016         // An instance of the application.
017         Application xmlSpy = null;
018
019         // Instead of COM error handling, use Java exception mechanism
020         try
021         {
022             // Start XMLSpy as COM server
023             xmlSpy = new Application();
024
025             // COM servers start up invisible, so make it visible
026             xmlSpy.setVisible(true);
027
028             // Locate samples installed with the product
029             String strExamplesFolder =
030             System.getenv("USERPROFILE") + "\\My Documents\\Altova\\XMLSpy2012\\
    \\Examples\\";
031
032             // Open two example files
033             xmlSpy.getDocuments().openFile(strExamplesFolder + "OrgChart.pxf",
    false);
034             xmlSpy.getDocuments().openFile(strExamplesFolder + "ExpReport.xml",
    false);
035
036             // Iterate through open documents and set view mode to 'Text'.
037             for (Document doc:xmlSpy.getDocuments())
038             if ( doc.getCurrentViewMode() != SPYViewModes.spyViewText)
039                 doc.switchViewMode(SPYViewModes.spyViewText);
040
041             // An alternative iteration mode is index-based
```

```
042     // COM indices are typically zero-based
043     Documents documents = xmlSpy.getDocuments();
044     for (int i = 1; i <= documents.getCount();
045         i++)
046     {
047         Document doc = documents.getItem(i);
048
049         // Validation is one of the few methods to have output parameters.
050         // The class JVariant is the correct type for parameters in these
051         cases.
052         // To get values back mark them with the by-reference flag.
053         JVariant validationErrorText = new
054         JVariant.JStringVariant("");
055
056         validationErrorText.setByRefFlag();
057         JVariant validationErrorCount = new
058         JVariant.JIntVariant(0);
059
060         validationErrorCount.setByRefFlag();
061         JVariant validationErrorXMLData = new
062         JVariant.JIDispatchVariant(0);
063
064         validationErrorXMLData.setByRefFlag();
065         if (!doc.isValid(validationErrorText, validationErrorCount,
066             validationErrorXMLData))
067             System.out.println("Document" + doc.getName() + " is not
068             wellformed - " + validationErrorText.getStringValue());
069         else
070             System.out.println("Document" + doc.getName() + " is
071             wellformed.");
072     }
073     // The following lines attach to the document events using a default
074     implementation
075     // for the events and override one of its methods.
076     // If you want to override all document events it is better to derive
077     your listener class
078     // from DocumentEvents and implement all methods of this interface.
079     Document doc = xmlSpy.getActiveDocument();
080     doc.addListener(new
081     DocumentEventsDefaultHandler()
082     {
083         @Override
084         public boolean
085         onBeforeCloseDocument(Document i_ipDoc) throws AutomationException
086         {
087             System.out.println("Document
088             " + i_ipDoc.getName() + " requested closing.");
089             // Allow closing of document
090             return true;
091         }
092     });
093     doc.close(true);
```

```
096     doc = null;
097
098     System.out.println("Watch XMLSpy!");
099 }
100 catch (AutomationException e)
101 {
102     // e.printStackTrace();
103 }
104 finally
105 {
106     // Make sure that XMLSpy can shut down properly.
107     if (xmlSpy != null)
108         xmlSpy.dispose();
109
110     // Since the COM server was made visible and still is visible,
111     // it will keep running, and needs to be closed manually.
112     System.out.println("Now close XMLSpy!");
113 }
114 }
115 }
```

### **Application Startup and Shutdown**

The code listings below show how the application can be started up and shut down.

#### **Application startup**

Before starting up the application, the appropriate classes must be imported (see *below*).

```
01 // Access general JAVA-COM bridge classes
02 import com.altova.automation.libs.*;
03
04 // Access XMLSpy Java-COM bridge
05 import com.altova.automation.XMLSpy.*;
06 import com.altova.automation.XMLSpy.Enums.SPYViewModes;
07
08 /**
09  * An example that starts XMLSpy COM server and performs view operations on
10  * it
11  * Feel free to extend
12  */
13 public class RunXMLSpy
14 {
15     public static void main(String[] args)
16     {
17         // An instance of the application.
18         Application xmlSpy = null;
19
20         // Instead of COM error handling, use Java exception mechanism
21         try
22         {
23             // Start XMLSpy as COM server
24             xmlSpy = new Application();
25             // COM servers start up invisible, so make it visible
26             xmlSpy.setVisible(true);
27 ...
```

```
28     }
29 }
30 }
```

### Application shutdown

The application can be shut down as shown below.

```
01 {
02     // Allow shutdown of XMLSpy by releasing the UI.
03     xmlSpy.setVisible(true);
04
05     // Make sure that XMLSpy can shut down properly.
06     if (xmlSpy != null)
07         xmlSpy.dispose();
08
09     // Since the COM server was made visible and still is visible,
10     // it will keep running, and needs to be closed manually.
11     System.out.println("Now close XMLSpy!");
12 }
```

### Simple Document Access

The code listing below shows how to open a document.

```
1 // Locate samples installed with the product
2 String strExamplesFolder =
3 System.getenv("USERPROFILE") + "\\My Documents\\Altova\\XMLSpy2012\\Examples\\
4 \";
5
6 // Open file
7 xmlSpy.getDocuments().openFile(strExamplesFolder + "OrgChart.pxf", false);
```

### Iterations

The listing below shows how to iterate through open documents.

```
01 // Iterate through open documents and set view mode to 'Text'.
02 for (Document doc:xmlSpy.getDocuments())
03     if ( doc.getCurrentViewMode() != SPYViewModes.spyViewText)
04         doc.switchViewMode(SPYViewModes.spyViewText);
05
06 // An alternative iteration mode is index-based
07 // COM indices are typically zero-based
08 Documents documents = xmlSpy.getDocuments();
09     for (int i = 1; i <= documents.getCount();
10         i++)
11     {
12         Document doc = documents.getItem(i);
13         ...
```

```
14     }
```

### **Use of Out-Parameters**

The code listing below iterates through open documents and validates each of them. For each validation, a message is generated using the output parameters of the Validation method.

```
01 // An alternative iteration mode is index-based
02 // COM indices are typically zero-based
03 Documents documents = xmlSpy.getDocuments();
04 for (int i = 1; i <= documents.getCount();
05     i++)
06     {
07         Document doc = documents.getItem(i);
08
09 // Validation is one of the few methods to have output parameters.
10 // The class JVariant is the correct type for parameters in these cases.
11 // To get values back mark them with the by-reference flag.
12 JVariant validationErrorText = new
13
14 JVariant.JStringVariant("");
15
16 validationErrorText.setByRefFlag();
17     JVariant validationErrorCount = new
18
19 JVariant.JIntVariant(0);
20
21 validationErrorCount.setByRefFlag();
22     JVariant validationErrorXMLData = new
23
24 JVariant.JIDispatchVariant(0);
25
26 validationErrorXMLData.setByRefFlag();
27     if (!doc.isValid(validationErrorText,
28
29         validationErrorCount, validationErrorXMLData))
30         System.out.println("Document
31
32         " + doc.getName() + " is not wellformed - " +
33
34         validationErrorText.getStringValue());
35     else
36         System.out.println("Document
37
38         " + doc.getName() + " is wellformed.");
39     }
```

### **Event Handlers**

The listing below shows how to listen for and use events.

```
01 // The following lines attach to the document events using a default
02 // implementation
03 // for the events and override one of its methods.
```

```

03 // If you want to override all document events it is better to derive your
04 // listener class
05 // from DocumentEvents and implement all methods of this interface.
06 Document doc = xmlSpy.getActiveDocument();
07 doc.addListener(new DocumentEventsDefaultHandler()
08     {
09         @Override
10         public boolean
11             onBeforeCloseDocument(Document i_ipDoc) throws AutomationException
12             {
13                 System.out.println("Document " + i_ipDoc.getName() + " requested
closing.");
14             }
15             // Allow closing of document
16             return true;
17         }
18     });
19 doc.close(true);
20 doc = null;

```

### 3.1.3 The DOM and XMLData

The `XMLData` interface gives you full access to the XML structure behind the current document with less methods than DOM and is much simpler. The `XMLData` interface is a minimalist approach to reading and modifying existing, or newly created XML data. You might however, want to use a DOM tree because you can access one from an external source or you just prefer the MSXML DOM implementation.

The `ProcessDOMNode()` and `ProcessXMLDataNode()` functions provided below convert any segments of an XML structure between `XMLData` and DOM.

To use the `ProcessDOMNode()` function:

- pass the root element of the DOM segment you want to convert in `objNode` and
- pass the plugin object with the `CreateChild()` method in `objCreator`

To use the `ProcessXMLDataNode()` function:

- pass the root element of the `XMLData` segment in `objXMLData` and
- pass the `DOMDocument` object created with MSXML in `xmlDoc`

```

////////////////////////////////////
// DOM To XMLData conversion
Function ProcessDOMNode(objNode,objCreator)
{
    var objRoot;
    objRoot = CreateXMLDataFromDOMNode(objNode,objCreator);

    If(objRoot) {
        If((objNode.nodeValue != Null) && (objNode.nodeValue.length > 0))
            objRoot.TextValue = objNode.nodeValue;
        // add attributes
        If(objNode.attributes) {
            var Attribute;
            var oNodeList = objNode.attributes;

```

```
For(var i = 0;i < oNodeList.length; i++) {
    Attribute = oNodeList.item(i);

    var newNode;
    newNode = ProcessDOMNode(Attribute,objCreator);

    objRoot.AppendChild(newNode);
}
}
If(objNode.hasChildNodes) {
    try {
        // add children
        var Item;
        oNodeList = objNode.childNodes;

        For(var i = 0;i < oNodeList.length; i++) {
            Item = oNodeList.item(i);

            var newNode;
            newNode = ProcessDOMNode(Item,objCreator);

            objRoot.AppendChild(newNode);
        }
    }
    catch(err) {
    }
}
Return objRoot;
}

Function CreateXMLDataFromDOMNode(objNode,objCreator)
{
    var bSetName = True;
    var bSetValue = True;

    var nKind = 4;

    switch(objNode.nodeType) {
        Case 2:nKind = 5;break;
        Case 3:nKind = 6;bSetName = False;break;
        Case 4:nKind = 7;bSetName = False;break;
        Case 8:nKind = 8;bSetName = False;break;
        Case 7:nKind = 9;break;
    }
    var objNew = Null;
    objNew = objCreator.CreateChild(nKind);

    If(bSetName)
        objNew.Name = objNode.nodeName;

    If(bSetValue && (objNode.nodeValue != Null))
```

```
    objNew.TextValue = objNode.nodeValue;

    Return objNew;
}
////////////////////////////////////
// XMLData To DOM conversion

Function ProcessXMLDataNode (objXMLData, xmlDoc)
{
    var objRoot;
    objRoot = CreateDOMNodeFromXMLData (objXMLData, xmlDoc);

    If (objRoot) {
        If (IsTextNodeEnabled (objRoot) && (objXMLData.TextValue.length > 0))
            objRoot.appendChild (xmlDoc.createTextNode (objXMLData.TextValue));

        If (objXMLData.HasChildren) {
            try {
                var objChild;
                objChild = objXMLData.GetFirstChild (-1);

                While (True) {
                    If (objChild) {
                        var newNode;
                        newNode = ProcessXMLDataNode (objChild, xmlDoc);

                        If (newNode.nodeType == 2) {
                            // child node is an attribute
                            objRoot.attributes.setNamedItem (newNode);
                        }
                        Else
                            objRoot.appendChild (newNode);
                    }
                    objChild = objXMLData.GetNextChild ();
                }
            }
            catch (err) {
            }
        }
    }
    Return objRoot;
}

Function CreateDOMNodeFromXMLData (objXMLData, xmlDoc)
{
    switch (objXMLData.Kind) {
        Case 4: Return xmlDoc.createElement (objXMLData.Name);
        Case 5: Return xmlDoc.createAttribute (objXMLData.Name);
        Case 6: Return xmlDoc.createTextNode (objXMLData.TextValue);
        Case 7: Return xmlDoc.createCDATASection (objXMLData.TextValue);
        Case 8: Return xmlDoc.createComment (objXMLData.TextValue);
        Case 9: Return
            xmlDoc.createProcessingInstruction (objXMLData.Name, objXMLData.TextValue);
    }
}
```

```

    Return xmlDoc.createElement(objXMLData.Name);
}
Function IsTextNodeEnabled(objNode)
{
    switch(objNode.nodeType) {
        Case 1:
        Case 2:
        Case 5:
        Case 6:
        Case 11:Return True;
    }
    Return False;
}

```

### 3.1.4 Obsolete: Authentic View Row operations

If the schema on which an XML document is based specifies that an element is repeatable, such a structure can be represented in Authentic View as a table. When represented as a table, rows and their contents can be manipulated individually, thereby allowing you to manipulate each of the repeatable elements individually. Such row operations would be performed by an external script.

If an external script is to perform row operations then two steps must occur:

- The first step checks whether the cursor is currently in a row using a property. Such a check could be, for example, `IsRowInsertEnabled`, which returns a value of either `TRUE` or `FALSE`.
- If the return value is `TRUE` then a row method, such as `RowAppend`, can be called. (`RowAppend` has no parameters and returns no value.)

The following is a list of properties and methods available for table operations. Each property returns a `BOOL`, and the methods have no parameter.

Property	Method	Table operations
<code>IsRowInsertEnabled</code>	<a href="#">RowInsert</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.InsertRow</a>	Insert row operation
<code>IsRowAppendEnabled</code>	<a href="#">RowAppend</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.AppendRow</a>	Append row operation
<code>IsRowDeleteEnabled</code>	<a href="#">RowDelete</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.DeleteRow</a>	Delete row operation
<code>IsRowMoveUpEnabled</code>	<a href="#">RowMoveUp</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.MoveRowUp</a>	Move XML data up one row
<code>IsRowMoveDownEnabled</code>	<a href="#">RowMoveDown</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.MoveRowDown</a>	Move XML data down one row
<code>IsRowDuplicateEnabled</code>	<a href="#">RowDuplicate</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.DuplicateRow</a>	Duplicate currently selected row

### 3.1.5 Obsolete: Authentic View Editing operations

When XML data is displayed as data in Authentic View, it is possible to manipulate individual elements using standard editing operations such as cut, copy, and paste. However, not all XML data nodes can be edited. So, in order to carry out an editing operation, first a property is used to test whether editing is possible, and then a method is called to perform the editing operation.

The only method that does not have a test is the method `EditSelectAll`, which automatically selects all elements displayed in the document.

The following is a list of properties and methods that perform editing operations. Each property returns a `BOOL`, and the methods have no parameter.

Property	Method	Editing operation
<code>IsEditUndoEnabled</code>	<a href="#">EditUndo</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticView.Undo</a>	Undo an editing operation
<code>IsEditRedoEnabled</code>	<a href="#">EditRedo</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticView.Redo</a>	Redo an editing operation
<code>IsEditCopyEnabled</code>	<a href="#">EditCopy</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.Copy</a>	Copy selected text to the clipboard
<code>IsEditCutEnabled</code>	<a href="#">EditCut</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.Cut</a>	Cut selected text to the clipboard
<code>IsEditPasteEnabled</code>	<a href="#">EditPaste</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.Paste</a>	Paste from clipboard to current cursor position
<code>IsEditClearEnabled</code>	<a href="#">EditClear</a> , superseded by <a href="#">AuthenticRange.Delete</a>	Clear selected text from XML document

## 3.2 Interfaces

### Object Hierarchy

[Application](#)

[SpyProject](#)

[SpyProjectItems](#)

[SpyProjectItem](#)

[Documents](#)

[Document](#)

[GridView](#)

[AuthenticView](#)

[AuthenticRange](#)

[AuthenticDataTransfer](#) (previously DocEditDataTransfer)

[OldAuthenticView](#) (previously DocEditView, **now obsolete**, superseded by

[AuthenticView](#) and [AuthenticRange](#))

[AuthenticSelection](#) (previously DocEditSelection, **now obsolete**,  
superseded by [AuthenticRange](#))

[AuthenticEvent](#) (previously DocEditEvent, **now obsolete**)

[AuthenticDataTransfer](#) (previously DocEditDataTransfer)

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[XBRLDocumentationDlg](#)

[DatabaseConnection](#)

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[ElementListItem](#)

[Enumerations](#)

### Description

This chapter contains the reference of the XMLSpy 1.5 Type Library.

Most of the given examples are written in VisualBasic. These code snippets assume that there is a variable defined and set, called **objSpy of type Application**. There are also some code samples written in JavaScript.

### 3.2.1 Application

**See also**

#### Methods

[GetDatabaseImportElementList](#)

[GetDatabaseSettings](#)  
[GetDatabaseTables](#)  
[ImportFromDatabase](#)  
[CreateXMLSchemaFromDBStructure](#)

[GetTextImportElementList](#)  
[GetTextImportExportSettings](#)  
[ImportFromText](#)

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### **Properties**

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[IsAPISupported](#)  
[ServicePackVersion](#)

### Description

Application is the root for all other objects. It is the only object you can create by `CreateObject` (VisualBasic) or other similar COM related functions.

### Example

```
Dim objSpy As Application
Set objSpy = CreateObject("XMLSpy.Application")
```

### Events

#### ***OnBeforeOpenDocument***

#### **See also**

**Event:** `OnBeforeOpenDocument` (*objDialog* as [FileSelectionDlg](#))

### Description

This event gets fired whenever a document gets opened via the OpenFile or OpenURL menu command. It is sent after a document file has been selected but before the document gets opened. The file selection dialog object is initialized with the name of the selected document file. You can modify this selection. To continue the opening of the document leave the [FileSelectionDlg.DialogAction](#) property of *io\_objDialog* at its default value [spyDialogOK](#). To abort the opening of the document set this property to [spyDialogCancel](#).

### Examples

Given below are examples of how this event can be scripted.

#### ***XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:***

```
Function On_BeforeOpenDocument(objDialog)
End Function
```

#### ***XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:***

```
function On_BeforeOpenDocument(objDialog)
{
}
```

#### ***XMLSpy IDE Plugin:***

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (26, ...) // nEventId = 26
```

#### ***OnBeforeOpenProject***

#### **See also**

**Event:** `OnBeforeOpenProject (objDialog as FileSelectionDlg)`

### Description

This event gets fired after a project file has been selected but before the project gets opened. The file selection dialog object is initialized with the name of the selected project file. You can modify this selection. To continue the opening of the project leave the [FileSelectionDlg.DialogAction](#) property of `io_objDialog` at its default value [spyDialogOK](#). To abort the opening of the project set this property to [spyDialogCancel](#).

### Examples

Given below are examples of how this event can be scripted.

#### **XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_BeforeOpenProject (objDialog)
End Function
```

#### **XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_BeforeOpenProject (objDialog)
{
}
```

#### **XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (25, ...) // nEventId = 25
```

### **OnDocumentOpened**

#### **See also**

**Event:** `OnDocumentOpened (objDocument as Document)`

### Description

This event gets fired whenever a document opens in XMLSpy. This can happen due to opening a file with the OpenFile or OpenURL dialog, creating a new file or dropping a file onto XMLSpy. The new document gets passed as parameter. The operation cannot be canceled.

### Examples

Given below are examples of how this event can be scripted.

#### **XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_OpenDocument (objDocument)
End Function
```

#### **XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_OpenDocument (objDocument)
{
}
```

#### **XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (7, ...) // nEventId = 7
```

## ***OnProjectOpened***

### **See also**

**Event:** `OnProjectOpened` (*objProject* as [SpyProject](#))

### **Description**

This event gets fired whenever a project gets opened in XMLSpy. The new project gets passed as parameter.

### **Examples**

Given below are examples of how this event can be scripted.

#### ***XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:***

```
Function On_OpenProject(objProject)
End Function
```

#### ***XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:***

```
function On_OpenProject(objProject)
{
}
```

#### ***XMLSpy IDE Plugin:***

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(6, ...) // nEventId = 6
```

## **ActiveDocument**

### **See also**

**Property:** `ActiveDocument` as [Document](#)

### **Description**

Reference to the active document. If no document is open, `ActiveDocument` is null (nothing).

### **Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## **AddMacroMenuItem**

### **See also**

**Method:** `AddMacroMenuItem` (*strMacro* as String, *strDisplayText* as String)

### **Description**

Adds a menu item to the **Tools** menu. This new menu item invokes the macro defined by `strMacro`. See also "[Calling macros](#) from XMLSpy".

### **Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1108 Number of macro items is limited to 16 items.

## AddXSLT\_XQParameter

**Method:** `AddXSLT_XQParameter(name as String, XPath as String)`

### Description

Adds an XSLT or XQuery parameter. The parameter's name and value are the two arguments of the method.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1124 The XPath expression is not set.
- 1125 Not a QName.
- 1126 The specified XPath is not valid. Reason for invalidity appended.
- 1127 A parameter with the submitted name already exists.

## Application

### See also

**Property:** `Application` as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Accesses the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ClearMacroMenu

### See also

**Method:** `ClearMacroMenu()`

### Return Value

None

### Description

Removes all menu items from the **Tools** menu. See also [Running macros](#).

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.

## CreateXMLSchemaFromDBStructure

See also

**Method:** `CreateXMLSchemaFromDBStructure` (`pImportSettings` as [DatabaseConnection](#), `pTables` as [ElementList](#))

### Description

`CreateXMLSchemaFromDBStructure` creates from a database specified in `pImportSettings` for the defined tables in `pTables` new XML Schema document(s) describing the database tables structure.

The parameter `pTables` specifies which table structures the XML Schema document should contain. This parameter can be NULL, specifying that all table structures will be exported.

See also [GetDataBaseTables](#).

### Errors

- 1112 Invalid database specified.
- 1120 Database import failed.

## CurrentProject

See also

**Property:** `CurrentProject` as [SpyProject](#)

### Description

Reference to the active document. If no project is open, `CurrentProject` is null (nothing).

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Dialogs

See also

**Property:** `Dialogs` as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the built-in dialogs of XMLSpy.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Documents

See also

**Property:** `Documents` as [Documents](#)

**Description**

Collection of all open documents.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Edition****See also**

*Property:* [Edition](#) as String

**Description**

Returns the edition of the application, for example `Altova XMLSpy Enterprise Edition` for the Enterprise edition.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**FindInFiles****See also**

*Method:* [FindInFiles](#)(*pSettings* as [FindInFilesDlg](#)) as [FindInFilesResults](#)

**Description**

Returns a [FindInFilesResults](#) object containing information about the files that matched the specified settings.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GetDatabaseImportElementList****See also**

*Method:* [GetDatabaseImportElementList](#) (*pImportSettings* as [DatabaseConnection](#)) as [ElementList](#)

**Description**

The function returns a collection of `ElementListItem`s where the properties [ElementListItem.Name](#) contain the names of the fields that can be selected for import and the properties [ElementListItem.ElementKind](#) are initialized either to `spyXMLDataAttr` or `spyXMLDataElement`, depending on the value passed in [DatabaseConnection.AsAttributes](#). This list serves as a filter to what finally gets imported by a future call to [ImportFromDatabase](#). Use [ElementList.RemoveElement](#) to exclude fields from import.

Properties mandatory to be filled out for the database connection are one of [DatabaseConnection.File](#), [DatabaseConnection.ADOConnection](#) and [DatabaseConnection.ODBCConnection](#), as well as [DatabaseConnection.SQLSelect](#). Use the property [DatabaseConnection.AsAttributes](#) to initialize [ElementListItem.ElementKind](#) of the resulting element list to either *spyXMLDataAttr* or *spyXMLDataElement*, respectively.

### Example

See example at [ImportFromDatabase](#).

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1107 Import from database failed.
- 1112 Invalid database specified.
- 1114 Select statement is missing.
- 1119 database element list import failed.

## GetDatabaseSettings

### See also

**Method:** [GetDatabaseSettings\(\)](#) as [DatabaseConnection](#)

### Description

[GetDatabaseSettings](#) creates a new object of database settings. The object is used to specify database connection parameters for the methods [GetDatabaseTables](#), [GetDatabaseImportElementList](#), [ImportFromDatabase](#), [ImportFromSchema](#) and [ExportToDatabase](#).

### Example

See example of [ImportFromDatabase](#).

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GetDatabaseTables

### See also

**Method:** [GetDatabaseTables](#) (*pImportSettings* as [DatabaseConnection](#)) as [ElementList](#)

### Description

[GetDatabaseTables](#) reads the table names from the database specified in *pImportSettings*. Properties mandatory to be filled out for the database connection are one of [DatabaseConnection.File](#), [DatabaseConnection.ADOConnection](#) and [DatabaseConnection.ODBCConnection](#). All other properties are ignored. The function returns a collection of [ElementListItems](#) where the properties [ElementListItem.Name](#) contain the names of tables stored in the specified database. The remaining properties of [ElementListItem](#) are unused.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1112 Invalid database specified.
- 1113 Error while reading database table information.
- 1118 Database table query failed.

**Example**

```
Dim objImpSettings As DatabaseConnection
Set objImpSettings = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings
objImpSettings.ADOConnection = TxtADO.Text

'store table names in list box
ListTables.Clear

Dim objList As ElementList
Dim objItem As ElementListItem
On Error GoTo ErrorHandler
Set objList = objSpy.GetDatabaseTables(objImpSettings)

For Each objItem In objList
    ListTables.AddItem objItem.Name
Next
```

**GetExportSettings****See also**

**Method:** [GetExportSettings\(\)](#) as [ExportSettings](#) (read-only)

**Description**

`GetExportSettings` creates a new object of common export settings. This object is used to pass the parameters to the export functions and defines the behaviour of the export calls. See also the export functions from [Document](#) and the examples at [Import and Export](#).

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GetTextImportElementList****See also**

**Method:** [GetTextImportElementList\(pImportSettings as TextImportExportSettings\)](#) as [ElementList](#)

**Description**

`GetTextImportElementList` retrieves importing information about the text-file as specified in `pImportSettings`. The function returns a collection of `ElementListItems` where the properties [ElementListItem.Name](#) contain the names of the fields found in the file. The values of remaining properties are undefined.

If the text-file does not contain a column header, set `ImportSettings.HeaderRow` to `false`. The resulting element list will contain general column names like 'Field1' and so on.

See also [Import and export of data](#).

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1107 Import from database failed.
- 1115 Error during text element list import. Cannot create parser for import file.
- 1116 Error during text element list import.

### Example

```
'-----  
' VBA client code fragment - import selected fields from text file  
'-----  
  
Dim objImpSettings As TextImportExportSettings  
Set objImpSettings = objSpy.GetTextImportExportSettings  
  
objImpSettings.ImportFile = "C:\ImportMe.txt"  
objImpSettings.HeaderRow = False  
  
Dim objList As ElementList  
Set objList = objSpy.GetTextImportElementList(objImpSettings)  
  
'exclude first column  
objList.RemoveItem 1  
  
Dim objImpDoc As Document  
On Error Resume Next  
Set objImpDoc = objSpy.ImportFromText(objImpSettings, objList)  
CheckForError
```

## GetTextImportExportSettings

See also

**Method:** [GetTextImportExportSettings\(\)](#) as [TextImportExportSettings](#) (read-only)

### Description

`GetTextImportExportSettings` creates a new object of common import and export settings for text files. See also the example for [Application.GetTextImportElementList](#) and [Import and Export](#).

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GetXSLT\_XQParameterCount

**Method:** [GetXSLT\\_XQParameterCount\(\)](#) as Long

**Description**

Returns the number of XSLT and XQuery parameters.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GetXSLT\_XQParameterName**

*Method:* [GetXSLT\\_XQParameterName\(index as Long\)](#) as String

**Description**

Returns the name of the XSLT or XQuery parameter identified by the supplied index.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GetXSLT\_XQParameterXPath**

*Method:* [GetXSLT\\_XQParameterXPath\(index as Long\)](#) as String

**Description**

Returns the XPath expression of the XSLT or XQuery parameter identified by the supplied index.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ImportFromDatabase****See also**

*Method:* [ImportFromDatabase\(pImportSettings as DatabaseConnection, pElementList as ElementList\)](#) as [Document](#)

**Return Value**

Creates a new document containing the data imported from the database.

**Description**

`ImportFromDatabase` imports data from a database as specified in `pImportSettings` and creates a new document containing the data imported from the database. Properties mandatory to be filled out are one of [DatabaseConnection.File](#), [DatabaseConnection.ADOConnection](#) or [DatabaseConnection.ODBCConnection](#) and [DatabaseConnection.SQLSelect](#). Additionally, you can use [DatabaseConnection.AsAttributes](#), [DatabaseConnection.ExcludeKeys](#), [DatabaseConnection.IncludeEmptyElements](#) and [NumberDateTimeFormat](#) to further

parameterize import.

The parameter `pElementList` specifies which fields of the selected data gets written into the newly created document, and which are created as elements and which as attributes. This parameter can be NULL, specifying that all selected fields will be imported as XML elements.

See [GetDatabaseSettings](#) and [GetDatabaseImportElementList](#) for necessary steps preceding any import of data from a database.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1107 Import from database failed.
- 1112 Invalid database specified.
- 1114 Select statement is missing.
- 1117 Transformation to XML failed.
- 1120 Database import failed.

### Example

```
Dim objImpSettings As DatabaseConnection
Set objImpSettings = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings

objImpSettings.ADOConnection = strADOConnection
objImpSettings.SQLSelect = "SELECT * FROM MyTable"

Dim objDoc As Document
On Error Resume Next
Set objDoc = objSpy.ImportFromDatabase(objImpSettings,
objSpy.GetDatabaseImportElementList(objImpSettings))
' CheckForError here
```

### ImportFromSchema

#### See also

**Method:** [ImportFromSchema](#) (*pImportSettings* as [DatabaseConnection](#), *strTable* as String, *pSchemaDoc* as [Document](#)) as [Document](#)

#### Return Value

Creates a new document filled with data from the specified database as specified by the schema definition in *pSchemaDoc*.

#### Description

`ImportFromSchema` imports data from a database specified in `pImportSettings`. Properties mandatory to be filled out are one of [DatabaseConnection.File](#), [DatabaseConnection.ADOConnection](#) or [DatabaseConnection.ODBCConnection](#). Additionally, you can use [DatabaseConnection.AsAttributes](#), [DatabaseConnection.ExcludeKeys](#) and [NumberDateTimeFormat](#) to further parameterize import. All other properties get ignored.

`ImportFromSchema` does not use an explicit SQL statement to select the data. Instead, it expects a structure definition of the document to create in form of an XML schema document in

*pSchemaDoc*. From this definition the database select statement is automatically deduced. Specify in *strTable* the table name of the import root that will become the root node in the new document.

See [GetDatabaseSettings](#) and [GetDatabaseTables](#) for necessary steps preceding an import from a database based on a schema definition. To create the schema definition file use command 'create database schema' from the 'convert' menu of XMLSpy.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1107 Import from database failed.
- 1112 Invalid database specified.
- 1120 Database import failed.
- 1121 Could not create validator for the specified schema.
- 1122 Failed parsing schema for database import.

## ImportFromText

### See also

**Method:** `ImportFromText (pImportSettings as TextImportExportSettings, pElementList as ElementList) as Document`

### Description

`ImportFromText` imports the text file as specified in `pImportSettings`. The parameter `pElementList` can be used as import filter. Either pass the list returned by a previous call to [GetTextImportElementList](#) or `nil` to import all columns. To avoid import of unnecessary columns use [ElementList.RemoveElement](#) to remove the corresponding field names from `pElementList` before calling `ImportFromText`.

The method returns the newly created document containing the imported data. This document is the same as the active document of XMLSpy.

See also [Import and export of data](#).

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1107 Import from text file failed.
- 1117 Transformation to XML failed.

### Example

```
' -----
' VBA client code fragment - import from text file
' -----

Dim objImpSettings As TextImportExportSettings
Set objImpSettings = objSpy.GetTextImportExportSettings

objImpSettings.ImportFile = strFileName
objImpSettings.HeaderRow = False

Dim objImpDoc As Document
On Error Resume Next
```

```
Set objImpDoc = objSpy.ImportFromText(objImpSettings,  
objSpy.GetTextImportElementList(objImpSettings))
```

```
CheckForError
```

## ImportFromWord

### See also

**Method:** `ImportFromWord` (*strFile* as String) as [Document](#)

### Description

`ImportFromWord` imports the MS-Word Document *strFile* into a new XML document.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.  
Import from document failed.

## IsAPISupported

### See also

**Property:** `IsAPISupported` as Boolean

### Description

Returns whether the API is supported in this version or not.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## MajorVersion

### See also

**Property:** `MajorVersion` as Integer

### Description

Returns the application version's major number, for example 15 for 2013 versions, and 16 for 2014 versions..

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## MinorVersion

### See also

**Property:** `MinorVersion` as Integer

### Description

Returns the application version's minor number.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**NewProject****See also**

**Method:** `NewProject` (*strPath* as String, *bDiscardCurrent* as Boolean)

**Description**

`NewProject` creates a new project.

If there is already a project open that has been modified and `bDiscardCurrent` is false, then `NewProject ()` fails.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1102 A project is already open but *bDiscardCurrent* is true.
- 1103 Creation of new project failed.

**OpenProject****See also**

**Method:** `OpenProject` (*strPath* as String, *bDiscardCurrent* as Boolean, *bDialog* as Boolean)

**Parameters**

`strPath`

Path and file name of the project to open. Can be empty if `bDialog` is true.

`bDiscardCurrent`

Discard currently open project and possible lose changes.

`bDialog`

Show dialogs for user input.

**Return Value**

None

**Description**

`OpenProject` opens an existing project. If there is already a project open that has been modified and `bDiscardCurrent` is false, then `OpenProject ()` fails.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1101 Cannot open specified project.
- 1102 A project is already open but *bDiscardCurrent* is true.

## Parent

### See also

**Property:** [Parent](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Accesses the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Quit

### See also

**Method:** [Quit\(\)](#)

### Return Value

None

### Description

This method terminates XMLSpy. All modified documents will be closed without saving the changes. This is also true for an open project.

If XMLSpy was automatically started as an automation server by a client program, the application will not shut down automatically when your client program shuts down if a project or any document is still open. Use the Quit method to ensure automatic shut-down.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.

## ReloadSettings

### See also

**Method:** [ReloadSettings](#)

### Return Value

### Description

The application settings are reloaded from the registry.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.

## RemoveXSLT\_XQParameter

**Method:** [RemoveXSLT\\_XQParameter\(index as Long\)](#)

**Description**

Removes the XSLT or XQuery parameter identified by the supplied index.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**RunMacro****See also**

**Method:** `RunMacro` (*strMacro* as String)

**Return Value****Description**

Calls the specified macro either from the project scripts (if present) or from the global scripts.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.

**ScriptingEnvironment****See also**

**Property:** `ScriptingEnvironment` as IUnknown (read-only)

**Description**

Reference to any active scripting environment. This property makes it possible to access the TypeLibrary of the XMLSpyFormEditor.exe application which is used as the current scripting environment.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ServicePackVersion****See also**

**Property:** `ServicePackVersion` as Long

**Description**

Returns the Service Pack version number of the application. Eg: 1 for 2010 R2 SP1

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.

1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowApplication

### See also

**Method:** `ShowApplication` (*bShow* as Boolean)

### Return Value

None

### Description

The method shows (`bShow = True`) or hides (`bShow = False`) XMLSpy.

### Errors

1110 The application object is no longer valid.

## ShowFindInFiles

### See also

**Method:** `ShowFindInFiles` (*pSettings* as [FindInFilesDlg](#)) as Boolean

### Return Value

Returns false if the user pressed the Cancel button, true otherwise.

### Description

Displays the FindInFiles dialog preset with the given settings. The user modifications of the settings are stored in the passed dialog object.

### Errors

1111 The application object is no longer valid.

1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowForm

### See also

**Method:** `ShowForm` (*strFormName* as String) as Long

### Return Value

Returns zero if the user pressed a Cancel button or the form calls `TheView.Cancel()`.

### Description

Displays the form `strFormName`.

Forms, event handlers and macros can be created with the Scripting Environment. Select "Switch to scripting environment" from the **Tools** menu to invoke the Scripting Environment.

### Errors

1111 The application object is no longer valid.

1100 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Status

### See also

**Property:** `Status` as [ENUMApplicationStatus](#)

### Description

Returns the current status of the running application.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## URLDelete

### See also

**Method:** `URLDelete` (`strURL` as String, `strUser` as String, `strPassword` as String)

### Return Value

None

### Description

The method deletes the file at the URL `strURL`.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1109 Error deleting file at specified URL.

## URLMakeDirectory

### See also

**Method:** `URLMakeDirectory` (`strURL` as String, `strUser` as String, `strPassword` as String)

### Return Value

None

### Description

The method creates a new directory at the URL `strURL`.

### Errors

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid parameter specified.

## Visible

### See also

**Property:** `Visible` as VARIANT\_BOOL

### Description

Sets or gets the visibility attribute of XMLSpy. This standard automation property makes usage of [ShowApplication](#) obsolete.

**Errors**

- 1110 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**WarningNumber****See also**

**Property:** [WarningNumber](#) as integer

**Description**

Some methods fill the property `WarningNumber` with additional information if an error occurs.

Currently just [Documents.OpenFile](#) fills this property.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**WarningText****See also**

**Property:** [WarningText](#) as String

**Description**

Some methods fill the property `WarningText` with additional information if an error occurs.

Currently just [Documents.OpenFile](#) fills this property.

**Errors**

- 1111 The application object is no longer valid.
- 1100 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### 3.2.2 AuthenticContextMenu

The context menu interface provides the mean for the user to customize the context menus shown in Authentic. The interface has the methods listed in this section.

**CountItems**

**Method:** [CountItems](#) () nItems as long

**Return Value**

Returns the number of menu items.

**Errors**

- 2501 Invalid object.

## DeleteItem

**Method:** `DeleteItem`(IndexPosition as long)

### Return Value

Deletes the menu item that has the index position submitted in the first parameter.

### Errors

- 2501 Invalid object
- 2502 Invalid index

## GetItemText

**Method:** `GetItemText`(IndexPosition as long) MenuItemName as string

### Return Value

Gets the name of the menu item located at the index position submitted in the first parameter.

### Errors

- 2501 Invalid object
- 2502 Invalid index

## InsertItem

**Method:** `InsertItem`(IndexPosition as long, MenuItemName as string, MacroName as string)

### Return Value

Inserts a user-defined menu item at the position in the menu specified in the first parameter and having the name submitted in the second parameter. The menu item will start a macro, so a valid macro name must be submitted.

### Errors

- 2501 Invalid object
- 2502 Invalid index
- 2503 No such macro
- 2504 Internal error

## SetItemText

**Method:** `SetItemText`(IndexPosition as long, MenuItemName as string)

### Return Value

Sets the name of the menu item located at the index position submitted in the first parameter.

### Errors

- 2501 Invalid object
- 2502 Invalid index

### 3.2.3 AuthenticDataTransfer

#### Renamed from **DocEditDataTransfer** to **AuthenticDataTransfer**

The `DocEditView` object is renamed to `OldAuthenticView`.  
`DocEditSelection` is renamed to `AuthenticSelection`.  
`DocEditEvent` is renamed to `AuthenticEvent`.  
`DocEditDataTransfer` is renamed to `AuthenticDataTransfer`.

Their usage—except for `AuthenticDataTransfer`—is no longer recommended. We will continue to support existing functionality for a yet undefined period of time but no new features will be added to these interfaces. All functionality available up to now in [DocEditView](#), [DocEditSelection](#), [DocEditEvent](#) and [DocEditDataTransfer](#) is now available via [AuthenticView](#), [AuthenticRange](#) and [AuthenticDataTransfer](#). Many new features have been added.

For examples on migrating from DocEdit to Authentic see the description of the different methods and properties of the different DocEdit objects.

#### See also

#### Methods

[getData](#)

#### Properties

[dropEffect](#)

[ownDrag](#)

[type](#)

#### Description

The events `OnDragOver` and `OnBeforeDrop` provide information about the object being dragged with an instance of type `AuthenticDataTransfer`. It contains a description of the dragged object and its content. The latter is available either as string or a pointer to a COM object supporting the `IUnknown` interface.

#### dropEffect

#### See also

*Property:* [dropEffect](#) as long

#### Description

The property stores the drop effect from the default event handler. You can set the drop effect if you change this value and return `TRUE` for the event handler (or set [AuthenticEvent.cancelBubble](#) to `TRUE` if you are still using the now obsolete `AuthenticEvent` interface).

**Errors**

2101 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**getData****See also**

*Method:* [getData\(\)](#) as Variant

**Description**

Retrieve the data associated with the dragged object. Depending on [AuthenticDataTransfer.type](#), that data is either a string or a COM interface pointer of type `IUnknown`.

**Errors**

2101 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ownDrag****See also**

*Property:* [ownDrag](#) as Boolean (read-only)

**Description**

The property is `TRUE` if the current dragging source comes from inside Authentic View.

**Errors**

2101 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**type****See also**

*Property:* [type](#) as String (read-only)

**Description**

Holds the type of data you get with the [DocEditDataTransfer.getData](#) method.

Currently supported data types are:

OWN	data from Authentic View itself
TEXT	plain text
UNICODETEXT	plain text as UNICODE

**Errors**

2101 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**3.2.4 AuthenticEventContext**

The `EventContext` interface gives access to many properties of the context in which a macro is executed.

## EvaluateXPath

**Method:** `EvaluateXPath (strExpression as string)` as strValue as string

### Return Value

The method evaluates the XPath expression in the context of the node within which the event was triggered and returns a string.

### Description

`EvaluateXPath()` executes an XPath expressions with the given event context. The result is returned as string, in the case of a sequence it is a space-separated string.

### Errors

2201	Invalid object.
2202	No context.
2209	Invalid parameter.
2210	Internal error.
2211	XPath error.

## GetEventContextType

**Method:** `GetEventContextType ()` Type as `AuthenticEventContextType` enumeration

### Return Value

Returns the context node type.

### Description

`GetEventContextType` allows the user to determine whether the macro is in an XML node or in an XPath atomic item context. The enumeration `AuthenticEventContextType` is defined as follows:

```
authenticEventContextXML,  
authenticEventContextAtomicItem,  
authenticEventContextOther
```

If the context is a normal XML node, the `GetXMLNode ()` function gives access to it (returns `NULL` if not).

### Errors

2201	Invalid object.
2202	No context.
2209	Invalid parameter.

## GetNormalizedTextValue

**Method:** `GetNormalizedTextValue ()` strValue as string

### Return Value

Returns the value of the current node as string

### Errors

2201	Invalid object.
2202	No context.
2203	Invalid context

2209 Invalid parameter.

### GetVariableValue

**Method:** `GetVariableValue` (strName as string) strValue as string

#### Return Value

Gets the value of the variable submitted as the parameter.

#### Description

`GetVariableValue` gets the variable's value in the scope of the context.

```
nZoom = parseInt ( AuthenticView.EventContext.GetVariableValue ( 'Zoom' ) );
if ( nZoom > 1 )
{
    AuthenticView.EventContext.SetVariableValue ( 'Zoom', nZoom - 1 );
}
```

#### Errors

2201 Invalid object.  
2202 No context.  
2204 No such variable in scope  
2205 Variable cannot be evaluated  
2206 Variable returns sequence  
2209 Invalid parameter

### GetXMLNode

**Method:** `GetXMLNode` () Node as XMLData object

#### Return Value

Returns the context XML node or `NULL`

#### Errors

2201 Invalid object.  
2202 No context.  
2203 Invalid context  
2209 Invalid parameter.

### IsAvailable

**Method:** `IsAvailable` () as Boolean

#### Return Value

Returns true if `EventContext` is set, false otherwise.

#### Errors

2201 Invalid object.

## SetVariableValue

**Method:** `SetVariableValue`(strName as string, strValue as string)

### Return Value

Sets the value (second parameter) of the variable submitted in the first parameter.

### Description

`SetVariableValue` sets the variable's value in the scope of the context.

```
nZoom = parseInt( AuthenticView.EventContext.GetVariableValue( 'Zoom' ) );
if ( nZoom > 1 )
{
    AuthenticView.EventContext.SetVariableValue( 'Zoom', nZoom - 1 );
}
```

### Errors

2201	Invalid object.
2202	No context.
2204	No such variable in scope
2205	Variable cannot be evaluated
2206	Variable returns sequence
2207	Variable read-only
2208	No modification allowed

## 3.2.5 AuthenticRange

### See also

The first table lists the properties and methods of `AuthenticRange` that can be used to navigate through the document and select specific portions.

#### Properties

[Application](#)  
[FirstTextPosition](#)  
[FirstXMLData](#)  
[FirstXMLDataOffset](#)  
  
[LastTextPosition](#)  
[LastXMLData](#)  
[LastXMLDataOffset](#)  
[Parent](#)

[Clone](#)  
[CollapsToBegin](#)  
[CollapsToEnd](#)  
[ExpandTo](#)  
  
[Goto](#)  
[GotoNext](#)  
[GotoPrevious](#)  
[IsEmpty](#)  
[IsEqual](#)

#### Methods

[MoveBegin](#)  
[MoveEnd](#)  
[NextCursorPosition](#)  
[PreviousCursorPosition](#)  
  
[Select](#)  
[SelectNext](#)  
[SelectPrevious](#)  
[SetFromRange](#)

The following table lists the content modification methods, most of which can be found on the right/button mouse menu.

#### Properties

[Text](#)

#### Edit operations

[Copy](#)  
[Cut](#)  
[Delete](#)  
[IsCopyEnabled](#)

#### Dynamic table operations

[AppendRow](#)  
[DeleteRow](#)  
[DuplicateRow](#)  
[InsertRow](#)

<a href="#">IsCutEnabled</a>	<a href="#">IsFirstRow</a>
<a href="#">IsDeleteEnabled</a>	<a href="#">IsInDynamicTable</a>
<a href="#">IsPasteEnabled</a>	<a href="#">IsLastRow</a>
<a href="#">Paste</a>	<a href="#">MoveRowDown</a>
	<a href="#">MoveRowUp</a>

The following methods provide the functionality of the Authentic entry helper windows for range objects.

### Operations of the entry helper windows

Elements	Attributes	Entities
<a href="#">CanPerformActionWith</a>	<a href="#">GetElementAttributeValue</a>	<a href="#">GetEntityNames</a>
<a href="#">CanPerformAction</a>	<a href="#">GetElementAttributeNames</a>	<a href="#">InsertEntity</a>
<a href="#">PerformAction</a>	<a href="#">GetElementHierarchy</a>	
	<a href="#">HasElementAttribute</a>	
	<a href="#">IsTextStateApplied</a>	
	<a href="#">SetElementAttributeValue</a>	

### Description

`AuthenticRange` objects are the 'cursor' selections of the automation interface. You can use them to point to any cursor position in the Authentic view, or select a portion of the document. The operations available for `AuthenticRange` objects then work on this selection in the same way, as the corresponding operations of the user interface do with the current user interface selection. The main difference is that you can use an arbitrary number of `AuthenticRange` objects at the same time, whereas there is exactly one cursor selection in the user interface.

To get to an initial range object use [AuthenticView.Selection](#), to obtain a range corresponding with the current cursor selection in the user interface. Alternatively, some trivial ranges are accessible via the read/only properties [AuthenticView.DocumentBegin](#), [AuthenticView.DocumentEnd](#), and [AuthenticView.WholeDocument](#). The most flexible method is [AuthenticView.Goto](#), which allows navigation to a specific portion of the document within one call. For more complex selections, combine the above, with the various navigation methods on range objects listed in the first table on this page.

Another method to select a portion of the document is to use the position properties of the range object. Two positioning systems are available and can be combined arbitrarily:

- **Absolute** text cursor positions, starting with position 0 at the document beginning, can be set and retrieved for the beginning and end of a range. For more information see [FirstTextPosition](#) and [LastTextPosition](#). This method requires complex internal calculations and should be used with care.
- The **XMLData** element and a text position inside this element, can be set and retrieved for the beginning and end of a range. For more information see [FirstXMLData](#), [FirstXMLDataOffset](#), [LastXMLData](#), and [LastXMLDataOffset](#). This method is very efficient but requires knowledge on the underlying document structure. It can be used to locate XMLData objects and perform operations on them otherwise not accessible through the user interface.

Modifications to the document content can be achieved by various methods:

- The [Text](#) property allows you to retrieve the document text selected by the range object.

- If set, the selected document text gets replaced with the new text.
- The standard document edit functions [Cut](#), [Copy](#), [Paste](#) and [Delete](#).
  - Table operations for tables that can grow dynamically.
  - Methods that map the functionality of the Authentic entry helper windows.
  - Access to the [XMLData](#) objects of the underlying document to modify them directly.

## AppendRow

### See also

**Method:** [AppendRow\(\)](#) as Boolean

### Description

If the beginning of the range is inside a dynamic table, this method inserts a new row at the end of the selected table. The selection of the range is modified to point to the beginning of the new row. The function returns *true* if the append operation was successful, otherwise *false*.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
'-----  
' Scripting environment - VBScript  
' Append row at end of current dynamically growable table  
'-----  
  
Dim objRange  
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode  
Set objRange = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection  
  
' check if we can insert something  
If objRange.IsInDynamicTable Then  
    objRange.AppendRow  
    ' objRange points to beginning of new row  
    objRange.Select  
End If
```

## Application

### See also

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Accesses the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## CanPerformAction

### See also

**Method:** `CanPerformAction` (*eAction* as [SPYAuthenticActions](#), *strElementName* as String) as Boolean

### Description

`CanPerformAction` and its related methods enable access to the entry-helper functions of `Authentic`. This function allows easy and consistent modification of the document content, without having to know exactly where the modification will take place. The beginning of the range object is used to locate the next valid location where the specified action can be performed. If the location can be found, the method returns *True*, otherwise it returns *False*.

HINT: To find out all valid element names for a given action, use [CanPerformActionWith](#).

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 2007 Invalid action was specified.

### Examples

See [PerformAction](#).

## CanPerformActionWith

### See also

**Method:** `CanPerformActionWith` (*eAction* as [SPYAuthenticActions](#), *out\_arrElementNames* as Variant)

### Description

`PerformActionWith` and its related methods, enable access to the entry-helper functions of `Authentic`. These function allows easy and consistent modification of the document content without having to know exactly where the modification will take place.

This method returns an array of those element names that the specified action can be performed with.

HINT: To apply the action use [CanPerformActionWith](#).

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 2007 Invalid action was specified.

### Examples

See [PerformAction](#).

## Clone

### See also

**Method:** `Clone` () as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Returns a copy of the range object.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**CollapsToBegin****See also**

**Method:** [CollapsToBegin\(\)](#) as [AuthenticRange](#)

**Description**

Sets the end of the range object to its begin. The method returns the modified range object.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**CollapsToEnd****See also**

**Method:** [CollapsToEnd\(\)](#) as [AuthenticRange](#)

**Description**

Sets the beginning of the range object to its end. The method returns the modified range object.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Copy****See also**

**Method:** [Copy\(\)](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Returns *False* if the range contains no portions of the document that may be copied. Returns *True* if text, and in case of fully selected XML elements the elements as well, has been copied to the copy/paste buffer.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Cut****See also**

**Method:** [Cut\(\)](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Returns *False* if the range contains portions of the document that may not be deleted.  
Returns *True* after text, and in case of fully selected XML elements the elements as well, has been deleted from the document and saved in the copy/paste buffer.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Delete****See also**

**Method:** `Delete()` as Boolean

**Description**

Returns *False* if the range contains portions of the document that may not be deleted.  
Returns *True* after text, and in case of fully selected XML elements the elements as well, has been deleted from the document.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**DeleteRow****See also**

**Method:** `DeleteRow()` as Boolean

**Description**

If the beginning of the range is inside a dynamic table, this method deletes the selected row. The selection of the range gets modified to point to the next element after the deleted row. The function returns *true*, if the delete operation was successful, otherwise *false*.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Examples**

```
' -----  
' Scripting environment - VBScript  
' Delete selected row from dynamically growing table  
' -----  
Dim objRange  
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode  
Set objRange = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection  
  
' check if we are in a table  
If objRange.IsInDynamicTable Then  
    objRange.DeleteRow  
End If
```

## DuplicateRow

### See also

**Method:** [DuplicateRow\(\)](#) as Boolean

### Description

If the beginning of the range is inside a dynamic table, this method inserts a duplicate of the current row after the selected one. The selection of the range gets modified to point to the beginning of the new row. The function returns *true* if the duplicate operation was successful, otherwise *false*.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----  
' Scripting environment - VBScript  
' duplicate row in current dynamically growable table  
' -----  
  
Dim objRange  
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode  
Set objRange = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection  
  
' check if we can insert something  
If objRange.IsInDynamicTable Then  
    objRange.DuplicateRow  
    ' objRange points to beginning of new row  
    objRange.Select  
End If
```

## EvaluateXPath

**Method:** [EvaluateXPath](#) (strExpression as string) strValue as string

### Return Value

The method returns a string

### Description

[EvaluateXPath\(\)](#) executes an XPath expressions with the context node being the beginning of the range selection. The result is returned as string, in the case of a sequence it is a space-separated string. If XML context node is irrelevant, the user may provide any node, like `AuthenticView.XMLDataRoot`.

### Errors

- 2001 Invalid object
- 2005 Invalid parameter
- 2008 Internal error
- 2202 Missing context node
- 2211 XPath error

## ExpandTo

### See also

**Method:** [ExpandTo](#) (*eKind* as [SPYAuthenticElementKind](#)), as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Selects the whole element of type *eKind*, that starts at, or contains, the first cursor position of the range. The method returns the modified range object.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2003 Range expansion would be beyond end of document.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## FirstTextPosition

### See also

**Property:** [FirstTextPosition](#) as Long

### Description

Set or get the left-most text position index of the range object. This index is always less or equal to [LastTextPosition](#). Indexing starts with 0 at document beginning, and increments with every different position that the text cursor can occupy. Incrementing the test position by 1, has the same effect as the cursor-right key. Decrementing the test position by 1 has the same effect as the cursor-left key.

If you set `FirstTextPosition` to a value greater than the current [LastTextPosition](#), [LastTextPosition](#) gets set to the new `FirstTextPosition`.

HINT: Use text cursor positions with care, since this is a costly operation compared to `XMLData` based cursor positioning.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is not valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 2006 A text position outside the document was specified.

### Examples

```

' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' -----

Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

nDocStartPosition = objAuthenticView.DocumentBegin.FirstTextPosition
nDocEndPosition = objAuthenticView.DocumentEnd.FirstTextPosition

' let's create a range that selects the whole document
' in an inefficient way
Dim objRange

```

```

' we need to get a (any) range object first
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.DocumentBegin
objRange.FirstTextPosition = nDocStartPosition
objRange.LastTextPosition = nDocEndPosition

' let's check if we got it right
If objRange.IsEqual(objAuthenticView.WholeDocument) Then
    MsgBox "Test using direct text cursor positioning was ok"
Else
    MsgBox "Oops!"
End If

```

## FirstXMLData

### See also

**Property:** [FirstXMLData](#) as [XMLData](#)

### Description

Set or get the first [XMLData](#) element in the underlying document that is partially, or completely selected by the range. The exact beginning of the selection is defined by the [FirstXMLDataOffset](#) attribute.

Whenever you set [FirstXMLData](#) to a new data object, [FirstXMLDataOffset](#) gets set to the first cursor position inside this element. Only [XMLData](#) objects that have a cursor position may be used. If you set [FirstXMLData](#) / [FirstXMLDataOffset](#) selects a position greater than the current [LastXMLData](#) / [LastXMLDataOffset](#), the latter gets moved to the new start position.

HINT: You can use the [FirstXMLData](#) and [LastXMLData](#) properties, to directly access and manipulate the underlying XML document in those cases where the methods available with the [AuthenticRange](#) object are not sufficient.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is not valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 2008 Internal error
- 2009 The [XMLData](#) object cannot be accessed.

### Examples

```

' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' show name of currently selected XMLData element
' -----

Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

Dim objXMLData
Set objXMLData = objAuthenticView.Selection.FirstXMLData
' authentic view adds a 'text' child element to elements
' of the document which have content. So we have to go one
' element up.
Set objXMLData = objXMLData.Parent
MsgBox "Current selection selects element " & objXMLData.Name

```

## FirstXMLDataOffset

### See also

**Property:** [FirstXMLDataOffset](#) as Long

### Description

Set or get the cursor position offset inside [FirstXMLData](#) element for the beginning of the range. Offset positions are based on the characters returned by the [Text](#) property, and start with 0. When setting a new offset, use -1 to set the offset to the last possible position in the element. The following cases require specific attention:

- The textual form of entries in Combo Boxes, Check Boxes and similar controls can be different from what you see on screen. Although the data offset is based on this text, there only two valid offset positions, one at the beginning and one at the end of the entry. An attempt to set the offset to somewhere in the middle of the entry, will result in the offset being set to the end.
- The textual form of XML Entities might differ in length from their representation on the screen. The offset is based on this textual form.

If [FirstXMLData](#) / [FirstXMLDataOffset](#) selects a position after the current [LastXMLData](#) / [LastXMLDataOffset](#), the latter gets moved to the new start position.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is not valid.
- 2005 Invalid offset was specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Select the complete text of an XMLData element
' using XMLData based selection and ExpandTo
' -----
Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

' first we use the XMLData based range properties
' to select all text of the first XMLData element
' in the current selection
Dim objRange
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.Selection
objRange.FirstXMLDataOffset = 0 ' start at beginning of element text
objRange.LastXMLData = objRange.FirstXMLData ' select only one element
objRange.LastXMLDataOffset = -1 ' select till its end

' the same can be achieved with the ExpandTo method
Dim objRange2
Set objRange2 = objAuthenticView.Selection.ExpandTo(spyAuthenticTag)

' were we successful?
If objRange.IsEqual(objRange2) Then
    objRange.Select()
```

```
Else
    MsgBox "Oops"
End If
```

## GetElementAttributeNames

### See also

**Method:** `GetElementAttributeNames` (*strElementName* as String, *out\_arrAttributeNames* as Variant)

### Description

Retrieve the names of all attributes for the enclosing element with the specified name. Use the element/attribute pairs, to set or get the attribute value with the methods [GetElementAttributeValue](#) and [SetElementAttributeValue](#).

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid element name was specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

See [SetElementAttributeValue](#).

## GetElementAttributeValue

### See also

**Method:** `GetElementAttributeValue` (*strElementName* as String, *strAttributeName* as String) as String

### Description

Retrieve the value of the attribute specified in *strAttributeName*, for the element identified with *strElementName*. If the attribute is supported but has no value assigned, the empty string is returned. To find out the names of attributes supported by an element, use [GetElementAttributeNames](#), or [HasElementAttribute](#).

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid element name was specified.  
Invalid attribute name was specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

See [SetElementAttributeValue](#).

## GetElementHierarchy

### See also

**Method:** `GetElementHierarchy` (*out\_arrElementNames* as Variant)

### Description

Retrieve the names of all XML elements that are parents of the current selection. Inner elements get listed before enclosing elements. An empty list is returned whenever the current selection is not inside a single `XMLData` element.

The names of the element hierarchy, together with the range object uniquely identify `XMLData` elements in the document. The attributes of these elements can be directly accessed by [GetElementAttributeNames](#), and related methods.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### C# Examples

```
' -----  
' C#  
' -----  
  
namespace ConsoleApplication1  
{  
    class Program  
    {  
        static void Main(string[] args)  
        {  
            XMLSpyLib.Application app = new XMLSpyLib.Application();  
  
            app.ShowApplication(true);  
  
            XMLSpyLib.AuthenticView view = app.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView;  
            XMLSpyLib.AuthenticRange range = view.DocumentBegin;  
  
            object o = null;  
            range.GetElementHierarchy(ref o);  
  
            object[] elements = (object[])o;  
  
            foreach (string e in elements)  
            {  
                Console.WriteLine(e);  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Also see: [SetElementAttributeValue](#).

### GetEntityNames

#### See also

**Method:** [GetEntityNames](#) (*out\_arrEntityNames* as Variant)

#### Description

Retrieve the names of all defined entities. The list of retrieved entities is independent of the current selection, or location. Use one of these names with the [InsertEntity](#) function.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Examples**

See: [GetElementHierarchy](#) and [InsertEntity](#).

**GetVariableValue**

**Method:** `GetVariableValue` (strName as string) strVal as string

**Return Value**

Gets the value of the variable named as the method's parameter.

**Errors**

- 2001 Invalid object.
- 2202 No context.
- 2204 No such variable in scope
- 2205 Variable cannot be evaluated
- 2206 Variable returns sequence
- 2209 Invalid parameter

**Goto****See also**

**Method:** `Goto` (eKind as [SPYAuthenticElementKind](#), nCount as Long, eFrom as [SPYAuthenticDocumentPosition](#)) as [AuthenticRange](#)

**Description**

Sets the range to point to the beginning of the nCount element of type eKind. The start position is defined by the parameter eFrom.

Use positive values for nCount to navigate to the document end. Use negative values to navigate to the beginning of the document. The method returns the modified range object.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2003 Target lies after end of document.
- 2004 Target lies before begin of document.
- 2005 Invalid element kind specified.  
Invalid start position specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GotoNext****See also**

**Method:** `GotoNext` (*eKind* as [SPYAuthenticElementKind](#)) as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Sets the range to the beginning of the next element of type *eKind*. The method returns the modified range object.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2003 Target lies after end of document.
- 2005 Invalid element kind specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Scan through the whole document word-by-word
' -----
Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

Dim objRange
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.DocumentBegin
Dim bEndOfDocument
bEndOfDocument = False

On Error Resume Next
While Not bEndOfDocument
    objRange.GotoNext(spyAuthenticWord).Select
    If ((Err.number - vbObjecterror) = 2003) Then
        bEndOfDocument = True
        Err.Clear
    ElseIf (Err.number <> 0) Then
        Err.Raise ' forward error
    End If
Wend
```

## GotoNextCursorPosition

### See also

**Method:** `GotoNextCursorPosition` () as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Sets the range to the next cursor position after its current end position. Returns the modified object.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2003 Target lies after end of document.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GotoPrevious

### See also

**Method:** `GotoPrevious (eKind as SPYAuthenticElementKind)` as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Sets the range to the beginning of the element of type `eKind` which is before the beginning of the current range. The method returns the modified range object.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2004 Target lies before beginning of document.
- 2005 Invalid element kind specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Scan through the whole document tag-by-tag
' -----
Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

Dim objRange
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.DocumentEnd
Dim bEndOfDocument
bBeginOfDocument = False

On Error Resume Next
While Not bBeginOfDocument
    objRange.GotoPrevious(spyAuthenticTag).Select
    If ((Err.number - vbObjecterror) = 2004) Then
        bBeginOfDocument = True
        Err.Clear
    ElseIf (Err.number <> 0) Then
        Err.Raise ' forward error
    End If
Wend
```

## GotoPreviousCursorPosition

### See also

**Method:** `GotoPreviousCursorPosition ()` as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Set the range to the cursor position immediately before the current position. Returns the modified object.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2004 Target lies before begin of document.

2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## HasElementAttribute

### See also

**Method:** `HasElementAttribute` (*strElementName* as String, *strAttributeName* as String) as Boolean

### Description

Tests if the enclosing element with name `strElementName`, supports the attribute specified in `strAttributeName`.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid element name was specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## InsertEntity

### See also

**Method:** `InsertEntity` (*strEntityName* as String)

### Description

Replace the ranges selection with the specified entity. The specified entity must be one of the entity names returned by [GetEntityNames](#).

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Unknown entry name was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Insert the first entity in the list of available entities
' -----
Dim objRange
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objRange = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection

' first we get the names of all available entities as they
' are shown in the entry helper of XMLSpy
Dim arrEntities
objRange.GetEntityNames arrEntities

' we insert the first one of the list
If UBound(arrEntities) >= 0 Then
    objRange.InsertEntity arrEntities(0)
Else
    MsgBox "Sorry, no entities are available for this document"
End If
```

## InsertRow

### See also

**Method:** [InsertRow\(\)](#) as Boolean

### Description

If the beginning of the range is inside a dynamic table, this method inserts a new row before the current one. The selection of the range, gets modified to point to the beginning of the newly inserted row. The function returns *true* if the insert operation was successful, otherwise *false*.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----  
' Scripting environment - VBScript  
' Insert row at beginning of current dynamically growing table  
' -----  
  
Dim objRange  
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode  
Set objRange = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection  
  
' check if we can insert something  
If objRange.IsInDynamicTable Then  
    objRange.InsertRow  
    ' objRange points to beginning of new row  
    objRange.Select  
End If
```

## IsCopyEnabled

### See also

**Property:** [IsCopyEnabled](#) as Boolean (read-only)

### Description

Checks if the copy operation is supported for this range.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IsCutEnabled

### See also

**Property:** [IsCutEnabled](#) as Boolean (read-only)

### Description

Checks if the cut operation is supported for this range.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### IsDeleteEnabled

#### See also

**Property:** [IsDeleteEnabled](#) as Boolean (read-only)

#### Description

Checks if the delete operation is supported for this range.

#### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### IsEmpty

#### See also

**Method:** [IsEmpty\(\)](#) as Boolean

#### Description

Tests if the first and last position of the range are equal.

#### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### IsEqual

#### See also

**Method:** [IsEqual](#) (*objCmpRange* as [AuthenticRange](#)) as Boolean

#### Description

Tests if the start and end of both ranges are the same.

#### Errors

- 2001 One of the two range objects being compared, is invalid.
- 2005 Invalid address for a return parameter was specified.

### IsFirstRow

#### See also

**Property:** [IsFirstRow](#) as Boolean (read-only)

#### Description

Test if the range is in the first row of a table. Which table is taken into consideration depends on the extend of the range. If the selection exceeds a single row of a table, the check is if this table is the first element in an embedding table. See the entry helpers of the user manual for more information.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IsInDynamicTable****See also**

**Method:** [IsInDynamicTable\(\)](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Test if the whole range is inside a table that supports the different row operations like 'insert', 'append', duplicate, etc.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IsLastRow****See also**

**Property:** [IsLastRow](#) as Boolean (read-only)

**Description**

Test if the range is in the last row of a table. Which table is taken into consideration depends on the extend of the range. If the selection exceeds a single row of a table, the check is if this table is the last element in an embedding table. See the entry helpers of the user manual for more information.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IsPasteEnabled****See also**

**Property:** [IsPasteEnabled](#) as Boolean (read-only)

**Description**

Checks if the paste operation is supported for this range.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IsSelected**

**Property:** [IsSelected](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Returns true() if selection is present. The selection range still can be empty: that happens when

e.g. only the cursor is set.

## IsTextStateApplied

### See also

**Method:** `IsTextStateApplied` (`i_strElementName` as String) as Boolean

### Description

Checks if all the selected text is embedded into an XML Element with name `i_strElementName`. Common examples for the parameter `i_strElementName` are "strong", "bold" or "italic".

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## LastTextPosition

### See also

**Property:** `LastTextPosition` as Long

### Description

Set or get the rightmost text position index of the range object. This index is always greater or equal to [FirstTextPosition](#). Indexing starts with 0 at the document beginning, and increments with every different position that the text cursor can occupy. Incrementing the text position by 1, has the same effect as the cursor-right key. Decreasing the text position by 1 has the same effect as the cursor-left key.

If you set `LastTextPosition` to a value less than the current [FirstTextPosition](#), [FirstTextPosition](#) gets set to the new `LastTextPosition`.

HINT: Use text cursor positions with care, since this is a costly operation compared to XMLData based cursor positioning.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is not valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 2006 A text position outside the document was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----  
' Scripting environment - VBScript  
' -----  
  
Dim objAuthenticView  
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode  
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView  
  
nDocStartPosition = objAuthenticView.DocumentBegin.FirstTextPosition  
nDocEndPosition = objAuthenticView.DocumentEnd.FirstTextPosition  
  
' let's create a range that selects the whole document
```

```
' in an inefficient way
Dim objRange
' we need to get a (any) range object first
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.DocumentBegin
objRange.FirstTextPosition = nDocStartPosition
objRange.LastTextPosition = nDocEndPosition

' let's check if we got it right
If objRange.IsEqual(objAuthenticView.WholeDocument) Then
    MsgBox "Test using direct text cursor positioning was ok"
Else
    MsgBox "Oops!"
End If
```

## LastXMLData

### See also

**Property:** [LastXMLData](#) as [XMLData](#)

### Description

Set or get the last `XMLData` element in the underlying document that is partially or completely selected by the range. The exact end of the selection is defined by the [LastXMLDataOffset](#) attribute.

Whenever you set `LastXMLData` to a new data object, [LastXMLDataOffset](#) gets set to the last cursor position inside this element. Only `XMLData` objects that have a cursor position may be used. If you set `LastXMLData` / [LastXMLDataOffset](#), select a position less than the current [FirstXMLData](#) / [FirstXMLDataOffset](#), the latter gets moved to the new end position.

HINT: You can use the [FirstXMLData](#) and [LastXMLData](#) properties to directly access and manipulate the underlying XML document in those cases, where the methods available with the [AuthenticRange](#) object are not sufficient.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is not valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 2008 Internal error
- 2009 The `XMLData` object cannot be accessed.

## LastXMLDataOffset

### See also

**Property:** [LastXMLDataOffset](#) as Long

### Description

Set or get the cursor position inside [LastXMLData](#) element for the end of the range.

Offset positions are based on the characters returned by the [Text](#) property and start with 0. When setting a new offset, use -1 to set the offset to the last possible position in the element.

The following cases require specific attention:

- The textual form of entries in Combo Boxes, Check Boxes and similar controls can be different from what you see on the screen. Although, the data offset is based on this text, there only two valid offset positions, one at the beginning and one at the end of the entry. An attempt to set the offset to somewhere in the middle of the entry, will result in the offset being set to the end.
- The textual form of XML Entities might differ in length from their representation on the screen. The offset is based on this textual form.

If [LastXMLData](#) / [LastXMLDataOffset](#) selects a position before [FirstXMLData](#) / [FirstXMLDataOffset](#), the latter gets moved to the new end position.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is not valid.  
 2005 Invalid offset was specified.  
 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Select the complete text of an XMLData element
' using XMLData based selection and ExpandTo
' -----

Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

' first we use the XMLData based range properties
' to select all text of the first XMLData element
' in the current selection
Dim objRange
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.Selection
objRange.FirstXMLDataOffset = 0 ' start at beginning of element text
objRange.LastXMLData = objRange.FirstXMLData ' select only one element
objRange.LastXMLDataOffset = -1 ' select till its end

' the same can be achieved with the ExpandTo method
Dim objRange2
Set objRange2 = objAuthenticView.Selection.ExpandTo(spyAuthenticTag)

' were we successful?
If objRange.IsEqual(objRange2) Then
    objRange.Select()
Else
    MsgBox "Ooops"
End If
```

### MoveBegin

#### See also

**Method:** [MoveBegin](#) (*eKind* as [SPYAuthenticElementKind](#), *nCount* as Long) as [AuthenticRange](#)

**Description**

Move the beginning of the range to the beginning of the `nCount` element of type `eKind`. Counting starts at the current beginning of the range object.

Use positive numbers for `nCount` to move towards the document end, use negative numbers to move towards document beginning. The end of the range stays unmoved, unless the new beginning would be larger than it. In this case, the end is moved to the new beginning. The method returns the modified range object.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2003 Target lies after end of document.
- 2004 Target lies before beginning of document.
- 2005 Invalid element kind specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**MoveEnd****See also**

**Method:** `MoveEnd` (`eKind` as [SPYAuthenticElementKind](#), `nCount` as Long) as [AuthenticRange](#)

**Description**

Move the end of the range to the begin of the `nCount` element of type `eKind`. Counting starts at the current end of the range object.

Use positive numbers for `nCount` to move towards the document end, use negative numbers to move towards document beginning. The beginning of the range stays unmoved, unless the new end would be less than it. In this case, the beginning gets moved to the new end. The method returns the modified range object.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2003 Target lies after end of document.
- 2004 Target lies before begin of document.
- 2005 Invalid element kind specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**MoveRowDown****See also**

**Method:** `MoveRowDown` () as Boolean

**Description**

If the beginning of the range is inside a dynamic table and selects a row which is not the last row in this table, this method swaps this row with the row immediately below. The selection of the range moves with the row, but does not otherwise change. The function returns *true* if the move operation was successful, otherwise *false*.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.

2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## MoveRowUp

### See also

**Method:** [MoveRowUp\(\)](#) as Boolean

### Description

If the beginning of the range is inside a dynamic table and selects a row which is not the first row in this table, this method swaps this row with the row above. The selection of the range moves with the row, but does not change otherwise. The function returns *true* if the move operation was successful, otherwise *false*.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

See [JScript - Bubble Sort Dynamic Tables](#).

## Parent

### See also

**Property:** [Parent](#) as [AuthenticView](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the view that owns this range object.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Paste

### See also

**Method:** [Paste\(\)](#) as Boolean

### Description

Returns *False* if the copy/paste buffer is empty, or its content cannot replace the current selection.

Otherwise, deletes the current selection, inserts the content of the copy/paste buffer, and returns *True*.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## PerformAction

### See also

**Method:** `PerformAction` (*eAction* as [SPYAuthenticActions](#), *strElementName* as String) as Boolean

### Description

`PerformAction` and its related methods, give access to the entry-helper functions of `Authentic`. This function allows easy and consistent modification of the document content without a need to know exactly where the modification will take place. The beginning of the range object is used to locate the next valid location where the specified action can be performed. If no such location can be found, the method returns *False*. Otherwise, the document gets modified and the range points to the beginning of the modification.

HINT: To find out element names that can be passed as the second parameter use [CanPerformActionWith](#).

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 2007 Invalid action was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Insert the innermost element
' -----

Dim objRange
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objRange = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection

' we determine the elements that can be inserted at the current position
Dim arrElements()
objRange.CanPerformActionWith spyAuthenticInsertBefore, arrElements

' we insert the first (innermost) element
If UBound(arrElements) >= 0 Then
    objRange.PerformAction spyAuthenticInsertBefore, arrElements(0)
    ' objRange now points to the beginning of the inserted element
    ' we set a default value and position at its end
    objRange.Text = "Hello"
    objRange.ExpandTo(spyAuthenticTag).CollapsToEnd().Select
Else
    MsgBox "Can't insert any elements at current position"
End If
```

## Select

### See also

**Method:** `Select` ()

### Description

Makes this range the current user interface selection. You can achieve the same result using:  
'objRange.Parent.Selection = objRange'

### Errors

2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.

### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' -----
Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

' set current selection to end of document
objAuthenticView.DocumentEnd.Select()
```

### SelectNext

#### See also

**Method:** [SelectNext](#) (*eKind* as [SPYAuthenticElementKind](#)) as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Selects the element of type *eKind* after the current end of the range. The method returns the modified range object.

### Errors

2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.  
2003 Target lies after end of document.  
2005 Invalid element kind specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Scan through the whole document word-by-word
' -----
Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

Dim objRange
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.DocumentBegin
Dim bEndOfDocument
bEndOfDocument = False

On Error Resume Next
While Not bEndOfDocument
    objRange.SelectNext(spyAuthenticWord).Select
    If ((Err.number - vbObjecterror) = 2003) Then
        bEndOfDocument = True
        Err.Clear
    ElseIf (Err.number <> 0) Then
```

```

        Err.Raise ' forward error
    End If
Wend

```

## SelectPrevious

### See also

**Method:** [GotoPrevious](#) (*eKind* as [SPYAuthenticElementKind](#)) as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Selects the element of type *eKind* before the current beginning of the range. The method returns the modified range object.

### Errors

- 2001 The authentic range object, or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2004 Target lies before begin of document.
- 2005 Invalid element kind specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```

' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Scan through the whole document tag-by-tag
' -----

Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

Dim objRange
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.DocumentEnd
Dim bEndOfDocument
bBeginOfDocument = False

On Error Resume Next
While Not bBeginOfDocument
    objRange.SelectPrevious(spyAuthenticTag).Select
    If ((Err.number - vbObjectError) = 2004) Then
        bBeginOfDocument = True
        Err.Clear
    ElseIf (Err.number <> 0) Then
        Err.Raise ' forward error
    End If
Wend

```

## SetElementAttributeValue

### See also

**Method:** [SetElementAttributeValue](#) (*strElementName* as String, *strAttributeName* as String, *strAttributeValue* as String)

**Description**

Set the value of the attribute specified in `strAttributeName` for the element identified with `strElementName`. If the attribute is supported but has no value assigned, the empty string is returned. To find out the names of attributes supported by an element, use [GetElementAttributeNames](#), or [HasElementAttribute](#).

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid element name was specified.  
Invalid attribute name was specified.  
Invalid attribute value was specified.

**Examples**

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' Get and set element attributes
' -----

Dim objRange
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objRange = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection

' first we find out all the elements below the beginning of the range
Dim arrElements
objRange.GetElementHierarchy arrElements

If IsArray(arrElements) Then
    If UBound(arrElements) >= 0 Then
        ' we use the top level element and find out its valid attributes
        Dim arrAttrs()
        objRange.GetElementAttributeNames arrElements(0), arrAttrs

        If UBound(arrAttrs) >= 0 Then
            ' we retrieve the current value of the first valid attribute
            Dim strAttrVal
            strAttrVal = objRange.GetElementAttributeValue
(arrElements(0), arrAttrs(0))
            msgbox "current value of " & arrElements(0) & "/" &
arrAttrs(0) & " is: " & strAttrVal

            ' we change this value and read it again
            strAttrVal = "Hello"
            objRange.SetElementAttributeValue arrElements(0),
arrAttrs(0), strAttrVal
            strAttrVal = objRange.GetElementAttributeValue
(arrElements(0), arrAttrs(0))
            msgbox "new value of " & arrElements(0) & "/" & arrAttrs(0)
& " is: " & strAttrVal
        End If
    End If
End If
```

## SetFromRange

### See also

**Method:** [SetFromRange](#) (*objSrcRange* as [AuthenticRange](#))

### Description

Sets the range object to the same beginning and end positions as `objSrcRange`.

### Errors

- 2001 One of the two range objects, is invalid.
- 2005 Null object was specified as source object.

## SetVariableValue

**Method:** [SetVariableValue](#) (*strName* as string, *strValue* as string)

### Return Value

Sets the value (second parameter) of the variable named in the first parameter.

### Errors

- 2201 Invalid object.
- 2202 No context.
- 2204 No such variable in scope
- 2205 Variable cannot be evaluated
- 2206 Variable returns sequence
- 2207 Variable read-only
- 2208 No modification allowed

## Text

### See also

**Property:** [Text](#) as String

### Description

Set or get the textual content selected by the range object.

The number of characters retrieved are not necessarily identical, as there are text cursor positions between the beginning and end of the selected range. Most document elements support an end cursor position different to the beginning cursor position of the following element. Drop-down lists maintain only one cursor position, but can select strings of any length. In the case of radio buttons and check boxes, the text property value holds the string of the corresponding XML element.

If the range selects more than one element, the text is the concatenation of the single texts. XML entities are expanded so that '&' is expected as '&amp;'.

Setting the text to the empty string, does not delete any XML elements. Use [Cut](#), [Delete](#) or [PerformAction](#) instead.

**Errors**

- 2001 The authentic range object or its related view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for a return parameter was specified.

**3.2.6 AuthenticView****See also****Properties**

[Application](#)  
[AsXMLString](#)  
[DocumentBegin](#)  
[DocumentEnd](#)  
[Event](#)  
[MarkupVisibility](#)  
[Parent](#)  
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**Methods**

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[OnMouseEvent](#)  
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**Description**

AuthenticView and its child objects [AuthenticRange](#) and `AuthenticDataTransfer` provide you with an interface for Authentic View, which allow easy and consistent modification of document contents. These interfaces replace the following interfaces which are marked now as **obsolete**:

- `OldAuthenticView` (old name was `DocEditView`)
- `AuthenticSelection` (old name was `DocEditSelection`, superseded by [AuthenticRange](#))
- `AuthenticEvent` (old name was `DocEditEvent`)

AuthenticView gives you easy access to specific features such as printing, the multi-level undo buffer, and the current cursor selection, or position.

AuthenticView uses objects of type [AuthenticRange](#) to make navigation inside the document straight-forward, and to allow for the flexible selection of logical text elements. Use the properties [DocumentBegin](#), [DocumentEnd](#), or [WholeDocument](#) for simple selections, while using the [Goto](#) method for more complex selections. To navigate relative to a given document range, see the methods and properties of the [AuthenticRange](#) object.

**Examples**

```

' -----
' XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript
' secure access to authentic view object
' -----

Dim objDocument
Set objDocument = Application.ActiveDocument
If (Not objDocument Is Nothing) Then
    ' we have an active document, now check for view mode
    If (objDocument.CurrentViewMode <> spyViewAuthentic) Then
        If (Not objDocument.SwitchViewMode (spyViewAuthentic)) Then
            MsgBox "Active document does not support authentic view
mode"
        Else
            ' now it is safe to access the authentic view object

```

```
        Dim objAuthenticView
        Set objAuthenticView = objDocument.AuthenticView
        ' now use the authentic view object

    End If
End If
Else
    MsgBox "No document is open"
End If
```

## Events

### *OnBeforeCopy*

#### See also

**Event:** *OnBeforeCopy*() as Boolean

#### **Scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_AuthenticBeforeCopy()
    ' On_AuthenticBeforeCopy = False ' to disable operation
End Function
```

#### **Scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_AuthenticBeforeCopy()
{
    // return false; /* to disable operation */
}
```

#### **IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (21, ...) // nEventId = 21
```

### **Description**

This event gets triggered before a copy operation gets performed on the document. Return *True* (or nothing) to allow copy operation. Return *False* to disable copying.

### *OnBeforeCut*

#### See also

**Event:** *OnBeforeCut*() as Boolean

#### **Scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_AuthenticBeforeCut()
    ' On_AuthenticBeforeCut = False ' to disable operation
End Function
```

#### **Scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_AuthenticBeforeCut()
{
    // return false; /* to disable operation */
}
```

**IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (20, ...) // nEventId = 20
```

**Description**

This event gets triggered before a cut operation gets performed on the document. Return *True* (or nothing) to allow cut operation. Return *False* to disable operation.

**OnBeforeDelete****See also**

**Event:** [OnBeforeDelete\(\)](#) as Boolean

**Scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_AuthenticBeforeDelete()
    ' On_AuthenticBeforeDelete = False ' to disable operation
End Function
```

**Scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_AuthenticBeforeDelete()
{
    // return false; /* to disable operation */
}
```

**IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (22, ...) // nEventId = 22
```

**Description**

This event gets triggered before a delete operation gets performed on the document. Return *True* (or nothing) to allow delete operation. Return *False* to disable operation.

**OnBeforeDrop****See also**

**Event:** [OnBeforeDrop](#) (*i\_nXPos* as Long, *i\_nYPos* as Long, *i\_ipRange* as [AuthenticRange](#), *i\_ipData* as cancelBoolean)

**Scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_AuthenticBeforeDrop(nXPos, nYPos, objRange, objData)
    ' On_AuthenticBeforeDrop = False ' to disable operation
End Function
```

**Scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_AuthenticBeforeDrop(nXPos, nYPos, objRange, objData)
{
    // return false; /* to disable operation */
}
```

**IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (11, ...) // nEventId = 11
```

**Description**

This event gets triggered whenever a previously dragged object gets dropped inside the application window. All event related information gets passed as parameters.

The first two parameters specify the mouse position at the time when the event occurred. The parameter *objRange* passes a range object that selects the XML element below the mouse position. The value of this parameter might be *NULL*. Be sure to check before you access the range object. The parameter *objData* allows to access information about the object being dragged.

Return *False* to cancel the drop operation. Return *True* (or nothing) to continue normal operation.

**Examples**

```
' -----
' VB code snippet - connecting to object level events
' -----
' access XMLSpy (without checking for any errors)
Dim objSpy As XMLSpyLib.Application
Set objSpy = GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application")

' this is the event callback routine connected to the OnBeforeDrop
' event of object objView
Private Function objView_OnBeforeDrop(ByVal i_nXPos As Long, ByVal i_nYPos As
Long,
                                     ByVal i_ipRange As IAuthenticRange,
                                     ByVal i_ipData As
IAuthenticDataTransfer) As Boolean

    If (Not i_ipRange Is Nothing) Then
        MsgBox ("Dropping on content is prohibited");
        Return False;
    Else
        Return True;
    End If
End Function

' use VBA keyword WithEvents to connect to object-level event
Dim WithEvents objView As XMLSpyLib.AuthenticView
Set objView = objSpy.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

' continue here with something useful ...
' and serve the windows message loop
```

**OnBeforePaste****See also**

**Event:** `OnBeforePaste` (*objData* as Variant, *strType* as String) as Boolean

**Scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_AuthenticBeforePaste(objData, strType)
    ' On_AuthenticBeforePaste = False ' to disable operation
End Function
```

**Scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_AuthenticBeforePaste(objData, strType)
{
    // return false; /* to disable operation */
}
```

**IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(19, ...) // nEventId = 19
```

**Description**

This event gets triggered before a paste operation gets performed on the document. The parameter *strType* is one of "TEXT", "UNICODETEXT" or "IUNKNOWN". In the first two cases *objData* contains a string representation of the object that will be pasted. In the later case, *objData* contains a pointer to an IUnknown COM interface.

Return *True* (or nothing) to allow paste operation. Return *False* to disable operation.

**OnBeforeSave**

**Event:** *OnBeforeSave* (SaveAs flag) as Boolean

**Description:** *OnBeforeSave* gives the opportunity to e.g. warn the user about overwriting the existing XML document, or to make the document read-only when specific circumstances are not met. The event will be fired before the file dialog is shown.

**OnDragOver****See also**

**Event:** *OnDragOver* (*nXPos* as Long, *nYPos* as Long, *eMouseEvent* as [SPYMouseEvent](#), *objRange* as [AuthenticRange](#), *objData* as AuthenticDataTransfer) as Boolean

**Scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_AuthenticDragOver(nXPos, nYPos, eMouseEvent, objRange,
objData)
    ' On_AuthenticDragOver = False ' to disable operation
End Function
```

**Scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_AuthenticDragOver(nXPos, nYPos, eMouseEvent, objRange,
objData)
{
    // return false; /* to disable operation */
}
```

**IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(10, ...) // nEventId = 10
```

**Description**

This event gets triggered whenever an object from within or outside of Authentic View gets

dragged with the mouse over the application window. All event related information gets passed as parameters.

The first three parameters specify the mouse position, the mouse button status and the status of the virtual keys at the time when the event occurred. The parameter *objRange* passes a range object that selects the XML element below the mouse position. The value of this parameter might be *NULL*. Be sure to check before you access the range object. The parameter *objData* allows to access information about the object being dragged.

Return *False* to cancel the drag operation. Return *True* (or nothing) to continue normal operation.

### Examples

```
' -----
' VB code snippet - connecting to object level events
' -----
' access XMLSpy (without checking for any errors)
Dim objSpy As XMLSpyLib.Application
Set objSpy = GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application")

' this is the event callback routine connected to the OnDragOver
' event of object objView
Private Function objView_OnDragOver(ByVal i_nXPos As Long, ByVal i_nYPos As
Long,
                                     ByVal i_eMouseEvent As SPYMouseEvent,
                                     ByVal i_ipRange As IAuthenticRange,
                                     ByVal i_ipData As IAuthenticDataTransfer)
As Boolean

    If (((i_eMouseEvent And spyShiftKeyDownMask) <> 0) And
        (Not i_ipRange Is Nothing)) Then
        MsgBox ("Floating over element " &
i_ipRange.FirstXMLData.Parent.Name);
    End If

    Return True;
End Function

' use VBA keyword WithEvents to connect to object-level event
Dim WithEvents objView As XMLSpyLib.AuthenticView
Set objView = objSpy.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

' continue here with something useful ...
' and serve the windows message loop
```

### OnKeyboardEvent

#### See also

**Event:** `OnKeyboardEvent` (*eKeyEvent* as [SPYKeyEvent](#), *nKeyCode* as Long, *nVirtualKeyStatus* as Long) as Boolean

#### Scripting environment - VBScript:

```
Function On_AuthenticKeyboardEvent(eKeyEvent, nKeyCode,
nVirtualKeyStatus)
```

```

    ' On_AuthenticKeyboardEvent = True ' to cancel bubbling of
    event
End Function

```

### Scripting environment - JScript:

```

function On_AuthenticKeyboardEvent(eKeyEvent, nKeyCode,
nVirtualKeyStatus)
{
    // return true; /* to cancel bubbling of event */
}

```

### IDE Plugin:

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(30, ...) // nEventId = 30
```

### Description

This event gets triggered for *WM\_KEYDOWN*, *WM\_KEYUP* and *WM\_CHAR* Windows messages.

The actual message type is available in the *eKeyEvent* parameter. The status of virtual keys is combined in the parameter *nVirtualKeyStatus*. Use the bit-masks defined in the enumeration datatype [SPYVirtualKeyMask](#), to test for the different keys or their combinations.

### OnLoad

**Event:** *OnLoad* ()

**Description:** *OnLoad* can be used e.g. to restrict some AuthenticView functionality, as shown in the example below:

```

function On_AuthenticLoad( )
{
    // We are disabling all entry helpers in order to prevent user from
    // manipulating XML tree
    AuthenticView.DisableElementEntryHelper();
    AuthenticView.DisableAttributeEntryHelper();

    // We are also disabling the markup buttons for the same purpose
    AuthenticView.SetToolBarButtonState( 'AuthenticMarkupSmall',
authenticToolBarButtonDisabled );
    AuthenticView.SetToolBarButtonState( 'AuthenticMarkupLarge',
authenticToolBarButtonDisabled );
    AuthenticView.SetToolBarButtonState( 'AuthenticMarkupMixed',
authenticToolBarButtonDisabled );
}

```

In the example the status of the Markup Small, Markup Large, Markup Mixed toolbar buttons are manipulated with the help of button identifiers. See [complete list](#).

### OnMouseEvent

**See also**

**Event:** *OnMouseEvent* (*nXPos* as Long, *nYPos* as Long, *eMouseEvent* as [SPYMouseEvent](#), *objRange* as [AuthenticRange](#)) as Boolean

**Scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_AuthenticMouseEvent(nXPos, nYPos, eMouseEvent, objRange)
    ' On_AuthenticMouseEvent = True ' to cancel bubbling of event
End Function
```

**Scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_AuthenticMouseEvent(nXPos, nYPos, eMouseEvent, objRange)
{
    // return true; /* to cancel bubbling of event */
}
```

**IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(31, ...) // nEventId = 31
```

**Description**

This event gets triggered for every mouse movement and mouse button Windows message.

The actual message type and the mouse buttons status, is available in the *eMouseEvent* parameter. Use the bit-masks defined in the enumeration datatype [SPYMouseEvent](#) to test for the different messages, button status, and their combinations.

The parameter *objRange* identifies the part of the document found at the current mouse cursor position. The range objects always selects a complete tag of the document. (This might change in future versions, when a more precise positioning mechanism becomes available). If no selectable part of the document is found at the current position, the range object is *null*.

**OnSelectionChanged****See also**

**Event:** [OnSelectionChanged](#) (*objNewSelection* as [AuthenticRange](#))

**Scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_AuthenticSelectionChanged(objNewSelection)
End Function
```

**Scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_AuthenticSelectionChanged(objNewSelection)
{
}
```

**IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(23, ...) // nEventId = 23
```

**Description**

This event gets triggered whenever the selection in the user interface changes.

**Examples**

```
' -----
' VB code snippet - connecting to object level events
' -----
' access XMLSpy (without checking for any errors)
```

```

Dim objSpy As XMLSpyLib.Application
Set objSpy = GetObject("", "XMLSpy.Application")

' this is the event callback routine connected to the OnSelectionChanged
' event of object objView
Private Sub objView_OnSelectionChanged (ByVal i_ipNewRange As
XMLSpyLib.IAuthenticRange)
    MsgBox ("new selection: " & i_ipNewRange.Text)
End Sub

' use VBA keyword WithEvents to connect to object-level event
Dim WithEvents objView As XMLSpyLib.AuthenticView
Set objView = objSpy.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

' continue here with something useful ...
' and serve the windows message loop

```

### **OnToolbarButtonClicked**

**Event:** `OnToolbarButtonClicked` (Button identifier)

**Description:** `OnToolbarButtonClicked` is fired when a toolbar button was clicked by user. The parameter button identifier helps to determine which button was clicked. The list of predefined button identifiers is below:

- AuthenticPrint
- AuthenticPrintPreview
- AuthenticUndo
- AuthenticRedo
- AuthenticCut
- AuthenticCopy
- AuthenticPaste
- AuthenticClear
- AuthenticMarkupHide
- AuthenticMarkupLarge
- AuthenticMarkupMixed
- AuthenticMarkupSmall
- AuthenticValidate
- AuthenticChangeWorkingDBXMLCell
- AuthenticSave
- AuthenticSaveAs
- AuthenticReload
- AuthenticTableInsertRow
- AuthenticTableAppendRow
- AuthenticTableDeleteRow
- AuthenticTableInsertCol
- AuthenticTableAppendCol
- AuthenticTableDeleteCol
- AuthenticTableJoinCellRight
- AuthenticTableJoinCellLeft
- AuthenticTableJoinCellAbove
- AuthenticTableJoinCellBelow

- AuthenticTableSplitCellHorizontally
- AuthenticTableSplitCellVertically
- AuthenticTableAlignCellContentTop
- AuthenticTableCenterCellVertically
- AuthenticTableAlignCellContentBottom
- AuthenticTableAlignCellContentLeft
- AuthenticTableCenterCellContent
- AuthenticTableAlignCellContentRight
- AuthenticTableJustifyCellContent
- AuthenticTableInsertTable
- AuthenticTableDeleteTable
- AuthenticTableProperties
- AuthenticAppendRow
- AuthenticInsertRow
- AuthenticDuplicateRow
- AuthenticMoveRowUp
- AuthenticMoveRowDown
- AuthenticDeleteRow
- AuthenticDefineEntities
- AuthenticXMLSignature

For custom buttons the user might add his own identifiers. Please, note that the user must take care, as the identifiers are not checked for uniqueness. The same identifiers can be used to identify buttons in the `Set/GetToolbarState()` COM API calls. By adding code for different buttons, the user is in the position to completely redefine the AuthenticView toolbar behavior, adding own methods for table manipulation, etc.

### ***OnToolbarButtonExecuted***

**Event:** `OnToolbarButtonExecuted` (Button identifier)

**Description:** `OnToolbarButtonClicked` is fired when a toolbar button was clicked by user. The parameter `button identifier` helps to determine which button was clicked. See the list of [predefined button identifiers](#).

`OnToolbarButtonExecuted` is fired after the toolbar action was executed. It is useful e.g. to add update code, as shown in the example below:

```
//event fired when a toolbar button action was executed
function On_AuthenticToolbarButtonExecuted( varBtnIdentifier )
{
    // After whatever command user has executed - make sure to update toolbar
    button states
    UpdateOwnToolbarButtonStates();
}
```

In this case `UpdateOwnToolbarButtonStates` is a user function defined in the Global Declarations.

### ***OnUserAddedXMLNode***

**Event:** [OnUserAddedXMLNode](#) (XML node)

**Description:** [OnUserAddedXMLNode](#) will be fired when the user adds an XML node as a primary action. This happens in the situations, where the user clicks on

- auto-add hyperlinks (see example [OnUserAddedXMLNode.sps](#))
- the Insert..., Insert After..., Insert Before... context menu items
- Append row, Insert row toolbar buttons
- Insert After..., Insert Before... actions in element entry helper (outside StyleVision)

The event doesn't get fired on Duplicate row, or when the node was added externally (e.g. via COM API), or on Apply (e.g. Text State Icons), or when in XML table operations or in DB operations.

The event parameter is the XML node object, which was added giving the user an opportunity to manipulate the XML node added. An elaborate example for an event handler can be found in the [OnUserAddedXMLNode.sps](#) file.

## **Application**

**See also**

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### **Description**

Accesses the XMLSpy application object.

### **Errors**

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## **AsXMLString**

**See also**

**Property:** [AsXMLString](#) as String

### **Description**

Returns or sets the document content as an XML string. Setting the content to a new value does not change the schema file or sps file in use. If the new [XMLString](#) does not match the actual schema file error 2011 gets returned.

### **Errors**

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2011 [AsXMLString](#) was set to a value which is no valid XML for the current schema file.

## ContextMenu

**Property:** `ContextMenu ()` as `ContextMenu`

### Description

The property `ContextMenu` gives access to customize the context menu. The best place to do it is in the event handler `OnContextMenuActivated`.

### Errors

- 2000 Invalid object.
- 2005 Invalid parameter.

## CreateXMLNode

**Method:** `CreateXMLNode (nKind as SPYXMLDataKind)` as `XMLData`

### Return Value

The method returns the new `XMLData` object.

### Description

To create a new `XMLData` object use the `CreateXMLNode ()` method.

### Errors

- 2000 Invalid object.
- 2012 Cannot create XML node.

## DisableAttributeEntryHelper

**Method:** `DisableAttributeEntryHelper ()`

### Description

`DisableAttributeEntryHelper ()` disables the attribute entry helper in XMLSpy, Authentic Desktop and Authentic Browser plug-in.

### Errors

- 2000 Invalid object.

## DisableElementEntryHelper

**Method:** `DisableElementEntryHelper ()`

### Description

`DisableElementEntryHelper ()` disables the element entry helper in XMLSpy, Authentic Desktop and Authentic Browser plug-in.

### Errors

- 2000 Invalid object.

## DisableEntityEntryHelper

**Method:** `DisableEntityEntryHelper()`

### Description

`DisableEntityEntryHelper()` disables the entity entry helper in XMLSpy, Authentic Desktop and Authentic Browser plug-in.

### Errors

2000 Invalid object.

## DocumentBegin

### See also

**Property:** `DocumentBegin` as [AuthenticRange](#) (read-only)

### Description

Retrieve a range object that points to the beginning of the document.

### Errors

2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.  
2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## DocumentEnd

### See also

**Property:** `DocumentEnd` as [AuthenticRange](#) (read-only)

### Description

Retrieve a range object that points to the end of the document.

### Errors

2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.  
2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## DoNotPerformStandardAction

**Method:** `DoNotPerformStandardAction()`

### Description

`DoNotPerformStandardAction()` serves as cancel bubble for macros, and stops further execution after macro has finished.

### Errors

2000 Invalid object.

## EvaluateXPath

**Method:** `EvaluateXPath` (XMLData as [XMLData](#), strExpression as string) strValue as string

### Return Value

The method returns a string

### Description

`EvaluateXPath()` executes an XPath expressions with the given XML context node. The result is returned as string, in the case of a sequence it is a space-separated string.

### Errors

2000	Invalid object.
2005	Invalid parameter.
2008	Internal error.
2013	XPath error.

### Event

#### See also

**Property:** `Event` as `AuthenticEvent` (read-only)

### Description

This property gives access to parameters of the last event in the same way as `OldAuthenticView.event` does. Since all events for the scripting environment and external clients are now available with parameters this `Event` property should only be used from within IDE-Plugins.

### Errors

2000	The authentic view object is no longer valid.
2005	Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### EventContext

**Property:** `EventContext()` as `EventContext`

### Description

`EventContext` property gives access to the running macros context. See the [EventContext](#) interface description for more details.

### Errors

2000	Invalid object.
------	-----------------

### GetToolBarButtonState

**Method:** `GetToolBarButtonState` (`ButtonIdentifier` as `string`) as `AuthenticToolBarButtonState`

### Return Value

The method returns `AuthenticToolBarButtonState`

### Description

`Get/SetToolBarButtonState` queries the status of a toolbar button, and lets the user disable or enable the button, identified via its button identifier ([see list above](#)). One usage is to disable toolbar buttons permanently. Another usage is to put `SetToolBarButtonState` in the

`OnSelectionChanged` event handler, as toolbar buttons are updated regularly when the selection changes in the document.

Toolbar button states are given by the [listed enumerations](#).

The default state means that the enable/disable of the button is governed by `AuthenticView`. When the user sets the button state to enable or disable, the button remains in that state as long as the user does not change it.

#### Errors

- 2000 Invalid object.
- 2005 Invalid parameter.
- 2008 Internal error.
- 2014 Invalid button identifier.

#### Goto

##### See also

**Method:** `Goto` (*eKind* as [SPYAuthenticElementKind](#), *nCount* as Long, *eFrom* as [SPYAuthenticDocumentPosition](#)) as [AuthenticRange](#)

#### Description

Retrieve a range object that points to the beginning of the *nCount* element of type *eKind*. The start position is defined by the parameter *eFrom*. Use positive values for *nCount* to navigate to the document end. Use negative values to navigate towards the beginning of the document.

#### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2003 Target lies after end of document.
- 2004 Target lies before beginning of document.
- 2005 Invalid element kind specified.  
The document position to start from is not one of `spyAuthenticDocumentBegin` or `spyAuthenticDocumentEnd`.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

#### Examples

```
' -----
' Scripting environment - VBScript
' -----

Dim objAuthenticView
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView

On Error Resume Next
Dim objRange
' goto beginning of first table in document
Set objRange = objAuthenticView.Goto (spyAuthenticTable, 1,
spyAuthenticDocumentBegin)
If (Err.number = 0) Then
    objRange.Select()
Else
    MsgBox "No table found in document"
End If
```

## IsRedoEnabled

### See also

**Property:** [IsRedoEnabled](#) as Boolean (read-only)

### Description

True if redo steps are available and [Redo](#) is possible.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IsUndoEnabled

### See also

**Property:** [IsUndoEnabled](#) as Boolean (read-only)

### Description

True if undo steps are available and [Undo](#) is possible.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## MarkupVisibility

### See also

**Property:** [MarkupVisibility](#) as [SPYAuthenticMarkupVisibility](#)

### Description

Set or get current visibility of markup.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid enumeration value was specified.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Parent

### See also

**Property:** [Parent](#) as [Document](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the document shown in this view.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Print

### See also

**Method:** `Print` (*bWithPreview* as Boolean, *bPromptUser* as Boolean)

### Description

Print the document shown in this view. If *bWithPreview* is set to *True*, the print preview dialog pops up. If *bPromptUser* is set to *True*, the print dialog pops up. If both parameters are set to *False*, the document gets printed without further user interaction.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.

## Redo

### See also

**Method:** `Redo` () as Boolean

### Description

Redo the modification undone by the last undo command.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Selection

### See also

**Property:** `Selection` as [AuthenticRange](#)

### Description

Set or get current text selection in user interface.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2002 No cursor selection is active.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Examples

```
' -----  
' Scripting environment - VBScript  
' -----  
  
Dim objAuthenticView  
' we assume that the active document is open in authentic view mode  
Set objAuthenticView = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView
```

```
' if we are the end of the document, re-start at the beginning
If (objAuthenticView.Selection.IsEqual(objAuthenticView.DocumentEnd)) Then
    objAuthenticView.Selection = objAuthenticView.DocumentBegin
Else
    ' objAuthenticView.Selection =
objAuthenticView.Selection.GotoNextCursorPosition()
    ' or shorter:
    objAuthenticView.Selection.GotoNextCursorPosition().Select
End If
```

## SetToolBarButtonState

**Method:** `SetToolBarButtonState` (ButtonIdentifier as string, AuthenticToolBarButtonState state)

### Description

`Get/SetToolBarButtonState` queries the status of a toolbar button, and lets the user disable or enable the button, identified via its button identifier ([see list above](#)). One usage is to disable toolbar buttons permanently. Another usage is to put `SetToolBarButtonState` in the `OnSelectionChanged` event handler, as toolbar buttons are updated regularly when the selection changes in the document.

Toolbar button states are given by the [listed enumerations](#).

The default state means that the enable/disable of the button is governed by `AuthenticView`. When the user sets the button state to enable or disable, the button remains in that state as long as the user does not change it.

### Errors

- 2000 Invalid object.
- 2008 Internal error.
- 2014 Invalid button identifier.

## Undo

### See also

**Method:** `Undo()` as Boolean

### Description

Undo the last modification of the document from within this view.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## UpdateXMLInstanceEntities

### See also

**Method:** `UpdateXMLInstanceEntities()`

### Description

Updates the internal representation of the declared entities, and refills the entry helper. In addition, the validator is reloaded, allowing the XML file to validate correctly. Please note that this may also cause schema files to be reloaded.

### Errors

The method never returns an error.

### Example

```
// -----
// Scripting environment - JavaScript
// -----
if(Application.ActiveDocument && (Application.ActiveDocument.CurrentViewMode
== 4))
{
    var objDocType;
    objDocType =
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.XMLRoot.GetFirstChild(10);

    if(objDocType)
    {
        var objEntity = Application.ActiveDocument.CreateChild(14);
        objEntity.Name = "child";
        objEntity.TextValue = "SYSTEM \"child.xml\"";
        objDocType.AppendChild(objEntity);

Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.UpdateXMLInstanceEntities();
    }
}
```

## WholeDocument

### See also

**Property:** [WholeDocument](#) as [AuthenticRange](#) (read-only)

### Description

Retrieve a range object that selects the whole document.

### Errors

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLDataRoot

### See also

**Property:** [XMLDataRoot](#) as [XMLData](#) (read-only)

### Description

Returns or sets the top-level XMLData element of the current document. This element typically describes the document structure and would be of kind spyXMLDataXMLDocStruct, spyXMLDataXMLEntityDocStruct or spyXMLDataDTDDocStruct..

**Errors**

- 2000 The authentic view object is no longer valid.
- 2005 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### 3.2.7 CodeGeneratorDlg

**See also**

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Properties and Methods**

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

Programming language selection properties

[ProgrammingLanguage](#)

[TemplateFileName](#)

Settings for C++ code

[CPPSettings\\_DOMType](#)

[CPPSettings\\_LibraryType](#)

[CPPSettings\\_UseMFC](#)

[CPPSettings\\_GenerateVC6ProjectFile](#)

[CPPSettings\\_GenerateVSProjectFile](#)

Settings for C# code

[CSharpSettings\\_ProjectType](#)

Dialog handling for above code generation properties

[PropertySheetDialogAction](#)

Output path selection properties

[OutputPath](#)

[OutputPathDialogAction](#)

Presentation of result

[OutputResultDialogAction](#)

**Description**

Use this object to configure the generation of program code for schema files. The method [GenerateProgramCode](#) expects a CodeGeneratorDlg as parameter to configure code generation as well as the associated user interactions.

**Application****See also**

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Access the XMLSpy application object.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**CompatibilityMode (obsolete)**

**Property:** [CompatibilityMode](#) as Boolean

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Description**

Set to `true` to generate code compatible to XMLSpy 2005R3. Set to `false` to use newly added code-generation features.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

**CPPSettings\_DOMType**

**Property:** [CPPSettings\\_DOMType](#) as [SPYDOMType](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Description**

Defines one of the settings that configure generation of C++ code.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

**CPPSettings\_GenerateVC6ProjectFile**

**Property:** [CPPSettings\\_GenerateVC6ProjectFile](#) as Boolean

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Description**

Defines one of the settings that configure generation of C++ code.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

## CPPSettings\_GenerateGCCMakefile

**Property:** [CPPSettings\\_GenerateGCCMakefile](#) as Boolean

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

### Description

Creates makefiles to compile the generated code under Linux with GCC.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

## CPPSettings\_GenerateVSProjectFile

**Property:** [CSharpSettings\\_GenerateVSProjectFile](#) as [SPYProjectType](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

### Description

Defines one of the settings that configure generation of C++ code. Only `spyVisualStudio2005Project (=4)` and `spyVisualStudio2008Project (=5)` and `spyVisualStudio2010Project (=6)` are valid project types.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

## CPPSettings\_LibraryType

**Property:** [CPPSettings\\_LibraryType](#) as [SPYLibType](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

### Description

Defines one of the settings that configure generation of C++ code.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

## CPPSettings\_UseMFC

**Property:** [CPPSettings\\_UseMFC](#) as Boolean

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Description**

Defines one of the settings that configure generation of C++ code.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

**CSharpSettings\_ProjectType**

**Property:** [CSharpSettings\\_ProjectType](#) as [SPYProjectType](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Description**

Defines the only setting to configure generation of C# code.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

**OutputPath**

**Property:** [OutputPath](#) as String

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Description**

Selects the base directory for all generated code.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**OutputPathDialogAction**

**Property:** [OutputPathDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Description**

Defines how the sub-dialog for selecting the code generation output path gets handled. Set this value to *spyDialogUserInput(2)* to show the dialog with the current value of the [OutputPath](#) property as default. Use *spyDialogOK(0)* to hide the dialog from the user.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

## OutputResultDialogAction

**Property:** `OutputResultDialogAction` as [SPYDialogAction](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

### Description

Defines how the sub-dialog that asks to show the result of the code generation process gets handled. Set this value to `spyDialogUserInput(2)` to show the dialog. Use `spyDialogOK(0)` to hide the dialog from the user.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

### Parent

#### See also

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Property:** `Parent` as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ProgrammingLanguage

**Property:** `ProgrammingLanguage` as [ProgrammingLanguage](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

### Description

Selects the output language for the code to be generated.

CAUTION: Setting this property to one of C++, C# or Java, changes the property [TemplateFileName](#) to the appropriate template file delivered with XMLSpy as well. If you want to generate C++, C# or Java code based on your own templates, set first the programming language and then select your template file.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## PropertySheetDialogAction

**Property:** [PropertySheetDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

### Description

Defines how the sub-dialog that configures the code generation process gets handled. Set this value to *spyDialogUserInput(2)* to show the dialog with the current values as defaults. Use *spyDialogOK(0)* to hide the dialog from the user.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid action passed as parameter or an invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

## TemplateFileName

**Property:** [TemplateFileName](#) as String

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

### Description

Selects the code generation template file. XMLSpy comes with template files for C++, C# or Java in the SPL folder of your installation directory.

Setting this property to one of the code generation template files of your XMLSpy installation automatically sets the [ProgrammingLanguage](#) property to its appropriate value.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## 3.2.8 DatabaseConnection

### See also

### Properties for import and export

[File](#) or  
[ADOConnection](#) or  
[ODBCConnection](#)

### Properties for import only

[DatabaseKind](#)  
[SQLSelect](#)  
[AsAttributes](#)  
[ExcludeKeys](#)  
[IncludeEmptyElements](#)  
[NumberDateTimeFormat](#)  
[NullReplacement](#)  
[CommentIncluded](#)

**Properties for export only**[CreateMissingTables](#)[CreateNew](#)[TextFieldLen](#)[DatabaseSchema](#)**Properties for XML Schema from DB Structure generation**[PrimaryKeys](#)[ForeignKeys](#)[UniqueKeys](#)[SchemaExtensionType](#)[SchemaFormat](#)[ImportColumnsType](#)**Description**

`DatabaseConnection` specifies the parameters for the database connection.

Please note that the properties of the `DatabaseConnection` interface are referring to the settings of the import and export dialogs of XMLSpy.

**ADODConnection****See also**

**Property:** [ADODConnection](#) as String

**Description**

The property `ADODConnection` contains a connection string. Either use this property or [ODBCConnection](#) or [File](#) to refer to a database.

**Errors**

No error codes are returned.

**Example**

```
Dim objSpyConn As DatabaseConnection
Set objSpyConn = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings

Dim objADO As DataLinks
Set objADO = CreateObject("DataLinks")

If Not (objADO Is Nothing) Then
    Dim objConn As Connection
    Set objConn = objADO.PromptNew
    objSpyConn.ADOConnection = objConn.ConnectionString
End If
```

**AsAttributes****See also**

**Property:** [AsAttributes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set `AsAttributes` to true if you want to initialize all import fields to be imported as attributes. Default is false and will initialize all fields to be imported as elements. This property is used only in calls to [Application.GetDatabaseImportElementList](#).

**Errors**

No error codes are returned.

**CommentIncluded****See also**

*Property:* [CommentIncluded](#) as Boolean

**Description**

This property tells whether additional comments are added to the generated XML. Default is true. This property is used only when importing from databases.

**Errors**

No error codes are returned.

**CreateMissingTables****See also**

*Property:* [CreateMissingTables](#) as Boolean

**Description**

If `CreateMissingTables` is true, tables which are not already defined in the export database will be created during export. Default is true. This property is used only when exporting to databases.

**Errors**

No error codes are returned.

**CreateNew****See also**

*Property:* [CreateNew](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set `CreateNew` true if you want to create a new database on export. Any existing database will be overwritten. See also [DatabaseConnection.File](#). Default is false. This property is used only when exporting to databases.

**Errors**

No error codes are returned.

**DatabaseKind****See also**

**Property:** `DatabaseKind` as [SPYDatabaseKind](#)

#### Description

Select the kind of database that gets access. The default value is `spyDB_Unspecified(7)` and is sufficient in most cases. This property is used only when importing from databases.

#### Errors

No error codes are returned.

### DatabaseSchema

#### See also

**Property:** `DatabaseSchema` as String

#### Description

This property specifies the Schema used for export in Schema aware databases. Default is `""`. This property is used only when exporting to databases.

#### Errors

No error codes are returned.

### ExcludeKeys

#### See also

**Property:** `ExcludeKeys` as Boolean

#### Description

Set `ExcludeKeys` to true if you want to exclude all key columns from the import data. Default is false. This property is used only when importing from databases.

#### Errors

No error codes are returned.

### File

#### See also

**Property:** `File` as String

#### Description

The property `File` sets the path for the database during export or import. This property can only be used in conjunction with a Microsoft Access database. Either use this property or [ODBCConnection](#) or [ADOCConnection](#) to refer to the database.

See also [Import and Export](#).

#### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## ForeignKeys

### See also

*Property:* [ForeignKeys](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies whether the Foreign Keys constraint is created or not. Default is true. This property is used only when creating a XML Schema from a DB structure.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## ImportColumnsType

### See also

*Property:* [ImportColumnsType](#) as [SPYImportColumnsType](#)

### Description

Defines if column information from the DB is saved as element or attribute in the XML Schema. Default is as element. This property is used only when creating a XML Schema from a DB structure.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## IncludeEmptyElements

### See also

*Property:* [IncludeEmptyElements](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set `IncludeEmptyElements` to false if you want to exclude all empty elements. Default is true. This property is used only when importing from databases.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## NullReplacement

### See also

*Property:* [NullReplacement](#) as String

### Description

This property contains the text value that is used during import for empty elements (null values). Default is "". This property is used only when importing from databases.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## NumberDateTimeFormat

See also

*Property:* `NumberDateTimeFormat` as [SPYNumberDateTimeFormat](#)

### Description

The property `NumberDateTimeFormat` sets the format of numbers and date- and time-values. Default is [spySystemLocale](#). This property is used only when importing from databases.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## ODBCConnection

See also

*Property:* `ODBCConnection` as String

### Description

The property `ODBCConnection` contains a ODBC connection string. Either use this property or [ADOConnection](#) or [File](#) to refer to a database.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## PrimaryKeys

See also

*Property:* `PrimaryKeys` as Boolean

### Description

Specifies whether the Primary Keys constraint is created or not. Default is true. This property is used only when creating a XML Schema from a DB structure.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## SchemaExtensionType

See also

*Property:* `SchemaExtensionType` as [SPYSchemaExtensionType](#)

### Description

Defines the Schema extension type used during the Schema generation. This property is used only when creating a XML Schema from a DB structure.

See also [Create XML Schema from DB Structure](#).

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## SchemaFormat

### See also

*Property:* `SchemaFormat` as [SPYSchemaFormat](#)

### Description

Defines the Schema format used during the Schema generation. This property is used only when creating a XML Schema from a DB structure.

See also [Create XML Schema from DB Structure](#).

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## SQLSelect

### See also

*Property:* `SQLSelect` as `String`

### Description

The SQL query for the import is stored in the property `SQLSelect`. This property is used only when importing from databases. See also [Import and Export](#).

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## TextFieldLen

### See also

*Property:* `TextFieldLen` as `long`

### Description

The property `TextFieldLen` sets the length for created text fields during the export. Default is 255. This property is used only when exporting to databases.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

## UniqueKeys

### See also

*Property:* `UniqueKeys` as `Boolean`

### Description

Specifies whether the Unique Keys constraint is created or not. Default is true. This property is used only when creating a XML Schema from a DB structure.

### Errors

No error codes are returned.

### 3.2.9 Dialogs

**See also**

#### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

Various dialog objects

[CodeGeneratorDlg](#)

[FileSelectionDlg](#)

[SchemaDocumentationDlg](#)

[GenerateSampleXMLDlg](#)

[DTDSchemaGeneratorDlg](#)

[FindInFilesDlg](#)

[WSDLDocumentationDlg](#)

[WSDL20DocumentationDlg](#)

[XBRLDocumentationDlg](#)

#### Description

The Dialogs object provides access to different built-in dialogs of XMLSpy. These dialog objects allow to initialize the fields of user dialogs before they get presented to the user or allow to simulate complete user input by your program.

### Application

**See also**

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

#### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

#### Errors

- 2300 The object is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### CodeGeneratorDlg

**See also**

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Property:** [CodeGeneratorDlg](#) as [CodeGeneratorDlg](#) (read-only)

#### Description

Get a new instance of a code generation dialog object. You will need this object to pass the necessary parameters to the code generation methods. Initial values are taken from last usage of the code generation dialog.

**Errors**

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**FileSelectionDlg****See also**

**Property:** `FileSelectionDlg` as [FileSelectionDlg](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Get a new instance of a file selection dialog object.

File selection dialog objects are passed to you with the some events that signal opening or saving of documents and projects.

**Errors**

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Parent****See also**

**Property:** `Parent` as [Application](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Access the XMLSpy application object.

**Errors**

- 2300 The object is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**SchemaDocumentationDlg****See also**

**Property:** `SchemaDocumentationDlg` as [SchemaDocumentationDlg](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Get a new instance of a dialog object that parameterizes generation of schema documentation. See [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#) for its usage.

**Errors**

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GenerateSampleXMLDlg****See also**

**Property:** `GenerateSampleXMLDlg` as [GenerateSampleXMLDlg](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Get a new instance of a dialog object that parameterizes generation of a sample XML based on a W3C schema or DTD. See [GenerateSampleXML](#) for its usage.

**Errors**

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**DTDSchemaGeneratorDlg****See also**

**Property:** [DTDSchemaGeneratorDlg](#) as [DTDSchemaGeneratorDlg](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Get a new instance of a dialog object that parameterizes generation of a schema or DTD. See [Document.GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx](#) for its usage.

**Errors**

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**FindInFilesDlg****See also**

**Property:** [FindInFilesDlg](#) as [FindInFilesDlg](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Get a new instance of a dialog object that parameterizes the search (or replacement) of strings in files. See [Application.FindInFiles](#) for its usage.

**Errors**

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**WSDLDocumentationDlg****See also**

**Property:** [WSDLDocumentationDlg](#) as [WSDLDocumentationDlg](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Get a new instance of a dialog object that parameterizes generation of WSDL documentation. See [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#) for its usage.

**Errors**

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**WSDL20DocumentationDlg****See also**

**Property:** [WSDL20DocumentationDlg](#) as [WSDL20DocumentationDlg](#) (read-only)

#### Description

Get a new instance of a dialog object that parameterizes generation of WSDL 2.0 documentation. See [Document.GenerateWSD20LDocumentation](#) for its usage.

#### Errors

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### XBRLDocumentationDlg

#### See also

**Property:** [XBRL20DocumentationDlg](#) as [XBRL20DocumentationDlg](#) (read-only)

#### Description

Get a new instance of a dialog object that parameterizes generation of WSDL 2.0 documentation. See [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#) for its usage.

#### Errors

- 2300 The Dialogs object or one of its parents is no longer valid.
- 2301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## 3.2.10 Document

#### See also

#### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

Various document properties and methods

[SetActiveDocument](#)

[Encoding](#)

[SetEncoding \(obsolete\)](#)

[Suggestions](#)

XML validation

[IsValid](#)

[SetExternalIsValid](#)

Document conversion and transformation

[AssignDTD](#)

[AssignSchema](#)

[AssignXSL](#)

[AssignXSLFO](#)

[ConvertDTDOrSchema](#)

[ConvertDTDOrSchemaEx](#)

[GenerateDTDOrSchema](#)

[GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx](#)

[CreateSchemaDiagram](#)  
[ExecuteXQuery](#)  
[TransformXSL](#)  
[TransformXSLEx](#)  
[TransformXSLFO](#)  
[GenerateProgramCode](#) (Enterprise Edition only)  
[GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#)  
[GenerateSampleXML](#)  
[GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#)  
[GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#)  
[GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#)  
[ConvertToWSDL20](#)

#### Document export

[GetExportElementList](#)  
[ExportToText](#)  
[ExportToDatabase](#)  
[CreateDBStructureFromXMLSchema](#)  
[GetDBStructureList](#)

#### File saving and naming

[FullName](#)  
[Name](#)  
[Path](#)  
[GetPathName](#) (obsolete)  
[SetPathName](#) (obsolete)  
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[IsModified](#)  
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[SaveAs](#)  
[Save](#)  
[SaveInString](#)  
[SaveToURL](#)  
[Close](#)

#### View access

[CurrentViewMode](#)  
[SwitchViewMode](#)  
[AuthenticView](#)  
[GridView](#)  
[DocEditView](#) (obsolete)

#### Access to XMLData

[RootElement](#)  
[DataRoot](#)  
[CreateChild](#)  
[UpdateViews](#)  
[StartChanges](#)  
[EndChanges](#)  
[UpdateXMLData](#)

#### Description

Document objects represent XML documents opened in XMLSpy.

Use one of the following properties to access documents that are already open XMLSpy:

[Application.ActiveDocument](#)

[Application.Documents](#)

Use one of the following methods to open a new document in XMLSpy:

[Documents.OpenFile](#)

[Documents.OpenURL](#)

[Documents.OpenURLDialog](#)

[Documents.NewFile](#)

[Documents.NewFileFromText](#)

[SpyProjectItem.Open](#)

[Application.ImportFromDatabase](#)

[Application.ImportFromSchema](#)

[Application.ImportFromText](#)

[Application.ImportFromWord](#)

[Document.ConvertDTDOrSchema](#)

[Document.GenerateDTDOrSchema](#)

## Events

### ***OnBeforeSaveDocument***

#### **See also**

**Event:** *OnBeforeSaveDocument* (*objDocument* as [Document](#), *objDialog* as [FileSelectionDlg](#))

#### **XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_BeforeSaveDocument(objDocument, objDialog)
End Function

' old handler - now obsolete
' return string to save to new file name
' return empty string to cancel save operation
' return nothing to save to original name
Function On_SaveDocument(objDocument, strFilePath)
End Function
```

#### **XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_BeforeSaveDocument(objDocument, objDialog)
{
}

// old handler - now obsolete
// return string to save to new file name
// return empty string to cancel save operation
// return nothing to save to original name
function On_SaveDocument(objDocument, strFilePath)
{
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (27, ...) // nEventId = 27
```

**Description**

This event gets fired on any attempt to save a document. The file selection dialog object is initialized with the name chosen for the document file. You can modify this selection. To continue saving the document leave the [FileSelectionDlg.DialogAction](#) property of *io\_objDialog* at its default value [spyDialogOK](#). To abort saving of the document set this property to [spyDialogCancel](#).

**OnBeforeCloseDocument****See also**

**Event:** `OnBeforeCloseDocument(objDocument as Document) as Boolean`

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_BeforeCloseDocument(objDocument)
    ' On_BeforeCloseDocument = False ' to prohibit closing of
    document
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_BeforeCloseDocument(objDocument)
{
    // return false; /* to prohibit closing of document */
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (28, ...) // nEventId = 28
```

**Description**

This event gets fired on any attempt to close a document. To prevent the document from being closed return false.

**OnBeforeValidate****See also**

**Event:** `OnBeforeValidate(objDocument as Document, bOnLoading as Boolean, bOnCommand as Boolean) as Boolean`

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_BeforeValidate(objDocument, bOnLoading, bOnCommand)
    On_BeforeValidate = bCancelDefaultValidation 'set by the
    script if necessary
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_BeforeValidate(objDocument, bOnLoading, bOnCommand)
{
```

```

        return bCancelDefaultValidation //set by the script if
        necessary
    }

```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (32, ...) // nEventId = 32
```

**Description**

This event gets fired before the document is validated. It is possible to suppress the default validation by returning false from the event handler. In this case the script should also set the validation result using the [SetExternallsValid](#) method.

`bOnLoading` is true if the event is raised on the initial validation on loading the document.

`bOnCommand` is true whenever the user selected the Validate command from the Toolbar or menu.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

**OnCloseDocument****See also**

**Event:** `OnCloseDocument` (*objDocument* as [Document](#))

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_Close Document (objDocument)
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_Close Document (objDocument)
{
}

```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (8, ...) // nEventId = 8
```

**Description**

This event gets fired as a result of closing a document. Do not modify the document from within this event.

**OnViewActivation****See also**

**Event:** `OnViewActivation` (*objDocument* as [Document](#), *eViewMode* as [SPYViewModes](#), *bActivated* as Boolean)

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_ViewActivation (objDocument, eViewMode, bActivated)
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_ViewActivation(objDocument, eViewMode, bActivated)
{
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (29, ...) // nEventId = 29
```

**Description**

This event gets fired whenever a view of a document becomes visible (i.e. becomes the active view) or invisible (i.e. another view becomes the active view or the document gets closed). However, the first view activation event after a document gets opened cannot be received, since there is no document object to get the event from. Use the [Application.OnDocumentOpened](#) event instead.

**Application****See also**

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Accesses the XMLSpy application object.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**AssignDTD****See also**

**Method:** [AssignDTD](#) (*strDTDFile* as String, *bDialog* as Boolean)

**Description**

The method places a reference to the DTD file "strDTDFile" into the document. Note that no error occurs if the file does not exist, or is not accessible. If *bDialog* is true XMLSpy presents a dialog to set the file.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1409 You are not allowed to assign a DTD to the document.

**AssignSchema****See also**

**Method:** [AssignSchema](#) (*strSchemaFile* as String, *bDialog* as Boolean)

**Description**

The method places a reference to the schema file "strSchemaFile" into the document. Note that

no error occurs if the file does not exist or is not accessible. If `bDialog` is true XMLSpy presents a dialog to set the file.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1409 You are not allowed to assign a schema file to the document.

**AssignXSL****See also**

**Method:** [AssignXSL](#) (*strXSLFile* as String, *bDialog* as Boolean)

**Description**

The method places a reference to the XSL file "strXSLFile" into the document. Note that no error occurs if the file does not exist or is not accessible. If `bDialog` is true XMLSpy presents a dialog to set the file.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1409 You are not allowed to assign an XSL file to the document.

**AssignXSLFO****See also**

**Method:** [AssignXSLFO](#) (*strXSLFOFile* as String, *bDialog* as Boolean)

**Description**

The method places a reference to the XSLFO file "strXSLFile" into the document. Note that no error occurs if the file does not exist or is not accessible. If `bDialog` is true XMLSpy presents a dialog to set the file.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1409 You are not allowed to assign an XSL file to the document.

**AsXMLString****See also**

**Property:** [AsXMLString](#) as String

**Description**

This property can be used to get or set the document content.

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1404 Cannot create XMLData object.
- 1407 View mode cannot be switched.

## AuthenticView

### See also

**Method:** [AuthenticView](#) as [AuthenticView](#) (read-only)

### Description

Returns an object that gives access to properties and methods specific to Authentic view. The object returned is only valid if the current document is opened in Authentic view mode. The lifetime of an object ends with the next view switch. Any attempt to access objects or any of its children afterwards will result in an error indicating that the object is invalid.

[AuthenticView](#) and [DocEditView](#) both provide automation access to the Authentic view mode of XMLSpy. Functional overlap is intentional. A future version of Authentic View will include all functionality of [DocEditView](#) and its sub-objects, thereby making usage of [DocEditView](#) obsolete.

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1417 Document needs to be open in authentic view mode.

### Examples

```
' -----
' XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript
' secure access to authentic view object
' -----

Dim objDocument
Set objDocument = Application.ActiveDocument
If (Not objDocument Is Nothing) Then
    ' we have an active document, now check for view mode
    If (objDocument.CurrentViewMode <> spyViewAuthentic) Then
        If (Not objDocument.SwitchViewMode (spyViewAuthentic)) Then
            MsgBox "Active document does not support authentic view
mode"

        Else
            ' now it is safe to access the authentic view object
            Dim objAuthenticView
            Set objAuthenticView = objDocument.AuthenticView
            ' now use the authentic view object

        End If
    End If
Else
    MsgBox "No document is open"
End If
```

## Close

### See also

**Method:** [Close](#) (*bDiscardChanges* as Boolean)

### Description

To close the document call this method. If `bDiscardChanges` is true and the document is modified, the document will be closed but not saved.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1401 Document needs to be saved first.

**ConvertDTDOrSchema****See also**

**Method:** `ConvertDTDOrSchema` (*nFormat* as [SPYDTDSchemaFormat](#), *nFrequentElements* as [SPYFrequentElements](#))

**Parameters**

`nFormat`

Sets the schema output format to DTD or W3C.

`nFrequentElements`

Create complex elements as elements or complex types.

**Description**

`ConvertDTDOrSchema` takes an existing schema format and converts it into a different format. For a finer tuning of DTD/XSD conversion, use [ConvertDTDOrSchemaEx](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1412 Error during conversion. In the case of DTD to DTD or XSD to XSD conversion, the following errors are returned: *DTD to DTD conversion is not supported. Please use function FlattenDTDOrSchema instead and Schema to schema conversion is not supported. Please use function FlattenDTDOrSchema instead.*

**ConvertDTDOrSchemaEx****See also**

**Method:** `ConvertDTDOrSchemaEx` (*nFormat* as [SPYDTDSchemaFormat](#), *nFrequentElements* as [SPYFrequentElements](#), *sOutputPath* as String, *nOutputPathDialogAction* as [SPYDialogAction](#))

**Parameters**

`nFormat`

Sets the schema output format to DTD, or W3C.

`nFrequentElements`

Create complex elements as elements or complex types.

sOutputPath

The file path for the newly generated file.

nOutputPathDialogAction

Defines the dialog interaction for this call.

### Description

ConvertDTDOrSchemaEx takes an existing schema format and converts it into a different format.

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1412 Error during conversion. In the case of DTD to DTD or XSD to XSD conversion, the following errors are returned: *DTD to DTD conversion is not supported. Please use function FlattenDTDOrSchema instead and Schema to schema conversion is not supported. Please use function FlattenDTDOrSchema instead.*

## ConvertToWSDL20

**Method:** ConvertToWSDL20 (*sFilePath* as String, *bShowDialogs* as Boolean)

### Parameters

sFilePath

This specifies the file name of the converted WSDL. In case the source WSDL includes files which also must be converted, then only the directory part of the given path is used and the file names are generated automatically.

bShowDialogs

Defines whether file/folder selection dialogs are shown.

### Description

Converts the WSDL 1.1 document to a WSDL 2.0 file. It will also convert any referenced WSDL files that are referenced from within this document. Note that this functionality is limited to WSDL View only. See [Document.CurrentViewMode](#). and [SPYViewModes](#).

### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameters have been passed or an empty file name has been specified as output target.
- 1417 The document is not opened in WSDL view, maybe it is not an '.wsdl' file.
- 1421 Feature is not available in this edition.
- 1433 WSDL 1.1 to WSDL 2.0 conversion failed.

## CreateChild

### See also

**Method:** CreateChild (*nKind* as [SPYXMLDataKind](#)) as [XMLData](#)

**Return Value**

The method returns the new `XMLData` object.

**Description**

To create a new `XMLData` object use the `CreateChild()` method.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1404 Cannot create `XMLData` object.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**CreateDBStructureFromXMLSchema****See also**

**Method:** `CreateDBStructureFromXMLSchema` (*pDatabase* as [DatabaseConnection](#), *pTables* as [ElementList](#), *bDropTableWithExistingName* as Boolean) as [String](#)

**Description**

`CreateDBStructureFromXMLSchema` exports the given tables to the specified database. The function returns the SQL statements that were necessary to perform the changes.

See also [GetDBStructureList](#).

**Errors**

- 1429 Database selection missing.
- 1430 Document export failed.

**CreateSchemaDiagram****See also**

**Method:** `CreateSchemaDiagram` (*nKind* as [SPYSchemaDefKind](#), *strName* as String, *strFile* as String)

**Return Value**

None.

**Description**

The method creates a diagram of the schema type `strName` of kind `nKind` and saves the output file into `strFile`. Note that this functionality is limited to Schema View only. See [Document.CurrentViewMode](#) and [SPYViewModes](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1414 Failed to save diagram.
- 1415 Invalid schema definition type specified.

## CurrentViewMode

### See also

**Method:** [CurrentViewMode](#) as [SPYViewModes](#)

### Description

The property holds the current view mode of the document. See also [Document.SwitchViewMode](#).

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## DataRoot

### See also

**Property:** [DataRoot](#) as [XMLData](#) (read-only)

### Description

This property provides access to the document's first XMLData object of type *spyXMLDataElement*. This is typically the root element for all document content data. See [XMLSpyDocument.RootElement](#) to get the root element of the whole document including XML prolog data. If the [CurrentViewMode](#) is not *spyViewGrid* or *spyViewAuthentic* an [UpdateXMLData](#) may be necessary to get access to the latest [XMLData](#).

### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## DocEditView

### See also

**Method:** [DocEditView](#) as [DocEditView](#)

### Description

Holds a reference to the current Authentic View object.

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1417 Document needs to be open in authentic view mode.

## Encoding

### See also

**Property:** [Encoding](#) as String

### Description

This property provides access to the document's encoding value. However, this property can only

be accessed when the document is opened in *spyViewGrid*, *spyViewText* or *spyViewAuthentic*. See [CurrentViewMode](#) on how to detect that a document's actual view mode.

This property makes the method [SetEncoding](#) obsolete.

Possible values are, for example:

8859-1,  
8859-2,  
ASCII, ISO-646,  
850,  
1252,  
1255,  
SHIFT-JIS, MS-KANJI,  
BIG5, FIVE,  
UTF-7,  
UTF-8,  
UTF-16

#### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1416 Operation not supported in current view mode.

## EndChanges

### See also

**Method:** [EndChanges](#) ()

#### Description

Use the method `EndChanges` to display all changes since the call to [Document.StartChanges](#).

#### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.

## ExecuteXQuery

### See also

**Method:** [ExecuteXQuery](#) (*strXMLFileName* as String)

#### Description

Execute the XQuery statements contained in the document of the document object. Either an XQuery execution or an XQuery Update is performed depending on the file extension of the document. Use the XML file specified in the argument as the XML target document that the XQuery document processes.

- If the document has an XQuery file extension as defined in the Options dialog of XMLSpy, then an XQuery execution is performed. By default: `.xq`, `.xql`, and `.xquery` are set as XQuery file extensions in XMLSpy.

- If the document has an XQuery Update file extension as defined in the Options dialog of XMLSpy, then an XQuery Update action is performed. By default: `.xqu` is set as an XQuery Update file extension in XMLSpy.

If your XQuery script does not use an XML source, set the parameter `strXMLFileName` to an empty string.

### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1423 XQuery transformation error.
- 1424 Not all files required for operation could be loaded. Most likely, the file specified in `strXMLFileName` does not exist or is not valid.

## ExportToDatabase

### See also

**Method:** `ExportToDatabase` (*pFromChild* as [XMLData](#), *pExportSettings* as [ExportSettings](#), *pDatabase* as [DatabaseConnection](#))

### Description

`ExportToDatabase` exports the XML document starting with the element `pFromChild`. The parameter `pExportSettings` defines the behaviour of the export (see [Application.GetExportSettings](#)). The parameter `pDatabase` specifies the destination of the export (see [Application.GetDatabaseSettings](#)). `UpdateXMLData()` might be indirectly needed as you have to pass the [XMLData](#) as parameter to this function.

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1416 Error during export.
- 1429 Database selection missing.
- 1430 Document export failed.

### Example

```
Dim objDoc As Document
Set objDoc = objSpy.ActiveDocument

'set the behaviour of the export with ExportSettings
Dim objExpSettings As ExportSettings
Set objExpSettings = objSpy.GetExportSettings

'set the destination with DatabaseConnection
Dim objDB As DatabaseConnection
Set objDB = objSpy.GetDatabaseSettings

objDB.CreateMissingTables = True
objDB.CreateNew = True
objDB.File = "C:\Export.mdb"
```

```

objDoc.ExportToDatabase objDoc.RootElement, objExpSettings, objDB
If Err.Number <> 0 Then
    a = MsgBox("Error: " & (Err.Number - vbObjectError) & Chr(13) &
        "Description: " & Err.Description)
End If

```

## ExportToText

### See also

**Method:** [ExportToText](#) (*pFromChild* as [XMLData](#), *pExportSettings* as [ExportSettings](#), *pTextSettings* as [TextImportExportSettings](#))

### Description

`ExportToText` exports tabular information from the document starting at `pFromChild` into one or many text files. Columns of the resulting tables are generated in alphabetical order of the column header names. Use [GetExportElementList](#) to learn about the data that will be exported. The parameter `pExportSettings` defines the specifics for the export. Set the property [ExportSettings.ElementList](#) to the - possibly modified - list returned by [GetExportElementList](#) to avoid exporting all contained tables. The parameter `pTextSettings` defines the options specific to text export and import. You need to set the property [TextImportExportSettings.DestinationFolder](#) before you call `ExportToText`. [UpdateXMLData\(\)](#) might be indirectly needed as you have to pass the [XMLData](#) as parameter to this function.

See also [Import and export of data](#).

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1416 Error during export.
- 1430 Document export failed.

### Example

```

' -----
' VBA client code fragment - export document to text files
' -----

Dim objDoc As Document
Set objDoc = objSpy.ActiveDocument

Dim objExpSettings As ExportSettings
Set objExpSettings = objSpy.GetExportSettings
objExpSettings.ElementList = objDoc.GetExportElementList(
    objDoc.RootElement,
    objExpSettings)

Dim objTextExp As TextImportExportSettings
Set objTextExp = objSpy.GetTextExportSettings
objTextExp.HeaderRow = True
objTextExp.DestinationFolder = "C:\Exports"

On Error Resume Next
objDoc.ExportToText objDoc.RootElement, objExpSettings, objTextExp

```

```
If Err.Number <> 0 Then
    a = MsgBox("Error: " & (Err.Number - vbObjectError) & Chr(13) & "Description:
" & Err.Description)
End If
```

## FlattenDTDOrSchema

**Method:** `FlattenDTDOrSchema` (`sOutputPath` as String, `nOutputPathDialogAction` as [SPYDialogAction](#))

### Parameters

`sOutputPath`

The file path for the newly generated file.

`nOutputPathDialogAction`

Defines the dialog interaction for this call.

### Description

`FlattenDTDOrSchema` takes an existing DTD or schema, generates a flattened file, and saves the generated file at the specified location. In the case of DTDs, flattening removes parameter entities and produces a single DTD from a collection of modules; sections marked `IGNORE` are suppressed and unused parameter entities are deleted. When an XML Schema is flattened, (i) the components of all included schemas are added as global components of the active schema, and (ii) included schemas are deleted.

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1412 Error during conversion.

## FullName

### See also

**Property:** `FullName` as String

### Description

This property can be used to get or set the full file name - including the path - to where the document gets saved. The validity of the name is not verified before the next save operation.

This property makes the methods [GetPathName](#) and [SetPathName](#) obsolete.

### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1402 Empty string has been specified as full file name.

## GeneratedDTDOrSchema

### See also

**Method:** `GenerateDTDOrSchema` (*nFormat* as [SPYDTDSchemaFormat](#), *nValuesList* as integer, *nDetection* as [SPYTypeDetection](#), *nFrequentElements* as [SPYFrequentElements](#))

### Parameters

*nFormat*

Sets the schema output format to DTD, or W3C.

*nValuesList*

Generate not more than this amount of enumeration-facets per type. Set to -1 for unlimited.

*nDetection*

Specifies granularity of simple type detection.

*nFrequentElements*

Shall the types for all elements be defined as global? Use that value *spyGlobalComplexType* to define them on global scope. Otherwise, use the value *spyGlobalElements*.

### Description

Use this method to automatically generate a DTD or schema for the current XML document.

For a finer tuning of DTD / schema generation, use [GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx](#).

Note that this functionality is not available in ZIP View only. See

[Document.CurrentViewMode](#). and [SPYViewModes](#).

### Errors

1400 The object is no longer valid.

1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx

### See also

**Method:** `GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx` (*objDlg* as [DTDSchemaGeneratorDlg](#)) as [Document](#)

### Description

Use this method to automatically generate a DTD or schema for the current XML document. A

[DTDSchemaGeneratorDlg](#) object is used to pass information to the schema/DTD generator. The generation process can be configured to allow user interaction or run without further user input.

Note that this functionality is not available in ZIP View only. See

[Document.CurrentViewMode](#). and [SPYViewModes](#).

### Errors

1400 The object is no longer valid.

1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GenerateProgramCode

**Method:** `GenerateProgramCode` (*objDlg* as [CodeGeneratorDlg](#))

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

### Description

Generate Java, C++ or C# class files from the XML Schema definitions in your document. A

[CodeGeneratorDlg](#) object is used to pass information to the code generator. The generation process can be configured to allow user interaction or run without further user input.

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 An empty file name has been specified.
- 1421 Feature not available in this edition

**GenerateSampleXML**

**Method:** [GenerateSampleXML](#) (*objDlg* as [GenerateSampleXMLDlg](#)) as [Document](#)

**Description**

Generates a sample XML if the document is a schema or DTD. Use [Dialogs.GenerateSampleXMLDlg](#) to get an initialized set of options.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.

**GenerateSchemaDocumentation**

**Method:** [GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#) (*objDlg* as [SchemaDocumentationDlg](#))

**Description**

Generate documentation for a schema definition file in HTML, MS-Word, or RTF format. The parameter *objDlg* is used to parameterize the generation process. Use [Dialogs.SchemaDocumentationDlg](#) to get an initialized set of options. As a minimum, you will need to set the property [SchemaDocumentationDlg.OutputFile](#) before starting the generation process. Note that this functionality is limited to Schema View only. See [Document.CurrentViewMode](#) and [SPYViewModes](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameters have been passed or an empty file name has been specified as output target.
- 1417 The document is not opened in schema view, maybe it is not an '.xsd' file.
- 1421 Feature is not available in this edition.
- 1422 Error during generation

**GenerateWSDL20Documentation**

**Method:** [GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#) (*objDlg* as [WSDL20DocumentationDlg](#))

**Description**

Generate documentation for a WSDL definition file in HTML, MS-Word, or RTF format. The parameter *objDlg* is used to parameterize the generation process. Use [Dialogs.WSDL20DocumentationDlg](#) to get an initialized set of options. As a minimum, you will need to set the property [WSDL20DocumentationDlg.OutputFile](#) before starting the

generation process. Note that this functionality is limited to WSDL View only. See [Document.CurrentViewMode](#) and [SPYViewModes](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameters have been passed or an empty file name has been specified as output target.
- 1417 The document is not opened in schema view, maybe it is not an '.xsd' file.
- 1421 Feature is not available in this edition.
- 1422 Error during generation

**GenerateWSDLDocumentation**

**Method:** [GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#) (*objDlg* as [WSDLDocumentationDlg](#))

**Description**

Generate documentation for a WSDL definition file in HTML, MS-Word, or RTF format. The parameter *objDlg* is used to parameterize the generation process. Use [Dialogs.WSDLDocumentationDlg](#) to get an initialized set of options. As a minimum, you will need to set the property [WSDLDocumentationDlg.OutputFile](#) before starting the generation process. Note that this functionality is limited to WSDL View only. See [Document.CurrentViewMode](#) and [SPYViewModes](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameters have been passed or an empty file name has been specified as output target.
- 1417 The document is not opened in schema view, maybe it is not an '.xsd' file.
- 1421 Feature is not available in this edition.
- 1422 Error during generation

**GenerateXBRLDocumentation**

**Method:** [GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#) (*objDlg* as [XBRLDocumentationDlg](#))

**Description**

Generate documentation for a WSDL definition file in HTML, MS-Word, or RTF format. The parameter *objDlg* is used to parameterize the generation process. Use [Dialogs.XBRLDocumentationDlg](#) to get an initialized set of options. As a minimum, you will need to set the property [XBRLDocumentationDlg.OutputFile](#) before starting the generation process. Note that this functionality is limited to XBRL View only. See [Document.CurrentViewMode](#) and [SPYViewModes](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameters have been passed or an empty file name has been specified as output target.
- 1417 The document is not opened in schema view, maybe it is not an '.xsd' file.
- 1421 Feature is not available in this edition.
- 1422 Error during generation

## GetDBStructureList

See also

**Method:** `GetDBStructureList` (*pDatabase* as [DatabaseConnection](#)) as [ElementList](#)

### Description

`GetDBStructureList` creates a collection of elements from the Schema document for which tables in the specified database are created. The function returns a collection of `ElementListItem`s where the properties [ElementListItem.Name](#) contain the names of the tables.

See also [CreateDBStructureFromXMLSchema](#).

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1427 Failed creating parser for the specified XML.
- 1428 Export of element list failed.
- 1429 Database selection missing.

## GetExportElementList

See also

**Method:** `GetExportElementList` (*pFromChild* as [XMLData](#), *pExportSettings* as [ExportSettings](#)) as [ElementList](#)

### Description

`GetExportElementList` creates a collection of elements to export from the document, depending on the settings in `pExportSettings` and starting from the element `pFromChild`. The function returns a collection of `ElementListItem`s where the properties [ElementListItem.Name](#) contain the names of the tables that can be exported from the document. The property [ElementListItem.FieldCount](#) contains the number of columns in the table. The property [ElementListItem.RecordCount](#) contains the number of records in the table. The property [ElementListItem.ElementKind](#) is unused. [UpdateXMLData\(\)](#) might be indirectly needed as you have to pass the [XMLData](#) as parameter to this function.

See also [Import and export of data](#).

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1427 Failed creating parser for the specified XML.
- 1428 Export of element list failed.

## GetPathName (obsolete)

Superseded by [Document.FullName](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// strPathName = Application.ActiveDocument.GetPathName();  
// use now:  
strPathName = Application.ActiveDocument.FullName;
```

**See also**

**Method:** [GetPathName\(\)](#) as String

**Description**

The method `GetPathName` gets the path of the active document.

See also [Document.SetPathName](#) (obsolete).

**GridView****See also**

**Property:** [GridView](#) as [GridView](#)

**Description**

This property provides access to the grid view functionality of the document.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1417 Document needs to be open in enhanced grid view mode.

**IsModified****See also**

**Property:** [IsModified](#) as Boolean

**Description**

True if the document is modified.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IsValid****See also**

**Method:** [IsValid](#) ([strError](#) as Variant) as Boolean

**Return Value**

True if the document is valid, false if not.

**Description**

`IsValid` validates the document against its associated schema or DTD. `strError` gives you the same error message as when you validate the file within the GUI.

#### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1408 Unable to validate file.

#### IsValidEx

**Method:** `IsValidEx` (`nXSDVersion` as [SPYValidateXSDVersion](#), `nErrorLimit` as int, `nErrorFormat` as [SPYValidateErrorFormat](#), out `strError` as Variant) as Boolean

#### Return Value

True if the document is valid, false if not.

#### Description

`IsValidEx` validates the document against its associated schema or DTD.

##### In parameters:

`nXSDVersion` which is an enumeration value of [SPYValidateXSDVersion](#) that selects the XSD version to validate against.

`nErrorLimit` which is an integer. Values must be 1 to 999.

`nErrorFormat` which is an enumeration value of [SPYValidateErrorFormat](#) that selects the XSD version to validate against.

##### Out parameter:

`strError` is the error message, and is the same as that received when validating the file within the GUI.

#### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1408 Unable to validate file.

#### IsWellFormed

##### See also

**Method:** `IsWellFormed` (`pData` as XMLData, `bWithChildren` as Boolean, `strError` as Variant, `nErrorPos` as Variant, `pBadXMLData` as Variant) as Boolean

#### Return Value

True if the document is well formed.

#### Description

`IsWellFormed` checks the document for well-formedness starting at the element `pData`.

If the document is not well formed, `strError` contains an error message, `nErrorPos` the position in the file and `pBadXMLData` holds a reference to the element which breaks the well-formedness. These out-parameters are defined as VARIANTS to support scripting languages like VBScript.

**Errors**

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Example**

See `IsValid`.

**Name****See also**

**Property:** `Name` as String (read-only)

**Description**

Use this property to retrieve the name - not including the path - of the document file. To change the file name for a document use the property [FullName](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Parent****See also**

**Property:** `Parent` as [Documents](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Access the parent of the document object.

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Property:** `Parent` as [Application](#) (read-only)

**Path****See also**

**Property:** `Path` as String (read-only)

**Description**

Use this property to retrieve the path - not including the file name - of the document file. To change the file name and path for a document use the property [FullName](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**RootElement****See also**

**Property:** `RootElement` as [XMLData](#) (read-only)

**Description**

The property `RootElement` provides access to the root element of the XML structure of the document including the XML prolog data. To access the first element of a document's content navigate to the first child of kind `spyXMLDataElement` or use the [Document.DataRoot](#) property. If the [CurrentViewMode](#) is not `spyViewGrid` or `spyViewAuthentic` an [UpdateXMLData](#) may be necessary to get access to the latest [XMLData](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Save****See also**

**Method:** `Save` ()

**Description**

The method writes any modifications of the document to the associated file. See also [Document.FullName](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 An empty file name has been specified.
- 1403 Error when saving file, probably the file name is invalid.

**SaveAs****See also**

**Method:** `SaveAs` (`strFileName` as String)

**Description**

Save the document to the file specified. If saving was successful, the [FullName](#) property gets set to the specified file name.

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 An empty file name has been specified.
- 1403 Error when saving file, probably the file name is invalid.

## Saved

### See also

**Property:** [Saved](#) as Boolean (read-only)

### Description

This property can be used to check if the document has been saved after the last modifications. It returns the negation of [IsModified](#).

### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SaveInString

### See also

**Method:** [SaveInString](#) (*pData* as [XMLData](#), *bMarked* as Boolean) as String

### Parameters

*pData*

[XMLData](#) element to start. Set *pData* to [Document.RootElement](#) if you want to copy the complete file.

*bMarked*

If *bMarked* is true, only the elements selected in the grid view are copied.

### Return Value

Returns a string with the XML data.

### Description

[SaveInString](#) starts at the element *pData* and converts the [XMLData](#) objects to a string representation. [UpdateXMLData\(\)](#) might be indirectly needed as you have to pass the [XMLData](#) as parameter to this function.

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SaveToURL

### See also

**Method:** [SaveToURL](#) (*strURL* as String, *strUser* as String, *strPassword* as String)

### Return Value

### Description

[SaveToURL\(\)](#) writes the document to the URL *strURL*. This method does not set the permanent file path of the document.

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.
- 1402 Invalid URL specified.
- 1403 Error while saving to URL.

## SetActiveDocument

### See also

**Method:** [SetActiveDocument\(\)](#)

### Description

The method sets the document as the active and brings it to the front.

### Errors

- 1400 The object is no longer valid.

## SetEncoding (obsolete)

Superseded by [Document.Encoding](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.SetEncoding("UTF-16");  
// use now:  
Application.ActiveDocument.Encoding = "UTF-16";
```

### See also

**Method:** [SetEncoding\(strEncoding as String\)](#)

### Description

`SetEncoding` sets the encoding of the document like the menu item "File/Encoding..." in XMLSpy. Possible values for `strEncoding` are, for example:

- 8859-1,
- 8859-2,
- ASCII, ISO-646,
- 850,
- 1252,
- 1255,
- SHIFT-JIS, MS-KANJI,
- BIG5, FIVE,
- UTF-7,
- UTF-8,
- UTF-16

## SetExternallsValid

### See also

**Method:** `SetExternalIsValid` (*bValid* as Boolean)

### Parameters

`bValid`

Sets the result of an external validation process.

### Description

The internal information set by this method is only queried on cancelling the default validation in any [OnBeforeValidate](#) handler.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

### Errors

1400 The object is no longer valid.

## SetPathName (obsolete)

Superseded by [Document.FullName](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.SetPathName("C:\\myXMLFiles\\test.xml");  
// use now:  
Application.ActiveDocument.FullName = "C:\\myXMLFiles\\test.xml";
```

### See also

**Method:** `SetPathName` (*strPath* as String)

### Description

The method `SetPathName` sets the path of the active document. `SetPathName` only copies the string and does not check if the path is valid. All succeeding save operations are done into this file.

## StartChanges

### See also

**Method:** `StartChanges` ()

### Description

After `StartChanges` is executed XMLSpy will not update its editor windows until [Document.EndChanges](#) is called. This increases performance of complex tasks to the XML structure.

**Errors**

1400 The object is no longer valid.

**Suggestions**

**Property:** [Suggestions](#) as Array

**Description**

This property contains the last valid user suggestions for this document. The XMLSpy generated suggestions can be modified before they are shown to the user in the [OnBeforeShowSuggestions](#) event.

**Errors**

1400 The object is no longer valid.

1407 Invalid parameter or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**SwitchViewMode****See also**

**Method:** [SwitchViewMode](#) (*nMode* as [SPYViewModes](#)) as Boolean

**Return value**

Returns true if view mode is switched.

**Description**

The method sets the current view mode of the document in XMLSpy. See also [Document.CurrentViewMode](#).

**Errors**

1400 The object is no longer valid.

1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

1417 Invalid view mode specified.

**TextView****See also**

**Property:** [TextView](#) as [TextView](#)

**Description**

This property provides access to the text view functionality of the document.

**Errors**

1400 The object is no longer valid.

1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Title****See also**

**Property:** [Title](#) as String (read-only)

**Description**

`Title` contains the file name of the document. To get the path and filename of the file use [FullName](#).

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**TransformXSL****See also**

**Method:** [TransformXSL\(\)](#)

**Description**

`TransformXSL` processes the XML document via the associated XSL file. See [Document.AssignXSL](#) on how to place a reference to a XSL file into the document.

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1411 Error during transformation process.

**TransformXSLEx****See also**

**Method:** [TransformXSLEx\(\*nAction\* as \[SPYDialogAction\]\(#\)\)](#)

**Description**

`TransformXSLEx` processes the XML document via the associated XSL file. The parameter specifies whether a dialog asking for the result document name should pop up or not. See [Document.AssignXSL](#) on how to place a reference to a XSL file into the document.

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1411 Error during transformation process.

**TransformXSLFO****See also**

**Method:** [TransformXSLFO\(\)](#)

**Description**

`TransformXSLFO` processes the XML document via the associated XSLFO file. See [AssignXSLFO](#) on how to place a reference to a XSLFO file into the document. You need to assign a FOP processor to XMLSpy before you can use this method.

**Errors**

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1411 Error during transformation process.

## TreatXBRLInconsistencies AsErrors

**Property:** [TreatXBRLInconsistenciesAsErrors](#) as Boolean

### Description

If this is set to `true` the `Document.IsValid()` method will return `false` for XBRL instances containing inconsistencies as defined by the XBRL Specification. The default value of this property is `false`.

### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.
- 1407 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## UpdateViews

### See also

**Method:** [UpdateViews](#) ()

### Description

To redraw the Enhanced Grid View and the Tree View call `UpdateViews`. This can be important after you changed the `XMLData` structure of a document. This method does not redraw the text view of `XMLSpy`.

### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.

## UpdateXMLData

### See also

**Method:** [UpdateXMLData](#) () as Boolean

### Description

The [XMLData](#) tree is updated from the current view. Please note that this can fail in case of the `TextView` if the current XML text is not well-formed. This is not necessary if [CurrentViewMode](#) is `spyViewGrid` or `spyViewAuthentic` because these views keep the [XMLData](#) updated.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

### Errors

- 1400 The document object is no longer valid.

## 3.2.11 Documents

### See also

### Properties

[Count](#)

[Item](#)**Methods**[NewAuthenticFile](#)[NewFile](#)[NewFileFromText](#)[OpenAuthenticFile](#)[OpenFile](#)[OpenURL](#)[OpenURLDialog](#)**Description**

This object represents the set of documents currently open in XMLSpy. Use this object to open further documents or iterate through already opened documents.

**Examples**

```
' -----  
' XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript  
' iterate through open documents  
' -----  
  
Dim objDocuments  
Set objDocuments = Application.Documents  
  
For Each objDoc In objDocuments  
    'do something useful with your document  
    objDoc.SetActiveDocument()  
Next  
  
// -----  
// XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript  
// close all open documents  
// -----  
for (var iter = new Enumerator (Application.Documents);  
    ! iter.atEnd();  
    iter.moveNext())  
{  
    // MsgBox ("Closing file " + iter.item().Name);  
    iter.item().Close (true);  
}
```

**Count****See also**

**Property:** [Count](#) as long

**Description**

Count of open documents.

**Errors**

- 1600 Invalid Documents object
- 1601 Invalid input parameter

## Item

### See also

**Method:** `Item` (*n* as long) as [Document](#)

### Description

Gets the document with the index *n* in this collection. Index is 1-based.

### Errors

- 1600 Invalid `Documents` object
- 1601 Invalid input parameter

## NewAuthenticFile

### See also

**Method:** `NewAuthenticFile` (*strSPSPath* as String, *strXMLPath* as String) as [Document](#)

### Parameters

*strSPSPath*

The path to the SPS document.

*strXMLPath*

The new XML document name.

### Return Value

The method returns the new document.

### Description

`NewAuthenticFile` creates a new XML file and opens it in Authentic View using SPS design *strSPSPath*.

## NewFile

### See also

**Method:** `NewFile` (*strFile* as String, *strType* as String) as [Document](#)

### Parameters

*strFile*

Full path of new file.

*strType*

Type of new file as string (i.e. "xml", "xsd", ... )

### Return Value

Returns the new file.

### Description

`NewFile` creates a new file of type *strType* (i.e. "xml"). The newly created file is also the `ActiveDocument`.

## NewFileFromText

### See also

**Method:** `NewFileFromText` (*strText* as String, *strType* as String) as [Document](#)

### Parameters

`strText`

The content of the new document in plain text.

`strType`

Type of the document to create (i.e. "xml").

### Return Value

The method returns the new document.

### Description

`NewFileFromText` creates a new document with `strText` as its content.

## OpenAuthenticFile

### See also

**Method:** `OpenAuthenticFile` (*strSPSPath* as String, *strXMLPath* as String) as [Document](#)

### Parameters

`strSPSPath`

The path to the SPS document.

`strXMLPath`

The path to the XML document (can be empty).

### Return Value

The method returns the new document.

### Description

`OpenAuthenticFile` opens an XML file or database in Authentic View using SPS design `strSPSPath`.

## OpenFile

### See also

**Method:** `OpenFile` (*strPath* as String, *bDialog* as Boolean) as [Document](#)

### Parameters

`strPath`

Path and file name of file to open.

`bDialog`

Show dialogs for user input.

**Return Value**

Returns the opened file on success.

**Description**

`OpenFile` opens the file `strPath`. If `bDialog` is `TRUE`, a file-dialog will be displayed.

**Example**

```
Dim objDoc As Document
Set objDoc = objSpy.Documents.OpenFile(strFile, False)
```

**OpenURL****See also**

**Method:** `OpenURL` (*strURL* as String, *nURLType* as [SPYURLTypes](#), *nLoading* as [SPYLoading](#), *strUser* as String, *strPassword* as String) as [Document](#)

**Parameters**

`strURL`

URL to open as document.

`nURLType`

Type of document to open. Set to -1 for auto detection.

`nLoading`

Set `nLoading` to 0 (zero) if you want to load it from cache or proxy. Otherwise set `nLoading` to 1.

`strUser`

Name of the user if required. Can be empty.

`strPassword`

Password for authentication. Can be empty.

**Return Value**

The method returns the opened document.

**Description**

`OpenURL` opens the URL `strURL`.

**OpenURLDialog****See also**

**Method:** `OpenURLDialog` (*strURL* as String, *nURLType* as [SPYURLTypes](#), *nLoading* as [SPYLoading](#), *strUser* as String, *strPassword* as String) as [Document](#)

**Parameters**

`strURL`

URL to open as document.

`nURLType`

Type of document to open. Set to -1 for auto detection.

nLoading

Set nLoading to 0 (zero) if you want to load it from cache or proxy. Otherwise set nLoading to 1.

strUser

Name of the user if required. Can be empty.

strPassword

Password for authentication. Can be empty.

### Return Value

The method returns the opened document.

### Description

OpenURLDialog displays the "open URL" dialog to the user and presets the input fields with the given parameters.

## 3.2.12 DTDSchemaGeneratorDlg

### See also

### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

[DTDSchemaFormat](#)

[ValueList](#)

[TypeDetection](#)

[FrequentElements](#)

[MergeAllEqualNamed](#)

[ResolveEntities](#)

[AttributeTypeDefinition](#)

[GlobalAttributes](#)

[OnlyStringEnums](#)

[MaxEnumLength](#)

[OutputPath](#)

[OutputPathDialogAction](#)

### Description

Use this object to configure the generation of a schema or DTD. The method [GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx](#) expects a [DTDSchemaGeneratorDlg](#) as parameter to configure the generation as well as the associated user interactions.

### Application

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**AttributeTypeDefinition**

**Property:** [AttributeTypeDefinition](#) as [SPYAttributeTypeDefinition](#)

**Description**

Specifies how attribute definitions get merged.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**DTDSchemaFormat**

**Property:** [DTDSchemaFormat](#) as [SPYDTDSchemaFormat](#)

**Description**

Sets the schema output format to DTD, or W3C.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**FrequentElements**

**Property:** [FrequentElements](#) as [SPYFrequentElements](#)

**Description**

Shall the types for all elements be defined as global? Use that value *spyGlobalComplexType* to define them on global scope. Otherwise, use the value *spyGlobalElements*.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GlobalAttributes**

**Property:** [GlobalAttributes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Shall attributes with same name and type be resolved globally?

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## MaxEnumLength

**Property:** [MaxEnumLength](#) as Integer

### Description

Specifies the maximum number of characters allowed for enumeration names. If one value is longer than this, no enumeration will be generated.

### Errors

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## MergeAllEqualNamed

**Property:** [MergeAllEqualNamed](#) as Boolean

### Description

Shall types of all elements with the same name be merged into one type?

### Errors

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OnlyStringEnums

**Property:** [OnlyStringEnums](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if enumerations will be created only for plain strings or all types of values.

### Errors

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputPath

**Property:** [OutputPath](#) as String

### Description

Selects the file name for the generated schema/DTD.

### Errors

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputPathDialogAction

**Property:** [OutputPathDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

### Description

Defines how the sub-dialog for selecting the schema/DTD output path gets handled. Set this value to *spyDialogUserInput(2)* to show the dialog with the current value of the [OutputPath](#) property as default. Use *spyDialogOK(0)* to hide the dialog from the user.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Parent**

**Property:** [Parent](#) as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Access the parent of the object.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ResolveEntities**

**Property:** [ResolveEntities](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Shall all entities be resolved before generation starts? If yes, an info-set will be built.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**TypeDetection**

**Property:** [TypeDetection](#) as [SPYTypeDetection](#)

**Description**

Specifies granularity of simple type detection.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ValueList**

**Property:** [ValueList](#) as Integer

**Description**

Generate not more than this amount of enumeration-facets per type. Set to -1 for unlimited.

**Errors**

- 3000 The object is no longer valid.
- 3001 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### 3.2.13 ElementList

#### See also

#### Properties

[Count](#)

[Item](#)

#### Methods

[RemoveElement](#)

#### Description

Element lists are used for different purposes during export and import of data. Depending on this purpose, different properties of [ElementListItem](#) are used.

It can hold

- a list of table names returned by a call to [Application.GetDatabaseTables](#),
- a list of field names returned by a call to [Application.GetDatabaseImportElementList](#) or [Application.GetTextImportElementList](#),
- a field name filter list used in [Application.ImportFromDatabase](#) and [Application.ImportFromText](#),
- a list of table names and counts for their rows and columns as returned by calls to [GetExportElementList](#) or
- a field name filter list used in [Document.ExportToDatabase](#) and [Document.ExportToText](#).

#### Count

#### See also

**Property:** [Count](#) as long (read-only)

#### Description

Count of elements in this collection.

#### Item

#### See also

**Method:** [Item](#) ([n](#) as long) as [ElementListItem](#)

#### Description

Gets the element with the index [n](#) from this collection. The first item has index 1.

#### RemoveElement

#### See also

**Method:** [RemoveElement](#) ([Index](#) as long)

**Description**

`RemoveElement` removes the element `Index` from the collection. The first `Item` has index 1.

### 3.2.14 ElementListItem

**See also****Properties**

[Name](#)

[ElementKind](#)

[FieldCount](#)

[RecordCount](#)

**Description**

An element in an [ElementList](#). Usage of its properties depends on the purpose of the element list. For details see [ElementList](#).

**ElementKind****See also**

**Property:** `ElementKind` as [SPYXMLDataKind](#)

**Description**

Specifies if a field should be imported as XML element (data value of `spyXMLDataElement`) or attribute (data value of `spyXMLDataAttr`).

**FieldCount****See also**

**Property:** `FieldCount` as long (read-only)

**Description**

Count of fields (i.e. columns) in the table described by this element. This property is only valid after a call to [Document.GetExportElementList](#).

**Name****See also**

**Property:** `Name` as String (read-only)

**Description**

Name of the element. This is either the name of a table or a field, depending on the purpose of the element list.

**RecordCount****See also**

**Property:** [RecordCount](#) as long (read-only)

**Description**

Count of records (i.e. rows) in the table described by this element. This property is only valid after a call to [Document.GetExportElementList](#).

### 3.2.15 ExportSettings

**See also****Properties**

[ElementList](#)

[EntitiesToText](#)

[ExportAllElements](#)

[SubLevelLimit](#)

[FromAttributes](#)

[FromSingleSubElements](#)

[FromTextValues](#)

[CreateKeys](#)

[IndependentPrimaryKey](#)

[Namespace](#)

[ExportCompleteXML](#)

[StartFromElement](#)

**Description**

`ExportSettings` contains options used during export of XML data to a database or text file. See [Import and export of data](#) for a general overview.

**CreateKeys****See also**

**Property:** [CreateKeys](#) as Boolean

**Description**

This property turns creation of keys (i.e. primary key and foreign key) on or off. Default is True.

**ElementList****See also**

**Property:** [ElementList](#) as [ElementList](#)

**Description**

Default is empty list. This list of elements defines which fields will be exported. To get the list of

available fields use [Document.GetExportElementList](#). It is possible to prevent exporting columns by removing elements from this list with [ElementList.RemoveElement](#) before passing it to [Document.ExportToDatabase](#) or [Document.ExportToText](#).

## EntitiesToText

### See also

*Property:* [EntitiesToText](#) as Boolean

### Description

Defines if XML entities should be converted to text or left as they are during export. Default is True.

## ExportAllElements

### See also

*Property:* [ExportAllElements](#) as Boolean

### Description

If set to `true`, all elements in the document will be exported. If set to `false`, then [ExportSettings.SubLevelLimit](#) is used to restrict the number of sub levels to export. Default is `true`.

## ExportCompleteXML

### See also

*Property:* [ExportCompleteXML](#) as Boolean

### Description

Defines whether the complete XML is exported or only the element specified by [StartFromElement](#) and its children. Default is True.

## FromAttributes

### See also

*Property:* [FromAttributes](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set `FromAttributes` to `false` if no export data should be created from attributes. Default is True.

## FromSingleSubElements

### See also

*Property:* [FromSingleSubElements](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set `FromSingleSubElements` to `false` if no export data should be created from elements.

Default is True.

## FromTextValues

### See also

*Property:* [FromTextValues](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set `FromTextValues` to false if no export data should be created from text values. Default is True.

## IndependentPrimaryKey

### See also

*Property:* [IndependentPrimaryKey](#) as Boolean

### Description

Turns creation of independent primary key counter for every element on or off. If [ExportSettings.CreateKeys](#) is False, this property will be ignored. Default is True.

## Namespace

### See also

*Property:* [Namespace](#) as [SPYExportNamespace](#)

### Description

The default setting removes all namespace prefixes from the element names. In some database formats the colon is not a legal character. Default is `spyNoNamespace`.

## StartFromElement

### See also

*Property:* [StartFromElement](#) as String

### Description

Specifies the start element for the export. This property is only considered when [ExportCompleteXML](#) is false.

## SubLevelLimit

### See also

*Property:* [SubLevelLimit](#) as Integer

### Description

Defines the number of sub levels to include for the export. Default is 0. This property is ignored if [ExportSettings.ExportAllElements](#) is true.

### 3.2.16 FileSelectionDlg

See also

#### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

Dialog properties

[FullName](#)

Acceptance or cancellation of action that caused event

[DialogAction](#)

#### Description

The dialog object allows you to receive information about an event and pass back information to the event handler in the same way as with a user dialog. Use the [FileSelectionDlg.FullName](#) to select or modify the file path and set the [FileSelectionDlg.DialogAction](#) property to cancel or agree with the action that caused the event.

### Application

See also

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

#### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

#### Errors

- 2400 The object is no longer valid.
- 2401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### DialogAction

**Property:** [DialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

#### Description

If you want your script to perform the file selection operation without any user interaction necessary, simulate user interaction by either setting the property to *spyDialogOK(0)* or *spyDialogCancel(1)*.

To allow your script to fill in the default values but let the user see and react on the dialog, use the value *spyDialogUserInput(2)*. If you receive a FileSelectionDlg object in an event handler, *spyDialogUserInput(2)* is not supported and will be interpreted as *spyDialogOK(0)*.

#### Errors

- 2400 The object is no longer valid.
- 2401 Invalid value for dialog action or invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**FullName**

**Property:** [FullName](#) as String

**Description**

Access the full path of the file the gets selected by the dialog. Most events that pass a FileSelectionDlg object to you allow you modify this value and thus influence the action that caused the event (e.g. load or save to a different location).

**Errors**

- 2400 The object is no longer valid.
- 2401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Parent****See also**

**Property:** [Parent](#) as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Access the parent of the object.

**Errors**

- 2400 The object is no longer valid.
- 2401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### 3.2.17 FindInFilesDlg

**See also****Properties and Methods**

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

[Find](#)

[RegularExpression](#)

[Replace](#)

[DoReplace](#)

[ReplaceOnDisk](#)

[MatchWholeWord](#)

[MatchCase](#)

[SearchLocation](#)

[StartFolder](#)

[IncludeSubfolders](#)

[SearchInProjectFilesDoExternal](#)

[FileExtension](#)

[AdvancedXMLSearch](#)

[XMLElementNames](#)

[XMLElementContents](#)

[XMLAttributeNames](#)

[XMLAttributeContents](#)

[XMLComments](#)

[XMLCDATA](#)

[XMLPI](#)

[XMLRest](#)

[ShowResult](#)

### Description

Use this object to configure the search (or replacement) for strings in files. The method [FindInFiles](#) expects a [FindInFilesDlg](#) as parameter.

### AdvancedXMLSearch

**Property:** [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if the XML search properties ([XMLElementNames](#), [XMLElementContents](#), [XMLAttributeNames](#), [XMLAttributeContents](#), [XMLComments](#), [XMLCDATA](#), [XMLPI](#) and [XMLRest](#)) are considered. The default is false.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Application

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### DoReplace

**Property:** [DoReplace](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if the matched string is replaced by the string defined in [Replace](#). The default is false.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### FileExtension

**Property:** [FileExtension](#) as String

### Description

Specifies the file filter of the files that should be considered during the search. Multiple file filters must be delimited with a semicolon (eg: \*.xml;\*.dtd;a\*.xsd). Use the wildcards \* and ? to define the file filter.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Find**

*Property:* [Find](#) as String

**Description**

Specifies the string to search for.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeSubfolders**

*Property:* [IncludeSubfolders](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Specifies if subfolders are searched too. The default is true.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**MatchCase**

*Property:* [MatchCase](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Specifies if the search is case sensitive. The default is true.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**MatchWholeWord**

*Property:* [MatchWholeWord](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Specifies whether the whole word or just a part of it must match. The default is false.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Parent**

*Property:* [Parent](#) as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Access the parent of the object.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**RegularExpression**

*Property:* [RegularExpression](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Specifies if [Find](#) contains a regular expression. The default is false.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Replace**

*Property:* [Replace](#) as String

**Description**

Specifies the replacement string. The matched string is only replaced if [DoReplace](#) is set true.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ReplaceOnDisk**

*Property:* [ReplaceOnDisk](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Specifies if the replacement is done directly on disk. The modified file is not opened. The default is false.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**SearchInProjectFilesDoExternal**

*Property:* [SearchInProjectFilesDoExternal](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Specifies if the external folders in the open project are searched, when a project search is performed. The default is false.

**Errors**

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SearchLocation

**Property:** [SearchLocation](#) as [SPYFindInFilesSearchLocation](#)

### Description

Specifies the location of the search. The default is spyFindInFiles\_Documents.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowResult

**Property:** [ShowResult](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if the result is displayed in the Find in Files output window. The default is false.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## StartFolder

**Property:** [StartFolder](#) as String

### Description

Specifies the folder where the disk search starts.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLAttributeContents

**Property:** [XMLAttributeContents](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if attribute contents are searched when [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) is true. The default is true.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLAttributeNames

**Property:** [XMLAttributeNames](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if attribute names are searched when [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) is true. The default is true.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLCDATA

**Property:** [XMLCDATA](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if CDATA tags are searched when [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) is true. The default is true.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLComments

**Property:** [XMLComments](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if comments are searched when [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) is true. The default is true.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLElementContents

**Property:** [XMLElementContents](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if element contents are searched when [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) is true. The default is true.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLElementNames

**Property:** [XMLElementNames](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if element names are searched when [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) is true. The default is true.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.
- 3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLPI

**Property:** [XMLPI](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if XML processing instructions are searched when [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) is true. The default is true.

### Errors

- 3500 The object is no longer valid.

3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## XMLRest

**Property:** [XMLRest](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies if the rest of the XML (which is not covered by the other XML search properties) is searched when [AdvancedXMLSearch](#) is true. The default is true.

### Errors

3500 The object is no longer valid.  
3501 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## 3.2.18 FindInFilesResult

### See also

### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

[Count](#)

[Item](#)

[Path](#)

[Document](#)

### Description

This object represents a file that matched the search criteria. It contains a list of [FindInFilesResultMatch](#) objects that describe the matching position.

### Application

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

3700 The object is no longer valid.  
3701 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Count

**Property:** [Count](#) as long (read-only)

### Description

Count of elements in this collection.

## Document

**Property:** [Path](#) as [Document](#) (read-only)

### Description

This property returns the [Document](#) object if the matched file is already open in XMLSpy.

### Errors

- 3700 The object is no longer valid.
- 3701 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Item

**Method:** [Item](#) (*n* as long) as [FindInFilesResultMatch](#)

### Description

Gets the element with the index *n* from this collection. The first item has index 1.

## Parent

**Property:** [Parent](#) as [FindInFilesResults](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

### Errors

- 3700 The object is no longer valid.
- 3701 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Path

**Property:** [Path](#) as String (read-only)

### Description

Returns the path of the file that matched the search criteria.

### Errors

- 3700 The object is no longer valid.
- 3701 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## 3.2.19 FindInFilesResultMatch

**See also**

### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

[Line](#)  
[Position](#)  
[Length](#)  
[LineText](#)  
[Replaced](#)

**Description**

Contains the exact position in the file of the matched string.

**Application**

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Access the XMLSpy application object.

**Errors**

- 3800 The object is no longer valid.
- 3801 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Length**

**Property:** [Length](#) as Long (read-only)

**Description**

Returns the length of the matched string.

**Errors**

- 3800 The object is no longer valid.
- 3801 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Line**

**Property:** [Line](#) as Long (read-only)

**Description**

Returns the line number of the match. The line numbering starts with 0.

**Errors**

- 3800 The object is no longer valid.
- 3801 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**LineText**

**Property:** [LineText](#) as String (read-only)

**Description**

Returns the text of the line.

**Errors**

- 3800 The object is no longer valid.

3801 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Parent

**Property:** [Parent](#) as [FindInFilesResult](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

### Errors

3800 The object is no longer valid.  
3801 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Position

**Property:** [Position](#) as Long (read-only)

### Description

Returns the start position of the match in the line. The position numbering starts with 0.

### Errors

3800 The object is no longer valid.  
3801 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Replaced

**Property:** [Replaced](#) as Boolean (read-only)

### Description

True if the matched string was replaced.

### Errors

3800 The object is no longer valid.  
3801 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## 3.2.20 FindInFilesResults

**See also**

### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

[Count](#)

[Item](#)

### Description

This is the result of the [FindInFiles](#) method. It is a list of [FindInFilesResult](#) objects.

## Application

**Property:** `Application` as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 3600 The object is no longer valid.
- 3601 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Count

**Property:** `Count` as long (read-only)

### Description

Count of elements in this collection.

## Item

**Method:** `Item` (`n` as long) as [FindInFilesResult](#)

### Description

Gets the element with the index `n` from this collection. The first item has index 1.

## Parent

**Property:** `Parent` as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

### Errors

- 3600 The object is no longer valid.
- 3601 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## 3.2.21 GenerateSampleXMLDlg

### See also

### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

[NonMandatoryAttributes](#)

[NonMandatoryElements](#)

[RepeatCount](#)

[FillAttributesWithSampleData](#)

[FillElementsWithSampleData](#)

[ContentOfNillableElementsIsNonMandatory](#)  
[TryToUseNonAbstractTypes](#)  
[SchemaOrDTDAssignment](#)  
[LocalNameOfRootElement](#)  
[NamespaceURIOfRootElement](#)  
[OptionsDialogAction](#)

Properties that are no longer supported

[TakeFirstChoice - obsolete](#)  
[FillWithSampleData - obsolete](#)  
[Optimization - obsolete](#)

### Description

Used to set the parameters for the generation of sample XML instances based on a W3C schema or DTD.

### Application

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### ChoiceMode

**Property:** [ChoiceMode](#) as [SPYSampleXMLGenerationChoiceMode](#)

### Description

Specifies which elements will be generated.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### ConsiderSampleValueHints

**Property:** [ConsiderSampleValueHints](#) as Boolean

### Description

Selects whether to use [SampleValueHints](#) or not.

### Errors

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### **ContentOfNillableElementsIsNonMandatory**

**Property:** [ContentOfNillableElementsIsNonMandatory](#) as Boolean

#### **Description**

If true, the contents of elements that are nillable will not be treated as mandatory.

#### **Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### **FillAttributesWithSampleData**

**Property:** [FillAttributesWithSampleData](#) as Boolean

#### **Description**

If true, attributes will have sample content.

#### **Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### **FillElementsWithSampleData**

**Property:** [FillElementsWithSampleData](#) as Boolean

#### **Description**

If true, elements will have sample content.

#### **Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### **FillWithSampleData - obsolete**

**Property:** [FillWithSampleData](#) as Boolean

#### **Description**

Do no longer access this property. Use [FillAttributesWithSampleData](#) and [FillElementsWithSampleData](#), instead.

#### **Errors**

- 0001 The property is no longer accessible.

### **LocalNameOfRootElement**

**Property:** [LocalNameOfRootElement](#) as String

#### **Description**

Specifies the local name of the root element for the generated sample XML.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**NamespaceURIOfRootElement**

*Property:* [NamespaceURIOfRootElement](#) as String

**Description**

Specifies the namespace URI of the root element for the generated sample XML.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**NonMandatoryAttributes**

*Property:* [NonMandatoryAttributes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

If true attributes which are not mandatory are created in the sample XML instance file.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**NonMandatoryElements**

*Property:* [NonMandatoryElements](#) as Boolean

**Description**

If true, elements which are not mandatory are created in the sample XML instance file.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address was specified for the return parameter.

**Optimization - obsolete**

*Property:* [Optimization](#) as [SPYSampleXMLGenerationOptimization](#)

**Description**

Do not use this property any longer. Use ChoiceMode and NonMandatoryElements.

**Errors**

- 0001 The property is no longer accessible.

**OptionsDialogAction**

*Property:* [OptionsDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

**Description**

To allow your script to fill in the default values and let the user see and react on the dialog, set this property to the value *spyDialogUserInput(2)*. If you want your script to define all the options in the schema documentation dialog without any user interaction necessary, use *spyDialogOK(0)*. Default is *spyDialogOK*.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Parent**

**Property:** *Parent* as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

**Description**

Access the parent of the object.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**RepeatCount**

**Property:** *RepeatCount* as long

**Description**

Number of elements to create for repeated types.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**SampleValueHints**

**Property:** *SampleValueHints* as [SPYSampleXMLGenerationSampleValueHints](#)

**Description**

Specifies how to select data for the generated sample file.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**SchemaOrDTDAssignment**

**Property:** *SchemaOrDTDAssignment* as [SPYSampleXMLGenerationSchemaOrDTDAssignment](#)

**Description**

Specifies in which way a reference to the related schema or DTD - which is this document - will

be generated into the sample XML.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**TakeFirstChoice - obsolete**

**Property:** [TakeFirstChoice](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Do no longer use this property.

**Errors**

- 0001 The property is no longer accessible.

**TryToUseNonAbstractTypes**

**Property:** [TryToUseNonAbstractTypes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

If true, tries to use a non-abstract type for xsi:type, if element has an abstract type.

**Errors**

- 2200 The object is no longer valid.
- 2201 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### 3.2.22 GridView

**See also****Methods**

[Deselect](#)

[Select](#)

[SetFocus](#)

**Properties**

[CurrentFocus](#)

[IsVisible](#)

**Description**

GridView Class

**Events**

***OnBeforeDrag***

**See also**

**Event:** [OnBeforeDrag\(\)](#) as Boolean

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_BeforeDrag()
    ' On_BeforeStartEditing = False ' to prohibit dragging
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_BeforeDrag()
{
    // return false; /* to prohibit dragging */
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(4, ...) // nEventId = 4
```

**Description**

This event gets fired on an attempt to drag an XMLData element on the grid view. Return *false* to prevent dragging the data element to a different position.

**OnBeforeDrop****See also**

**Event:** `OnBeforeDrop(objXMLData as XMLData)` as Boolean

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_BeforeDrop(objXMLData)
    ' On_BeforeStartEditing = False ' to prohibit dropping
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_BeforeDrop(objXMLData)
{
    // return false; /* to prohibit dropping */
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(5, ...) // nEventId = 5
```

**Description**

This event gets fired on an attempt to drop a previously dragged XMLData element on the grid view. Return *false* to prevent the data element to be moved from its original position to the drop destination position.

**OnBeforeStartEditing****See also**

**Event:** `OnBeforeStartEditing(objXMLData as XMLData, bEditingName as Boolean) as Boolean`

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_BeforeStartEditing(objXMLData, bEditingName)
    ' On_BeforeStartEditing = False ' to prohibit editing the field
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_BeforeStartEditing(objXMLData, bEditingName)
{
    // return false; /* to prohibit editing the field */
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(1, ...) // nEventId = 1
```

**Description**

This event gets fired before the editing mode for a grid cell gets entered. If the parameter *bEditingName* is true, the name part of the element will be edited, if its value is false, the value part will be edited.

**OnEditingFinished****See also**

**Event:** `OnEditingFinished(objXMLData as XMLData, bEditingName as Boolean)`

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_EditingFinished(objXMLData, bEditingName)
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_EditingFinished(objXMLData, bEditingName)
{
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent(2, ...) // nEventId = 2
```

**Description**

This event gets fired when the editing mode of a grid cell gets left. The parameter *bEditingName* specifies if the name part of the element has been edited.

**OnFocusChanged****See also**

**Event:** `OnFocusChanged(objXMLData as XMLData, bSetFocus as Boolean, bEditingName as Boolean)`

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_FocusChanged(objXMLData, bSetFocus, bEditingName)
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_FocusChanged(objXMLData, bSetFocus, bEditingName)
{
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (3, ...) // nEventId = 3
```

**Description**

This event gets fired whenever a grid cell receives or loses the cursor focus. If the parameter *bEditingName* is *true*, focus of the name part of the grid element has changed. Otherwise, focus of the value part has changed.

**CurrentFocus****See also**

**Property:** [CurrentFocus](#) as [XMLData](#)

**Description**

Holds the XML element with the current focus. This property is read-only.

**Deselect****See also**

**Method:** [Deselect](#) (*pData* as [XMLData](#))

**Description**

Deselects the element *pData* in the grid view.

**IsVisible****See also**

**Property:** [IsVisible](#) as Boolean

**Description**

True if the grid view is the active view of the document. This property is read-only.

**Select****See also**

**Method:** [Select](#) (*pData* as [XMLData](#))

**Description**

Selects the XML element `pData` in the grid view.

## SetFocus

### See also

**Method:** [SetFocus](#) (`pFocusData` as [XMLData](#))

### Description

Sets the focus to the element `pFocusData` in the grid view.

## 3.2.23 SchemaDocumentationDlg

### See also

### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

[Application](#)

[Parent](#)

Interaction and visibility properties

[OutputFile](#)

[OutputFileDialogAction](#)

[OptionsDialogAction](#)

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### Description

This object combines all options for schema document generation as they are available through user interface dialog boxes in XMLSpy. The document generation options are initialized with the values used during the last generation of schema documentation. However, before using the object you have to set the [SetOutputFile](#) property to a valid file path. Use [OptionsDialogAction](#), [OutputFileDialogAction](#) and [ShowProgressBar](#) to specify the level of user interaction desired. You can use [IncludeAll](#) and [AllDetails](#) to set whole option groups at once or the individual properties to operate on a finer granularity.

### AllDetails

#### See also

**Method:** [AllDetails](#) ([i\\_bDetailsOn](#) as Boolean)

### Description

Use this method to turn all details options on or off.

### Errors

2900 The object is no longer valid.

### Application

#### See also

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

2900 The object is no longer valid.

2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## CreateDiagramsFolder

### See also

**Property:** [CreateDiagramsFolder](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to create a directory for the created images. Otherwise the diagrams will be created next to the documentation. This property is only available when the diagrams are not embedded. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `false`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## DiagramFormat

### See also

**Property:** [DiagramFormat](#) as [SPYImageKind](#)

### Description

This property specifies the generated diagram image type. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is PNG.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## EmbedCSSInHTML

### See also

**Property:** [EmbedCSSInHTML](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to embed the CSS data in the generated HTML document. Otherwise a separate file will be created and linked. This property is only available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## EmbedDiagrams

### See also

**Property:** [EmbedDiagrams](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to embed the diagrams in the generated document. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GenerateRelativeLinks

### See also

**Property:** [GenerateRelativeLinks](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to create relative paths to local files. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `false`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeAll

### See also

**Method:** [IncludeAll](#) (`i_bInclude` as Boolean)

### Description

Use this method to mark or unmark all include options.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.

## IncludeAttributeGroups

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeAttributeGroups](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include attribute groups in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeComplexTypes****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeComplexTypes](#) as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include complex types in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeGlobalAttributes****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeGlobalAttributes](#) as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include global attributes in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeGlobalElements****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeGlobalElements](#) as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include global elements in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeGroups

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeGroups](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include groups in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeIndex

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeIndex](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include an index in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeLocalAttributes

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeLocalAttributes](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include local attributes in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeLocalElements

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeLocalElements](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include local elements in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeRedefines****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeRedefines](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include redefines in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeReferencedSchemas****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeReferencedSchemas](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include referenced schemas in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeSimpleTypes****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeSimpleTypes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include simple types in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## MultipleOutputFiles

### See also

**Property:** [MultipleOutputFiles](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to split the documentation files. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `false`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OptionsDialogAction

### See also

**Property:** [OptionsDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

### Description

To allow your script to fill in the default values and let the user see and react on the dialog, set this property to the value `spyDialogUserInput(2)`. If you want your script to define all the options in the schema documentation dialog without any user interaction necessary, use `spyDialogOK(0)`. Default is `spyDialogOK`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFile

### See also

**Property:** [OutputFile](#) as String

### Description

Full path and name of the file that will contain the generated documentation. In case of HTML output, additional `.png` files will be generated based on this filename. The default value for this property is an empty string and needs to be replaced before using this object in a call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#).

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFileDialogAction

### See also

**Property:** `OutputFileDialogAction` as [SPYDialogAction](#)

### Description

To allow the user to select the output file with a file selection dialog, set this property to `spyDialogUserInput(2)`. If the value stored in [OutputFile](#) should be taken and no user interaction should occur, use `spyDialogOK(0)`. Default is `spyDialogOK`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFormat

### See also

**Property:** `OutputFormat` as [SPYSchemaDocumentationFormat](#)

### Description

Defines the kind of documentation that will be generated: HTML (value=0), MS-Word (value=1), or RTF (value=2). The property gets initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is HTML.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Parent

### See also

**Property:** `Parent` as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowAnnotations

### See also

**Property:** `ShowAnnotations` as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show the annotations to a type definition in the schema

documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowAttributes****See also**

*Property:* [ShowAttributes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show the type definitions attributes in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowChildren****See also**

*Property:* [ShowChildren](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show the children of a type definition as links in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowDiagram****See also**

*Property:* [ShowDiagram](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show type definitions as diagrams in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.

2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowEnumerations

### See also

*Property:* [ShowEnumerations](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show the enumerations contained in a type definition in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowIdentityConstraints

### See also

*Property:* [ShowIdentityConstraints](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show a type definitions identity constraints in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowNamespace

### See also

*Property:* [ShowNamespace](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show the namespace of type definitions in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowPatterns

### See also

*Property:* [ShowPatterns](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show the patterns of a type definition in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowProgressBar

### See also

*Property:* [ShowProgressBar](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to make the window showing the document generation progress visible. Use `false`, to hide it. Default is `false`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowProperties

### See also

*Property:* [ShowProperties](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show the type definition properties in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowResult

### See also

*Property:* [ShowResult](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to automatically open the resulting document when generation was successful. HTML documentation will be opened in XMLSpy. To show Word documentation, MS-Word will be started. The property gets initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowSingleFacets****See also**

**Property:** `ShowSingleFacets` as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show the facets of a type definition in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowSourceCode****See also**

**Property:** `ShowSourceCode` as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show the XML source code for type definitions in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowType****See also**

**Property:** `ShowType` as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show the type of type definitions in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowUsedBy

### See also

*Property:* [ShowUsedBy](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show the used-by relation for type definitions in the schema documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateSchemaDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SPSFile

### See also

*Property:* [SPSFile](#) as String

### Description

Full path and name of the SPS file that will be used to generate the documentation.

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## UseFixedDesign

### See also

*Property:* [UseFixedDesign](#) as Boolean

### Description

Specifies whether the documentation should be created with a fixed design or with a design specified by a SPS file (which requires StyleVision).

### Errors

- 2900 The object is no longer valid.
- 2901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## 3.2.24 SpyProject

### See also

### Methods

[CloseProject](#)  
[SaveProject](#)  
[SaveProjectAs](#)

### Properties

[RootItems](#)  
[ProjectFile](#)

### Description

SpyProject Class

## CloseProject

### See also

**Declaration:** `CloseProject` (*bDiscardChanges* as Boolean, *bCloseFiles* as Boolean, *bDialog* as Boolean)

### Parameters

`bDiscardChanges`

Set `bDiscardChanges` to FALSE if you want to save the changes of the open project files and the project.

`bCloseFiles`

Set `bCloseFiles` to TRUE to close all open project files.

`bDialog`

Show dialogs for user input.

### Description

`CloseProject` closes the current project.

## ProjectFile

### See also

**Declaration:** `ProjectFile` as String

### Description

Path and filename of the project.

## RootItems

### See also

**Declaration:** `RootItems` as [SpyProjectItems](#)

### Description

Root level of collection of project items.

## SaveProject

### See also

*Declaration:* [SaveProject](#)

### Description

`SaveProject` saves the current project.

## SaveProjectAs

### See also

*Declaration:* [SaveProjectAs](#) (`strPath` as String, `bDialog` as Boolean)

### Parameters

`strPath`

Full path with file name of new project file.

`bDialog`

If `bDialog` is TRUE, a file-dialog will be displayed.

### Description

`SaveProjectAs` stores the project data into a new location.

## 3.2.25 SpyProjectItem

### See also

### Methods

[Open](#)

### Properties

[ChildItems](#)

[ParentItem](#)

[FileExtensions](#)

[ItemType](#)

[Name](#)

[Path](#)

[ValidateWith](#)

[XMLForXSLTransformation](#)

[XSLForXMLTransformation](#)

[XSLTransformationFileExtension](#)

[XSLTransformationFolder](#)

### Description

`SpyProjectItem` Class

### ChildItems

### See also

*Declaration:* [ChildItems](#) as [SpyProjectItems](#)

**Description**

If the item is a folder, `ChildItems` is the collection of the folder content.

**FileExtensions****See also**

*Declaration:* `FileExtensions` as String

**Description**

Used to set the file extensions if the project item is a folder.

**ItemType****See also**

*Declaration:* `ItemType` as [SPYProjectItemTypes](#)

**Description**

This property is read-only.

**Name****See also**

*Declaration:* `Name` as String

**Description**

Name of the project item. This property is read-only.

**Open****See also**

*Declaration:* `Open` as [Document](#)

**Return Value**

The project item opened as document.

**Description**

Opens the project item.

**ParentItem****See also**

*Declaration:* `ParentItem` as [SpyProjectItem](#)

**Description**

Parent item of the current project item. Can be NULL (Nothing) if the project item is a top-level item.

**Path****See also**

*Declaration:* [Path](#) as String

**Description**

Path of project item. This property is read-only.

**ValidateWith****See also**

*Declaration:* [ValidateWith](#) as String

**Description**

Used to set the schema/DTD for validation.

**XMLForXSLTransformation****See also**

*Declaration:* [XMLForXSLTransformation](#) as String

**Description**

Used to set the XML for XSL transformation.

**XSLForXMLTransformation****See also**

*Declaration:* [XSLForXMLTransformation](#) as String

**Description**

Used to set the XSL for XML transformation.

**XSLTransformationFileExtension****See also**

*Declaration:* [XSLTransformationFileExtension](#) as String

**Description**

Used to set the file extension for XSL transformation output files.

**XSLTransformationFolder****See also**

*Declaration:* [XSLTransformationFolder](#) as String

**Description**

Used to set the destination folder for XSL transformation output files.

### 3.2.26 SpyProjectItems

See also

#### Methods

[AddFile](#)

[AddFolder](#)

[AddURL](#)

[RemoveItem](#)

#### Properties

[Count](#)

[Item](#)

#### Description

SpyProjectItems Class

#### AddFile

See also

**Declaration:** `AddFile` (*strPath* as String)

#### Parameters

`strPath`

Full path with file name of new project item

#### Description

The method adds a new file to the collection of project items.

#### AddFolder

See also

**Declaration:** `AddFolder` (*strName* as String)

#### Parameters

`strName`

Name of the new folder.

#### Description

The method `AddFolder` adds a folder with the name `strName` to the collection of project items.

#### AddURL

See also

**Declaration:** `AddURL` (*strURL* as String, *nURLType* as [SPYURLTypes](#), *strUser* as String, *strPassword* as String, *bSave* as Boolean)

#### Description

`strURL`

URL to open as document.

`nURLType`

Type of document to open. Set to -1 for auto detection.

`strUser`

Name of the user if required. Can be empty.

`strPassword`

Password for authentication. Can be empty.

`bSave`

Save user and password information.

### **Description**

The method adds an URL item to the project collection.

### **Count**

#### **See also**

**Declaration:** `Count` as long

### **Description**

This property gets the count of project items in the collection. The property is read-only.

### **Item**

#### **See also**

**Declaration:** `Item` (`n` as long) as [SpyProjectItem](#)

### **Description**

Retrieves the `n`-th element of the collection of project items. The first item has index 1.

### **RemoveItem**

#### **See also**

**Declaration:** `RemoveItem` (`pItem` as [SpyProjectItem](#))

### **Description**

`RemoveItem` deletes the item `pItem` from the collection of project items.

## **3.2.27 TextImportExportSettings**

#### **See also**

#### **Properties for import only**

[ImportFile](#)

#### **Properties for export only**

[DestinationFolder](#)

[FileExtension](#)

[CommentIncluded](#)

[RemoveDelimiter](#)

[RemoveNewline](#)

### Properties for import and export

[HeaderRow](#)

[FieldDelimiter](#)

[EnclosingCharacter](#)

[Encoding](#)

[EncodingByteOrder](#)

### Description

`TextImportExportSettings` contains options common to text import and export functions.

### CommentIncluded

#### See also

*Property:* [CommentIncluded](#) as Boolean

### Description

This property tells whether additional comments are added to the generated text file. Default is true. This property is used only when exporting to text files.

### DestinationFolder

#### See also

*Property:* [DestinationFolder](#) as String

### Description

The property `DestinationFolder` sets the folder where the created files are saved during text export.

### EnclosingCharacter

#### See also

*Property:* [EnclosingCharacter](#) as [SPYTextEnclosing](#)

### Description

This property defines the character that encloses all field values for import and export. Default is [spyNoEnclosing](#).

### Encoding

#### See also

*Property:* [Encoding](#) as String

### Description

The property `Encoding` sets the character encoding for the text files for importing and exporting.

## EncodingByteOrder

**See also**

*Property:* `EncodingByteOrder` as [SPYEncodingByteOrder](#)

### Description

The property `EncodingByteOrder` sets the byte order for Unicode characters. Default is [spyNONE](#).

## FieldDelimiter

**See also**

*Property:* `FieldDelimiter` as [SPYTextDelimiters](#)

### Description

The property `FieldDelimiter` defines the delimiter between the fields during import and export. Default is [spyTabulator](#).

## FileExtension

**See also**

*Property:* `FileExtension` as String

### Description

This property sets the file extension for files created on text export.

## HeaderRow

**See also**

*Property:* `HeaderRow` as Boolean

### Description

The property `HeaderRow` is used during import and export. Set `HeaderRow` true on import, if the first line of the text file contains the names of the columns. Set `HeaderRow` true on export, if the first line in the created text files should contain the name of the columns. Default value is true.

## ImportFile

**See also**

*Property:* `ImportFile` as String

### Description

This property is used to set the text file for import. The string has to be a full qualified path. See also [Import and Export](#).

## RemoveDelimiter

### See also

*Property:* [RemoveDelimiter](#) as Boolean

### Description

The property [RemoveDelimiter](#) defines whether characters in the text that are equal to the delimiter character are removed. Default is false. This property is used only when exporting to text files.

## RemoveNewline

### See also

*Property:* [RemoveNewline](#) as Boolean

### Description

The property [RemoveNewline](#) defines whether newline characters in the text are removed. Default is false. This property is used only when exporting to text files.

## 3.2.28 TextView

### See also

### Properties and Methods

[Application](#)  
[Parent](#)

[LineFromPosition](#)  
[PositionFromLine](#)  
[LineLength](#)  
[SetText](#)  
[GetRangeText](#)  
[ReplaceText](#)  
[MoveCaret](#)  
[GoToLineChar](#)  
[SelectText](#)  
[SelectionStart](#)  
[SelectionEnd](#)  
[Text](#)  
[LineCount](#)  
[Length](#)

### Description

## Events

### ***OnBeforeShowSuggestions***

#### **See also**

**Event:** [OnBeforeShowSuggestions](#) () as Boolean

#### **Description**

This event gets fired before a suggestion window is shown. The [Document](#) property [Suggestions](#) contains a string array that is recommended to the user. It is possible to modify the displayed recommendations during this event. Before doing so you have to assign an empty array to the [Suggestions](#) property. The best location for this is the [OnDocumentOpened](#) event. To prevent the suggestion window to show up return [false](#) and [true](#) to continue its display.

#### **Examples**

Given below are examples of how this event can be scripted.

##### ***XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:***

```
Function On\_BeforeShowSuggestions ()  
End Function
```

##### ***XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:***

```
function On\_BeforeShowSuggestions ()  
{  
}  
}
```

##### ***XMLSpy IDE Plugin:***

```
IXMLSpyPlugIn.OnEvent (33, ...) // nEventId = 33
```

### ***OnChar***

#### **See also**

**Event:** [OnChar](#) ([nChar](#) as Long, [bExistSuggestion](#) as Boolean) as Boolean

#### **Description**

This event gets fired on each key stroke. The parameter [nChar](#) is the key that was pressed and [bExistSuggestions](#) tells whether a XMLSpy generated suggestions window is displayed after this key. The [Document](#) property [Suggestions](#) contains a string array that is recommended to the user. It is possible to modify the displayed recommendations during this event. Before doing so you have to assign an empty array to the [Suggestions](#) property. The best location for this is the [OnDocumentOpened](#) event. To prevent the suggestion window to show up return [false](#) and [true](#) to continue its display.

It is also possible to create a new suggestions window when none is provided by XMLSpy. Set the [Document](#) property [Suggestions](#) to a string array with your recommendations and return [true](#). This event is fired before the [OnBeforeShowSuggestions](#) event. If you prevent to show the suggestion window by returning [false](#) then [OnBeforeShowSuggestions](#) is not fired.

#### **Examples**

Given below are examples of how this event can be scripted.

**XMLSpy scripting environment - VBScript:**

```
Function On_Char(nChar, bExistSuggestions)
End Function
```

**XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript:**

```
function On_Char(nChar, bExistSuggestions)
{
}
```

**XMLSpy IDE Plugin:**

```
IXMLSpyPlugin.OnEvent (35, ...) // nEventId = 35
```

## Application

**Property:** `Application` as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GetRangeText

**Method:** `GetRangeText`(`nStart` as Long, `nEnd` as Long) as String

### Description

Returns the text in the specified range.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GoToLineChar

**Method:** `GoToLineChar`(`nLine` as Long, `nChar` as Long)

### Description

Moves the caret to the specified line and character position.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Length

**Property:** `Length` as Long

**Description**

Returns the character count of the document.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**LineCount**

*Property:* [LineCount](#) as Long

**Description**

Returns the number of lines in the document.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**LineFromPosition**

*Method:* [LineFromPosition](#)([nCharPos](#) as Long) as Long

**Description**

Returns the line number of the character position.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**LineLength**

*Method:* [LineLength](#)([nLine](#) as Long) as Long

**Description**

Returns the length of the line.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**MoveCaret**

*Method:* [MoveCaret](#)([nDiff](#) as Long)

**Description**

Moves the caret [nDiff](#) characters.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Parent

**Property:** `Parent` as [Document](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## PositionFromLine

**Method:** `PositionFromLine`(`nLine` as Long) as Long

### Description

Returns the start position of the line.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ReplaceText

**Method:** `ReplaceText`(`nPosFrom` as Long, `nPosTill` as Long, `sText` as String)

### Description

Replaces the text in the specified range.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SelectionEnd

**Property:** `SelectionEnd` as Long

### Description

Returns/sets the text selection end position.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SelectionStart

**Property:** `SelectionStart` as Long

### Description

Returns/sets the text selection start position.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SelectText

**Method:** [SelectText](#)(nPosFrom as Long, nPosTill as Long)

### Description

Selects the text in the specified range.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SelText

**Property:** [SelText](#) as String

### Description

Returns/sets the selected text.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Text

**Property:** [Text](#) as String

### Description

Returns/sets the document text.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

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### See also

### Properties and Methods

Standard automation properties

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Interaction and visibility properties

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[IncludeOverview](#)  
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[ShowServiceDiagram](#)  
[ShowSourceCode](#)  
[ShowTypesDiagram](#)  
[ShowUsedBy](#)

### Description

This object combines all options for WSDL document generation as they are available through user interface dialog boxes in XMLSpy. The document generation options are initialized with the values used during the last generation of WSDL documentation. However, before using the object you have to set the [OutputFile](#) property to a valid file path. Use [OptionsDialogAction](#), [OutputFileDialogAction](#) and [ShowProgressBar](#) to specify the level of user interaction desired. You can use [IncludeAll](#) and [AllDetails](#) to set whole option groups at once or the individual properties to operate on a finer granularity.

### AllDetails

#### See also

**Method:** [AllDetails](#) ([i\\_bDetailsOn](#) as Boolean)

### Description

Use this method to turn all details options on or off.

### Errors

4300 The object is no longer valid.

## Application

### See also

*Property:* [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## CreateDiagramsFolder

### See also

*Property:* [CreateDiagramsFolder](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to create a directory for the created images. Otherwise the diagrams will be created next to the documentation. This property is only available when the diagrams are not embedded. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `false`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## DiagramFormat

### See also

*Property:* [DiagramFormat](#) as [SPYImageKind](#)

### Description

This property specifies the generated diagram image type. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is PNG.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## EmbedCSSInHTML

### See also

*Property:* [EmbedCSSInHTML](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to embed the CSS data in the generated HTML document. Otherwise a separate file will be created and linked. This property is only available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**EmbedDiagrams****See also**

**Property:** `EmbedDiagrams` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to embed the diagrams in the generated document. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GlobalElementsAndTypesOnly****See also**

**Property:** `GlobalElementsAndTypesOnly` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Returns/sets a value indicating whether a full Schema documentation is done or only Global Elements and Types are documented.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeAll****See also**

**Method:** `IncludeAll` (`i_bInclude` as `Boolean`)

**Description**

Use this method to mark or unmark all include options.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.

## IncludeBinding

### See also

*Property:* [IncludeBinding](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include bindings in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeImportedWSDLFiles

### See also

*Property:* [IncludeImportedWSDLFiles](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include imported WSDL files in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeMessages

### See also

*Property:* [IncludeMessages](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include messages in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeOverview

### See also

*Property:* [IncludeOverview](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include an overview in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludePortType****See also**

**Property:** [IncludePortType](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include port types in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeService****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeService](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include services in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeTypes****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeTypes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include types in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## MultipleOutputFiles

### See also

**Property:** [MultipleOutputFiles](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to split the documentation files. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `false`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OptionsDialogAction

### See also

**Property:** [OptionsDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

### Description

To allow your script to fill in the default values and let the user see and react on the dialog, set this property to the value `spyDialogUserInput(2)`. If you want your script to define all the options in the schema documentation dialog without any user interaction necessary, use `spyDialogOK(0)`. Default is `spyDialogOK`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFile

### See also

**Property:** [OutputFile](#) as String

### Description

Full path and name of the file that will contain the generated documentation. In case of HTML output, additional `.png` files will be generated based on this filename. The default value for this property is an empty string and needs to be replaced before using this object in a call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#).

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFileDialogAction

See also

**Property:** `OutputFileDialogAction` as [SPYDialogAction](#)

### Description

To allow the user to select the output file with a file selection dialog, set this property to `spyDialogUserInput(2)`. If the value stored in [OutputFile](#) should be taken and no user interaction should occur, use `spyDialogOK(0)`. Default is `spyDialogOK`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFormat

See also

**Property:** `OutputFormat` as [SPYSchemaDocumentationFormat](#)

### Description

Defines the kind of documentation that will be generated: HTML (value=0), MS-Word (value=1), or RTF (value=2). The property gets initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is HTML.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Parent

See also

**Property:** `Parent` as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SeparateSchemaDocument

See also

**Property:** `SeparateSchemaDocument` as Boolean

### Description

Returns/sets a value indicating whether the Schema documentation should be placed in a

separate document.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowBindingDiagram****See also**

*Property:* [ShowBindingDiagram](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show binding diagrams in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowExtensibility****See also**

*Property:* [ShowExtensibility](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show service and binding extensibilities in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowMessageParts****See also**

*Property:* [ShowMessageParts](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show message parts of messages in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowPort

### See also

*Property:* [ShowPort](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show service ports in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowPortTypeDiagram

### See also

*Property:* [ShowPortTypeDiagram](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show port type diagrams in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowPortTypeOperations

### See also

*Property:* [ShowPortTypeOperations](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show port type operations in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowProgressBar

### See also

**Property:** [ShowProgressBar](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to make the window showing the document generation progress visible. Use `false`, to hide it. Default is `false`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowResult

### See also

**Property:** [ShowResult](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to automatically open the resulting document when generation was successful. HTML documentation will be opened in XMLSpy. To show Word documentation, MS-Word will be started. The property gets initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowServiceDiagram

### See also

**Property:** [ShowServiceDiagram](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show service diagrams in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowSourceCode

### See also

**Property:** [ShowSourceCode](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show source code for the includes in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowTypesDiagram****See also**

**Property:** `ShowTypesDiagram` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show type diagrams in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowUsedBy****See also**

**Property:** `ShowUsedBy` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show the used-by relation for types, bindings and messages definitions in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**UseFixedDesign****See also**

**Property:** `UseFixedDesign` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Specifies whether the documentation should be created with a fixed design or with a design specified by a SPS file (which requires `StyleVision`).

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.

3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## **SPSFile**

### **See also**

*Property:* [SPSFile](#) as String

### **Description**

Full path and name of the SPS file that will be used to generate the documentation.

### **Errors**

3900 The object is no longer valid.

3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

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### **See also**

### **Properties and Methods**

Standard automation properties

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Interaction and visibility properties

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[ShowServiceDiagram](#)  
[ShowSourceCode](#)  
[ShowTypesDiagram](#)  
[ShowUsedBy](#)

### Description

This object combines all options for WSDL document generation as they are available through user interface dialog boxes in XMLSpy. The document generation options are initialized with the values used during the last generation of WSDL documentation. However, before using the object you have to set the [OutputFile](#) property to a valid file path. Use [OptionsDialogAction](#), [OutputFileDialogAction](#) and [ShowProgressBar](#) to specify the level of user interaction desired. You can use [IncludeAll](#) and [AllDetails](#) to set whole option groups at once or the individual properties to operate on a finer granularity.

### AllDetails

#### See also

**Method:** [AllDetails](#) ([i\\_bDetailsOn](#) as Boolean)

### Description

Use this method to turn all details options on or off.

### Errors

4300 The object is no longer valid.

### Application

#### See also

**Property:** [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

4300 The object is no longer valid.  
4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### CreateDiagramsFolder

#### See also

**Property:** `CreateDiagramsFolder` as Boolean

#### Description

Set this property to `true`, to create a directory for the created images. Otherwise the diagrams will be created next to the documentation. This property is only available when the diagrams are not embedded. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is false.

#### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### DiagramFormat

#### See also

**Property:** `DiagramFormat` as [SPYImageKind](#)

#### Description

This property specifies the generated diagram image type. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is PNG.

#### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### EmbedCSSInHTML

#### See also

**Property:** `EmbedCSSInHTML` as Boolean

#### Description

Set this property to `true`, to embed the CSS data in the generated HTML document. Otherwise a separate file will be created and linked. This property is only available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

#### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### EmbedDiagrams

#### See also

**Property:** `EmbedDiagrams` as Boolean

#### Description

Set this property to `true`, to embed the diagrams in the generated document. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GlobalElementsAndTypesOnly****See also**

**Property:** [GlobalElementsAndTypesOnly](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Returns/sets a value indicating whether a full Schema documentation is done or only Global Elements and Types are documented.

**Errors**

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeAll****See also**

**Method:** [IncludeAll](#) ([i\\_bInclude](#) as Boolean)

**Description**

Use this method to mark or unmark all include options.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.

**IncludeBinding****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeBinding](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include bindings in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeImportedWSDLFiles

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeImportedWSDLFiles](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include imported WSDL files in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeInterface

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeInterface](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include interfaces in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeOverview

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeOverview](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include an overview in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## IncludeService

### See also

**Property:** [IncludeService](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include services in the WSDL documentation. The property is

initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeTypes****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeTypes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include types in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**MultipleOutputFiles****See also**

**Property:** [MultipleOutputFiles](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to split the documentation files. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is false.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**OptionsDialogAction****See also**

**Property:** [OptionsDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

**Description**

To allow your script to fill in the default values and let the user see and react on the dialog, set this property to the value `spyDialogUserInput(2)`. If you want your script to define all the options in the schema documentation dialog without any user interaction necessary, use `spyDialogOK(0)`. Default is `spyDialogOK`.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid value has been used to set the property.

Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFile

### See also

**Property:** [OutputFile](#) as String

### Description

Full path and name of the file that will contain the generated documentation. In case of HTML output, additional '.png' files will be generated based on this filename. The default value for this property is an empty string and needs to be replaced before using this object in a call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#).

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFileDialogAction

### See also

**Property:** [OutputFileDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

### Description

To allow the user to select the output file with a file selection dialog, set this property to *spyDialogUserInput(2)*. If the value stored in [OutputFile](#) should be taken and no user interaction should occur, use *spyDialogOK(0)*. Default is *spyDialogOK*.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFormat

### See also

**Property:** [OutputFormat](#) as [SPYSchemaDocumentationFormat](#)

### Description

Defines the kind of documentation that will be generated: HTML (value=0), MS-Word (value=1), or RTF (value=2). The property gets initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is HTML.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Parent

### See also

**Property:** `Parent` as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## SeparateSchemaDocument

### See also

**Property:** `SeparateSchemaDocument` as `Boolean`

### Description

Returns/sets a value indicating whether the Schema documentation should be placed in a separate document.

### Errors

- 3900 The object is no longer valid.
- 3901 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowBindingDiagram

### See also

**Property:** `ShowBindingDiagram` as `Boolean`

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show binding diagrams in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowEndpoint

### See also

**Property:** `ShowEndpoint` as `Boolean`

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show service endpoints in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowExtensibility****See also**

**Property:** `ShowExtensibility` as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show service and binding extensibilities in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowFault****See also**

**Property:** `ShowFault` as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show faults in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowInterfaceDiagram****See also**

**Property:** `ShowInterfaceDiagram` as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show interface diagrams in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowOperation

### See also

**Property:** [ShowOperation](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show interface and binding operations in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowProgressBar

### See also

**Property:** [ShowProgressBar](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to make the window showing the document generation progress visible. Use `false`, to hide it. Default is `false`.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowResult

### See also

**Property:** [ShowResult](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to automatically open the resulting document when generation was successful. HTML documentation will be opened in XMLSpy. To show Word documentation, MS-Word will be started. The property gets initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowServiceDiagram

### See also

**Property:** [ShowServiceDiagram](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show service diagrams in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowSourceCode****See also**

**Property:** [ShowSourceCode](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show source code for the includes in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowTypesDiagram****See also**

**Property:** [ShowTypesDiagram](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show type diagrams in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowUsedBy****See also**

**Property:** [ShowUsedBy](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show the used-by relation for types, bindings and messages definitions in the WSDL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateWSDL20Documentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**SPSFile****See also**

*Property:* [SPSFile](#) as String

**Description**

Full path and name of the SPS file that will be used to generate the documentation.

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**UseFixedDesign****See also**

*Property:* [UseFixedDesign](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Specifies whether the documentation should be created with a fixed design or with a design specified by a SPS file (which requires StyleVision).

**Errors**

- 4300 The object is no longer valid.
- 4301 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### 3.2.31 XBRLDocumentationDlg

**See also****Properties and Methods**

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[ShortQualifiedName](#)  
[ShowImportedElements](#)

### Description

This object combines all options for XBRL document generation as they are available through user interface dialog boxes in XMLSpy. The document generation options are initialized with the values used during the last generation of XBRL documentation. However, before using the object you have to set the [OutputFile](#) property to a valid file path. Use [OptionsDialogAction](#), [OutputFileDialogAction](#) and [ShowProgressBar](#) to specify the level of user interaction desired. You can use [IncludeAll](#) and [AllDetails](#) to set whole option groups at once or the individual properties to operate on a finer granularity.

### AllDetails

#### See also

**Method:** [AllDetails](#) ([i\\_bDetailsOn](#) as Boolean)

### Description

Use this method to turn all details options on or off.

### Errors

4400 The object is no longer valid.

## Application

### See also

*Property:* [Application](#) as [Application](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the XMLSpy application object.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## CreateDiagramsFolder

### See also

*Property:* [CreateDiagramsFolder](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to create a directory for the created images. Otherwise the diagrams will be created next to the documentation. This property is only available when the diagrams are not embedded. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `false`.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## DiagramFormat

### See also

*Property:* [DiagramFormat](#) as [SPYImageKind](#)

### Description

This property specifies the generated diagram image type. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is PNG.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## EmbedCSSInHTML

### See also

*Property:* [EmbedCSSInHTML](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to embed the CSS data in the generated HTML document. Otherwise a separate file will be created and linked. This property is only available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**EmbedDiagrams****See also**

**Property:** `EmbedDiagrams` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to embed the diagrams in the generated document. This property is not available for HTML documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeAll****See also**

**Method:** `IncludeAll` (`i_bInclude` as `Boolean`)

**Description**

Use this method to mark or unmark all include options.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.

**IncludeCalculationLinkroles****See also**

**Property:** `IncludeCalculationLinkroles` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include calculation linkroles in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeDefinitionLinkroles****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeDefinitionLinkroles](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include definition linkroles in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeGlobalElements****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeGlobalElements](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include global elements in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeNamespacePrefixes****See also**

**Property:** [IncludeNamespacePrefixes](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to include namespace prefixes in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**IncludeOverview****See also**

**Property:** `IncludeOverview` as Boolean

#### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include an overview in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

#### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### IncludePresentationLinkroles

#### See also

**Property:** `IncludePresentationLinkroles` as Boolean

#### Description

Set this property to `true`, to include presentation linkroles in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

#### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### OptionsDialogAction

#### See also

**Property:** `OptionsDialogAction` as [SPYDialogAction](#)

#### Description

To allow your script to fill in the default values and let the user see and react on the dialog, set this property to the value `spyDialogUserInput(2)`. If you want your script to define all the options in the schema documentation dialog without any user interaction necessary, use `spyDialogOK(0)`. Default is `spyDialogOK`.

#### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### OutputFile

#### See also

**Property:** `OutputFile` as String

#### Description

Full path and name of the file that will contain the generated documentation. In case of HTML output, additional '.png' files will be generated based on this filename. The default value for this property is an empty string and needs to be replaced before using this object in a call to

[Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation.](#)

#### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFileDialogAction

### See also

**Property:** [OutputFileDialogAction](#) as [SPYDialogAction](#)

### Description

To allow the user to select the output file with a file selection dialog, set this property to *spyDialogUserInput(2)*. If the value stored in [OutputFile](#) should be taken and no user interaction should occur, use *spyDialogOK(0)*. Default is *spyDialogOK*.

#### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## OutputFormat

### See also

**Property:** [OutputFormat](#) as [SPYSchemaDocumentationFormat](#)

### Description

Defines the kind of documentation that will be generated: HTML (value=0), MS-Word (value=1), or RTF (value=2). The property gets initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is HTML.

#### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid value has been used to set the property.  
Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## Parent

### See also

**Property:** [Parent](#) as [Dialogs](#) (read-only)

### Description

Access the parent of the object.

#### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShortQualifiedName

### See also

**Property:** [ShortQualifiedName](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to use short qualified names in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowAbstract

### See also

**Property:** [ShowAbstract](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show abstracts in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowBalance

### See also

**Property:** [ShowBalance](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show balances in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowDiagram

### See also

**Property:** [ShowDiagram](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show diagrams in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowImportedElements****See also**

**Property:** `ShowImportedElements` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show imported elements in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowItemtype****See also**

**Property:** `ShowItemtype` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show item types in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowLabels****See also**

**Property:** `ShowLabels` as `Boolean`

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show labels in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowLinkbaseReferences****See also**

*Property:* [ShowLinkbaseReferences](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show linkbase references in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowNillable****See also**

*Property:* [ShowNillable](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show nillable properties in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to

[Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**ShowPeriod****See also**

*Property:* [ShowPeriod](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show periods in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is true.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowProgressBar

### See also

**Property:** [ShowProgressBar](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to make the window showing the document generation progress visible. Use `false`, to hide it. Default is `false`.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowReferences

### See also

**Property:** [ShowReferences](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to show references in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowResult

### See also

**Property:** [ShowResult](#) as Boolean

### Description

Set this property to `true`, to automatically open the resulting document when generation was successful. HTML documentation will be opened in XMLSpy. To show Word documentation, MS-Word will be started. The property gets initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

### Errors

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## ShowSubstitutiongroup

### See also

**Property:** [ShowSubstitutiongroup](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set this property to `true`, to show substitution groups in the XBRL documentation. The property is initialized with the value used during the last call to [Document.GenerateXBRLDocumentation](#). The default for the first run is `true`.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**SPSFile****See also**

*Property:* [SPSFile](#) as String

**Description**

Full path and name of the SPS file that will be used to generate the documentation.

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**UseFixedDesign****See also**

*Property:* [UseFixedDesign](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Specifies whether the documentation should be created with a fixed design or with a design specified by a SPS file (which requires StyleVision).

**Errors**

- 4400 The object is no longer valid.
- 4401 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**3.2.32 XMLData****See also****Properties**

[Kind](#)

[Name](#)

[TextValue](#)

[HasChildren](#)

[MayHaveChildren](#)

[Parent](#)

**Methods**[GetFirstChild](#)[GetNextChild](#)[GetCurrentChild](#)[InsertChild](#)[InsertChildAfter](#)[InsertChildBefore](#)[AppendChild](#)[EraseAllChildren](#)[EraseChild](#)[EraseCurrentChild](#)[IsSameNode](#)[CountChildren](#)[CountChildrenKind](#)[GetChild](#)[GetChildAttribute](#)[GetChildElement](#)[GetChildKind](#)[GetNamespacePrefixForURI](#)[HasChildrenKind](#)[SetTextValueXMLEncoded](#)**Description**

The XMLData interface provides direct XML-level access to a document. You can read and directly modify the XML representation of the document. However, please, note the following restrictions:

- The XMLData representation is only valid when the document is shown in grid view or authentic view.
- When in authentic view, additional XMLData elements are automatically inserted as parents of each visible document element. Typically this is an XMLData of kind `spyXMLDataElement` with the [Name](#) property set to 'Text'.
- When you use the XMLData interface while in a different view mode you will not receive errors, but changes are not reflected to the view and might get lost during the next view switch.

Note also:

- Setting a new text value for an XML element is possible if the element does not have non-text children. A text value can be set even if the element has attributes.
- When setting a new text value for an XML element which has more than one text child, the latter will be deleted and replaced by one new text child.
- When reading the text value of an XML element which has more than one text child, only the value of the first text child will be returned.

Objects of this class represent the different atomic parts of an XML document. See the enumeration type [SPYXMLDataKind](#) for the available part types. Each part knows its children, thus forming a XMLData tree with [Document.RootElement](#) at its top. To get the top element of

the document content - ignoring the XML header - use [Document.DataRoot](#). For an examples on how to traverse the XMLData tree, see [GetNextChild](#).

## AppendChild

### See also

**Declaration:** [AppendChild](#) (*pNewData* as [XMLData](#))

### Description

`AppendChild` appends `pNewData` as last child to the `XMLData` object.

### Errors

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.
- 1505 Invalid XMLData kind was specified.
- 1506 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1507 Element cannot have Children
- 1512 Cyclic insertion - new data element is already part of document
- 1514 Invalid XMLData kind was specified for this position.
- 1900 Document must not be modified

### Example

```
Dim objCurrentParent As XMLData
Dim objNewChild As XMLData

Set objNewChild = objSpy.ActiveDocument.CreateChild(spyXMLDataElement)
Set objCurrentParent = objSpy.ActiveDocument.RootElement

objCurrentParent.AppendChild objNewChild

Set objNewChild = Nothing
```

## CountChildren

### See also

**Declaration:** [CountChildren](#) as long

### Description

`CountChildren` gets the number of children.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

### Errors

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.

## CountChildrenKind

### See also

**Declaration:** `CountChildrenKind` (*nKind* as [SPYXMLDataKind](#)) as long

### Description

`CountChildrenKind` gets the number of children of the specific kind.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

### Errors

1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.

## EraseAllChildren

### See also

**Declaration:** `EraseAllChildren`

### Description

`EraseAllChildren` deletes all associated children of the XMLData object.

### Errors

1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.

1900 Document must not be modified

### Example

The sample erases all elements of the active document.

```
Dim objCurrentParent As XMLData

Set objCurrentParent = objSpy.ActiveDocument.RootElement
objCurrentParent.EraseAllChildren
```

## EraseChild

**Method:** `EraseChild` (Child as [XMLData](#))

### Description

Deletes the given child node.

### Errors

1500 Invalid object.

1506 Invalid input xml

1510 Invalid parameter.

## EraseCurrentChild

### See also

**Declaration:** `EraseCurrentChild`

### Description

`EraseCurrentChild` deletes the current `XMLData` child object. Before you call `EraseCurrentChild` you must initialize an internal iterator with [XMLData.GetFirstChild](#). After deleting the current child, `EraseCurrentChild` increments the internal iterator of the `XMLData` element. No error is returned when the last child gets erased and the iterator is moved past the end of the child list. The next call to `EraseCurrentChild` however, will return error 1503.

### Errors

- 1500 The `XMLData` object is no longer valid.
- 1503 No iterator is initialized for this `XMLData` object, or the iterator points past the last child.
- 1900 Document must not be modified

### Examples

```
// -----
// XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript
// erase all children of XMLData
// -----
// let's get an XMLData element, we assume that the
// cursor selects the parent of a list in grid view
var objList = Application.ActiveDocument.GridView.CurrentFocus;

// the following line would be shorter, of course
//objList.EraseAllChildren ();

// but we want to demonstrate the usage of EraseCurrentChild
if ((objList != null) && (objList.HasChildren))
{
    try
    {
        objEle = objList.GetFirstChild(-1);
        while (objEle != null)
            objList.EraseCurrentChild();
        // no need to call GetNextChild
    }
    catch (err)
        // 1503 - we reached end of child list
        { if ((err.number & 0xffff) != 1503) throw (err); }
}
```

### GetChild

#### See also

**Declaration:** `GetChild` (*position* as long) as [XMLData](#)

#### Return Value

Returns an XML element as `XMLData` object.

#### Description

`GetChild()` returns a reference to the child at the given index (zero-based).

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

**Errors**

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**GetChildAttribute**

**Method:** [GetChildAttribute](#) (strName as string) child as XMLData object (NULL on error)

**Description**

Retrieves the attribute having the given name.

**Errors**

- 1500 Invalid object.
- 1510 Invalid parameter.

**GetChildElement**

**Method:** [GetChildElement](#) (strName as string, nIndex as long) child as XMLData object (NULL on error)

**Description**

Retrieves the Nth child element with the given name.

**Errors**

- 1500 Invalid object.
- 1510 Invalid parameter.

**GetChildKind****See also**

**Declaration:** [GetChildKind](#) (*position* as long, *nKind* as [SPYXMLDataKind](#)) as [XMLData](#)

**Return Value**

Returns an XML element as XMLData object.

**Description**

[GetChildKind\(\)](#) returns a reference to a child of this kind at the given index (zero-based). The position parameter is relative to the number of children of the specified kind and not to all children of the object.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

**Errors**

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GetCurrentChild

### See also

**Declaration:** [GetCurrentChild](#) as [XMLData](#)

### Return Value

Returns an XML element as `XMLData` object.

### Description

`GetCurrentChild` gets the current child. Before you call `GetCurrentChild` you must initialize an internal iterator with [XMLData.GetFirstChild](#).

### Errors

- 1500 The `XMLData` object is no longer valid.
- 1503 No iterator is initialized for this `XMLData` object.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## GetFirstChild

### See also

**Declaration:** [GetFirstChild](#) (*nKind* as [SPYXMLDataKind](#)) as [XMLData](#)

### Return Value

Returns an XML element as `XMLData` object.

### Description

`GetFirstChild` initializes a new iterator and returns the first child. Set `nKind = -1` to get an iterator for all kinds of children.

REMARK: The iterator is stored inside the `XMLData` object and gets destroyed when the `XMLData` object gets destroyed. Be sure to keep a reference to this object as long as you want to use [GetCurrentChild](#), [GetNextChild](#) or [EraseCurrentChild](#).

### Errors

- 1500 The `XMLData` object is no longer valid.
- 1501 Invalid `XMLData` kind was specified.
- 1504 Element has no children of specified kind.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

### Example

See the example at [XMLData.GetNextChild](#).

## GetNamespacePrefixForURI

**Method:** [GetNamespacePrefixForURI](#) (*strURI* as string) *strNS* as string

### Description

Returns the namespace prefix of the supplied URI.

**Errors**

- 1500 Invalid object.
- 1510 Invalid parameter.

**GetNextChild****See also**

**Declaration:** `GetNextChild` as [XMLData](#)

**Return Value**

Returns an XML element as `XMLData` object.

**Description**

`GetNextChild` steps to the next child of this element. Before you call `GetNextChild` you must initialize an internal iterator with [XMLData.GetFirstChild](#).

Check for the last child of the element as shown in the sample below.

**Errors**

- 1500 The `XMLData` object is no longer valid.
- 1503 No iterator is initialized for this `XMLData` object.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Examples**

```
' -----  
' VBA code snippet - iterate XMLData children  
' -----  
  
On Error Resume Next  
Set objParent = objSpy.ActiveDocument.RootElement  
  
'get elements of all kinds  
Set objCurrentChild = objParent.GetFirstChild(-1)  
  
Do  
    'do something useful with the child  
  
    'step to next child  
    Set objCurrentChild = objParent.GetNextChild  
Loop Until (Err.Number - vbObjectError = 1503)  
  
  
// -----  
// XMLSpy scripting environment - JScript  
// iterate through children of XMLData  
// -----  
try  
{  
    var objXMLData = ... // initialize somehow  
    var objChild = objXMLData.GetFirstChild(-1);
```

```
    while (true)
    {
        // do something usefull with objChild

        objChild = objXMLData.GetNextChild();
    }
}
catch (err)
{
    if ((err.number & 0xffff) == 1504)
        ; // element has no children
    else if ((err.number & 0xffff) == 1503)
        ; // last child reached
    else
        throw (err);
}
```

## GetTextValueXMLDecoded

**Method:** [GetTextValueXMLDecoded](#) () as string

### Description

Gets the decoded text value of the XML.

### Errors

- 1500 Invalid object.
- 1510 Invalid parameter.

## HasChildren

### See also

**Declaration:** [HasChildren](#) as Boolean

### Description

The property is true if the object is the parent of other `XMLData` objects. This property is read-only.

### Errors

- 1500 The `XMLData` object is no longer valid.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## HasChildrenKind

### See also

**Declaration:** [HasChildrenKind](#) (*nKind* as [SPYXMLDataKind](#)) as Boolean

### Description

The method returns true if the object is the parent of other `XMLData` objects of the specific kind.

Available with TypeLibrary version 1.5

**Errors**

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**InsertChild****See also**

**Declaration:** `InsertChild` (*pNewData* as [XMLData](#))

**Description**

`InsertChild` inserts the new child before the current child (see also [XMLData.GetFirstChild](#), [XMLData.GetNextChild](#) to set the current child).

**Errors**

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.
- 1503 No iterator is initialized for this XMLData object.
- 1505 Invalid XMLData kind was specified.
- 1506 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.
- 1507 Element cannot have Children
- 1512 Cyclic insertion - new data element is already part of document
- 1514 Invalid XMLData kind was specified for this position.
- 1900 Document must not be modified

**InsertChildAfter**

**Method:** `InsertChildBefore` (Node as XMLData, NewData as XMLData)

**Description**

Inserts a new XML node (supplied with the second parameter) after the specified node (first parameter).

**Errors**

- 1500 Invalid object.
- 1506 Invalid input xml
- 1507 No children allowed
- 1510 Invalid parameter.
- 1512 Child is already added
- 1514 Invalid kind at position

**InsertChildBefore**

**Method:** `InsertChildBefore` (Node as XMLData, NewData as XMLData)

**Description**

Inserts a new XML node (supplied with the second parameter) before the specified node (first parameter).

**Errors**

- 1500 Invalid object.
- 1506 Invalid input xml
- 1507 No children allowed
- 1510 Invalid parameter.
- 1512 Child is already added
- 1514 Invalid kind at position

**IsSameNode****See also**

**Declaration:** `IsSameNode` (`pNodeToCompare` as [XMLData](#)) as Boolean

**Description**

Returns true if `pNodeToCompare` references the same node as the object itself.

**Errors**

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.
- 1506 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Kind****See also**

**Declaration:** `Kind` as [SPYXMLDataKind](#)

**Description**

Kind of this `XMLData` object. This property is read-only.

**Errors**

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**MayHaveChildren****See also**

**Declaration:** `MayHaveChildren` as Boolean

**Description**

Indicates whether it is allowed to add children to this `XMLData` object. This property is read-only.

**Errors**

- 1500 The XMLData object is no longer valid.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Name****See also**

**Declaration:** `Name` as String

**Description**

Used to modify and to get the name of the `XMLData` object.

**Errors**

- 1500 The `XMLData` object is no longer valid.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**Parent****See also**

**Declaration:** `Parent` as [XMLData](#)

**Return value**

Parent as `XMLData` object. Nothing (or NULL) if there is no parent element.

**Description**

Parent of this element. This property is read-only.

**Errors**

- 1500 The `XMLData` object is no longer valid.
- 1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

**SetTextValueXMLEncoded**

**Method:** `SetTextValueXMLEncoded` ( *strVal* as [String](#) )

**Description**

Sets the encoded text value of the XML.

**Errors**

- 1500 Invalid object.
- 1513 Modification not allowed.

**TextValue****See also**

**Declaration:** `TextValue` as String

**Description**

Used to modify and to get the text value of this `XMLData` object.

**Errors**

- 1500 The `XMLData` object is no longer valid.

1510 Invalid address for the return parameter was specified.

## 3.3 Interfaces (obsolete)

Interfaces contained in this book are obsolete. It is recommended to migrate your applications to the new interfaces. See the different properties and methods in this book for migration hints.

### 3.3.1 AuthenticEvent (obsolete)

#### Superseded by [AuthenticView](#) and [AuthenticRange](#)

The DocEditView object is renamed to OldAuthenticView.  
DocEditSelection is renamed to AuthenticSelection.  
DocEditEvent is renamed to AuthenticEvent.  
DocEditDataTransfer is renamed to AuthenticDataTransfer.

Their usage - except for AuthenticDataTransfer - is no longer recommended. We will continue to support existing functionality for a yet undefined period of time but no new features will be added to these interface. All functionality available up to now in [DocEditView](#), [DocEditSelection](#), [DocEditEvent](#) and [DocEditDataTransfer](#) is now available via [AuthenticView](#), [AuthenticRange](#) and [AuthenticDataTransfer](#). Many new features have been added.

For examples on migrating from DocEdit to Authentic see the description of the different methods and properties of the different DocEdit objects.

#### See also

#### Properties

[altKey](#)  
[altLeft](#)  
[ctrlKey](#)  
[ctrlLeft](#)  
[shiftKey](#)  
[shiftLeft](#)

[keyCode](#)  
[repeat](#)

[button](#)

[clientX](#)  
[clientY](#)

[dataTransfer](#)

[srcElement](#)  
[fromElement](#)

[propertyName](#)

[cancelBubble](#)  
[returnValue](#)

[type](#)

### Description

DocEditEvent interface.

### altKey (obsolete)

#### Superseded by parameters to

[AuthenticView.OnKeyboardEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_KeyPressed)

[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)

[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// function On_DocEditKeyPressed ()  
// {  
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.altKey ||  
//         Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.altLeft)  
//         MsgBox ("alt key is down");  
// }  
// use now:  
function On_AuthenticView_KeyPressed (SPYKeyEvent i_eKeyEvent, long i_nKeyCode,  
SPYVirtualKeyMask i_nVirtualKeyStatus)  
{  
    if (i_nVirtualKeyStatus & spyAltKeyMask)  
        MsgBox ("alt key is down");  
}
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [altKey](#) as Boolean

### Description

True if the right ALT key is pressed.

**altLeft (obsolete)**

**Superseded by parameters to**

[AuthenticView.OnKeyboardEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_KeyPressed)

[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)

[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditKeyDown ()
// {
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.altKey ||
//         Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.altLeft)
//         MsgBox ("alt key is down");
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_KeyDown (SPYKeyEvent i_eKeyEvent, long i_nKeyCode,
SPYVirtualKeyMask i_nVirtualKeyStatus)
{
    if (i_nVirtualKeyStatus & spyAltKeyMask)
        MsgBox ("alt key is down");
}
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** `altLeft` as Boolean

**Description**

True if the left ALT key is pressed.

**button (obsolete)****Superseded by parameters to****[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#)** (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)**[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#)** (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditButtonDown ()
// {
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.button == 1)
//         MsgBox ("left mouse button down detected");
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_MouseEvent (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos, SPYMouseEvent
i_eMouseEvent, IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange)
{
    if (i_eMouseEvent & spyLeftButtonDownMask)
        MsgBox ("left mouse button down detected");
}
```

**See also****Declaration:** `button` as long**Description**

Specifies which mouse button is pressed:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 0 | No button is pressed.                      |
| 1 | Left button is pressed.                    |
| 2 | Right button is pressed.                   |
| 3 | Left and right buttons are both pressed.   |
| 4 | Middle button is pressed.                  |
| 5 | Left and middle buttons both are pressed.  |
| 6 | Right and middle buttons are both pressed. |
| 7 | All three buttons are pressed.             |

**cancelBubble (obsolete)**

**Superseded by the boolean return value of following event handler functions**

[AuthenticView.OnKeyboardEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_KeyPressed)  
[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)  
[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

Returning *true* from an event handler function signals that the event has been handled and normal event handling should be aborted.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// function On_DocEditKeyPressed ()  
// {  
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.keyCode == 0x20)  
//     {  
//         // cancel key processing, swallow spaces :-)  
//         Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.cancelBubble = true;  
//     }  
// }  
// use now:  
function On_AuthenticView_KeyPressed (SPYKeyEvent i_eKeyEvent, long i_nKeyCode,  
SPYVirtualKeyMask i_nVirtualKeyStatus)  
{  
    if (i_nKeyCode == 0x20)  
        return true; // cancel key processing, swallow spaces :-)  
}
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** [cancelBubble](#) as Boolean

**Description**

Set `cancelBubble` to TRUE if the default event handler should not be called.

**clientX (obsolete)****Superseded by parameters to**

[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)

[AuthenticView.OnBeforeDrop](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_BeforeDrop)

[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditMouseMove ()
// {
//     MsgBox ("moving over " +
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.clientX +
//         "/" + Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.clientY);
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_MouseEvent (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos, SPYMouseEvent
i_eMouseEvent, IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange)
{
    if (i_eMouseEvent & spyMouseMoveMask)
        MsgBox ("moving over " + i_nXPos + "/" + i_nYPos);
}
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** `clientX` as long

**Description**

X value of the current mouse position in client coordinates.

**clientY (obsolete)****Superseded by parameters to**

[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)

[AuthenticView.OnBeforeDrop](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_BeforeDrop)

[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditMouseMove ()
// {
//     MsgBox ("moving over " +
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.clientX +
//         "/" + Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.clientY);
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_MouseEvent (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos, SPYMouseEvent
i_eMouseEvent, IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange)
{
    if (i_eMouseEvent & spyMouseMoveMask)
        MsgBox ("moving over " + i_nXPos + "/" + i_nYPos);
}
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** `clientY` as long

**Description**

Y value of the current mouse position in client coordinates.

**ctrlKey (obsolete)**

**Superseded by parameters to**

[AuthenticView.OnKeyboardEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_KeyPressed)

[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)

[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditMouseMove ()
// {
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.ctrlKey ||
//         Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.altLeft)
//         MsgBox ("control key is down");
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_MouseEvent (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos, SPYMouseEvent
i_eMouseEvent, IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange)
{
    if (i_eMouseEvent & spyCtrlKeyMask)
        MsgBox ("control key is down");
}
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** `ctrlKey` as Boolean

**Description**

True if the right CTRL key is pressed.

**ctrlLeft (obsolete)****Superseded by parameters to**

[AuthenticView.OnKeyboardEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_KeyPressed)

[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)

[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditMouseMove ()
// {
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.ctrlKey ||
//         Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.altLeft)
//         MsgBox ("control key is down");
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_MouseEvent (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos, SPYMouseEvent
i_eMouseEvent, IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange)
{
    if (i_eMouseEvent & spyCtrlKeyMask)
        MsgBox ("control key is down");
}
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** `ctrlLeft` as Boolean

**Description**

True if the left CTRL key is pressed.

**dataTransfer (obsolete)****Superseded by parameters to****[AuthenticView.OnBeforeDrop](#)** (On\_AuthenticView\_BeforeDrop)**[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#)** (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditDrop ()
// {
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.dataTransfer != null)
//         if (!
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.dataTransfer.ownDrag)
//             {
//                 // cancel key processing, don't drop foreign objects :-)
//                 Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.cancelBubble = true;
//             }
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_BeforeDrop (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos,
                                     IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange,
                                     IAuthenticDataTransfer *i_ipData)
{
    if (i_ipRange != null)
        if (! i_ipRange.ownDrag)
            return true; // cancel key processing, don't drop foreign objects
:-)

    return false;
}
```

**See also****Declaration:** [dataTransfer](#) as Variant**Description**Property `dataTransfer`.

## fromElement (obsolete)

**Not supported**

### See also

**Declaration:** [fromElement](#) as Variant (not supported)

### Description

Currently no event sets this property.

## keyCode (obsolete)

**Superseded by a parameter to [AuthenticView.OnKeyboardEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_KeyPressed)**

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditKeyPressed ()
// {
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.keyCode == 0x20)
//     {
//         // cancel key processing, swallow spaces :-)
//         Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.cancelBubble = true;
//     }
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_KeyPressed (SPYKeyEvent i_eKeyEvent, long i_nKeyCode,
SPYVirtualKeyMask i_nVirtualKeyStatus)
{
    if (i_nKeyCode == 0x20)
        return true; // cancel key processing, swallow spaces :-)
}
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [keyCode](#) as long

### Description

Keycode of the currently pressed key. This property is read-write.

**propertyName (obsolete)**

Not supported

**See also**

**Declaration:** `propertyName` as String (not supported)

**Description**

Currently no event sets this property.

**repeat (obsolete)**

Not supported

**See also**

**Declaration:** `repeat` as Boolean (not supported)

**Description**

True if the `onkeydown` event is repeated.

**returnValue (obsolete)**

No longer supported

**See also**

**Declaration:** `returnValue` as Variant

**Description**

Use `returnValue` to set a return value for your event handler.

**shiftKey (obsolete)****Superseded by parameters to**

[AuthenticView.OnKeyboardEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_KeyPressed)

[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)

[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditDragOver ()
// {
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.shiftKey ||
//         Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.shiftLeft)
//         MsgBox ("shift key is down");
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_DragOver (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos,
                                   SPYMouseEvent i_eMouseEvent,
                                   IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange,
                                   IAuthenticDataTransfer *i_ipData)
{
    if (i_eMouseEvent & spyShiftKeyMask)
        MsgBox ("shift key is down");
}
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** [shiftKey](#) as Boolean

**Description**

True if the right SHIFT key is pressed.

**shiftLeft (obsolete)****Superseded by parameters to**[AuthenticView.OnKeyboardEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_KeyPressed)[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditDragOver ()
// {
//     if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.shiftKey ||
//         Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event.shiftLeft)
//         MsgBox ("shift key is down");
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_DragOver (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos,
                                   SPYMouseEvent i_eMouseEvent,
                                   IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange,
                                   IAuthenticDataTransfer *i_ipData)
{
    if (i_eMouseEvent & spyShiftKeyMask)
        MsgBox ("shift key is down");
}
```

**See also****Declaration:** [shiftLeft](#) as Boolean**Description**

True if the left SHIFT key is pressed.

**srcElement (obsolete)****Superseded by parameters to**

[AuthenticView.OnMouseEvent](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_MouseEvent)

[AuthenticView.OnBeforeDrop](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_BeforeDrop)

[AuthenticView.OnDragOver](#) (On\_AuthenticView\_DragOver)

The event object that holds the information of the last event is now replaced by parameters to the different event handler functions to simplify data access. The event object will be supported for a not yet defined period of time for compatibility reasons. No improvements are planned. It is highly recommended to migrate to the new event handler functions.

With the new event handler function, a range object selecting this element is provided instead of the XMLData element currently below the mouse cursor.

```
// ----- XMLSpy scripting environment - javascriptsample -----
// instead of:
// function On_DocEditMouseMove ()
// {
//     var objEvent = Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.event;
//     if (objEvent.srcElement != null)
//         MsgBox ("moving over " + objEvent.srcElement.Parent.Name);
// }
// use now:
function On_AuthenticView_MouseEvent (long i_nXPos, long i_nYPos, SPYMouseEvent
i_eMouseEvent, IAuthenticRange *i_ipRange)
{
    if ((i_eMouseEvent & spyMouseMoveMask) &&
        (i_ipRange != null))
        MsgBox ("moving over " + i_ipRange.FirstXMLData.Parent.Name);
}
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** [srcElement](#) as Variant

**Description**

Element which fires the current event. This is usually an [XMLData](#) object.

**type (obsolete)**

**Not supported**

**See also**

**Declaration:** `type` as String (not supported)

**Description**

Currently no event sets this property.

### 3.3.2 AuthenticSelection (obsolete)

#### Superseded by [AuthenticRange](#)

The DocEditView object is renamed to OldAuthenticView.  
DocEditSelection is renamed to AuthenticSelection.  
DocEditEvent is renamed to AuthenticEvent.  
DocEditDataTransfer is renamed to AuthenticDataTransfer.

Their usage - except for AuthenticDataTransfer - is no longer recommended. We will continue to support existing functionality for a yet undefined period of time but no new features will be added to these interface. All functionality available up to now in [DocEditView](#), [DocEditSelection](#), [DocEditEvent](#) and [DocEditDataTransfer](#) is now available via [AuthenticView](#), [AuthenticRange](#) and [AuthenticDataTransfer](#). Many new features have been added.

For examples on migrating from DocEdit to Authentic see the description of the different methods and properties of the different DocEdit objects.

#### See also

#### Properties

[Start](#)

[StartTextPosition](#)

[End](#)

[EndTextPosition](#)

**End (obsolete)****Superseded by [AuthenticRange.LastXMLData](#)**

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var objXMLData =  
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.CurrentSelection.End;  
// use now:  
var objXMLData =  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.LastXMLData;
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** End as [XMLData](#)

**Description**

XML element where the current selection ends.

**EndTextPosition (obsolete)****Superseded by [AuthenticRange.LastXMLDataOffset](#)**

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var nOffset =  
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.CurrentSelection.EndTextPosition;  
// use now:  
var nOffset =  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.LastXMLDataOffset;
```

**See also**

**Declaration:** EndTextPosition as long

**Description**

Position in [DocEditSelection.End.TextValue](#) where the selection ends.

## Start (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticRange.FirstXMLData](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var objXMLData =  
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.CurrentSelection.Start;  
// use now:  
var objXMLData =  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.FirstXMLData;
```

## See also

**Declaration:** Start as [XMLData](#)

## Description

XML element where the current selection starts.

## StartTextPosition (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticRange.FirstXMLDataOffset](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var nOffset =  
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.CurrentSelection.StartTextPosition;  
// use now:  
var nOffset =  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.FirstXMLDataOffset;
```

## See also

**Declaration:** StartTextPosition as long

## Description

Position in [DocEditSelection.Start.TextValue](#) where the selection starts.

### 3.3.3 OldAuthenticView (obsolete)

**Superseded by [AuthenticView](#) and [AuthenticRange](#)**

The DocEditView object is renamed to OldAuthenticView.  
DocEditSelection is renamed to AuthenticSelection.  
DocEditEvent is renamed to AuthenticEvent.  
DocEditDataTransfer is renamed to AuthenticDataTransfer.

Their usage - except for AuthenticDataTransfer - is no longer recommended. We will continue to support existing functionality for a yet undefined period of time but no new features will be added to these interfaces. All functionality available up to now in [DocEditView](#), [DocEditSelection](#), [DocEditEvent](#) and [DocEditDataTransfer](#) is now available via [AuthenticView](#), [AuthenticRange](#) and [AuthenticDataTransfer](#). Many new features have been added.

For examples on migrating from DocEdit to Authentic see the description of the different methods and properties of the different DocEdit objects.

**See also****Methods**

[LoadXML](#)  
[SaveXML](#)

[EditClear](#)  
[EditCopy](#)  
[EditCut](#)  
[EditPaste](#)  
[EditRedo](#)  
[EditSelectAll](#)  
[EditUndo](#)

[RowAppend](#)  
[RowDelete](#)  
[RowDuplicate](#)  
[RowInsert](#)  
[RowMoveDown](#)  
[RowMoveUp](#)

[ApplyTextState](#)  
[IsTextStateApplied](#)  
[IsTextStateEnabled](#)

[MarkupView](#)

[SelectionSet](#)  
[SelectionMoveTabOrder](#)

[GetNextVisible](#)

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[GetAllowedElements](#)

### Properties

[CurrentSelection](#)

[event](#)

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### Description

Interface for Authentic View.

## ApplyTextState (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.PerformAction](#)

Use spyAuthenticApply for the eAction parameter. The PerformAction method allows to apply text state attributes to any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.ApplyTextState ("bold");  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.PerformAction  
(spyAuthenticApply, "bold"))  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't set current selection to bold");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `ApplyTextState` (*elementName* as String)

### Description

Applies or removes the text state defined by the parameter `elementName`. Common examples for the parameter `elementName` would be strong and italic.

In an XML document there are segments of data, which may contain sub-elements. For example consider the following HTML:

```
<b>fragment</b>
```

The HTML tag `<b>` will cause the word fragment to be bold. However, this only happens because the HTML parser knows that the tag `<b>` is bold. With XML there is much more flexibility. It is possible to define any XML tag to do anything you desire. The point is that it is possible to apply a Text state using XML. But the Text state that is applied must be part of the schema. For example in the `OrgChart.xml`, `OrgChart.sps`, `OrgChart.xsd` example the tag `<strong>` is the same as bold. And to apply bold the method `ApplyTextState()` is called. But like the row and edit operations it is necessary to test if it is possible to apply the text state.

See also [IsTextStateEnabled](#) and [IsTextStateApplied](#).

## CurrentSelection (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticView.Selection](#)

The returned [AuthenticRange](#) object supports navigation via XMLData elements as well as navigation by document elements (e.g. characters, words, tags) or text cursor positions.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var objDocEditSel = Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.CurrentSelection;  
// use now:  
var objRange = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection;
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [CurrentSelection](#) as [DocEditSelection](#)

### Description

The property provides access to the current selection in the Authentic View.

## EditClear (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.Delete](#)

The Delete method of AuthenticRange allows to delete any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditClear();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.Delete())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't delete current selection");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [EditClear](#)

### Description

Deletes the current selection.

## EditCopy (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.Copy](#)

The Copy method of AuthenticRange allows to delete any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditCopy();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.Copy())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't copy current selection");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [EditCopy](#)

### Description

Copies the current selection to the clipboard.

## EditCut (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.Cut](#)

The Cut method of AuthenticRange allows to delete any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditCut();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.Cut())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't cut out current selection");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [EditCut](#)

### Description

Cuts the current selection from the document and copies it to the clipboard.

## EditPaste (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.Paste](#)

The Paste method of AuthenticRange allows to delete any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditPaste();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.Paste())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't paste to current selection");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [EditPaste](#)

### Description

Pastes the content from the clipboard into the document.

## EditRedo (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticView.Redo](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditRedo();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Redo())  
    MsgBox ("Error: no redo step available");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [EditRedo](#)

### Description

Redo the last undo step.

### EditSelectAll (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticView.WholeDocument](#) and [AuthenticRange.Select](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditSelectAll();  
// use now:  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.WholeDocument.Select();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** [EditSelectAll](#)

#### Description

The method selects the complete document.

### EditUndo (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticView.Undo](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditUndo();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Undo())  
    MsgBox ("Error: no undo step available");
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** [EditUndo](#)

#### Description

Undo the last action.

## event (obsolete)

Superseded by parameters to [AuthenticView events](#).

### See also

**Declaration:** `event` as [DocEditEvent](#)

### Description

The event property holds a `DocEditEvent` object which contains information about the current event.

## GetAllowedElements (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticRange.CanPerformActionWith](#)

`AuthenticRange` now supports all functionality of the 'elements' entry helper. Besides querying the elements that can be inserted, appended, etc., you can invoke the action as well. See [AuthenticRange.PerformAction](#) for more information.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var arrElements = New Array();  
// var objDocEditView = Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView;  
// var objStartElement = objDocEditView.CurrentSelection.Start;  
// var objEndElement = objDocEditView.CurrentSelection.End;  
// objDocEditView.GetAllowedElements(k_ActionInsertBefore, objStartElement,  
objEndElement, arrElements);  
// use now:  
var arrElements = New Array();  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.CanPerformActionWith  
(spyAuthenticInsertBefore, arrElements);
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `GetAllowedElements` (*nAction* as [SpyAuthenticElementActions](#), *pStartElement* as [XMLData](#), *pEndElement* as [XMLData](#), *pElements* as `Variant`)

### Description

`GetAllowedElements()` returns the allowed elements for the various actions specified by `nAction`.

### JavaScript example:

```
Function GetAllowed()
```

```

{
  var objView = Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView;

  var arrElements = New Array(1);

  var objStart = objView.CurrentSelection.Start;
  var objEnd = objView.CurrentSelection.End;

  var strText;
  strText = "valid elements at current selection:\n\n";

  For(var i = 1;i <= 4;i++) {
    objPlugIn.GetAllowedElements(i,objStart,objEnd,arrElements);
    strText = strText + ListArray(arrElements) + "-----\n";
  }

  Return strText;
}

Function ListArray(arrIn)
{
  var strText = "";

  If(.TypeOf(arrIn) == "object"){
    For(var i = 0;i <= (arrIn.length - 1);i++)
      strText = strText + arrIn[i] + "\n";
  }

  Return strText;
}

```

**VBScript example:**

```

Sub DisplayAllowed
  Dim objView
  Set objView = Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView

  Dim arrElements()

  Dim objStart
  Dim objEnd
  Set objStart = objView.CurrentSelection.Start
  Set objEnd = objView.CurrentSelection.End

  Dim strText
  strText = "valid elements at current selection:" & chr(13) & chr(13)

  Dim i

  For i = 1 To 4
    objView.GetAllowedElements i,objStart,objEnd,arrElements
    strText = strText & ListArray(arrElements) & "-----" & chr(13)
  Next

```

```
    MsgBox strText
End Sub

Function ListArray(arrIn)
    Dim strText

    If IsArray(arrIn) Then
        Dim i

        For i = 0 To UBound(arrIn)
            strText = strText & arrIn(i) & Chr(13)
        Next
    End If

    ListArray = strText
End Function
```

## GetNextVisible (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.SelectNext](#)

AuthenticRange now supports a wide range of element navigation methods based on document elements like characters, words, tags and many more. Selecting the text passage that represents the content of the next XML element is just one of them.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var objCurrXMLData = ...  
// var objXMLData =  
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.GetNextVisible(objCurrXMLData);  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.SelectionSet (objXMLData, 0,  
objXMLData, -1);  
// use now:  
var objRange = ...  
try  
    { objRange.SelectNext (spyAuthenticTag).Select(); }  
catch (err)  
{  
    if ((err.number & 0xffff) == 2003)  
        MsgBox ("end of document reached");  
    else  
        throw (err);  
}
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `GetNextVisible (pElement as XMLData) as XMLData`

### Description

The method gets the next visible XML element in the document.

## GetPreviousVisible (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.SelectPrevious](#)

AuthenticRange now supports a wide range of element navigation methods based on document elements like characters, words, tags and many more. Selecting the text passage that represents the content of the previous XML element is just one of them.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----
// instead of:
// var objCurrXMLData = ...
// var objXMLData =
Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.GetPreviousVisible(objCurrXMLData);
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.SelectionSet (objXMLData, 0,
objXMLData, -1);
// use now:
var objRange = ...
try
  { objRange.SelectPrevious (spyAuthenticTag).Select(); }
catch (err)
{
  if ((err.number & 0xffff) == 2004)
    MsgBox ("begin of document reached");
  else
    throw (err);
}
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `GetPreviousVisible (pElement as XMLData) as XMLData`

### Description

The method gets the previous visible XML element in the document.

### IsEditClearEnabled (obsolete)

#### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsDeleteEnabled](#)

The IsDeleteEnabled property is now supported for any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsEditClearEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditClear();  
// use now:  
var objCurrSelection = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection;  
if (objCurrSelection.IsDeleteEnabled)  
    objCurrSelection.Delete();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** `IsEditClearEnabled` as Boolean

#### Description

True if [EditClear](#) is possible. See also [Editing operations](#).

### IsEditCopyEnabled (obsolete)

#### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsCopyEnabled](#)

The IsCopyEnabled property is now supported for any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsEditCopyEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditCopy();  
// use now:  
var objCurrSelection = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection;  
if (objCurrSelection.IsCopyEnabled)  
    objCurrSelection.Copy();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** `IsEditCopyEnabled` as Boolean

#### Description

True if copy to clipboard is possible. See also [EditCopy](#) and [Editing operations](#).



## IsEditCutEnabled (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsCutEnabled](#)

The IsCutEnabled property is now supported for any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsEditCutEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditCut();  
// use now:  
var objCurrSelection = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection;  
if (objCurrSelection.IsCutEnabled)  
    objCurrSelection.Cut();
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [IsEditCutEnabled](#) as Boolean

### Description

True if [EditCut](#) is currently possible. See also [Editing operations](#).

## IsEditPasteEnabled (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsPasteEnabled](#)

The IsPasteEnabled property is now supported for any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsEditPasteEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditPaste();  
// use now:  
var objCurrSelection = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection;  
if (objCurrSelection.IsPasteEnabled)  
    objCurrSelection.Paste();
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [IsEditPasteEnabled](#) as Boolean

### Description

True if [EditPaste](#) is possible. See also [Editing operations](#).

### IsEditRedoEnabled (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticView.IsRedoEnabled](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsEditRedoEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditRedo();  
// use now:  
if (Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.IsRedoEnabled)  
    Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Redo();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** [IsEditRedoEnabled](#) as Boolean

#### Description

True if [EditRedo](#) is currently possible. See also [Editing operations](#).

### IsEditUndoEnabled (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticView.IsUndoEnabled](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsEditUndoEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.EditUndo();  
// use now:  
if (Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.IsUndoEnabled)  
    Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Undo();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** [IsEditUndoEnabled](#) as Boolean

#### Description

True if [EditUndo](#) is possible. See also [Editing operations](#).

## IsRowAppendEnabled (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsInDynamicTable](#)

The operations 'insert', 'append', 'delete' and 'duplicate' row are available whenever the selection is inside a dynamic table.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsRowAppendEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowAppend();  
// use now:  
if (Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.IsInDynamicTable())  
    Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.AppendRow();
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [IsRowAppendEnabled](#) as Boolean

### Description

True if [RowAppend](#) is possible. See also [Row operations](#).

## IsRowDeleteEnabled (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsInDynamicTable](#)

The operations 'insert', 'append', 'delete' and 'duplicate' row are available whenever the selection is inside a dynamic table.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsRowDeleteEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.Rowdelete();  
// use now:  
if (Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.IsInDynamicTable())  
    Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.DeleteRow();
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [IsRowDeleteEnabled](#) as Boolean

### Description

True if [RowDelete](#) is possible. See also [Row operations](#).

### IsRowDuplicateEnabled (obsolete)

#### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsInDynamicTable](#)

The operations 'insert', 'append', 'delete' and 'duplicate' row are available whenever the selection is inside a dynamic table.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsRowDuplicateEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowDuplicate();  
// use now:  
if (Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.IsInDynamicTable())  
    Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.DuplicateRow();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** [IsRowDuplicateEnabled](#) as Boolean

#### Description

True if [RowDuplicate](#) is currently possible. See also [Row operations](#).

### IsRowInsertEnabled (obsolete)

#### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsInDynamicTable](#)

The operations 'insert', 'append', 'delete' and 'duplicate' row are available whenever the selection is inside a dynamic table.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsRowInsertEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowInsert();  
// use now:  
if (Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.IsInDynamicTable())  
    Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.InsertRow();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** [IsRowInsertEnabled](#) as Boolean

#### Description

True if [RowInsert](#) is possible. See also [Row operations](#).

### IsRowMoveDownEnabled (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsLastRow](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.OldAuthenticView.IsRowMoveDownEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowMoveDown();  
// use now:  
if (!Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.IsLastRow)  
    Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.MoveRowDown();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** [IsRowMoveDownEnabled](#) as Boolean

#### Description

True if [RowMoveDown](#) is currently possible. See also [Row operations](#).

### IsRowMoveUpEnabled (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsFirstRow](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsRowMoveUpEnabled)  
//     Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowMoveUp();  
// use now:  
if (!Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.IsFirstRow)  
    Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.MoveRowUp();
```

#### See also

**Declaration:** [IsRowMoveUpEnabled](#) as Boolean

#### Description

True if [RowMoveUp](#) is possible. See also [Row operations](#).

## IsTextStateApplied (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticRange.IsTextStateApplied](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsTextStateApplied ("bold");  
// use now:  
if (Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.IsTextStateApplied  
("bold"))  
    MsgBox ("bold on");  
else  
    MsgBox ("bold off");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `IsTextStateApplied` (*elementName* as String) as Boolean

### Description

Checks to see if the it the text state has already been applied. Common examples for the parameter `elementName` would be strong and italic.

## IsTextStateEnabled (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticRange.CanPerformAction](#)

Use `spyAuthenticApply` for the `eAction` parameter. The `CanPerformAction` method allows to operate on any range of the document, not only the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.IsTextStateEnabled ("bold");  
// use now:  
if (Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.CanPerformAction  
(spyAuthenticApply, "bold"))  
    ... // e.g. enable 'bold' button
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `IsTextStateEnabled` (*i\_strElementName* as String) as Boolean

### Description

Checks to see if it is possible to apply a text state. Common examples for the parameter `elementName` would be strong and italic.

## LoadXML (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticView.AsXMLString](#)

AuthenticView now supports the property `AsXMLString` that can be used to directly access and replace the document content as an `XMLString`.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.LoadXML (strDocAsXMLString);  
// use now:  
try  
  { Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.AsXMLString = strDocAsXMLString;  
  }  
catch (err)  
  { MsgBox ("Error: invalid XML string"); }
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `LoadXML` (*xmlString* as String)

### Description

Loads the current XML document with the XML string applied. The new content is displayed immediately.

The *xmlString* parameter must begin with the XML declaration, e.g.,  
`objPlugIn.LoadXML("<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?><root></root>");`

## MarkupView (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticView.MarkupVisibility](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.MarkupView = 2;  
// use now:  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.MarkupVisibility =  
spyAuthenticMarkupLarge;
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `MarkupView` (*kind* as long)

### Description

By default the document displayed is using HTML techniques. But sometimes it is desirable to show the editing tags. Using this method it is possible to display three different types of markup tags:

- 0 hide the markup tags
- 2 show the large markup tags
- 3 show the mixed markup tags.

## RowAppend (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.AppendRow](#)

The table operations of AuthenticRange now allow to manipulate any table in the current document independent of the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowAppend();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.AppendRow())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't append row");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [RowAppend](#)

### Description

Appends a row at the current position.

See also [Row operations](#).

## RowDelete (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.DeleteRow](#)

The table operations of AuthenticRange now allow to manipulate any table in the current document independent of the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowDelete();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.DeleteRow())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't delete row");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [RowDelete](#)

### Description

Deletes the currently selected row(s).

See also [Row operations](#).

## RowDuplicate (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.DuplicateRow](#)

The table operations of AuthenticRange now allow to manipulate any table in the current document independent of the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowDuplicate();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.DuplicateRow())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't duplicate row");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [RowDuplicate](#)

### Description

The method duplicates the currently selected rows.

See also [Row operations](#).

## RowInsert (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.InsertRow](#)

The table operations of AuthenticRange now allow to manipulate any table in the current document independent of the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowInsert();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.InsertRow())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't insert row");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [RowInsert](#)

### Description

Inserts a new row immediately above the current selection.

See also [Row operations](#).

## RowMoveDown (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.MoveRowDown](#)

The table operations of AuthenticRange now allow to manipulate any table in the current document independent of the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowMoveDown();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.MoveRowDown())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't move row down");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [RowMoveDown](#)

### Description

Moves the current row one position down.

See also [Row operations](#).

## RowMoveUp (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.MoveRowUp](#)

The table operations of AuthenticRange now allow to manipulate any table in the current document independent of the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.RowAppend();  
// use now:  
if (! Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.MoveRowUp())  
    MsgBox ("Error: can't move row up");
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [RowMoveUp](#)

### Description

Moves the current row one position up.

See also [Row operations](#).

## SaveXML (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticView.AsXMLString](#)

AuthenticView now supports the property XMLString that can be used to directly access and replace the document content as an XMLString.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var strDocAsXMLString = Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.SaveXML();  
// use now:  
try  
{  
    var strDocAsXMLString =  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.AsXMLString;  
    ... // do something here  
}  
catch (err)  
{ MsgBox ("Error: invalid XML string"); }
```

### See also

**Declaration:** [SaveXML](#) as String

### Return Value

XML structure as string

### Description

Saves the current XML data to a string that is returned to the caller.

## SelectionMoveTabOrder (obsolete)

### Superseded by [AuthenticRange.SelectNext](#)

AuthenticRange now supports a wide range of element navigation methods based on document elements like characters, words, tags and many more. Selecting the next paragraph is just one of them, and navigation is not necessarily bound to the current UI selection.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.SelectionMoveTabOrder(true, true);  
// use now:  
Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection.SelectNext  
(spyAuthenticParagraph).Select();  
// to append a row to a table use AuthenticRange.AppendRow
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `SelectionMoveTabOrder` (*bForward* as Boolean, *bTag* as Boolean)

### Description

`SelectionMoveTabOrder()` moves the current selection forwards or backwards.

If *bTag* is false and the current selection is at the last cell of a table a new line will be added.

## SelectionSet (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticRange.FirstXMLData](#) and related properties

AuthenticRange supports navigation via XMLData elements as well as navigation by document elements (e.g. characters, words, tags) or text cursor positions.

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// if (! Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.SelectionSet (varXMLData1, 0,  
varXMLData2, -1))  
//   MsgBox ("Error: invalid data position");  
// use now:  
try  
{  
    var objSelection = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.Selection;  
    objSelection.FirstXMLData = varXMLData1;  
    objSelection.FirstXMLdataOffset = 0;  
    objSelection.LastXMLData = varXMLData2;  
    objSelection.LastXMLDataOffset = -1;  
    objSelection.Select ();  
}  
catch (err)  
{ MsgBox ("Error: invalid data position"); }  
// to select all text between varXMLData1 and varXMLdata2, inclusive
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `SelectionSet (pStartElement as XMLData, nStartPos as long, pEndElement as XMLData, nEndPos as long) as Boolean`

### Description

Use `SelectionSet ()` to set a new selection in the Authentic View. Its possible to set `pEndElement` to null (nothing) if the selection should be just over one (`pStartElement`) XML element.

## XMLRoot (obsolete)

Superseded by [AuthenticView.XMLDataRoot](#)

```
// ----- javascript sample -----  
// instead of:  
// var objXMLData = Application.ActiveDocument.DocEditView.XMLRoot;  
// use now:  
var objXMLData = Application.ActiveDocument.AuthenticView.XMLDataRoot;
```

### See also

**Declaration:** `XMLRoot` as [XMLData](#)

### Description

`XMLRoot` is the parent element of the currently displayed XML structure. Using the [XMLData](#) interface you have full access to the complete content of the file.

## 3.4 Enumerations

This is a list of all enumerations used by the XMLSpy API. If your scripting environment does not support enumerations use the number-values instead.

### 3.4.1 ENUMApplicationStatus

**Description**

Enumeration to specify the current Application status.

**Possible values:**

eApplicationRunning	= 0
eApplicationAfterLicenseCheck	= 1
eApplicationBeforeLicenseCheck	= 2
eApplicationConcurrentLicenseCheckFailed	= 3
eApplicationProcessingCommandLine	= 4

### 3.4.2 SPYAttributeTypeDefinition

**Description**

Attribute type definition that can be selected for generation of Sample XML.

This type is used with the method [GenerateDTDOrSchema](#) and [GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx](#).

**Possible values:**

spyMergedGlobal	= 0
spyDistinctGlobal	= 1
spyLocal	= 2

### 3.4.3 SPYAuthenticActions

**Description**

Actions that can be performed on [AuthenticRange](#) objects.

**Possible values:**

spyAuthenticInsertAt	= 0
spyAuthenticApply	= 1
spyAuthenticClearSurr	= 2
spyAuthenticAppend	= 3
spyAuthenticInsertBefore	= 4
spyAuthenticRemove	= 5

### 3.4.4 SPYAuthenticDocumentPosition

**Description**

Relative and absolute positions used for navigating with [AuthenticRange](#) objects.

**Possible values:**

spyAuthenticDocumentBegin	= 0
spyAuthenticDocumentEnd	= 1

spyAuthenticRangeBegin	= 2
spyAuthenticRangeEnd	= 3

### 3.4.5 SPYAuthenticElementActions

#### Description

Actions that can be used with the obsolete object `GetAllowedElements` (superseded by [AuthenticRange.CanPerformActionWith](#)).

#### Possible values:

k_ActionInsertAt	= 0
k_ActionApply	= 1
k_ActionClearSurr	= 2
k_ActionAppend	= 3
k_ActionInsertBefore	= 4
k_ActionRemove	= 5

### 3.4.6 SPYAuthenticElementKind

#### Description

Enumeration of the different kinds of elements used for navigation and selection within the [AuthenticRange](#) and [AuthenticView](#) objects.

#### Possible values:

spyAuthenticChar	= 0
spyAuthenticWord	= 1
spyAuthenticLine	= 3
spyAuthenticParagraph	= 4
spyAuthenticTag	= 6
spyAuthenticDocument	= 8
spyAuthenticTable	= 9
spyAuthenticTableRow	= 10
spyAuthenticTableColumn	= 11

### 3.4.7 SPYAuthenticMarkupVisibility

#### Description

Enumeration values to customize the visibility of markup with [MarkupVisibility](#).

#### Possible values:

spyAuthenticMarkupHidden	= 0
spyAuthenticMarkupSmall	= 1
spyAuthenticMarkupLarge	= 2
spyAuthenticMarkupMixed	= 3

### 3.4.8 SPYAuthenticToolbarButtonState

#### Description

Authentic toolbar button states are given by the following enumeration:

#### Possible values:

<code>authenticToolBarButtonDefault</code>	<code>= 0</code>
<code>authenticToolBarButtonEnabled</code>	<code>= 1</code>
<code>authenticToolBarButtonDisabled</code>	<code>= 2</code>

### 3.4.9 SPYDatabaseKind

#### Description

Values to select different kinds of databases for import. See [DatabaseConnection.DatabaseKind](#) for its use.

#### Possible values:

<code>spyDB_Access</code>	<code>= 0</code>
<code>spyDB_SQLServer</code>	<code>= 1</code>
<code>spyDB_Oracle</code>	<code>= 2</code>
<code>spyDB_Sybase</code>	<code>= 3</code>
<code>spyDB_MySQL</code>	<code>= 4</code>
<code>spyDB_DB2</code>	<code>= 5</code>
<code>spyDB_Other</code>	<code>= 6</code>
<code>spyDB_Unspecified</code>	<code>= 7</code>
<code>spyDB_PostgreSQL</code>	<code>= 8</code>
<code>spyDB_iSeries</code>	<code>= 9</code>

### 3.4.10 SPYDialogAction

#### Description

Values to simulate different interactions on dialogs. See [Dialogs](#) for all dialogs available.

#### Possible values:

<code>spyDialogOK</code>	<code>= 0</code>	<code>// simulate click on OK button</code>
<code>spyDialogCancel</code>	<code>= 1</code>	<code>// simulate click on Cancel button</code>
<code>spyDialogUserInput</code>	<code>= 2</code>	<code>// show dialog and allow user interaction</code>

### 3.4.11 SPYDOMType

#### Description

Enumeration values to parameterize generation of C++ code from schema definitions.

#### Possible values:

<code>spyDOMType_msxml4</code>	<code>= 0</code>	Obsolete
<code>spyDOMType_xerces</code>	<code>= 1</code>	
<code>spyDOMType_xerces3</code>	<code>= 2</code>	
<code>spyDOMType_msxml6</code>	<code>= 3</code>	

`spyDOMType_xerces` indicates Xerces 2.x usage; `spyDOMType_xerces3` indicates Xerces 3.x usage.

### 3.4.12 SPYDTDSchemaFormat

**Description**

Enumeration to identify the different schema formats.

**Possible values:**

spyDTD	= 0
spyW3C	= 1

### 3.4.13 SPYEncodingByteOrder

**Description**

Enumeration values to specify encoding byte ordering for text import and export.

**Possible values:**

spyNONE	= 0
spyLITTLE_ENDIAN	= 1
spyBIG_ENDIAN	= 2

### 3.4.14 SPYExportNamespace

**Description**

Enumeration type to configure handling of namespace identifiers during export.

**Possible values:**

spyNoNamespace	= 0
spyReplaceColonWithUnderscore	= 1

### 3.4.15 SPYFindInFilesSearchLocation

**Description**

The different locations where a search can be performed. This type is used with the [FindInFilesDlg](#) dialog.

**Possible values:**

spyFindInFiles_Documents	= 0
spyFindInFiles_Project	= 1
spyFindInFiles_Folder	= 2

### 3.4.16 SPYFrequentElements

**Description**

Enumeration value to parameterize schema generation.

**Possible values:**

spyGlobalElements	= 0
spyGlobalComplexType	= 1

### 3.4.17 SPYImageKind

**Description**

Enumeration values to parameterize image type of the generated documentation. These values are used in [SchemaDocumentationDialog.DiagramFormat](#) and [WSDLDocumentationDlg.DiagramFormat](#).

**Possible values:**

spyImageType_PNG	= 0
spyImageType_EMF	= 1

### 3.4.18 SPYImportColumnsType

**Description**

Enumeration to specify different Import columns types.

**Possible values:**

spyImportColumns_Element	= 0
spyImportColumns_Attribute	= 1

### 3.4.19 SPYKeyEvent

**Description**

Enumeration type to identify the different key events. These events correspond with the equally named windows messages.

**Possible values:**

spyKeyDown	= 0
spyKeyUp	= 1
spyKeyPressed	= 2

### 3.4.20 SPYKeyStatus

**Description**

Enumeration type to identify the key status.

**Possible values:**

spyLeftShiftKeyMask	= 1
spyRightShiftKeyMask	= 2
spyLeftCtrlKeyMask	= 4
spyRightCtrlKeyMask	= 8
spyLeftAltKeyMask	= 16
spyRightAltKeyMask	= 32

### 3.4.21 SPYLibType

**Description**

Enumeration values to parameterize generation of C++ code from schema definitions.

**Possible values:**

spyLibType_static	= 0
spyLibType_dll	= 1

### 3.4.22 SPYLoading

#### Description

Enumeration values to define loading behaviour of URL files.

#### Possible values:

spyUseCacheProxy	= 0
spyReload	= 1

### 3.4.23 SPYMouseEvent

#### Description

Enumeration type that defines the mouse status during a mouse event. Use the enumeration values as bitmasks rather than directly comparing with them.

#### Examples

```
' to check for ctrl-leftbutton-down in VB
If (i_eMouseEvent = (XMLSpyLib.spyLeftButtonDownMask Or
XMLSpyLib.spyCtrlKeyDownMask)) Then
    ' react on ctrl-leftbutton-down
End If
```

```
' to check for double-click with any button in VBScript
If ((i_eMouseEvent And spyDoubleClickMask) <> 0) Then
    ' react on double-click
End If
```

#### Possible values:

spyNoButtonMask	= 0	
spyMouseMoveMask	= 1	
spyLeftButtonMask	= 2	
spyMiddleButtonMask	= 4	
spyRightButtonMask	= 8	
spyButtonUpMask	= 16	
spyButtonDownMask	= 32	
spyDoubleClickMask	= 64	
spyShiftKeyDownMask	= 128	
spyCtrlKeyDownMask	= 256	
spyLeftButtonDownMask	= 34	// spyLeftButtonMask   spyButtonDownMask
spyMiddleButtonDownMask	= 36	// spyMiddleButtonMask   spyButtonDownMask
spyRightButtonDownMask	= 40	// spyRightButtonMask   spyButtonDownMask
spyLeftButtonUpMask	= 18	// spyLeftButtonMask   spyButtonUpMask
spyMiddleButtonUpMask	= 20	// spyMiddleButtonMask   spyButtonUpMask
spyRightButtonUpMask	= 24	// spyRightButtonMask   spyButtonUpMask
spyLeftDoubleClickMask	= 66	// spyRightButtonMask   spyButtonUpMask
spyMiddleDoubleClickMask	= 68	// spyMiddleButtonMask   spyDoubleClickMask
spyRightDoubleClickMask	= 72	// spyRightButtonMask   spyDoubleClickMask

### 3.4.24 SPYNumberDateTimeFormat

#### Description

Enumeration value to configure database connections.

**Possible values:**

spySystemLocale = 0  
spySchemaCompatible = 1

### 3.4.25 SPYProgrammingLanguage

**Description**

Enumeration values to select the programming language for code generation from schema definitions.

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

**Possible values:**

spyUndefinedLanguage = -1  
spyJava = 0  
spyCpp = 1  
spyCSharp = 2

### 3.4.26 SPYProjectItemTypes

**Description**

Enumeration values to identify the different elements in project item lists. See [SpyProjectItem.ItemType](#).

**Possible values:**

spyUnknownItem = 0  
spyFileItem = 1  
spyFolderItem = 2  
spyURLItem = 3

### 3.4.27 SPYProjectType

**Description**

Enumeration values to parameterize generation of C# from schema definitions.

**Possible values:**

spyVisualStudioProject = 0 Obsolete  
spyVisualStudio2003Project = 1 Obsolete  
spyBorlandProject = 2 Obsolete  
spyMonoMakefile = 3 Obsolete  
spyVisualStudio2005Project = 4 For C++ code also  
spyVisualStudio2008Project = 5 For C++ code also  
spyVisualStudio2010Project = 6 For C++ code also

### 3.4.28 SpySampleXMLGenerationChoiceMode

**Description**

This enumeration is used in [GenerateSampleXMLDlg.ChoiceMode](#):

spySampleXMLGen\_FirstBranch = 0

spySampleXMLGen\_AllBranches = 1  
spySampleXMLGen\_ShortestBranch = 2

### 3.4.29 SPYSampleXMLGenerationOptimization (Obsolete)

This enumeration is OBSOLETE since v2014.

#### Description

Specify the elements that will be generated in the Sample XML.  
This enumeration is used in [GenerateSampleXMLDlg](#).

#### Possible values:

spySampleXMLGen\_Optimized = 0  
spySampleXMLGen\_NonMandatoryElements = 1  
spySampleXMLGen\_Everything = 2

### 3.4.30 SpySampleXMLGenerationSampleValueHints

#### Description

This enumeration is used in [GenerateSampleXMLDlg.SampleValueHints](#)

spySampleXMLGen\_FirstFit = 0  
spySampleXMLGen\_RandomFit = 1  
spySampleXMLGen\_CycleThrough = 2

### 3.4.31 SPYSampleXMLGenerationSchemaOrDTDAssignment

#### Description

Specifies what kind of reference to the schema/DTD should be added to the generated Sample XML.

This enumeration is used in [GenerateSampleXMLDlg](#).

#### Possible values:

spySampleXMLGen\_AssignRelatively = 0  
spySampleXMLGen\_AssignAbsolutely = 1  
spySampleXMLGen\_DoNotAssign = 2

### 3.4.32 SPYSchemaDefKind

**Description**

Enumeration type to select schema diagram types.

**Possible values:**

spyKindElement	= 0
spyKindComplexType	= 1
spyKindSimpleType	= 2
spyKindGroup	= 3
spyKindModel	= 4
spyKindAny	= 5
spyKindAttr	= 6
spyKindAttrGroup	= 7
spyKindAttrAny	= 8
spyKindIdentityUnique	= 9
spyKindIdentityKey	= 10
spyKindIdentityKeyRef	= 11
spyKindIdentitySelector	= 12
spyKindIdentityField	= 13
spyKindNotation	= 14
spyKindInclude	= 15
spyKindImport	= 16
spyKindRedefine	= 17
spyKindFacet	= 18
spyKindSchema	= 19
spyKindCount	= 20

### 3.4.33 SPYSchemaDocumentationFormat

**Description**

Enumeration values to parameterize generation of schema documentation. These values are used in [SchemaDocumentationDialog.OutputFormat](#) and [WSDLDocumentationDlg.OutputFormat](#).

**Possible values:**

spySchemaDoc_HTML	= 0
spySchemaDoc_MSWord	= 1
spySchemaDoc_RTF	= 2
spySchemaDoc_PDF	= 3

### 3.4.34 SPYSchemaExtensionType

**Description**

Enumeration to specify different Schema Extension types.

**Possible values:**

spySchemaExtension_None	= 0
spySchemaExtension_SQL_XML	= 1
spySchemaExtension_MS_SQL_Server	= 2
spySchemaExtension_Oracle	= 3

### 3.4.35 SPYSchemaFormat

**Description**

Enumeration to specify different Schema Format types.

**Possible values:**

spySchemaFormat_Hierarchical	= 0
spySchemaFormat_Flat	= 1

### 3.4.36 SPYTextDelimiters

**Description**

Enumeration values to specify text delimiters for text export.

**Possible values:**

spyTabulator	= 0
spySemicolon	= 1
spyComma	= 2
spySpace	= 3

### 3.4.37 SPYTextEnclosing

**Description**

Enumeration value to specify text enclosing characters for text import and export.

**Possible values:**

spyNoEnclosing	= 0
spySingleQuote	= 1
spyDoubleQuote	= 2

### 3.4.38 SPYTypeDetection

**Description**

Enumeration to select how type detection works during [GenerateDTDOrSchema](#) and [GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx](#).

**Possible values:**

spyBestPossible	= 0
spyNumbersOnly	= 1
spyNoDetection	= 2

### 3.4.39 SPYURLTypes

**Description**

Enumeration to specify different URL types.

**Possible values:**

spyURLTypeAuto	= -1
spyURLTypeXML	= 0
spyURLTypeDTD	= 1

### 3.4.40 SPYValidateXSDVersion

#### Description

Enumeration values that select what XSD version to use. The XSD version that is selected depends on both (i) the presence/absence—and, if present, the value—of the `/xs:schema/@vc:minVersion` attribute of the XSD document, and (ii) the value of this enumeration.

`spyValidateXSDVersion_1_0` selects XSD 1.0 if `vc:minVersion` is absent, or is present with any value.

`spyValidateXSDVersion_1_1` selects XSD 1.1 if `vc:minVersion` is absent, or is present with any value.

`spyValidateXSDVersion_AutoDetect` selects XSD 1.1 if `vc:minVersion=1.1`. If the `vc:minVersion` attribute is absent, or is present with a value other than 1.1, then XSD 1.0 is selected.

#### Possible values

<code>spyValidateXSDVersion_AutoDetect</code>	= 0
<code>spyValidateXSDVersion_1_1</code>	= 1
<code>spyValidateXSDVersion_1_0</code>	= 2

### 3.4.41 SPYValidateErrorFormat

#### Description

Enumeration values that select the format of the error message.

#### Possible values

<code>spyValidateErrorFormat_Text</code>	= 0
<code>spyValidateErrorFormat_ShortXML</code>	= 1
<code>spyValidateErrorFormat_LongXML</code>	= 2

### 3.4.42 SPYViewModes

#### Description

Enumeration values that define the different view modes for XML documents. The mode `spyViewAuthentic(4)` identifies the mode that was intermediately called DocEdit mode and is now called Authentic mode. The mode `spyViewJsonSchema` identifies a mode which is mapped to the Schema Design View on the GUI but is distinguished internally.

#### Possible values:

<code>spyViewGrid</code>	= 0	
<code>spyViewText</code>	= 1	
<code>spyViewBrowser</code>	= 2	
<code>spyViewSchema</code>	= 3	
<code>spyViewContent</code>	= 4	// obsolete
<code>spyViewAuthentic</code>	= 4	
<code>spyViewWSDL</code>	= 5	
<code>spyViewZIP</code>	= 6	
<code>spyViewEditionInfo</code>	= 7	

```
spyViewXBRL          = 8
spyViewJsonSchema    = 9
```

### 3.4.43 SPYVirtualKeyMask

#### Description

Enumeration type for the most frequently used key masks that identify the status of the virtual keys. Use these values as bitmasks rather than directly comparing with them. When necessary, you can create further masks by using the 'logical or' operator.

#### Examples

```
' VBScript sample: check if ctrl-key is pressed
If ((i_nVirtualKeyStatus And spyCtrlKeyMask) <> 0)) Then
    ' ctrl-key is pressed
End If

' VBScript sample: check if ONLY ctrl-key is pressed
If (i_nVirtualKeyStatus == spyCtrlKeyMask) Then
    ' exactly ctrl-key is pressed
End If

// JScript sample: check if any of the right virtual keys is pressed
if ((i_nVirtualKeyStatus & (spyRightShiftKeyMask | spyRightCtrlKeyMask |
spyRightAltKeyMask)) != 0)
{
    ; ' right virtual key is pressed
}
```

#### Possible values:

```
spyNoVirtualKeyMask      = 0
spyLeftShiftKeyMask      = 1
spyRightShiftKeyMask     = 2
spyLeftCtrlKeyMask       = 4
spyRightCtrlKeyMask      = 8
spyLeftAltKeyMask        = 16
spyRightAltKeyMask       = 32
spyShiftKeyMask          = 3    // spyLeftShiftKeyMask | spyRightShiftKeyMask
spyCtrlKeyMask           = 12   // spyLeftCtrlKeyMask | spyRightCtrlKeyMask
spyAltKeyMask            = 48   // spyLeftAltKeyMask | spyRightAltKeyMask
```

### 3.4.44 SPYXMLDataKind

#### Description

The different types of XMLData elements available for XML documents.

#### Possible values:

```
spyXMLDataXMLDocStruct   = 0
spyXMLDataXMLEntityDocStruct = 1
spyXMLDataDTDDocStruct   = 2
spyXMLDataXML            = 3
spyXMLDataElement        = 4
spyXMLDataAttr           = 5
```

spyXMLDataText	= 6
spyXMLDataCData	= 7
spyXMLDataComment	= 8
spyXMLDataPI	= 9
spyXMLDataDefDoctype	= 10
spyXMLDataDefExternalID	= 11
spyXMLDataDefElement	= 12
spyXMLDataDefAttlist	= 13
spyXMLDataDefEntity	= 14
spyXMLDataDefNotation	= 15
spyXMLDataKindsCount	= 16

## 3.5 Application API for Java (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

The Application API in Java has an interface built up of Java classes, each of which corresponds to an object in the [Application API](#). Developers can use these Java classes to interact with the COM API. These classes are listed below and described in subsequent sections. For a description of the [Application API](#) objects themselves, see the [Application API documentation](#). Bear in mind that some API features are only available in scripting environments; these have therefore not been ported to Java.

### Java classes

- [SpyApplication](#)
- [SpyProject](#)
- [SpyProjectItems](#)
- [SpyProjectItem](#)
- [SpyDocuments](#)
- [SpyDoc](#)
- [SpyAuthenticView](#)
- [SpyAuthenticRange](#)
- [SpyDocEditView](#)
- [SpyDocEditSelection](#)
- [SpyGridView](#)
- [SpyTextView](#)
- [SpyXMLData](#)
- [SpyDialogs](#)
- [SpyCodeGeneratorDlg](#)
- [SpyDTDSchemaGeneratorDlg](#)
- [SpyFileSelectionDlg](#)
- [SpyFindInFilesDlg](#)
- [SpyGenerateSampleXMLDlg](#)
- [SpySchemaDocumentationDlg](#)
- [SpyWSDL20DocumentationDlg](#)
- [SpyWSDLDocumentationDlg](#)
- [SpyXBRLDocumentationDlg](#)
- [SpyDatabaseConnection](#)
- [SpyElementList](#)
- [SpyElementListItem](#)
- [SpyExportSettings](#)
- [SpyFindInFilesResults](#)
- [SpyFindInFilesResult](#)
- [SpyFindInFilesMatch](#)
- [SpyTextImportExportSettings](#)

### Implementation of COM properties in Java

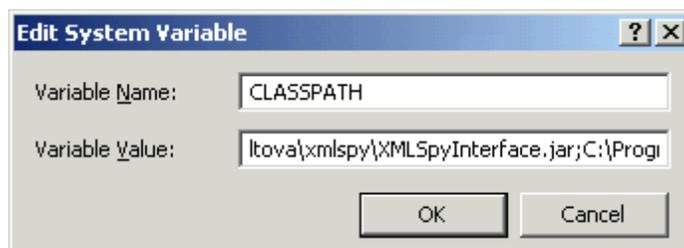
Properties in Java have been defined to include both a **set** and **get** method (set if it is allowed by the COM implementation). For example, the COM class `Document` contains the `GridView` property. In Java the method is called `SpyDoc` and the property is defined as a `GetGridView` method.

If you encounter compiling problems, please check the following points:

- The `xmlspylib.dll` must be available in `..\windows\system32`.
- The `XMLSpyInterface.jar` file must be inserted in the `ClassPath` environment variable.

### Setting the `ClassPath` variable in Windows XP

1. Click **Start | Settings | Control panel | System | Advanced | Environment Variables**. This opens the Environment Variables dialog box.
2. If a `ClassPath` entry already exists in the **System variables** group, select the `ClassPath` entry, and click the **Edit** button. Edit the path to: `"C:\Program Files\Altova\xmlspy\XMLSpyInterface.jar"`.



If a `ClassPath` entry does not exist in the System variables group, click the **New** button. The New System Variable dialog pops up. Enter `CLASSPATH` as the variable name, and `"C:\Program Files\Altova\xmlspy\XMLSpyInterface.jar"` as the `ClassPath` variable (alter the path to match your installation, if necessary).

## 3.5.1 Sample source code (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

The `"SpyDoc doc = app.GetDocuments().OpenFile(...)"` command parameter must be altered to suit your environment.

What the sample does:

- Starts a new XMLSpy instance
- Opens the `Datasheet.xml` file (alter the path here...)
- Switches to the Enhanced Grid view

- Appends a new child element called "NewChild" with the text value "NewValuE" element to the root element
- Checks if the document is valid and outputs a message to the Java console
- Quits and releases the XMLSpy application

```

import XMLSpyInterface.*;

public class TestSpyInterface
{
    public TestSpyInterface() {}

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        SpyApplication app = null;
        SpyDoc oDoc = null;
        SpyXMLData oData = null;
        SpyXMLData oNewChild = null;

        try
        {
            app = new SpyApplication();
            app.ShowApplication( true );

            oDoc = app.GetDocuments().OpenFile("C:\\FilePath\\OrgChart.xml",
            true );

            // OrgChart.xml is in the folder C:\Documents and Settings\

```

```

    }
    finally
    {
        // Free any allocated resources by calling ReleaseInstance().
        if ( oNewChild != null )
            oNewChild.ReleaseInstance();

        if ( oData != null )
            oData.ReleaseInstance();

        if ( oDoc != null )
            oDoc.ReleaseInstance();

        if ( app != null )
            app.ReleaseInstance();
    }
}
}

```

If you have difficulties compiling this sample, please try the following commands on the **(Start | Run | cmd)** command line. Please make sure you are currently in the folder that contains the sample java file.

#### compilation

```
javac -classpath c:\yourpathhere\XMLSpyInterface.jar testspyinterface.java
```

#### Execution

```
java -classpath c:\yourpathhere\XMLSpyInterface.jar testspyinterface
```

### 3.5.2 SpyApplication (obsolete)

**The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.**

**For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).**

```

public class SpyApplication
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public void ShowApplication( boolean bShow );
    public void Quit();
    public void AddMacroMenuItem( String sMacro, String sDisplayText );
    public void ClearMacroMenu();
    public SpyDoc GetActiveDocument();
    public SpyProject GetCurrentProject();
    public SpyDocuments GetDocuments();
    public SpyElementList GetDatabaseImportElementList( SpyDatabaseConnection
oImportSettings );
    public SpyDatabaseConnection GetDatabaseSettings();
    public SpyElementList GetDatabaseTables( SpyDatabaseConnection oImportSettings

```

```

);
public SpyExportSettings GetExportSettings();
public SpyElementList GetTextImportElementList( SpyTextImportExportSettings
oImportSettings );
public SpyTextImportExportSettings GetTextImportExportSettings();
public SpyDoc ImportFromDatabase( SpyDatabaseConnection oImportSettings,
SpyElementList oElementList );
public SpyDoc ImportFromSchema( SpyDatabaseConnection oImportSettings, String
strTable, SpyDoc oSchemaDoc );
public SpyDoc ImportFromText( SpyTextImportExportSettings oImportSettings,
SpyElementList oElementList );
public SpyDoc ImportFromWord( String sFile );
public void NewProject( String sPath, boolean bDiscardCurrent );
public void OpenProject(String sPath , boolean bDiscardCurrent, boolean
bDialog );
public long ShowForm( String sName );
public void URLDelete( String sURL, String sUser, String sPassword );
public void URLMakeDirectory( String sURL, String sUser, String sPassword );

public int GetWarningNumber();
public String GetWarningText();

// since Version 2004R4
public SpyApplication GetApplication();
public SpyApplication GetParent();
public SpyDialogs GetDialogs();
public boolean GetVisible();
public void SetVisible( boolean i_bVisibility );
public long GetWindowHandle();

public void ReloadSettings();
public SpyFindInFilesResults FindInFiles( SpyFindInFilesDlg dlgSettings );
public boolean ShowFindInFiles( SpyFindInFilesDlg dlgSettings );
public void Selection( String sVal );

public long Status();
public int MajorVersion();
public int MinorVersion();
public String Edition();
public boolean IsAPISupported();
public long ServicePackVersion();
public void CreateXMLSchemaFromDBStructure( SpyDatabaseConnection oConnection,
SpyElementList oTables );
}

```

### 3.5.3 SpyCodeGeneratorDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see

the section: [Programming Languages | Java.](#)

Only available/enabled in the Enterprise edition. An error is returned, if accessed by any other version.

```
// since version 2004R4
public class SpyCodeGeneratorDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public SpyDialogs GetParent();
    public long GetProgrammingLanguage();
    public void SetProgrammingLanguage( long i_eVal );
    public String GetTemplateFileName();
    public void SetTemplateFileName( String i_strVal );
    public String GetOutputPath();
    public void SetOutputPath( String i_strVal );
    public long GetOutputPathDialogAction();
    public void SetOutputPathDialogAction( long i_eVal );
    public long GetPropertySheetDialogAction();
    public void SetPropertySheetDialogAction( long i_eVal );
    public long GetOutputResultDialogAction();
    public void SetOutputResultDialogAction( long i_eVal );
    public long GetCPPSettings\_DOMType();
    public void SetCPPSettings\_DOMType( long i_eVal );
    public long GetCPPSettings\_LibraryType();
    public void SetCPPSettings\_LibraryType( long i_eVal );
    public boolean GetCPPSettings\_UseMFC();
    public void SetCPPSettings\_UseMFC( boolean i_bVal );
    public long GetCSharpSettings\_ProjectType();
    public void SetCSharpSettings\_ProjectType( long i_eVal );
}
```

### 3.5.4 SpyDatabaseConnection (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java.](#)

```
public class SpyDatabaseConnection
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public String GetADOCConnection();
}
```

```
public void SetADODConnection( String sValue );
public boolean GetAsAttributes();
public void SetAsAttributes( boolean bValue );
public boolean GetCreateMissingTables();
public void SetCreateMissingTables( boolean bValue );
public boolean GetCreateNew();
public void SetCreateNew( boolean bValue );
public boolean GetExcludeKeys();
public void SetExcludeKeys( boolean bValue );
public String GetFile();
public void SetFile( String sValue );
public boolean GetIncludeEmptyElements();
public void SetIncludeEmptyElements( boolean bValue );
public long GetNumberDateTimeFormat();
public void SetNumberDateTimeFormat( long nValue );
public String GetODBCConnection();
public void SetODBCConnection( String sValue );
public String GetSQLSelect();
public void SetSQLSelect( String sValue );
public long GetTextFieldLen();
public void SetTextFieldLen( long nValue );

// since version 2004R4
public long GetDatabaseKind();
public void SetDatabaseKind( long nValue );

// since version 2008R2
public boolean GetCommentIncluded();
public void SetCommentIncluded( boolean bValue );
public String GetNullReplacement();
public void SetNullReplacement( String sValue );
public String GetDatabaseSchema();
public void SetDatabaseSchema( String sValue );

// since version 2010r3
public boolean GetPrimaryKeys()
public void SetPrimaryKeys( boolean bValue )
public boolean GetForeignKeys()
public void SetForeignKeys( boolean bValue )
public boolean GetUniqueKeys()
public void SetUniqueKeys( boolean bValue )
public long GetSchemaExtensionType()
public void SetSchemaExtensionType( long nValue )
public long GetSchemaFormat()
public void SetSchemaFormat( long nValue )
public long GetImportColumnsType()
public void SetImportColumnsType( long nValue )
}
```

### 3.5.5 SpyDialogs (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
// Since version 2004R4
public class SpyDialogs
{
    public SpyApplication GetApplication ();
    public SpyApplication GetParent ();
    public SpyCodeGeneratorDlg GetCodeGeneratorDlg ();
    public SpyFileSelectionDlg GetFileSelectionDlg ();
    public SpySchemaDocumentationDlg GetSchemaDocumentationDlg ();
    public SpyGenerateSampleXMLDlg GetGenerateSampleXMLDlg ();
    public SpyDTDSchemaGeneratorDlg GetDTDSchemaGeneratorDlg ();
    public SpyFindInFilesDlg GetFindInFilesDlg ();
    public SpyWSDLDocumentationDlg GetWSDLDocumentationDlg ();

    // Since version 2010
    public SpyWSDL20DocumentationDlg GetWSDL20DocumentationDlg ();
    public SpyXBRLDocumentationDlg GetXBRLDocumentationDlg ();
}
```

### 3.5.6 SpyDoc (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyDoc
{
    public void ReleaseInstance ();
    public void SetEncoding ( String strEncoding );
    public void SetPathName ( String strPath );
    public String GetPathName ();
    public String GetTitle ();
    public boolean IsModified ();
    public void Save ();
    public void Close ( boolean bDiscardChanges );
}
```

```

public void UpdateViews();
public long GetCurrentViewMode();
public boolean SwitchViewMode( long nMode );
public SpyGridView GetGridView();
public void SetActiveDocument();
public void StartChanges();
public void EndChanges();
public void TransformXSL();
public void AssignDTD( String sDTDFile, boolean bDialog );
public void AssignSchema( String sSchemaFile, boolean bDialog );
public void AssignXSL( String sXSLFile, boolean bDialog );
public void ConvertDTDOrSchema( long nFormat, long nFrequentElements );
public SpyXMLData CreateChild( long nKind );
public void CreateSchemaDiagram( long nKind, String sName, String sFile );
public SpyDocEditView GetDocEditView();
public void ExportToDatabase( SpyXMLData oFromChild, SpyExportSettings
oExportSettings, SpyDatabaseConnection oDatabaseConnection );
public void ExportToText( SpyXMLData oFromChild, SpyExportSettings
oExportSettings, SpyTextImportExportSettings oTextSettings );
public void GenerateDTDOrSchema( long nFormat, int nValuesList, long
nDetection, long nFrequentElements );
public SpyElementList GetExportElementList( SpyXMLData oFromChild,
SpyExportSettings oExportSettings );
public SpyXMLData GetRootElement();
public String SaveInString( SpyXMLData oData, boolean bMarked );
public void SaveToURL( String sUrl, String sUser, String sPassword );
public String GetErrorString(); // See IsValid() or IsWellFormed()
public int GetErrorPos(); // See IsValid() or IsWellFormed()
public SpyXMLData GetBadData(); // See IsValid() or IsWellFormed()
public boolean IsValid();
public boolean IsWellFormed( SpyXMLData oData, boolean bWithChildren );

// Since version 2004R3
public SpyAuthenticView GetAuthenticView()

// Since version 2004R4
public SpyApplication GetApplication();
public SpyDocuments GetParent();
public String GetFullName();
public void SetFullName( String i_strName );
public String GetName();
public String GetPath();
public boolean GetSaved();
public void SaveAs( String i_strFileNameOrPath );
public String GetEncoding();
public SpyXMLData GetDataRoot();
public void GenerateProgramCode( SpyCodeGeneratorDlg i_dlg );
public void AssignXSLFO( String i_strFile, boolean i_bUseDialog );
public void TransformXSLFO();
public void GenerateSchemaDocumentation( SpySchemaDocumentationDlg i_dlg );

public void ExecuteXQuery( String i_strXMLSourceFile );
public void SetExternalIsValid( boolean bIsValid );

```

```

public SpyDoc GenerateSampleXML( SpyGenerateSampleXMLDlg ipGenerateXMLDlg );
public boolean UpdateXMLData();
public String GetAsXMLString();
public void SetAsXMLString( String newVal );
public SpyDoc GenerateDTDOrSchemaEx( SpyDTDSchemaGeneratorDlg
ipDTDSchemaGeneratorDlg );
public SpyDoc ConvertDTDOrSchemaEx( long nFormat, long nFrequentElements,
String sOutputPath, long nOutputPathDialogAction );
public SpyTextView GetTextView();
public String[] GetSuggestions();
public void SetSuggestions( String[] aList );
public void SetSelection( String sVal );

// Since version 2009
public void GenerateWSDLDocumentation( SpyWSDLDocumentationDlg
ipWSDLDocumenationDlg );
public void TransformXSLEx( long nDialogAction );

// Since version 2010
public void GenerateWSDL20Documentation( SpyWSDL20DocumentationDlg
ipWSD20DocumenationDlg );
public void GenerateXBRLDocumentation( SpyXBRLDocumentationDlg
ipXBRLDocumentationDlg );
public SpyDoc ConvertToWSDL20( String sFilePath, boolean bShowDialogs );

// Since version 2010r3
public String CreateDBStructureFromXMLSchema( SpyDatabaseConnection
oConnection, SpyElementList oTables, boolean bDropTableWithExistingName );
public SpyElementList GetDBStructureList( SpyDatabaseConnection oConnection );
}

```

### 3.5.7 SpyDocuments (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SpyDocuments
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public long Count();
    public SpyDoc GetItem( long nNo );
    public SpyDoc NewFile( String strFile, String strType );
    public SpyDoc NewFileFromText( String nSource, String strType );
    public SpyDoc OpenFile( String sPath, boolean bDialog );
    public SpyDoc OpenURL( String sUrl, long nURLType, long nLoading, String
sUser, String sPassword );
    public SpyDoc OpenURLDialog(String sURL, long nURLType, long nLoading, String

```

```

sUser, String sPassword );
// Since version 2011r2
public SpyDoc NewAuthenticFile( String strSPSPath, String strXMLPath );
public SpyDoc OpenAuthenticFile( String strSPSPath, String strXMLPath );
}

```

### 3.5.8 SpyDTDSchemaGeneratorDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SpyDTDSchemaGeneratorDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public long GetDTDSchemaFormat();
    public void SetDTDSchemaFormat( long newVal );
    public short GetValueList();
    public void SetValueList( short newVal );
    public long GetTypeDetection();
    public void SetTypeDetection( long newVal );
    public long GetFrequentElements();
    public void SetFrequentElements( long newVal );
    public boolean GetMergeAllEqualNamed();
    public void SetMergeAllEqualNamed( boolean newVal );
    public boolean GetResolveEntities();
    public void SetResolveEntities( boolean newVal );
    public long GetAttributeTypeDefinition();
    public void SetAttributeTypeDefinition( long newVal );
    public boolean GetGlobalAttributes();
    public void SetGlobalAttributes( boolean newVal );
    public boolean GetOnlyStringEnums();
    public void SetOnlyStringEnums( boolean newVal );
    public long GetMaxEnumLength();
    public void SetMaxEnumLength( long newVal );
    public String GetOutputPath();
    public void SetOutputPath( String newVal );
    public long GetOutputPathDialogAction();
    public void SetOutputPathDialogAction( long newVal );
}

```

### 3.5.9 SpyElementList (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete

from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyElementList
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public long GetCount();
    public SpyElementListItem GetItem( long nIndex );
    public void RemoveElement( long nIndex );
}
```

### 3.5.10 SpyElementListItem (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyElementListItem
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public long GetElementKind();
    public void SetElementKind( long nKind );
    public long GetFieldCount();
    public String GetName();
    public long GetRecordCount();
}
```

### 3.5.11 SpyExportSettings (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyExportSettings
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public boolean GetCreateKeys();
}
```

```

public void SetCreateKeys( boolean bValue );
public SpyElementList GetElementList();
public void SetElementList( SpyElementList obj );
public boolean GetEntitiesToText ();
public void SetEntitiesToText( boolean bValue );
public boolean GetExportAllElements();
public void SetExportAllElements( boolean bValue );
public boolean GetFromAttributes();
public void SetFromAttributes( boolean bValue );
public boolean GetFromSingleSubElements();
public void SetFromSingleSubElements( boolean bValue );
public boolean GetFromTextValues();
public void SetFromTextValues( boolean bValue );
public boolean GetIndependentPrimaryKey();
public void SetIndependentPrimaryKey( boolean bValue );
public long GetNamespace();
public void SetNamespace( long nValue );
public int GetSubLevelLimit();
public void SetSubLevelLimit( int nValue );
}

```

### 3.5.12 SpyFileSelectionDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

// Since version 2004R4
public class SpyFileSelectionDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public SpyDialogs GetParent();
    public String GetFullName();
    public void SetFullName( String i_strName );
    public long GetDialogAction();
    public void SetDialogAction( long i_eAction );
}

```

### 3.5.13 SpyFindInFilesDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see

the section: [Programming Languages | Java.](#)

```
public class SpyFindInFilesDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public String GetFind();
    public void SetFind( String sNewVal );
    public boolean GetRegularExpression();
    public void SetRegularExpression( boolean bNewVal );
    public String GetReplace();
    public void SetReplace( String sNewVal );
    public boolean GetReplaceOnDisk();
    public void SetReplaceOnDisk( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetDoReplace();
    public void SetDoReplace( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetMatchWholeWord();
    public void SetMatchWholeWord( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetMatchCase();
    public void SetMatchCase( boolean bNewVal );
    public long GetSearchLocation();
    public void SetSearchLocation( long nPosition );
    public String GetStartFolder();
    public void SetStartFolder( String sNewVal );
    public boolean GetIncludeSubfolders();
    public void SetIncludeSubfolders( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetSearchInProjectFilesDoExternal();
    public void SetSearchInProjectFilesDoExternal( boolean bNewVal );
    public String GetFileExtension();
    public void SetFileExtension( String sNewVal );
    public boolean GetAdvancedXMLSearch();
    public void SetAdvancedXMLSearch( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetXMLElementNames();
    public void SetXMLElementNames( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetXMLElementContents();
    public void SetXMLElementContents( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetXMLAttributeNames();
    public void SetXMLAttributeNames( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetXMLAttributeContents();
    public void SetXMLAttributeContents( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetXMLComments();
    public void SetXMLComments( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetXMLCDATA();
    public void SetXMLCDATA( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetXMLPI();
    public void SetXMLPI( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetXMLRest();
    public void SetXMLRest( boolean bNewVal );
    public boolean GetShowResult();
    public void SetShowResult( boolean bNewVal );
}
```

### 3.5.14 SpyFindInFilesMatch (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyFindInFilesMatch
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public long Line();
    public long Position();
    public long Length();
    public String LineText();
    public boolean Replaced();
}
```

### 3.5.15 SpyFindInFilesResult (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyFindInFilesResult
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public long Count();
    public SpyFindInFilesMatch GetItem( long nNo );
    public String GetPath();
    public SpyDoc GetDocument();
}
```

### 3.5.16 SpyFindInFilesResults (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SpyFindInFilesResults
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public long Count();
    public SpyFindInFilesResult GetItem( long nNo );
}

```

### 3.5.17 SpyGenerateSampleXMLDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SpyGenerateSampleXMLDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public boolean GetNonMandatoryAttributes();
    public void SetNonMandatoryAttributes( boolean newVal );
    public boolean GetNonMandatoryElements();
    public void SetNonMandatoryElements( boolean newVal );
    public boolean GetTakeFirstChoice();
    public void SetTakeFirstChoice( boolean newVal );
    public long GetRepeatCount();
    public void SetRepeatCount( long newVal );
    public boolean GetFillWithSampleData();
    public void SetFillWithSampleData( boolean newVal );
    public boolean GetFillElementsWithSampleData();
    public void SetFillElementsWithSampleData( boolean newVal );
    public boolean GetFillAttributesWithSampleData();
    public void SetFillAttributesWithSampleData( boolean newVal );
    public boolean GetContentOfNillableElementsIsNonMandatory();
    public void SetContentOfNillableElementsIsNonMandatory( boolean newVal );
    public boolean GetTryToUseNonAbstractTypes();
    public void SetTryToUseNonAbstractTypes( boolean newVal );
    public long GetOptimization();
    public void SetOptimization( long newVal );
    public long GetSchemaOrDTDAssignment();
    public void SetSchemaOrDTDAssignment( long newVal );
    public String GetLocalNameOfRootElement();
    public void SetLocalNameOfRootElement( String newVal );
    public String GetNamespaceURIOfRootElement();
    public void SetNamespaceURIOfRootElement( String newVal );
    public long GetOptionsDialogAction();
    public void SetOptionsDialogAction( long newVal );
}

```

### 3.5.18 SpyGridView (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyGridView
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyXMLData GetCurrentFocus();
    public void Deselect( SpyXMLData oData );
    public boolean GetIsVisible();
    public void Select( SpyXMLData oData );
    public void SetFocus( SpyXMLData oData );
}
```

### 3.5.19 SpyProject (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyProject
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public void CloseProject( boolean bDiscardChanges, boolean bCloseFiles,
    boolean bDialog );
    public String GetProjectFile();
    public void SetProjectFile( String sFile );
    public SpyProjectItems GetRootItems();
    public void SaveProject();
    public void SaveProjectAs( String sPath, boolean bDialog );
}
```

### 3.5.20 SpyProjectItem (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyProjectItem
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyProjectItems GetChildItems();
    public String GetFileExtensions();
    public void SetFileExtensions( String sExtensions );
    public long GetItemType();
    public String GetName();
    public SpyDoc Open();
    public SpyProjectItem GetParentItem();
    public String GetPath();
    public String GetValidateWith();
    public void SetValidateWith( String sVal );
    public String GetXMLForXSLTransformation();
    public void SetXMLForXSLTransformation( String sVal );
    public String GetXSLForXMLTransformation();
    public void SetXSLForXMLTransformation( String sVal );
    public String GetXSLTransformationFileExtension();
    public void SetXSLTransformationFileExtension( String sVal );
    public String GetXSLTransformationFolder();
    public void SetXSLTransformationFolder( String sVal );
}
```

### 3.5.21 [SpyProjectItems](#) (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyProjectItems
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public void AddFile( String sPath );
    public void AddFolder( String sName );
    public void AddURL( String sURL, long nURLType, String sUser, String
sPassword, boolean bSave );
    public long Count();
    public SpyProjectItem GetItem( long nNumber );
    public void RemoveItem( SpyProjectItem oItemToRemove );
}
```

### 3.5.22 SpySchemaDocumentationDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
// Since version 2004R4
public class SpySchemaDocumentationDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public SpyDialogs GetParent();

    public String GetOutputFile();
    public void SetOutputFile( String i_strVal );
    public long GetOutputFormat();
    public void SetOutputFormat( long i_eVal );

    public boolean GetShowResult();
    public void SetShowResult( boolean i_bVal );
    public long GetOptionsDialogAction();
    public void SetOptionsDialogAction( long i_eVal );
    public long GetOutputFileDialogAction();
    public void SetOutputFileDialogAction( long i_eVal );
    public boolean GetShowProgressBar();
    public void SetShowProgressBar( boolean i_bVal );

    public void IncludeAll( boolean i_bInclude );
    public boolean GetIncludeIndex();
    public void SetIncludeIndex( boolean i_bVal );
    public boolean GetIncludeGlobalElements();
    public void SetIncludeGlobalElements( boolean i_bVal );
    public boolean GetIncludeLocalElements();
    public void SetIncludeLocalElements( boolean i_bVal );
    public boolean GetIncludeGroups();
    public void SetIncludeGroups( boolean i_bVal );
    public boolean GetIncludeComplexTypes();
    public void SetIncludeComplexTypes( boolean i_bVal );
    public boolean GetIncludeSimpleTypes();
    public void SetIncludeSimpleTypes( boolean i_bVal );
    public boolean GetIncludeAttributeGroups();
    public void SetIncludeAttributeGroups( boolean i_bVal );
    public boolean GetIncludeRedefines();
    public void SetIncludeRedefines( boolean i_bVal );
}
```

```
public void AllDetails( boolean i_bDetailsOn );
public boolean GetShowDiagram();
public void SetShowDiagram( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowNamespace();
public void SetShowNamespace( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowType();
public void SetShowType( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowChildren();
public void SetShowChildren( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowUsedBy();
public void SetShowUsedBy( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowProperties();
public void SetShowProperties( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowSingleFacets();
public void SetShowSingleFacets( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowPatterns();
public void SetShowPatterns( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowEnumerations();
public void SetShowEnumerations( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowAttributes();
public void SetShowAttributes( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowIdentityConstraints();
public void SetShowIdentityConstraints( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowAnnotations();
public void SetShowAnnotations( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetShowSourceCode();
public void SetShowSourceCode( boolean i_bVal );

// Since version 2009
public boolean GetEmbedDiagrams();
public void SetEmbedDiagrams( boolean i_bVal );
public long GetDiagramFormat();
public void SetDiagramFormat( long i_nVal );
public boolean GetIncludeGlobalAttributes();
public void SetIncludeGlobalAttributes( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetIncludeLocalAttributes();
public void SetIncludeLocalAttributes( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetIncludeReferencedSchemas();
public void SetIncludeReferencedSchemas( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetMultipleOutputFiles();
public void SetMultipleOutputFiles( boolean i_bVal );

// Since version 2010
public boolean GetEmbedCSSInHTML();
public void SetEmbedCSSInHTML( boolean i_bVal );
public boolean GetCreateDiagramsFolder();
public void SetCreateDiagramsFolder( boolean i_bVal );

// Since version 2010r3
public boolean GetGenerateRelativeLinks();
```

```

public void SetGenerateRelativeLinks( boolean i_bVal );

// Since version 2011r2
public boolean GetUseFixedDesign();
public void SetUseFixedDesign( boolean i_bVal );
public String GetSPSFile();
public void SetSPSFile( String i_strVal );
}

```

### 3.5.23 SpyTextImportExportSettings (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SpyTextImportExportSettings
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public String GetDestinationFolder();
    public void SetDestinationFolder( String sVal );
    public long GetEnclosingCharacter();
    public void SetEnclosingCharacter( long nEnclosing );
    public String GetEncoding();
    public void SetEncoding( String sVal );
    public long GetEncodingByteOrder();
    public void SetEncodingByteOrder( long nByteOrder );
    public long GetFieldDelimiter();
    public void SetFieldDelimiter( long nDelimiter );
    public String GetFileExtension ();
    public void SetFileExtension( String sVal );
    public boolean GetHeaderRow();
    public void SetHeaderRow( boolean bVal );
    public String GetImportFile();
    public void SetImportFile( String sVal );
}

```

### 3.5.24 SpyTextView (obsolete)

```

public class SpyTextView
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public SpyDoc GetParent();
    public long LineFromPosition( long nCharPos );
    public long PositionFromLine( long nLine );
}

```

```

public long LineLength( long nLine );
public String GetSelText();
public void SetSelText( String sText );
public String GetRangeText( long nPosFrom, long nPosTill );
public void ReplaceText( long nPosFrom, long nPosTill, String sText );
public void MoveCaret( long nDiff );
public void GoToLineChar( long nLine, long nChar );
public void SelectText( long nPosFrom, long nPosTill );
public long GetSelectionStart();
public void SetSelectionStart( long nNewVal );
public long GetSelectionEnd();
public void SetSelectionEnd( long nNewVal );
public String GetText();
public void SetText( String sText );
public long LineCount();
public long Length();
}

```

### 3.5.25 SpyWSDL20DocumentationDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

// Since version 2010
public class SpyWSDL20DocumentationDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();

    public long GetOptionsDialogAction();
    public void SetOptionsDialogAction( long nNewVal );

    public long GetOutputFileDialogAction();
    public void SetOutputFileDialogAction( long nNewVal );

    public boolean GetShowProgressBar();
    public void SetShowProgressBar( boolean bNewVal );

    public String GetOutputFile();
    public void SetOutputFile( String sNewVal );

    public long GetOutputFormat();
    public void SetOutputFormat( long nNewVal );

    public boolean GetMultipleOutputFiles();
    public void SetMultipleOutputFiles( boolean bNewVal );
}

```

```
public boolean GetEmbedCSSInHTML() ;
public void SetEmbedCSSInHTML( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public long GetDiagramFormat() ;
public void SetDiagramFormat( long nNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetEmbedDiagrams() ;
public void SetEmbedDiagrams( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetCreateDiagramsFolder() ;
public void SetCreateDiagramsFolder( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowResult() ;
public void SetShowResult( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public void IncludeAll( boolean bNewVal ) ;
public void AllDetails( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeOverview() ;
public void SetIncludeOverview( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeService() ;
public void SetIncludeService( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeBinding() ;
public void SetIncludeBinding( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeInterface() ;
public void SetIncludeInterface( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeTypes() ;
public void SetIncludeTypes( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeImportedWSDLFiles() ;
public void SetIncludeImportedWSDLFiles( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowServiceDiagram() ;
public void SetShowServiceDiagram( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowBindingDiagram() ;
public void SetShowBindingDiagram( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowInterfaceDiagram() ;
public void SetShowInterfaceDiagram( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowTypesDiagram() ;
public void SetShowTypesDiagram( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowEndpoint() ;
public void SetShowEndpoint( boolean bNewVal ) ;
```

```
public boolean GetShowSourceCode();
public void SetShowSourceCode( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowExtensibility();
public void SetShowExtensibility( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowUsedBy();
public void SetShowUsedBy( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowOperation();
public void SetShowOperation( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowFault();
public void SetShowFault( boolean bNewVal );

// Since version 2011r2
public boolean GetUseFixedDesign();
public void SetUseFixedDesign( boolean i_bVal );

public String GetSPSFile();
public void SetSPSFile( String i_strVal );

}
```

### 3.5.26 SpyWSDLDocumentationDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
// Since version 2008r2spl
public class SpyWSDLDocumentationDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();

    public String GetOutputFile();
    public void SetOutputFile( String sNewVal );

    public long GetOutputFileDialogAction();
    public void SetOutputFileDialogAction( long nNewVal );

    public long GetOptionsDialogAction();
    public void SetOptionsDialogAction( long nNewVal );
}
```

```
public boolean GetShowProgressBar() ;
public void SetShowProgressBar( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowResult() ;
public void SetShowResult( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public long GetOutputFormat() ;
public void SetOutputFormat( long nNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetEmbedDiagrams() ;
public void SetEmbedDiagrams( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public long GetDiagramFormat() ;
public void SetDiagramFormat( long nNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetMultipleOutputFiles() ;
public void SetMultipleOutputFiles( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public void IncludeAll( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeBinding() ;
public void SetIncludeBinding( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeImportedWSDLFiles() ;
public void SetIncludeImportedWSDLFiles( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeMessages() ;
public void SetIncludeMessages( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeOverview() ;
public void SetIncludeOverview( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludePortType() ;
public void SetIncludePortType( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeService() ;
public void SetIncludeService( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetIncludeTypes() ;
public void SetIncludeTypes( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public void AllDetails( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowBindingDiagram() ;
public void SetShowBindingDiagram( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowExtensibility() ;
public void SetShowExtensibility( boolean bNewVal ) ;

public boolean GetShowMessageParts() ;
```

```
public void SetShowMessageParts( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowPort();
public void SetShowPort( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowPortTypeDiagram();
public void SetShowPortTypeDiagram( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowPortTypeOperations();
public void SetShowPortTypeOperations( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowServiceDiagram();
public void SetShowServiceDiagram( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowSourceCode();
public void SetShowSourceCode( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowTypesDiagram();
public void SetShowTypesDiagram( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowUsedBy();
public void SetShowUsedBy( boolean bNewVal );

// Since version 2010
public boolean GetEmbedCSSInHTML();
public void SetEmbedCSSInHTML( boolean i_bVal );

public boolean GetCreateDiagramsFolder();
public void SetCreateDiagramsFolder( boolean i_bVal );

// Since version 2011r2
public boolean GetUseFixedDesign();
public void SetUseFixedDesign( boolean i_bVal );

public String GetSPSFile();
public void SetSPSFile( String i_strVal );

}
```

### 3.5.27 SpyXBRLDocumentationDlg (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
// Since version 2010
public class SpyXBRLDocumentationDlg
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();

    public long GetOptionsDialogAction();
    public void SetOptionsDialogAction( long nNewVal );

    public long GetOutputDialogAction();
    public void SetOutputDialogAction( long nNewVal );

    public boolean GetShowProgressBar();
    public void SetShowProgressBar( boolean bNewVal );

    public String GetOutputFile();
    public void SetOutputFile( String sNewVal );

    public long GetOutputFormat();
    public void SetOutputFormat( long nNewVal );

    public boolean GetEmbedCSSInHTML();
    public void SetEmbedCSSInHTML( boolean bNewVal );

    public long GetDiagramFormat();
    public void SetDiagramFormat( long nNewVal );

    public boolean GetEmbedDiagrams();
    public void SetEmbedDiagrams( boolean bNewVal );

    public boolean GetCreateDiagramsFolder();
    public void SetCreateDiagramsFolder( boolean bNewVal );

    public boolean GetShowResult();
    public void SetShowResult( boolean bNewVal );

    public void IncludeAll( boolean bNewVal );
    public void AllDetails( boolean bNewVal );

    public boolean GetIncludeOverview();
    public void SetIncludeOverview( boolean bNewVal );

    public boolean GetIncludeNamespacePrefixes();
    public void SetIncludeNamespacePrefixes( boolean bNewVal );

    public boolean GetIncludeGlobalElements();
    public void SetIncludeGlobalElements( boolean bNewVal );

    public boolean GetIncludeDefinitionLinkroles();
    public void SetIncludeDefinitionLinkroles( boolean bNewVal );
}
```

```
public boolean GetIncludePresentationLinkroles();
public void SetIncludePresentationLinkroles( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetIncludeCalculationLinkroles();
public void SetIncludeCalculationLinkroles( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowDiagram();
public void SetShowDiagram( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowSubstitutiongroup();
public void SetShowSubstitutiongroup( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowItemtype();
public void SetShowItemtype( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowBalance();
public void SetShowBalance( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowPeriod();
public void SetShowPeriod( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowAbstract();
public void SetShowAbstract( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowNillable();
public void SetShowNillable( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowLabels();
public void SetShowLabels( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowReferences();
public void SetShowReferences( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowLinkbaseReferences();
public void SetShowLinkbaseReferences( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShortQualifiedname();
public void SetShortQualifiedname( boolean bNewVal );

public boolean GetShowImportedElements();
public void SetShowImportedElements( boolean bNewVal );

// Since version 2011r2
public boolean GetUseFixedDesign();
public void SetUseFixedDesign( boolean i_bVal );

public String GetSPSFile();
public void SetSPSFile( String i_strVal );
};
```

### 3.5.28 SpyXMLData (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyXMLData
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public void AppendChild( SpyXMLData oNewData );
    public void EraseAllChildren();
    public void EraseCurrentChild();
    public SpyXMLData GetCurrentChild();
    public SpyXMLData GetFirstChild( long nKind );
    public SpyXMLData GetNextChild();
    public boolean GetHasChildren();
    public void InsertChild( SpyXMLData oNewData );
    public boolean IsSameNode( SpyXMLData oToComp);
    public long GetKind();
    public boolean GetMayHaveChildren();
    public String GetName();
    public void SetName( String sValue );
    public SpyXMLData GetParent();
    public String GetTextValue();
    public void SetTextValue( String sValue );
}
```

### 3.5.29 Authentic (obsolete)

#### SpyAuthenticRange (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
// Since version 2004R3
public class SpyAuthenticRange
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public SpyAuthenticView GetParent();
}
```

```
public SpyAuthenticRange GotoNext( long eKind );
public SpyAuthenticRange GotoPrevious( long eKind );
public void Select();
public long GetFirstTextPosition();
public void SetFirstTextPosition( long nTextPosition );
public long GetLastTextPosition();
public void SetLastTextPosition( long nTextPosition );
public String GetText();
public void SetText( String strText );
public boolean PerformAction( long eAction, String strElementName );
public boolean CanPerformAction( long eAction, String strElementName );
public String[] CanPerformActionWith( long eAction );
public SpyAuthenticRange GoTo( long eKind, long nCount, long nFrom );
public SpyAuthenticRange SelectNext( long eKind );
public SpyAuthenticRange SelectPrevious( long eKind );
public SpyAuthenticRange MoveBegin( long eKind, long nCount );
public SpyAuthenticRange MoveEnd( long eKind, long nCount );
public SpyAuthenticRange ExpandTo( long eKind );
public SpyAuthenticRange CollapsToBegin();
public SpyAuthenticRange CollapsToEnd();
public SpyAuthenticRange GotoNextCursorPosition();
public SpyAuthenticRange GotoPreviousCursorPosition();
public boolean IsEmpty();
public boolean IsEqual( SpyAuthenticRange ipCmp );
public SpyAuthenticRange Clone();
public SpyAuthenticRange SetFromRange( SpyAuthenticRange ipSrc );
public boolean Delete();
public boolean Cut();
public boolean Copy();
public boolean Paste();
public SpyXMLData GetFirstXMLData();
public void SetFirstXMLData( SpyXMLData objXMLDataPtr );
public long GetFirstXMLDataOffset();
public void SetFirstXMLDataOffset( long nOffset );
public SpyXMLData GetLastXMLData();
public void SetLastXMLData( SpyXMLData objXMLDataPtr );
public long GetLastXMLDataOffset();
public void SetLastXMLDataOffset( long nOffset );
public String[] GetElementHierarchy();
public String[] GetElementAttributeNames( String strElementName );
public boolean HasElementAttribute( String strElementName, String
strAttributeName );
    public String GetElementAttributeValue( String strElementName, String
strAttributeName );
    public void SetElementAttributeValue( String strElementName, String
strAttributeName, String strNewValue );
public String[] GetEntityNames();
public void InsertEntity( String strEntityName );
public boolean IsInDynamicTable();
public boolean AppendRow();
public boolean InsertRow();
public boolean DuplicateRow();
public boolean DeleteRow();
```

```

public boolean MoveRowUp();
public boolean MoveRowDown();

// Since version 2004R4
public boolean IsCopyEnabled();
public boolean IsCutEnabled();
public boolean IsPasteEnabled();
public boolean IsDeleteEnabled();
public boolean IsTextStateApplied( String i_strElementName );
public boolean IsFirstRow();
public boolean IsLastRow();
}

```

### SpyAuthenticView (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

// Since version 2004R3
public class SpyAuthenticView
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyApplication GetApplication();
    public SpyDoc GetParent();
    public SpyAuthenticRange GetSelection();
    public void SetSelection( SpyAuthenticRange obj );
    public SpyAuthenticRange GetDocumentBegin();
    public SpyAuthenticRange GetDocumentEnd();
    public SpyAuthenticRange GetWholeDocument();
    public long GetMarkupVisibility();
    public void SetMarkupVisibility( long eSpyAuthenticMarkupVisibility );
    public SpyAuthenticRange GoTo( long eKind, long nCount, long nFrom );
    public void Print( boolean bWithPreview, boolean bPromptUser );
    public boolean Undo();
    public boolean Redo();
    public void UpdateXMLInstanceEntities();

    // Since version 2004R4
    public String GetAsXMLString();
    public void SetAsXMLString( String i_strXML );
    public SpyXMLData GetXMLDataRoot();
    public boolean IsUndoEnabled();
    public boolean IsRedoEnabled();
}

```

## SpyDocEditSelection (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyDocEditSelection
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public SpyXMLData GetEnd();
    public long GetEndTextPosition();
    public SpyXMLData GetStart();
    public long GetStartTextPosition();
}
```

## SpyDocEditView (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SpyDocEditView
{
    public void ReleaseInstance();
    public void ApplyTextState( String sElementName );
    public SpyDocEditSelection GetCurrentSelection();
    public void EditClear();
    public void EditCopy();
    public void EditCut();
    public void EditPaste();
    public void EditRedo();
    public void EditSelectAll();
    public void EditUndo();
    public SpyXMLData GetNextVisible( SpyXMLData oElement );
    public SpyXMLData GetPreviousVisible( SpyXMLData oElement );
    public boolean GetIsEditClearEnabled();
    public boolean GetIsEditCopyEnabled();
    public boolean GetIsEditCutEnabled();
    public boolean GetIsEditPasteEnabled();
    public boolean GetIsEditRedoEnabled();
    public boolean GetIsEditUndoEnabled();
}
```

```

public boolean GetIsRowAppendEnabled() ;
public boolean GetIsRowDeleteEnabled() ;
public boolean GetIsRowDuplicateEnabled() ;
public boolean GetIsRowInsertEnabled() ;
public boolean GetIsRowMoveDownEnabled() ;
public boolean GetIsRowMoveUpEnabled() ;
public boolean IsTextStateApplied( String sElementName ) ;
public boolean IsTextStateEnabled( String sElementName ) ;
public void LoadXML( String sXML ) ;
public void MarkupView( long nKind ) ;
public void RowAppend() ;
public void RowDelete() ;
public void RowDuplicate() ;
public void RowInsert() ;
public void RowMoveDown() ;
public void RowMoveUp() ;
public String SaveXML() ;
public void SelectionMoveTabOrder( boolean bForward, boolean bTag ) ;
public boolean SelectionSet( SpyXMLData oStart, long nStartPos, SpyXMLData
oEndElement, long nEndPos ) ;
public SpyXMLData GetXMLRoot() ;
public String[] GetAllowedElements( long nAction, SpyXMLData oStartPtr,
SpyXMLData oEndPtr ) ;
}

```

### 3.5.30 Predefined constants (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

This section lists all classes that define the predefined constants used by the Java interface.

#### SPYApplicationStatus (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SPYApplicationStatus
{
    public final static long spyApplicationStatus Running          = 0;
    public final static long spyApplicationStatus AfterLicenseCheck = 1;
}

```

```

    public final static long                = 2;
    spyApplicationStatus BeforeLicenseCheck
    public final static long                = 3;
    spyApplicationStatus ConcurrentLicenseCheckFailed
    public final static long                = 4;
    spyApplicationStatus ProcessingCommandLine
}

```

### SPYAttributeTypeDefinition (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SPYAttributeTypeDefinition
{
    public final static long                = 0;
    spyMergedGlobal
    public final static long                = 1;
    spyDistinctGlobal
    public final static long spyLocal = 2;
}

```

### SPYAuthenticActions (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SPYAuthenticActions
{
    public final static long                = 0;
    spyAuthenticInsertAt
    public final static long spyAuthenticApply= 1;
    public final static long                = 2;
    spyAuthenticClearSurr
    public final static long                = 3;
    spyAuthenticAppend
    public final static long                = 4;
    spyAuthenticInsertBefore
    public final static long                = 5;
}

```

```
        spyAuthenticRemove  
    }
```

### SPYAuthenticDocumentPosition (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYAuthenticDocumentPosition  
{  
    public final static long          = 0;  
    spyAuthenticDocumentBegin  
    public final static long          = 1;  
    spyAuthenticDocumentEnd  
    public final static long          = 2;  
    spyAuthenticRangeBegin  
    public final static long          = 3;  
    spyAuthenticRangeEnd  
}
```

### SPYAuthenticElementKind (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYAuthenticElementKind  
{  
    public final static long          = 0;  
    spyAuthenticChar  
    public final static long          = 1;  
    spyAuthenticWord  
    public final static long          = 3;  
    spyAuthenticLine  
    public final static long          = 4;  
    spyAuthenticParagraph  
    public final static long          = 6;  
    spyAuthenticTag  
    public final static long          = 8;  
}
```

```
spyAuthenticDocument
public final static long           = 9;
spyAuthenticTable
public final static long           = 10;
spyAuthenticTableRow
public final static long           = 11;
spyAuthenticTableColumn
}
```

### SPYAuthenticMarkupVisibility (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYAuthenticMarkupVisibility
{
    public final static long           = 0;
    spyAuthenticMarkupHidden
    public final static long           = 1;
    spyAuthenticMarkupSmall
    public final static long           = 2;
    spyAuthenticMarkupLarge
    public final static long           = 3;
    spyAuthenticMarkupMixed
}
```

### SPYDatabaseKind (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYLoading
{
    public final static long           = 0;
    spyDB Access
    public final static long           = 1;
    spyDB SQLServer
    public final static long           = 2;
    spyDB Oracle
}
```

```

    public final static long          = 3;
    spyDB Sybase
    public final static long          = 4;
    spyDB MySQL
    public final static long spyDB DB2 = 5;
    public final static long          = 6;
    spyDB Other
    public final static long          = 7;
    spyDB Unspecified
}

```

### SPYDialogAction (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SPYDialogAction
{
    public final static long          = 0;
    spyDialogOK
    public final static long          = 1;
    spyDialogCancel
    public final static long          = 2;
    spyDialogUserInput
}

```

### SPYDOMType (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```

public class SPYDOMType
{
    public final static long          = 0;
    spyDOMType_msxml4
    public final static long          = 1;
    spyDOMType_xerces
}

```

### SPYDTDSchemaFormat (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYDTDSchemaFormat
{
    public final static long spyDTD      = 0;
    public final static long spyDCD      = 1;
    public final static long spyXMLData = 2;
    public final static long spyBizTalk = 3;
    public final static long spyW3C     = 4;
}
```

### SPYEncodingByteOrder (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYEncodingByteOrder
{
    public final static long spyNONE      = 0;
    public final static long spyLITTLE_ENDIAN
    spyBIG_ENDIAN                        = 1;
    public final static long spyBIG_ENDIAN
    spyLITTLE_ENDIAN                    = 2;
}
```

### SPYExportNamespace (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYExportNamespace
{
    public final static long spyNoNamespace = 0;
    public final static long spyReplaceColonWithUnderscore = 1;
}
```

### SPYFindInFilesSearchLocation (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYFindInFilesSearchLocation
{
    public final static long spyFindInFiles_Documents = 0;
    public final static long spyFindInFiles_Project = 1;
    public final static long spyFindInFiles_Folder = 2;
}
```

### SPYFrequentElements (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYFrequentElements
{
    public final static long spyGlobalElements = 0;
    public final static long spyGlobalComplexType = 1;
}
```

### SPYImageKind (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete

from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYImageKind
{
    public final static long          = 0;
    spyImageType_PNG
    public final static long          = 1;
    spyImageType_EMF
}
```

### SPYImportColumnsType (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

### SPYLibType (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYLibType
{
    public final static long          = 0;
    spyLibType_static
    public final static long          = 1;
    spyLibType_dll
}
```

### SPYLoading (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete

from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYLoading
{
    public final static long      spyUseCacheProxy      = 0;
    public final static long      spyReload             = 1;
}
```

### SPYNumberDateTimeFormat (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYNumberDateTimeFormat
{
    public final static long      spySystemLocale      = 0;
    public final static long      spySchemaCompatible  = 1;
}
```

### SPYProgrammingLanguage (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYLoading
{
    public final static long      spyUndefinedLanguage = -1;
    public final static long      spyJava              = 0;
    public final static long      spyCpp               = 1;
    public final static long      spyCSharp            = 2;
}
```

## SPYProjectItemTypes (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYProjectItemTypes
{
    public final static long      = 0;
    spyUnknownItem
    public final static long      = 1;
    spyFileItem
    public final static long      = 2;
    spyFolderItem
    public final static long      = 3;
    spyURLItem
}
```

## SPYProjectType (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYProjectType
{
    public final static long      = 0;
    spyVisualStudioProject
    public final static long      = 1;
    spyVisualStudio2003Project
    public final static long      = 2;
    spyBorlandProject
    public final static long      = 3;
    spyMonoMakefile
}
```

### SPYSampleXMLGenerationOptimization (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYSampleXMLGenerationOptimization
{
    public final static long          = 0;
    spySampleXMLGen_Optimized
    public final static long          = 1;
    spySampleXMLGen_NonMandatoryElements
    public final static long          = 2;
    spySampleXMLGen_Everything
}
```

### SPYSampleXMLGenerationSchemaOrDTDAssignment (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYSampleXMLGenerationOptimization
{
    public final static long          = 0;
    spySampleXMLGen_AssignRelatively
    public final static long          = 1;
    spySampleXMLGen_AssignAbsolutely
    public final static long          = 2;
    spySampleXMLGen_DoNotAssign
}
```

### SPYSchemaDefKind (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYSchemaDefKind
{
    public final static long spyKindElement = 0;
    public final static long spyKindComplexType = 1;
    public final static long spyKindSimpleType = 2;
    public final static long spyKindGroup = 3;
    public final static long spyKindModel = 4;
    public final static long spyKindAny = 5;
    public final static long spyKindAttr = 6;
    public final static long spyKindAttrGroup = 7;
    public final static long spyKindAttrAny = 8;
    public final static long spyKindIdentityUnique = 9;
    public final static long spyKindIdentityKey = 10;
    public final static long spyKindIdentityKeyRef = 11;
    public final static long spyKindIdentitySelector = 12;
    public final static long spyKindIdentityField = 13;
    public final static long spyKindNotation = 14;
    public final static long spyKindInclude = 15;
    public final static long spyKindImport = 16;
    public final static long spyKindRedefine = 17;
    public final static long spyKindFacet = 18;
    public final static long spyKindSchema = 19;
    public final static long spyKindCount = 20;
}
```

### SPYSchemaDocumentationFormat (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYSchemaDocumentationFormat
{
    public final static long spySchemaDoc_HTML = 0;
    public final static long spySchemaDoc_MSWord = 1;
    public final static long spySchemaDoc_RTF = 2;
}
```

```
    public final static long          = 3;
        spySchemaDoc PDF
}
```

### SPYSchemaExtensionType (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYSchemaExtensionType
{
    public final static long          = 0;
        spySchemaExtension_None
    public final static long          = 1;
        spySchemaExtension_SQL_XML
    public final static long          = 2;
        spySchemaExtension_MS_SQL_Server
    public final static long          = 3;
        spySchemaExtension_Oracle
}
```

### SPYSchemaFormat (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYSchemaFormat
{
    public final static long          = 0;
        spySchemaFormat_Hierarchical
    public final static long          = 1;
        spySchemaFormat_Flat
}
```

### SPYTextDelimiters (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete

from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYTextDelimiters
{
    public final static long      = 0;
    spyTabulator
    public final static long      = 1;
    spySemicolon
    public final static long spyComma = 2;
    public final static long spySpace = 3;
}
```

### SPYTextEnclosing (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYTextEnclosing
{
    public final static long      = 0;
    spyNoEnclosing
    public final static long      = 1;
    spySingleQuote
    public final static long      = 2;
    spyDoubleQuote
}
```

### SPYTypeDetection (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYTypeDetection
{
```

```
    public final static long          = 0;
    spyBestPossible
    public final static long          = 1;
    spyNumbersOnly
    public final static long          = 2;
    spyNoDetection
}
```

### SPYURLTypes (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYURLTypes
{
    public final static long          = (-1);
    spyURLTypeAuto
    public final static long          = 0;
    spyURLTypeXML
    public final static long          = 1;
    spyURLTypeDTD
}
```

### SpyViewModes (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYViewModes
{
    public final static long spyViewGrid= 0;
    public final static long spyViewText= 1;
    public final static long          = 2;
    spyViewBrowser
    public final static long          = 3;
    spyViewSchema
    public final static long          = 4;
    spyViewContent
    public final static long          = 4;
    spyViewAuthentic
}
```

```
    public final static long spyViewWSDL= 5;
    public final static long spyViewZIP = 6;
    public final static long          = 7;
    spyViewEditionInfo
}
```

### SPYWhitespaceComparison (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYWhitespaceComparison
{
    public final static long          = 0;
    spyCompareAsIs
    public final static long          = 1;
    spyCompareNormalized
    public final static long          = 2;
    spyStripAll
}
```

### SPYXMLDataKind (obsolete)

The objects described in this section (Application API for Java) are obsolete from v2012 onwards.

For information about how to access the Application API from Java code, see the section: [Programming Languages | Java](#).

```
public class SPYXMLDataKind
{
    public final static long          = 0;
    spyXMLDataXMLDocStruct
    public final static long          = 1;
    spyXMLDataXMLEntityDocStruct
    public final static long          = 2;
    spyXMLDataDTDDocStruct
    public final static long          = 3;
    spyXMLDataXML
    public final static long          = 4;
    spyXMLDataElement
    public final static long          = 5;
    spyXMLDataAttr
}
```

```
    public final static long          = 6;
    spyXMLDataText
    public final static long          = 7;
    spyXMLDataCData
    public final static long          = 8;
    spyXMLDataComment
    public final static long          = 9;
    spyXMLDataPI
    public final static long          = 10;
    spyXMLDataDefDoctype
    public final static long          = 11;
    spyXMLDataDefExternalID
    public final static long          = 12;
    spyXMLDataDefElement
    public final static long          = 13;
    spyXMLDataDefAttlist
    public final static long          = 14;
    spyXMLDataDefEntity
    public final static long          = 15;
    spyXMLDataDefNotation
    public final static long          = 16;
    spyXMLDataKindsCount
}
```

## 4 ActiveX Integration

XMLSpyControl is a control that provides a means of integration of the XMLSpy user interface and the functionality described in this section into most kinds of applications. ActiveX technology was chosen so as to allow integration using any of a wide variety of languages; this enables C++, C#, Visual Basic, or HTML to be used for integration (ActiveX components integrated in HTML officially only work with Microsoft Internet Explorer). The attached Java wrapper library allows integration into Java. All components are full OLE Controls, which makes integration as simple as possible. Two different levels of integration are provided, thus enabling the integration to be adapted to a wide range of needs.

To integrate XMLSpy you must install the XMLSpy Integration Package. Ensure that you install XMLSpy first, and then the XMLSpy Integration Package. For the integration pack to work correctly, JRE 6 (or later) must be installed.

For a successful integration you have to consider the following main design factors:

- What technology or programming language can the hosting application use to integrate the XMLSpyControl?
- Should the integrated UI look exactly like XMLSpy with all its menus, toolbars, and windows, or will a subset of these elements—like allowing only one document and a restricted set of commands—be more effective?
- How deep will the integration be? Should the XMLSpy user interface be used as is? Are user interface extensions and/or restrictions required? Can some frequently used tasks be automated?

The sections, [Integration at the Application Level](#) and [Integration at Document Level](#) describe the key steps at these respective levels. The [Programming Languages](#) section provides examples in [C#](#), [HTML](#), and [Java](#). Looking through these examples will help you to make the right decisions quickly. The section, [Object Reference](#), describes all COM objects that can be used for integration, together with their properties and methods.

For automation tasks, the [XMLSpy Automation Interface](#) is accessible from the XMLSpyControl as well.

For information about how to integrate XMLSpy into Microsoft Visual Studio see the section, [XMLSpy in Visual Studio](#).

## 4.1 Integration at Application Level

Integration at application level is simple and straightforward. It allows you to embed the complete interface of XMLSpy into a window of your application. Since you get the whole user interface of XMLSpy, you get all menus, toolbars, the status bar, document windows, and helper windows. Customization of the application's user interface is restricted to what XMLSpy provides. This includes rearrangement and resizing of helper windows and customization of menus and toolbars.

The only ActiveX control you need to integrate is [XMLSpyControl](#). Its property [IntegrationLevel](#) defaults to application-level. You may use [Appearance](#) and [BorderStyle](#) to configure the appearance of the control's wrapper window. Do not instantiate or access [XMLSpyControlDocument](#) or [XMLSpyControlPlaceHolder](#) ActiveX controls when integrating at application-level.

If you have any initialization to do or if you want to automate some behaviour of XMLSpy, use the properties, methods, and events described for [XMLSpyControl](#). Consider using [XMLSpyControl.Application](#) for more complex access to XMLSpy functionality.

In the [Programming Languages | HTML](#) section is an example ([Integration at Application Level](#)) that shows how the XMLSpy application can be embedded in an HTML page. For usage with other programming languages, or more sophisticated access, see the [Examples](#) of integration at document-level (in [C#](#), [HTML](#), and [Java](#)).

## 4.2 Integration at Document Level

Integration at document level gives you freedom over instantiation and placement of the following parts of the XMLSpy user interface:

- Editing windows for XMLSpy
- XMLSpy entry helper windows
- XMLSpy validator output window
- XMLSpy project window
- XMLSpy XPath profiler window
- XMLSpy XPath dialog window
- XMLSpy XSLT/XQuery debugger windows
- XMLSpy SOAP debugger window (Enterprise edition only)

If necessary, a replacement for the menus and toolbars of XMLSpy must be provided by your application.

You will need to instantiate and access multiple ActiveX controls, depending on which user interface parts you want to re-use. All these controls are contained in the XMLSpyControl OCX

- [Use XMLSpyControl](#) to set the integration level and access application wide functionality.
- [Use XMLSpyControlDocument](#) to create any number of editor windows. It may be sufficient to create only one window and re-use it, depending on your needs.
- Optionally [Use XMLSpyControlPlaceholder](#) to embed XMLSpy entry helper windows, validator output or other windows mentioned above.
- Access run-time information about commands, menus, and toolbars available in XMLSpyControl to seamlessly integrate these commands into your application's menus and toolbars. See [Query XMLSpy Commands](#) for more information.

If you want to automate some behaviour of XMLSpy use the properties, methods, and events described for the [XMLSpyControl](#), [XMLSpyControlDocument](#) and [XMLSpyControlPlaceholder](#). Consider using [XMLSpyControl.Application](#), [XMLSpyControlDocument.Document](#) and [XMLSpyControlPlaceholder.Project](#) for more complex access to XMLSpy functionality. However, to open a document always use [XMLSpyControlDocument.Open](#) or [XMLSpyControlDocument.New](#) on the appropriate document control. To open a project always use [XMLSpyControlPlaceholder.OpenProject](#) on a placeholder control embedding a XMLSpy project window.

See [Examples](#) on how to instantiate and access the necessary controls in different programming environments.

### 4.2.1 Use XMLSpyControl

To integrate at document level, instantiate a [XMLSpyControl](#) first. Set the property [IntegrationLevel](#) to `IntegrationLevelOnDocumentLevel (= 1)`. Set the window size of the embedding window to 0x0 to hide any user interface behind the control. You may use [Appearance](#) and [BorderStyle](#) to configure the appearance of the control's wrapper window.

Avoid using the method [Open](#) since this might lead to unexpected results. Use the corresponding open methods of [XMLSpyControlDocument](#) and [XMLSpyControlPlaceholder](#), instead.

See [Query XMLSpy Commands](#) for a description of how to integrate XMLSpy commands into your

application. Send commands to XMLSpy via the method [Exec](#). Query if a command is currently enabled or disabled using the method [QueryStatus](#).

#### 4.2.2 Use XMLSpyControlDocument

An instance of the `XMLSpyControlDocument` ActiveX control allows you to embed one XMLSpy document editing window into your application. You can use any number of instances you need.

Use the method [Open](#) to load any other existing file.

The control does not support a read-only mode. The value of the property [ReadOnly](#) is ignored.

Use [Path](#) and [Save](#) or methods and properties accessible via the property [Document](#) to access document functionality.

#### 4.2.3 Use XMLSpyControlPlaceholder

Instances of `XMLSpyControlPlaceholder` ActiveX controls allow you to selectively embed the additional helper windows of XMLSpy into your application. The property [PlaceholderWindowID](#) selects the XMLSpy helper window to be embedded. Use only one `XMLSpyControlPlaceholder` for each window identifier. See [Enumerations.XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow](#) for valid window identifiers.

For placeholder controls that select the XMLSpy project window, additional methods are available. Use [OpenProject](#) to load a XMLSpy project. Use the property [Project](#) and the methods and properties from the XMLSpy automation interface to perform any other project related operations.

#### 4.2.4 Query XMLSpy Commands

When integrating at document-level, no menu or toolbar from XMLSpy is available to your application. Instead, you can query all the commands and the structure of the application menu at runtime. Professional applications will need to integrate this menu in a sophisticated manner into their own menu structure. Your installation of XMLSpy even provides you with command label images used within XMLSpy. See the folder `Examples\ActiveX\Images` of your XMLSpy installation for icons in GIF format. The file names correspond to the [labels](#) of commands.

## 4.3 Programming Languages

This section contains examples of XMLSpy document-level integration using different container environments and programming languages. (The HTML section additionally contains examples of [integration at application level](#).) Source code for all examples is available in the folder `<ApplicationFolder>\Examples\ActiveX` of your XMLSpy installation.

### 4.3.1 C#

The C# example shows how to integrate the XMLSpyControl in a common desktop application created with C# using Visual Studio. The following topics are covered:

- Integration of a XMLSpyControl Document control to embed a XMLSpy document editing window.
- Usage of a XMLSpyControlPlaceholder controls to embed the XMLSpy XPath dialog window.
- Opening and closing of XMLSpy documents via the main menu.

The source code for all examples is available in the folder `<ApplicationFolder>\Examples\ActiveX\C#` of your XMLSpy installation. The example application is complete and, under normal circumstances, you should be able to build and run it without additional configuration.

Note the following:

1. Before building and running the sample C# solution, first copy it to a directory where you have write permissions. Otherwise, you will need to run Visual Studio as administrator.
2. You might be prompted to upgrade the solution to the version of Visual Studio that you are using. In that case, follow the Visual Studio wizard steps to complete the process.
3. To build the sample C# solution, .NET platform 4.0 or later is required.
4. The example C# solution has two build configurations in Visual Studio: x32 and x64. If you want to build using the x64 configuration, ensure that you have installed the 64-bit version of XMLSpy and XMLSpy Integration Package.

### Introduction

#### Adding the XMLSpy components to the Toolbox

Before you take a look at the sample project, please add the ActiveX controls to the Visual Studio Toolbox. The XMLSpy Installer will have already installed the assemblies in the .NET Global Assembly Cache (GAC). If you open the Toolbox dialog under **Tools | Choose Toolbox Items** the controls will appear as `AxXMLSpyControl`, `AxXMLSpyControlDocument` and `AxXMLSpyControlPlaceholder` on the .NET Framework Components tab. Check all to make them available to the IDE.

Now you can open the `XPathDialog.sln` file to load the project.

### Placing the XMLSpyControl

It is necessary to have one XMLSpyControl instance to set the integration level and to manage the Document and Placeholder controls of the XMLSpy library. The control is accessible via the General section of the Toolbox helper window in the IDE. To add it you need to select the component in the Toolbox window and drag a rectangle wherever you want to have it in the destination window. If you have an application which does not open a window on startup you can

use a simple invisible Form with the control on it which is created manually in the code.

The example project adds this instance to the main MdiContainer MDIMain. If you open MDIMain in the Design View from the Solution Explorer you will see a light blue rectangle at the top-left side in the client area of the Frame window. Selecting this rectangle will show you the properties of the XMLSpyControl. It is important to set the `IntegrationLevel` property to `ICActiveXIntegrationOnDocumentLevel` in order to turn on the Document and Placeholder support of the XMLSpy library. You can set the `Visible` flag to `False` to avoid any confusion about the control for the user.

## Adding the Document Control

### Document editing window on the MDI Frame

The example project uses one Document control show and edit one XMLSpy document in the main MDI Frame. It is added via the Toolbox window by dragging a rectangle on the destination Form. The Document control also has the `Anchor` and `Dock` properties set in order to react on resizing of the Frame window.

## Adding the Placeholder Control

### Placeholders on the MDI Frame

The example project uses one Placeholder control to embed the XPath Dialog window into the main MDI Frame. It is added via the Toolbox window by dragging a rectangle on the destination Form. To set the type of the Placeholder which should be displayed one has to set the `PlaceholderWindowID` property. This property can also be changed during runtime in the code of the application. The Placeholder control would change its content immediately. The Placeholder also has the `Anchor` properties set in order to react on resizing of the Frame window.

## Retrieving Command Information

The XMLSpyControl gives access to all commands of XMLSpy through its `CommandsStructure` property. The example project uses the [XMLSpy Commands](#) and [XMLSpy Command](#) interfaces to dynamically build a menu in the MDI Frame window.

The code to add the commands will be placed in the `MDIMain` method of the `XMLSpyApplication` class in the file `MDIMain.cs`:

```
public MDIMain()
{
    .
    .
    .
    XMLSpyControlLib.XMLSpyCommands objCommands;
    objCommands = axXMLSpyControl.CommandsStructure;

    long nCount = objCommands.Count;

    for(long idx = 0;idx < nCount;idx++)
    {
        XMLSpyControlLib.XMLSpyCommand objCommand;
        objCommand = objCommands[(int)idx];

        // We are looking for the Menu with the name IDR_XMLSPY. This menu
        contains
    }
}
```

```

// the complete main menu of XMLSpy.

if(objCommand.Label == "IDR_XMLSPY")
{
    InsertMenuStructure(mainMenu.MenuItems, 1, objCommand, 0, 0,
        false);
}
.
.
.
}

```

`mainMenu` is the name of the menu object of the MDI Frame window created in the Visual Studio IDE. `InsertMenuStructure` takes the XMLSpy menu from the `IDR_XMLSPY` command object and adds the XMLSpy menu structure to the already existing menu of the sample project. No commands from the **File**, **Project**, or **Window** menu are added.

The new commands are instances of the class `CustomMenuItem`, which is defined in `CustomMenuItem.cs`. This class has an additional member to save the XMLSpy command ID, which is taken to execute the command using [Exec](#) on selecting the menu item. This code from `InsertMenuStructure` creates the new command:

```

CustomMenuItem  newItem = new CustomMenuItem();

if(objCommand.IsSeparator)
    newItem.Text = "-";
else
{
    newItem.Text = strLabel;
    newItem.m_XMLSpyCmdID = (int)objCommand.ID;
    newItem.Click += new EventHandler(AltovaMenuItem_Click);
}

```

You can see that all commands get the same event handler `AltovaMenuItem_Click` which does the processing of the command:

```

private void AltovaMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    if(sender.GetType() ==
        System.Type.GetType("XMLSpyApplication.CustomMenuItem"))
    {
        CustomMenuItem customItem = (CustomMenuItem)sender;

        ProcessCommand(customItem.m_XMLSpyCmdID);
    }
}

private void ProcessCommand(int nID)
{
    XMLSpyDoc docXMLSpy = GetCurrentXMLSpyDoc();

    if(docXMLSpy != null)
        docXMLSpy.axXMLSpyControlDoc.Exec(nID);
    else

```

```

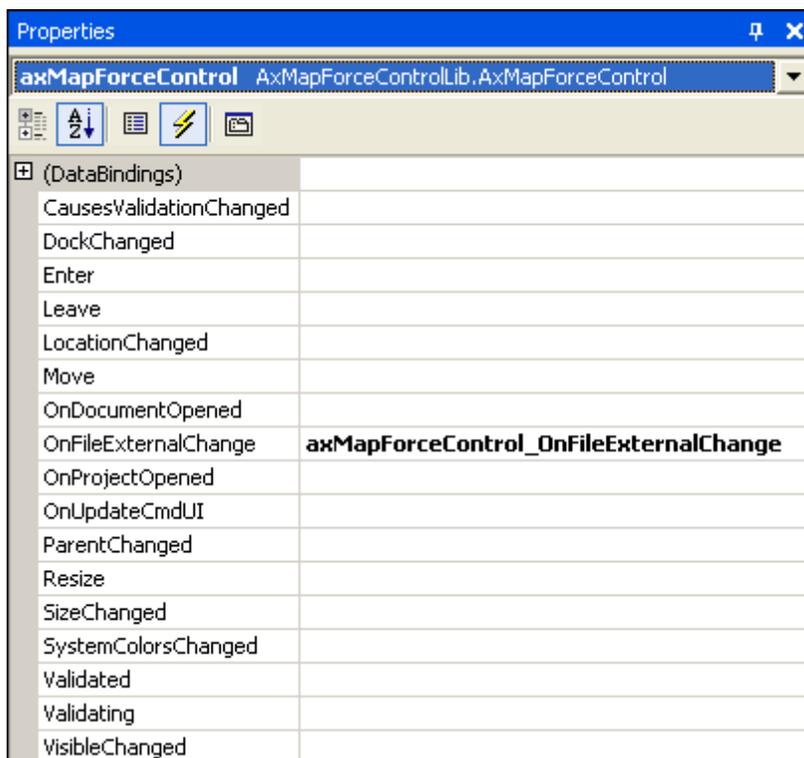
        axXMLSpyControl.Exec(nID);
    }

```

`ProcessCommand` delegates the execution either to the `XMLSpyControl` itself or to any active `XMLSpy` document loaded in a `XMLSpyControlDocument` control. This is necessary because the `XMLSpyControl` has no way to know which document is currently active in the hosting application.

## Handling Events

Because all events in the `XMLSpy` library are based on connection points, you can use the C# delegate mechanism to provide the custom event handlers. You will always find a complete list of events on the property page of each control of the `XMLSpy` library. The picture below shows the events of the main `XMLSpyControl`:



As you can see, the example project only overrides the `OnFileExternalChange` event. The creation of the C# delegate is done for you by the C# Framework. All you need to do is to fill the empty event handler. The handler implementation turns off any file reloading and displays a message box to inform the user that a file loaded by the `XMLSpyControl` has been changed from outside:

```

private void axMapForceControl_OnFileExternalChange(object sender,
AxMapForceControlLib._DMapForceControlEvents_OnFileExternalChangeEvent e)
{
    MessageBox.Show("Attention: The file " + e.strPath + " has been changed
from outside\nbut reloading is turned off in the sample application!");

    // This turns off any file reloading:
    e.varRet = false;
}

```

## Testing the Example

After adding the assemblies to the Toolbox (see [Introduction](#)), you can run the sample project with F5 without the need to change anything in the code. The main MDI Frame window is created and contains an editing window with an empty XML document and a XPath Dialog window of XMLSpy at the bottom. Use **File | Open** to open the file `OrgChart.xml`, which is in the XMLSpy examples folder. The file is loaded and displayed.

After you load the document, you can try using the XPath dialog.

### 4.3.2 HTML

The code listings in this section show how to integrate the XMLSpyControl at [application level](#) and [document level](#). Source code for all examples is available in the folder `<ApplicationFolder>\Examples\ActiveX\HTML` of your XMLSpy installation. The examples work only in Internet Explorer.

**Note:** When it runs in 64-bit mode, Internet Explorer 10 or later does not load ActiveX controls.

#### Integration at Application Level

This example shows a simple integration of the XMLSpy control at application-level into a HTML page. The integration is described in the following sections:

- Instantiate a XMLSpyControl in HTML code.
- Implement buttons to load documents and automate code-generation tasks.
- Define actions for some application events.

The code for this example is available at the following location in your XMLSpy installation:

`Examples\ActiveX\HTML\XMLSpyActiveX_ApplicationLevel.htm`.

#### *Instantiate the Control*

The HTML `Object` tag is used to create an instance of the XMLSpyControl. The `Classid` is that of XMLSpyControl. Width and height specify the window size. No additional parameters are necessary, since application-level is the default.

```
<OBJECT id="objXMLSpyControl"
  Classid="clsid:a258bba2-3835-4c16-8590-72b44f52c471"
  width="1000"
  height="700"
  VIEWASTEXT>
</OBJECT>
```

#### *Add Button to Open Default Document*

As a simple example of how to automate some tasks, we add a button to the page:

```
<input type="button" value="Open Marketing Expenses" onclick="BtnOpenMEFile()">
```

When clicked, a predefined document will be opened in the XMLSpyControl. We use a method to locate the file relative to the XMLSpyControl so the example can run on different installations.

```

<SCRIPT ID=Javahandlers LANGUAGE=javascript>
// -----
// open a pre-defined document
function BtnOpenMEFile()
{
    objXMLSpyControl.Open("C:\Documents and Settings\username\My
Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\OrgChart.xml");
}
</SCRIPT>

```

### **Add Buttons for Code Generation**

For direct access, we want to have a button that will validate the current document. The method is similar to that used in the previous section.

First comes the button:

```
<input type="button" value="Validate" onclick="BtnValidate()">
```

Then we provide the script that will validate the current document.

```

<SCRIPT ID=Javahandlers LANGUAGE=javascript>
// -----
// check validity of current document.
// if validation fails, show validation result in alert box .
function BtnValidate()
{
    // get top-level object of automation interface
    var objApp = objXMLSpyControl.Application;

    // get the active document
    var objDocument = objApp.ActiveDocument;

    if ( objDocument == null )
        alert( "no active document found" );
    else
    {
        // define as arrays to support their usage as return parameters
        var errorText = new Array(1);
        var errorPos = new Array(1);
        var badData = new Array(1);

        var valid = objDocument.IsValid(errorText, errorPos, badData);

        if (! valid)
        {
            // compose the error description
            var text = errorText;

            // access that XMLData object only if filled in
            if (badData[0] != null)
                text += "(" + badData[0].Name + "/" +
badData[0].TextValue + ")";

```

```

        alert("Validation error[" + errorPos + "]: " + text);
    }
    else
        alert("Docuent is valid"); }
}
</SCRIPT>

```

### Connect to Custom Events

The example implements two event callbacks for XMLSpyControl custom events to show the principle:

```

<!-- ----- -->
<!-- custom event 'OnDocumentOpened' of XMLSpyControl object -->
<SCRIPT LANGUAGE="javascript">
    function objXMLSpyControl::OnDocumentOpened( objDocument )
    {
        // alert("Document '" + objDocument.Name + "' opened!");
    }
</SCRIPT>

<!-- ----- -->
<!-- custom event 'OnDocumentClosed' of XMLSpyControl object -->
<SCRIPT LANGUAGE="javascript">
    function objXMLSpyControl::OnDocumentClosed( objDocument )
    {
        // alert("Document '" + objDocument.Name + "' closed!");
    }
</SCRIPT>

```

### Integration at Document Level

This example shows an integration of the XMLSpy control at document-level into a HTML page. The following topics are covered:

- Instantiate a XMLSpyControl ActiveX control object in HTML code
- Instantiate a XMLSpyControlDocument ActiveX control to allow editing a XMLSpy file
- Instantiate one XMLSpyControlPlaceholder for a XMLSpyControl project window
- Instantiate one XMLSpyControlPlaceholder to alternatively host one of the XMLSpy helper windows
- Instantiate one XMLSpyControlPlaceholder ActiveX control to show the XMLSpy validation output window
- Create a simple customer toolbar for some heavy-used XMLSpy commands
- Add some more buttons that use the COM automation interface of XMLSpy
- Use event handlers to update command buttons

This example is available in its entirety in the file `XMLSpyActiveX_ApplicationLevel.htm` within the `C:\Program Files\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\ActiveX\HTML\` folder of your XMLSpy installation.

### ***Instantiate the XMLSpyControl***

XMLSpyControlThe HTML OBJECT tag is used to create an instance of the XMLSpyControl. The Classid is that of XMLSpyControl. Width and height are set to 0 since we use this control as manager control without use for its user interface. The integration level is specified as a parameter within the OBJECT tag.

```
<OBJECT id="objXMLSpyXXMLSpyControl"
  Classid="clsid:a258bba2-3835-4c16-8590-72b44f52c471"
  width="0"
  height="0"
  VIEWASTEXT>
  <PARAM NAME="IntegrationLevel" VALUE="1">
</OBJECT>
```

### ***Create Editor Window***

The HTML OBJECT tag is used to embed an editing window.

```
<OBJECT id="objDoc1"
  Classid="clsid:DFBB0871-DAFE-4502-BB66-08CEB7DF5255"
  width="600"
  height="500"
  VIEWASTEXT>
</OBJECT>
```

### ***Create Project Window***

The HTML OBJECT tag is used to create a XMLSpyControlPlaceholder window. The first additional custom parameter defines the placeholder to show the XMLSpy project window. The second parameter loads one of the example projects delivered with your XMLSpy installation (located in the <yourusername>/MyDocuments folder).

```
<OBJECT id="objProjectWindow"
  Classid="clsid:FDEC3B04-05F2-427d-988C-F03A85DE53C2"
  width="200"
  height="200"
  VIEWASTEXT>
  <PARAM name="PlaceholderWindowID" value="3">
  <PARAM name="FileName" value="Examples/Examples.spp">
</OBJECT>
```

### ***Create Placeholder for Helper Windows***

The HTML OBJECT tag is used to instantiate a XMLSpyControlPlaceholder ActiveX control that can host the different XMLSpy helper windows. Initially, no helper window is shown. See the example file.

```
<OBJECT id="objEHWindow"
  Classid="clsid:135DEEF4-6DF0-47c2-8F8C-F145F5F3F672"
```

```

        width="200"
        height="200"
        VIEWASTEXT>
    <PARAM name="PlaceholderWindowID" value="0">
</OBJECT>

```

Three buttons allow us to switch the actual window that will be shown. The JavaScript execute on-button-click sets the property `PlaceHolderWindowID` to the corresponding value defined in [XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow](#).

```

<input type="button" value="EH - Elements" onclick="BtnHelperWindow(0)">
<input type="button" value="EH - Attributes" onclick="BtnHelperWindow(1)">
<input type="button" value="EH - Entities" onclick="BtnHelperWindow(2)">

```

```

<SCRIPT ID="Javahandlers" LANGUAGE="javascript">
//
-----
// specify which of the windows shall be shown in the placeholder control.
function BtnHelperWindow(i_ePlaceholderWindowID)
{
    objEHWindow.PlaceholderWindowID = i_ePlaceholderWindowID;
}
</SCRIPT>

```

### Create a Custom Toolbar

The custom toolbar consists of buttons with images of XMLSpy commands. The command ID numbers can be found in the button elements shown below [Command Table](#).

```

<button id="btnWellFormed" title="Check Well-formedness"
onclick="BtnDoCommand(34049)">
    
</button>
<button id="btnValidate" title="Validate" onclick="BtnDoCommand(34174)">
    
</button>

```

On clicking one of these buttons the corresponding command ID is sent to the manager control.

```

<SCRIPT ID="Javahandlers" LANGUAGE="javascript">
// -----
// perform any command specified by cmdID.
// command routing includes application, active document and view.
function BtnDoCommand(cmdID)
{
    objXMLSpyX.Exec( cmdID );
    msgtext.innerText = "Command " + cmdID + " performed.";
}
</SCRIPT>

```

### Create More Buttons

In the example, we add some more buttons to show some automation code.

```
<p>
  <input type="button" value="New File" onclick="BtnNewFile(objDoc1)">
  <input type="button" value="Save File" onclick="BtnSaveFile(objDoc1)">
  <input type="text" title="Path" id="strPath" width="150">
  <input type="button" value="Open OrgChart.xml"
onclick="BtnOpenFile(objDoc1, 'OrgChart.xml')">
  <input type="button" value="Open OrgChart.xsd"
onclick="BtnOpenFile(objDoc1, 'OrgChart.xsd')">
<p>
```

The corresponding JavaScript looks like this:

```
<SCRIPT ID="Javahandlers" LANGUAGE="javascript">
// -----
// open a document in the specified document control window.
function BtnOpenFile(objDocCtrl, strFileName)
{
    // do not use XMLSpyX.Application.OpenDocument(...) to open a document,
    // since then XMLSpyControl wouldn't know a control window to show
    // the document in. Instead:

    objDocCtrl.Open("C:\Documents and Settings\username\My Documents\Altova
\XMLSpy2016\Examples/" + strFileName);
    objDocCtrl.setActive();
}

// -----
// open a new empty document in the specified document control window.
function BtnNewFile(objDocCtrl)
{
    objDocCtrl.Open("");
    objDocCtrl.setActive();
}

// -----
// Saves the current file in the specified document control window.
function BtnSaveFile(objDocCtrl)
{
    if(objDocCtrl.Path.length > 0)
        objDocCtrl.SaveDocument();
    else
    {
        if(strPath.value.length > 0)
        {
            objDocCtrl.Path = strPath.value;
            objDocCtrl.Save();
        }
        else
        {
```

```
        alert("Please set path for the document first!");
        strPath.focus();
    }
}

objDocCtrl.setActive();
}

// -----
// check validity of current document.
// if validation fails, show validation result in alert box .
function BtnValidate()
{
    // get top-level object of automation interface
    var objApp = objXMLSpyControl.Application;

    // get the active document
    var objDocument = objApp.ActiveDocument;

    if ( objDocument == null )
        alert( "no active document found" );
    else
    {
        // define as arrays to support their usage as return parameters
        var errorText = new Array(1);
        var errorPos = new Array(1);
        var badData = new Array(1);

        var valid = objDocument.IsValid(errorText, errorPos, badData);

        if (! valid)
        {
            // compose the error description
            var text = errorText;

            // access that XMLData object only if filled in
            if (badData[0] != null)
                text += "(" + badData[0].Name + "/" +
badData[0].TextValue + ")";

            alert("Validation error[" + errorPos + "]: " + text);
        }
        else
            alert("Docuent is valid");
    }
}
</SCRIPT>
```

### **Create Event Handler to Update Button Status**

Availability of a command may vary with every mouse click or keystroke. The custom event `OnUpdateCmdUI` of `XMLSpyControl` gives us an opportunity to update the enabled/disabled state

of buttons associated with XMLSpy commands. The method [XMLSpyControl.QueryStatus](#) is used to query whether a command is enabled or not.

```
<SCRIPT LANGUAGE="javascript">

    function objXMLSpyX::OnUpdateCmdUI()
    {
        if ( document.readyState == "complete" )           // 'complete'
        {
            // update status of buttons
            btnWellFormed.disabled = ! (objDoc1.QueryStatus(34049) & 0x02);
            // not enabled
            btnValidate.disabled = ! (objDoc1.QueryStatus(34174) & 0x02);
            // not enabled
        }
    }

    // set activity status of simulated toolbar
</SCRIPT>
```

### 4.3.3 Java

XMLSpy ActiveX components can be accessed from Java code. To allow this, the libraries listed below must reside in the classpath. These libraries are partly delivered with the XMLSpy Integration Package and are placed in the folder: `JavaAPI` in the XMLSpy application folder.

- `AltovaAutomation.dll`: a JNI wrapper for Altova automation servers (in case of the 32-bit installation of XMLSpy)
- `AltovaAutomation_x64.dll`: a JNI wrapper for Altova automation servers (in case of the 64-bit installation of XMLSpy)
- `AltovaAutomation.jar`: Java classes to access Altova automation servers
- `XMLSpyActiveX.jar`: Java classes that wrap the XMLSpy ActiveX interface
- `XMLSpyActiveX_JavaDoc.zip`: a Javadoc file containing help documentation for the Java interface

**Note:** In order to use the Java ActiveX integration, the DLL and Jar files must be on the Java Classpath.

#### Example Java project

An example Java project is supplied with your product installation. You can test the Java project and modify and use it as you like. For more details of the example Java project, see the section, [Example Java Project](#).

#### Rules for mapping the ActiveX Control names to Java

The rules for mapping between the ActiveX controls and the Java wrapper are as follows:

- **Classes and class names**  
For every component of the XMLSpy ActiveX interface a Java class exists with the name

of the component.

- Method names**  
 Method names on the Java interface are the same as used on the COM interfaces but start with a small letter to conform to Java naming conventions. To access COM properties, Java methods that prefix the property name with get and set can be used. If a property does not support write-access, no setter method is available. Example: For the `IntegrationLevel` property of the `XMLSpyControl`, the Java methods `getIntegrationLevel` and `setIntegrationLevel` are available.
- Enumerations**  
 For every enumeration defined in the ActiveX interface, a Java enumeration is defined with the same name and values.
- Events and event handlers**  
 For every interface in the automation interface that supports events, a Java interface with the same name plus 'Event' is available. To simplify the overloading of single events, a Java class with default implementations for all events is provided. The name of this Java class is the name of the event interface plus 'DefaultHandler'. For example:  
`XMLSpyControl`: Java class to access the application  
`XMLSpyControlEvents`: Events interface for the `XMLSpyControl`  
`XMLSpyControlEventsDefaultHandler`: Default handler for `XMLSpyControlEvents`

### Exceptions to mapping rules

There are some exceptions to the rules listed above. These are listed below:

Interface	Java name
<code>XMLSpyControlDocument</code> , method <code>New</code>	<code>newDocument</code>
<code>Document</code> , method <code>SetEncoding</code>	<code>setFileEncoding</code>
<code>AuthenticView</code> , method <code>Goto</code>	<code>gotoElement</code>
<code>AuthenticRange</code> , method <code>Goto</code>	<code>gotoElement</code>
<code>AuthenticRange</code> , method <code>Clone</code>	<code>cloneRange</code>

### The `XMLSpyActiveX.jar` library

The classes and interfaces contained in the jar file are part of the `com.altova.automation.XMLSpy` package. They are described in the `XMLSpyActiveX_JavaDoc.zip` file from the folder `JavaAPI` in the XMLSpy application folder.

### This section

This section shows how some basic XMLSpy ActiveX functionality can be accessed from Java code. It is organized into the following sub-sections:

- [Example Java Project](#)
- [Creating the ActiveX Controls](#)

- [Loading Data in the Controls](#)
- [Basic Event Handling](#)
- [Menus](#)
- [UI Update Event Handling](#)
- [Creating an XML Tree](#)

### Example Java Project

The XMLSpy installation package contains an example Java project, located in the ActiveX Examples folder of the application folder: <ApplicationFolder>\Examples\ActiveX\Java\.

The Java example shows how to integrate the XMLSpyControl in a common desktop application created with Java. You can test it directly from the command line using the batch file `BuildAndRun.bat`, or you can compile and run the example project from within Eclipse. See below for instructions on how to use these procedures.

### File list

The Java examples folder contains all the files required to run the example project. These files are listed below:

<code>AltovaAutomation.dll</code>	Java-COM bridge: DLL part (for the 32-bit installation)
<code>AltovaAutomation_x64.dll</code>	Java-COM bridge: DLL part (for the 64-bit installation)
<code>AltovaAutomation.jar</code>	Java-COM bridge: Java library part
<code>XMLSpyActiveX.jar</code>	Java classes of the XMLSpy ActiveX control
<code>XMLSpyContainer.java</code>	Java example source code
<code>XMLSpyContainerEventHandler.java</code>	Java example source code
<code>XMLTreeDialog.java</code>	Java example source code
<code>BuildAndRun.bat</code>	Batch file to compile and run example code from the command line prompt. Expects folder where Java Virtual Machine resides as parameter.
<code>.classpath</code>	Eclipse project helper file
<code>.project</code>	Eclipse project file
<code>XMLSpyActiveX_JavaDoc.zip</code>	Javadoc file containing help documentation for the Java API

### What the example does

The example places one XMLSpy document editor window, the XMLSpy project window, the XMLSpy XPath window and an XMLSpy entry helper in an AWT frame window. It reads out the File menu defined for XMLSpy and creates an AWT menu with the same structure. You can use this menu or the project window to open and work with files in the document editor.

You can modify the example in any way you like.

The following specific features are described in code listings:

- [Creating the ActiveX Controls](#): Starts XMLSpy, which is registered as an automation server, or activates XMLSpy if it is already running.
- [Loading Data in the Controls](#): Locates one of the example documents installed with XMLSpy and opens it.
- [Basic Event Handling](#): Changes the view of all open documents to Text View. The code also shows how to iterate through open documents.
- [Menus](#): Validates the active document and shows the result in a message box. The code shows how to use output parameters.
- [UI Update Event Handling](#): Shows how to handle XMLSpy events.
- [Creating an XML Tree](#): Shows how to create an XML tree and prepare it for modal activation.

### Running the example from the command line

Open a command prompt window and type:

```
buildAndRun.bat "<Path-to-the-Java-bin-folder>"
```

The Java binary folder must be that of a Java Development Kit (JDK) 7 or later installation on your computer.

Press **Return**. The Java source in `XMLSpyContainer.java` will be compiled and then executed.

### Loading the example in Eclipse

Open Eclipse and use the **Import | Existing Projects into Workspace** command to add the Eclipse project file located in the same folder as this Readme file to your workspace. Since you may not have write-access in this folder it is recommended to tell Eclipse to copy the project files into its workspace. The project `XMLSpyContainer` will then appear in your Package Explorer or Navigator.

If you want to use the 64-bit version of the XMLSpy ActiveX control you need to use a 64-bit version of Eclipse.

Select the project and then the command **Run as | Java Application** to execute the example.

**Note:** You can select a class name or method of the Java API and press F1 to get help for that class or method.

### Java source code listing

The Java source code in the example file `XMLSpyContainer.java` is listed below with comments.

```
001 // access general JAVA-COM bridge classes
002 import com.altova.automation.libs.*;
003
004 //access XMLSpy Java-COM bridge
005 import com.altova.automation.XMLSpy.*;
006 import com.altova.automation.XMLSpy.Enums.XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow;
```

```
007 import com.altova.automation.XMLSpy.Enums.IActiveXIntegrationLevel;
008
009 // access AWT and Swing components
010 import java.awt.*;
011 import java.awt.event.*;
012 import javax.swing.*;
013
014
015 /**
016  * A simple example of a container for XMLSpy document-level integration
017  * using Java AWT/Swing.
018  * The application's GUI shows a single document editing window and 3
019  * different tool windows:
020  * The project window, the XPath tool window and one of the three XMLSpy
021  * entry helper windows.
022  * The application's menu gets created by reading it out from the XMLSpy
023  * control.
024  * Communication between the project window and the document editing window
025  * gets established
026  * by the event handler for the onOpenedOrFocused event. See
027  * XMLSpyControlEventsDefaultHandler
028  * for further events.
029  *
030  * Feel free to modify and extend this sample.
031  *
032  * @author Altova GmbH
033  */
034 public class XMLSpyContainer
035 {
036     /**
037      * XMLSpy manager control - always needed
038      */
039     public static XMLSpyControl xmlSpyControl = null;
040
041     /**
042      * XMLSpydocument editing control
043      */
044     public static XMLSpyControlDocument xmlSpyDocument = null;
045
046     /**
047      * Tool windows - XMLSpy place-holder controls
048      */
049     private static XMLSpyControlPlaceHolder xmlSpyProjectToolWindow = null;
050     private static XMLSpyControlPlaceHolder xmlSpyXPathToolWindow = null;
051     private static XMLSpyControlPlaceHolder xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow =
052     null;
053
054     /**
055      * The hosting frame
056      */
057     private static Frame frame;
```

```
058 public static void initXmlSpyDocument()
059 {
060     try
061     {
062         if ( xmlSpyDocument != null )
063             frame.remove( xmlSpyDocument );
064         xmlSpyDocument = new XMLSpyControlDocument();
065         xmlSpyDocument.setPreferredSize( new Dimension ( 640, 480 ) );
066         frame.add( xmlSpyDocument, BorderLayout.CENTER );
067         frame.validate();
068         // move the focus to the document control - used when querying for the
command status while enabling/disabling menu items
069         xmlSpyDocument.requestFocusInWindow();
070     }
071     catch ( Exception ex )
072     {
073         ex.printStackTrace();
074     }
075 }
076
077 /**
078  * Creation of the tree dialog
079  */
080 private static void createTreeWindow(XMLData rootElement)
081 {
082     XMLTreeDialog dlg = new XMLTreeDialog( rootElement, frame );
083     dlg.pack();
084     dlg.setBounds( 0, 0, 300, 500 );
085     dlg.setLocationRelativeTo(frame);
086     dlg.setVisible( true );
087 }
088
089
090 /**
091  * The main entry point.
092  * Creates the application's frame and the XMLSpy windows.
093  * XMLSpyControl, although not visible, is important for the coordination
between the different ActiveX controls of XMLSpy.
094  */
095 public static void main( String[] args )
096 {
097     // in case of severe errors somewhere in the ActiveX controls an
AutomationException gets thrown
098     try
099     {
100         // Create the main frame of the application
101         frame = new Frame( "Java ActiveX host window" );
102         frame.setLayout( new BorderLayout() );
103
104         // Create the set of buttons and arrange them in a panel
105         Dimension btnDim = new Dimension ( 130, 25 );
106         JPanel westPanel = new JPanel();
107         westPanel.setPreferredSize( new Dimension( 140, 400 ) );
108         westPanel.setMaximumSize( new Dimension( 140, 800 ) );
109         westPanel.add( new Label( "Open documents" ) );
110         JButton btnOpenPxf = new JButton("Open OrgChart");
westPanel.add( btnOpenPxf ); btnOpenPxf.setPreferredSize( btnDim );
111         JButton btnOpenXml = new JButton("Open ipo");
westPanel.add( btnOpenXml ); btnOpenXml.setPreferredSize( btnDim );
112         westPanel.add( new Label( "Create/destroy" ) );
```

```

113     JButton btnProject = new JButton("Project window");
westPanel.add( btnProject ); btnProject.setPreferredSize( btnDim );
114     JButton btnXpath = new JButton("Xpath window");
westPanel.add( btnXpath ); btnXpath.setPreferredSize( btnDim );
115     JButton btnEhattrib = new JButton("Entry helper");
westPanel.add( btnEhattrib ); btnEhattrib.setPreferredSize( btnDim );
116     westPanel.add( new Label( "Create menu" ) );
117     JButton btnMenu = new JButton("Load file menu");
westPanel.add( btnMenu ); btnMenu.setPreferredSize( btnDim );
118     westPanel.add( new Label( "Access XML data" ) );
119     JButton btnTree = new JButton("Show XML tree");
westPanel.add( btnTree ); btnTree.setPreferredSize( btnDim );
120
121     // Create the XMLSpy ActiveX control; the parameter determines that we
want to place document controls and place-holder
122     // controls individually. It gives us full control over the menu, as
well.
123     xmlSpyControl = new
XMLSpyControl( ICActiveXIntegrationLevel.ICActiveXIntegrationOnDocumentLevel.get
Value() );
124
125     // Panel that will hold the Project/Xpath/Attributes windows
126     final JPanel southPanel = new JPanel();
127
128     frame.add( southPanel, BorderLayout.SOUTH );
129     frame.add( xmlSpyControl, BorderLayout.NORTH );
130     frame.add( westPanel, BorderLayout.WEST );
131     initXmlSpyDocument();
132
133     // Listen in this class to communication events ( e.g.
onOpenedOrFocused is handled )
134     final XMLSpyContainerEventHandler handlerObject = new
XMLSpyContainerEventHandler();
135     xmlSpyControl.addListener( handlerObject );
136
137     // Prepare a shutdown mechanism
138     frame.addWindowListener( new WindowAdapter()
139     {
140         public void windowClosing( WindowEvent ev )
141         {
142             frame.dispose();
143             System.exit(0); }
144     } );
145     frame.setVisible( true );
146
147     // Locate samples installed with the product.
148     final String strExamplesFolder = System.getenv( "USERPROFILE" ) + "\
\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2013\Examples\";
149
150     // Create a project window and open the sample project in it
151     xmlSpyProjectToolWindow = new
XMLSpyControlPlaceholder( XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow.XMLSpyControlProjectWin
dowToolWnd.getValue() );
152     xmlSpyProjectToolWindow.setPreferredSize( new Dimension( 200, 200 ) );
153     // For the beginning hide the project window
154     xmlSpyProjectToolWindow.setVisible( false );
155     frame.add( xmlSpyProjectToolWindow, BorderLayout.NORTH );
156     xmlSpyProjectToolWindow.openProject( strExamplesFolder +
"Examples.spp" );
157

```

```
158 // Open the PXF file when button is pressed
159 btnOpenPxf.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
160     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
161         try {
162             xmlSpyControl.open( strExamplesFolder + "OrgChart.pxf" );
163         } catch (AutomationException e1) {
164             e1.printStackTrace();
165         }
166     }
167 } );
168
169 // Open the XML file when button is pressed
170 btnOpenXml.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
171     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
172         try {
173             xmlSpyControl.open( strExamplesFolder + "ipo.xml" );
174         } catch (AutomationException e1) {
175             e1.printStackTrace();
176         }
177     }
178 } );
179
180 // Show/hide the project window when button is pressed
181 btnProject.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
182     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
183         if ( !xmlSpyProjectToolWindow.isVisible() ) {
184             // remove the hidden window from the frame (which acted like a
185             // temporary parent)
186             frame.remove( xmlSpyProjectToolWindow );
187             southPanel.add( xmlSpyProjectToolWindow );
188             xmlSpyProjectToolWindow.setVisible( true );
189         } else {
190             xmlSpyProjectToolWindow.setVisible( false );
191             southPanel.remove( xmlSpyProjectToolWindow );
192             // Add the hidden window to the frame (temporary parent)
193             frame.add( xmlSpyProjectToolWindow, BorderLayout.NORTH );
194             frame.validate();
195         }
196     }
197 } );
198
199 // Create/destroy the Xpath window when button is pressed
200 btnXpath.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
201     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
202         if ( xmlSpyXpathToolWindow == null ) {
203             try {
204                 // Create a new window and add it to the south panel
205                 xmlSpyXpathToolWindow = new
206                 XMLSpyControlPlaceHolder( XMLSpyControlPlaceHolderWindow.XMLSpyControlXPathDialogToolWnd.getValue() );
207                 xmlSpyXpathToolWindow.setPreferredSize( new Dimension( 200,
208                 200 ) );
209                 southPanel.add( xmlSpyXpathToolWindow );
210             } catch (AutomationException e1) {
211                 e1.printStackTrace();
212             }
213         } else {
214             // Remove the window and the reference
215             southPanel.remove( xmlSpyXpathToolWindow );
216             xmlSpyXpathToolWindow = null;
217         }
218     }
219 } );
```

```

214         }
215         frame.validate();
216     }
217 } ) ;
218
219 // Create/destroy the Entry helper window when button is pressed
220 btnEhattrib.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
221     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
222         if ( xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow == null ) {
223             try {
224                 // Create a new window and add it to the south panel
225                 xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow = new
XMLSpyControlPlaceHolder( XMLSpyControlPlaceHolderWindow.XMLSpyControlEntryHelpe
rTopToolWnd.getValue() );
226                 xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow.setPreferredSize( new
Dimension( 200, 200 ) );
227                 southPanel.add( xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow );
228             } catch (AutomationException e1) {
229                 e1.printStackTrace();
230             }
231         } else {
232             southPanel.remove( xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow );
233             xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow = null;
234         }
235         frame.validate();
236     }
237 } ) ;
238
239 // Load the file menu when the button is pressed
240 btnMenu.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
241     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
242         try {
243             // Create the menubar that will be attached to the frame
244             MenuBar mb = new MenuBar();
245             // Load the main menu's first item - the File menu
246             XMLSpyCommand xmlSpyMenu =
xmlSpyControl.getMainMenu().getSubCommands().getItem( 0 );
247             // Create Java menu items from the Commands objects
248             Menu fileMenu = new Menu();
249             handlerObject.fillMenu( fileMenu, xmlSpyMenu.getSubCommands() );
250             fileMenu.setLabel( xmlSpyMenu.getLabel().replace( "&", "" ) );
251             mb.add( fileMenu );
252             frame.setMenuBar( mb );
253             frame.validate();
254         } catch (AutomationException e1) {
255             e1.printStackTrace();
256         }
257         // Disable the button when the action has been performed
258         ((AbstractButton) e.getSource()).setEnabled( false );
259     }
260 } ) ;
261
262 // Load a tree when the button is pushed
263 btnTree.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
264     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
265         try {
266
createTreeWindow( xmlSpyDocument.getDocument().getRootElement() );
267         } catch (AutomationException e1) {
268             e1.printStackTrace();

```

```

269         }
270     }
271 } ) ;
272
273     // Show the main window
274     frame.setBounds( 0, 0, 800, 600 );
275     frame.validate();
276
277     // feel free to extend.
278 }
279 catch ( AutomationException e )
280 {
281     // Show what went wrong
282     e.printStackTrace();
283 }
284 }
285 }

```

## Creating the ActiveX Controls

The code listing below show how ActiveX controls can be created. The constructors will create the Java wrapper objects. Adding these Canvas-derived objects to a panel or to a frame will trigger the creation of the wrapped ActiveX object.

```

01 /**
02  * XMLSpy manager control - always needed
03  */
04     public static XMLSpyControl          xmlSpyControl = null;
05
06 /**
07  * XMLSpy document editing control
08  */
09     public static XMLSpyControlDocument  xmlSpyDocument = null;
10
11 /**
12  * Tool windows - XMLSpy place-holder controls
13  */
14     private static XMLSpyControlPlaceholder  xmlSpyProjectToolWindow = null;
15     private static XMLSpyControlPlaceholder  xmlSpyXPathToolWindow = null;
16     private static XMLSpyControlPlaceholder  xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow =
17     null;
18 // Create the XMLSpy ActiveX control; the parameter determines that we want
19 // to place document controls and place-holder controls individually.
20 // It gives us full control over the menu, as well.
21     xmlSpyControl = new XMLSpyControl(
22         ICActiveXIntegrationLevel.ICActiveXIntegrationOnDocumentLevel.getValue()
23     );
24     xmlSpyDocument = new XMLSpyControlDocument();
25     xmlSpyDocument.setPreferredSize( new Dimension ( 640, 480 ) );
26 // Create a project window and open the sample project in it
27     xmlSpyProjectToolWindow = new XMLSpyControlPlaceholder(
28         XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow.XMLSpyControlProjectWindowToolWnd.getValue()
29     );
30     xmlSpyProjectToolWindow.setPreferredSize( new Dimension( 200, 200 ) );

```

```

29     xmlSpyXPathToolWindow = new XMLSpyControlPlaceholder(
XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow.XMLSpyControlXPathDialogToolWnd.getValue()
);
30     xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow = new XMLSpyControlPlaceholder(
XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow.XMLSpyControlEntryHelperTopToolWnd.getValu
e() );
31
32     frame.add( xmlSpyControl, BorderLayout.NORTH );
33     frame.add( xmlSpyDocument, BorderLayout.CENTER );
34     southPanel.add( xmlSpyProjectToolWindow );
35     southPanel.add( xmlSpyXPathToolWindow );
36     southPanel.add( xmlSpyEHAttributeToolWindow );

```

## Loading Data in the Controls

The code listing below show how data can be loaded in the ActiveX controls.

```

1 // Locate samples installed with the product.
2 final String strExamplesFolder = System.getenv( "USERPROFILE" ) +
"\My Documents\Altova\XMLSpy2016\Examples\";
3 xmlSpyProjectToolWindow.openProject( strExamplesFolder +
"Examples.spp" );

```

## Basic Event Handling

The code listing below shows how basic events can be handled. When calling the XMLSpyControl's `open` method, or when trying to open a file via the menu or Project tree, the `onOpenedOrFocused` event is sent to the attached event handler. The basic handling for this event is opening the file by calling the XMLSpyDocumentControl's `open` method.

```

01 // Open the PXF file when button is pressed
02 btnOpenPxf.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
03     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
04         try {
05             xmlSpyControl.open( strExamplesFolder + "OrgChart.pxf" );
06         } catch (AutomationException e1) {
07             e1.printStackTrace();
08         }
09     }
10 } );
11 public void onOpenedOrFocused( String i_strFileName, boolean
i_bOpenWithThisControl, boolean i_bFileAlreadyOpened ) throws
AutomationException
12 {
13     // Handle the New/Open events coming from the Project tree or from the
menus
14     if ( !i_bFileAlreadyOpened )
15     {
16         // This is basically an SDI interface, so open the file in the already
existing document control
17         try {
18             XMLSpyContainer.xmlSpyDocument.open( i_strFileName );
19             XMLSpyContainer.xmlSpyDocument.requestFocusInWindow();
20         } catch (Exception e) {

```

```

21         e.printStackTrace();
22     }
23 }
24 }

```

## Menus

The code listing below shows how menu items can be created. Each `XMLSpyCommand` object gets a corresponding `MenuItem` object, with the `ActionCommand` set to the ID of the command. The actions generated by all menu items are handled by the same function, which can perform specific handlings (like reinterpreting the closing mechanism) or can delegate the execution to the `XMLSpyControl` object by calling its `exec` method. The `menuMap` object that is filled during menu creation is used later (see section [UI Update Event Handling](#)).

```

01 // Load the file menu when the button is pressed
02 btnMenu.addActionListener( new ActionListener() {
03     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
04         try {
05             // Create the menubar that will be attached to the frame
06             MenuBar mb = new MenuBar();
07             // Load the main menu's first item - the File menu
08             XMLSpyCommand xmlSpyMenu =
xmlSpyControl.getMainMenu().getSubCommands().getItem( 0 );
09             // Create Java menu items from the Commands objects
10             Menu fileMenu = new Menu();
11             handlerObject.fillMenu( fileMenu, xmlSpyMenu.getSubCommands() );
12             fileMenu.setLabel( xmlSpyMenu.getLabel().replace( "&", "" ) );
13             mb.add( fileMenu );
14             frame.setMenuBar( mb );
15             frame.validate();
16         } catch (AutomationException e1) {
17             e1.printStackTrace();
18         }
19         // Disable the button when the action has been performed
20         ((AbstractButton) e.getSource()).setEnabled( false );
21     }
22 } );
23 /** * Populates a menu with the commands and submenus contained in an
XMLSpyCommands object */
24 public void fillMenu(Menu newMenu, XMLSpyCommands xmlSpyMenu) throws
AutomationException
25 {
26     // For each command/submenu in the xmlSpyMenu
27     for ( int i = 0 ; i < xmlSpyMenu.getCount() ; ++i )
28     {
29         XMLSpyCommand xmlSpyCommand = xmlSpyMenu.getItem( i );
30         if ( xmlSpyCommand.getIsSeparator() )
31             newMenu.addSeparator();
32         else
33         {
34             XMLSpyCommands subCommands = xmlSpyCommand.getSubCommands();
35             // Is it a command (leaf), or a submenu?
36             if ( subCommands.isNull() || subCommands.getCount() == 0 )
37             {
38                 // Command -> add it to the menu, set its ActionCommand to its ID
and store it in the menuMap
39                 MenuItem mi = new MenuItem( xmlSpyCommand.getLabel().replace( "&",

```

```

    "" ) );
40     mi.setActionCommand( "" + xmlSpyCommand.getID() );
41     mi.addActionListener( this );
42     newMenu.add( mi );
43     menuMap.put( xmlSpyCommand.getID(), mi );
44     }
45     else
46     {
47         // Submenu -> create submenu and repeat recursively
48         Menu newSubMenu = new Menu();
49         fillMenu( newSubMenu, subCommands );
50         newSubMenu.setLabel( xmlSpyCommand.getLabel().replace( "&", "" ) );
51         newMenu.add( newSubMenu );
52     }
53     }
54     }
55 }
56
57 /**
58  * Action handler for the menu items
59  * Called when the user selects a menu item; the item's action command
60  * corresponds to the command table for XMLSpy
61  */
62 public void actionPerformed((ActionEvent e)
63 {
64     try
65     {
66         int iCmd = Integer.parseInt( e.getActionCommand() );
67         // Handle explicitly the Close commands
68         switch ( iCmd )
69         {
70             case 57602: // Close
71             case 34050: // Close All
72                 XMLSpyContainer.initXmlSpyDocument();
73                 break;
74             default:
75                 XMLSpyContainer.xmlSpyControl.exec( iCmd );
76                 break;
77         }
78     }
79     catch (Exception ex)
80     {
81         ex.printStackTrace();
82     }
83 }

```

## UI Update Event Handling

The code listing below shows how a UI-Update event handler can be created.

```

01 /**
02  * Call-back from the XMLSpyControl.
03  * Called to enable/disable commands
04  */
05 @Override
06 public void onUpdateCmdUI() throws AutomationException
07 {

```

```

08     // A command should be enabled if the result of queryStatus contains the
09     // Supported (1) and Enabled (2) flags
10     for ( java.util.Map.Entry<Integer, MenuItem> pair : menuMap.entrySet() )
11         pair.getValue().setEnabled( XMLSpyContainer.xmlSpyControl.queryStatus( pair.getKey() ) > 2 );
12     }
13     /**
14     * Call-back from the XMLSpyControl.
15     * Usually called while enabling/disabling commands due to UI updates
16     */
17     @Override
18     public boolean onIsActiveEditor( String i_strFilePath ) throws
AutomationException
19     {
20         try {
21             return
XMLSpyContainer.xmlSpyDocument.getDocument().getFullName().equalsIgnoreCase( i_strFilePath );
22         } catch ( Exception e ) {
23             return false;
24         }

```

## Creating an XML Tree

The listing below loads an XML data object as nodes in a tree.

```

01 // access required XMLSpy Java-COM classes
02 import com.altova.automation.XMLSpy.XMLData;
03
04 // access AWT and Swing components
05 import java.awt.*;
06 import javax.swing.*;
07 import javax.swing.tree.*;
08
09 /**
10 * A simple example of a tree control loading the structure from an XMLData
11 * object.
12 * The class receives an XMLData object, loads its nodes in a JTree, and
13 * prepares
14 * for modal activation.
15 *
16 * Feel free to modify and extend this sample.
17 *
18 * @author Altova GmbH
19 */
20 class XMLTreeDialog extends JDialog
21 {
22     /**
23     * The tree control
24     */
25     private JTree myTree;
26
27     /**
28     * Root node of the tree control

```

```
27  */
28  private DefaultMutableTreeNode top ;
29
30  /**
31   * Constructor that prepares the modal dialog containing the filled tree
  control
32   * @param xml    The data to be displayed in the tree
33   * @param parent  Parent frame
34   */
35  public XMLTreeDialog( XMLData xml, Frame parent )
36  {
37      // Construct the modal dialog
38      super( parent, "XML tree", true );
39      // Arrange controls in the dialog
40      top = new DefaultMutableTreeNode("root");
41      myTree = new JTree(top);
42      setContentPane( new JScrollPane( myTree ) );
43      // Build up the tree
44      fillTree( top, xml );
45      myTree.expandRow( 0 );
46  }
47
48  /**
49   * Loads the nodes of an XML element under a given tree node
50   * @param node    Target tree node
51   * @param elem    Source XML element
52   */
53  private void fillTree( DefaultMutableTreeNode node, XMLData elem)
54  {
55      try
56      {
57          // There are several ways to iterate through child elements: either
  using the getFirstChild/getNextChild,
58          // or by incrementing an index up to countChildren and calling getChild
  [as shown below].
59          // If you only want to get children of one kind, you should use
  countChildrenKind/getChildKind,
60          // or provide a kind to the getFirstChild before iterating with the
  getNextChild.
61          int nSize = elem.countChildren() ;
62          for ( int i = 0 ; i < nSize ; ++i)
63          {
64              // Create a new tree node for each child element, and continue
  recursively
65              XMLData newElem = elem.getChild(i) ;
66              DefaultMutableTreeNode newNode = new
  DefaultMutableTreeNode( newElem.getName() ) ;
67              node.add( newNode ) ;
68              fillTree( newNode, newElem ) ;
69          }
70      }
71      catch (Exception e)
72      {
73          e.printStackTrace();
74      }
75  }
76
77 }
```



## 4.4 Command Table for XMLSpy

Tables in this section list the names and identifiers of all commands that are available within XMLSpy. Every sub-section lists the commands from the corresponding top-level menu of XMLSpy. The left-most column shows the command's menu text to make it easier for you to identify the functionality behind the command. The last sub-section is a collection of those commands that are not accessible via the main menu.

Depending on the edition of XMLSpy you have installed, some of these commands might not be supported. See [Query XMLSpy Commands](#) on how to query the current resource structure and command availability.

Use the command identifiers with [XMLSpyControl.QueryStatus](#) or [XMLSpyControlDocument.QueryStatus](#) to check the current status of a command. Use [XMLSpyControl.Exec](#) or [XMLSpyControlDocument.Exec](#) to execute a command.

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### 4.4.1 File Menu

Commands from the File menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
New...	ID_FILE_NEW	57600
Open...	ID_FILE_OPEN	57601
Reload	IDC_FILE_RELOAD	34065
Encoding...	IDC_ENCODING	34061
Close	ID_FILE_CLOSE	57602
Close All	IDC_CLOSE_ALL	34050
Save	ID_FILE_SAVE	57603
Save As...	ID_FILE_SAVE_AS	57604
Save to URL...	ID_FILE_SAVE_TO_URL	34209
Save All	ID_FILE_SAVE_ALL	34208
Send by Mail...	ID_FILE_SEND_MAIL	57612
Print...	IDC_PRINT	34103

Print Preview	IDC_PRINT_PREVIEW	34104
Print Setup...	ID_FILE_PRINT_SETUP	57606
Recent File	ID_FILE_MRU_FILE1	57616
Exit	ID_APP_EXIT	57665

#### 4.4.2 Edit Menu

Commands from the Edit menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Undo	ID_EDIT_UNDO	57643
Redo	ID_EDIT_REDO	57644
Cut	ID_EDIT_CUT	57635
Copy	ID_EDIT_COPY	57634
Paste	ID_EDIT_PASTE	57637
Delete	ID_EDIT_CLEAR	57632
Copy as XML-Text	IDC_COPY_AS_XML_TEXT	33443
Copy as Structured text	IDC_COPY_AS_STRUCTURED_TEXT	33442
Copy XPath	IDC_COPY_XPATH	33444
Pretty-Print XML Text	IDC_PRETTY_PRINT	34101
Strip Whitespaces	IDC_STRIP_WHITESPACES	34296
Select All	ID_EDIT_SELECT_ALL	57642
Find...	ID_EDIT_FIND	57636
Find next	ID_EDIT_REPEAT	57640
Replace...	ID_EDIT_REPLACE	57641
Find in files...	IDC_FIND_IN_FILES	34000
Insert/Remove Bookmark	IDC_TOGGLE_BOOKMARK	34162
Remove All Bookmarks	IDC_REMOVEALLBOOKMARKS	34132
Goto Next Bookmark	IDC_GOTONEXTBOOKMARK	34070
Goto Previous Bookmark	IDC_GOTOPREVBOOKMARK	34071

#### 4.4.3 Project Menu

Commands from the Project menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
New Project	IDC_PROJECT_NEW	34122
Open Project...	IDC_PROJECT_OPEN	34123
Reload Project	IDC_PROJECT_RELOAD	34126

Close Project	IDC_PROJECT_CLOSE	34113
Save Project	IDC_PROJECT_SAVE	34127
Source Control/Open Project...	IDC_SCC_OPEN_PROJECT	34140
Source Control/Enable Source Code Control	IDC_SCC_ENABLE	34137
Source Control/Get latest version...	IDC_SCC_GET	34138
Source Control/Check Out...	IDC_SCC_CHECK_OUT	34135
Source Control/Check In...	IDC_SCC_CHECK_IN	34134
Source Control/Undo Check Out...	IDC_SCC_UNDO_CHECK_OUT	34145
Source Control/Add to Source Control...	IDC_SCC_ADD	34133
Source Control/Remove from Source Control...	IDC_SCC_REMOVE	34143
Source Control/Show History...	IDC_SCC_HISTORY	34139
Source Control/Show Differences...	IDC_SCC_DIFF	34136
Source Control/Properties...	IDC_SCC_PROPERTIES	34141
Source Control/Refresh Status...	IDC_SCC_REFRESH	34142
Source Control/Run Native Interface...	IDC_SCC_RUN	34144
Add Files to Project...	IDC_PROJECT_ADD_FILES	34109
Add URL to Project...	IDC_PROJECT_ADD_URL	34112
Add Active File to Project	IDC_PROJECT_ADD_ACTIVE	34106
Add Active and Related Files to Project	IDC_PROJECT_ADD_RELATED	34111
Add Project Folder to Project...	IDC_PROJECT_ADD_FOLDER	34110
Add External Folder to Project...	IDC_PROJECT_ADD_EXT_FOLDER	34107
Add External Web Folder to Project...	IDC_PROJECT_ADD_EXT_URL_FOLDER	34108
Project Properties...	IDC_PROJECT_PROPERTIES	34124
Recent Project	IDC_RECENT_PROJECT_ID	34265

#### 4.4.4 XML menu

Commands from the XML menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Insert/Attribute	IDC_INSERT_ATTRIBUTE	33449
Insert/Element	IDC_INSERT_STRUCT	33459
Insert/Text	IDC_INSERT_TEXT	33460
Insert/CData	IDC_INSERT_CDATA	33450
Insert/Comment	IDC_INSERT_COMMENT	33451
Insert/XML	IDC_INSERT_XML	33461
Insert/Processing Instruction	IDC_INSERT_PI	33458
Insert/XInclude	IDC_INSERT_XINCLUDE	34019
Insert/DOCTYPE	IDC_INSERT_DEF_DOCTYPE	33453
Insert/ExternalID	IDC_INSERT_DEF_EXTERNAL_ID	33456
Insert/ELEMENT	IDC_INSERT_DEF_ELEMENT	33454
Insert/ATTLIST	IDC_INSERT_DEF_ATTLIST	33452

Insert/ENTITY	IDC_INSERT_DEF_ENTITY	33455
Insert/NOTATION	IDC_INSERT_DEF_NOTATION	33457
Append/Attribute	IDC_APPEND_ATTRIBUTE	33415
Append/Element	IDC_APPEND_STRUCT	33425
Append/Text	IDC_APPEND_TEXT	33426
Append/CData	IDC_APPEND_CDATA	33416
Append/Comment	IDC_APPEND_COMMENT	33417
Append/XML	IDC_APPEND_XML	33427
Append/Processing Instruction	IDC_APPEND_PI	33424
Append/XInclude	IDC_APPEND_XINCLUDE	34026
Append/DOCTYPE	IDC_APPEND_DEF_DOCTYPE	33419
Append/ExternalID	IDC_APPEND_DEF_EXTERNAL_ID	33422
Append/ELEMENT	IDC_APPEND_DEF_ELEMENT	33420
Append/ATTLIST	IDC_APPEND_DEF_ATTLIST	33418
Append/ENTITY	IDC_APPEND_DEF_ENTITY	33421
Append/NOTATION	IDC_APPEND_DEF_NOTATION	33423
Add child/Attribute	IDC_ADD_CHILD_ATTRIBUTE	33402
Add child/Element	IDC_ADD_CHILD_STRUCT	33412
Add child/Text	IDC_ADD_CHILD_TEXT	33413
Add child/CData	IDC_ADD_CHILD_CDATA	33403
Add child/Comment	IDC_ADD_CHILD_COMMENT	33404
Add child/XML	IDC_ADD_CHILD_XML	33414
Add child/Processing Instruction	IDC_ADD_CHILD_PI	33411
Add child/XInclude	IDC_ADD_CHILD_XINCLUDE	34027
Add child/DOCTYPE	IDC_ADD_CHILD_DEF_DOCTYPE	33406
Add child/ExternalID	IDC_ADD_CHILD_DEF_EXTERNAL_ID	33409
Add child/ELEMENT	IDC_ADD_CHILD_DEF_ELEMENT	33407
Add child/ATTLIST	IDC_ADD_CHILD_DEF_ATTLIST	33405
Add child/ENTITY	IDC_ADD_CHILD_DEF_ENTITY	33408
Add child/NOTATION	IDC_ADD_CHILD_DEF_NOTATION	33410
Convert to/Attribute	IDC_CONVERT_TO_ATTRIBUTE	33429
Convert to/Element	IDC_CONVERT_TO_STRUCT	33439
Convert to/Text	IDC_CONVERT_TO_TEXT	33440
Convert to/CData	IDC_CONVERT_TO_CDATA	33430
Convert to/Comment	IDC_CONVERT_TO_COMMENT	33431
Convert to/XML	IDC_CONVERT_TO_XML	33441
Convert to/Processing Instruction	IDC_CONVERT_TO_PI	33438
Convert to/DOCTYPE	IDC_CONVERT_TO_DEF_DOCTYPE	33433
Convert to/ExternalID	IDC_CONVERT_TO_DEF_EXTERNAL_ID	33436
Convert to/ELEMENT	IDC_CONVERT_TO_DEF_ELEMENT	33434
Convert to/ATTLIST	IDC_CONVERT_TO_DEF_ATTLIST	33432
Convert to/ENTITY	IDC_CONVERT_TO_DEF_ENTITY	33435

Convert to/NOTATION	IDC_CONVERT_TO_DEF_NOTATION	33437
Table/Display as Table	IDC_GRID_VIEW_AS_TABLE	34075
Table/Insert Row	IDC_TABLE_INSERT_ROW	34158
Table/Append Row	IDC_TABLE_APPEND_ROW	34157
Table/Ascending Sort	IDC_TABLE_SORT_ASC	33464
Table/Descending Sort	IDC_TABLE_SORT_DESC	33465
Move left	IDC_MOVE_LEFT	34091
Move right	IDC_MOVE_RIGHT	34092
Enclose in Element	IDC_ENCLOSE_IN_ELEMENT	33446
Evaluate XPath...	IDC_EVALUATE_XPATH	34007
Check well-formedness	IDC_CHECK_WELL_FORM	34049
Validate	IDC_VALIDATE	34174
Update Entry Helpers	IDC_UPDATE_ELEMENT_CHOICE	34173
Namespace prefix...	IDC_NAMESPACE	33462

#### 4.4.5 DTD/Schema Menu

Commands from the DTD/Schema menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Assign DTD...	IDC_ASSIGN_DTD	34032
Assign Schema...	IDC_ASSIGN_SCHEMA	34033
Include another DTD...	IDC_INCLUDE_DTD	34084
Go to DTD	IDC_GOTO_DTD	34072
Go to Schema	IDC_GOTO_SCHEMA	34074
Go to Definition	IDC_GOTO_DEFINITION	33447
Generate DTD/Schema...	IDC_GENERATE_DTD_SCHEMA	34068
Convert DTD/Schema...	IDC_CONVERT_DTD_SCHEMA	34052
Convert to UML...	IDC_CONVERT_SCHEMA_TO_UML	34008
Generate XML from DB, Excel, EDI with MapForce	IDC_DTD_OPENIN_MAPFORCE	34056
Design HTML/PDF Output in StyleVision...	IDC_DTD_OPENIN_STYLEVISION	34057
Generate Sample XML File...	IDC_GENERATE_XML_FROM_SCHEMA	34069
Generate Program Code...	IDC_GENERATE_CODE_FROM_SCHEMA	34067
Flush memory cache	IDC_FLUSH_CACHED_FILES	34066

#### 4.4.6 Schema Design Menu

Commands from the Schema Design menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Schema Settings	IDC_SCHEMA_NAMESPACES	3357 1

Save Diagram...	IDC_SCHEMA_SAVE_DIAGRAM	3358 1
Generate Documentation	IDC_SCHEMA_DOCUMENTATION	3414 6
Configure view	IDC_SCHEMA_VIEW_CONFIG	3359 3
Zoom	IDC_SCHEMA_ZOOM	3415 0
Display All Globals	IDC_SCHEMA_MODE_GLOBALS	3414 7
Display Diagram	IDC_SCHEMA_MODE_DIAGRAM	3357 0
Enable Oracle Schema Extensions	IDC_SCHEMA_ORACLE_EXTENSIONS	3357 7
Oracle Schema Settings...	IDC_SCHEMA_ORACLE_SCHEMA_SETTINGS	3357 8
Enable Microsoft SQL Server Schema Extensions	IDC_SCHEMA_SQLSERVER_EXTENSIONS	3358 8
Named Schema Relationships...	IDC_SCHEMA_SQLSERVER_GLOBAL_RELATIONSHIPS	3358 9
Unnamed Element Relationships...	IDC_SCHEMA_SQLSERVER_LOCAL_RELATIONSHIPS	3359 0
Connect to SchemaAgent Server...	IDC_SCHEMA_SCHEMAAGENT_SERVER_CONNECT	3358 2
Disconnect from SchemaAgent Server	IDC_SCHEMA_SCHEMAAGENT_SERVER_DISCONNECT	3358 3
Show in SchemaAgent/Schema only	IDC_SCHEMAAGENT_SHOW	3350 4
Show in SchemaAgent/Schema and all directly referenced	IDC_SCHEMAAGENT_SHOW_RELATED	3350 7
Show in SchemaAgent/Schema and all referenced	IDC_SCHEMAAGENT_SHOW_ALL	3350 5
Show in SchemaAgent/Schema and all linked	IDC_SCHEMAAGENT_SHOW_ALL_REACHABLE	3350 6
Extended Validation	IDC_SCHEMA_EXTVALID_MENU	3353 9

#### 4.4.7 XSL/XQuery Menu

Commands from the XSL/XQuery menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
XSL Transformation	IDC_TRANSFORM_XSL	3300 6
XSL:FO Transformation	IDC_TRANSFORM_XSLFO	3300 7
XSL Parameters/XQuery Variables...	IDC_TRANSFORM_XSL_PARAMS	3300 8
XQuery Execution	IDC_TRANSFORM_XQUERY	3417 0

Enable XSLT 2 / XQuery profiling...	IDC_PROFILING_OPTIONS	34105
Assign XSL...	IDC_ASSIGN_XSL	33001
Assign XSL:FO...	IDC_ASSIGN_XSLFO	33002
Assign sample XML file...	IDC_ASSIGN_SAMPLE_XML	33000
Go to XSL	IDC_GOTO_XSL	33004
Start Debugger/Go	ID_PROCESS_XSL	34212
Stop Debugger	ID_XSLT_DEBUGGER_STOP	33017
Restart Debugger	ID_XSLT_DEBUGGER_RESTART	33013
End Debugger Session	ID_XSLT_DEBUGGER_END_SESSION	33011
Step Into	ID_XSLT_DEBUGGER_STEP	33014
Step Out	ID_XSLT_DEBUGGER_STEP_OUT	33015
Step Over	ID_XSLT_DEBUGGER_STEP_OVER	33016
Show Current Execution Node	ID_XSLT_DEBUGGER_GO_TO_CURRENT_EXECUTION_NODES	33012
Insert/Remove Breakpoint	IDC_TOGGLE_BREAKPOINT	34246
Insert/Remove Tracepoint	IDC_TOGGLE_TRACEPOINT	34248
Enable/Disable Breakpoint	IDC_ENABLE_BREAKPOINT	34245
Enable/Disable Tracepoint	IDC_ENABLE_TRACEPOINT	34247
Breakpoints/Tracepoints...	ID_XSLTDEBUGGER_BREAKPOINTS	33009
Debug Windows/Call Stack	ID_XSL_DEBUGWINDOWS_CALLSTACK	34238
Debug Windows/XPath-Watch	ID_XSL_DEBUGWINDOWS_WATCH	34244
Debug Windows/Context	ID_XSL_DEBUGWINDOWS_CONTEXT	34239
Debug Windows/Variables	ID_XSL_DEBUGWINDOWS_VARIABLE	34243
Debug Windows/Messages	ID_XSL_DEBUGWINDOWS_MESSAGES	34240
Debug Windows/Templates	ID_XSL_DEBUGWINDOWS_TEMPLATES	34241
Debug Windows/Info	ID_XSLXQUERY_DEBUGWINDOWS_INFO	34237

Debug Windows/Trace	ID_XSL_DEBUGWINDOWS_TRACES	3424 2
XSLT/XQuery Settings...	ID_XSLTDEBUGGER_SETTINGS	3301 0

#### 4.4.8 Authentic Menu

Commands from the Authentic menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
New Document...	IDC_AUTHENTIC_NEW_FILE	34036
Edit Database Data...	IDC_AUTHENTIC_EDIT_DB	34035
Assign a StyleVision Stylesheet...	IDC_ASSIGN_SPS	34034
Edit StyleVision Stylesheet	IDC_EDIT_SPS	34060
Define XML Entities...	IDC_DEFINE_ENTITIES	32805
Hide markup	IDC_MARKUP_HIDE	34087
Show Small markup	IDC_MARKUP_SMALL	34090
Show Large markup	IDC_MARKUP_LARGE	34088
Show Mixed markup	IDC_MARKUP_MIX	34089
Append row	IDC_ROW_APPEND	32806
Insert row	IDC_ROW_INSERT	32809
Duplicate row	IDC_ROW_DUPLICATE	32808
Move row Up	IDC_ROW_MOVE_UP	32811
Move row Down	IDC_ROW_MOVE_DOWN	32810
Delete row	IDC_ROW_DELETE	32807

#### 4.4.9 Convert Menu

Commands from the Convert menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Import Text file...	IDC_IMPORT_TEXT	34082
Import Database data...	IDC_IMPORT_DATABASE	34080
Import Microsoft Word document...	IDC_IMPORT_WORD	34083
Create XML Schema from DB Structure	IDC_CREATE_DB_SCHEMA	34054
DB Import based on XML Schema	IDC_IMPORT_DB_SCHEMA	34081
Create DB Structure from XML Schema	IDC_CREATE_DB_BASED_ON_SCHEMA	34053
Export to Text files...	IDC_EXPORT_TEXTFILE	34064
Export to a Database...	IDC_EXPORT_DB	34003
Oracle XML DB/Search...	ID_CONVERT_ORACLEXMLDB_QUERY	34207
Oracle XML DB/List Schemas...	ID_ORACLEXMLDB_LISTSCHEMAS	34211
Oracle XML DB/Add Schema...	ID_CONVERT_ORACLEXMLDB_ADDSCHEM A	34204
Oracle XML DB/Browse Oracle XML Documents...	ID_CONVERT_ORACLEXMLDB_BROWSE	34205

Oracle XML DB/Properties...	ID_CONVERT_ORACLEXMLDB_PROPERTIE S	34206
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#### 4.4.10 View Menu

Commands from the View menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Text view	IDC_VIEW_TEXT	34180
Enhanced Grid view	IDC_VIEW_GRID	34178
Schema/WSDL Design view	IDC_VIEW_SCHEMA	34179
Authentic view	IDC_VIEW_CONTENT	34177
Browser view	IDC_VIEW_BROWSER	34176
Expand +	IDC_SEL_EXPAND	34152
Collapse -	IDC_SEL_COLLAPSE	34151
Expand fully	IDC_SEL_EXPAND_ALL	33463
Collapse unselected	IDC_COLLAPSE_UNSELECTED	33428
Optimal widths	IDC_OPTIMAL_WIDTHS	34099
Word Wrap	IDC_WORD_WRAP	34181
Go to line/char	IDC_GOTO_LINE	34073
Go to File	IDC_GOTO_FILE	33448
Line Numbers Margin	IDC_TOGGLE_NUMLINEMARGIN	34168
Bookmarks Margin	IDC_TOGGLE_BOOKMARKMARGIN	34163
Source Folding Margin	IDC_TOGGLE_FOLDINGMARGIN	34166
Indentation Guides	IDC_TOGGLE_INDENTGUIDES	34167

#### 4.4.11 Browser Menu

Commands from the Browser menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Back	IDC_BROWSER_BACK	34039
Forward	IDC_BROWSER_FORWARD	34045
Stop	IDC_BROWSER_STOP	34047
Refresh	IDC_BROWSER_REFRESH	34046
Fonts/Largest	IDC_BROWSER_FONT_LARGEST	34041
Fonts/Larger	IDC_BROWSER_FONT_LARGE	34040
Fonts/Medium	IDC_BROWSER_FONT_MEDIUM	34042
Fonts/Smaller	IDC_BROWSER_FONT_SMALL	34043
Fonts/Smallest	IDC_BROWSER_FONT_SMALLEST	34044
Separate window	IDC_BROWSER_USE_OWN_FRAME	34048

#### 4.4.12 WSDL Menu

Commands from the WSDL menu (Enterprise edition only):

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Messages/Insert message	ID_WSDL_MESSAGES_ADDNEWMESSAGE	33715
Messages/Delete message	ID_WSDL_MESSAGES_DELETESELECTEDMESSAGE	33717
Messages/Add message part (parameter)	ID_WSDL_MESSAGES_ADDMESSAGEPART	33714
Messages/Delete message part (parameter)	ID_WSDL_MESSAGES_DELETEMESSAGEPART	33716
Operations/Insert Operation	ID_WSDL_OPERATIONS_INSERTOPERATION	33725
Operations/Delete operation	ID_WSDL_OPERATIONS_DELETEOPERATION	33724
Operations/Add input element	ID_WSDL_OPERATIONS_ADDINPUTFUNCTION	33719
Operations/Add output element	ID_WSDL_OPERATIONS_ADDOUTPUTFUNCTION	33721
Operations/Add fault element	ID_WSDL_OPERATIONS_ADDFAULTFUNCTION	33718
Operations/Delete input/output/fault element	ID_WSDL_OPERATIONS_DELETEINPUTOUTPUTFUNCTION	33723
Operations/Add new message to input/output/fault element	ID_WSDL_OPERATIONS_ADDNEWMESSEGETOTHISELEMENT	33720
Operations/empty operation	ID_WSDL_OPERATIONS_APPENDAOOPERATIONTOHISPORTTYPE	33722
PortType/Insert portType	ID_WSDL_PORTTYPE_INSERTAPORTTYPE	33727
PortType/Delete PortType	ID_WSDL_PORTTYPE_DELETETHISPORTTYPE	33726
Binding/Insert binding	ID_WSDL_BINDING_NEWBINDING	33713
Binding/Delete binding	ID_WSDL_BINDING_DELETEBINDING	33711
Binding/Append Child/soap:body	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_SOAPBODY	33706
Binding/Append Child/soap:header	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_SOAPHEADER	33708
Binding/Append Child/soap:headerfault	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_SOAPHEADERFAULT	33709
Binding/Append Child/soap:fault	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_SOAPFAULT	33707
Binding/Append Child/mime:content	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_MIMECONTENT	33702
Binding/Append Child/mime:multipartrelated	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_MIMEMULTIPARTRELATED	33704

Binding/Append Child/mime:part	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_MIMEPART	33705
Binding/Append Child/mime:mimeXml	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_MIMEMIMEXML	33703
Binding/Append Child/http:urllencoded	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_HTTPURL ENCODED	33700
Binding/Append Child/http:urlreplacement	ID_WSDL_BINDING_APPENDEXTENSIBILITY_HTTPURL REPLACEMENT	33701
Binding/Delete extensibility element	ID_WSDL_BINDING_DELETEEXTESIBILITY	33712
Service/Insert service	ID_WSDL_SERVICE_INSERTSERVICE	33731
Service/Delete service	ID_WSDL_SERVICE_DELETETHISERVICE	33729
Service/Insert port	ID_WSDL_SERVICE_INSERTNEWPORT	33730
Service/Delete port	ID_WSDL_SERVICE_DELETETHISPORT	33728
Types/New schema	ID_WSDL_TYPES_NEWSHEMA	33733
Types/Edit schema(s) in Schema View	ID_WSDL_TYPES_EDITTHISSHEMA	33732
Save Diagram...	IDC_WSDL_SAVE_DIAGRAM	34001
Generate Documentation...	ID_WSDL_GENERATEDOCUMENTATION	34233
Reparse WSDL document	IDC_WSDL_REPARSE	33774

#### 4.4.13 SOAPMenu

Commands from the SOAP menu (Enterprise edition only):

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Create new SOAP request	ID_SOAP_GENERATESOAPMESSAGE	34224
Send request to server	ID_SOAP_SENDREQUESTTOSERVER	34225
Change SOAP request parameters	ID_SOAP_SOAPREQUESTSETTINGS	34227
Soap Debugger Session	ID_SOAP_SOAPDEBUGGER	34226
Go	ID_SOAPDEBUGGER_BUTTONPLAY	34221
Single Step	ID_SOAPDEBUGGER_SINGLESTEP	34222
Break on next Request	ID_SOAPDEBUGGER_BREAKONNEXTREQUEST	34219
Break on next Response	ID_SOAPDEBUGGER_BREAKONNEXTRESPONSE	34220
Stop the proxy server	ID_SOAPDEBUGGER_STOPSERVER	34223
Soap Debugger Options	ID_SOAPDEBUGGEROPTIONS	34218

#### 4.4.14 Tools Menu

Commands from the Tools menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Spelling...	IDC_SPELL_CHECK	34154
Spelling options...	IDC_SPELL_OPTIONS	34155
Switch to Scripting environment...	ID_WINDOW_SWITCHTOVBA	34231
Show macros...	ID_WINDOW_VBAMACROS	34232
Project/Assign Scripts to Project	ID_SCRIPTINGPRJ_ASSIGN	34214
Project/Unassign Scripts from Project	ID_SCRIPTINGPRJ_UNASSIGN	34215
Project/Project Scripts active	ID_SCRIPTINGPRJ_ACTIVE	34213
Compare open file with...	ID_XMLDIFF_CHOOSE_FILES	34235
Compare directories...	ID_XMLDIFF_CHOOSE_DIRECTORIES	34234
Compare options...	ID_XMLDIFF_SETTINGS	34236
Customize...	IDC_CUSTOMIZE	34055
Options...	IDC_SETTINGS	33300
<placeholder>	ID_SCRIPTING_MACROITEMS	34249

#### 4.4.15 Window Menu

Commands from the Window menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Cascade	ID_WINDOW_CASCADE	57650
Tile horizontally	ID_WINDOW_TILE_HORZ	57651
Tile vertically	ID_WINDOW_TILE_VERT	57652
Project window	IDC_PROJECT_WINDOW	34128
Info window	IDC_INFO_WINDOW	34085
Entry Helpers	IDC_ENTRY_HELPERS	34062
Output windows	IDC_OUTPUT_DIALOGBARS	34004
Project and Entry Helpers	IDC_PROJECT_ENTRYHELPERS	34006
All on/off	IDC_ALL_BARS	34031

#### 4.4.16 Help Menu

Commands from the Help menu:

Menu Text	Command Name	ID
Table of Contents...	IDC_HELP_CONTENTS	34076
Index...	IDC_HELP_INDEX	34077
Search...	IDC_HELP_SEARCH	34079
Keyboard Map...	IDC_HELP_KEYMAPDLG	34078
Software Activation...	IDC_ACTIVATION	34005

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Order Form...	IDC_OPEN_ORDER_PAGE	34094
Registration...	IDC_REGISTRATION	34131
Check for Updates...	IDC_CHECK_FOR_UPDATES	34275
Support Center...	IDC_OPEN_SUPPORT_PAGE	34096
FAQ on the Web...	IDC_SHOW_FAQ	34153
Download Components and Free Tools...	IDC_OPEN_COMPONENTS_PAGE	34093
XMLSpy on the Internet..	IDC_OPEN_XML_SPY_HOME	34098
XMLSpy Training...	ID_HELP_XMLSPYTRAINING	34210
About XMLSpy...	ID_APP_ABOUT	57664

## 4.5 Accessing XMLSpyAPI

The focus of this documentation is the ActiveX controls and interfaces required to integrate the XMLSpy user interface into your application. To allow you to automate or control the functionality of the integrated components, the following properties give you access to the XMLSpy automation interface (XMLSpyAPI):

[XMLSpyControl.Application](#)

[XMLSpyControlDocument.Document](#)

[XMLSpyControlPlaceholder.Project](#)

Some restrictions apply to the usage of the XMLSpy automation interface when integrating XMLSpyControl at document-level. See [Integration at document level](#) for details.

## 4.6 Object Reference

### Objects:

[XMLSpyCommand](#)

[XMLSpyCommands](#)

[XMLSpyControl](#)

[XMLSpyControlDocument](#)

[XMLSpyControlPlaceHolder](#)

To give access to standard XMLSpy functionality, objects of the **XMLSpy automation interface** can be accessed as well. See [XMLSpyControl.Application](#), [XMLSpyControlDocument.Document](#) and [XMLSpyControlPlaceHolder.Project](#) for more information.

### 4.6.1 XMLSpyCommand

#### Properties:

[ID](#)

[Label](#)

[IsSeparator](#)

[ToolTip](#)

[StatusText](#)

[Accelerator](#)

[SubCommands](#)

#### Description:

Each `Command` object can be one of three possible types:

- **Command:** `ID` is set to a value greater 0 and `Label` is set to the command name. `IsSeparator` is false and the `SubCommands` collection is empty.
- **Separator:** `IsSeparator` is true. `ID` is 0 and `Label` is not set. The `SubCommands` collection is empty.
- **(Sub) Menu:** The `SubCommands` collection contains [Command](#) objects and `Label` is the name of the menu. `ID` is set to 0 and `IsSeparator` is false.

#### Accelerator

**Property:** `Label` as [string](#)

#### Description:

For command objects that are children of the `ALL_COMMANDS` collection, this is the accelerator key defined for the command. If the command has no accelerator key assigned, this property returns the empty string.

The string representation of the accelerator key has the following format:

[ALT+] [CTRL+] [SHIFT+] key

Where `key` is converted using the Windows Platform SDK function `GetKeyNameText`.

## ID

**Property:** ID as [long](#)

### Description:

ID is 0 for separators and menus.

For commands, this is the ID which can be used with [Exec](#) and [QueryStatus](#).

## IsSeparator

**Property:** IsSeparator as [boolean](#)

### Description:

True if the command is a separator.

## Label

**Property:** Label as [string](#)

### Description:

Label is empty for separators.

For command objects that are children of the ALL\_COMMANDS collection, this is a unique name. Command icons are stored in files with this name. See [Query Commands](#) for more information.

For command objects that are children of menus, the label property holds the command's menu text.

For sub-menus, this property holds the menu text.

## StatusText

**Property:** Label as [string](#)

### Description:

For command objects that are children of the ALL\_COMMANDS collection, this is the text shown in the status bar when the command is selected.

## SubCommands

**Property:** SubCommands as [Commands](#)

### Description:

The SubCommands collection holds any sub-commands if this command is actually a menu or submenu.

## ToolTip

**Property:** ToolTip as [string](#)

### Description:

For command objects that are children of the ALL\_COMMANDS collection, this is the text shown as tool-tip.

## 4.6.2 XMLSpyCommands

### Properties:

[Count](#)

[Item](#)

### Description:

Collection of [Command](#) objects to get access to command labels and IDs of the XMLSpyControl. Those commands can be executed with the [Exec](#) method and their status can be queried with [QueryStatus](#).

### Count

**Property:** Count as [long](#)

### Description:

Number of [Command](#) objects on this level of the collection.

### Item

**Property:** Item (n as [long](#)) as [Command](#)

### Description:

Gets the command with the index n in this collection. Index is 1-based.

## 4.6.3 XMLSpyControl

### Properties:

[IntegrationLevel](#)

[Appearance](#)

[Application](#)

[BorderStyle](#)

[CommandsList](#)

CommandsStructure (deprecated)

[EnableUserPrompts](#)

[MainMenu](#)

[Toolbars](#)

### Methods:

[Open](#)

[Exec](#)

[QueryStatus](#)

### Events:

[OnUpdateCmdUI](#)

[OnOpenedOrFocused](#)

[OnCloseEditingWindow](#)

[OnFileChangedAlert](#)  
[OnContextChanged](#)  
[OnDocumentOpened](#)  
[OnValidationWindowUpdated](#)

This object is a complete ActiveX control and should only be visible if the XMLSpy library is used in the Application Level mode.

CLSID: a258bba2-3835-4c16-8590-72b44f52c471  
ProgID: Altova.XMLSpyControl

## Properties

The following properties are defined:

[IntegrationLevel](#)  
[EnableUserPrompts](#)  
[Appearance](#)  
[BorderStyle](#)

Command related properties:

[CommandsList](#)  
[MainMenu](#)  
[Toolbars](#)  
CommandsStructure (deprecated)

Access to XMLSpyAPI:

[Application](#)

### **Appearance**

**Property:** Appearance as [short](#)

**Dispatch Id:** -520

### **Description:**

A value not equal to 0 displays a client edge around the control. Default value is 0.

### **Application**

**Property:** Application as [Application](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1

### **Description:**

The `Application` property gives access to the `Application` object of the complete XMLSpy automation server API. The property is read-only.

**BorderStyle**

**Property:** BorderStyle as [short](#)

**Dispatch Id:** -504

**Description:**

A value of 1 displays the control with a thin border. Default value is 0.

**CommandsList**

**Property:** CommandList as [Commands](#) (read-only)

**Dispatch Id:** 1004

**Description:**

This property returns a flat list of all commands defined available with XMLSpyControl. For more information see [C# Sample](#).

**EnableUserPrompts**

**Property:** EnableUserPrompts as [boolean](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1006

**Description:**

Setting this property to *false*, disables user prompts in the control. The default value is *true*.

**IntegrationLevel**

**Property:** IntegrationLevel as [IActiveXIntegrationLevel](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1000

**Description:**

The `IntegrationLevel` property determines the operation mode of the control. See also [Integration at the application level](#) and [Integration at document level](#) for more information.

**Note:** It is important to set this property immediately after the creation of the `XMLSpyControl` object.

**MainMenu**

**Property:** MainMenu as [Command](#) (read-only)

**Dispatch Id:** 1003

**Description:**

This property gives access to the description of the XMLSpyControl main menu. For more information see [C# Sample](#).

**Toolbars**

**Property:** Toolbars as [Commands](#) (read-only)

**Dispatch Id:** 1005

**Description:**

This property returns a list of all toolbar descriptions that describe all toolbars available with XMLSpyControl. For more information see [C# Sample](#).

**Methods**

The following methods are defined:

[Open](#)

[Exec](#)

[QueryStatus](#)

**Exec**

**Method:** Exec (nCmdID as [long](#)) as [boolean](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 6

**Description:**

Exec calls the XMLSpy command with the ID nCmdID. If the command can be executed, the method returns `true`. See also [CommandsStructure](#) to get a list of all available commands and [QueryStatus](#) to retrieve the status of any command.

**Open**

**Method:** Open (strFilePath as [string](#)) as [boolean](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 5

**Description:**

The result of the method depends on the extension passed in the argument `strFilePath`. If the file extension is `.sps`, a new document is opened. If the file extension is `.svp`, the corresponding project is opened. If a different file extension is passed into the method, the control tries to load the file as a new component into the active document.

Do not use this method to load documents or projects when using the control in document-level integration mode. Instead, use [XMLSpyControlDocument.Open](#) and [XMLSpyControlPlaceholder.OpenProject](#).

**QueryStatus**

**Method:** QueryStatus (nCmdID as long) as long

**Dispatch Id:** 7

**Description:**

QueryStatus returns the enabled/disabled and checked/unchecked status of the command specified by nCmdID. The status is returned as a bit mask.

Bit	Value	Name	Meaning
0	1	Supported	Set if the command is supported.
1	2	Enabled	Set if the command is enabled (can be executed).
2	4	Checked	Set if the command is checked.

This means that if QueryStatus returns 0 the command ID is not recognized as a valid XMLSpy command. If QueryStatus returns a value of 1 or 5, the command is disabled.

**Events**

The XMLSpyControl ActiveX control provides the following connection point events:

[OnUpdateCmdUI](#)

[OnOpenedOrFocused](#)

[OnCloseEditingWindow](#)

[OnFileChangedAlert](#)

[OnContextChanged](#)

[OnDocumentOpened](#)

[OnValidationWindowUpdated](#)

**OnCloseEditingWindow**

**Event:** OnCloseEditingWindow (i\_strFilePath as String) as boolean

**Dispatch Id:** 1002

**Description:**

This event is triggered when XMLSpy needs to close an already open document. As an answer to this event, clients should close the editor window associated with *i\_strFilePath*. Returning *true* from this event indicates that the client has closed the document. Clients can return *false* if no specific handling is required and XMLSpyControl should try to close the editor and destroy the associated document control.

**OnContextChanged**

**Event:** OnContextChanged (i\_strContextName as String, i\_bActive as bool) as bool

**Dispatch Id:** 1004

**Description:**

This event is triggered when XMLSpy activates or de-activates one of the following operational contexts:

- XSLT Profiling - "XSLTProfiling" is passed as the context name
- XSLT / XQuery debugging - "DebuggingXSLT" is passed as the context name
- SOAP debugging - "DebuggingSOAP" is passed as the context name (Enterprise edition only)

### ***OnDocumentOpened***

**Event:** OnDocumentOpened (objDocument as [Document](#))

**Dispatch Id:** 1

#### **Description:**

This event is triggered whenever a document is opened. The argument `objDocument` is a `Document` object from the XMLSpy automation interface and can be used to query for more details about the document, or perform additional operations. When integrating on document-level, it is often better to use the event [XMLSpyControlDocument.OnDocumentOpened](#) instead.

### ***OnFileChangedAlert***

**Event:** OnFileChangedAlert (i\_strFilePath as [String](#)) as [bool](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1001

#### **Description:**

This event is triggered when a file loaded with XMLSpyControl is changed on the hard disk by another application. Clients should return true, if they handled the event, or false, if XMLSpy should handle it in its customary way, i.e. prompting the user for reload.

### ***OnLicenseProblem***

**Event:** OnLicenseProblem (i\_strLicenseProblemText as [String](#))

**Dispatch Id:** 1005

#### **Description:**

This event is triggered when XMLSpyControl detects that no valid license is available for this control. In case of restricted user licenses this can happen some time after the control has been initialized. Integrators should use this event to disable access to this control's functionality. After returning from this event, the control will block access to its functionality (e.g. show empty windows in its controls and return errors on requests).

### ***OnOpenedOrFocused***

**Event:** OnOpenedOrFocused (i\_strFilePath as [String](#), i\_bOpenWithThisControl as [bool](#))

**Dispatch Id:** 1000

#### **Description:**

When integrating at application level, this event informs clients that a document has been opened,

or made active by XMLSpy.

When integrating at document level, this event instructs the client to open the file `i_strFilePath` in a document window. If the file is already open, the corresponding document window should be made the active window.

if `i_bOpenWithThisControl` is `true`, the document must be opened with `XMLSpyControl`, since internal access is required. Otherwise, the file can be opened with different editors.

### ***OnToolWindowUpdated***

**Event:** `OnToolWindowUpdated(pToolWnd as long )`

**Dispatch Id:** 1006

#### **Description:**

This event is triggered when the tool window is updated.

### ***OnUpdateCmdUI***

**Event:** `OnUpdateCmdUI ()`

**Dispatch Id:** 1003

#### **Description:**

Called frequently to give integrators a good opportunity to check status of XMLSpy commands using [XMLSpyControl.QueryStatus](#). Do not perform long operations in this callback.

### ***OnValidationWindowUpdated***

**Event:** `OnValidationWindowUpdated ()`

**Dispatch Id:** 3

#### **Description:**

This event is triggered whenever the validation output window, is updated with new information.

## **4.6.4 XMLSpyControlDocument**

### **Properties:**

[Appearance](#)  
[BorderStyle](#)  
[Document](#)  
[IsModified](#)  
[Path](#)  
[ReadOnly](#)

### **Methods:**

[Exec](#)  
[New](#)  
[Open](#)

[QueryStatus](#)

[Reload](#)

[Save](#)

[SaveAs](#)

#### Events:

[OnDocumentOpened](#)

[OnDocumentClosed](#)

[OnModifiedFlagChanged](#)

[OnContextChanged](#)

[OnFileChangedAlert](#)

[OnActivate](#)

If the XMLSpyControl is integrated in the Document Level mode each document is displayed in an own object of type XMLSpyControlDocument. The XMLSpyControlDocument contains only one document at the time but can be reused to display different files one after another.

This object is a complete ActiveX control.

CLSID: 52A552E6-2AB8-4e3e-B545-BE998233DDA0

ProgID: Altova.XMLSpyControlDocument

## Properties

The following properties are defined:

[ReadOnly](#)

[IsModified](#)

[Path](#)

[Appearance](#)

[BorderStyle](#)

Access to XMLSpyAPI:

[Document](#)

### **Appearance**

**Property:** Appearance as [short](#)

**Dispatch Id:** -520

### **Description:**

A value not equal to 0 displays a client edge around the document control. Default value is 0.

### **BorderStyle**

**Property:** BorderStyle as [short](#)

**Dispatch Id:** -504

### **Description:**

A value of 1 displays the control with a thin border. Default value is 0.

**Document**

**Property:** Document as Document

**Dispatch Id:** 1

**Description:**

The Document property gives access to the Document object of the XMLSpy automation server API. This interface provides additional functionality which can be used with the document loaded in the control. The property is read-only.

**IsModified**

**Property:** IsModified as [boolean](#) (read-only)

**Dispatch Id:** 1006

**Description:**

IsModified is *true* if the document content has changed since the last open, reload or save operation. It is *false*, otherwise.

**Path**

**Property:** Path as [string](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1005

**Description:**

Sets or gets the full path name of the document loaded into the control.

**ReadOnly**

**Property:** ReadOnly as [boolean](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1007

**Description:**

Using this property you can turn on and off the read-only mode of the document. If ReadOnly is *true* it is not possible to do any modifications.

**Methods**

The following methods are defined:

Document handling:

[New](#)

[Open](#)

[Reload](#)

[Save](#)

[SaveAs](#)

Command Handling:

[Exec](#)

[QueryStatus](#)

### **Exec**

**Method:** `Exec (nCmdID as long) as boolean`

**Dispatch Id:** 8

#### **Description:**

`Exec` calls the XMLSpy command with the ID `nCmdID`. If the command can be executed, the method returns `true`. The client should call the `Exec` method of the document control if there is currently an active document available in the application.

See also `CommandsStructure` to get a list of all available commands and [QueryStatus](#) to retrieve the status of any command.

### **New**

**Method:** `New () as boolean`

**Dispatch Id:** 1000

#### **Description:**

This method initializes a new document inside the control..

### **Open**

**Method:** `Open (strFileName as string) as boolean`

**Dispatch Id:** 1001

#### **Description:**

`Open` loads the file `strFileName` as the new document into the control.

### **QueryStatus**

**Method:** `QueryStatus (nCmdID as long) as long`

**Dispatch Id:** 9

#### **Description:**

`QueryStatus` returns the enabled/disabled and checked/unchecked status of the command

specified by `nCmdID`. The status is returned as a bit mask.

Bit	Value	Name	Meaning
0	1	Supported	Set if the command is supported.
1	2	Enabled	Set if the command is enabled (can be executed).
2	4	Checked	Set if the command is checked.

This means that if `QueryStatus` returns 0 the command ID is not recognized as a valid XMLSpy command. If `QueryStatus` returns a value of 1 or 5 the command is disabled. The client should call the `QueryStatus` method of the document control if there is currently an active document available in the application.

### **Reload**

**Method:** `Reload ()` as [boolean](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1002

#### **Description:**

`Reload` updates the document content from the file system.

### **Save**

**Method:** `Save ()` as [boolean](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1003

#### **Description:**

`Save` saves the current document at the location [Path](#).

### **SaveAs**

**Method:** `SaveAs (strFileName as string)` as [boolean](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1004

#### **Description:**

`SaveAs` sets [Path](#) to `strFileName` and then saves the document to this location.

## **Events**

The XMLSpyControlDocument ActiveX control provides following connection point events:

[OnDocumentOpened](#)  
[OnDocumentClosed](#)  
[OnModifiedFlagChanged](#)  
[OnContextChanged](#)  
[OnFileChangedAlert](#)  
[OnActivate](#)

[OnSetEditorTitle](#)**OnActivate**

**Event:** OnActivate ()

**Dispatch Id:** 1005

**Description:**

This event is triggered when the document control is activated, has the focus, and is ready for user input.

**OnContextChanged**

**Event:** OnContextChanged (i\_strContextName as [String](#), i\_bActive as [bool](#)) as [bool](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1004

**Description:**

This event is triggered when this document is shown in a different XMLSpy view. The following values are passed:

- Grid view - "View\_0" is passed as the context name
- Text view - "View\_1" is passed as the context name
- Browser view - "View\_2" is passed as the context name
- Schema view - "View\_3" is passed as the context name
- Authentic view - "View\_4" is passed as the context name
- WSDL view - "View\_5" is passed as the context name

**OnDocumentClosed**

**Event:** OnDocumentClosed (objDocument as [Document](#))

**Dispatch Id:** 1001

**Description:**

This event is triggered whenever the document loaded into this control is closed. The argument `objDocument` is a `Document` object from the XMLSpy automation interface and should be used with care.

**OnDocumentOpened**

**Event:** OnDocumentOpened (objDocument as [Document](#))

**Dispatch Id:** 1000

**Description:**

This event is triggered whenever a document is opened in this control. The argument `objDocument` is a `Document` object from the XMLSpy automation interface, and can be used to query for more details about the document, or perform additional operations.

**OnDocumentSaveAs**

**Event:** OnContextDocumentSaveAs (i\_strFileName as [String](#))

**Dispatch Id:** 1007

**Description:**

This event is triggered when this document gets internally saved under a new name.

**OnFileChangedAlert**

**Event:** OnFileChangedAlert () as [bool](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1003

**Description:**

This event is triggered when the file loaded into this document control is changed on the hard disk by another application. Clients should return true, if they handled the event, or false, if XMLSpy should handle it in its customary way, i.e. prompting the user for reload.

**OnModifiedFlagChanged**

**Event:** OnModifiedFlagChanged (i\_bIsModified as [boolean](#))

**Dispatch Id:** 1002

**Description:**

This event gets triggered whenever the document changes between modified and unmodified state. The parameter *i\_bIsModified* is *true* if the document contents differs from the original content, and *false*, otherwise.

**OnSetEditorTitle**

**Event:** OnSetEditorTitle ()

**Dispatch Id:** 1006

**Description:**

This event is being raised when the contained document is being internally renamed.

## 4.6.5 XMLSpyControlPlaceholder

**Properties available for all kinds of placeholder windows:**

[PlaceholderWindowID](#)

**Properties for project placeholder window:**

[Project](#)

**Methods for project placeholder window:**

[OpenProject](#)

[CloseProject](#)

The `XMLSpyControlPlaceholder` control is used to show the additional XMLSpy windows like Overview, Library or Project window. It is used like any other ActiveX control and can be placed anywhere in the client application.

CLSID: 135DEEF4-6DF0-47c2-8F8C-F145F5F3F672  
ProgID: `Altova.XMLSpyControlPlaceholder`

## Properties

The following properties are defined:

[PlaceholderWindowID](#)

Access to XMLSpyAPI:

[Project](#)

### **Label**

**Property:** `Label` as `String` (read-only)

**Dispatch Id:** 1001

### **Description:**

This property gives access to the title of the placeholder. The property is read-only.

### **PlaceholderWindowID**

**Property:** `PlaceholderWindowID` as [XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow](#)

**Dispatch Id:** 1

### **Description:**

Using this property the object knows which XMLSpy window should be displayed in the client area of the control. The `PlaceholderWindowID` can be set at any time to any valid value of the [XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow](#) enumeration. The control changes its state immediately and shows the new XMLSpy window.

### **Project**

**Property:** `Project` as `Project` (read-only)

**Dispatch Id:** 2

### **Description:**

The `Project` property gives access to the `Project` object of the XMLSpy automation server API. This interface provides additional functionality which can be used with the project loaded into the control. The property will return a valid project interface only if the placeholder window has [PlaceholderWindowID](#) with a value of `XMLSpyXProjectWindow (=3)`. The property is

read-only.

## Methods

The following method is defined:

[OpenProject](#)

[CloseProject](#)

### **OpenProject**

**Method:** `OpenProject (strFileName as string) as boolean`

**Dispatch Id:** 3

#### **Description:**

`OpenProject` loads the file `strFileName` as the new project into the control. The method will fail if the placeholder window has a [PlaceholderWindowID](#) different to `XMLSpyXProjectWindow (=3)`.

### **CloseProject**

**Method:** `CloseProject ()`

**Dispatch Id:** 4

#### **Description:**

`CloseProject` closes the project loaded the control. The method will fail if the placeholder window has a [PlaceholderWindowID](#) different to `XMLSpyXProjectWindow (=3)`.

## Events

The `XMLSpyControlPlaceholder` ActiveX control provides following connection point events:

[OnModifiedFlagChanged](#)

### **OnModifiedFlagChanged**

**Event:** `OnModifiedFlagChanged (i_bIsModified as boolean)`

**Dispatch Id:** 1

#### **Description:**

This event gets triggered only for placeholder controls with a [PlaceholderWindowID](#) of `XMLSpyXProjectWindow (=3)`. The event is fired whenever the project content changes between modified and unmodified state. The parameter `i_bIsModified` is `true` if the project contents differs from the original content, and `false`, otherwise.

**OnSetLabel**

**Event:** OnSetLabel (i\_strNewLabel as string)

**Dispatch Id:** 1000

**Description:**

Raised when the title of the placeholder window is changed.

**4.6.6 Enumerations**

The following enumerations are defined:

[ICActiveXIntegrationLevel](#)  
[XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow](#)

**ICActiveXIntegrationLevel**

Possible values for the [IntegrationLevel](#) property of the XMLSpyControl.

```
ICActiveXIntegrationOnApplicationLevel = 0
ICActiveXIntegrationOnDocumentLevel   = 1
```

**XMLSpyControlPlaceholderWindow**

This enumeration contains the list of the supported additional XMLSpy windows.

```
XMLSpyControlNoToolWnd           = -1
XMLSpyControlEntryHelperTopToolWnd = 0
XMLSpyControlEntryHelperMiddleToolWnd = 1
XMLSpyControlEntryHelperBottomToolWnd = 2
XMLSpyControlValidatorOutputToolWnd = 3
XMLSpyControlProjectWindowToolWnd = 4
XMLSpyControlXSLTDebuggerContextToolWnd = 5
XMLSpyControlXSLTDebuggerCallstackToolWnd = 6
XMLSpyControlXSLTDebuggerVariableToolWnd = 7
XMLSpyControlXSLTDebuggerWatchToolWnd = 8
XMLSpyControlXSLTDebuggerTemplateToolWnd = 9
XMLSpyControlXSLTDebuggerInfoToolWnd = 10
XMLSpyControlXSLTDebuggerMessageToolWnd = 11
XMLSpyControlXSLTDebuggerTraceToolWnd = 12
XMLSpyControlSOAPDebuggerToolWnd = 13
XMLSpyControlXPathProfilerListToolWnd = 14
XMLSpyControlXPathProfilerTreeToolWnd = 15
XMLSpyControlXPathDialogToolWnd = 16
XMLSpyControlDBQueryManagerToolWnd = 17
XMLSpyControlInfoToolWnd = 18
XMLSpyControlXSLOutlineToolWnd = 19
XMLSpyControlSchemaFindToolWnd = 20
```

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## **Appendices**

# Appendices

These appendices contain technical information about XMLSpy and important licensing information. Each appendix contains sub-sections as given below:

## Engine Information

- [XSLT and XQuery Engine Information](#)
- [XSLT and XQuery Extension Functions](#)

## Datatype Conversions between DBs and XML Schemas

- [DBs to XML Schemas](#)
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# 1 XSLT and XQuery Engine Information

The XSLT and XQuery engines of XMLSpy follow the W3C specifications closely and are therefore stricter than previous Altova engines—such as those in previous versions of XMLSpy. As a result, minor errors that were ignored by previous engines are now flagged as errors by XMLSpy.

For example:

- It is a type error (`err:XPTY0018`) if the result of a path operator contains both nodes and non-nodes.
- It is a type error (`err:XPTY0019`) if `E1` in a path expression `E1/E2` does not evaluate to a sequence of nodes.

If you encounter this kind of error, modify either the XSLT/XQuery document or the instance document as appropriate.

This section describes implementation-specific features of the engines, organized by specification:

- [XSLT 1.0](#)
- [XSLT 2.0](#)
- [XSLT 3.0](#)
- [XQuery 1.0](#)
- [XQuery 3.1](#)

## 1.1 XSLT 1.0

The XSLT 1.0 Engine of XMLSpy conforms to the World Wide Web Consortium's (W3C's) [XSLT 1.0 Recommendation of 16 November 1999](#) and [XPath 1.0 Recommendation of 16 November 1999](#). Note the following information about the implementation.

### **Notes about the implementation**

When the `method` attribute of `xsl:output` is set to HTML, or if HTML output is selected by default, then special characters in the XML or XSLT file are inserted in the HTML document as HTML character references in the output. For instance, the character `&#160;` (the decimal character reference for a non-breaking space) is inserted as `&nbsp;` in the HTML code.

## 1.2 XSLT 2.0

*This section:*

- [Engine conformance](#)
- [Backward compatibility](#)
- [Namespaces](#)
- [Schema awareness](#)
- [Implementation-specific behavior](#)

### Conformance

The XSLT 2.0 engine of XMLSpy conforms to the World Wide Web Consortium's (W3C's) [XSLT 2.0 Recommendation of 23 January 2007](#) and [XPath 2.0 Recommendation of 14 December 2010](#).

### Backwards Compatibility

The XSLT 2.0 engine is backwards compatible. The only time the backwards compatibility of the XSLT 2.0 engine comes into effect is when using the XSLT 2.0 engine to process an XSLT 1.0 stylesheet. Note that there could be differences in the outputs produced by the XSLT 1.0 Engine and the backwards-compatible XSLT 2.0 engine.

### Namespaces

Your XSLT 2.0 stylesheet should declare the following namespaces in order for you to be able to use the type constructors and functions available in XSLT 2.0. The prefixes given below are conventionally used; you could use alternative prefixes if you wish.

Namespace Name	Prefix	Namespace URI
XML Schema types	xs:	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema</a>
XPath 2.0 functions	fn:	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions">http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions</a>

Typically, these namespaces will be declared on the `xsl:stylesheet` or `xsl:transform` element, as shown in the following listing:

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
  ...
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

The following points should be noted:

- The XSLT 2.0 engine uses the XPath 2.0 and XQuery 1.0 Functions namespace (listed in the table above) as its **default functions namespace**. So you can use XPath 2.0 and XSLT 2.0 functions in your stylesheet without any prefix. If you declare the XPath 2.0 Functions namespace in your stylesheet with a prefix, then you can additionally use the prefix assigned in the declaration.
  - When using type constructors and types from the XML Schema namespace, the prefix used in the namespace declaration must be used when calling the type constructor (for example, `xs:date`).
  - Some XPath 2.0 functions have the same name as XML Schema datatypes. For example, for the XPath functions `fn:string` and `fn:boolean` there exist XML Schema datatypes with the same local names: `xs:string` and `xs:boolean`. So if you were to use the XPath expression `string('Hello')`, the expression evaluates as `fn:string('Hello')`—not as `xs:string('Hello')`.
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### Schema-awareness

The XSLT 2.0 engine is schema-aware. So you can use user-defined schema types and the `xsl:validate` instruction.

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### Implementation-specific behavior

Given below is a description of how the XSLT 2.0 engine handles implementation-specific aspects of the behavior of certain XSLT 2.0 functions.

#### `xsl:result-document`

Additionally supported encodings are (the Altova-specific): `x-base16tobinary` and `x-base64tobinary`.

#### `function-available`

The function tests for the availability of in-scope functions (XSLT 2.0, XPath 2.0, and extension functions).

#### `unparsed-text`

The `href` attribute accepts (i) relative paths for files in the base-uri folder, and (ii) absolute paths with or without the `file://` protocol. Additionally supported encodings are (the Altova-specific): `x-binarytobase16` and `x-binarytobase64`.

#### `unparsed-text-available`

The `href` attribute accepts (i) relative paths for files in the base-uri folder, and (ii) absolute paths with or without the `file://` protocol. Additionally supported encodings are (the Altova-specific): `x-binarytobase16` and `x-binarytobase64`.

**Note:** The following encoding values, which were implemented in earlier versions of RaptorXML's predecessor product, AltovaXML, are now deprecated: `base16tobinary`, `base64tobinary`, `binarytobase16` and `binarytobase64`.

## 1.3 XSLT 3.0

The XSLT 3.0 Engine of XMLSpy conforms to the World Wide Web Consortium's (W3C's) [XSLT 3.0 Candidate Recommendation of 19 November 2015](#) and [XPath 3.1 Candidate Recommendation of 17 December 2015](#).

The XSLT 3.0 engine has the same implementation-specific characteristics as the XSLT 2.0 engine. Additionally, it includes support for the following XSLT 3.0 features: `xsl:evaluate`, `xsl:try`, `xsl:catch`, `xsl:map`, `xsl:map-entry`, text value templates, XPath/XQuery 3.1 functions and operators, and the [XPath 3.1 specification](#).

The following XSLT 3.0 instructions are currently unsupported:

```
xsl:accept
xsl:accumulator
xsl:accumulator-rule
xsl:break
xsl:context-item
xsl:expose
xsl:fork
xsl:iterate
xsl:merge
xsl:merge-action
xsl:merge-key
xsl:merge-source
xsl:mode
xsl:next-iteration
xsl:next-match
xsl:on-completion
xsl:override
xsl:package
xsl:stream
xsl:use-package
```

## 1.4 XQuery 1.0

*This section:*

- [Engine conformance](#)
- [Schema awareness](#)
- [Encoding](#)
- [Namespaces](#)
- [XML source and validation](#)
- [Static and dynamic type checking](#)
- [Library modules](#)
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- [Collations](#)
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- [XQuery instructions support](#)

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### Conformance

The XQuery 1.0 Engine of XMLSpy conforms to the World Wide Web Consortium's (W3C's) [XQuery 1.0 Recommendation of 14 December 2010](#). The XQuery standard gives implementations discretion about how to implement many features. Given below is a list explaining how the XQuery 1.0 Engine implements these features.

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### Schema awareness

The XQuery 1.0 Engine is **schema-aware**.

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### Encoding

The UTF-8 and UTF-16 character encodings are supported.

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### Namespaces

The following namespace URIs and their associated bindings are pre-defined.

Namespace Name	Prefix	Namespace URI
XML Schema types	xs:	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema</a>
Schema instance	xsi:	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance</a>
Built-in functions	fn:	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions">http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions</a>
Local functions	local:	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2005/xquery-local-functions">http://www.w3.org/2005/xquery-local-functions</a>

The following points should be noted:

- The XQuery 1.0 Engine recognizes the prefixes listed above as being bound to the corresponding namespaces.
- Since the built-in functions namespace listed above is the default functions namespace in XQuery, the `fn:` prefix does not need to be used when built-in functions are invoked (for example, `string("Hello")` will call the `fn:string` function). However, the prefix `fn:` can be used to call a built-in function without having to declare the namespace in the query prolog (for example: `fn:string("Hello")`).
- You can change the default functions namespace by declaring the `default function namespace` expression in the query prolog.
- When using types from the XML Schema namespace, the prefix `xs:` may be used without having to explicitly declare the namespaces and bind these prefixes to them in the query prolog. (Example: `xs:date` and `xs:yearMonthDuration`.) If you wish to use some other prefix for the XML Schema namespace, this must be explicitly declared in the query prolog. (Example: `declare namespace alt = "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"; alt:date("2004-10-04")`.)
- Note that the `untypedAtomic`, `dayTimeDuration`, and `yearMonthDuration` datatypes have been moved, with the CRs of 23 January 2007, from the XPath Datatypes namespace to the XML Schema namespace, so: `xs:yearMonthDuration`.

If namespaces for functions, type constructors, node tests, etc are wrongly assigned, an error is reported. Note, however, that some functions have the same name as schema datatypes, e.g. `fn:string` and `fn:boolean`. (Both `xs:string` and `xs:boolean` are defined.) The namespace prefix determines whether the function or type constructor is used.

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### XML source document and validation

XML documents used in executing an XQuery document with the XQuery 1.0 Engine must be well-formed. However, they do not need to be valid according to an XML Schema. If the file is not valid, the invalid file is loaded without schema information. If the XML file is associated with an external schema and is valid according to it, then post-schema validation information is generated for the XML data and will be used for query evaluation.

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### Static and dynamic type checking

The static analysis phase checks aspects of the query such as syntax, whether external references (e.g. for modules) exist, whether invoked functions and variables are defined, and so on. If an error is detected in the static analysis phase, it is reported and the execution is stopped.

Dynamic type checking is carried out at run-time, when the query is actually executed. If a type is incompatible with the requirement of an operation, an error is reported. For example, the expression `xs:string("1") + 1` returns an error because the addition operation cannot be carried out on an operand of type `xs:string`.

### Library Modules

Library modules store functions and variables so they can be reused. The XQuery 1.0 Engine supports modules that are stored in a **single external XQuery file**. Such a module file must contain a `module` declaration in its prolog, which associates a target namespace. Here is an example module:

```
module namespace libns="urn:module-library";
declare variable $libns:company := "Altova";
declare function libns:webaddress() { "http://www.altova.com" };
```

All functions and variables declared in the module belong to the namespace associated with the module. The module is used by importing it into an XQuery file with the `import module` statement in the query prolog. The `import module` statement only imports functions and variables declared directly in the library module file. As follows:

```
import module namespace modlib = "urn:module-library" at "modulefilename.xq";

if      ($modlib:company = "Altova")
then    modlib:webaddress()
else    error("No match found.")
```

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### External functions

External functions are not supported, i.e. in those expressions using the `external` keyword, as in:

```
declare function hoo($param as xs:integer) as xs:string external;
```

---

### Collations

The default collation is the Unicode-codepoint collation, which compares strings on the basis of their Unicode codepoint. Other supported collations are the [ICU collations](#) listed [here](#). To use a specific collation, supply its URI as given in the [list of supported collations](#). Any string comparisons, including for the `fn:max` and `fn:min` functions, will be made according to the specified collation. If the collation option is not specified, the default Unicode-codepoint collation is used.

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### Precision of numeric types

- The `xs:integer` datatype is arbitrary-precision, i.e. it can represent any number of digits.
  - The `xs:decimal` datatype has a limit of 20 digits after the decimal point.
  - The `xs:float` and `xs:double` datatypes have limited-precision of 15 digits.
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**XQuery Instructions Support**

The `Pragma` instruction is not supported. If encountered, it is ignored and the fallback expression is evaluated.

## 1.5 XQuery 3.1

The XQuery 3.1 Engine of XMLSpy conforms to the World Wide Web Consortium's (W3C's) [XQuery 3.1 Candidate Recommendation of 17 December 2015](#) and includes support for XPath and XQuery Functions 3.1. The XQuery 3.1 specification is a superset of the 3.0 specification. The XQuery 3.1 engine therefore supports XQuery 3.0 features.

Implementation-specific characteristics are the same as for [XQuery 1.0](#).

## 2 XSLT and XPath/XQuery Functions

This section lists Altova extension functions and other extension functions that can be used in XPath and/or XQuery expressions. Altova extension functions can be used with Altova's XSLT and XQuery engines, and provide functionality additional to that available in the function libraries defined in the W3C standards.

### General points

The following general points should be noted:

- Functions from the core function libraries defined in the W3C specifications can be called without a prefix. That's because the XSLT and XQuery engines read non-prefixed functions as belonging to a default functions namespace which is that specified in the XPath/XQuery functions specifications <http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions>. If this namespace is explicitly declared in an XSLT or XQuery document, the prefix used in the namespace declaration can also optionally be used on function names.
- In general, if a function expects a sequence of one item as an argument, and a sequence of more than one item is submitted, then an error is returned.
- All string comparisons are done using the Unicode codepoint collation.
- Results that are QNames are serialized in the form `[prefix:]localname`.

### Precision of xs:decimal

The precision refers to the number of digits in the number, and a minimum of 18 digits is required by the specification. For division operations that produce a result of type `xs:decimal`, the precision is 19 digits after the decimal point with no rounding.

### Implicit timezone

When two `date`, `time`, or `dateTime` values need to be compared, the timezone of the values being compared need to be known. When the timezone is not explicitly given in such a value, the implicit timezone is used. The implicit timezone is taken from the system clock, and its value can be checked with the `implicit-timezone()` function.

### Collations

The default collation is the Unicode codepoint collation, which compares strings on the basis of their Unicode codepoint. Other supported collations are the [ICU collations](#) listed below. To use a specific collation, supply its URI as given in the list of supported collations (*table below*). Any string comparisons, including for the `max` and `min` functions, will be made according to the specified collation. If the collation option is not specified, the default Unicode-codepoint collation is used.

Language	URIs
da: Danish	da_DK
de: German	de_AT, de_BE, de_CH, de_DE, de_LI, de_LU

en: English	en_AS, en_AU, en_BB, en_BE, en_BM, en_BW, en_BZ, en_CA, en_GB, en_GU, en_HK, en_IE, en_IN, en_JM, en_MH, en_MP, en_MT, en_MU, en_NA, en_NZ, en_PH, en_PK, en_SG, en_TT, en_UM, en_US, en_VI, en_ZA, en_ZW
es: Spanish	es_419, es_AR, es_BO, es_CL, es_CO, es_CR, es_DO, es_EC, es_ES, es_GQ, es_GT, es_HN, es_MX, es_NI, es_PA, es_PE, es_PR, es_PY, es_SV, es_US, es_UY, es_VE
fr: French	fr_BE, fr_BF, fr_BI, fr_BJ, fr_BL, fr_CA, fr_CD, fr_CF, fr_CG, fr_CH, fr_CI, fr_CM, fr_DJ, fr_FR, fr_GA, fr_GN, fr_GP, fr_GQ, fr_KM, fr_LU, fr_MC, fr_MF, fr_MG, fr_ML, fr_MQ, fr_NE, fr_RE, fr_RW, fr_SN, fr_TD, fr_TG
it: Italian	it_CH, it_IT
ja: Japanese	ja_JP
nb: Norwegian Bokmal	nb_NO
nl: Dutch	nl_AW, nl_BE, nl_NL
nn: Nynorsk	nn_NO
pt: Portuguese	pt_AO, pt_BR, pt_GW, pt_MZ, pt_PT, pt_ST
ru: Russian	ru_MD, ru_RU, ru_UA
sv: Swedish	sv_FI, sv_SE

### Namespace axis

The namespace axis is deprecated in XPath 2.0. Use of the namespace axis is, however, supported. To access namespace information with XPath 2.0 mechanisms, use the `in-scope-prefixes()`, `namespace-uri()` and `namespace-uri-for-prefix()` functions.

## 2.1 Altova Extension Functions

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, <http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions>, and are indicated in this section with the prefix **altova:**, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

Functions defined in the W3C's XPath/XQuery Functions specifications can be used in: (i) XPath expressions in an XSLT context, and (ii) in XQuery expressions in an XQuery document. In this documentation we indicate the functions that can be used in the former context (XPath in XSLT) with an **xp** symbol and call them XPath functions; those functions that can be used in the latter (XQuery) context are indicated with an **xq** symbol; they work as XQuery functions. The W3C's XSLT specifications—not XPath/XQuery Functions specifications—also define functions that can be used in XPath expressions in XSLT documents. These functions are marked with an **xslt** symbol and are called XSLT functions. The XPath/XQuery and XSLT versions in which a function can be used are indicated in the description of the function (*see symbols below*). Functions from the XPath/XQuery and XSLT function libraries are listed without a prefix. Extension functions from other libraries, such as Altova extension functions, are listed with a prefix.

<i>XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>xp1 xp2 xp3</b>
<i>XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>xslt1 xslt2 xslt3</b>
<i>XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):</i>	<b>xq1 xq3</b>

### **XSLT functions**

XSLT functions can only be used in XPath expressions in an XSLT context (similarly to XSLT 2.0's `current-group()` or `key()` functions). These functions are not intended for, and will not work in, a non-XSLT context (for instance, in an XQuery context). Note that XSLT functions for XBRL can be used only with editions of Altova products that have XBRL support.

### **XPath/XQuery functions**

XPath/XQuery functions can be used both in XPath expressions in XSLT contexts as well as in XQuery expressions:

- [Date/Time](#)
- [Geolocation](#)
- [Image-related](#)
- [Numeric](#)
- [Sequence](#)
- [String](#)
- [Miscellaneous](#)

### **Chart functions (Enterprise and Server Editions only)**

Altova extension functions for charts are supported only in the Enterprise and Server Editions of Altova products and enable charts to be generated from XML data.

## 2.1.1 XSLT Functions

**XSLT extension functions** can be used in XPath expressions in an XSLT context. They will not work in a non-XSLT context (for instance, in an XQuery context).

Note about naming of functions and language applicability

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, <http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions>, and are indicated in this section with the prefix **altova:**, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

<i>XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>XP1</b> <b>XP2</b> <b>XP3</b>
<i>XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>XSLT1</b> <b>XSLT2</b> <b>XSLT3</b>
<i>XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):</i>	<b>XQ1</b> <b>XQ3</b>

### Standard functions

#### ▼ **distinct-nodes** [altova:]

**altova:distinct-nodes**(*node()* \*) **as** *node()* \* **XSLT1** **XSLT2** **XSLT3**

Takes a set of one or more nodes as its input and returns the same set minus nodes with duplicate values. The comparison is done using the XPath/XQuery function `fn:deep-equal`.

#### ▣ Examples

- **altova:distinct-nodes**(`country`) returns all child `country` nodes less those having duplicate values.

#### ▼ **evaluate** [altova:]

**altova:evaluate**(*XPathExpression* **as** *xs:string*[, *ValueOf\$p1*, ... *ValueOf\$pN*]) **XSLT1** **XSLT2** **XSLT3**

Takes an XPath expression, passed as a string, as its mandatory argument. It returns the output of the evaluated expression. For example: `altova:evaluate('//Name[1]')` returns the contents of the first `Name` element in the document. Note that the expression `//Name[1]` is passed as a string by enclosing it in single quotes.

The `altova:evaluate` function can optionally take additional arguments. These arguments

are the values of in-scope variables that have the names  $p_1, p_2, p_3 \dots p_N$ . Note the following points about usage: (i) The variables must be defined with names of the form  $p_x$ , where  $x$  is an integer; (ii) the `altova:evaluate` function's arguments (see *signature above*), from the second argument onwards, provide the values of the variables, with the sequence of the arguments corresponding to the numerically ordered sequence of variables:  $p_1$  to  $p_N$ : The second argument will be the value of the variable  $p_1$ , the third argument that of the variable  $p_2$ , and so on; (iii) The variable values must be of type `item*`.

▣ Example

```
<xsl:variable name="xpath" select="'$p3, $p2, $p1'" />
<xsl:value-of select="altova:evaluate($xpath, 10, 20, 'hi')" />
outputs "hi 20 10"
```

In the listing above, notice the following:

- The second argument of the `altova:evaluate` expression is the value assigned to the variable  $p_1$ , the third argument that assigned to the variable  $p_2$ , and so on.
- Notice that the fourth argument of the function is a string value, indicated by its being enclosed in quotes.
- The `select` attribute of the `xs:variable` element supplies the XPath expression. Since this expression must be of type `xs:string`, it is enclosed in single quotes.

▣ Examples to further illustrate the use of variables

- ```
<xsl:variable name="xpath" select="'$p1'" />
<xsl:value-of select="altova:evaluate($xpath, //Name[1])" />
Outputs value of the first Name element.
```
- ```
<xsl:variable name="xpath" select="'$p1'" />
<xsl:value-of select="altova:evaluate($xpath, '//Name[1]')" />
Outputs "//Name[1]"
```

The `altova:evaluate()` extension function is useful in situations where an XPath expression in the XSLT stylesheet contains one or more parts that must be evaluated dynamically. For example, consider a situation in which a user enters his request for the sorting criterion and this criterion is stored in the attribute `UserReq/@sortkey`. In the stylesheet, you could then have the expression: `<xsl:sort select="altova:evaluate(..//UserReq/@sortkey)" order="ascending"/>`. The `altova:evaluate()` function reads the `sortkey` attribute of the `UserReq` child element of the parent of the context node. Say the value of the `sortkey` attribute is `Price`, then `Price` is returned by the `altova:evaluate()` function and becomes the value of the `select` attribute: `<xsl:sort select="Price" order="ascending"/>`. If this `sort` instruction occurs within the context of an element called `Order`, then the `Order` elements will be sorted according to the values of their `Price` children. Alternatively, if the value of `@sortkey` were, say, `Date`, then the `Order` elements would be sorted according to the values of their `Date` children. So the sort criterion for `Order` is selected from the `sortkey` attribute at runtime. This could not have been achieved with an expression like: `<xsl:sort select="..//UserReq/@sortkey" order="ascending"/>`. In the case shown above, the sort criterion would be the `sortkey` attribute itself, not `Price` or `Date` (or any other current content of `sortkey`).

**Note:** The static context includes namespaces, types, and functions—but not variables—from the calling environment. The base URI and default namespace are inherited.

▣ More examples

- Static variables: `<xsl:value-of select="$i3, $i2, $i1" />`  
Outputs the values of three variables.
- Dynamic XPath expression with dynamic variables:  
`<xsl:variable name="xpath" select="'$p3, $p2, $p1'" />`  
`<xsl:value-of select="altova:evaluate($xpath, 10, 20, 30)" />`  
Outputs "30 20 10"
- Dynamic XPath expression with no dynamic variable:  
`<xsl:variable name="xpath" select="'$p3, $p2, $p1'" />`  
`<xsl:value-of select="altova:evaluate($xpath)" />`  
Outputs error: No variable defined for \$p3.

▼ `encode-for-rtf [altova:]`

`altova:encode-for-rtf(input as xs:string, preserveallwhitespace as xs:boolean, preservenewlines as xs:boolean) as xs:string XSLT2 XSLT3`

Converts the input string into code for RTF. Whitespace and new lines will be preserved according to the boolean value specified for their respective arguments.

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## XBRL functions

Altova XBRL functions can be used only with editions of Altova products that have XBRL support.

▼ `xbrl-footnotes [altova:]`

`altova:xbrl-footnotes(node()) as node()* XSLT2 XSLT3`

Takes a node as its input argument and returns the set of XBRL footnote nodes referenced by the input node.

▼ `xbrl-labels [altova:]`

`altova:xbrl-labels(xs:QName, xs:string) as node()* XSLT2 XSLT3`

Takes two input arguments: a node name and the taxonomy file location containing the node. The function returns the XBRL label nodes associated with the input node.

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## 2.1.2 XPath/XQuery Functions: Date and Time

Altova's date/time extension functions can be used in XPath and XQuery expressions and provide additional functionality for the processing of data held as XML Schema's various date and time datatypes. The functions in this section can be used with Altova's **XPath 3.0** and **XQuery 3.0** engines. They are available in XPath/XQuery contexts.

Note about naming of functions and language applicability

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, <http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions>, and are indicated in this section with the prefix **altova:**, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

<i>XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>XP1</b> <b>XP2</b> <b>XP3</b>
<i>XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>XSLT1</b> <b>XSLT2</b> <b>XSLT3</b>
<i>XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):</i>	<b>XQ1</b> <b>XQ3</b>

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### Add a duration to `xs:dateTime` **XP3 XQ3**

These functions add a duration to `xs:dateTime` and return `xs:dateTime`. The `xs:dateTime` type has a format of `CCYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss.sss`. This is a concatenation of the `xs:date` and `xs:time` formats separated by the letter T. A timezone suffix `+01:00` (for example) is optional.

#### ▼ `add-years-to-dateTime` [`altova:`]

`altova:add-years-to-dateTime` (`DateTime` as `xs:dateTime`, `Years` as `xs:integer`) as `xs:dateTime` **XP3 XQ3**

Adds a duration in years to an `xs:dateTime` (see examples below). The second argument is the number of years to be added to the `xs:dateTime` supplied as the first argument. The result is of type `xs:dateTime`.

##### ☐ Examples

- `altova:add-years-to-dateTime` (`xs:dateTime`("2014-01-15T14:00:00"), 10)  
returns `2024-01-15T14:00:00`
- `altova:add-years-to-dateTime` (`xs:dateTime`("2014-01-15T14:00:00"), -4)  
returns `2010-01-15T14:00:00`

#### ▼ `add-months-to-dateTime` [`altova:`]

`altova:add-months-to-dateTime` (`DateTime` as `xs:dateTime`, `Months` as `xs:integer`) as `xs:dateTime` **XP3 XQ3**

Adds a duration in months to an `xs:dateTime` (see examples below). The second argument is the number of months to be added to the `xs:dateTime` supplied as the first argument. The result is of type `xs:dateTime`.

##### ☐ Examples

- `altova:add-months-to-dateTime` (`xs:dateTime`("2014-01-15T14:00:00"), 10)  
returns `2014-11-15T14:00:00`
- `altova:add-months-to-dateTime` (`xs:dateTime`("2014-01-15T14:00:00"), -2)  
returns `2013-11-15T14:00:00`

#### ▼ `add-days-to-dateTime` [`altova:`]

**altova:add-days-to-dateTime** (DateTime as xs:dateTime, Days as xs:integer) as xs:dateTime XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in days to an xs:dateTime (see examples below). The second argument is the number of days to be added to the xs:dateTime supplied as the first argument. The result is of type xs:dateTime.

▣ Examples

- **altova:add-days-to-dateTime** (xs:dateTime ("2014-01-15T14:00:00"), 10) returns 2014-01-25T14:00:00
- **altova:add-days-to-dateTime** (xs:dateTime ("2014-01-15T14:00:00"), -8) returns 2014-01-07T14:00:00

▼ **add-hours-to-dateTime** [altova:]

**altova:add-hours-to-dateTime** (DateTime as xs:dateTime, Hours as xs:integer) as xs:dateTime XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in hours to an xs:dateTime (see examples below). The second argument is the number of hours to be added to the xs:dateTime supplied as the first argument. The result is of type xs:dateTime.

▣ Examples

- **altova:add-hours-to-dateTime** (xs:dateTime ("2014-01-15T13:00:00"), 10) returns 2014-01-15T23:00:00
- **altova:add-hours-to-dateTime** (xs:dateTime ("2014-01-15T13:00:00"), -8) returns 2014-01-15T05:00:00

▼ **add-minutes-to-dateTime** [altova:]

**altova:add-minutes-to-dateTime** (DateTime as xs:dateTime, Minutes as xs:integer) as xs:dateTime XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in minutes to an xs:dateTime (see examples below). The second argument is the number of minutes to be added to the xs:dateTime supplied as the first argument. The result is of type xs:dateTime.

▣ Examples

- **altova:add-minutes-to-dateTime** (xs:dateTime ("2014-01-15T14:10:00"), 45) returns 2014-01-15T14:55:00
- **altova:add-minutes-to-dateTime** (xs:dateTime ("2014-01-15T14:10:00"), -5) returns 2014-01-15T14:05:00

▼ **add-seconds-to-dateTime** [altova:]

**altova:add-seconds-to-dateTime** (DateTime as xs:dateTime, Seconds as xs:integer) as xs:dateTime XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in seconds to an xs:dateTime (see examples below). The second argument is the number of seconds to be added to the xs:dateTime supplied as the first argument. The result is of type xs:dateTime.

▣ Examples

- **altova:add-seconds-to-dateTime** (xs:dateTime ("2014-01-15T14:00:10"), 20) returns 2014-01-15T14:00:30

- `altova:add-seconds-to-dateTime` (`xs:dateTime("2014-01-15T14:00:10")`, -5) returns `2014-01-15T14:00:05`

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### Add a duration to `xs:date` XP3 XQ3

These functions add a duration to `xs:date` and return `xs:date`. The `xs:date` type has a format of CCYY-MM-DD.

#### ▼ `altova:add-years-to-date` [`altova:`]

`altova:add-years-to-date` (`Date` as `xs:date`, `Years` as `xs:integer`) as `xs:date`  
XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in years to a date. The second argument is the number of years to be added to the `xs:date` supplied as the first argument. The result is of type `xs:date`.

☐ Examples

- `altova:add-years-to-date` (`xs:date("2014-01-15")`, 10) returns `2024-01-15`
- `altova:add-years-to-date` (`xs:date("2014-01-15")`, -4) returns `2010-01-15`

#### ▼ `altova:add-months-to-date` [`altova:`]

`altova:add-months-to-date` (`Date` as `xs:date`, `Months` as `xs:integer`) as `xs:date`  
XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in months to a date. The second argument is the number of months to be added to the `xs:date` supplied as the first argument. The result is of type `xs:date`.

☐ Examples

- `altova:add-months-to-date` (`xs:date("2014-01-15")`, 10) returns `2014-11-15`
- `altova:add-months-to-date` (`xs:date("2014-01-15")`, -2) returns `2013-11-15`

#### ▼ `altova:add-days-to-date` [`altova:`]

`altova:add-days-to-date` (`Date` as `xs:date`, `Days` as `xs:integer`) as `xs:date` XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in days to a date. The second argument is the number of days to be added to the `xs:date` supplied as the first argument. The result is of type `xs:date`.

☐ Examples

- `altova:add-days-to-date` (`xs:date("2014-01-15")`, 10) returns `2014-01-25`
- `altova:add-days-to-date` (`xs:date("2014-01-15")`, -8) returns `2014-01-07`

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### Format and retrieve durations XP3 XQ3

These functions add a duration to `xs:date` and return `xs:date`. The `xs:date` type has a format of

CCYY-MM-DD.

#### ▼ **format-duration** [altova:]

**altova:format-duration**(Duration as xs:duration, Picture as xs:string) as xs:string **XP3 XQ3**

Formats a duration, which is submitted as the first argument, according to a picture string submitted as the second argument. The output is a text string formatted according to the picture string.

##### ☐ Examples

- **altova:format-duration**(xs:duration("P2DT2H53M11.7S"), "Days:[D01] Hours:[H01] Minutes:[m01] Seconds:[s01] Fractions:[f0]") returns "Days:02 Hours:02 Minutes:53 Seconds:11 Fractions:7"
- **altova:format-duration**(xs:duration("P3M2DT2H53M11.7S"), "Months:[M01] Days:[D01] Hours:[H01] Minutes:[m01]") returns "Months:03 Days:02 Hours:02 Minutes:53"

#### ▼ **parse-duration** [altova:]

**altova:parse-duration**(InputString as xs:string, Picture as xs:string) as xs:duration **XP3 XQ3**

Takes a patterned string as the first argument, and a picture string as the second argument. The input string is parsed on the basis of the picture string, and an xs:duration is returned.

##### ☐ Examples

- **altova:parse-duration**("Days:02 Hours:02 Minutes:53 Seconds:11 Fractions:7"), "Days:[D01] Hours:[H01] Minutes:[m01] Seconds:[s01] Fractions:[f0]") returns "P2DT2H53M11.7S"
- **altova:parse-duration**("Months:03 Days:02 Hours:02 Minutes:53 Seconds:11 Fractions:7"), "Months:[M01] Days:[D01] Hours:[H01] Minutes:[m01]") returns "P3M2DT2H53M"

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### **Add a duration to xs:time** **XP3 XQ3**

These functions add a duration to xs:time and return xs:time. The xs:time type has a lexical form of hh:mm:ss.sss. An optional time zone may be suffixed. The letter Z indicates Coordinated Universal Time (UTC). All other time zones are represented by their difference from UTC in the format +hh:mm, or -hh:mm. If no time zone value is present, it is considered unknown; it is not assumed to be UTC.

#### ▼ **add-hours-to-time** [altova:]

**altova:add-hours-to-time**(Time as xs:time, Hours as xs:integer) as xs:time **XP3 XQ3**

Adds a duration in hours to a time. The second argument is the number of hours to be added to the xs:time supplied as the first argument. The result is of type xs:time.

##### ☐ Examples

- **altova:add-hours-to-time**(xs:time("11:00:00"), 10) returns 21:00:00

- `altova:add-hours-to-time(xs:time("11:00:00"), -7)` returns `04:00:00`

#### ▼ `add-minutes-to-time` [altova:]

`altova:add-minutes-to-time` (**Time** as `xs:time`, **Minutes** as `xs:integer`) as `xs:time`  
 XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in minutes to a time. The second argument is the number of minutes to be added to the `xs:time` supplied as the first argument. The result is of type `xs:time`.

##### ▣ Examples

- `altova:add-minutes-to-time(xs:time("14:10:00"), 45)` returns `14:55:00`
- `altova:add-minutes-to-time(xs:time("14:10:00"), -5)` returns `14:05:00`

#### ▼ `add-seconds-to-time` [altova:]

`altova:add-seconds-to-time` (**Time** as `xs:time`, **Minutes** as `xs:integer`) as `xs:time`  
 XP3 XQ3

Adds a duration in seconds to a time. The second argument is the number of seconds to be added to the `xs:time` supplied as the first argument. The result is of type `xs:time`. The Seconds component can be in the range of 0 to 59.999.

##### ▣ Examples

- `altova:add-seconds-to-time(xs:time("14:00:00"), 20)` returns `14:00:20`
- `altova:add-seconds-to-time(xs:time("14:00:00"), 20.895)` returns `14:00:20.895`

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## Remove the timezone part from date/time datatypes XP3 XQ3

These functions remove the timezone from the current `xs:dateTime`, `xs:date`, or `xs:time` values, respectively. Note that the difference between `xs:dateTime` and `xs:dateTimeStamp` is that in the case of the latter the timezone part is required (while it is optional in the case of the former). So the format of an `xs:dateTimeStamp` value is: `CCYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss.sss±hh:mm`. Or `CCYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss.sssZ`. If the date and time is read from the system clock as `xs:dateTimeStamp`, the `current-dateTime-no-TZ()` function can be used to remove the timezone if so required.

#### ▼ `current-dateTime-no-TZ` [altova:]

`altova:current-dateTime-no-TZ()` as `xs:dateTime` XP3 XQ3

This function takes no argument. It removes the timezone part of `current-dateTime()` (which is the current date-and-time according to the system clock) and returns an `xs:dateTime` value.

##### ▣ Examples

If the current `dateTime` is `2014-01-15T14:00:00+01:00`:

- `altova:current-dateTime-no-TZ()` returns `2014-01-15T14:00:00`

#### ▼ `current-date-no-TZ` [altova:]

**altova:current-date-no-TZ()** as **xs:date** **XP3 XQ3**

This function takes no argument. It removes the timezone part of `current-date()` (which is the current date according to the system clock) and returns an `xs:date` value.

▣ Examples

If the current date is 2014-01-15+01:00:

- **altova:current-date-no-TZ()** returns 2014-01-15

▼ **current-time-no-TZ** [altova:]

**altova:current-time-no-TZ()** as **xs:time** **XP3 XQ3**

This function takes no argument. It removes the timezone part of `current-time()` (which is the current time according to the system clock) and returns an `xs:time` value.

▣ Examples

If the current time is 14:00:00+01:00:

- **altova:current-time-no-TZ()** returns 14:00:00

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**Return the weekday from xs:dateTime OR xs:date** **XP3 XQ3**

These functions return the weekday (as an integer) from `xs:dateTime` or `xs:date`. The days of the week are numbered (using the American format) from 1 to 7, with Sunday=1. In the European format, the week starts with Monday (=1). The American format, where Sunday=1, can be set by using the integer 0 where an integer is accepted to indicate the format.

▼ **weekday-from-dateTime** [altova:]

**altova:weekday-from-dateTime**(DateTime as **xs:dateTime**) as **xs:integer** **XP3 XQ3**

Takes a date-with-time as its single argument and returns the day of the week of this date as an integer. The weekdays are numbered starting with Sunday=1. If the European format is required (where Monday=1), use the other signature of this function (see next signature below).

▣ Examples

- **altova:weekday-from-dateTime**(`xs:dateTime("2014-02-03T09:00:00")`) returns 2, which would indicate a Monday.

**altova:weekday-from-dateTime**(DateTime as **xs:dateTime**, Format as **xs:integer**) as **xs:integer** **XP3 XQ3**

Takes a date-with-time as its first argument and returns the day of the week of this date as an integer. The weekdays are numbered starting with Monday=1. If the second (integer) argument is 0, then the weekdays are numbered 1 to 7 starting with Sunday=1. If the second argument is an integer other than 0, then Monday=1. If there is no second argument, the function is read as having the other signature of this function (see previous signature).

▣ Examples

- **altova:weekday-from-dateTime**(`xs:dateTime("2014-02-03T09:00:00")`, 1) returns 1, which would indicate a Monday
- **altova:weekday-from-dateTime**(`xs:dateTime("2014-02-03T09:00:00")`, 4)

returns 1, which would indicate a Monday

- `altova:weekday-from-dateTime` (`xs:dateTime("2014-02-03T09:00:00")`, 0) returns 2, which would indicate a Monday.

#### ▼ `weekday-from-date` [altova:]

`altova:weekday-from-date` (`Date` as `xs:date`) as `xs:integer` XP3 XQ3

Takes a date as its single argument and returns the day of the week of this date as an integer. The weekdays are numbered starting with `Sunday=1`. If the European format is required (where `Monday=1`), use the other signature of this function (see *next signature below*).

##### ▢ Examples

- `altova:weekday-from-date` (`xs:date("2014-02-03+01:00")`) returns 2, which would indicate a Monday.

`altova:weekday-from-date` (`Date` as `xs:date`, `Format` as `xs:integer`) as `xs:integer` XP3 XQ3

Takes a date as its first argument and returns the day of the week of this date as an integer. The weekdays are numbered starting with `Monday=1`. If the second (`Format`) argument is 0, then the weekdays are numbered 1 to 7 starting with `Sunday=1`. If the second argument is an integer other than 0, then `Monday=1`. If there is no second argument, the function is read as having the other signature of this function (see *previous signature*).

##### ▢ Examples

- `altova:weekday-from-date` (`xs:date("2014-02-03")`, 1) returns 1, which would indicate a Monday
- `altova:weekday-from-date` (`xs:date("2014-02-03")`, 4) returns 1, which would indicate a Monday
- `altova:weekday-from-date` (`xs:date("2014-02-03")`, 0) returns 2, which would indicate a Monday.

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### Return the week number from `xs:dateTime` OR `xs:date` XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3

These functions return the week number (as an integer) from `xs:dateTime` or `xs:date`. Week-numbering is available in the US, ISO/European, and Islamic calendar formats. Week-numbering is different in these calendar formats because the week is considered to start on different days (on Sunday in the US format, Monday in the ISO/European format, and Saturday in the Islamic format).

#### ▼ `weeknumber-from-date` [altova:]

`altova:weeknumber-from-date` (`Date` as `xs:date`, `Calendar` as `xs:integer`) as `xs:integer` XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3

Returns the week number of the submitted `Date` argument as an integer. The second argument (`Calendar`) specifies the calendar system to follow.

Supported `calendar` values are:

- 0 = US calendar (week starts Sunday)

- 1 = ISO standard, European calendar (*week starts Monday*)
- 2 = Islamic calendar (*week starts Saturday*)

Default is 0.

#### Examples

- `altova:weeknumber-from-date(xs:date("2014-03-23"), 0)` returns 13
- `altova:weeknumber-from-date(xs:date("2014-03-23"), 1)` returns 12
- `altova:weeknumber-from-date(xs:date("2014-03-23"), 2)` returns 13
- `altova:weeknumber-from-date(xs:date("2014-03-23") )` returns 13

The day of the date in the examples above (2014-03-23) is Sunday. So the US and Islamic calendars are one week ahead of the European calendar on this day.

#### weeknumber-from-dateTime [altova:]

`altova:weeknumber-from-dateTime(DateTime as xs:dateTime, Calendar as xs:integer) as xs:integer XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3`

Returns the week number of the submitted `DateTime` argument as an integer. The second argument (`Calendar`) specifies the calendar system to follow.

Supported `Calendar` values are:

- 0 = US calendar (*week starts Sunday*)
- 1 = ISO standard, European calendar (*week starts Monday*)
- 2 = Islamic calendar (*week starts Saturday*)

Default is 0.

#### Examples

- `altova:weeknumber-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime("2014-03-23T00:00:00"), 0)` returns 13
- `altova:weeknumber-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime("2014-03-23T00:00:00"), 1)` returns 12
- `altova:weeknumber-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime("2014-03-23T00:00:00"), 2)` returns 13
- `altova:weeknumber-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime("2014-03-23T00:00:00") )` returns 13

The day of the `dateTime` in the examples above (2014-03-23T00:00:00) is Sunday. So the US and Islamic calendars are one week ahead of the European calendar on this day.

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### Build date, time, and duration datatypes from their lexical components XP3 XQ3

The functions take the lexical components of the `xs:date`, `xs:time`, or `xs:duration` datatype as input arguments and combine them to build the respective datatype.

#### ▼ `build-date` [altova:]

```
altova:build-date(Year as xs:integer, Month as xs:integer, Date as
xs:integer) as xs:date XP3 XQ3
```

The first, second, and third arguments are, respectively, the year, month, and date. They are combined to build a value of `xs:date` type. The values of the integers must be within the correct range of that particular date part. For example, the second argument (for the month part) should not be greater than 12.

##### ☐ Examples

- `altova:build-date(2014, 2, 03)` returns `2014-02-03`

#### ▼ `build-time` [altova:]

```
altova:build-time(Hours as xs:integer, Minutes as xs:integer, Seconds as
xs:integer) as xs:time XP3 XQ3
```

The first, second, and third arguments are, respectively, the hour (0 to 23), minutes (0 to 59), and seconds (0 to 59) values. They are combined to build a value of `xs:time` type. The values of the integers must be within the correct range of that particular time part. For example, the second (`Minutes`) argument should not be greater than 59. To add a timezone part to the value, use the other signature of this function (see *next signature*).

##### ☐ Examples

- `altova:build-time(23, 4, 57)` returns `23:04:57`

```
altova:build-time(Hours as xs:integer, Minutes as xs:integer, Seconds as
xs:integer, TimeZone as xs:string) as xs:time XP3 XQ3
```

The first, second, and third arguments are, respectively, the hour (0 to 23), minutes (0 to 59), and seconds (0 to 59) values. The fourth argument is a string that provides the timezone part of the value. The four arguments are combined to build a value of `xs:time` type. The values of the integers must be within the correct range of that particular time part. For example, the second (`Minutes`) argument should not be greater than 59.

##### ☐ Examples

- `altova:build-time(23, 4, 57, '+1')` returns `23:04:57+01:00`

#### ▼ `build-duration` [altova:]

```
altova:build-duration(Years as xs:integer, Months as xs:integer) as
xs:yearMonthDuration XP3 XQ3
```

Takes two arguments to build a value of type `xs:yearMonthDuration`. The first argument provides the `Years` part of the duration value, while the second argument provides the `Months` part. If the second (`Months`) argument is greater than or equal to 12, then the integer is divided by 12; the quotient is added to the first argument to provide the `Years` part of the duration value while the remainder (of the division) provides the `Months` part. To build a duration of type `xs:dayTimeDuration`, see the next signature.

##### ☐ Examples

- `altova:build-duration(2, 10)` returns `P2Y10M`
- `altova:build-duration(14, 27)` returns `P16Y3M`
- `altova:build-duration(2, 24)` returns `P4Y`

**altova:build-duration**(Days as xs:integer, Hours as xs:integer, Minutes as xs:integer, Seconds as xs:integer) as xs:dayTimeDuration XP3 XQ3

Takes four arguments and combines them to build a value of type `xs:dayTimeDuration`. The first argument provides the `Days` part of the duration value, the second, third, and fourth arguments provide, respectively, the `Hours`, `Minutes`, and `Seconds` parts of the duration value. Each of the three `Time` arguments is converted to an equivalent value in terms of the next higher unit and the result is used for calculation of the total duration value. For example, 72 seconds is converted to `1M+12S` (1 minute and 12 seconds), and this value is used for calculation of the total duration value. To build a duration of type `xs:yearMonthDuration`, see the previous signature.

☐ Examples

- `altova:build-duration(2, 10, 3, 56)` returns `P2DT10H3M56S`
- `altova:build-duration(1, 0, 100, 0)` returns `P1DT1H40M`
- `altova:build-duration(1, 0, 0, 3600)` returns `P1DT1H`

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### Construct date, dateTime, and time datatypes from string input XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3

These functions take strings as arguments and construct `xs:date`, `xs:dateTime`, or `xs:time` datatypes. The string is analyzed for components of the datatype based on a submitted pattern argument.

▼ **parse-date** [altova:]

**altova:parse-date**(Date as xs:string, DatePattern as xs:string) as xs:date XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3

Returns the input string `Date` as an `xs:date` value. The second argument `DatePattern` specifies the pattern (sequence of components) of the input string. `DatePattern` is described with the component specifiers listed below and with component separators that can be any character. See the examples below.

D Date  
M Month  
Y Year

The pattern in `DatePattern` must match the pattern in `Date`. Since the output is of type `xs:date`, the output will always have the lexical format `YYYY-MM-DD`.

☐ Examples

- `altova:parse-date(xs:string("09-12-2014"), "[D]-[M]-[Y]")` returns `2014-12-09`
- `altova:parse-date(xs:string("09-12-2014"), "[M]-[D]-[Y]")` returns `2014-09-12`
- `altova:parse-date("06/03/2014", "[M]/[D]/[Y]")` returns `2014-06-03`
- `altova:parse-date("06 03 2014", "[M] [D] [Y]")` returns `2014-06-03`
- `altova:parse-date("6 3 2014", "[M] [D] [Y]")` returns `2014-06-03`

▼ **parse-dateTime** [altova:]

**altova:parse-dateTime** (*DateTime* as *xs:string*, *DateTimePattern* as *xs:string*) as *xs:dateTime* **XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3**

Returns the input string *DateTime* as an *xs:dateTime* value. The second argument *DateTimePattern* specifies the pattern (sequence of components) of the input string. *DateTimePattern* is described with the component specifiers listed below and with component separators that can be any character. See the examples below.

D	Date
M	Month
Y	Year
H	Hour
m	minutes
s	seconds

The pattern in *DateTimePattern* must match the pattern in *DateTime*. Since the output is of type *xs:dateTime*, the output will always have the lexical format **YYYY-MM-DDTHH:mm:ss**.

☐ Examples

- **altova:parse-dateTime**(*xs:string*("09-12-2014 13:56:24"), "[M]-[D]-[Y][H]:[m]:[s]") returns 2014-09-12T13:56:24
- **altova:parse-dateTime**("time=13:56:24; date=09-12-2014", "time=[H]:[m]:[s]; date=[D]-[M]-[Y]") returns 2014-12-09T13:56:24

▼ **parse-time** [altova:]

**altova:parse-time** (*Time* as *xs:string*, *TimePattern* as *xs:string*) as *xs:time* **XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3**

Returns the input string *Time* as an *xs:time* value. The second argument *TimePattern* specifies the pattern (sequence of components) of the input string. *TimePattern* is described with the component specifiers listed below and with component separators that can be any character. See the examples below.

H	Hour
m	minutes
s	seconds

The pattern in *TimePattern* must match the pattern in *Time*. Since the output is of type *xs:time*, the output will always have the lexical format **HH:mm:ss**.

☐ Examples

- **altova:parse-time**(*xs:string*("13:56:24"), "[H]:[m]:[s]") returns 13:56:24
- **altova:parse-time**("13-56-24", "[H]-[m]") returns 13:56:00
- **altova:parse-time**("time=13h56m24s", "time=[H]h[m]m[s]s") returns 13:56:24
- **altova:parse-time**("time=24s56m13h", "time=[s]s[m]m[H]h") returns 13:56:24

[\[ Top \]](#)**Age-related functions** XP3 XQ3

These functions return the age as calculated (i) between one input argument date and the current date, or (ii) between two input argument dates. The `altova:age` function returns the age in terms of years, the `altova:age-details` function returns the age as a sequence of three integers giving the years, months, and days of the age.

▼ **age** [`altova:`]

`altova:age(StartDate as xs:date) as xs:integer` XP3 XQ3

Returns an integer that is the age *in years* of some object, counting from a start-date submitted as the argument and ending with the current date (taken from the system clock). If the input argument is a date anything greater than or equal to one year in the future, the return value will be negative.

☐ Examples

If the current date is 2014-01-15:

- `altova:age(xs:date("2013-01-15"))` returns 1
- `altova:age(xs:date("2013-01-16"))` returns 0
- `altova:age(xs:date("2015-01-15"))` returns -1
- `altova:age(xs:date("2015-01-14"))` returns 0

`altova:age(StartDate as xs:date, EndDate as xs:date) as xs:integer` XP3 XQ3

Returns an integer that is the age *in years* of some object, counting from a start-date that is submitted as the first argument up to an end-date that is the second argument. The return value will be negative if the first argument is one year or more later than the second argument.

☐ Examples

If the current date is 2014-01-15:

- `altova:age(xs:date("2000-01-15"), xs:date("2010-01-15"))` returns 10
- `altova:age(xs:date("2000-01-15"), current-date())` returns 14 if the current date is 2014-01-15
- `altova:age(xs:date("2014-01-15"), xs:date("2010-01-15"))` returns -4

▼ **age-details** [`altova:`]

`altova:age-details(InputDate as xs:date) as (xs:integer)*` XP3 XQ3

Returns three integers that are, respectively, the years, months, and days between the date that is submitted as the argument and the current date (taken from the system clock). The sum of the returned `years+months+days` together gives the total time difference between the two dates (the input date and the current date). The input date may have a value earlier or later than the current date, but whether the input date is earlier or later is not indicated by the sign of the return values; the return values are always positive.

☐ Examples

If the current date is 2014-01-15:

- `altova:age-details(xs:date("2014-01-16"))` returns (0 0 1)
- `altova:age-details(xs:date("2014-01-14"))` returns (0 0 1)

- `altova:age-details(xs:date("2013-01-16"))` returns (1 0 1)
- `altova:age-details(current-date())` returns (0 0 0)

`altova:age-details(Date-1 as xs:date, Date-2 as xs:date) as (xs:integer)*` **XP3 XQ3**

Returns three integers that are, respectively, the years, months, and days between the two argument dates. The sum of the returned `years+months+days` together gives the total time difference between the two input dates; it does not matter whether the earlier or later of the two dates is submitted as the first argument. The return values do not indicate whether the input date occurs earlier or later than the current date. Return values are always positive.

▣ Examples

- `altova:age-details(xs:date("2014-01-16"), xs:date("2014-01-15"))` returns (0 0 1)
- `altova:age-details(xs:date("2014-01-15"), xs:date("2014-01-16"))` returns (0 0 1)

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### 2.1.3 XPath/XQuery Functions: Geolocation

The following geolocation XPath/XQuery extension functions are supported in the current version of XMLSpy and can be used in (i) XPath expressions in an XSLT context, or (ii) XQuery expressions in an XQuery document.

Note about naming of functions and language applicability

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, `http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions`, and are indicated in this section with the prefix `altova:`, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

<i>XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>XP1 XP2 XP3</b>
<i>XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>XSLT1 XSLT2 XSLT3</b>
<i>XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):</i>	<b>XQ1 XQ3</b>

▼ `parse-geolocation` [`altova:`]

`altova:parse-geolocation(GeolocationInputString as xs:string) as xs:decimal+` **XP3 XQ3**

Parses the supplied `GeolocationInputString` argument and returns the geolocation's latitude and longitude (in that order) as a sequence two `xs:decimal` items. The formats in which the geolocation input string can be supplied are listed below.

**Note:** The `image-exif-data` function and the Exif metadata's `@Geolocation` attribute can be used to supply the geolocation input string (see *example below*).

### Examples

- `altova:parse-geolocation("33.33 -22.22")` returns the sequence of two `xs:decimals` (33.33, 22.22)
- `altova:parse-geolocation("48°51'29.6"N 24°17'40.2"W")` returns the sequence of two `xs:decimals` (48.8582222222222, 24.2945)
- `altova:parse-geolocation("48°51'29.6"N 24°17'40.2"W")` returns the sequence of two `xs:decimals` (48.8582222222222, 24.2945)
- `altova:parse-geolocation( image-exif-data(//MyImages/Image20141130.01)/@Geolocation )` returns a sequence of two `xs:decimals`

### Geolocation input string formats:

The geolocation input string must contain latitude and longitude (in that order) separated by whitespace. Each can be in any of the following formats. Combinations are allowed. So latitude can be in one format and longitude can be in another. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** If single quotes or double quotes are used to delimit the input string argument, this will create a mismatch with the single quotes or double quotes that are used, respectively, to indicate minute-values and second-values. In such cases, the quotes that are used for indicating minute-values and second-values must be escaped by doubling them. In the examples in this section, quotes used to delimit the input string are highlighted in yellow (") while unit indicators that are escaped are highlighted in blue (").

- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D°M'S.SS"N/S D°M'S.SS"W/E`  
*Example:* 33°55'11.11"N 22°44'55.25"W
- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D°M'S.SS" +/-D°M'S.SS"`  
*Example:* 33°55'11.11" -22°44'55.25"
- Degrees, decimal minutes, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D°M.MM'N/S D°M.MM'W/E`  
*Example:* 33°55.55'N 22°44.44'W
- Degrees, decimal minutes, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D°M.MM' +/-D°M.MM'`  
*Example:* +33°55.55' -22°44.44'
- Decimal degrees, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D.DDN/S D.DDW/E`  
*Example:* 33.33N 22.22W
- Decimal degrees, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D.DD +/-D.DD`  
*Example:* 33.33 -22.22

Examples of format-combinations:

```
33.33N -22°44'55.25"
33.33 22°44'55.25"W
33.33 22.45
```

☐ Altova Exif Attribute: Geolocation

The Altova XPath/XQuery Engine generates the custom attribute `Geolocation` from standard Exif metadata tags. `Geolocation` is a concatenation of four Exif tags:

`GPSLatitude`, `GPSLatitudeRef`, `GPSLongitude`, `GPSLongitudeRef`, with units added (see table below).

GPSLatitude	GPSLatitudeRef	GPSLongitude	GPSLongitudeRef	Geolocation
33 51 21.91	S	151 13 11.73	E	33°51'21.91"S 151° 13'11.73"E

▼ `geolocation-distance-km [altova:]`

```
altova:geolocation-distance-km(GeolocationInputString-1 as xs:string,
GeolocationInputString-2 as xs:string) as xs:decimal XP3 XQ3
```

Calculates the distance between two geolocations in kilometers. The formats in which the geolocation input string can be supplied are listed below. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** The [image-exif-data](#) function and the Exif metadata's `@Geolocation` attribute can be used to supply geolocation input strings.

☐ Examples

- `altova:geolocation-distance-km("33.33 -22.22", "48°51'29.6"N 24°17'40.2"W")` returns the `xs:decimal` `4183.08132372392`

☐ Geolocation input string formats:

The geolocation input string must contain latitude and longitude (in that order) separated by whitespace. Each can be in any of the following formats. Combinations are allowed. So latitude can be in one format and longitude can be in another. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** If single quotes or double quotes are used to delimit the input string argument, this will create a mismatch with the single quotes or double quotes that are used, respectively, to indicate minute-values and second-values. In such cases, the quotes that are used for indicating minute-values and second-values must be escaped by doubling them. In the examples in this section, quotes used to delimit the input string are highlighted in yellow (") while unit indicators that are escaped are highlighted in blue (").

- `Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)`  
`D°M'S.SS"N/S D°M'S.SS"W/E`

*Example:* 33°55'11.11"N 22°44'55.25"W

- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional

`+/-D°M'S.SS" +/-D°M'S.SS"`

*Example:* 33°55'11.11" -22°44'55.25"

- Degrees, decimal minutes, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)

`D°M.MM'N/S D°M.MM'W/E`

*Example:* 33°55.55'N 22°44.44'W

- Degrees, decimal minutes, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional

`+/-D°M.MM' +/-D°M.MM'`

*Example:* +33°55.55' -22°44.44'

- Decimal degrees, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)

`D.DDN/S D.DDW/E`

*Example:* 33.33N 22.22W

- Decimal degrees, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional

`+/-D.DD +/-D.DD`

*Example:* 33.33 -22.22

Examples of format-combinations:

33.33N -22°44'55.25"

33.33 22°44'55.25"W

33.33 22.45

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33 51 21.91	S	151 13 11.73	E	33°51'21.91"S 151° 13'11.73"E

▼ `geolocation-distance-mi` [`altova:`]

`altova:geolocation-distance-mi` (`GeolocationInputString-1` as `xs:string`, `GeolocationInputString-2` as `xs:string`) as `xs:decimal` XP3 XQ3

Calculates the distance between two geolocations in miles. The formats in which a geolocation input string can be supplied are listed below. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** The [image-exif-data](#) function and the Exif metadata's [@Geolocation](#) attribute can be used to supply geolocation input strings.

▣ Examples

- `altova:geolocation-distance-mi ("33.33 -22.22", "48°51'29.6"N 24°17'40.2"W")` returns the `xs:decimal 2599.40652340653`

▣ Geolocation input string formats:

The geolocation input string must contain latitude and longitude (in that order) separated by whitespace. Each can be in any of the following formats. Combinations are allowed. So latitude can be in one format and longitude can be in another. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** If single quotes or double quotes are used to delimit the input string argument, this will create a mismatch with the single quotes or double quotes that are used, respectively, to indicate minute-values and second-values. In such cases, the quotes that are used for indicating minute-values and second-values must be escaped by doubling them. In the examples in this section, quotes used to delimit the input string are highlighted in yellow (") while unit indicators that are escaped are highlighted in blue ("").

- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D°M'S.SS"N/S` `D°M'S.SS"W/E`  
Example: `33°55'11.11"N` `22°44'55.25"W`
- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D°M'S.SS"` `+/-D°M'S.SS"`  
Example: `33°55'11.11"` `-22°44'55.25"`
- Degrees, decimal minutes, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D°M.MM"N/S` `D°M.MM"W/E`  
Example: `33°55.55"N` `22°44.44"W`
- Degrees, decimal minutes, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D°M.MM'` `+/-D°M.MM'`  
Example: `+33°55.55'` `-22°44.44'`
- Decimal degrees, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D.DDN/S` `D.DDW/E`  
Example: `33.33N` `22.22W`
- Decimal degrees, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D.DD` `+/-D.DD`  
Example: `33.33` `-22.22`

Examples of format-combinations:

`33.33N` `-22°44'55.25"`  
`33.33` `22°44'55.25"W`

33.33 22.45

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#### geolocation-within-polygon [altova:]

```
altova:geolocation-within-polygon(Geolocation as xs:string, ((PolygonPoint
as xs:string)+)) as xs:boolean XP3 XQ3
```

Determines whether `Geolocation` (the first argument) is within the polygonal area described by the `PolygonPoint` arguments. If the `PolygonPoint` arguments do not form a closed figure (formed when the first point and the last point are the same), then the first point is implicitly added as the last point in order to close the figure. All the arguments (`Geolocation` and `PolygonPoint+`) are given by geolocation input strings (*formats listed below*). If the `Geolocation` argument is within the polygonal area, then the function returns `true()`; otherwise it returns `false()`. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** The [image-exif-data](#) function and the Exif metadata's `@Geolocation` attribute can be used to supply geolocation input strings.

#### Examples

- `altova:geolocation-within-polygon("33 -22", ("58 -32", "-78 -55", "48 24", "58 -32"))` returns `true()`
- `altova:geolocation-within-polygon("33 -22", ("58 -32", "-78 -55", "48 24"))` returns `true()`
- `altova:geolocation-within-polygon("33 -22", ("58 -32", "-78 -55", "48°51'29.6"N 24°17'40.2"E"))` returns `true()`

#### Geolocation input string formats:

The geolocation input string must contain latitude and longitude (in that order) separated by whitespace. Each can be in any of the following formats. Combinations are allowed. So latitude can be in one format and longitude can be in another. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** If single quotes or double quotes are used to delimit the input string argument, this will create a mismatch with the single quotes or double quotes that are used, respectively, to indicate minute-values and second-values. In such cases, the quotes

that are used for indicating minute-values and second-values must be escaped by doubling them. In the examples in this section, quotes used to delimit the input string are highlighted in yellow (") while unit indicators that are escaped are highlighted in blue (").

- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D°M'S.SS"N/S D°M'S.SS"W/E`  
*Example:* 33°55'11.11"N 22°44'55.25"W
- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D°M'S.SS" +/-D°M'S.SS"`  
*Example:* 33°55'11.11" -22°44'55.25"
- Degrees, decimal minutes, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D°M.MM'N/S D°M.MM'W/E`  
*Example:* 33°55.55'N 22°44.44'W
- Degrees, decimal minutes, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D°M.MM' +/-D°M.MM'`  
*Example:* +33°55.55' -22°44.44'
- Decimal degrees, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
`D.DDN/S D.DDW/E`  
*Example:* 33.33N 22.22W
- Decimal degrees, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
`+/-D.DD +/-D.DD`  
*Example:* 33.33 -22.22

Examples of format-combinations:

33.33N -22°44'55.25"  
 33.33 22°44'55.25"W  
 33.33 22.45

☐ Altova Exif Attribute: Geolocation

The Altova XPath/XQuery Engine generates the custom attribute `Geolocation` from standard Exif metadata tags. `Geolocation` is a concatenation of four Exif tags: `GPSLatitude`, `GPSLatitudeRef`, `GPSLongitude`, `GPSLongitudeRef`, with units added (see table below).

GPSLatitude	GPSLatitudeRef	GPSLongitude	GPSLongitudeRef	Geolocation
33 51 21.91	S	151 13 11.73	E	33°51'21.91"S 151° 13'11.73"E

▼ **geolocation-within-rectangle** [altova:]

**altova:geolocation-within-rectangle**(*Geolocation* as *xs:string*, *RectCorner-1* as *xs:string*, *RectCorner-2* as *xs:string*) as *xs:boolean* **XP3 XQ3**

Determines whether *Geolocation* (the first argument) is within the rectangle defined by the second and third arguments, *RectCorner-1* and *RectCorner-2*, which specify opposite corners of the rectangle. All the arguments (*Geolocation*, *RectCorner-1* and *RectCorner-2*) are given by geolocation input strings (*formats listed below*). If the *Geolocation* argument is within the rectangle, then the function returns `true()`; otherwise it returns `false()`. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** The [image-exif-data](#) function and the Exif metadata's [@Geolocation](#) attribute can be used to supply geolocation input strings.

☐ Examples

- **altova:geolocation-within-rectangle**("33 -22", "58 -32", "-48 24") returns `true()`
- **altova:geolocation-within-rectangle**("33 -22", "58 -32", "48 24") returns `false()`
- **altova:geolocation-within-rectangle**("33 -22", "58 -32", "48°51'29.6" 24°17'40.2") returns `true()`

☐ Geolocation input string formats:

The geolocation input string must contain latitude and longitude (in that order) separated by whitespace. Each can be in any of the following formats. Combinations are allowed. So latitude can be in one format and longitude can be in another. Latitude values range from +90 to -90 (N to S). Longitude values range from +180 to -180 (E to W).

**Note:** If single quotes or double quotes are used to delimit the input string argument, this will create a mismatch with the single quotes or double quotes that are used, respectively, to indicate minute-values and second-values. In such cases, the quotes that are used for indicating minute-values and second-values must be escaped by doubling them. In the examples in this section, quotes used to delimit the input string are highlighted in yellow (") while unit indicators that are escaped are highlighted in blue (").

- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
D°M'S.SS"N/S D°M'S.SS"W/E  
*Example:* 33°55'11.11"N 22°44'55.25"W
- Degrees, minutes, decimal seconds, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional  
+/-D°M'S.SS" +/-D°M'S.SS"  
*Example:* 33°55'11.11" -22°44'55.25"
- Degrees, decimal minutes, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)  
D°M.MM'N/S D°M.MM'W/E  
*Example:* 33°55.55'N 22°44.44'W
- Degrees, decimal minutes, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is

optional

$\pm D^{\circ}M.MM'$   $\pm D^{\circ}M.MM'$

*Example:*  $+33^{\circ}55.55'$   $-22^{\circ}44.44'$

- Decimal degrees, with suffixed orientation (N/S, W/E)

$D.DDN/S$   $D.DDW/E$

*Example:*  $33.33N$   $22.22W$

- Decimal degrees, with prefixed sign (+/-); the plus sign for (N/W) is optional

$\pm D.DD$   $\pm D.DD$

*Example:*  $33.33$   $-22.22$

*Examples of format-combinations:*

$33.33N$   $-22^{\circ}44'55.25''$

$33.33$   $22^{\circ}44'55.25''W$

$33.33$   $22.45$

#### Altova Exif Attribute: Geolocation

The Altova XPath/XQuery Engine generates the custom attribute `Geolocation` from standard Exif metadata tags. `Geolocation` is a concatenation of four Exif tags:

`GPSLatitude`, `GPSLatitudeRef`, `GPSLongitude`, `GPSLongitudeRef`, with units added (see table below).

GPSLatitude	GPSLatitudeRef	GPSLongitude	GPSLongitudeRef	Geolocation
33 51 21.91	S	151 13 11.73	E	$33^{\circ}51'21.91''S$ $151^{\circ}$ $13'11.73''E$

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## 2.1.4 XPath/XQuery Functions: Image-Related

The following image-related XPath/XQuery extension functions are supported in the current version of XMLSpy and can be used in (i) XPath expressions in an XSLT context, or (ii) XQuery expressions in an XQuery document.

Note about naming of functions and language applicability

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, <http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions>, and are indicated in this section with the prefix `altova:`, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):	XP1 XP2 XP3
XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):	XSLT1 XSLT2 XSLT3
XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):	XQ1 XQ3

▼ **suggested-image-file-extension** [altova:]

**altova:suggested-image-file-extension**(Base64String as string) AS string? XP3 XQ3

Takes the Base64 encoding of an image file as its argument and returns the file extension of the image as recorded in the Base64-encoding of the image. The returned value is a suggestion based on the image type information available in the encoding. If this information is not available, then an empty string is returned. This function is useful if you wish to save a Base64 image as a file and wish to dynamically retrieve an appropriate file extension.

▣ Examples

- **altova:suggested-image-file-extension** (/MyImages/MobilePhone/Image20141130.01) returns 'jpg'
- **altova:suggested-image-file-extension** (\$XML1/Staff/Person/@photo) returns ''

In the examples above, the nodes supplied as the argument of the function are assumed to contain a Base64-encoded image. The first example retrieves `jpg` as the file's type and extension. In the second example, the submitted Base64 encoding does not provide usable file extension information.

▼ **image-exif-data** [altova:]

**altova:image-exif-data**(Base64BinaryString as string) AS element? XP3 XQ3

Takes a Base64-encoded image as its argument and returns an element called `Exif` that contains the Exif metadata of the image. The Exif metadata is created as attribute-value pairs of the `Exif` element. The attribute names are the Exif data tags found in the Base64 encoding. The list of Exif-specification tags is given below. If a vendor-specific tag is present in the Exif data, this tag and its value will also be returned as an attribute-value pair. Additional to the standard Exif metadata tags (see *list below*), Altova-specific attribute-value pairs are also generated. These Altova Exif attributes are listed below.

▣ Examples

- To access any one attribute, use the function like this:  
**image-exif-data** (/MyImages/Image20141130.01) /@GPSLatitude  
**image-exif-data** (/MyImages/Image20141130.01) /@Geolocation
  - To access all the attributes, use the function like this:  
**image-exif-data** (/MyImages/Image20141130.01) /@\*
  - To access the names of all the attributes, use the following expression:  
**for \$i in image-exif-data** (/MyImages/Image20141130.01) /@\* **return** **name** (\$i)
- This is useful to find out the names of the attributes returned by the function.

▣ Altova Exif Attribute: Geolocation

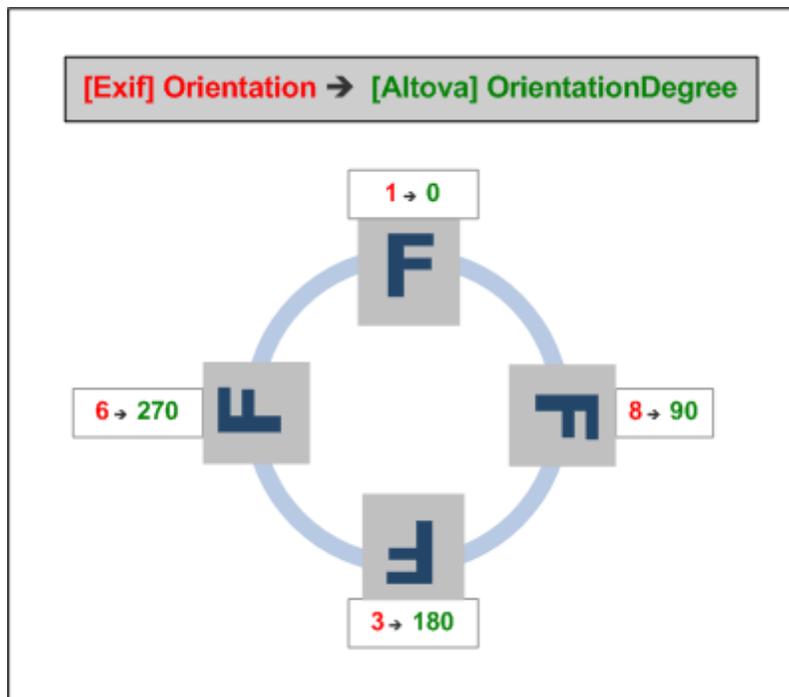
The Altova XPath/XQuery Engine generates the custom attribute `Geolocation` from standard Exif metadata tags. `Geolocation` is a concatenation of four Exif tags: `GPSLatitude`, `GPSLatitudeRef`, `GPSLongitude`, `GPSLongitudeRef`, with units added (see table below).

GPSLatitude	GPSLatitudeRef	GPSLongitude	GPSLongitudeRef	Geolocation
33 51 21.91	S	151 13 11.73	E	33°51'21.91"S 151° 13'11.73"E

▣ Altova Exif Attribute: OrientationDegree

The Altova XPath/XQuery Engine generates the custom attribute `OrientationDegree` from the Exif metadata tag `orientation`.

`OrientationDegree` translates the standard Exif tag `Orientation` from an integer value (1, 8, 3, or 6) to the respective degree values of each (0, 90, 180, 270), as shown in the figure below. Note that there are no translations of the `Orientation` values of 2, 4, 5, 7. (These orientations are obtained by flipping image 1 across its vertical center axis to get the image with a value of 2, and then rotating this image in 90-degree jumps clockwise to get the values of 7, 4, and 5, respectively).



▣ Listing of standard Exif meta tags

- `ImageWidth`

- ImageLength
- BitsPerSample
- Compression
- PhotometricInterpretation
- Orientation
- SamplesPerPixel
- PlanarConfiguration
- YCbCrSubSampling
- YCbCrPositioning
- XResolution
- YResolution
- ResolutionUnit
- StripOffsets
- RowsPerStrip
- StripByteCounts
- JPEGInterchangeFormat
- JPEGInterchangeFormatLength
- TransferFunction
- WhitePoint
- PrimaryChromaticities
- YCbCrCoefficients
- ReferenceBlackWhite
- DateTime
- ImageDescription
- Make
- Model
- Software
- Artist
- Copyright

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- ExifVersion
  - FlashpixVersion
  - ColorSpace
  - ComponentsConfiguration
  - CompressedBitsPerPixel
  - PixelXDimension
  - PixelYDimension
  - MakerNote
  - UserComment
  - RelatedSoundFile
  - DateTimeOriginal
  - DateTimeDigitized
  - SubSecTime
  - SubSecTimeOriginal
  - SubSecTimeDigitized
  - ExposureTime
  - FNumber
  - ExposureProgram
  - SpectralSensitivity
  - ISOSpeedRatings
  - OECF
  - ShutterSpeedValue
  - ApertureValue
  - BrightnessValue
  - ExposureBiasValue

- MaxApertureValue
- SubjectDistance
- MeteringMode
- LightSource
- Flash
- FocalLength
- SubjectArea
- FlashEnergy
- SpatialFrequencyResponse
- FocalPlaneXResolution
- FocalPlaneYResolution
- FocalPlaneResolutionUnit
- SubjectLocation
- ExposureIndex
- SensingMethod
- FileSource
- SceneType
- CFAPattern
- CustomRendered
- ExposureMode
- WhiteBalance
- DigitalZoomRatio
- FocalLengthIn35mmFilm
- SceneCaptureType
- GainControl
- Contrast
- Saturation
- Sharpness
- DeviceSettingDescription
- SubjectDistanceRange
- ImageUniqueID

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- GPSVersionID
  - GPSLatitudeRef
  - GPSLatitude
  - GPSLongitudeRef
  - GPSLongitude
  - GPSAltitudeRef
  - GPSAltitude
  - GPSTimeStamp
  - GPSSatellites
  - GPSStatus
  - GPSMeasureMode
  - GPSDOP
  - GPSSpeedRef
  - GPSSpeed
  - GPSTrackRef
  - GPSTrack
  - GPSImgDirectionRef
  - GPSImgDirection
  - GPSMapDatum
  - GPSDestLatitudeRef
  - GPSDestLatitude
  - GPSDestLongitudeRef
  - GPSDestLongitude

- GPSDestBearingRef
- GPSDestBearing
- GPSDestDistanceRef
- GPSDestDistance
- GPSProcessingMethod
- GPSAreaInformation
- GPSDateStamp
- GPSDifferential

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## 2.1.5 XPath/XQuery Functions: Numeric

Altova's numeric extension functions can be used in XPath and XQuery expressions and provide additional functionality for the processing of data. The functions in this section can be used with Altova's **XPath 3.0** and **XQuery 3.0** engines. They are available in XPath/XQuery contexts.

Note about naming of functions and language applicability

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, <http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions>, and are indicated in this section with the prefix **altova:**, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

<i>XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>XP1</b> <b>XP2</b> <b>XP3</b>
<i>XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<b>XSLT1</b> <b>XSLT2</b> <b>XSLT3</b>
<i>XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):</i>	<b>XQ1</b> <b>XQ3</b>

### Auto-numbering functions

▼ **generate-auto-number** [altova:]

**altova:generate-auto-number**(**ID** as xs:string, **StartsWith** as xs:double, **Increment** as xs:double, **ResetOnChange** as xs:string) as xs:integer **XP1** **XP2** **XQ1** **XP3** **XQ3**

Generates a number each time the function is called. The first number, which is generated the first time the function is called, is specified by the **StartsWith** argument. Each subsequent call to the function generates a new number, this number being incremented over the previously generated number by the value specified in the **Increment** argument. In effect, the **altova:generate-auto-number** function creates a counter having a name specified by the **ID** argument, with this counter being incremented each time the function is called. If the value of the **ResetOnChange** argument changes from that of the previous function call, then the value of the number to be generated is reset to the **StartsWith** value. Auto-numbering

can also be reset by using the [altova:reset-auto-number](#) function.

▣ Examples

- `altova:generate-auto-number("ChapterNumber", 1, 1, "SomeString")` will return one number each time the function is called, starting with 1, and incrementing by 1 with each call to the function. As long as the fourth argument remains "SomeString" in each subsequent call, the incrementing will continue. When the value of the fourth argument changes, the counter (called `ChapterNumber`) will reset to 1. The value of `ChapterNumber` can also be reset by a call to the [altova:reset-auto-number](#) function, like this: `altova:reset-auto-number("ChapterNumber")`.

▼ **reset-auto-number [altova:]**

`altova:reset-auto-number(ID as xs:string)` **XP1 XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3**

This function resets the number of the auto-numbering counter named in the `ID` argument. The number is reset to the number specified by the `StartsWith` argument of the [altova:generate-auto-number](#) function that created the counter named in the `ID` argument.

▣ Examples

- `altova:reset-auto-number("ChapterNumber")` resets the number of the auto-numbering counter named `ChapterNumber` that was created by the [altova:generate-auto-number](#) function. The number is reset to the value of the `StartsWith` argument of the [altova:generate-auto-number](#) function that created `ChapterNumber`.

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## Numeric functions

▼ **hex-string-to-integer [altova:]**

`altova:hex-string-to-integer(HexString as xs:string) as xs:integer` **XP3 XQ3**

Takes a string argument that is the Base-16 equivalent of an integer in the decimal system (Base-10), and returns the decimal integer.

▣ Examples

- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('1')` returns 1
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('9')` returns 9
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('A')` returns 10
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('B')` returns 11
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('F')` returns 15
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('G')` returns an error
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('10')` returns 16
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('01')` returns 1
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('20')` returns 32
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('21')` returns 33
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('5A')` returns 90
- `altova:hex-string-to-integer('USA')` returns an error

▼ `integer-to-hex-string` [altova:]

`altova:integer-to-hex-string(Integer as xs:integer) as xs:string` XP3 XQ3

Takes an integer argument and returns its Base-16 equivalent as a string.

☐ Examples

- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(1)` returns '1'
- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(9)` returns '9'
- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(10)` returns 'A'
- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(11)` returns 'B'
- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(15)` returns 'F'
- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(16)` returns '10'
- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(32)` returns '20'
- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(33)` returns '21'
- `altova:integer-to-hex-string(90)` returns '5A'

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## Number-formatting functions

▼ `generate-auto-number` [altova:]

`altova:generate-auto-number(ID as xs:string, StartsWith as xs:double, Increment as xs:double, ResetOnChange as xs:string) as xs:integer` XP1 XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3

Generates a number each time the function is called. The first number, which is generated the first time the function is called, is specified by the `StartsWith` argument. Each subsequent call to the function generates a new number, this number being incremented over the previously generated number by the value specified in the `Increment` argument. In effect, the `altova:generate-auto-number` function creates a counter having a name specified by the `ID` argument, with this counter being incremented each time the function is called. If the value of the `ResetOnChange` argument changes from that of the previous function call, then the value of the number to be generated is reset to the `StartsWith` value. Auto-numbering can also be reset by using the [altova:reset-auto-number](#) function.

☐ Examples

- `altova:generate-auto-number("ChapterNumber", 1, 1, "SomeString")` will return one number each time the function is called, starting with 1, and incrementing by 1 with each call to the function. As long as the fourth argument remains "SomeString" in each subsequent call, the incrementing will continue. When the value of the fourth argument changes, the counter (called `ChapterNumber`) will reset to 1. The value of `ChapterNumber` can also be reset by a call to the [altova:reset-auto-number](#) function, like this: `altova:reset-auto-number("ChapterNumber")`.

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### 2.1.6 XPath/XQuery Functions: Sequence

Altova's sequence extension functions can be used in XPath and XQuery expressions and provide additional functionality for the processing of data. The functions in this section can be used with

Altova's **XPath 3.0** and **XQuery 3.0** engines. They are available in XPath/XQuery contexts.

Note about naming of functions and language applicability

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, <http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions>, and are indicated in this section with the prefix **altova:**, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):	XP1 XP2 XP3
XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):	XSLT1 XSLT2 XSLT3
XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):	XQ1 XQ3

#### ▼ **attributes [altova:]**

**altova:attributes(AttributeName as xs:string) as attribute()\*** XP3 XQ3

Returns all attributes that have a local name which is the same as the name supplied in the input argument, `AttributeName`. The search is case-sensitive and conducted along the `attribute::` axis. This means that the context node must be the parent element node.

##### ▣ Examples

- **altova:attributes("MyAttribute")** returns `MyAttribute()*`

**altova:attributes(AttributeName as xs:string, SearchOptions as xs:string) as attribute()\*** XP3 XQ3

Returns all attributes that have a local name which is the same as the name supplied in the input argument, `AttributeName`. The search is case-sensitive and conducted along the `attribute::` axis. The context node must be the parent element node. The second argument is a string containing option flags. Available flags are:

**r** = switches to a regular-expression search; `AttributeName` must then be a regular-expression search string;

**f** = If this option is specified, then `AttributeName` provides a full match; otherwise `AttributeName` need only partially match an attribute name to return that attribute. For example: if **f** is not specified, then `MyAtt` will return `MyAttribute`;

**i** = switches to a case-insensitive search;

**p** = includes the namespace prefix in the search; `AttributeName` should then contain the namespace prefix, for example: `altova:MyAttribute`.

The flags can be written in any order. Invalid flags will generate errors. One or more flags can be omitted. The empty string is allowed, and will produce the same effect as the function having only one argument (*previous signature*). However, an empty sequence is not allowed as the second argument.

##### ▣ Examples

- **altova:attributes("MyAttribute", "rfip")** returns `MyAttribute()*`
- **altova:attributes("MyAttribute", "pri")** returns `MyAttribute()*`
- **altova:attributes("MyAtt", "rip")** returns `MyAttribute()*`
- **altova:attributes("MyAttributes", "rfip")** returns no match

- `altova:attributes("MyAttribute", "")` returns `MyAttribute()*`
- `altova:attributes("MyAttribute", "Rip")` returns an unrecognized-flag error.
- `altova:attributes("MyAttribute", )` returns a missing-second-argument error.

#### ▼ `elements` [`altova:`]

`altova:elements(ElementName as xs:string) as element()*` **XP3 XQ3**

Returns all elements that have a local name which is the same as the name supplied in the input argument, `ElementName`. The search is case-sensitive and conducted along the `child::` axis. The context node must be the parent node of the element/s being searched for.

##### ▢ Examples

- `altova:elements("MyElement")` returns `MyElement()*`

`altova:elements(ElementName as xs:string, SearchOptions as xs:string) as element()*` **XP3 XQ3**

Returns all elements that have a local name which is the same as the name supplied in the input argument, `ElementName`. The search is case-sensitive and conducted along the `child::` axis. The context node must be the parent node of the element/s being searched for. The second argument is a string containing option flags. Available flags are:

**r** = switches to a regular-expression search; `ElementName` must then be a regular-expression search string;

**f** = If this option is specified, then `ElementName` provides a full match; otherwise `ElementName` need only partially match an element name to return that element. For example: if **f** is not specified, then `MyElem` will return `MyElement`;

**i** = switches to a case-insensitive search;

**p** = includes the namespace prefix in the search; `ElementName` should then contain the namespace prefix, for example: `altova:MyElement`.

The flags can be written in any order. Invalid flags will generate errors. One or more flags can be omitted. The empty string is allowed, and will produce the same effect as the function having only one argument (*previous signature*). However, an empty sequence is not allowed.

##### ▢ Examples

- `altova:elements("MyElement", "rip")` returns `MyElement()*`
- `altova:elements("MyElement", "pri")` returns `MyElement()*`
- `altova:elements("MyElement", "")` returns `MyElement()*`
- `altova:attributes("MyElem", "rip")` returns `MyElement()*`
- `altova:attributes("MyElements", "rfip")` returns no match
- `altova:elements("MyElement", "Rip")` returns an unrecognized-flag error.
- `altova:elements("MyElement", )` returns a missing-second-argument error.

#### ▼ `find-first` [`altova:`]

`altova:find-first((Sequence as item()*), (Condition(Sequence-Item as xs:boolean))) as item()?` **XP3 XQ3**

This function takes two arguments. The first argument is a sequence of one or more items of any datatype. The second argument, `Condition`, is a reference to an XPath function that takes one argument (has an arity of 1) and returns a boolean. Each item of `Sequence` is submitted, in turn, to the function referenced in `Condition`. (*Remember:* This function takes

a single argument.) The first `sequence` item that causes the function in `condition` to evaluate to `true()` is returned as the result of `altova:find-first`, and the iteration stops.

#### Examples

- `altova:find-first(5 to 10, function($a) {$a mod 2 = 0})` returns `xs:integer 6`

The `condition` argument references the XPath 3.0 inline function, `function()`, which declares an inline function named `$a` and then defines it. Each item in the `sequence` argument of `altova:find-first` is passed, in turn, to `$a` as its input value. The input value is tested on the condition in the function definition (`$a mod 2 = 0`). The first input value to satisfy this condition is returned as the result of `altova:find-first` (in this case 6).

- `altova:find-first((1 to 10), (function($a) {$a+3=7}))` returns `xs:integer 4`

#### Further examples

If the file `C:\Temp\Customers.xml` exists:

- `altova:find-first( "C:\Temp\Customers.xml", "http://www.altova.com/index.html"), (doc-available#1) )` returns `xs:string C:\Temp\Customers.xml`

If the file `C:\Temp\Customers.xml` does not exist, and `http://www.altova.com/index.html` exists:

- `altova:find-first( "C:\Temp\Customers.xml", "http://www.altova.com/index.html"), (doc-available#1) )` returns `xs:string http://www.altova.com/index.html`

If the file `C:\Temp\Customers.xml` does not exist, and `http://www.altova.com/index.html` also does not exist:

- `altova:find-first( "C:\Temp\Customers.xml", "http://www.altova.com/index.html"), (doc-available#1) )` returns no result

#### Notes about the examples given above

- The XPath 3.0 function, `doc-available`, takes a single string argument, which is used as a URI, and returns `true` if a document node is found at the submitted URI. (The document at the submitted URI must therefore be an XML document.)
- The `doc-available` function can be used for `condition`, the second argument of `altova:find-first`, because it takes only one argument (arity=1), because it takes an `item()` as input (a string which is used as a URI), and returns a boolean value.
- Notice that the `doc-available` function is only referenced, not called. The `#1` suffix that is attached to it indicates a function with an arity of 1. In its entirety `doc-available#1` simply means: *Use the `doc-available()` function that has `arity=1`, passing to it as its single argument, in turn, each of the items in the first sequence.* As a result, each of the two strings will be passed to `doc-available()`, which uses the string as a URI and tests whether a document node exists at the URI. If one does, the `doc-available()` evaluates to `true()` and that string is returned as the result of the `altova:find-first` function. *Note about the `doc-available()`*

*function: Relative paths are resolved relative to the the current base URI, which is by default the URI of the XML document from which the function is loaded.*

▼ **find-first-combination** [altova:]

```
altova:find-first-combination((Seq-01 as item()*), (Seq-02 as item()*),
(Condition( Seq-01-Item, Seq-02-Item as xs:boolean)) AS item()* XP3 XQ3
```

This function takes three arguments:

- The first two arguments, `seq-01` and `seq-02`, are sequences of one or more items of any datatype.
- The third argument, `Condition`, is a reference to an XPath function that takes two arguments (has an arity of 2) and returns a boolean.

The items of `seq-01` and `seq-02` are passed in ordered pairs (one item from each sequence making up a pair) as the arguments of the function in `condition`. The pairs are ordered as follows.

```
If Seq-01 = X1, X2, X3 ... Xn
And Seq-02 = Y1, Y2, Y3 ... Yn
Then (X1 Y1), (X1 Y2), (X1 Y3) ... (X1 Yn), (X2 Y1), (X2 Y2) ... (Xn Yn)
```

The first ordered pair that causes the `Condition` function to evaluate to `true()` is returned as the result of `altova:find-first-combination`. Note that: (i) If the `Condition` function iterates through the submitted argument pairs and does not once evaluate to `true()`, then `altova:find-first-combination` returns *No results*; (ii) The result of `altova:find-first-combination` will always be a pair of items (of any datatype) or no item at all.

▣ Examples

- `altova:find-first-combination(11 to 20, 21 to 30, function($a, $b) {$a + $b = 32})` returns the sequence of `xs:integers` (11, 21)
- `altova:find-first-combination(11 to 20, 21 to 30, function($a, $b) {$a + $b = 33})` returns the sequence of `xs:integers` (11, 22)
- `altova:find-first-combination(11 to 20, 21 to 30, function($a, $b) {$a + $b = 34})` returns the sequence of `xs:integers` (11, 23)

▼ **find-first-pair** [altova:]

```
altova:find-first-pair((Seq-01 as item()*), (Seq-02 as item()*),
(Condition( Seq-01-Item, Seq-02-Item as xs:boolean)) AS item()* XP3 XQ3
```

This function takes three arguments:

- The first two arguments, `seq-01` and `seq-02`, are sequences of one or more items of any datatype.
- The third argument, `Condition`, is a reference to an XPath function that takes two arguments (has an arity of 2) and returns a boolean.

The items of `seq-01` and `seq-02` are passed in ordered pairs as the arguments of the function in `condition`. The pairs are ordered as follows.

```
If Seq-01 = X1, X2, X3 ... Xn
And Seq-02 = Y1, Y2, Y3 ... Yn
```

Then (X1 Y1), (X2 Y2), (X3 Y3) ... (Xn Yn)

The first ordered pair that causes the `condition` function to evaluate to `true()` is returned as the result of `altova:find-first-pair`. Note that: (i) If the `condition` function iterates through the submitted argument pairs and does not once evaluate to `true()`, then `altova:find-first-pair` returns *No results*; (ii) The result of `altova:find-first-pair` will always be a pair of items (of any datatype) or no item at all.

#### Examples

- `altova:find-first-pair(11 to 20, 21 to 30, function($a, $b) {$a+$b = 32})` returns the sequence of `xs:integers (11, 21)`
- `altova:find-first-pair(11 to 20, 21 to 30, function($a, $b) {$a+$b = 33})` returns *No results*

Notice from the two examples above that the ordering of the pairs is: (11, 21) (12, 22) (13, 23) ... (20, 30). This is why the second example returns *No results* (because no ordered pair gives a sum of 33).

#### find-first-pair-pos [altova:]

```
altova:find-first-pair-pos((Seq-01 as item()*), (Seq-02 as item()*),
(Condition( Seq-01-Item, Seq-02-Item as xs:boolean))) as xs:integer XP3 XQ3
```

This function takes three arguments:

- The first two arguments, `seq-01` and `seq-02`, are sequences of one or more items of any datatype.
- The third argument, `condition`, is a reference to an XPath function that takes two arguments (has an arity of 2) and returns a boolean.

The items of `seq-01` and `seq-02` are passed in ordered pairs as the arguments of the function in `condition`. The pairs are ordered as follows.

```
If Seq-01 = X1, X2, X3 ... Xn
And Seq-02 = Y1, Y2, Y3 ... Yn
Then (X1 Y1), (X2 Y2), (X3 Y3) ... (Xn Yn)
```

The index position of the first ordered pair that causes the `condition` function to evaluate to `true()` is returned as the result of `altova:find-first-pair-pos`. Note that if the `condition` function iterates through the submitted argument pairs and does not once evaluate to `true()`, then `altova:find-first-pair-pos` returns *No results*.

#### Examples

- `altova:find-first-pair-pos(11 to 20, 21 to 30, function($a, $b) {$a+$b = 32})` returns `1`
- `altova:find-first-pair-pos(11 to 20, 21 to 30, function($a, $b) {$a+$b = 33})` returns *No results*

Notice from the two examples above that the ordering of the pairs is: (11, 21) (12, 22) (13, 23) ... (20, 30). In the first example, the first pair causes the `condition` function to evaluate to `true()`, and so its index position in the sequence, `1`, is returned. The second example returns *No results* because no pair gives a sum of 33.

▼ **find-first-pos** [altova:]

**altova:find-first-pos**((Sequence as item()\*), (Condition( Sequence-Item as xs:boolean))) AS xs:integer XP3 XQ3

This function takes two arguments. The first argument is a sequence of one or more items of any datatype. The second argument, *Condition*, is a reference to an XPath function that takes one argument (has an arity of 1) and returns a boolean. Each item of *Sequence* is submitted, in turn, to the function referenced in *Condition*. (*Remember*: This function takes a single argument.) The first *Sequence* item that causes the function in *Condition* to evaluate to `true()` has its index position in *Sequence* returned as the result of **altova:find-first-pos**, and the iteration stops.

▣ Examples

- **altova:find-first-pos**(5 to 10, function(\$a) {\$a mod 2 = 0}) returns `xs:integer 2`

The *Condition* argument references the XPath 3.0 inline function, `function()`, which declares an inline function named `$a` and then defines it. Each item in the *Sequence* argument of **altova:find-first-pos** is passed, in turn, to `$a` as its input value. The input value is tested on the condition in the function definition (`$a mod 2 = 0`). The index position in the sequence of the first input value to satisfy this condition is returned as the result of **altova:find-first-pos** (in this case 2, since 6, the first value (in the sequence) to satisfy the condition, is at index position 2 in the sequence).

- **altova:find-first-pos**((2 to 10), (function(\$a) {\$a+3=7})) returns `xs:integer 3`

Further examples

If the file `C:\Temp\Customers.xml` exists:

- **altova:find-first-pos**( ("C:\Temp\Customers.xml", "http://www.altova.com/index.html"), (doc-available#1) ) returns 1

If the file `C:\Temp\Customers.xml` does not exist, and `http://www.altova.com/index.html` exists:

- **altova:find-first-pos**( ("C:\Temp\Customers.xml", "http://www.altova.com/index.html"), (doc-available#1) ) returns 2

If the file `C:\Temp\Customers.xml` does not exist, and `http://www.altova.com/index.html` also does not exist:

- **altova:find-first-pos**( ("C:\Temp\Customers.xml", "http://www.altova.com/index.html"), (doc-available#1) ) returns no result

Notes about the examples given above

- The XPath 3.0 function, `doc-available`, takes a single string argument, which is used as a URI, and returns `true` if a document node is found at the submitted URI. (The document at the submitted URI must therefore be an XML document.)
- The `doc-available` function can be used for *Condition*, the second argument of **altova:find-first-pos**, because it takes only one argument (arity=1), because it

takes an `item()` as input (a string which is used as a URI), and returns a boolean value.

- Notice that the `doc-available` function is only referenced, not called. The `#1` suffix that is attached to it indicates a function with an arity of 1. In its entirety `doc-available#1` simply means: *Use the `doc-available()` function that has `arity=1`, passing to it as its single argument, in turn, each of the items in the first sequence.* As a result, each of the two strings will be passed to `doc-available()`, which uses the string as a URI and tests whether a document node exists at the URI. If one does, the `doc-available()` function evaluates to `true()` and the index position of that string in the sequence is returned as the result of the `altova:find-first-pos` function. *Note about the `doc-available()` function: Relative paths are resolved relative to the the current base URI, which is by default the URI of the XML document from which the function is loaded.*

#### ▼ `substitute-empty` [altova:]

```
altova:substitute-empty(FirstSequence as item()*, SecondSequence as item())
as item()* XP3 XQ3
```

If `FirstSequence` is empty, returns `SecondSequence`. If `FirstSequence` is not empty, returns `FirstSequence`.

##### ▣ Examples

- `altova:substitute-empty( (1,2,3), (4,5,6) )` returns `(1,2,3)`
- `altova:substitute-empty( (), (4,5,6) )` returns `(4,5,6)`

## 2.1.7 XPath/XQuery Functions: String

Altova's string extension functions can be used in XPath and XQuery expressions and provide additional functionality for the processing of data. The functions in this section can be used with Altova's **XPath 3.0** and **XQuery 3.0** engines. They are available in XPath/XQuery contexts.

Note about naming of functions and language applicability

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, <http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions>, and are indicated in this section with the prefix `altova:`, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

<i>XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<code>XP1 XP2 XP3</code>
<i>XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<code>XSLT1 XSLT2 XSLT3</code>
<i>XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):</i>	<code>XQ1 XQ3</code>

▼ **camel-case** [altova:]

**altova:camel-case**(*InputString* as *xs:string*) as *xs:string* XP3 XQ3

Returns the input string *InputString* in CamelCase. The string is analyzed using the regular expression '\s' (which is a shortcut for the whitespace character). The first non-whitespace character after a whitespace or sequence of consecutive whitespaces is capitalized. The first character in the output string is capitalized.

☐ Examples

- **altova:camel-case**("max") returns Max
- **altova:camel-case**("max max") returns Max Max
- **altova:camel-case**("file01.xml") returns File01.xml
- **altova:camel-case**("file01.xml file02.xml") returns File01.xml File02.xml
- **altova:camel-case**("file01.xml file02.xml") returns File01.xml  
File02.xml
- **altova:camel-case**("file01.xml -file02.xml") returns File01.xml -  
file02.xml

**altova:camel-case**(*InputString* as *xs:string*, *SplitChars* as *xs:string*, *IsRegex* as *xs:boolean*) as *xs:string* XP3 XQ3

Converts the input string *InputString* to camel case by using *splitChars* to determine the character/s that trigger the next capitalization. *splitChars* is used as a regular expression when *IsRegex* = *true()*, or as plain characters when *IsRegex* = *false()*. The first character in the output string is capitalized.

☐ Examples

- **altova:camel-case**("setname getname", "set|get", *true()*) returns setName  
getName
- **altova:camel-case**("altova\documents\testcases", "\", *false()*) returns  
Altova\Documents\Testcases

▼ **char** [altova:]

**altova:char**(*Position* as *xs:integer*) as *xs:string* XP3 XQ3

Returns a string containing the character at the position specified by the *Position* argument, in the string obtained by converting the value of the context item to *xs:string*. The result string will be empty if no character exists at the index submitted by the *Position* argument.

☐ Examples

If the context item is 1234ABCD:

- **altova:char**(2) returns 2
- **altova:char**(5) returns A
- **altova:char**(9) returns the empty string.
- **altova:char**(-2) returns the empty string.

**altova:char**(*InputString* as *xs:string*, *Position* as *xs:integer*) as *xs:string* XP3 XQ3

Returns a string containing the character at the position specified by the *Position* argument, in the string submitted as the *InputString* argument. The result string will be empty if no character exists at the index submitted by the *Position* argument.

▣ Examples

- `altova:char("2014-01-15", 5)` returns -
- `altova:char("USA", 1)` returns U
- `altova:char("USA", 10)` returns the empty string.
- `altova:char("USA", -2)` returns the empty string.

▼ `first-chars [altova:]`

`altova:first-chars(X-Number as xs:integer) as xs:string XP3 XQ3`

Returns a string containing the first X-Number of characters of the string obtained by converting the value of the context item to `xs:string`.

▣ Examples

If the context item is 1234ABCD:

- `altova:first-chars(2)` returns 12
- `altova:first-chars(5)` returns 1234A
- `altova:first-chars(9)` returns 1234ABCD

`altova:first-chars(InputString as xs:string, X-Number as xs:integer) as xs:string XP3 XQ3`

Returns a string containing the first X-Number of characters of the string submitted as the `InputString` argument.

▣ Examples

- `altova:first-chars("2014-01-15", 5)` returns 2014-
- `altova:first-chars("USA", 1)` returns U

▼ `last-chars [altova:]`

`altova:last-chars(X-Number as xs:integer) as xs:string XP3 XQ3`

Returns a string containing the last X-Number of characters of the string obtained by converting the value of the context item to `xs:string`.

▣ Examples

If the context item is 1234ABCD:

- `altova:last-chars(2)` returns CD
- `altova:last-chars(5)` returns 4ABCD
- `altova:last-chars(9)` returns 1234ABCD

`altova:last-chars(InputString as xs:string, X-Number as xs:integer) as xs:string XP3 XQ3`

Returns a string containing the last X-Number of characters of the string submitted as the `InputString` argument.

▣ Examples

- `altova:last-chars("2014-01-15", 5)` returns 01-15
- `altova:last-chars("USA", 10)` returns USA

▼ `pad-string-left [altova:]`

```
altova:pad-string-left(StringToPad as xs:string, StringLength as xs:integer,
PadCharacter as xs:string) as xs:string XP3 XQ3
```

The `PadCharacter` argument is a single character. It is padded to the left of the string to increase the number of characters in `StringToPad` so that this number equals the integer value of the `StringLength` argument. The `StringLength` argument can have any integer value (positive or negative), but padding will occur only if the value of `StringLength` is greater than the number of characters in `StringToPad`. If `StringToPad` has more characters than the value of `StringLength`, then `StringToPad` is left unchanged.

▣ Examples

- `altova:pad-string-left('AP', 1, 'Z')` returns 'AP'
- `altova:pad-string-left('AP', 2, 'Z')` returns 'AP'
- `altova:pad-string-left('AP', 3, 'Z')` returns 'ZAP'
- `altova:pad-string-left('AP', 4, 'Z')` returns 'ZZAP'
- `altova:pad-string-left('AP', -3, 'Z')` returns 'AP'
- `altova:pad-string-left('AP', 3, 'YZ')` returns a pad-character-too-long error

▼ `pad-string-right` [altova:]

```
altova:pad-string-right(StringToPad as xs:string, StringLength as
xs:integer, PadCharacter as xs:string) as xs:string XP3 XQ3
```

The `PadCharacter` argument is a single character. It is padded to the right of the string to increase the number of characters in `StringToPad` so that this number equals the integer value of the `StringLength` argument. The `StringLength` argument can have any integer value (positive or negative), but padding will occur only if the value of `StringLength` is greater than the number of characters in `StringToPad`. If `StringToPad` has more characters than the value of `StringLength`, then `StringToPad` is left unchanged.

▣ Examples

- `altova:pad-string-right('AP', 1, 'Z')` returns 'AP'
- `altova:pad-string-right('AP', 2, 'Z')` returns 'AP'
- `altova:pad-string-right('AP', 3, 'Z')` returns 'APZ'
- `altova:pad-string-right('AP', 4, 'Z')` returns 'APZZ'
- `altova:pad-string-right('AP', -3, 'Z')` returns 'AP'
- `altova:pad-string-right('AP', 3, 'YZ')` returns a pad-character-too-long error

▼ `repeat-string` [altova:]

```
altova:repeat-string(InputString as xs:string, Repeats as xs:integer) as
xs:string XP2 XQ1 XP3 XQ3
```

Generates a string that is composed of the first `InputString` argument repeated `Repeats` number of times.

▣ Examples

- `altova:repeat-string("Altova #", 3)` returns "Altova #Altova #Altova #"

▼ `substring-after-last` [altova:]

```
altova:substring-after-last(MainString as xs:string, CheckString as
xs:string) as xs:string XP3 XQ3
```

If `CheckString` is found in `MainString`, then the substring that occurs after `CheckString` in `MainString` is returned. If `CheckString` is not found in `MainString`, then the empty string is returned. If `CheckString` is an empty string, then `MainString` is returned in its entirety. If there is more than one occurrence of `CheckString` in `MainString`, then the substring after the last occurrence of `CheckString` is returned.

▣ Examples

- `altova:substring-after-last('ABCDEFGH', 'B')` returns `'CDEFGH'`
- `altova:substring-after-last('ABCDEFGH', 'BC')` returns `'DEFGH'`
- `altova:substring-after-last('ABCDEFGH', 'BD')` returns `''`
- `altova:substring-after-last('ABCDEFGH', 'Z')` returns `''`
- `altova:substring-after-last('ABCDEFGH', '')` returns `'ABCDEFGH'`
- `altova:substring-after-last('ABCD-ABCD', 'B')` returns `'CD'`
- `altova:substring-after-last('ABCD-ABCD-ABCD', 'BCD')` returns `''`

▼ **substring-before-last** [`altova:`]

`altova:substring-before-last(MainString as xs:string, CheckString as xs:string) as xs:string` XP3 XQ3

If `CheckString` is found in `MainString`, then the substring that occurs before `CheckString` in `MainString` is returned. If `CheckString` is not found in `MainString`, or if `CheckString` is an empty string, then the empty string is returned. If there is more than one occurrence of `CheckString` in `MainString`, then the substring before the last occurrence of `CheckString` is returned.

▣ Examples

- `altova:substring-before-last('ABCDEFGH', 'B')` returns `'A'`
- `altova:substring-before-last('ABCDEFGH', 'BC')` returns `'A'`
- `altova:substring-before-last('ABCDEFGH', 'BD')` returns `''`
- `altova:substring-before-last('ABCDEFGH', 'Z')` returns `''`
- `altova:substring-before-last('ABCDEFGH', '')` returns `''`
- `altova:substring-before-last('ABCD-ABCD', 'B')` returns `'ABCD-A'`
- `altova:substring-before-last('ABCD-ABCD-ABCD', 'ABCD')` returns `'ABCD-ABCD-'`

▼ **substring-pos** [`altova:`]

`altova:substring-pos(StringToCheck as xs:string, StringToFind as xs:string) as xs:integer` XP3 XQ3

Returns the character position of the first occurrence of `StringToFind` in the string `StringToCheck`. The character position is returned as an integer. The first character of `StringToCheck` has the position 1. If `StringToFind` does not occur within `StringToCheck`, the integer 0 is returned. To check for the second or a later occurrence of `StringToCheck`, use the next signature of this function.

▣ Examples

- `altova:substring-pos('Altova', 'to')` returns 3
- `altova:substring-pos('Altova', 'tov')` returns 3
- `altova:substring-pos('Altova', 'tv')` returns 0
- `altova:substring-pos('AltovaAltova', 'to')` returns 3

```
altova:substring-pos(StringToCheck as xs:string, StringToFind as xs:string, Integer as xs:integer) as xs:integer XP3 XQ3
```

Returns the character position of `StringToFind` in the string, `StringToCheck`. The search for `StringToFind` starts from the character position given by the `Integer` argument; the character substring before this position is not searched. The returned integer, however, is the position of the found string within the *entire* string, `StringToCheck`. This signature is useful for finding the second or a later position of a string that occurs multiple times with the `StringToCheck`. If `StringToFind` does not occur within `StringToCheck`, the integer 0 is returned.

▣ Examples

- `altova:substring-pos('Altova', 'to', 1)` returns 3
- `altova:substring-pos('Altova', 'to', 3)` returns 3
- `altova:substring-pos('Altova', 'to', 4)` returns 0
- `altova:substring-pos('Altova-Altova', 'to', 0)` returns 3
- `altova:substring-pos('Altova-Altova', 'to', 4)` returns 10

▼ **trim-string** [altova:]

```
altova:trim-string(InputString as xs:string) as xs:string XP3 XQ3
```

This function takes an `xs:string` argument, removes any leading and trailing whitespace, and returns a "trimmed" `xs:string`.

▣ Examples

- `altova:trim-string(" Hello World ")` returns "Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string("Hello World ")` returns "Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string(" Hello World")` returns "Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string("Hello World")` returns "Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string("Hello World")` returns "Hello World"

▼ **trim-string-left** [altova:]

```
altova:trim-string-left(InputString as xs:string) as xs:string XP3 XQ3
```

This function takes an `xs:string` argument, removes any leading whitespace, and returns a left-trimmed `xs:string`.

▣ Examples

- `altova:trim-string-left(" Hello World ")` returns "Hello World "
- `altova:trim-string-left("Hello World ")` returns "Hello World "
- `altova:trim-string-left(" Hello World")` returns "Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string-left("Hello World")` returns "Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string-left("Hello World")` returns "Hello World"

▼ **trim-string-right** [altova:]

```
altova:trim-string-right(InputString as xs:string) as xs:string XP3 XQ3
```

This function takes an `xs:string` argument, removes any trailing whitespace, and returns a right-trimmed `xs:string`.

▣ Examples

- `altova:trim-string-right(" Hello World ")` returns " Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string-right("Hello World ")` returns "Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string-right(" Hello World")` returns " Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string-right("Hello World")` returns "Hello World"
- `altova:trim-string-right("Hello World")` returns "Hello World"

## 2.1.8 XPath/XQuery Functions: Miscellaneous

The following general purpose XPath/XQuery extension functions are supported in the current version of XMLSpy and can be used in (i) XPath expressions in an XSLT context, or (ii) XQuery expressions in an XQuery document.

Note about naming of functions and language applicability

Altova extension functions can be used in XPath/XQuery expressions. They provide additional functionality to the functionality that is available in the standard library of XPath, XQuery, and XSLT functions. Altova extension functions are in the **Altova extension functions namespace**, <http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions>, and are indicated in this section with the prefix `altova:`, which is assumed to be bound to this namespace. Note that, in future versions of your product, support for a function might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

<i>XPath functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<code>XP1</code> <code>XP2</code> <code>XP3</code>
<i>XSLT functions (used in XPath expressions in XSLT):</i>	<code>XSLT1</code> <code>XSLT2</code> <code>XSLT3</code>
<i>XQuery functions (used in XQuery expressions in XQuery):</i>	<code>XQ1</code> <code>XQ3</code>

### URI functions

▼ `get-temp-folder` [`altova:`]

`altova:get-temp-folder()` as `xs:string` `XP2` `XQ1` `XP3` `XQ3`

This function takes no argument. It returns the path to the temporary folder of the current user.

#### ▣ Examples

- `altova:get-temp-folder()` would return, on a Windows machine, something like `C:\Users\\AppData\Local\Temp\` as an `xs:string`.

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## 2.1.9 Chart Functions

The chart functions listed below enable you to create, generate, and save charts as images. They are supported in the current version of your Altova product in the manner described below. However, note that in future versions of your product, support for one or more of these functions might be discontinued or the behavior of individual functions might change. Consult the documentation of future releases for information about support for Altova extension functions in that release.

The chart functions are **XPath functions** (not XSLT functions), and organized into two groups:

- [Functions for generating and saving charts](#)
- [Functions for creating charts](#)

**Note:** Chart functions are supported only in **Altova's Server products** and the **Enterprise Editions of Altova products**.

**Note:** Supported image formats for charts in server editions are `jpg`, `png`, and `bmp`. The best option is `png` because it is lossless and compressed. In Enterprise editions, the supported formats are `jpg`, `png`, `bmp`, and `gif`.

### Functions for generating and saving charts

These functions take the chart object (obtained with the chart creation functions) and either generate an image or save an image to file

**altova:generate-chart-image** (`$chart`, `$width`, `$height`, `$encoding`) as atomic

where

- `$chart` is the chart extension item obtained with the `altova:create-chart` function
- `$width` and `$height` must be specified with a length unit
- `$encoding` may be `binarytobase64` or `binarytobase16`

The function returns the chart image in the specified encoding.

**altova:generate-chart-image** (`$chart`, `$width`, `$height`, `$encoding`, `$imagetype`) as atomic

where

- `$chart` is the chart extension item obtained with the `altova:create-chart` function
- `$width` and `$height` must be specified with a length unit
- `$encoding` may be `base64Binary` or `hexBinary`
- `$imagetype` may be one of the following image formats: `png`, `gif`, `bmp`, `jpg`, `jpeg`. Note that `gif` is not supported on server products. *Also see note at top of page.*

The function returns the chart image in the specified encoding and image format.

---

**altova:save-chart-image** (\$chart, \$filename, \$width, \$height) as empty() (*Windows only*)

where

- \$chart is the chart extension item obtained with the altova:create-chart function
- \$filename is the path to and name of the file to which the chart image is to be saved
- \$width and \$height must be specified with a length unit

The function saves the chart image to the file specified in \$filename.

---

**altova:save-chart-image** (\$chart, \$filename, \$width, \$height, \$imagetype) as empty() (*Windows only*)

where

- \$chart is the chart extension item obtained with the altova:create-chart function
- \$filename is the path to and name of the file to which the chart image is to be saved
- \$width and \$height must be specified with a length unit
- \$imagetype may be one of the following image formats: png, gif, bmp, jpg, jpeg. Note that gif is not supported on server products. *Also see note at top of page.*

The function saves the chart image to the file specified in \$filename in the image format specified.

---

## Functions for creating charts

The following functions are used to create charts.

**altova:create-chart**(\$chart-config, \$chart-data-series\*) as chart extension item

where

- \$chart-config is the chart-config extension item obtained with the altova:create-chart-config function or via the altova:create-chart-config-from-xml function
- \$chart-data-series is the chart-data-series extension item obtained with the altova:create-chart-data-series function or altova:create-chart-data-series-from-rows function

The function returns a chart extension item, which is created from the data supplied via the arguments.

---

**altova:create-chart-config**(\$type-name, \$title) as chart-config extension item

where

- \$type-name specifies the type of chart to be created: Pie, Pie3d, BarChart, BarChart3d, BarChart3dGrouped, LineChart, ValueLineChart, RoundGauge, BarGauge
- \$title is the name of the chart

The function returns a chart-config extension item containing the configuration information of the chart.

---

**altova:create-chart-config-from-xml**(\$xml-struct) as chart-config extension item

where

- \$xml-struct is the XML structure containing the configuration information of the chart

The function returns a chart-config extension item containing the configuration information of the chart. This information is supplied in an [XML data fragment](#).

---

**altova:create-chart-data-series**(\$series-name?, \$x-values\*, \$y-values\*) as chart-data-series extension item

where

- \$series-name specifies the name of the series
- \$x-values gives the list of X-Axis values
- \$y-values gives the list of Y-Axis values

The function returns a chart-data-series extension item containing the data for building the chart: that is, the names of the series and the Axes data.

---

**altova:create-chart-data-row**(x, y1, y2, y3, ...) as chart-data-x-Ny-row extension item

where

- x is the value of the X-Axis column of the chart data row
- yN are the values of the Y-Axis columns

The function returns a chart-data-x-Ny-row extension item, which contains the data for the X-

Axis column and Y-Axis columns of a single series.

---

**altova:create-chart-data-series-from-rows**(\$series-names as xs:string\*, \$row\*) as chart-data-series extension item

where

- \$series-name is the name of the series to be created
- \$row is the chart-data-x-Ny-row extension item that is to be created as a series

The function returns a chart-data-series extension item, which contains the data for the X-Axis and Y-Axes of the series.

---

**altova:create-chart-layer**(\$chart-config, \$chart-data-series\*) as chart-layer extension item

where

- \$chart-config is the chart-config extension item obtained with the `altova:create-chart-config` function or or via the `altova:create-chart-config-from-xml` function
- \$chart-data-series is the chart-data-series extension item obtained with the `altova:create-chart-data-series` function or `altova:create-chart-data-series-from-rows` function

The function returns a chart-layer extension item, which contains chart-layer data.

---

**altova:create-multi-layer-chart**(\$chart-config, \$chart-data-series\*, \$chart-layer\*)

where

- \$chart-config is the chart-config extension item obtained with the `altova:create-chart-config` function or or via the `altova:create-chart-config-from-xml` function
- \$chart-data-series is the chart-data-series extension item obtained with the `altova:create-chart-data-series` function or `altova:create-chart-data-series-from-rows` function
- \$chart-layer is the chart-layer extension item obtained with the `altova:create-chart-layer` function

The function returns a multi-layer-chart item.

---

**altova:create-multi-layer-chart**(\$chart-config, \$chart-data-series\*, \$chart-layer\*, xs:boolean \$mergecategoryvalues)

where

- \$chart-config is the chart-config extension item obtained with the altova:create-chart-config function or via the altova:create-chart-config-from-xml function
- \$chart-data-series is the chart-data-series extension item obtained with the altova:create-chart-data-series function or altova:create-chart-data-series-from-rows function
- \$chart-layer is the chart-layer extension item obtained with the altova:create-chart-layer function

The function returns a multi-layer-chart item.

### Chart Data XML Structure

Given below is the XML structure of chart data, how it might appear for the [Altova extension functions for charts](#). This affects the appearance of the specific chart. Not all elements are used for all chart kinds, e.g. the <Pie> element is ignored for bar charts.

**Note:** Chart functions are supported only in the **Enterprise and Server Editions** of Altova products.

```
<chart-config>
  <General
    SettingsVersion="1" must be provided
    ChartKind="BarChart" Pie, Pie3d, BarChart, StackedBarChart, BarChart3d,
    BarChart3dGrouped, LineChart, ValueLineChart, AreaChart, StackedAreaChart, RoundGauge,
    BarGauge, CandleStick
    BKColor="#ffffff" Color
    BKColorGradientEnd="#ffffff" Color. In case of a gradient, BKColor and
    BKColorGradientEnd define the gradient's colors
    BKMode="#ffffff" Solid, HorzGradient, VertGradient
    BKFile="Path+Filename" String. If file exists, its content is drawn over the
    background.
    BKFileMode="Stretch" Stretch, ZoomToFit, Center, Tile
    ShowBorder="1" Bool
    PlotBorderColor="#000000" Color
    PlotBKColor="#ffffff" Color
    Title="" String
    ShowLegend="1" Bool
    OutsideMargin="3.%" PercentOrPixel
    TitleToPlotMargin="3.%" PercentOrPixel
    LegendToPlotMargin="3.%" PercentOrPixel
    Orientation="vert" Enumeration: possible values are: vert, horz
  >
  <TitleFont
    Color="#000000" Color
    Name="Tahoma" String
    Bold="1" Bool
```

```

        Italic="0" Bool
        Underline="0" Bool
        MinFontHeight="10.pt" FontSize (only pt values)
        Size="8.%" FontSize />
<LegendFont
    Color="#000000"
    Name="Tahoma"
    Bold="0"
    Italic="0"
    Underline="0"
    MinFontHeight="10.pt"
    Size="3.5%" />
<AxisLabelFont
    Color="#000000"
    Name="Tahoma"
    Bold="1"
    Italic="0"
    Underline="0"
    MinFontHeight="10.pt"
    Size="5.%" />
</General>

<Line
    ConnectionShapeSize="1.%" PercentOrPixel
    DrawFilledConnectionShapes="1" Bool
    DrawOutlineConnectionShapes="0" Bool
    DrawSlashConnectionShapes="0" Bool
    DrawBackslashConnectionShapes="0" Bool
/>

<Bar
    ShowShadow="1" Bool
    ShadowColor="#a0a0a0" Color
    OutlineColor="#000000" Color
    ShowOutline="1" Bool
/>

<Area
    Transparency="0" UINT ( 0-255 ) 255 is fully transparent, 0 is opaque
    OutlineColor="#000000" Color
    ShowOutline="1" Bool
/>

<CandleStick
    FillHighClose="0" Bool. If 0, the body is left empty. If 1, FillColorHighClose
is used for the candle body
    FillColorHighClose="#ffffff" Color. For the candle body when close >
open
    FillHighOpenWithSeriesColor="1" Bool. If true, the series color is used to
fill the candlebody when open > close
    FillColorHighOpen="#000000" Color. For the candle body when open > close
and FillHighOpenWithSeriesColor is false
/>

```

**<Colors** *User-defined color scheme: By default this element is empty except for the style and has no Color attributes*

UseSubsequentColors="1" *Boolean. If 0, then color in overlay is used. If 1, then subsequent colors from previous chart layer is used*

Style="User" *Possible values are: "Default", "Grayscale", "Colorful", "Pastel", "User"*

Colors="#52aca0" *Color: only added for user defined color set*

Colors1="#d3c15d" *Color: only added for user defined color set*

Colors2="#8971d8" *Color: only added for user defined color set*

...

ColorsN="" *Up to ten colors are allowed in a set: from Colors to Colors9*

**</Colors>**

**<Pie**

ShowLabels="1" *Bool*

OutlineColor="#404040" *Color*

ShowOutline="1" *Bool*

StartAngle="0." *Double*

Clockwise="1" *Bool*

Draw2dHighlights="1" *Bool*

Transparency="0" *Int (0 to 255: 0 is opaque, 255 is fully transparent)*

DropShadowColor="#c0c0c0" *Color*

DropShadowSize="5.%" *PercentOrPixel*

PieHeight="10.%" *PercentOrPixel. Pixel values might be different in the result because of 3d tilting*

Tilt="40.0" *Double (10 to 90: The 3d tilt in degrees of a 3d pie)*

ShowDropShadow="1" *Bool*

ChartToLabelMargin="10.%" *PercentOrPixel*

AddValueToLabel="0" *Bool*

AddPercentToLabel="0" *Bool*

AddPercentToLabels\_DecimalDigits="0" *UINT (0 – 2)*

>

<LabelFont

Color="#000000"

Name="Arial"

Bold="0"

Italic="0"

Underline="0"

MinFontHeight="10.pt"

Size="4.%" />

**</Pie>**

**<XY>**

**<XAxis** *Axis*

AutoRange="1" *Bool*

AutoRangeIncludesZero="1" *Bool*

RangeFrom="0." *Double: manual range*

RangeTill="1." *Double: manual range*

LabelToAxisMargin="3.%" *PercentOrPixel*

AxisLabel="" *String*

AxisColor="#000000" *Color*

AxisGridColor="#e6e6e6" *Color*

ShowGrid="1" *Bool*

UseAutoTick="1" *Bool*

```

ManualTickInterval="1." Double
AxisToChartMargin="0.px" PercentOrPixel
TickSize="3.px" PercentOrPixel
ShowTicks="1" Bool
ShowValues="1" Bool
AxisPosition="LeftOrBottom" Enums: "LeftOrBottom",
"RightOrTop", "AtValue"
AxisPositionAtValue = "0" Double
>
<ValueFont
    Color="#000000"
    Name="Tahoma"
    Bold="0"
    Italic="0"
    Underline="0"
    MinFontHeight="10.pt"
    Size="3.%" />
</XAxis>
<YAxis Axis (same as for XAxis)
    AutoRange="1"
    AutoRangeIncludesZero="1"
    RangeFrom="0."
    RangeTill="1."
    LabelToAxisMargin="3.%"
    AxisLabel=""
    AxisColor="#000000"
    AxisGridColor="#e6e6e6"
    ShowGrid="1"
    UseAutoTick="1"
    ManualTickInterval="1."
    AxisToChartMargin="0.px"
    TickSize="3.px"
    ShowTicks="1" Bool
    ShowValues="1" Bool
    AxisPosition="LeftOrBottom" Enums: "LeftOrBottom",
"RightOrTop", "AtValue"
    AxisPositionAtValue = "0" Double
>
<ValueFont
    Color="#000000"
    Name="Tahoma"
    Bold="0"
    Italic="0"
    Underline="0"
    MinFontHeight="10.pt"
    Size="3.%" />
</YAxis>
</xy>
<xy3d
    AxisAutoSize="1" Bool: If false, XSize and YSize define the aspect ration of
x and y axis. If true, aspect ratio is equal to chart window
    XSize="100.%" PercentOrPixel. Pixel values might be different in the result
because of 3d tilting and zooming to fit chart
    YSize="100.%" PercentOrPixel. Pixel values might be different in the result

```

*because of 3d tilting and zooming to fit chart*

*SeriesMargin="30.%" PercentOrPixel. Pixel values might be different in the result because of 3d tilting and zooming to fit chart*

*Tilt="20." Double. -90 to +90 degrees*

*Rot="20." Double. -359 to +359 degrees*

*FoV="50."> Double. Field of view: 1-120 degree*

>

<ZAxis

AutoRange="1"

AutoRangeIncludesZero="1"

RangeFrom="0."

RangeTill="1."

LabelToAxisMargin="3.%"

AxisLabel=""

AxisColor="#000000"

AxisGridColor="#e6e6e6"

ShowGrid="1"

UseAutoTick="1"

ManualTickInterval="1."

AxisToChartMargin="0.px"

TickSize="3.px" >

<ValueFont

Color="#000000"

Name="Tahoma"

Bold="0"

Italic="0"

Underline="0"

MinFontHeight="10.pt"

Size="3.%" />

</ZAxis>

</XY3d>

<Gauge

MinVal="0." Double

MaxVal="100." Double

MinAngle="225" UINT: -359-359

SweepAngle="270" UINT: 1-359

BorderToTick="1.%" PercentOrPixel

MajorTickWidth="3.px" PercentOrPixel

MajorTickLength="4.%" PercentOrPixel

MinorTickWidth="1.px" PercentOrPixel

MinorTickLength="3.%" PercentOrPixel

BorderColor="#a0a0a0" Color

FillColor="#303535" Color

MajorTickColor="#a0c0b0" Color

MinorTickColor="#a0c0b0" Color

BorderWidth="2.%" PercentOrPixel

NeedleBaseWidth="1.5%" PercentOrPixel

NeedleBaseRadius="5.%" PercentOrPixel

NeedleColor="#f00000" Color

NeedleBaseColor="#141414" Color

TickToTickValueMargin="5.%" PercentOrPixel

MajorTickStep="10." Double

MinorTickStep="5." Double

RoundGaugeBorderToColorRange="0.%" PercentOrPixel

```

RoundGaugeColorRangeWidth ="6.%" PercentOrPixel
BarGaugeRadius="5.%" PercentOrPixel
BarGaugeMaxHeight="20.%" PercentOrPixel
RoundGaugeNeedleLength="45.%" PercentOrPixel
BarGaugeNeedleLength="3.%" PercentOrPixel
>
<TicksFont
  Color="#a0c0b0"
  Name="Tahoma"
  Bold="0"
  Italic="0"
  Underline="0"
  MinFontHeight="10.pt"
  Size="4.%"
/>
<ColorRanges> User-defined color ranges. By default empty with no child
element entries
  <Entry
    From="50. " Double
    FillWithColor="1" Bool
    Color="#00ff00" Color
  />
  <Entry
    From="50.0"
    FillWithColor="1"
    Color="#ff0000"
  />
  ...
</ColorRanges>
</Gauge>
</chart-config>

```

### Example: Chart Functions

The example XSLT document below shows how [Altova extension functions for charts](#) can be used. Given further below are an XML document and a screenshot of the output image generated when the XML document is processed with the XSLT document using the XSLT 2.0 or 3.0 Engine.

**Note:** Chart functions are supported only in the **Enterprise and Server Editions** of Altova products.

**Note:** For more information about how chart data tables are created, see the documentation of Altova's [XMLSpy](#) and [StyleVision](#) products.

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### XSLT document

This XSLT document (*listing below*) uses Altova chart extension functions to generate a pie chart. It can be used to process the XML document listed further below.

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"

```

```

xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
xmlns:altovaext="http://www.altova.com/xslt-extensions"
exclude-result-prefixes="#all">
<xsl:output version="4.0" method="html" indent="yes" encoding="UTF-8"/>
<xsl:template match="/">
  <html>
    <head>
      <title>
        <xsl:text>HTML Page with Embedded Chart</xsl:text>
      </title>
    </head>
    <body>
      <xsl:for-each select="/Data/Region[1]">
        <xsl:variable name="extChartConfig" as="item()*">
          <xsl:variable name="ext-chart-settings" as="item()*">
            <chart-config>
              <General>
                SettingsVersion="1"
                ChartKind="Pie3d"
                BKColor="#ffffff"
                ShowBorder="1"
                PlotBorderColor="#000000"
                PlotBKColor="#ffffff"
                Title="{@id}"
                ShowLegend="1"
                OutsideMargin="3.2%"
                TitleToPlotMargin="3.%"
                LegendToPlotMargin="6.%"
              >
              <TitleFont>
                Color="#023d7d"
                Name="Tahoma"
                Bold="1"
                Italic="0"
                Underline="0"
                MinFontHeight="10.pt"
                Size="8.%" />
            </General>
          </chart-config>
        </xsl:variable>
        <xsl:sequence select="altovaext:create-chart-config-from-
xml( $ext-chart-settings )"/>
      </xsl:variable>
      <xsl:variable name="chartDataSeries" as="item()*">
        <xsl:variable name="chartDataRows" as="item()*">
          <xsl:for-each select="(Year)">
            <xsl:sequence select="altovaext:create-chart-data-
row( (@id), ( . ) )"/>
          </xsl:for-each>
        </xsl:variable>
        <xsl:variable name="chartDataSeriesNames" as="xs:string*"
select=" ( (&quot;Series 1&quot;), &apos;&apos; ) [1]"/>

```

```

        <xsl:sequence
            select="altovaext:create-chart-data-series-from-
rows( $chartDataSeriesNames, $chartDataRows)"/>
        </xsl:variable>
        <xsl:variable name="ChartObj" select="altovaext:create-
chart( $extChartConfig, ( $chartDataSeries), false() )"/>
        <xsl:variable name="sChartFileName" select="'mychart1.png'"/>
        
    </xsl:for-each>
</body>
</html>
</xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>

```

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### XML document

This XML document can be processed with the XSLT document above. Data in the XML document is used to generate the pie chart shown in the screenshot below.

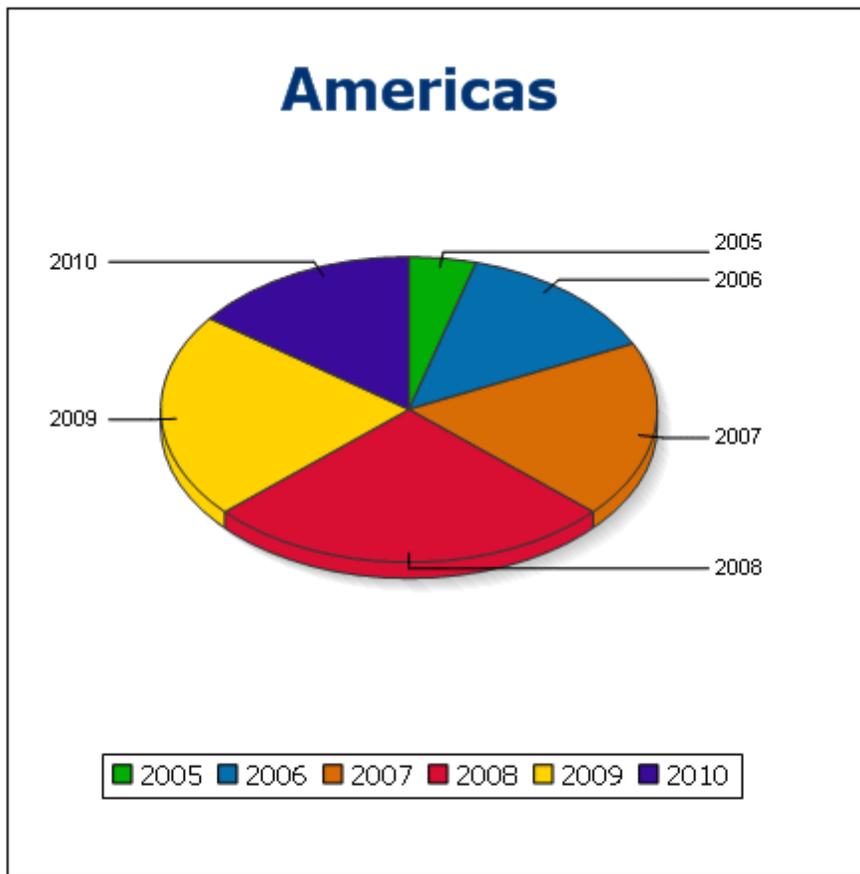
```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Data xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="YearlySales.xsd">
    <ChartType>Pie Chart 2D</ChartType>
    <Region id="Americas">
        <Year id="2005">30000</Year>
        <Year id="2006">90000</Year>
        <Year id="2007">120000</Year>
        <Year id="2008">180000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">140000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">100000</Year>
    </Region>
    <Region id="Europe">
        <Year id="2005">50000</Year>
        <Year id="2006">60000</Year>
        <Year id="2007">80000</Year>
        <Year id="2008">100000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">95000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">80000</Year>
    </Region>
    <Region id="Asia">
        <Year id="2005">10000</Year>
        <Year id="2006">25000</Year>
        <Year id="2007">70000</Year>
        <Year id="2008">110000</Year>
        <Year id="2009">125000</Year>
        <Year id="2010">150000</Year>
    </Region>
</Data>

```

**Output image**

The pie chart show below is generated when the XML document listed above is processed with the XSLT document.



## 2.2 Miscellaneous Extension Functions

There are several ready-made functions in programming languages such as Java and C# that are not available as XQuery/XPath functions or as XSLT functions. A good example would be the math functions available in Java, such as `sin()` and `cos()`. If these functions were available to the designers of XSLT stylesheets and XQuery queries, it would increase the application area of stylesheets and queries and greatly simplify the tasks of stylesheet creators. The XSLT and XQuery engines used in a number of Altova products support the use of extension functions in [Java](#) and [.NET](#), as well as [MSXSL scripts for XSLT](#). This section describes how to use extension functions and MSXSL scripts in your XSLT stylesheets and XQuery documents. The available extension functions are organized into the following sections:

- [Java Extension Functions](#)
- [.NET Extension Functions](#)
- [MSXSL Scripts for XSLT](#)

The two main issues considered in the descriptions are: (i) how functions in the respective libraries are called; and (ii) what rules are followed for converting arguments in a function call to the required input format of the function, and what rules are followed for the return conversion (function result to XSLT/XQuery data object).

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### Requirements

For extension functions support, a Java Runtime Environment (for access to Java functions) and .NET Framework 2.0 (minimum, for access to .NET functions) must be installed on the machine running the XSLT transformation or XQuery execution, or must be accessible for the transformations.

### 2.2.1 Java Extension Functions

A Java extension function can be used within an XPath or XQuery expression to invoke a Java constructor or call a Java method (static or instance).

A field in a Java class is considered to be a method without any argument. A field can be static or instance. How to access fields is described in the respective sub-sections, static and instance.

This section is organized into the following sub-sections:

- [Java: Constructors](#)
- [Java: Static Methods and Static Fields](#)
- [Java: Instance Methods and Instance Fields](#)
- [Datatypes: XPath/XQuery to Java](#)
- [Datatypes: Java to XPath/XQuery](#)

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### Form of the extension function

The extension function in the XPath/XQuery expression must have the form `prefix:fname()`.

- The `prefix:` part identifies the extension function as a Java function. It does so by associating the extension function with an in-scope namespace declaration, the URI of which must begin with `java:` (*see below for examples*). The namespace declaration should identify a Java class, for example: `xmlns:myns="java:java.lang.Math"`. However, it could also simply be: `xmlns:myns="java"` (without a colon), with the identification of the Java class being left to the `fname()` part of the extension function.
- The `fname()` part identifies the Java method being called, and supplies the arguments for the method (*see below for examples*). However, if the namespace URI identified by the `prefix:` part does not identify a Java class (*see preceding point*), then the Java class should be identified in the `fname()` part, before the class and separated from the class by a period (*see the second XSLT example below*).

**Note:** The class being called must be on the classpath of the machine.

---

### XSLT example

Here are two examples of how a static method can be called. In the first example, the class name (`java.lang.Math`) is included in the namespace URI and, therefore, must not be in the `fname()` part. In the second example, the `prefix:` part supplies the prefix `java:` while the `fname()` part identifies the class as well as the method.

```
<xsl:value-of xmlns:jMath="java:java.lang.Math"
  select="jMath:cos(3.14)" />

<xsl:value-of xmlns:jmath="java"
  select="jmath:java.lang.Math.cos(3.14)" />
```

The method named in the extension function (`cos()` in the example above) must match the name of a public static method in the named Java class (`java.lang.Math` in the example above).

---

### XQuery example

Here is an XQuery example similar to the XSLT example above:

```
<cosine xmlns:jMath="java:java.lang.Math">
  {jMath:cos(3.14)}
</cosine>
```

---

### User-defined Java classes

If you have created your own Java classes, methods in these classes are called differently according to: (i) whether the classes are accessed via a JAR file or a class file, and (ii) whether these files (JAR or class) are located in the current directory (the same directory as the XSLT or XQuery document) or not. How to locate these files is described in the sections [User-Defined Class Files](#) and [User-Defined Jar Files](#). Note that paths to class files not in the current directory and to all JAR files must be specified.

## User-Defined Class Files

If access is via a class file, then there are two possibilities:

- The class file is in a package. The XSLT or XQuery file is in the same folder as the Java package. ([See example below.](#))
- The class file is not packaged. The XSLT or XQuery file is in the same folder as the class file. ([See example below.](#))
- The class file is in a package. The XSLT or XQuery file is at some random location. ([See example below.](#))
- The class file is not packaged. The XSLT or XQuery file is at some random location. ([See example below.](#))

Consider the case where the class file is not packaged and is in the same folder as the XSLT or XQuery document. In this case, since all classes in the folder are found, the file location does not need to be specified. The syntax to identify a class is:

```
java:classname
```

*where*

`java:` indicates that a user-defined Java function is being called; (Java classes in the current directory will be loaded by default)

`classname` is the name of the required method's class

The class is identified in a namespace URI, and the namespace is used to prefix a method call.

### Class file packaged, XSLT/XQuery file in same folder as Java package

The example below calls the `getVehicleType()` method of the `Car` class of the `com.altova.extfunc` package. The `com.altova.extfunc` package is in the folder `JavaProject`. The XSLT file is also in the folder `JavaProject`.

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
  xmlns:car="java:com.altova.extfunc.Car" >
<xsl:output exclude-result-prefixes="fn car xsl fo xs"/>

<xsl:template match="/">
  <a>
    <xsl:value-of select="car:getVehicleType ()" />
  </a>
</xsl:template>

</xsl:stylesheet>
```

### Class file not packaged, XSLT/XQuery file in same folder as class file

The example below calls the `getVehicleType()` method of the `Car` class of the `com.altova.extfunc` package. The `Car` class file is in the following folder location: `JavaProject/com/altova/extfunc`. The XSLT file is also in the folder `JavaProject/com/altova/extfunc`.

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
  xmlns:car="java:Car" >
<xsl:output exclude-result-prefixes="fn car xsl fo xs"/>

<xsl:template match="/">
  <a>
    <xsl:value-of select="car:getVehicleType()" />
  </a>
</xsl:template>

</xsl:stylesheet>
```

### Class file packaged, XSLT/XQuery file at any location

The example below calls the `getCarColor()` method of the `Car` class of the `com.altova.extfunc` package. The `com.altova.extfunc` package is in the folder `JavaProject`. The XSLT file is at any location. In this case, the location of the package must be specified within the URI as a query string. The syntax is:

```
java:classname[?path=uri-of-package]
```

*where*

`java:` indicates that a user-defined Java function is being called

`uri-of-package` is the URI of the Java package

`classname` is the name of the required method's class

The class is identified in a namespace URI, and the namespace is used to prefix a method call. The example below shows how to access a class file that is located in another directory than the current directory.

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
  xmlns:car="java:com.altova.extfunc.Car?path=file:///C:/
JavaProject/" >

<xsl:output exclude-result-prefixes="fn car xsl xs"/>
```

```

<xsl:template match="/">
  <xsl:variable name="myCar" select="car:new('red') " />
  <a><xsl:value-of select="car:getCarColor($myCar)"/></a>
</xsl:template>

</xsl:stylesheet>

```

### Class file not packaged, XSLT/XQuery file at any location

The example below calls the `getCarColor()` method of the `Car` class of the `com.altova.extfunc` package. The `com.altova.extfunc` package is in the folder `JavaProject`. The XSLT file is at any location. The location of the class file is specified within the namespace URI as a query string. The syntax is:

```
java:classname[?path=uri-of-classfile]
```

where

`java:` indicates that a user-defined Java function is being called  
`uri-of-classfile` is the URI of the folder containing the class file  
`classname` is the name of the required method's class

The class is identified in a namespace URI, and the namespace is used to prefix a method call. The example below shows how to access a class file that is located in another directory than the current directory.

```

<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
  xmlns:car="java:Car?path=file:///C:/JavaProject/com/altova/
extfunc/" >

  <xsl:output exclude-result-prefixes="fn car xsl xs"/>

  <xsl:template match="/">
    <xsl:variable name="myCar" select="car:new('red') " />
    <a><xsl:value-of select="car:getCarColor($myCar)"/></a>
  </xsl:template>

</xsl:stylesheet>

```

**Note:** When a path is supplied via the extension function, the path is added to the `ClassLoader`.

### User-Defined Jar Files

If access is via a JAR file, the URI of the JAR file must be specified using the following syntax:

```
xmlns:classNS="java:classname?path=jar:uri-of-jarfile!/"
```

The method is then called by using the prefix of the namespace URI that identifies the class: `classNS:method()`

*In the above:*

`java:` indicates that a Java function is being called  
`classname` is the name of the user-defined class  
`?` is the separator between the classname and the path  
`path=jar:` indicates that a path to a JAR file is being given  
`uri-of-jarfile` is the URI of the jar file  
`!/` is the end delimiter of the path  
`classNS:method()` is the call to the method

Alternatively, the classname can be given with the method call. Here are two examples of the syntax:

```
xmlns:ns1="java:docx.layout.pages?path=jar:file:///c:/projects/
docs/docx.jar!/"
ns1:main()

xmlns:ns2="java?path=jar:file:///c:/projects/docs/docx.jar!/"
ns2:docx.layout.pages.main()
```

Here is a complete XSLT example that uses a JAR file to call a Java extension function:

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
  xmlns:car="java?path=jar:file:///C:/test/Car1.jar!/" >
<xsl:output exclude-result-prefixes="fn car xsl xs"/>

<xsl:template match="/">
  <xsl:variable name="myCar" select="car:Car1.new('red') " />
  <a><xsl:value-of select="car:Car1.getCarColor($myCar)"/></a>
</xsl:template>

<xsl:template match="car"/>

</xsl:stylesheet>
```

**Note:** When a path is supplied via the extension function, the path is added to the ClassLoader.

### Java: Constructors

An extension function can be used to call a Java constructor. All constructors are called with the pseudo-function `new()`.

If the result of a Java constructor call can be [implicitly converted to XPath/XQuery datatypes](#), then

the Java extension function will return a sequence that is an XPath/XQuery datatype. If the result of a Java constructor call cannot be converted to a suitable XPath/XQuery datatype, then the constructor creates a wrapped Java object with a type that is the name of the class returning that Java object. For example, if a constructor for the class `java.util.Date` is called (`java.util.Date.new()`), then an object having a type `java.util.Date` is returned. The lexical format of the returned object may not match the lexical format of an XPath datatype and the value would therefore need to be converted to the lexical format of the required XPath datatype and then to the required XPath datatype.

There are two things that can be done with a Java object created by a constructor:

- It can be assigned to a variable:
 

```
<xsl:variable name="currentdate" select="date:new()"
xmlns:date="java:java.util.Date" />
```
- It can be passed to an extension function (see [Instance Method and Instance Fields](#)):
 

```
<xsl:value-of select="date:toString(date:new())"
xmlns:date="java:java.util.Date" />
```

## Java: Static Methods and Static Fields

A static method is called directly by its Java name and by supplying the arguments for the method. Static fields (methods that take no arguments), such as the constant-value fields `E` and `PI`, are accessed without specifying any argument.

## XSLT examples

Here are some examples of how static methods and fields can be called:

```
<xsl:value-of xmlns:jMath="java:java.lang.Math"
select="jMath:cos(3.14)" />

<xsl:value-of xmlns:jMath="java:java.lang.Math"
select="jMath:cos(jMath:PI())" />

<xsl:value-of xmlns:jMath="java:java.lang.Math"
select="jMath:E() * jMath:cos(3.14)" />
```

Notice that the extension functions above have the form `prefix:fname()`. The prefix in all three cases is `jMath:`, which is associated with the namespace URI `java:java.lang.Math`. (The namespace URI must begin with `java:`. In the examples above it is extended to contain the class name (`java.lang.Math`.) The `fname()` part of the extension functions must match the name of a public class (e.g. `java.lang.Math`) followed by the name of a public static method with its argument/s (such as `cos(3.14)`) or a public static field (such as `PI()`).

In the examples above, the class name has been included in the namespace URI. If it were not contained in the namespace URI, then it would have to be included in the `fname()` part of the extension function. For example:

```
<xsl:value-of xmlns:java="java:"
select="java:java.lang.Math.cos(3.14)" />
```

### XQuery example

A similar example in XQuery would be:

```
<cosine xmlns:jMath="java:java.lang.Math">
  {jMath:cos(3.14)}
</cosine>
```

### Java: Instance Methods and Instance Fields

An instance method has a Java object passed to it as the first argument of the method call. Such a Java object typically would be created by using an extension function (for example a constructor call) or a stylesheet parameter/variable. An XSLT example of this kind would be:

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" exclude-result-prefixes="date"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:date="java:java.util.Date"
  xmlns:jlang="java:java.lang">
  <xsl:param name="CurrentDate" select="date:new()" />
  <xsl:template match="/">
    <enrollment institution-id="Altova School"
      date="{date:toString($CurrentDate)}"
      type="
{jlang:Object.toString(jlang:Object.getClass( date:new() ))}">
    </enrollment>
  </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

In the example above, the value of the node `enrollment/@type` is created as follows:

1. An object is created with a constructor for the class `java.util.Date` (with the `date:new()` constructor).
2. This Java object is passed as the argument of the `jlang.Object.getClass` method.
3. The object obtained by the `getClass` method is passed as the argument to the `jlang.Object.toString` method.

The result (the value of `@type`) will be a string having the value: `java.util.Date`.

An instance field is theoretically different from an instance method in that it is not a Java object per se that is passed as an argument to the instance field. Instead, a parameter or variable is passed as the argument. However, the parameter/variable may itself contain the value returned by a Java object. For example, the parameter `CurrentDate` takes the value returned by a constructor for the class `java.util.Date`. This value is then passed as an argument to the instance method `date:toString` in order to supply the value of `/enrollment/@date`.

### Datatypes: XPath/XQuery to Java

When a Java function is called from within an XPath/XQuery expression, the datatype of the function's arguments is important in determining which of multiple Java classes having the same name is called.

In Java, the following rules are followed:

- If there is more than one Java method with the same name, but each has a different number of arguments than the other/s, then the Java method that best matches the number of arguments in the function call is selected.
- The XPath/XQuery string, number, and boolean datatypes (*see list below*) are implicitly converted to a corresponding Java datatype. If the supplied XPath/XQuery type can be converted to more than one Java type (for example, `xs:integer`), then that Java type is selected which is declared for the selected method. For example, if the Java method being called is `fx(decimal)` and the supplied XPath/XQuery datatype is `xs:integer`, then `xs:integer` will be converted to Java's `decimal` datatype.

The table below lists the implicit conversions of XPath/XQuery string, number, and boolean types to Java datatypes.

<code>xs:string</code>	<code>java.lang.String</code>
<code>xs:boolean</code>	<code>boolean (primitive)</code> , <code>java.lang.Boolean</code>
<code>xs:integer</code>	<code>int</code> , <code>long</code> , <code>short</code> , <code>byte</code> , <code>float</code> , <code>double</code> , and the wrapper classes of these, such as <code>java.lang.Integer</code>
<code>xs:float</code>	<code>float (primitive)</code> , <code>java.lang.Float</code> , <code>double (primitive)</code>
<code>xs:double</code>	<code>double (primitive)</code> , <code>java.lang.Double</code>
<code>xs:decimal</code>	<code>float (primitive)</code> , <code>java.lang.Float</code> , <code>double(primitive)</code> , <code>java.lang.Double</code>

Subtypes of the XML Schema datatypes listed above (and which are used in XPath and XQuery) will also be converted to the Java type/s corresponding to that subtype's ancestor type.

In some cases, it might not be possible to select the correct Java method based on the supplied information. For example, consider the following case.

- The supplied argument is an `xs:untypedAtomic` value of 10 and it is intended for the method `mymethod(float)`.
- However, there is another method in the class which takes an argument of another datatype: `mymethod(double)`.
- Since the method names are the same and the supplied type (`xs:untypedAtomic`) could be converted correctly to either `float` or `double`, it is possible that `xs:untypedAtomic` is converted to `double` instead of `float`.
- Consequently the method selected will not be the required method and might not produce the expected result. To work around this, you can create a user-defined method with a different name and use this method.

Types that are not covered in the list above (for example `xs:date`) will not be converted and will generate an error. However, note that in some cases, it might be possible to create the required Java type by using a Java constructor.

### Datatypes: Java to XPath/XQuery

When a Java method returns a value, the datatype of the value is a string, numeric or boolean type, then it is converted to the corresponding XPath/XQuery type. For example, Java's `java.lang.Boolean` and `boolean` datatypes are converted to `xsd:boolean`.

One-dimensional arrays returned by functions are expanded to a sequence. Multi-dimensional arrays will not be converted, and should therefore be wrapped.

When a wrapped Java object or a datatype other than string, numeric or boolean is returned, you can ensure conversion to the required XPath/XQuery type by first using a Java method (e.g. `toString`) to convert the Java object to a string. In XPath/XQuery, the string can be modified to fit the lexical representation of the required type and then converted to the required type (for example, by using the `cast as` expression).

## 2.2.2 .NET Extension Functions

If you are working on the .NET platform on a Windows machine, you can use extension functions written in any of the .NET languages (for example, C#). A .NET extension function can be used within an XPath or XQuery expression to invoke a constructor, property, or method (static or instance) within a .NET class.

A property of a .NET class is called using the syntax `get_PropertyName()`.

This section is organized into the following sub-sections:

- [.NET: Constructors](#)
- [.NET: Static Methods and Static Fields](#)
- [.NET: Instance Methods and Instance Fields](#)
- [Datatypes: XPath/XQuery to .NET](#)
- [Datatypes: .NET to XPath/XQuery](#)

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### Form of the extension function

The extension function in the XPath/XQuery expression must have the form `prefix:fname()`.

- The `prefix:` part is associated with a URI that identifies the .NET class being addressed.
- The `fname()` part identifies the constructor, property, or method (static or instance) within the .NET class, and supplies any argument/s, if required.
- The URI must begin with `clitype:` (which identifies the function as being a .NET extension function).
- The `prefix:fname()` form of the extension function can be used with system classes and with classes in a loaded assembly. However, if a class needs to be loaded, additional parameters containing the required information will have to be supplied.

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### Parameters

To load an assembly, the following parameters are used:

<code>asm</code>	The name of the assembly to be loaded.
<code>ver</code>	The version number (maximum of four integers separated by periods).
<code>sn</code>	The key token of the assembly's strong name (16 hex digits).
<code>from</code>	A URI that gives the location of the assembly (DLL) to be loaded. If the URI is relative, it is relative to the XSLT or XQuery document. If this parameter is present, any other parameter is ignored.
<code>partialname</code>	The partial name of the assembly. It is supplied to <code>Assembly.LoadWith.PartialName()</code> , which will attempt to load the assembly. If <code>partialname</code> is present, any other parameter is ignored.
<code>loc</code>	The locale, for example, <code>en-US</code> . The default is <code>neutral</code> .

If the assembly is to be loaded from a DLL, use the `from` parameter and omit the `sn` parameter. If the assembly is to be loaded from the Global Assembly Cache (GAC), use the `sn` parameter and omit the `from` parameter.

A question mark must be inserted before the first parameter, and parameters must be separated by a semi-colon. The parameter name gives its value with an equals sign (see *example below*).

### Examples of namespace declarations

An example of a namespace declaration in XSLT that identifies the system class

`System.Environment`:

```
xmlns:myns="clitype:System.Environment"
```

An example of a namespace declaration in XSLT that identifies the class to be loaded as

`Trade.Forward.Scrip`:

```
xmlns:myns="clitype:Trade.Forward.Scrip?asm=forward;version=10.6.2.1"
```

An example of a namespace declaration in XQuery that identifies the system class

`MyManagedDLL.testClass`:. Two cases are distinguished:

1. When the assembly is loaded from the GAC:

```
declare namespace cs="clitype:MyManagedDLL.testClass?asm=MyManagedDLL;
ver=1.2.3.4;loc=neutral;sn=b9f091b72dccfba8";
```

2. When the assembly is loaded from the DLL (complete and partial references below):

```
declare namespace cs="clitype:MyManagedDLL.testClass?from=file:///
C:/Altova
Projects/extFunctions/MyManagedDLL.dll;

declare namespace cs="clitype:MyManagedDLL.testClass?
from=MyManagedDLL.dll;
```

### XSLT example

Here is a complete XSLT example that calls functions in system class `System.Math`:

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions">
  <xsl:output method="xml" omit-xml-declaration="yes" />
  <xsl:template match="/">
    <math xmlns:math="clitype:System.Math">
      <sqrt><xsl:value-of select="math:Sqrt(9)"/></sqrt>
      <pi><xsl:value-of select="math:PI()"/></pi>
      <e><xsl:value-of select="math:E()"/></e>
      <pow><xsl:value-of select="math:Pow(math:PI(), math:E())"/></pow>
    </math>
  </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

The namespace declaration on the element `math` associates the prefix `math:` with the URI `clitype:System.Math`. The `clitype:` beginning of the URI indicates that what follows identifies either a system class or a loaded class. The `math:` prefix in the XPath expressions associates the extension functions with the URI (and, by extension, the class) `System.Math`. The extension functions identify methods in the class `System.Math` and supply arguments where required.

### XQuery example

Here is an XQuery example fragment similar to the XSLT example above:

```
<math xmlns:math="clitype:System.Math">
  {math:Sqrt(9)}
</math>
```

As with the XSLT example above, the namespace declaration identifies the .NET class, in this case a system class. The XQuery expression identifies the method to be called and supplies the argument.

### .NET: Constructors

An extension function can be used to call a .NET constructor. All constructors are called with the pseudo-function `new()`. If there is more than one constructor for a class, then the constructor that most closely matches the number of arguments supplied is selected. If no constructor is deemed to match the supplied argument/s, then a 'No constructor found' error is returned.

### Constructors that return XPath/XQuery datatypes

If the result of a .NET constructor call can be [implicitly converted to XPath/XQuery datatypes](#), then the .NET extension function will return a sequence that is an XPath/XQuery datatype.

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### Constructors that return .NET objects

If the result of a .NET constructor call cannot be converted to a suitable XPath/XQuery datatype, then the constructor creates a wrapped .NET object with a type that is the name of the class returning that object. For example, if a constructor for the class `System.DateTime` is called (with `System.DateTime.new()`), then an object having a type `System.DateTime` is returned.

The lexical format of the returned object may not match the lexical format of a required XPath datatype. In such cases, the returned value would need to be: (i) converted to the lexical format of the required XPath datatype; and (ii) cast to the required XPath datatype.

There are three things that can be done with a .NET object created by a constructor:

- It can be used within a variable:
 

```
<xsl:variable name="currentdate" select="date:new(2008, 4, 29)"
xmlns:date="clitype:System.DateTime" />
```
- It can be passed to an extension function (see [Instance Method and Instance Fields](#)):
 

```
<xsl:value-of select="date:ToString(date:new(2008, 4, 29))"
xmlns:date="clitype:System.DateTime" />
```
- It can be converted to a string, number, or boolean:
- ```
<xsl:value-of select="xs:integer(data:get_Month(date:new(2008, 4, 29)))"
xmlns:date="clitype:System.DateTime" />
```

### .NET: Static Methods and Static Fields

A static method is called directly by its name and by supplying the arguments for the method. The name used in the call must exactly match a public static method in the class specified. If the method name and the number of arguments that were given in the function call matches more than one method in a class, then the types of the supplied arguments are evaluated for the best match. If a match cannot be found unambiguously, an error is reported.

**Note:** A field in a .NET class is considered to be a method without any argument. A property is called using the syntax `get_PropertyName()`.

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### Examples

An XSLT example showing a call to a method with one argument (`System.Math.Sin(arg)`):

```
<xsl:value-of select="math:Sin(30)" xmlns:math="clitype:System.Math"/>
```

An XSLT example showing a call to a field (considered a method with no argument) (`System.Double.MaxValue()`):

```
<xsl:value-of select="double:MaxValue()" xmlns:double="clitype:System.Double"/>
```

An XSLT example showing a call to a property (syntax is `get_PropertyName()` (`System.String()`):

```
<xsl:value-of select="string:get_Length('my string') "
xmlns:string="clitype:System.String"/>
```

An XQuery example showing a call to a method with one argument (`System.Math.Sin(arg)`):

```
<sin xmlns:math="clitype:System.Math">
  { math:Sin(30) }
</sin>
```

## .NET: Instance Methods and Instance Fields

An instance method has a .NET object passed to it as the first argument of the method call. This .NET object typically would be created by using an extension function (for example a constructor call) or a stylesheet parameter/variable. An XSLT example of this kind would be:

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions">
  <xsl:output method="xml" omit-xml-declaration="yes"/>
  <xsl:template match="/">
    <xsl:variable name="releasedate"
      select="date:new(2008, 4, 29) "
      xmlns:date="clitype:System.DateTime"/>
    <doc>
      <date>
        <xsl:value-of select="date:ToString(date:new(2008, 4, 29)) "
          xmlns:date="clitype:System.DateTime"/>
      </date>
      <date>
        <xsl:value-of select="date:ToString($releasedate) "
          xmlns:date="clitype:System.DateTime"/>
      </date>
    </doc>
  </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

In the example above, a `System.DateTime` constructor (`new(2008, 4, 29)`) is used to create a .NET object of type `System.DateTime`. This object is created twice, once as the value of the variable `releasedate`, a second time as the first and only argument of the `System.DateTime.ToString()` method. The instance method `System.DateTime.ToString()` is called twice, both times with the `System.DateTime` constructor (`new(2008, 4, 29)`) as its first and only argument. In one of these instances, the variable `releasedate` is used to get the .NET object.

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## Instance methods and instance fields

The difference between an instance method and an instance field is theoretical. In an instance method, a .NET object is directly passed as an argument; in an instance field, a parameter or variable is passed instead—though the parameter or variable may itself contain a .NET object. For example, in the example above, the variable `releasedate` contains a .NET object, and it is this variable that is passed as the argument of `ToString()` in the second `date` element constructor. Therefore, the `ToString()` instance in the first `date` element is an instance method while the second is considered to be an instance field. The result produced in both instances, however, is the same.

### Datatypes: XPath/XQuery to .NET

When a .NET extension function is used within an XPath/XQuery expression, the datatypes of the function's arguments are important for determining which one of multiple .NET methods having the same name is called.

In .NET, the following rules are followed:

- If there is more than one method with the same name in a class, then the methods available for selection are reduced to those that have the same number of arguments as the function call.
- The XPath/XQuery string, number, and boolean datatypes (see *list below*) are implicitly converted to a corresponding .NET datatype. If the supplied XPath/XQuery type can be converted to more than one .NET type (for example, `xs:integer`), then that .NET type is selected which is declared for the selected method. For example, if the .NET method being called is `fx(double)` and the supplied XPath/XQuery datatype is `xs:integer`, then `xs:integer` will be converted to .NET's `double` datatype.

The table below lists the implicit conversions of XPath/XQuery string, number, and boolean types to .NET datatypes.

<code>xs:string</code>	<code>StringValue, string</code>
<code>xs:boolean</code>	<code>BooleanValue, bool</code>
<code>xs:integer</code>	<code>IntegerValue, decimal, long, integer, short, byte, double, float</code>
<code>xs:float</code>	<code>FloatValue, float, double</code>
<code>xs:double</code>	<code>DoubleValue, double</code>
<code>xs:decimal</code>	<code>DecimalValue, decimal, double, float</code>

Subtypes of the XML Schema datatypes listed above (and which are used in XPath and XQuery) will also be converted to the .NET type/s corresponding to that subtype's ancestor type.

In some cases, it might not be possible to select the correct .NET method based on the supplied information. For example, consider the following case.

- The supplied argument is an `xs:untypedAtomic` value of 10 and it is intended for the method `mymethod(float)`.
- However, there is another method in the class which takes an argument of another datatype: `mymethod(double)`.

- Since the method names are the same and the supplied type (`xs:untypedAtomic`) could be converted correctly to either `float` or `double`, it is possible that `xs:untypedAtomic` is converted to `double` instead of `float`.
- Consequently the method selected will not be the required method and might not produce the expected result. To work around this, you can create a user-defined method with a different name and use this method.

Types that are not covered in the list above (for example `xs:date`) will not be converted and will generate an error.

### Datatypes: .NET to XPath/XQuery

When a .NET method returns a value and the datatype of the value is a string, numeric or boolean type, then it is converted to the corresponding XPath/XQuery type. For example, .NET's `decimal` datatype is converted to `xsd:decimal`.

When a .NET object or a datatype other than string, numeric or boolean is returned, you can ensure conversion to the required XPath/XQuery type by first using a .NET method (for example `System.DateTime.ToString()`) to convert the .NET object to a string. In XPath/XQuery, the string can be modified to fit the lexical representation of the required type and then converted to the required type (for example, by using the `cast as` expression).

## 2.2.3 MSXSL Scripts for XSLT

The `<msxsl:script>` element contains user-defined functions and variables that can be called from within XPath expressions in the XSLT stylesheet. The `<msxsl:script>` is a top-level element, that is, it must be a child element of `<xsl:stylesheet>` or `<xsl:transform>`.

The `<msxsl:script>` element must be in the namespace `urn:schemas-microsoft-com:xslt` (see *example below*).

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### Scripting language and namespace

The scripting language used within the block is specified in the `<msxsl:script>` element's `language` attribute and the namespace to be used for function calls from XPath expressions is identified with the `implements-prefix` attribute (see *below*).

```
<msxsl:script language="scripting-language" implements-prefix="user-namespace-prefix">
```

```
    function-1 or variable-1  
    ...  
    function-n or variable-n
```

```
</msxsl:script>
```

The `<msxsl:script>` element interacts with the Windows Scripting Runtime, so only languages that are installed on your machine may be used within the `<msxsl:script>` element. **The .NET**

**Framework 2.0 platform or higher must be installed for MSXSL scripts to be used.**

Consequently, the .NET scripting languages can be used within the `<msxsl:script>` element.

The `language` attribute accepts the same values as the `language` attribute on the HTML `<script>` element. If the `language` attribute is not specified, then Microsoft JScript is assumed as the default.

The `implements-prefix` attribute takes a value that is a prefix of a declared in-scope namespace. This namespace typically will be a user namespace that has been reserved for a function library. All functions and variables defined within the `<msxsl:script>` element will be in the namespace identified by the prefix specified in the `implements-prefix` attribute. When a function is called from within an XPath expression, the fully qualified function name must be in the same namespace as the function definition.

**Example**

Here is an example of a complete XSLT stylesheet that uses a function defined within a `<msxsl:script>` element.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
  xmlns:msxsl="urn:schemas-microsoft-com:xslt"
  xmlns:user="http://mycompany.com/mynamespace">

  <msxsl:script language="VBScript" implements-prefix="user">
    <![CDATA[
      ' Input: A currency value: the wholesale price
      ' Returns: The retail price: the input value plus 20% margin,
      ' rounded to the nearest cent
      dim a as integer = 13
      Function AddMargin(WholesalePrice) as integer
        AddMargin = WholesalePrice * 1.2 + a
      End Function
    ]]>
  </msxsl:script>

  <xsl:template match="/">
    <html>
      <body>
        <p>
          <b>Total Retail Price =
            $<xsl:value-of select="user:AddMargin(50)"/>
          </b>
          <br/>
          <b>Total Wholesale Price =
            $<xsl:value-of select="50"/>
          </b>
        </p>
      </body>
    </html>
```

```
</xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

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### Datatypes

The values of parameters passed into and out of the script block are limited to XPath datatypes. This restriction does not apply to data passed among functions and variables within the script block.

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### Assemblies

An assembly can be imported into the script by using the `msxsl:assembly` element. The assembly is identified via a name or a URI. The assembly is imported when the stylesheet is compiled. Here is a simple representation of how the `msxsl:assembly` element is to be used.

```
<msxsl:script>
  <msxsl:assembly name="myAssembly.assemblyName" />
  <msxsl:assembly href="pathToAssembly" />
  ...
</msxsl:script>
```

The assembly name can be a full name, such as:

```
"system.Math, Version=3.1.4500.1 Culture=neutral
PublicKeyToken=a46b3f648229c514"
```

or a short name, such as "myAssembly.Draw".

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### Namespaces

Namespaces can be declared with the `msxsl:using` element. This enables assembly classes to be written in the script without their namespaces, thus saving you some tedious typing. Here is how the `msxsl:using` element is used so as to declare namespaces.

```
<msxsl:script>
  <msxsl:using namespace="myAssemblyNS.NamespaceName" />
  ...
</msxsl:script>
```

The value of the `namespace` attribute is the name of the namespace.

### 3 Datatypes in DB-Generated XML Schemas

When an XML Schema is generated from a database (DB), the datatypes specific to that DB are converted to XML Schema datatypes. The mappings of DB datatypes to XML Schema datatypes for commonly used DBs are given in this Appendix. Select from the list below.

- [ADO](#)
- [MS Access](#)
- [MS SQL Server](#)
- [MySQL](#)
- [ODBC](#)
- [Oracle](#)
- [Sybase](#)

### 3.1 ADO

When an XML Schema is generated from an ADO database (DB), the ADO DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

ADO Datatype	XML Schema Datatype
adGUID	xs:ID
adChar	xs:string
adWChar	xs:string
adVarChar	xs:string
adWVarChar	xs:string
adLongVarChar	xs:string
adWLongVarChar	xs:string
adVarWChar	xs:string
adBoolean	xs:boolean
adSingle	xs:float
adDouble	xs:double
adNumeric	xs:decimal
adCurrency	xs:decimal
adDBTimeStamp	xs:dateTime
adDate	xs:date
adBinary	xs:base64Binary
adVarBinary	xs:base64Binary
adLongVarBinary	xs:base64Binary
adInteger	xs:Integer
adUnsignedInt	xs:unsignedInt
adSmallInt	xs:short
adUnsignedSmallInt	xs:unsignedShort
adBigInt	xs:long
adUnsignedBigInt	xs:unsignedLong
adTinyInt	xs:byte
adUnsignedTinyInt	xs:unsignedByte

## 3.2 MS Access

When an XML Schema is generated from an MS Access database (DB), the MS Access DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

MS Access Datatype	XML Schema Datatype
GUID	xs:ID
char	xs:string
varchar	xs:string
memo	xs:string
bit	xs:boolean
Number (single)	xs:float
Number (double)	xs:double
Decimal	xs:decimal
Currency	xs:decimal
Date/Time	xs:dateTime
Number (Long Integer)	xs:integer
Number (Integer)	xs:short
Number (Byte)	xs:byte
OLE Object	xs:base64Binary

### 3.3 MS SQL Server

When an XML Schema is generated from an MS SQL Server database (DB), the MS SQL Server DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

MS SQL Server Datatype	XML Schema Datatype
uniqueidentifier	xs:ID
char	xs:string
nchar	xs:string
varchar	xs:string
nvarchar	xs:string
text	xs:string
ntext	xs:string
sysname	xs:string
bit	xs:boolean
real	xs:float
float	xs:double
decimal	xs:decimal
money	xs:decimal
smallmoney	xs:decimal
datetime	xs:dateTime
smalldatetime	xs:dateTime
binary	xs:base64Binary
varbinary	xs:base64Binary
image	xs:base64Binary
integer	xs:integer
smallint	xs:short
bigint	xs:long
tinyint	xs:byte

## 3.4 MySQL

When an XML Schema is generated from a MySQL database (DB), the MySQL DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

MySQL Datatype	XML Schema Datatype
char	xs:string
varchar	xs:string
text	xs:string
tinytext	xs:string
mediumtext	xs:string
longtext	xs:string
tinyint(1)	xs:boolean
float	xs:float
double	xs:double
decimal	xs:decimal
datetime	xs:dateTime
blob	xs:base64Binary
tinyblob	xs:base64Binary
mediumblob	xs:base64Binary
longblob	xs:base64Binary
smallint	xs:short
bigint	xs:long
tinyint	xs:byte

## 3.5 ODBC

When an XML Schema is generated from an ODBC database (DB), the ODBC DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

ODBC Datatype	XML Schema Datatype
SQL_GUID	xs:ID
SQL_CHAR	xs:string
SQL_VARCHAR	xs:string
SQL_LONGVARCHAR	xs:string
SQL_BIT	xs:boolean
SQL_REAL	xs:float
SQL_DOUBLE	xs:double
SQL_DECIMAL	xs:decimal
SQL_TIMESTAMP	xs:dateTime
SQL_DATE	xs:date
SQL_BINARY	xs:base64Binary
SQL_VARBINARY	xs:base64Binary
SQL_LONGVARBINARY	xs:base64Binary
SQL_INTEGER	xs:integer
SQL_SMALLINT	xs:short
SQL_BIGINT	xs:long
SQL_TINYINT	xs:byte

### 3.6 Oracle

When an XML Schema is generated from an Oracle database (DB), the Oracle DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

Oracle Datatype	XML Schema Datatype
ROWID	xs:ID
CHAR	xs:string
NCHAR	xs:string
VARCHAR2	xs:string
NVARCHAR2	xs:string
CLOB	xs:string
NCLOB	xs:string
NUMBER (with check constraint applied)*	xs:boolean
NUMBER	xs:decimal
FLOAT	xs:double
DATE	xs:dateTime
INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH	xs:gYearMonth
BLOB	xs:base64Binary

- \* If a check constraint is applied to a column of datatype `NUMBER`, and the check constraint checks for the values 0 or 1, then the `NUMBER` datatype for this column will be converted to an XML Schema datatype of `xs:boolean`. This mechanism is useful for generating an `xs:boolean` datatype in the generated XML Schema.

### 3.7 Sybase

When an XML Schema is generated from a Sybase database (DB), the Sybase DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

Sybase Datatype	XML Schema Datatype
char	xs:string
nchar	xs:string
varchar	xs:string
nvarchar	xs:string
text	xs:string
sysname-varchar(30)	xs:string
bit	xs:boolean
real	xs:float
float	xs:float
double	xs:double
decimal	xs:decimal
money	xs:decimal
smallmoney	xs:decimal
datetime	xs:dateTime
smalldatetime	xs:dateTime
timestamp	xs:dateTime
binary<=255	xs:base64Binary
varbinary<=255	xs:base64Binary
image	xs:base64Binary
integer	xs:integer
smallint	xs:short
tinyint	xs:byte

## 4 Datatypes in DBs Generated from XML Schemas

When a DB structure is created from an XML Schema, the datatypes specific to that DB are generated from XML Schema datatypes. The mappings of XML Schema datatypes to DB datatypes for commonly used DBs are given in this Appendix. Select from the list below.

- [MS Access](#)
- [MS SQL Server](#)
- [MySQL](#)
- [Oracle](#)

## 4.1 MS Access

When an MS Access database (DB) is created from an XML Schema, the XML Schema datatypes are converted to MS Access datatypes as listed in the table below.

XML Schema Datatype	MS Access Datatype
xs:ID	GUID
xs:string	If no facets varchar (255)
	Size = either length or maxLength
	If Size <= 255 varchar (n)
	else memo
xs:normalizedString	Same as xs:string
xs:token	Same as xs:string
xs:Name	Same as xs:string
xs:NCName	Same as xs:string
xs:anyURI	Same as xs:string
xs:QName	Same as xs:string
xs:NOTATION	Same as xs:string
xs:boolean	bit
xs:float	Number (single)
xs:double	Number (double)
xs:decimal	Decimal
xs:duration	Date/Time
xs:dateTime	Date/Time
xs:time	Date/Time
xs:date	Date/Time
xs:gYearMonth	Date/Time
xs:gYear	Date/Time
xs:gMonthDay	Date/Time
xs:gDay	Date/Time
xs:gMonth	Date/Time
xs:hexBinary	If no facets varbinary (255)
	Size = either length or maxLength
	If Size <= 8000 varbinary
	else image (OLE Object)

xs:base64Binary	Same as xs:hexBinary
xs:integer	Number (Long Integer)
xs:int	Number (Long Integer)
xs:negativeInteger	Number (Long Integer); value constraint
xs:positiveInteger	Number (Long Integer); value constraint
xs:nonNegativeInteger	Number (Long Integer); value constraint
xs:nonPositiveInteger	Number (Long Integer); value constraint
xs:unsignedInt	Number (Long Integer)
xs:short	-- no equivalent --
xs:unsignedShort	-- no equivalent --
xs:long	-- no equivalent --
xs:unsignedLong	-- no equivalent --
xs:byte	Number (Byte)
xs:unsignedByte	Number (Byte)

## 4.2 MS SQL Server

When an XML Schema is generated from an MS SQL Server database (DB), the MS SQL Server DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

XML Schema Datatype	MS SQL Server Datatype
ID	uniqueidentifier
xs:string	If no facets
	{ if UNICODE nvarchar (255)
	else varchar (255) }
	else
	{ if UNICODE
	(Size = either length or maxLength)
	If Size <= 4000
	if FacetLengthIsSet then nChar
	else nVarChar
	if Size <= 1073741823 then nText }
	else
	{ if NON-UNICODE
	(Size = either length or maxLength)
	If Size <= 8000
	if FacetLengthIsSet then char
	else varchar
	if Size <= 2147483647 then text }
xs:normalizedString	Same as xs:string
xs:token	Same as xs:string
xs:Name	Same as xs:string
xs:NCName	Same as xs:string
xs:anyURI	Same as xs:string
xs:QName	Same as xs:string
xs:NOTATION	Same as xs:string
xs:boolean	bit
xs:float	real
xs:double	float
xs:decimal	decimal

xs:duration	datetime
xs:dateTime	datetime
xs:time	datetime
xs:date	datetime
xs:gYearMonth	datetime
xs:gYear	datetime
xs:gMonthDay	datetime
xs:gDay	datetime
xs:gMonth	datetime
xs:hexBinary	If no facets varbinary (255)
	(Size = either length or maxLength
	If Size <= 8000
	if FacetLengthIsSet then binary
	else varbinary
	if Size <= 2147483647 then image
xs:base64Binary	Same as xs:hexBinary
xs:integer	int
xs:int	int
xs:negativeInteger	Int (constrained to {...,-2,-1})
xs:positiveInteger	Int (constrained to {1,2,...})
xs:nonNegativeInteger	int (constrained to {0,1,2,...})
xs:nonPositiveInteger	int (constrained to {...,-2,-1,0})
xs:unsignedInt	int (additional constraints)
xs:short	smallint
xs:unsignedShort	smallint (additional constraints)
xs:long	bigint
xs:unsignedLong	bigint (additional constraints)
xs:byte	tinyint
xs:unsignedByte	tinyint (additional constraints)

## 4.3 MySQL

When an XML Schema is generated from a MySQL database (DB), the MySQL DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

XML Schema Datatype	MySQL Datatype
xs:ID	varchar(255)
xs:string	If no facets then varchar (255)
	else if facet length is set and <= 255 then char
	else if facet maxLength set and <= 255 then varchar
	else if maxLength is set and <= 65545 then text
	else if maxlength is set and <= 16777215 then mediumtext
	else if maxlength is set and <= 429496295 then longtext
xs:normalizedString	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:token	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:Name	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:NCName	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:anyURI	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:QName	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:NOTATION	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:boolean	tinyint(1)
xs:float	float
xs:double	double
xs:decimal	decimal
xs:duration	timestamp
xs:dateTime	datetime
xs:time	time
xs:date	date
xs:gYearMonth	timestamp(4)
xs:gYear	year(4)
xs:gMonthDay	timestamp(8); constraints to check month, day
xs:gDay	timestamp(8); constraints to check day

xs:gMonth	timestamp(8); constraints to check month
xs:hexBinary	If no facets then blob (255)
	else if facet length is set and <= 255 then blob
	else if facet maxLength is set and <= 255 then tinyblob
	else if maxLength is set and <= 65545 then blob
	else if maxLength is set and <= 16777215 then mediumblob
	else if maxLength is set and <= 429496295 then longblob
xs:base64Binary	<b>Same as</b> xs:hexBinary
xs:integer	Integer
xs:int	int
xs:negativeInteger	Integer (constrained to {...,-2,-1})
xs:positiveInteger	Integer (constrained to {1,2,...})
xs:nonNegativeInteger	Integer (constrained to {0,1,2,...})
xs:nonPositiveInteger	Integer (constrained to {...,-2,-1,0})
xs:unsignedInt	Int (additional constraints)
xs:short	Smallint
xs:unsignedShort	Smallint (additional constraints)
xs:long	Bigint
xs:unsignedLong	Bigint (additional constraints)
xs:byte	Tinyint
xs:unsignedByte	Tinyint (additional constraints)

## 4.4 Oracle

When an XML Schema is generated from an Oracle database (DB), the Oracle DB datatypes are converted to XML Schema datatypes as listed in the table below.

XML Schema Datatype	Oracle Datatype
xs:ID	ROWID
xs:string	If no facets
	if UNICODE then NVARCHAR2 (255)
	else VARCHAR2 (255)
	else if UNICODE
	(Size = either length or maxLength)
	If Size <= 2000 then NCHAR
	if Size <= 4000 then NVARCHAR2
	if Size <= 4 Gigabytes then NCLOB
	else if NON-UNICODE
	(Size = either length or maxLength)
	If Size <= 2000 then CHAR
	if Size <= 4000 then VARCHAR2
	if Size <= 4 Gigabytes then CLOB
xs:normalizedString	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:token	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:Name	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:NCName	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:anyURI	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:QName	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:NOTATION	<b>Same as</b> xs:string
xs:boolean	NUMBER with constraint Boolean
xs:float	FLOAT
xs:double	FLOAT
xs:decimal	NUMBER
xs:duration	TIMESTAMP
xs:dateTime	TIMESTAMP
xs:time	DATE
xs:date	DATE

xs:gYearMonth	INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH
xs:gYear	DATE
xs:gMonthDay	DATE
xs:gDay	DATE
xs:gMonth	DATE
xs:hexBinary	if no facets then RAW (255)
	(Size = either length or maxLength)
	If Size <= 2000 then RAW (X)
	else Size <= 2 Gigabytes then LONG RAW (X)
	if Size <= 4 Gigabytes then BLOB (X)
xs:base64Binary	BLOB
xs:integer	NUMBER
xs:int	NUMBER
xs:negativeInteger	NUMBER (constrained to {...,-2,-1})
xs:positiveInteger	NUMBER (constrained to {1,2,...})
xs:nonNegativeInteger	NUMBER (constrained to {0,1,2,...})
xs:nonPositiveInteger	NUMBER (constrained to {...,-2,-1,0})
xs:unsignedInt	NUMBER (additional constraints)
xs:short	NUMBER
xs:unsignedShort	NUMBER (additional constraints)
xs:long	NUMBER
xs:unsignedLong	NUMBER (additional constraints)
xs:byte	BLOB
xs:unsignedByte	BLOB (additional constraints)

## 5 Technical Data

This section contains useful background information on the technical aspects of your software. It is organized into the following sections:

- [OS and Memory Requirements](#)
- [Altova XML Validator](#)
- [Altova XSLT and XQuery Engines](#)
- [Unicode Support](#)
- [Internet Usage](#)

## 5.1 OS and Memory Requirements

### Operating System

Altova software applications are available for the following platforms:

- 32-bit Windows applications for Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10, Windows Server 2003/2008
- 64-bit Windows applications for Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10, Windows Server 2012

### Memory

Since the software is written in C++ it does not require the overhead of a Java Runtime Environment and typically requires less memory than comparable Java-based applications. However, each document is loaded fully into memory so as to parse it completely and to improve viewing and editing speed. The memory requirement increases with the size of the document.

Memory requirements are also influenced by the unlimited Undo history. When repeatedly cutting and pasting large selections in large documents, available memory can rapidly be depleted.

## 5.2 Altova XML Validator

When opening any XML document, the application uses its built-in XML validator to check for well-formedness, validate the document against a schema (if specified), and build trees and infosets. The XML validator is also used to provide intelligent editing help while you edit documents and to dynamically display any validation error that may occur.

The built-in XML validator implements the Final Recommendation of the W3C's XML Schema 1.0 and 1.1 specification. New developments recommended by the W3C's XML Schema Working Group are continuously being incorporated in the XML validator, so that Altova products give you a state-of-the-art development environment.

## 5.3 Altova XSLT and XQuery Engines

Altova products use the Altova XSLT 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 Engines and the Altova XQuery 1.0 and 3.1 Engines. Documentation about implementation-specific behavior for each engine is in the appendices of the documentation (Engine Information), should that engine be used in the product.

**Note:** Altova MapForce generates code using the XSLT 1.0, 2.0 and XQuery 1.0 engines.

## 5.4 Unicode Support

Altova's XML products provide full Unicode support. To edit an XML document, you will also need a font that supports the Unicode characters being used by that document.

Please note that most fonts only contain a very specific subset of the entire Unicode range and are therefore typically targeted at the corresponding writing system. If some text appears garbled, the reason could be that the font you have selected does not contain the required glyphs. So it is useful to have a font that covers the entire Unicode range, especially when editing XML documents in different languages or writing systems. A typical Unicode font found on Windows PCs is Arial Unicode MS.

In the `/Examples` folder of your application folder you will find an XHTML file called `UnicodeUTF-8.html` that contains the following sentence in a number of different languages and writing systems:

- *When the world wants to talk, it speaks Unicode*
- *Wenn die Welt miteinander spricht, spricht sie Unicode*
- 世界的に話すなら、Unicode です。)

Opening this XHTML file will give you a quick impression of Unicode's possibilities and also indicate what writing systems are supported by the fonts available on your PC.

## 5.5 Internet Usage

Altova applications will initiate Internet connections on your behalf in the following situations:

- If you click the "Request evaluation key-code" in the Registration dialog (**Help | Software Activation**), the three fields in the registration dialog box are transferred to our web server by means of a regular http (port 80) connection and the free evaluation key-code is sent back to the customer via regular SMTP e-mail.
- In some Altova products, you can open a file over the Internet (**File | Open | Switch to URL**). In this case, the document is retrieved using one of the following protocol methods and connections: HTTP (normally port 80), FTP (normally port 20/21), HTTPS (normally port 443). You could also run an HTTP server on port 8080. (In the URL dialog, specify the port after the server name and a colon.)
- If you open an XML document that refers to an XML Schema or DTD and the document is specified through a URL, the referenced schema document is also retrieved through a HTTP connection (port 80) or another protocol specified in the URL (see Point 2 above). A schema document will also be retrieved when an XML file is validated. Note that validation might happen automatically upon opening a document if you have instructed the application to do this (in the File tab of the Options dialog (**Tools | Options**)).
- In Altova applications using WSDL and SOAP, web service connections are defined by the WSDL documents.
- If you are using the **Send by Mail** command (**File | Send by Mail**) in XMLSpy, the current selection or file is sent by means of any MAPI-compliant mail program installed on the user's PC.
- As part of Software Activation and LiveUpdate as further described in the Altova Software License Agreement.

## 6 License Information

This section contains:

- Information about the [distribution of this software product](#)
- Information about [software activation and license metering](#)
- Information about the [intellectual property rights](#) related to this software product
- The [End-User License Agreement](#) governing the use of this software product

Please read this information carefully. It is binding upon you since you agreed to these terms when you installed this software product.

## 6.1 Electronic Software Distribution

This product is available through electronic software distribution, a distribution method that provides the following unique benefits:

- You can evaluate the software free-of-charge before making a purchasing decision.
- Once you decide to buy the software, you can place your order online at the [Altova website](#) and immediately get a fully licensed product within minutes.
- When you place an online order, you always get the latest version of our software.
- The product package includes a comprehensive integrated onscreen help system. The latest version of the user manual is available at [www.altova.com](http://www.altova.com) (i) in HTML format for online browsing, and (ii) in PDF format for download (and to print if you prefer to have the documentation on paper).

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### 30-day evaluation period

After downloading this product, you can evaluate it for a period of up to 30 days free of charge. About 20 days into this evaluation period, the software will start to remind you that it has not yet been licensed. The reminder message will be displayed once each time you start the application. If you would like to continue using the program after the 30-day evaluation period, you have to purchase an [Altova Software License Agreement](#), which is delivered in the form of a key-code that you enter into the Software Activation dialog to unlock the product. You can purchase your license at the online shop at the [Altova website](#).

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### Helping Others within Your Organization to Evaluate the Software

If you wish to distribute the evaluation version within your company network, or if you plan to use it on a PC that is not connected to the Internet, you may only distribute the Setup programs, provided that they are not modified in any way. Any person that accesses the software installer that you have provided, must request their own 30-day evaluation license key code and after expiration of their evaluation period, must also purchase a license in order to be able to continue using the product.

For further details, please refer to the [Altova Software License Agreement](#) at the end of this section.

## 6.2 Software Activation and License Metering

As part of Altova's Software Activation, the software may use your internal network and Internet connection for the purpose of transmitting license-related data at the time of installation, registration, use, or update to an Altova-operated license server and validating the authenticity of the license-related data in order to protect Altova against unlicensed or illegal use of the software and to improve customer service. Activation is based on the exchange of license related data such as operating system, IP address, date/time, software version, and computer name, along with other information between your computer and an Altova license server.

Your Altova product has a built-in license metering module that further helps you avoid any unintentional violation of the End User License Agreement. Your product is licensed either as a single-user or multi-user installation, and the license-metering module makes sure that no more than the licensed number of users use the application concurrently.

This license-metering technology uses your local area network (LAN) to communicate between instances of the application running on different computers.

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### Single license

When the application starts up, as part of the license metering process, the software sends a short broadcast datagram to find any other instance of the product running on another computer in the same network segment. If it doesn't get any response, it will open a port for listening to other instances of the application.

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### Multi license

If more than one instance of the application is used within the same LAN, these instances will briefly communicate with each other on startup. These instances exchange key-codes in order to help you to better determine that the number of concurrent licenses purchased is not accidentally violated. This is the same kind of license metering technology that is common in the Unix world and with a number of database development tools. It allows Altova customers to purchase reasonably-priced concurrent-use multi-user licenses.

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