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Abstract

This specification defines the Document Object Model Content Models and Load and Save Level 3, a platform- and language-neutral interface that allows programs and scripts to dynamically access and update the content, structure and style of documents. The Document Object Model Content Models and Load and Save Level 3 builds on the Document Object Model Core Level 3.

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1. Content Models and Validation

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1.1. Overview

This chapter describes the optional DOM Level 3 *Content Model (CM)* feature. This module provides a representation for XML content models, e.g., DTDs and XML Schemas, together with operations on the content models, and how such information within the content models could be applied to XML documents used in both the document-editing and CM-editing worlds. It also provides additional tests for well-formedness of XML documents, including Namespace well-formedness. A DOM application can use the hasFeature method of theDOMImplementation interface to determine whether a given DOM supports these capabilities or not. One feature string for the CM-editing interfaces listed in this section is "CM-EDIT" and another feature string for document-editing interfaces is "CM-DOC".

This chapter interacts strongly with the *Load and Save* chapter, which is also under development in DOM Level 3. Not only will that code serialize/deserialize content models, but it may also wind up defining its well-formedness and validity checks in terms of what is defined in this chapter. In addition, the CM and Load/Save functional areas will share a common error-reporting mechanism allowing user-registered error callbacks. Note that this may not imply that the parser actually calls the DOM's validation code -- it may be able to achieve better performance via its own -- but the appearance to the user should probably be "as if" the DOM has been asked to validate the document, and parsers should probably be able to validate newly loaded documents in terms of a previously loaded DOM CM.

Finally, this chapter will have separate sections to address the needs of the document-editing and CM-editing worlds, along with a section that details overlapping areas such as validation. In this manner, the document-editing world's focuses on editing aspects and usage of information in the CM are made distinct from the CM-editing world's focuses on defining and manipulating the information in the CM.

1.1.1. General Characteristics

In the October 9, 1997 DOM requirements document, the following appeared: "There will be a way to determine the presence of a DTD. There will be a way to add, remove, and change declarations in the underlying DTD (if available). There will be a way to test conformance of all or part of the given document against a DTD (if available)." In later discussions, the following was added, "There will be a way to query element/attribute (and maybe other) declarations in the underlying DTD (if available)," supplementing the primitive support for these in Level 1.

That work was deferred past Level 2, in the hope that XML Schemas would be addressed as well. It is anticipated that lowest common denominator general APIs generated in this chapter can support both DTDs and XML Schemas, and other XML content models down the road.

The kinds of information that a Content Model must make available are mostly self-evident from the definitions of Infoset, DTDs, and XML Schemas. Note that some kinds of information on which the DOM already relies, e.g., default values for attributes, will finally be given a visible representation here, however.

1.1.2. Use Cases and Requirements

The content model referenced in these use cases/requirements is an abstraction and does not refer solely to DTDs or XML Schemas.

For the CM-editing and document-editing worlds, the following use cases and requirements are common to both and could be labeled as the "Validation and Other Common Functionality" section:

Use Cases:

- 1. CU1. Associating a content model (external and/or internal) with a document, or changing the current association.
- 2. CU2. Using the same external content model with several documents, without having to reload it.

Requirements:

- 1. CR1. Validate against the content model.
- 2. CR2. Retrieve information from content model.
- 3. CR3. Load an existing content model, perhaps independently from a document.
- 4. CR4. Being able to determine if a document has a content model associated with it.
- 5. CR5. Associate a CM with a document and make it the active CM.

Specific to the CM-editing world, the following are use cases and requirements and could be labeled as the "CM-editing" section:

Use Cases:

- 1. CMU1. Clone/map all or parts of an existing content model to a new or existing content model.
- 2. CMU2. Save a content model in a separate file. For example, if a DTD can be broken up into reusable pieces, which are then brought in via entity references, these can then be saved in a separate file. Note that the external subset of a DTD, which includes both an internal and external subset, is a special case of dividing a content model into entities.
- 3. CMU3. Modify an existing content model.
- 4. CMU4. Create a new content model.
- 5. CMU5. Partial content model checking. For example, the document need only be validated against a selected portion of the content model.

Requirements:

- 1. CMR1. View and modify all parts of the content model.
- 2. CMR2. Validate the content model itself.
- 3. CMR3. Serialize the content model.

- 4. CMR4. Clone all or parts of an existing content model.
- 5. CMR5. Create a new content model object.
- 6. CMR6. Validate portions of the XML document against the content model.

Specific to the document-editing world, the following are use cases and requirements and could be labeled as the "Document-editing" section:

Use Cases:

- 1. DU1. For editing documents with an associated content model, provide the guidance necessary so that valid documents can be modified and remain valid.
- 2. DU2. For editing documents with an associated content model, provide the guidance necessary to transform an invalid document into a valid one.

Requirements:

- 1. DR1. Be able to determine if the document is well-formed, and if not, be given enough guidance to locate the error.
- 2. DR2. Be able to determine if the document is namespace well-formed, and if not, be given enough guidance to locate the error.
- 3. DR3. Be able to determine if the document is valid with respect to its associated content model, and if not, give enough guidance to locate the error.
- 4. DR4. Be able to determine if specific modifications to a document would make it become invalid.
- 5. DR5. Retrieve information from all content models. One example might be getting a list of all the defined element names for document editing purposes.

General Issues:

- 1. II. Some concerns exist regarding whether a single abstract Content Model structure can successfully represent both namespace-unaware, e.g., DTD, and namespace-aware, e.g., XML Schema, models of document's content. For example, when you ask what elements can be inserted in a specific place, the former will report the element's QName, e.g., foo:bar, whereas the latter will report its namespace and local name, e.g., {http://my.namespace}bar. We have added the isNamespaceAware attribute to the generic CM object to help applications determine which of these fields are important, but we are still analyzing this challenge.
- 2. I2. An XML document may be associated with multiple CMs. We have decided that only one of these is "active" (for validation and guidance) at a time. DOM applications may switch which CM is active, remove CMs that are no longer relevant, or add CMs to the list. If it becomes necessary to simultaneously consult more than one CM, it should be possible to write a "union" CM which provides that capability within this framework.
- 3. I3. Content model being able to handle more datatypes than strings. Currently, this functionality is not available and should be dealt with in the future.
- 4. I4. Round-trippability for include/ignore statements and other constructs such as parameter entities, e.g., "macro-like" constructs, will not be supported since no data representation exists to support these constructs without having to re-parse them.
- 5. I5. Basic interface for a common error handler for both CM and Load/Save. Agreement has been to utilize user-registered callbacks but other details to be worked out.

1.2. Content Model and CM-Editing Interfaces

A list of the proposed Content Model data structures and functions follow, starting off with the data structures and "CM-editing" methods.

Interface CMModel

CMModel is an abstract object that could map to a DTD, an XML Schema, a database schema, etc. It's a generalized content model object, that has both an internal and external subset. The internal subset would always exist, even if empty, with the external subset (if present) being represented as by an "active" CMExternalModel [p.16]. Many CMExternalModels could exist, but only one can be specified as "active"; it is also possible that none are "active". The issue of multiple content models is misleading since in this architecture, only one CMModel exists, with an internal subset that references the external subset. If the external subset changes to another "acitve" CMExternalModel, the internal subset is "fixed up." The CMModel also contains the factory methods needed to create a various types of CMNodes like CMElementDeclaration [p.20], CMAttributeDeclaration [p.23], etc.

IDL Definition

```
interface CMModel : CMNode {
  readonly attribute boolean
                                        isNamespaceAware;
          attribute CMElementDeclaration rootElementDecl;
 DOMString getLocation();
nsElement getCMNamespace
 nsElement getCMNamespace();
CMNamedNodeMap getCMNodes();
boolean removeNode(in CMNode node);
boolean
  boolean
                    insertBefore(in CMNode newNode,
                                    in CMNode refNode);
  boolean
                      validate();
  CMElementDeclaration createCMElementDeclaration(inout DOMString namespaceURI,
                                                      in DOMString qualifiedElementName,
                                                      in int contentSpec)
                                          raises(DOMException);
  CMAttributeDeclaration createCMAttributeDeclaration(inout DOMString namespaceURI,
                                                          in DOMString qualifiedName)
                                           raises(DOMException);
  CMNotationDeclaration createCMNotationDeclaration(in DOMString name,
                                                       in DOMString systemIdentifier,
                                                        inout DOMString publicIdentifier)
                                          raises(DOMException);
  CMEntityDeclaration createCMEntityDeclaration(in DOMString name)
                                          raises(DOMException);
  CMChildren
                    createCMChildren(in unsigned long minOccurs,
                                        in unsigned long maxOccurs,
                                        inout unsigned short operator)
                                          raises(DOMException);
};
```

Attributes

isNamespaceAware of type boolean, readonly

True if this content model defines the document structure in terms of namespaces and local names; false if the document structure is defined only in terms of QNames.

rootElementDecl of type CMElementDeclaration [p.20]

The root element declaration for the content model. Although a root element is specified in the document instance, when a content model is generated, a user should be able to chose the root element for editing purpose. This is just a placeholder for that element. It could also be null. For validating an XML document, root element must be defined in its active content model. CMModel.rootElementDecl provides access to that root element declaration. This recommendation does not say how to fill in the rootElementdecl. It could be manually done by the user before validating a document, in some cases where possible, the CMModle loader may be able to fill it in etc.

Methods

createCMAttributeDeclaration

Creates an attribute declaration. The returned object implements CMAttributeDeclaration interface.

Parameters

 $\begin{array}{l} {\tt namespaceURI\ of\ type\ DOMString} \\ {\tt qualifiedName\ of\ type\ DOMString} \end{array}$

The name of the attribute being declared.

Return Value

CMAttributeDeclaration [p.23]

A new CMAttributeDeclaration object with attributeName attribute set to input qualifiedname parameter.

Exceptions

DOMException

INVALID_CHARACTER_ERR: Raised if the specified name contains an illegal character.

createCMChildren

Creates a new CMChildren object. The subModels of the CMChildren is build using CMChildren interface methods.

Parameters

minOccurs of type unsigned long

The minimum occurance for the subModels of this CMChildren.

maxOccurs of type unsigned long

The maximum occurance for the subModels of this CMChildren.

operator of type unsigned short

operator of type CHOICE, SEQ or NONE

Return Value

CMChildren [p.22] A new CMChildren object.

Exceptions

 ${\tt DOMException} \quad INVALID_CHARACTER_ERR: Raised \ if \ the \ specified \ name$

contains an illegal character.

createCMElementDeclaration

Creates an element declaration for the element type specified. The returned object implements CMElementDeclaration interface.

Parameters

namespaceURI of type DOMString

qualifiedElementName of type DOMString

The qualified name of the element type being declared.

contentSpec of type int

Constant for MIXED, EMPTY, ANY and CHILDREN.

Return Value

CMElementDeclaration

[p.20]

A new CMElementDeclaration object with name attribute set to qualifiedElementName and the contentType set to contentSpec. Other attributes

of the element declaration are set through CMElementDeclaration interface methods.

Exceptions

DOMException

INVALID_CHARACTER_ERR: Raised if the specified name

contains an illegal character.

DUPLICATE_NAME_ERR:Raised if an element declaration already exists with the same name for a given CMModel.

createCMEntityDeclaration

Creates a new entity declaration. The returned object implements CMEntityDeclaration interface.

Parameters

name of type DOMString

The name of the entity being declared.

Return Value

CMEntityDeclaration

[p.24]

A new CMNotationDeclaration object with entityName attribute set to name.

Exceptions

DOMException

INVALID_CHARACTER_ERR: Raised if the specified name

contains an illegal character.

createCMNotationDeclaration

Creates a new notation declaration. The returned object implements

CMNotationDeclaration interface.

Parameters

name of type DOMString

The name of the notation being declared.

systemIdentifier of type DOMString

The system identifier for the notation declaration.

publicIdentifier of type DOMString

The public identifier for the notation declaraiton.

Return Value

CMNotationDeclaration [p.25]

A new CMNotationDeclaration object with notationName attribute set to name.

Exceptions

DOMException

INVALID_CHARACTER_ERR: Raised if the specified name

contains an illegal character.

DUPLICATE_NAME_ERR:Raised if a notation declaration already exists with the same name for a given CMModel.

getCMNamespace

Determines namespace of CMModel.

Return Value

nsElement Namespace of CMModel.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getCMNodes

Returns CMNode [p.17] list of all the constituent nodes in the content model.

Return Value

CMNamedNodeMap [p.18] List of all CMNodes [p.17] of the content model.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getLocation

Location of the document describing the content model defined in this CMModel.

Return Value

DOMString This method returns a DOMString defining the absolute location from which this document is retrieved including the document name.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

insertBefore

Insert CMNode [p.17].

Parameters

newNode of type CMNode [p.17]
CMNode to be inserted.
refNode of type CMNode
CMNode to be inserted before.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure...

No Exceptions

removeNode

Removes the specifiedCMNode [p.17].

Parameters

node of type CMNode [p.17] CMNode to be removed.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure..

No Exceptions

validate

Determines if a CMModel and CMExternalModel itself is valid, i.e., confirming that it's well-formed and valid per its own formal grammar. Note that within a CMModel, a pointer to a CMExternalModel can exist.

Return Value

boolean Is the CM valid?

No Parameters

No Exceptions

Interface CMExternalModel

CMExternalModel is an abstract object that could map to a DTD, an XML Schema, a database schema, etc. It's a generalized content model object that is not bound to a particular XML document.

IDL Definition

```
interface CMExternalModel : CMModel {
};
```

Interface CMNode

CMNodeis analogous to a Node in the Core DOM, e.g., an element declaration. This can exist for both CMExternalModel [p.16] and CMModel [p.12]. It should be able to handle constructs such as comments and processing instructions.

Opaque.

IDL Definition

```
interface CMNode {
  const unsigned short CM_ELEMENT_DECLARATION
const unsigned short CM_ATTRIBUTE_DECLARATION
const unsigned short CM_NOTATION_DECLARATION
const unsigned short CM_ENTITY_DECLARATION
const unsigned short CM_CHILDREN
const unsigned short CM_MODEL
const unsigned short CM_EXTERNALMODEL
                                                                                                              = 3;
                                                                                                              = 4;
                                                                                                              = 5;
                                                                                                              = 6;
                                                                                                              = 7;
   readonly attribute unsigned short cmNodeType;
                    attribute CMModel ownerCMModel;
                    attribute DOMString
attribute DOMString
attribute DOMString
attribute DOMString
                    attribute DOMString
                                                                   nodeName;
                                                                   prefix;
                                                                     localName;
                                                                   namespaceURI;
   CMNode
                                       clone();
};
```

Constant CM_ELEMENT_DECLARATION

The node is an CMElementDeclaration [p.20].

Constant CM ATTRIBUTE DECLARATION

The node is an CMAttributeDeclaration [p.23].

Constant CM_NOTATION_DECLARATION

The node is a CMNotationDeclaration [p.25].

Constant CM_ENTITY_DECLARATION

The node is an CMEntityDeclaration [p.24].

Constant CM_CHILDREN

The node is a CMChildren [p.22].

Constant CM_MODEL

The node is a CMModel [p.12].

Constant CM EXTERNALMODEL

The node is a CMExternalModel [p.16].

Attributes

cmNodeType of type unsigned short, readonly

A code representing the underlying object as defined above.

localName of type DOMString

Returns the local part of the qualified name of this CMNode.

```
namespaceURI of type DOMString
```

The namespace URI of this node, or null if it is unspecified.

nodeName of type DOMString

The qualified name of this CMNode depending on the CMNode type.

ownerCMModel of type CMModel [p.12]

The CMModel [p.12] object associated with this CMNode. For a node of type CM_MODEL, this is null.

prefix of type DOMString

The namespace prefix of this node, or null if it is unspecified.

Methods

clone

Creates a copy of CMNode.

Return Value

CMNode [p.17] Cloned CMNode.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

Interface CMNodeList

CMNodeList is the CM analogue to NodeList; the document order is meaningful, as opposed to CMNamedNodeMap [p.18].

IDL Definition

```
interface CMNodeList {
};
```

Interface CMNamedNodeMap

CMNamedNodeMap is the CM analogue to NamedNodeMap. The order is not meaningful.

IDL Definition

```
interface CMNamedNodeMap {
};
```

Interface CMDataType

The primitive datatypes supported by base DOM CM implementation is: string type only.

IDL Definition

Constant STRING_DATATYPE

code representing the string data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Methods

```
getCMPrimitiveType
```

Returns one of the enumerated code representing the primitive data type.

Return Value

short code representing the primitive type of the attached data item.

No Parameters No Exceptions

Interface CMPrimitiveType

The primitive types supported by optional DOM CM implelementations. A DOM application can use the hasFeature method of the DOMImplementation interface to determine whether this interface is supported or not. The feature string for all the interfaces listed in this section is "CMPTYPES" and the version is "3.0".

IDL Definition

```
interface CMPrimitiveType : CMDataType {
                                             = 4;
                                             = 6;
                                            = 7;
                                             = 8;
                                             = 9;
                                            = 10;
                                            = 11;
                                             = 12;
                                             = 13;
                                            = 14;
                                             = 15;
                                            = 16;
                                             = 17;
                                             = 18;
                                             = 19;
       attribute decimal lowValue; attribute decimal highValue;
};
```

Constant BOOLEAN DATATYPE

code representing the boolean data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant *FLOAT_DATATYPE*

code representing the float data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant DOUBLE_DATATYPE

code representing the double data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant DECIMAL_DATATYPE

code representing a decimal data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant HEXBINARY DATATYPE

code representing a hexbinary data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant BASE64BINARY_DATATYPE

code representing a base64binary data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant ANYURI DATATYPE

code representing an uri reference data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Note: @@uriReference is no longer part of the XML Schema PR draft.

Constant *QNAME_DATATYPE*

code representing an XML qualified name data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant DURATION DATATYPE

code representing a duration data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant DATETIME DATATYPE

code representing adatetime data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant DATE DATATYPE

code representing adate data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant TIME_DATATYPE

code representing a time data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant YEARMONTH DATATYPE

code representing a yearmonth data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant YEAR DATATYPE

code representing a year data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant MONTHDAY DATATYPE

code representing a monthday data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant DAY DATATYPE

code representing a day data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant MONTH_DATATYPE

code representing a month data type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Constant NOTATION_DATATYPE

code representing anotation and type as defined in XML Schema Datatypes.

Attributes

highValue of type decimal

The high value for a primitive DECIMAL_DATATYPE in the value range. lowValue of type decimal

The low value for a primitive DECIMAL_DATATYPE in the value range.

Interface CMElementDeclaration

The element name along with the content specification in the context of a CMNode [p.17].

IDL Definition

Attributes

elementType of type CMDataType [p.18]

Datatype of the element.

isPCDataOnly of type boolean, readonly

Boolean defining whether the element type contains child elements and PCDATA or PCDATA only for mixed element types. True if the element is of type PCDATA only.

Relevant only for mixed content type elements.

tagName of type DOMString

tagName of the element being declared.

Methods

```
getCMAttributes
```

Returns a CMNamedNodeMap [p.18] containing CMAttributeDeclarations [p.23] for all the attributes that can appear on this type of element.

Return Value

CMNamedNodeMap [p.18] Attributes list for this CMNode [p.17].

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getCMChildren

Gets content model of element.

Return Value

CMChildren [p.22] Content model of element.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getCMGrandChildren

Returns a CMNamedNodeMap [p.18] containing CMElementDeclarations for all the Elements that can appear as children of this type of element. Note that which ones can actually appear, and in what order, is defined by the CMChildren [p.22].

Return Value

CMNamedNodeMap [p.18] Children list for this CMNode [p.17].

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getContentType

Gets content type, e.g., empty, any, mixed, elements, PCDATA, of an element.

Return Value

int Content type constant.

No Parameters No Exceptions

Interface CMChildren

The content model of a declared element.

IDL Definition

```
interface CMChildren : CMNode {
  const unsigned long UNBOUNDED
                                                              = MAX_LONG;
 const unsigned short NONE
const unsigned short SEQUENCE
const unsigned short CHOICE
                                                              = 0;
                                                              = 1;
                                                              = 2;
          attribute unsigned short listOperator;
           attribute unsigned long minOccurs;
           attribute unsigned long maxOccurs;
          attribute CMNodeList
                                       subModels;
  CMNode
             removeCMNode(in unsigned long nodeIndex);
  int
                    insertCMNode(in unsigned long nodeIndex,
                                   in CMNode newNode);
                      appendCMNode(in CMNode newNode);
  int
};
```

Constant UNBOUNDED

Signifies unbounded upper limit. The MAX_LONG value is the maximum value of an unsigned long integer for a given language binding.

Constant NONE

No operators defined on the subModels. This is usually the case where the subModels contain a single element declaration.

Constant SEQUENCE

This constant value signifies a sequence operator ",".

Constant CHOICE

This constant value signifies a choice operator "|".

Attributes

listOperator of type unsigned short

One of CHOICE or SEQUENCE. The operator is applied to all the components (CMNodes) in the the subModels. For example, if the list operator is CHOICE and the components in subModels are a, b and c then the content model for the element being declared is (a|b|c)

```
maxOccurs of type unsigned long
```

maximum occurrence for this content particle. Valid values are from 0 to UNBOUNDED.

minOccurs of type unsigned long

min occurrence for this content particle. Valid values are from 0 to UNBOUNDED. subModels of type CMNodeList [p.18]

Additional CMNode [p.17] s in which the element can be defined.

Methods

appendCMNode

Appends a new node to the end of the list representing thesubModels.

Parameters

newNode of type CMNode [p.17]

The new node to be appended.

Return Value

int the length of the subModels.

No Exceptions

insertCMNode

Inserts a new node at a position in the submodel referred to by the nodeIndex. Node already exisiting in the list is moved as needed.

Parameters

nodeIndex of type unsigned long

The position of where the newNode is inserted.

newNode of type CMNode [p.17]

The new node to be inserted.

Return Value

int The index value at which it is inserted. If the nodeIndex is outside the bound of the subModels list, the item is inserted at the back of the list.

No Exceptions

removeCMNode

Removes the CMNode at the indicated index position in the submodel.

Parameters

nodeIndex of type unsigned long

Index of the node being removed.

Return Value

CMNode The node removed is returned as a result of this method call. The method returns null if the index is outside the bounds of the subModels list.

No Exceptions

Interface CMAttributeDeclaration

An attribute declaration in the context of a CMNode [p.17].

IDL Definition

Constant NO VALUE CONSTRAINT

Describes that the attribute does not have any value constraint.

Constant DEFAULT VALUE CONSTRAINT

Indicates that the there is a default value constraint.

Constant FIXED_VALUE_CONSTRAINT

Indicates that there is a fixed value constraint for this attribute.

Attributes

```
attrName of type DOMString
Name of the attribute.

attrType of type CMDataType [p.18]
Datatype of the attribute.

attributeValue of type DOMString
Default value.

constraintType of type short
Constraint type if any for this attribute.

enumAttr of type DOMString
Enumeration of attribute.

ownerElement of type CMNodeList [p.18]
Owner element CMNode of attribute.
```

Interface *CMEntityDeclaration*

Models a general entity declaration in a content model.

(*ED*: The content model does not handle any parameter entity. It is assumed that the parameter entities are expanded by the implementation as the content model is built.)

IDL Definition

Constant INTERNAL_ENTITY

constant defining an internal entity.

Constant EXTERNAL_ENTITY

constant defining an external entity.

Attributes

entityName of type DOMString

The name of the declared general entity.

entityType of type short

One of the INTERNAL_ENTITY or EXTERNAL_ENTITY.

entityValue of type DOMString

The replacement text for the internal entity. The entity references within the replacement text is kept intact. For entity of type EXTERNAL_ENTITY this is null.

notationName of type DOMString

For unparsed entities, the name of the notation declaration for the entity. For parsed entities, this is null.

publicId of type DOMString

The public identifier associated with the entity, if specified. If the public identifier was not specified, this is null.

systemId of type DOMString

The system identifier associated with the entity, if specified. If the system identifier was not specified, this is null.

Interface CMNotationDeclaration

This interface represents a notation declaration.

IDL Definition

```
interface CMNotationDeclaration : CMNode {
    attribute DOMString notationName;
    attribute DOMString systemId;
    attribute DOMString publicId;
};
```

Attributes

notationName of type DOMString

The name of this notation declaration.

publicId of type DOMString

The string representing the public identifier for this notation declaration.

```
systemId of type DOMString
```

the URI representing the system identifier for the notation declaration, if present, null otherwise.

1.3. Validation and Other Interfaces

This section contains "Validation and Other" methods common to both the document-editing and CM-editing worlds (includes Document [p.26], DOMImplementation, and DOMErrorHandler [p.40] methods).

Interface *Document*

The setErrorHandler method is off of the Document interface.

IDL Definition

Methods

setErrorHandler

Allow an application to register an error event handler.

Parameters

handler of type DOMErrorHandler [p.40]

The error handler

No Return Value

No Exceptions

Interface DocumentCM

This interface extends the Document [p.26] interface with additional methods for both document and CM editing.

IDL Definition

```
interface DocumentCM : Document {
 const short WF_CHECK
                                                         = 1;
                         NS_WF_CHECK
                                                         = 2;
 const short
 const short PARTIAL_VALIDITY_CHECK = 3; const short STRICT_VALIDITY_CHECK = 4;
         attribute boolean continuousValidityChecking;
         attribute short
                                   wfValidityCheckLevel;
                   numCMs();
 int
 CMModel
                   getInternalCM();
 CMNodeList
CMModel
void
                   getCMs();
                   getActiveCM();
                   addCM(in CMModel cm);
                   removeCM(in CMModel cm);
 void
 boolean
                   activateCM(in CMModel cm);
};
```

Constant WF_CHECK

Check for well-formedness of the document.

Constant NS_WF_CHECK

Check for namespace well-formedness includes WF_CHECK.

Constant PARTIAL_VALIDITY_CHECK

Checks for whether the document is partially valid. It includes NS_WF_CHECK.

A document is said to be *partially valid* if it contains elments/attributes for which an element/attribute declaration has not been made in the active content model. However, if the element or the attribute has a declaration in the content model, it must be valid with respect to those declarations.

Constant STRICT_VALIDITY_CHECK

Checks for strict validity of the document with respect to active CM which by defiition includes NS_WF_CHECK.

Attributes

continuousValidityChecking of type boolean

An attribute specifying whether continuous checking for the validity of the document is enforced or not. When set to true the implementation is free to raise the

VALIDATION_ERR exception on DOM operations that would make the document invalid with respect to "partial validity". This attribute is false by default.

(ED: Add VALIDATION_ERR code to the list of constants in DOMException.)

wfValidityCheckLevel of type short

This attribute defines the level at which the validity and welformedness testing is done by the isValid method.

Methods

activateCM

Make the given CMModel [p.12] active. Note that if a user wants to activate one CM to get default attribute values and then activate another to do validation, a user can do that; however, only one CM is active at a time. In case where an attribute is declared in an internal subset and corresponding ownerElement points to

CMElementDeclaration [p.20] defined in an external subset, changing active CM will cause the ownerElement to be re-computed. If the owner element is not defined in the newly active CM, the ownerElement will be an empty node list.

Parameters

cm of type CMModel [p.12]

CM to be active for the document. The CMModel points to a list of CMExternalModel [p.16] s; with this call, only the specified CM will be active.

Return Value

boolean True if the CMModel has already been associated with the document using addCM(); false if not.

No Exceptions

addCM

Associate a CMModel [p.12] with a document. Can be invoked multiple times to result in a list of CMExternalModel [p.16] s. Note that only one sole internal CMModel is associated with the document, however, and that only one of the possible list of

CMExternalModels is active at any one time.

Parameters

cm of type CMModel [p.12]

CM to be associated with the document.

No Return Value

No Exceptions

getActiveCM

Find the active CMExternalModel [p.16] for a document.

Return Value

CMModel with a pointer to the active CMExternalModel [p.16]

[p.12] of document.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getCMs

Obtains list of CMNodes [p.17] of typeCM_EXTERNALMODELs associated with the document. This list arises when addCM() is invoked.

Return Value

CMNodeList A list of CMExternalModel [p.16] s associated with a document.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getInternalCM

Find the sole CMModel [p.12] of a document. Only one CMModel may be associated with the document.

Return Value

CMModel [p.12] CMModel.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

numCMs

Determines number of CMExternalModel [p.16] s associated with the document. Only one CMModel [p.12] can be associated with the document, but it may point to a list of CMExternalModels.

Return Value

int Non-negative number of external CM objects.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

removeCM

Removes a CM associated with a document; actually removes a CMExternalModel [p.16]. Can be invoked multiple times to remove a number of these in the list of CMExternalModels.

Parameters

cm of type CMModel [p.12] CM to be removed.

No Return Value

No Exceptions

Interface DOMImplementationCM

This interface extends the DOMImplementation interface with additional methods.

IDL Definition

Methods

createCM

Creates a CMModel.

Return Value

CMModel [p.12] A NULL return indicates failure.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

createExternalCM

Creates a CMExternalModel.

Return Value

CMExternalModel [p.16] A NULL return indicates failure.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

1.4. Document-Editing Interfaces

This section contains "Document-editing" methods (includes Node, Element, Text and Document [p.26] methods).

Interface NodeCM

This interface extends the Node interface with additional methods for guided document editing.

IDL Definition

```
interface NodeCM : Node {
 boolean
                     canInsertBefore(in Node newChild,
                                     in Node refChild)
                                         raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                     canRemoveChild(in Node oldChild)
                                        raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                     canReplaceChild(in Node newChild,
                                     in Node oldChild)
                                         raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                     canAppendChild(in Node newChild)
                                        raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                     isValid()
                                        raises(DOMException);
};
```

Methods

canAppendChild

Has the same args as AppendChild.

Parameters

newChild of type Node Node to be appended.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

Exceptions

```
DOMException DOMException.
```

canInsertBefore

Determines whether the Node::InsertBefore operation would make this document invalid with respect to the currently active CM. ISSUE: Describe "valid" when referring to partially completed documents.

Parameters

```
newChild of type Node
Node to be inserted.
refChild of type Node
Reference Node.
```

Return Value

boolean A boolean that is true if the Node::InsertBefore operation is allowed.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException.

canRemoveChild

Has the same args as RemoveChild.

Parameters

oldChild of type Node Node to be removed.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException.

canReplaceChild

Has the same args as ReplaceChild.

Parameters

newChild of type Node New Node. oldChild of type Node Node to be replaced.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException.

isValid

Determines if the Node is valid relative to currently active CM.

Return Value

boolean True if the node is valid/well-formed in the current context and check level defined by wfValidityCheckLevel, false if not.

Exceptions

DOMException

NO_CM_AVAILABLE: Exception is raised if the DocumentCM related to this node does not have any activeCM and wfValidityCheckLevel is set to STRICT_VALIDITY_CHECK.

No Parameters

Interface *ElementCM*

This interface extends the Element interface with additional methods for guided document editing.

IDL Definition

```
interface ElementCM : Element, NodeCM {
                    contentType();
 CMElementDeclaration getElementDeclaration()
                                       raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                   canSetAttribute(in DOMString attrname,
                                    in DOMString attrval);
 boolean
                   canSetAttributeNode(in Node node);
 boolean
                    canSetAttributeNodeNS(in Node node);
 boolean
                    canSetAttributeNS(in DOMString attrname,
                                      in DOMString attrval,
                                      in DOMString namespaceURI,
                                      in DOMString localName);
 boolean
                    canRemoveAttribute(in DOMString attrname);
 boolean
                    canRemoveAttributeNS(in DOMString attrname,
                                         inout DOMString namespaceURI);
 boolean
                    canRemoveAttributeNode(in Node node);
};
```

Methods

canRemoveAttribute

Verifies if an attribute by the given name can be removed.

Parameters

attrname of type DOMString

Name of attribute.

Return Value

boolean true or false.

No Exceptions

canRemoveAttributeNS

Verifies if an attribute by the given name and namespace can be removed.

Parameters

attrname of type DOMString

Qualified name of the attribute to be removed.

namespaceURI of type DOMString

The namespace URI of the attribute to remove.

Return Value

boolean true or false.

No Exceptions

canRemoveAttributeNode

Determines if an attribute node can be removed.

Parameters

node of type Node

The Attr node to remove from the attribute list.

Return Value

boolean true or false.

No Exceptions

canSetAttribute

Determines if the value for specified attribute can be set.

Parameters

attrname of type DOMString

Name of attribute.

attrval of type DOMString

Value to be assigned to the attribute.

Return Value

boolean true or false.

No Exceptions

canSetAttributeNS

Determines if the attribute with given namespace and local name can be created if not already present in the attribute list of the element. If the attribute with same local name and namespaceURI is already present in the elements attribute list it sets the value of the attribute and its prefix to the new value. See DOM core setAttributeNS.

Parameters

attrname of type DOMString

Name of attribute.

attrval of type DOMString

Value to be assigned to the attribute.

 ${\tt namespaceURI}\ of\ type\ {\tt DOMString}$

namespaceURI of namespace. localName of type DOMString

localName of namespace.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

No Exceptions

canSetAttributeNode

Determines if attribute node can be added.

Parameters

node of type Node

Node in which the attribute can possibly be set.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

No Exceptions

canSetAttributeNodeNS

Determines if the attribute node with the given namespace can be added.

Parameters

node of type Node

The Attr to be added to the attribute list.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

No Exceptions

contentType

Determines element content type.

Return Value

int Constant for mixed, empty, any, etc.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getElementDeclaration

gets the CM editing object describing this element

Return Value

CMElementDeclaration [p.20] CMElementDeclaration object

Exceptions

DOMException If no DTD is present raises this exception

No Parameters

Interface CharacterDataCM

This interface extends the CharacterData interface with additional methods for document editing.

IDL Definition

```
interface CharacterDataCM : Text,NodeCM {
                    isWhitespaceOnly();
 boolean
                    canSetData(in unsigned long offset,
                                in DOMString arg)
                                       raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                     canAppendData(in DOMString arg)
                                       raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                     canReplaceData(in unsigned long offset,
                                    in unsigned long count,
                                    in DOMString arg)
                                        raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                     canInsertData(in unsigned long offset,
                                   in DOMString arg)
                                        raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                     canDeleteData(in unsigned long offset,
                                  in DOMString arg)
                                        raises(DOMException);
};
```

Methods

canAppendData

Determines if data can be appended.

Parameters

arg of type DOMString

Argument to be appended.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException.

canDeleteData

Determines if data can be deleted.

Parameters

Offset of type unsigned long Offset. arg of type DOMString Argument to be set.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException.

canInsertData

Determines if data can be inserted.

Parameters

offset of type unsigned long Offset. arg of type DOMString Argument to be set.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException.

canReplaceData

Determines if data can be replaced.

Parameters

Offset of type unsigned long
Offset.
count of type unsigned long
Replacement.
arg of type DOMString
Argument to be set.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException.

canSetData

Determines if data can be set.

Parameters

Offset of type unsigned long Offset. arg of type DOMString Argument to be set.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException.

isWhitespaceOnly

Determines if content is only whitespace.

Return Value

boolean True if content only whitespace; false for non-whitespace if it is a text node in element content.

No Parameters No Exceptions Interface *DocumentTypeCM*

This interface extends the DocumentType interface with additional methods for document editing.

IDL Definition

```
interface DocumentTypeCM : DocumentType,NodeCM {
 boolean
                     isElementDefined(in DOMString elemTypeName);
 boolean
                     isElementDefinedNS(in DOMString elemTypeName,
                                        in DOMString namespaceURI,
                                        in DOMString localName);
 boolean
                     isAttributeDefined(in DOMString elemTypeName,
                                        in DOMString attrName);
 boolean
                     isAttributeDefinedNS(in DOMString elemTypeName,
                                          in DOMString attrName,
                                          in DOMString namespaceURI,
                                          in DOMString localName);
                     isEntityDefined(in DOMString entName);
 boolean
};
```

Methods

isAttributeDefined

Determines if this attribute is defined for this element in the currently active CM.

Parameters

elemTypeName of type DOMString Name of the element. attrName of type DOMString Name of the attribute.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

No Exceptions

isAttributeDefinedNS

Determines if this attribute's namespace is defined in the currently active CM.

Parameters

elemTypeName of type DOMString

Name of element.

attrName of type DOMString

Name of attribute.

namespaceURI of type DOMString

namespaceURI of namespace.

localName of type DOMString

localName of namespace.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

No Exceptions

isElementDefined

Determines if this element is defined in the currently active CM.

Parameters

elemTypeName of type DOMString

Name of element.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

No Exceptions

isElementDefinedNS

Determines if this element's namespace is defined in the currently active CM.

Parameters

elemTypeName of type DOMString

Name of element.

namespaceURI of type DOMString

namespaceURI of namespace.

localName of type DOMString

localName of namespace.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

No Exceptions

isEntityDefined

Determines if an entity is defined in the document.

ISSUE: Should methods be added to the DocumentTypeCM for the complete list of defined elements and for a particular element type, the complete list of defined attributes.

These two methods might return a list of strings which is a type not yet described in the DOM spec.

Parameters

entName of type DOMString Name of entity.

Return Value

boolean Success or failure.

No Exceptions

Interface AttributeCM

This interface extends Attr to provide guided editing of an XML document.

IDL Definition

Methods

getAttributeDeclaration

returns the corresponding attribute declaration in the content model.

Return Value

CMAttributeDeclaration [p.23]

The attribute declaration corresponding to this attribute

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getNotation

Returns the notation declaration for the attributes defined of type NOTATION.

Return Value

CMNotationDeclaration [p.25]

Returns the notation declaration for this attribute if the type is of notation type, null otherwise.

Exceptions

DOMException DOMException

No Parameters

1.5. DOM Error Handler Interfaces

This section contains DOM error handling interfaces.

Interface DOMError Handler

Basic interface for DOM error handlers. If an application needs to implement customized error handling for DOM such as CM or Load/Save, it must implement this interface and then register an instance using the setErrorHandler method. All errors and warnings will then be reported through this interface. Application writers can override the methods in a subclass to take user-specified actions.

IDL Definition

```
interface DOMErrorHandler {
                     warning(in DOMLocator where,
                             in DOMString how,
                             in DOMString why)
                                        raises(DOMSystemException);
 void
                     fatalError(in DOMLocator where,
                                in DOMString how,
                                in DOMString why)
                                        raises(DOMSystemException);
  void
                     error(in DOMLocator where,
                           in DOMString how,
                           in DOMString why)
                                        raises(DOMSystemException);
};
```

Methods

error

Receive notification of a recoverable error per section 1.2 of the W3C XML 1.0 recommendation. The default behavior if the user doesn't register a handler is to report conditions that are not fatal errors, and allow the calling application to continue processing.

Parameters

```
where of type DOMLocator [p.41]
```

Location of the error, which could be either a source position in the case of loading, or a node reference for later validation. The public ID and system ID for the error location could be some of the information.

```
how of type DOMString
```

How the error occurred.

why of type DOMString

Why the error occurred.

Exceptions

DOMSystemException A subclass of DOMException.

No Return Value

fatalError

Report a fatal, non-recoverable CM or Load/Save error per section 1.2 of the W3C XML 1.0 recommendation. The default behavior if the user doesn't register a handler is to throw a DOMSystemException and stop all further processing.

Parameters

where of type DOMLocator [p.41]

Location of the fatal error, which could be either a source position in the case of loading, or a node reference for later validation. The public ID and system ID for the error location could be some of the information.

how of type DOMString

How the fatal error occurred.

why of type DOMString

Why the fatal error occurred.

Exceptions

DOMSystemException A subclass of DOMException.

No Return Value

warning

Receive notification of a warning per the W3C XML 1.0 recommendation. The default behavior if the user doesn't register a handler is to report conditions that are not errors or fatal errors, and then allow the calling application to continue even after invoking this method.

Parameters

where of type DOMLocator [p.41]

Location of the warning, which could be either a source position in the case of loading, or a node reference for later validation. The public ID and system ID for the error location could be some of the information.

how of type DOMString

How the warning occurred.

why of type DOMString

Why the warning occurred.

Exceptions

DOMSystemException A subclass of DOMException.

No Return Value

Interface DOMLocator

This interface provides document location information and is similar to a SAX locator object.

IDL Definition

Methods

getColumnNumber

Return the column number.

Return Value

int The column number, or -1 if none is available.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getLineNumber

Return the line number.

Return Value

int The line number, or -1 if none is available.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getNode

Return the Node.

Return Value

Node The NODE, or null if none is available.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getPublicID

Return the public identifier.

Return Value

DOMString A string containing the public identifier, or null if none is available.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

getSystemID

Return the system identifier.

Return Value

DOMString A string containing the system identifier, or null if none is available.

No Parameters No Exceptions

1.6. Editing and Generating a Content Model

Editing and generating a content model falls in the CM-editing world. The most obvious requirement for this set of requirements is for tools that author content models, either under user control, i.e., explicitly designed document types, or generated from other representations. The latter class includes transcoding tools, e.g., synthesizing an XML representation to match a database schema.

It's important to note here that a DTD's "internal subset" is part of the Content Model, yet is loaded, stored, and maintained as part of the individual document instance. This implies that even tools which do not want to let users change the definition of the Document Type may need to support editing operations upon this portion of the CM. It also means that our representation of the CM must be aware of where each portion of its content resides, so that when the serializer processes this document it can write out just the internal subset. A similar issue may arise with external parsed entities, or if schemas introduce the ability to reference other schemas. Finally, the internal-subset case suggests that we may want at least a two-level representation of content models, so a single DOM representation of a DTD can be shared among several documents, each potentially also having its own internal subset; it's possible that entity layering may be represented the same way.

The API for altering the content model may also be the CM's official interface with parsers. One of the ongoing problems in the DOM is that there is some information which must currently be created via completely undocumented mechanisms, which limits the ability to mix and match DOMs and parsers. Given that specialized DOMs are going to become more common (sub-classed, or wrappers around other kinds of storage, or optimized for specific tasks), we must avoid that situation and provide a "builder" API. Particular pairs of DOMs and parsers may bypass it, but it's required as a portability mechanism.

Note that several of these applications require that a CM be able to be created, loaded, and manipulated without/before being bound to a specific Document. A related issue is that we'd want to be able to share a single representation of a CM among several documents, both for storage efficiency and so that changes in the CM can quickly be tested by validating it against a set of known-good documents. Similarly, there is a known problem in DOM Level 2 where we assume that the DocumentType will be created before the Document, which is fine for newly-constructed documents but not a good match for the order in which an XML parser encounters this data; being able to "rebind" a Document to a new CM, after it has been created may be desirable.

As noted earlier, questions about whether one can alter the content of the CM via its syntax, via higher-level abstractions, or both, exist. It's also worth noting that many of the editing concepts from the Document tree still apply; users should probably be able to clone part of a CM, remove and re-insert parts, and so on.

1.7. Content Model-directed Document Manipulation

In addition to using the content model to validate a document instance, applications would like to be able to use it to guide construction and editing of documents, which falls into the document-editing world. Examples of this sort of guided editing already exist, and are becoming more common. The necessary queries can be phrased in several ways, the most useful of which may be a combination of "what does the DTD allow me to insert here" and "if I insert this here, will the document still be valid". The former is better suited to presentation to humans via a user interface, and when taken together with sub-tree validation may subsume the latter.

It has been proposed that in addition to asking questions about specific parts of the content model, there should be a reasonable way to obtain a list of all the defined symbols of a given type (element, attribute, entity) independent of whether they're valid in a given location; that might be useful in building a list in a user-interface, which could then be updated to reflect which of these are relevant for the program's current state.

Remember that namespaces also weigh in on this issue, in the case of attributes, a "can-this-go-there" may prompt a namespace-well-formedness check and warn you if you're about to conflict with or overwrite another attribute with the same namespaceURI/localName but different prefix... or same nodeName but different namespaceURI.

As mentioned above, we have to deal with the fact that the shortest distance between two valid documents may be through an invalid one. Users may want to know several levels of detail (all the possible children, those which would be valid given what precedes this point, those which would be valid given both preceding and following siblings). Also, once XML Schemas introduce context sensitive validity, we may have to consider the effect of children as well as the individual node being inserted.

1.8. Validating a Document Against a Content Model

The most obvious use for a content model (DTD or XML Schema or any Content Model) is to use it to validate that a given XML document is in fact a properly constructed instance of the document type described by this CM. This again falls into the document-editing world. The XML spec only discusses performing this test at the time the document is loaded into the "processor", which most of us have taken to mean that this check should be performed at parse time. But it is obviously desirable to be able to validate again a document -- or selected subtrees -- at other times. One such case would be validating an edited or newly constructed document before serializing it or otherwise passing it to other users. This issue also arises if the "internal subset" is altered -- or if the whole Content Model changes.

In the past, the DOM has allowed users to create invalid documents, and assumed the serializer would accept the task of detecting problems and announcing/repairing them when the document was written out in XML syntax... or that they would be checked for validity when read back in. We considered adding validity checks to the DOM's existing editing operations to prevent creation of invalid documents, but are currently inclined against this for several reasons. First, it would impose a significant amount of computational overhead to the DOM, which might be unnecessary in many situations, e.g., if the change is occurring in a context where we know the result will be valid. Second, "the shortest distance between two good documents may be through a bad document". Preventing a document from becoming temporarily

invalid may impose a considerable amount of additional work on higher-level code and users Hence our current plan is to continue to permit editing to produce invalid DOMs, but provide operations which permit a user to check the validity of a node on demand.

Note that validation includes checking that ID attributes are unique, and that IDREFs point to IDs which actually exist.

1.9. Well-formedness Testing

XML defined the "well-formed" (*WF*) state for documents which are parsed without reference to their DTDs. Knowing that a document is well-formed may be useful by itself even when a DTD is available. For example, users may wish to deliberately save an invalid document, perhaps as a checkpoint before further editing. Hence, the CM feature will permit both full validity checking (see previous section) and "lightweight" WF checking, as requested by the caller, as well as processing entity declarations in the CM even if validation is not turned on. This falls within the document-editing world.

While the DOM inherently enforces some of XML's well-formedness conditions (proper nesting of elements, constraints on which children may be placed within each node), there are some checks that are not yet performed. These include:

- Character restrictions for text content and attribute values. Some characters aren't permitted even when expressed as numeric character entities
- The three-character sequence "]]>" in CDATASections.
- The two-character sequence "--" in comments. (Which, be it noted, some XML validators don't currently remember to test...)

In addition, Namespaces introduce their own concepts of well-formedness. Specifically:

- No two attributes on a single Element may have the same combination of namespaceURI and localName, even if their prefixes are different and hence they don't conflict under XML 1.0 rules.
- NamespaceURIs must be legal URI syntax. (Note that once we have this code, it may be reusable for the URI "datatype" in document content; see discussion of datatypes.)
- The mapping of namespace prefixes to their URIs must be declared and consistent. That isn't required during normal DOM operation, since we perform "early binding" and thereafter refer to nodes primarily via their namespaceURIs and localName. But it does become an issue when we want to serialize the DOM to XML syntax, and may be an issue if an application is assuming that all the declarations are present and correct. This may imply that we should provide a namespaceNormalize operation, which would create the implied declarations and reconcile conflicts in some reasonably standardized manner. This may be a major undertaking, since some DOMs may be using the namespace to direct subclassing of the nodes or similar special treatment; as with the existing normalize method, you may be left with a different-but-equivalent set of node objects.

In the past, the DOM has allowed users to create documents which violate these rules, and assumed the serializer would accept the task of detecting problems and announcing/repairing them when the document was written out in XML syntax. We considered adding WF checks to the DOM's existing editing operations to prevent WF violations from arising, but are currently inclined against this for two reasons.

First, it would impose a significant amount of computational overhead to the DOM, which might be unnecessary in many situations (for example, if the change is occurring in a context where we know the illegal characters have already been prevented from arising). Second, "the shortest distance between two good documents may be through a bad document" -- preventing a document from becoming temporarily ill-formed may impose a considerable amount of additional work on higher-level code and users. (Note possible issue for Serialization: In some applications, being able to save and reload marginally poorly-formed DOMs might be useful -- editor checkpoint files, for example.) Hence our current plan is to continue to permit editing to produce ill-formed DOMs, but provide operations which permit a user to check the well-formedness of a node on demand, and possibly provide some of the primitive (e.g., string-checking) functions directly.

2. Document Object Model Load and Save

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2.1. Load and Save Requirements

DOM Level 3 will provide an API for loading XML source documents into a DOM representation and for saving a DOM representation as a XML document.

Some environments, such as the Java platform or COM, have their own ways to persist objects to streams and to restore them. There is no direct relationship between these mechanisms and the DOM load/save mechanism. This specification defines how to serialize documents only to and from XML format.

2.1.1. General Requirements

Requirements that apply to both loading and saving documents.

2.1.1.1. Document Sources

Documents must be able to be parsed from and saved to the following sources:

- Input and Output Streams
- URIs
- Files

Note that Input and Output streams take care of the in memory case. One point of caution is that a stream doesn't allow a base URI to be defined against which all relative URIs in the document are resolved.

2.1.1.2. Content Model Loading

While creating a new document using the DOM API, a mechanism must be provided to specify that the new document uses a pre-existing Content Model and to cause that Content Model to be loaded.

Note that while DOM Level 2 creation can specify a Content Model when creating a document (public and system IDs for the external subset, and a string for the subset), DOM Level 2 implementations do not process the Content Model's content. For DOM Level 3, the Content Model's content must be read.

2.1.1.3. Content Model Reuse

When processing a series of documents, all of which use the same Content Model, implementations should be able to reuse the already parsed and loaded Content Model rather than parsing it again for each new document.

This feature may not have an explicit DOM API associated with it, but it does require that nothing in this section, or the Content Model section, of this specification block it or make it difficult to implement.

2.1.1.4. Entity Resolution

Some means is required to allow applications to map public and system IDs to the correct document. This facility should provide sufficient capability to allow the implementation of catalogs, but providing catalogs themselves is not a requirement. In addition XML Base needs to be addressed.

2.1.1.5. Error Reporting

Loading a document can cause the generation of errors including:

I/O Errors, such as the inability to find or open the specified document.
 XML well formedness errors.
 Validity errors

Saving a document can cause the generation of errors including:

I/O Errors, such as the inability to write to a specified stream, URL, or file.
 Improper constructs, such as '--' in comments, in the DOM that cannot be represented as well formed XML.

This section, as well as the DOM Level 3 Content Model section should use a common error reporting mechanism. Well-formedness and validity checking are in the domain of the Content Model section, even though they may be commonly generated in response to an application asking that a document be loaded.

2.1.2. Load Requirements

The following requirements apply to loading documents.

2.1.2.1. Parser Properties and Options

Parsers may have properties or options that can be set by applications. Examples include:

- Expansion of entity references.
- Creation of entity ref nodes.
- Handling of white space in element content.
- Enabling of namespace handling.
- Enabling of content model validation.

A mechanism to set properties, query the state of properties, and to query the set of properties supported by a particular DOM implementation is required.

2.1.3. XML Writer Requirements

The fundamental requirement is to write a DOM document as XML source. All information to be serialized should be available via the normal DOM API.

2.1.3.1. XML Writer Properties and Options

There are several options that can be defined when saving an XML document. Some of these are:

- Saving to Canonical XML format.
- Pretty Printing.
- Specify the encoding in which a document is written.
- How and when to use character entities.
- Namespace prefix handling.
- Saving of Content Models.
- Handling of external entities.

2.1.3.2. Content Model Saving

Requirement from the Content Model group.

2.1.4. Other Items Under Consideration

The following items are not committed to, but are under consideration. Public feedback on these items is especially requested.

2.1.4.1. Incremental and/or Concurrent Parsing

Provide the ability for a thread that requested the loading of a document to continue execution without blocking while the document is being loaded. This would require some sort of notification or completion event when the loading process was done.

Provide the ability to examine the partial DOM representation before it has been fully loaded.

In one form, a document may be loaded asynchronously while a DOM based application is accessing the document. In another form, the application may explicitly ask for the next incremental portion of a document to be loaded.

2.1.4.2. Filtered Save

Provide the capability to write out only a part of a document. May be able to leverage TreeWalkers, or the Filters associated with TreeWalkers, or Ranges as a means of specifying the portion of the document to be written.

2.1.4.3. Document Fragments

Document fragments, as specified by the XML Fragment specification, should be able to be loaded. This is useful to applications that only need to process some part of a large document. Because the DOM is typically implemented as an in-memory representation of a document, fully loading large documents can require large amounts of memory.

XPath should also be considered as a way to identify XML Document fragments to load.

2.1.4.4. Document Fragments in Context of Existing DOM

Document fragments, as specified by the XML Fragment specification, should be able to be loaded into the context of an existing document at a point specified by a node position, or perhaps a range. This is a separate feature than simply loading document fragments as a new Node.

2.2. Issue List

2.2.1. Open Issues

Issue LS-Issue-10:

Error Reporting. Loading will be reporting well-formedness and validation errors, just like CM. A common error reporting mechanism needs to be developed.

Issue LS-Issue-16:

Loading and saving of content models - DTDs or Schemas - outside of the context of a document is not addressed.

Issue LS-Issue-17:

Loading while validating using an already loaded content model is not addressed. Applications should be able to load a content model (issue 16), and then repeatedly reuse it during the loading of additional documents.

Issue LS-Issue-20:

Action from September f2f to "add issues raised by schema discussion. What were these? Issue LS-Issue-22:

What do the bindings for things like InputStream look like in ECMA Script? Tentative resolution - InputStream will map to a binding dependent class or interface. For environments where nothing appropriate exists, a new interface will be created. This question is still being discussed.

Issue LS-Issue-27:

How is validation during document loading handled when there are multiple possible content models associated with the document? How is one selected? The same question exists for documents in general, outside of the context of loading. Resolving the question for loading probably needs to wait until the more general question is understood.

Issue LS-Issue-32:

Mimetypes. If the input being parsed is from http or something else that supplies types, and the type is something other than text/xml, should we parse it anyhow, or should we complain. Should there be an option?

Tentative resolution: always parse, never complain. Reasons: 1. This is what all parsers do now, and no one has ever complained, at least not that I'm aware of. 2. Applications must have a pretty good

reason to suspect that they're getting xml or they wouldn't have invoked the parser. 3. All the test would do is to take something that might have worked (xml that is not known to the server) and turn it into an error. Non-xml is exceptionally unlikely to successfully parse (be well formed.)

Issue LS-Issue-34:

Features 2.1.4.1, 2 - XML Fragment Support. Should these be dropped? (Yes!)

Issue LS-Issue-35:

XPath based document load filter. It would be plausible to have a partial (filtered) document load based on selecting the portion of the document to load with an XPath expression. This facility could be in addition to the node-by-node filtering currently specified. Or we could drop the existing filter. Implementing an XPath based selective load would require that there be an XPath processor present in addition to the parser itself.

2.2.2. Resolved Issues

Issue LS-Issue-1:

Should these methods be in a new interface, or should they be added to the existing DOMImplementation Interface? I think that adding them to the existing interface is cleaner, because it helps avoid an explosion of new interfaces.

The methods are in a separate interface in this description for convenience in preparing the doc, so that I don't need to edit Core to add the methods. (The same argument could perhaps be made for implementations.)

Resolution: The methods are in a separate DOMImplementationLS interface. Because Load/Save is an optional module, we don't want to add its to the core DOMImplementation interface.

Issue LS-Issue-2:

SAX handles the setting of parser attributes differently. Rather than having distinct getters and setters for each attribute, it has a generic setter and getter of named properties, where properties are specified by a URL. This has an advantage in that implementations do not need to extend the interface when providing additional attributes.

If we choose to use strings, their syntax needs to be chosen. URIs would make sense, except for the fact that these are just names that do not refer to any resources. Dereferencing them would be meaningless. Yet the direction of the W3C is that all URIs must be dereferencable, and refer to something on the web.

Resolution: Use strings for properties. Use Java package name syntax for the identifying names. The question was revisited at the July f2f, with the same conclusion. But some discussion of using URLs continues.

This issue was revisited once again at the 9/2000 meeting. Now all DOM properties or features will be short, descriptive names, and we will recommend that all vendor-specific extensions be prefixed to avoid collisions, but will not make specific recommendations for the syntax of the prefix.

Issue LS-Issue-3:

It's not obvious what name to choose for the parser interface. Taking any of the names already in use by parser implementations would create problems when trying to support both the new API and the existing old API. That leaves out DocumentBuilder (Sun) and DOMParser (Xerces).

Resolution: This is issue really just a comment. The "resolution" is in the names appearing in the API.

Issue LS-Issue-4:

Question: should ResolveEntity pass a baseURI string back to the application, in addition to the publicId, systemId, and/or stream? Particularly in the case of an input stream.

Resolution: No. Sax2 explicitly says that the system ID URI must be fully resolved before passing it out to the entity resolve. We will follow SAX's lead on this unless some additional use case surfaces. This is from the 9/2000 f2f, and reverses an earlier decision.

Issue LS-Issue-5:

When parsing a document that contains errors, should the whole document be decreed unusable, or should we say that portions prior to the point where the error was detected are OK?

Resolution: In the case of errors in the XML source, what, if any, document is returned is implementation dependent.

Issue LS-Issue-6:

The relationship between SAXExceptions and DOM exceptions seems confusing.

Resolution: This issue goes away because we are no longer using SAX. Any exceptions will be DOM Exceptions.

Issue LS-Issue-7:

Question: In the original Java definition, are the strings returned from the methods SAXException.toString() and SAXException.getMessage() always the same? If not, we need to add another attribute.

Resolution: No longer an issue because we are no longer using SAX.

Issue LS-Issue-8:

JAXP defines a mechanism, based on Java system properties, by which the Document Builder Factory locates the specific parser implementation to be used. This ability to redirect to different parsers is a key feature of JAXP. How this redirection works in the context of this design may be something that needs to be defined separately for each language binding.

This question was discussed at the July f2f, without resolution. Agreed that the feature is not critical to the rest of the API, and can be postponed.

Resolution: The issue is moving to core, where it is part of the bigger question of where does the DOM implementation come from, and how do multiple implementations coexist. Allowing separate, or mix-and-match, specification of the parser and the rest of the DOM is not generally practical because parsers generally have some degree of private knowledge about their DOMs.

Issue LS-Issue-9:

The use of interfaces from SAX2 raises some questions. The Java bindings for these interfaces need to be exactly the SAX2 definitions, including the original org.xml.sax package name.

The IDL presented here for these interfaces is an attempt to map the Java into IDL, but it will certainly not round-trip accurately - Java bindings generated from the IDL will not match the original Java.

The reasons for using the SAX interfaces are that they are well designed, widely implemented and used, and provide what is needed. Designing something new would create confusion for application developers (which should be used?) and make extra work for implementers of the DOM, most of whom probably already provide SAX, all for no real gain.

Resolution: Problem is gone. We are not using SAX2. The design will borrow features and concepts from SAX2 when it makes sense to do so.

Issue LS-Issue-11:

Another Error Reporting Question. We decided at the June f2f that validity errors should not be exceptions. This means that a document load operation could encounter multiple errors. Should these

be collected and delivered as some sort of collection at the (otherwise) successful completion of the load, or should there be some sort of callback? Callbacks are harder for applications to deal with.

Resolution: Provide a callback mechanism. Provide a default error handler that throws an exception and stops further processing. From July f2f.

Issue LS-Issue-12:

Definition of "Non-validating". Exactly how much processing is done by "non-validating" parsers is not fully defined by the XML specification. In particular, they are not required to read any external entities, but are not prohibited from doing so.

Another common user request: a mode that completely ignores DTDs, both and external. Such a parser would not conform to XML 1.0, however.

For the documents produced by a non-validating load to be the same, we need to tie down exactly what processing must be done. The XML Core WG also has question as an open issue .

Some discussion is at http://lists.w3.org/Archives/Member/w3c-xml-core-wg/2000JanMar/0192.html Here is proposal: Have three classes of parsers

- Minimal. No external entities of any type are accessed. DTD subset is processes normally, as required by XML 1.0, including all entity definitions it contains.
- Non-Validating. All external entities are read. Does everything except validation.
- Validating. As defined by XML 1.0 rec.

Resolution: Use the options from SAX2. These provide separate flags for validation, reading of external general entities and reading of external parameter entities.

Issue LS-Issue-13:

Use of System or Language specific types for Input and Output

Loading and Saving requires that one of the possible sources or destinations of the XML data be some sort of stream that can be used with io streams or memory buffers, or anything else that might take or supply data. The type will vary, depending on the language binding.

The question is, what should be put into the IDL interfaces for these? Should we define an XML stream to abstract out the dependency, or use system classes directly in the bindings?

Resolution: Define IDL types for use in the rest of the interface definitions. These types will be mapped directly to system types for each language binding

Issue LS-Issue-14:

Should there be separate DOM modules for browser or scripting style loading (document.load("whatever")) and server style parsers? It's probably easy for the server style parsers to implement the browser style interface, but the reverse may not be true.

Resolution: Yes. A client application style API will be provided.

Issue LS-Issue-15:

System Exceptions. Loading involves file opens and reads, and these can result in a variety of system errors that may already have associated system exceptions. Should these system exceptions pass through as is, or should they be some how wrapped in DOMExceptions, or should there be a parallel set DOM Exceptions, or what?

Resolution: Introduce a new DOMSystemException to standardize the reporting of common I/O errors across different DOM environments. Let it wrap an underlying system exception or error code when appropriate. To be defined in the common ErrorReporting module, to be shared with ContentModel.

Issue LS-Issue-18:

For the list of parser properties, which must all implementations recognize, which settings must all implementations support, and which are optional?

Resolution: Done

Issue LS-Issue-19:

DOMOutputStream: should this be an interface with methods, or just an opaque type that maps onto an appropriate binding-specific stream type?

If we specify an actual interface with methods, applications can implement it to wrap any arbitrary destination that they may have. If we go with the system type it's simpler to output to that type of stream, but harder otherwise.

Resolution: Opaque.

Issue LS-Issue-21:

Define exceptions. A DOMSystemException needs to be defined as part of the error handling module that is to be shared with CM. Common I/O type errors need to be defined for it, so that they can be reported in a uniform way. A way to embed errors or exceptions from the OS or language environment is needed, to provide full information to applications that want it.

Resolution: Duplicate of issue #15

Issue LS-Issue-23:

To Do: Add a method or methods to DOMBuilder that will provide information about a parser feature - is the name recognized, which (boolean) values are supported - without throwing exceptions.

Resolution: Done. Added canSetFeature.

Issue LS-Issue-24:

Clearly identify which of the parser properties must be recognized, and which of their settings must be supported by all conforming implementations.

Resolution: Done. All must be recognized.

Issue LS-Issue-25:

How does the validation property work in SAX, and how should it work for us? The default value in SAX2 is "true". Non-validating parsers only support a value of false. Does this mean that the default depends on the parser, or that some sort of an error happens if a parse is attempted before resetting the property, or what?

The same question applies to the External Entities properties too.

Resolution: Make the default value for the validation property be false.

Issue LS-Issue-26:

Do we want to rename the "auto-validation" property to "validate-if-cm"? Proposed at f2f. Resolution unclear.

Resolution: Changed the name to "validate-if-cm".

Issue LS-Issue-29:

Should all properties except namespaces default to false? Discussed at f2f. I'm not so sure now. Some of the properties have somewhat non-standard behavior when false - leaving out ER nodes or whitespace, for example - and support of false will probably not even be required.

Resolution: Not all properties should default to false. But validation should.

Issue LS-Issue-28:

To do: add new parser property "createEntityNodes". default is true. Illegal for it to be false and createEntityReferenceNodes to be true.

Is this really what we want?

Resolution: new feature added.

Issue LS-Issue-30:

Possible additional parser features - option to not create CDATA nodes, and to merge CDATA

contents with adjacent TEXT nodes if they exist. Otherwise just create a TEXT node. Option to omit Comments.

Resolution: new feature added.

Issue LS-Issue-31:

We now have an option for fixing up name space declarations and prefixes on serialization. Should we specify how this is done, so that the documents from different implementations of serialization will use the same declarations and prefixes, or should we leave the details up to the implementation? **Resolution:** The exact form of the name space fixup is implementation dependent. The only

requirement is that all elements and attributes end up with the correct name space URI.

Issue LS-Issue-33:

Unicode Character Normalization Problems. It turns out that for some code pages, normalizing a Unicode representation, translating to the code page, then translating back to Unicode can result in un-normalized Unicode. Mark Davis says that this can happen with Vietnamese and maybe with Hebrew.

This means that the suggested W3C model of normalization on serialization (early normalization) may not work, and that the receiver of the data may need to normalize it again, just in case.

Resolution: The scenario described is a quality-of-implementation issue. A transcoder converting from the one of the troublesome code pages to a Unicode representation should be responsible for re-normalizing the output.

2.3. Interfaces

This section defines an API for loading (parsing) XML source documents into a DOM representation and for saving (serializing) a DOM representation as an XML document.

The proposal for loading is influenced by Sun's JAXP API for XML Parsing in Java, http://java.sun.com/xml/download.html, and by SAX2, available at http://www.megginson.com/SAX/index.html

2.3.1. Interface Summary

Here is a list of each of the interfaces involved with the Loading and Saving XML documents.

- DOMImplementationLS [p.56] -- A new DOMImplementation interface that provides the factory methods for creating the objects required for loading and saving.
- DOMBuilder [p.56] -- A parser interface.
- DOMInputSource [p.62] -- Encapsulate information about the source of the XML to be loaded.
- DOMEntityResolver [p.63] -- During loading, provides a way for applications to redirect references to external entities.
- DOMBuilderFilter [p.65] -- Provide the ability to examine and optionally remove Element nodes as they are being processed during the parsing of a document.
- DOMWriter [p.66] -- An interface for writing out or serializing DOM documents.
- DocumentLS [p.70] -- Provides a client or browser style interface for loading and saving.
- ParserErrorEvent [p.71] -- ParserErrorEvent is the event that is fired if there's an error in the XML document being parsed using the methods of DocumentLS.

2.3.2. Interfaces

Interface DOMImplementationLS

DOMImplementationLS contains the factory methods for creating objects implementing the DOMBuilder [p.56] (parser) and DOMWriter [p.66] interfaces.

An object implementing DOMImplementationLS is obtained by casting from DOMImplementation to DOMImplementationLS, using the customary casting facilities from the programming language in use. Implementations supporting the Load and Save feature must implement the DOMImplementationLS interface on whatever object implements the DOMImplementation interface.

IDL Definition

Methods

createDOMBuilder

Create a new DOMBuilder [p.56]. The newly constructed parser may then be configured by means of its setFeature() method, and used to parse documents by means of its parse() method.

Return Value

DOMBuilder [p.56] The newly created parser object.

No Parameters

No Exceptions

createDOMWriter

Create a new DOMWriter [p.66] object. DOMWriters are used to serialize a DOM tree back into source XML form.

Return Value

DOMWriter [p.66] The newly created DOMWriter object.

No Parameters No Exceptions

Interface DOMBuilder

A parser interface.

DOMBuilder provides an API for parsing XML documents and building the corresponding DOM document tree. A DOMBuilder instance is obtained from the DOMImplementationLS [p.56] interface by invoking its createDOMBuilder() method.

DOMBuilders have a number of named properties that can be queried or set. Here is a list of properties that must be recognized by all implementations.

namespaces

true: perform Namespace processing.

false: do not perform name space processing.

default: true.

supported values: true: required; false: optional

• namespace-declarations

true: include namespace declarations (xmlns attributes) in the DOM document.

false: discard all namespace declarations. In either case, namespace prefixes will be retained.

default: true.

supported values: true: required; false: optional

validation

true: report validation errors (setting true also will force the external-general-entities and external-parameter-entities properties to be set true.) Also note that the validate-if-cm feature will alter the validation behavior when this feature is set true.

false: do not report validation errors.

default: false.

supported values: true: optional; false: required

• external-general-entities

true: include all external general (text) entities. false: do not include external general entities.

default: true.

supported values: true: required; false: optional

• external-parameter-entities

true: include all external parameter entities.

false: do not include external parameter entities.

default: true.

supported values: true: required; false: optional

• validate-if-cm

true: when both this feature and validation are true, enable validation only when the document being processed has a content model. Documents without content models are parsed without validation.

false: the validation feature alone controls whether the document is checked for validity.

Documents without content models are not valid.

default: false.

supported values: true: optional; false: required

• create-entity-ref-nodes

true: create entity reference nodes in the DOM document. Setting this value true will also set create-entity-nodes to be true

false: omit all entity reference nodes from the DOM document, putting the entity expansions directly in their place.

default: true.

supported values: true: required; false: optional

• entity-nodes

true: create entity nodes in the DOM document.

false: omit all entity nodes from the DOM document. Setting this value false will also set create-entity-ref-nodes false.

default: true.

supported values: true: required; false: optional

• white-space-in-element-content

true: include white space in element content in the DOM document. This is sometimes referred to as ignorable white space

false: omit said white space. Note that white space in element content will only be omitted if it can be identified as such, and not all parsers may be able to do so.

default: true.

supported values: true: required; false: optional

cdata-nodes

true: Create DOM CDATA nodes in response to the appearance of CDATA sections in the source XML.

false: Do not create CDATA nodes in the DOM document. The content of any CDATA sections in the source XML appears in the DOM as if it had been normal (non-CDATA) content. If a CDATA section is adjacent to other content, the combined content appears in a single TEXT node. The DOM Document produced by the DOMBuilder will not have adjacent TEXT nodes. default: true

supported values: false: optional; true: required

comments

true: Include XML comments in the DOM document

false: Discard XML comments, do not create Comment nodes in the DOM Document resulting from a parse.

default: true

supported values: false: required; true: required

• charset-overrides-xml-encoding

true: If a higher level protocol such as http provides an indication of the character encoding of the input stream being processed, that will override any encoding specified in the XML or TEXT declaration of the XML. Explicitly setting an encoding in the DOMInputSource overrides encodings from the protocol.

false: Any character set encoding information from higher level protocols is ignored by the parser.

default: true

supported values: false: required; true: required

IDL Definition

```
interface DOMBuilder {
          attribute DOMEntityResolver entityResolver;
          attribute DOMErrorHandler errorHandler;
          attribute DOMBuilderFilter filter;
 void
                    setFeature(in DOMString name,
                               in boolean state)
                                       raises(DOMException);
 boolean
                    supportsFeature(in DOMString name);
                     canSetFeature(in DOMString name,
 boolean
                                   in boolean state);
```

Attributes

entityResolver of type DOMEntityResolver [p.63]

If a DOMEntityResolver [p.63] has been specified, each time a reference to an external entity is encountered the DOMBuilder will pass the public and system IDs to the entity resolver, which can then specify the actual source of the entity.

errorHandler of type DOMErrorHandler [p.40]

In the event that an error is encountered in the XML document being parsed, the DOMDcoumentBuilder will call back to the errorHandler with the error information.

Note: The DOMErrorHandler interface is being developed separately, in conjunction with the design of the content model and validation module.

```
filter of type DOMBuilderFilter [p.65]
```

When the application provides a filter, the parser will call out to the filter at the completion of the construction of each Element node. The filter implementation can choose to remove the element from the document being constructed or to terminate the parse early.

Methods

```
canSetFeature
```

query whether setting a feature is supported.

The feature name has the same form as a DOM hasFeature string.

It is possible for a DOMBuilder to recognize a feature name but to be unable to set its value.

Parameters

name of type DOMString

The feature name, which is a DOM has-feature style string.

state of type boolean

The requested state of the feature (true or false).

Return Value

boolean

true if the feature could be successfully set to the specified value, or false if the feature is not recognized or the requested value is not supported. The value of the feature itself is not changed.

No Exceptions

```
getFeature
```

Look up the value of a feature.

The feature name has the same form as a DOM hasFeature string

Parameters

name of type DOMString

The feature name, which is a string with DOM has-feature syntax.

Return Value

boolean The current state of the feature (true or false).

Exceptions

DOMException Raise a NOT_FOUND_ERR When the DOMBuilder does not

recognize the feature name.

parseDOMInputSource

Parse an XML document from a location identified by an DOMInputSource [p.62].

Parameters

is of type DOMInputSource [p.62]

The DOMInputSource from which the source document is to be read.

Return Value

Document [p.26] The newly created and populatedDocument.

Exceptions

DOMException Exceptions raised by parseDOMInputSource()

originate with the installed ErrorHandler, and thus

depend on the implementation of the

DOMErrorHandler [p.40] interfaces. The default ErrorHandlers will raise a DOMException if any form of XML validation or well formedness error or warning

occurs during the parse, but application defined

errorHandlers are not required to do so.

DOMSystemException Exceptions raised by parseDOMInputSource()

originate with the installed ErrorHandler, and thus

depend on the implementation of the

DOMErrorHandler [p.40] interfaces. The default ErrorHandlers will raise a DOMSystemException if any form I/O or other system error occurs during the parse, but application defined ErrorHandlers are not

required to do so.

parseURI

Parse an XML document from a location identified by an URI.

Parameters

uri of type DOMString

The location of the XML document to be read.

Return Value

Document [p.26] The newly created and populatedDocument.

Exceptions

DOMException Exceptions raised by parseURI() originate with the

installed ErrorHandler, and thus depend on the implementation of the DOMErrorHandler [p.40] interfaces. The default error handlers will raise a

DOMException if any form of XML validation or well formedness error or warning occurs during the parse, but application defined errorHandlers are not required to do

so.

DOMSystemException Exceptions raised by parseURI() originate with the

installed ErrorHandler, and thus depend on the implementation of the DOMErrorHandler [p.40] interfaces. The default error handlers will raise a DOMSystemException if any form I/O or other system error occurs during the parse, but application defined

error handlers are not required to do so.

setFeature

Set the state of a feature.

The feature name has the same form as a DOM hasFeature string.

It is possible for a DOMBuilder to recognize a feature name but to be unable to set its value.

Parameters

name of type DOMString

The feature name, which is a DOM has-feature style string.

state of type boolean

The requested state of the feature (true or false).

Exceptions

DOMException Raise a NOT_SUPPORTED_ERR exception When the

DOMBuilder recognizes the feature name but cannot set the

requested value.

Raise a NOT_FOUND_ERR When the DOMBuilder does not

recognize the feature name.

No Return Value

supportsFeature

query whether the DOMBuilder recognizes a feature name.

The feature name has the same form as a DOM hasFeature string.

It is possible for a DOMBuilder to recognize a feature name but to be unable to set its value. For example, a non-validating parser would recognize the feature "validation", would report that its value was false, and would raise an exception if an attempt was made to enable validation by setting the feature to true.

Parameters

name of type DOMString

The feature name, which has the same syntax as a DOM has-feature string.

Return Value

boolean true if the feature name is recognized by the DOMBuilder. False if the feature name is not recognized.

No Exceptions

Interface DOMInputSource

This interface represents a single input source for an XML entity.

This interface allows an application to encapsulate information about an input source in a single object, which may include a public identifier, a system identifier, a byte stream (possibly with a specified encoding), and/or a character stream.

The exact definitions of a byte stream and a character stream are binding dependent.

There are two places that the application will deliver this input source to the parser: as the argument to the parseDOMInputSource method, or as the return value of the DOMEntityResolver.resolveEntity [p.64] method.

The DOMBuilder [p.56] will use the DOMInputSource object to determine how to read XML input. If there is a character stream available, the parser will read that stream directly; if not, the parser will use a byte stream, if available; if neither a character stream nor a byte stream is available, the parser will attempt to open a URI connection to the resource identified by the system identifier.

An DOMInputSource object belongs to the application: the parser shall never modify it in any way (it may modify a copy if necessary).

IDL Definition

Attributes

byteStream of type DOMInputStream

An attribute of a language-binding dependent type that represents a stream of bytes.

The parser will ignore this if there is also a character stream specified, but it will use a byte stream in preference to opening a URI connection itself.

If the application knows the character encoding of the byte stream, it should set the encoding property. Setting the encoding in this way will override any encoding specified in the XML declaration itself.

characterStream of type DOMReader

An attribute of a language-binding dependent type that represents a stream of 16 bit values (utf-16 encoded characters).

If a character stream is specified, the parser will ignore any byte stream and will not attempt to open a URI connection to the system identifier.

encoding of type DOMString

The character encoding, if known. The encoding must be a string acceptable for an XML encoding declaration (see section 4.3.3 of the XML 1.0 recommendation).

This attribute has no effect when the application provides a character stream. For other sources of input, an encoding specified by means of this attribute will override any encoding specified in the XML or text declaration of the XML, or an encoding obtained from a higher level protocol, such as http.

publicId of type DOMString

The public identifier for this input source. The public identifier is always optional: if the application writer includes one, it will be provided as part of the location information.

systemId of type DOMString

The system identifier for this input source. The system identifier is optional if there is a byte stream or a character stream, but it is still useful to provide one, since the application can use it to resolve relative URIs and can include it in error messages and warnings (the parser will attempt to open a connection to the URI only if there is no byte stream or character stream specified).

If the application knows the character encoding of the object pointed to by the system identifier, it can register the encoding by setting the encoding attribute.

If the system ID is a URL, it must be fully resolved.

Interface DOMEntityResolver

DOMEntityResolver Provides a way for applications to redirect references to external entities.

Applications needing to implement customized handling for external entities must implement this interface and register their implementation by setting the entityResolver property of the DOMBuilder [p.56].

The DOMBuilder [p.56] will then allow the application to intercept any external entities (including the external DTD subset and external parameter entities) before including them.

Many DOM applications will not need to implement this interface, but it will be especially useful for applications that build XML documents from databases or other specialized input sources, or for applications that use URI types other than URLs.

DOMEtityResolver is based on the SAX2 EntityResolver interface, described at http://www.megginson.com/SAX/Java/javadoc/org/xml/sax/EntityResolver.html

IDL Definition

Methods

resolveEntity

Allow the application to resolve external entities.

The DOMBuilder [p.56] will call this method before opening any external entity except the top-level document entity (including the external DTD subset, external entities referenced within the DTD, and external entities referenced within the document element); the application may request that the DOMBuilder resolve the entity itself, that it use an alternative URI, or that it use an entirely different input source.

Application writers can use this method to redirect external system identifiers to secure and/or local URIs, to look up public identifiers in a catalogue, or to read an entity from a database or other input source (including, for example, a dialog box).

If the system identifier is a URL, the DOMBuilder [p.56] must resolve it fully before reporting it to the application through this interface.

Note: See issue #4. An alternative would be to pass the URL out without resolving it, and to provide a base as an additional parameter. SAX resolves URLs first, and does not provide a base.

Parameters

publicId of type DOMString

The public identifier of the external entity being referenced, or null if none was supplied.

systemId of type DOMString

The system identifier of the external entity being referenced.

Return Value

DOMInputSource [p.62]

A DOMInputSource object describing the new input source, or null to request that the parser open a regular URI connection to the system identifier.

Exceptions

DOMSystemException

Any DOMSystemException, possibly wrapping another exception.

Interface DOMBuilderFilter

DOMBuilderFilters provide applications the ability to examine Element nodes as they are being constructed during a parse. As each elements is examined, it may be modified or removed, or the entire parse may be terminated early.

At the time any of the filter methods are called by the parser, the owner Document and DOMImplementation objects exist and are accessible.

All validity checking while reading a document occurs on the source document as it appears on the input stream, not on the DOM document as it is built in memory. With filters, the document in memory may be a subset of the document on the stream, and its validity may have been affected by the filtering.

IDL Definition

Methods

endElement

This method will be called by the parser at the completion of the parse of each element. The element node will exist and be complete, as will all of its children, and their children, recursively. The element's parent node will also exist, although that node may be incomplete, as it may have additional children that have not yet been parsed. From within this method, the new node may be freely modified - children may be added or removed, text nodes modified, etc. This node may also be removed from its parent node, which will prevent it from appearing in the final document at the completion of the parse. Aside from this one operation on the node's parent, the state of the rest of the document outside of this node is not defined, and the affect of any attempt to navigate to or modify any other part of the document is undefined.

For validating parsers, the checks are made on the original document, before any modification by the filter. No validity checks are made on any document modifications made by the filter.

Parameters

element of type Element

The newly constructed element. At the time this method is called, the element is complete - it has all of its children (and their children, recursively) and attributes, and is attached as a child to its parent.

Return Value

```
boolean return true
```

No Exceptions

startElement

This method will be called by the parser after each Element start tag has been scanned, but before the remainder of the Element is processed. The intent is to allow the element, including any children, to be efficiently skipped.

The element node passed to startElement for filtering will include all of the Element's attributes, but none of the children nodes. The Element may not yet be in place in the document being constructed (it may not have a parent node.)

A StartElement filter function may access or change the attributers for the Element. Changing NameSpace declarations will have no effect on name space resolution by the parser.

For efficiency, the Element node passed to the filter may not be the same one as is actually placed in the tree if the node is accepted. And the actual node (node object identity) may be reused during the process of reading in and filtering a document.

Parameters

element of type Element

The newly encountered element. At the time this method is called, the element is incomplete - it will have its attributes, but no children.

Return Value

boolean

return true if this Element should be included in the DOM document being built. Return false if the Element and all of its children should be skipped.

No Exceptions

Interface DOMWriter

DOMWriter provides an API for serializing (writing) a DOM document out in the form of a source XML document. The XML data is written to an output stream, the type of which depends on the specific language bindings in use.

Three options are available for the general appearance of the formatted output: As-is, canonical and reformatted.

- As-is formatting leaves all "white space in element content" and new-lines unchanged. If the DOM document originated as XML source, and if all white space was retained, this option will come the closest to recovering the format of the original document. (There may still be differences due to normalization of attribute values and new-line characters or the handling of character references.)
- Canonical formatting writes the document according to the rules specified by W3C Canonical XML Version 1.0. http://www.w3.org/TR/xml-c14n
- Reformatted output has white space and newlines adjusted to produce a pretty-printed, indented, human-readable form. The exact form of the transformations is not specified.

DOMWriter accepts any node type for serialization. For nodes of type Document [p.26] or Entity, well formed XML will be created. The serialized output for these node types is either as a Document or an External Entity, respectively, and is acceptable input for an XML parser. For all

other types of nodes the serialized form is not specified, but should be something useful to a human for debugging or diagnostic purposes. Note: rigorously designing an external (source) form for stand-alone node types that don't already have one defined by the XML rec seems a bit much to take on here.

Within a Document or Entity being serialized, Nodes are processed as follows

- Documents are written including an XML declaration and a DTD subset, if one exists in the DOM. Writing a document node serializes the entire document.
- Entity nodes, when written directly by DOMWriter.writeNode(), output a Text Decl and the entity expansion. The resulting output will be valid as an external entity.

 No output is generated for any entity nodes when writing a Document [p.26].
- Entity References nodes are serializes as an entity reference of the form "&entityName;") in the output. Child nodes (the expansion) of the entity reference are ignored.
- CDATA sections containing content characters that can not be represented in the specified
 output encoding are handled according to the "split-cdata-sections" option.
 If the option is true, CDATA sections are split, and the unrepresentable characters are serialized
 as numeric character references in ordinary content. The exact position and number of splits is
 not specified.
 - If the option is false, unrepresentable characters in a CDATA section are reported as errors. The error is not recoverable there is no mechanism for supplying alternative characters and continuing with the serialization.
- All other node types (Element, Text, etc.) are serialized to their corresponding XML source form.

Within the character data of a document (outside of markup), any characters that cannot be represented directly are replaced with character references. Occurrences of '<' and '&' are replaced by the predefined entities < and &. The other predefined entities (>, &apos, etc.) are not used; these characters can be included directly. Any character that can not be represented directly in the output character encoding is serialized as a numeric character reference.

Attributes not containing quotes are serialized in quotes. Attributes containing quotes but no apostrophes are serialized in apostrophes (single quotes). Attributes containing both forms of quotes are serialized in quotes, with quotes within the value represented by the predefined entity ". Any character that can not be represented directly in the output character encoding is serialized as a numeric character reference.

Within markup, but outside of attributes, any occurrence of a character that cannot be represented in the output character encoding is reported as an error. An example would be serializing the element <LaCañada/> with the encoding=US-ASCII

Unicode Character Normalization. When requested by setting the normalizeCharacters option on DOMWriter, all data to be serialized, both markup and character data, is normalized according to the rules defined by Unicode Canonical Composition, Normalization Form C. The normalization process affects only the data as it is being written; it does not alter the DOM's view of the document after serialization has completed. The W3C character model and normalization are described at http://www.w3.org/TR/charmod/#TextNormalization. Unicode normalization forms are described at

http://www.unicode.org/unicode/reports/tr15/

Name space checking and fixup during serialization is a user option. When the option is selected, the serialization process will verify that name space declarations, name space prefixes and the name space URIs associated with Elements and Attributes are consistent. If inconsistencies are found, the serialized form of the document will be altered to remove them. The exact form of the alterations are not defined, and are implementation dependent.

Any changes made affect only the name space prefixes and declarations appearing in the serialized data. The DOM's view of the document is not altered by the serialization operation, and does not reflect any changes made to name space declarations or prefixes in the serialized output.

DOMWriters have a number of named properties that can be queried or set. Here is a list of properties that must be recognized by all implementations.

• normalizeCharacters

true: Perform Unicode Normalization of the characters in document as they are written out. Only the characters being written are (potentially) altered. The DOM document itself is unchanged.

false: do not perform character normalization.

default: true.

supported values: true: required; false: required.

namespaceFixup

true: Check namespace declarations and prefixes for consistency, and fix them in the serialized data if they are inconsistent.

false: Perform no special checks on name space declarations, prefixes or URIs.

default: true:

supported values: true: required; false: required.

• split-cdata-sections

true: Split CDATA sections containing characters that can not be represented in the output encoding, and output the characters using numeric character references.

false: Signal an error if a CDATA section contains an unrepresentable character.

supported values: true: required; false: required.

IDL Definition

Attributes

encoding of type DOMString

The character encoding in which the output will be written.

The encoding to use when writing is determined as follows:

- If the encoding attribute has been set, that value will be used.
- If the encoding attribute is null or empty, but the item to be written includes an encoding declaration, that value will be used.
- If neither of the above provides an encoding name, a default encoding of "utf-8" will be used.

The default value is null.

format of type unsigned short

As-is, canonical or reformatted. Need to add constants for these.

The default value is as-is.

lastEncoding of type DOMString, readonly

The actual character encoding that was last used by this formatter. This convenience method allows the encoding that was used when serializing a document to be directly obtained.

newLine of type DOMString, modified in **DOM Level 3**

The end-of-line character(s) to be used in the XML being written out. The only permitted values are these:

- null: Use a default end-of-line sequence. DOM implementations should choose the default to match the usual convention for text files in the environment being used. Implementations must choose a default sequence that matches one of those allowed by the XML Recommendation, http://www.w3.org/TR/REC-xml#sec-line-ends
- CR
- CR-LF
- LF

The default value for this attribute is null.

Methods

writeNode

Write out the specified node as described above in the description of DOMWriter. Writing a Document or Entity node produces a serialized form that is well formed XML. Writing other node types produces a fragment of text in a form that is not fully defined by this document, but that should be useful to a human for debugging or diagnostic purposes.

Parameters

destination of type DOMOutputStream

The destination for the data to be written.

node of type Node

The Document [p.26] or Entity node to be written. For other node types, something sensible should be written, but the exact serialized form is not specified.

Exceptions

DOMSystemException

This exception will be raised in response to any sort of IO or system error that occurs while writing to the destination. It may wrap an underlying system exception.

No Return Value

Interface DocumentLS

The DocumentLS interface provides a mechanism by which the content of a document can be replaced with the DOM tree produced when loading a URL, or parsing a string. The expectation is that an instance of the DocumentLS interface can be obtained by using binding-specific casting methods on an instance of the Document interface.

IDL Definition

Attributes

async of type boolean

Indicates whether the method load should be synchronous or asynchronous. When the async attribute is set to true the load method returns control to the caller before the document has completed loading. The default value of this property is true. Setting the value of this attribute might throw NOT_SUPPORTED_ERR if the implementation doesn't support the mode the attribute is being set to. << ISSUE >> Should the DOM spec define the default value of this property? What if implementing both async and sync IO is impractical in some systems?

Methods

abort

If the document is currently being loaded as a result of the method load() being invoked the loading and parsing is immediately aborted. The possibly partial result of parsing the document is discarded and the document is cleared.

No Parameters

No Return Value

No Exceptions

load

Replaces the content of the document with the result of parsing the given URL. Invoking this method will either block the caller or return to the caller immediately depending on the value of the async attribute. Once the document is fully loaded the document will fire a "load" event that the caller can register as a listener for. If an error occurs the document will fire an "error" event so that the caller knows that the load failed (see ParserErrorEvent [p.71]).

Parameters

url of type DOMString

The URL for the XML file to be loaded.

Return Value

boolean If async is set to true load() returns true if the document load was

successfully initiated. If an error occurred when initiating the document

load load() returns false.

If async is set to false load() returns true if the document was successfully loaded and parsed. If an error occurred when either loading or parsing the

URL load() returns false.

No Exceptions

loadXML

Replace the content of the document with the result of parsing the input string, this method is always synchronous.

Parameters

source of type DOMString

A string containing an XML document.

Return Value

boolean True if parsing the input string succeeded without errors, otherwise false.

No Exceptions

saveXML

Save the document or the given node to a string (i.e. serialize the document or node).

Parameters

node of type Node

Specifies what to serialize, if this parameter is null the whole document is serialized, if it's non-null the given node is serialized.

Return Value

DOMString The serialized document or node.

Exceptions

DOMException

DOMException WRONG_DOCUMENT_ERR: Raised if the node passed in as the node parameter is from an other document.

Interface ParserErrorEvent

ParserErrorEvent is the event that is fired if there's an error in the XML document being parsed.

IDL Definition

Attributes

errorCode of type long, readonly

An non-zero implementation dependent error code describing the error, or 0 if there is no error.

filepos of type long, readonly

The byte position in the file where the error occurred.

line of type long, readonly

The line number where the error occurred.

linepos of type long, readonly

The number of the character on the line where the error occurred.

reason of type DOMString, readonly

An implementation dependent string describing the error, or an empty string if there was no error.

srcText of type DOMString, readonly

The source of the line where the error occurred if available.

url of type DOMString, readonly

The normalized URL of the document where the error occurred.

Appendix A: IDL Definitions

This appendix contains the complete OMG IDL [OMGIDL] for the Level 3 Document Object Model Content Model and Load and Save definitions.

The IDL files are also available as: http://www.w3.org/TR/2001/WD-DOM-Level-3-CMLS-20010419/idl.zip

content-models.idl:

```
// File: content-models.idl
#ifndef _CONTENT-MODELS_IDL_
#define _CONTENT-MODELS_IDL_
#include "dom.idl"
#pragma prefix "dom.w3c.org"
module content-models
  typedef dom::DOMString DOMString;
  typedef dom::decimal decimal;
  typedef dom::int int;
  typedef dom::Node Node;
  typedef dom::nsElement nsElement;
  typedef dom::DOMImplementation DOMImplementation;
  typedef dom::Element, NodeCM Element, NodeCM;
  typedef dom::Text,NodeCM Text,NodeCM;
  typedef dom::DocumentType,NodeCM DocumentType,NodeCM;
  typedef dom::Attr,NodeCM Attr,NodeCM;
  interface CMModel;
  interface CMChildren;
  interface DOMErrorHandler;
  interface DOMLocator;
  interface CMNode {
    const unsigned short CM_ELEMENT_DECLARATION
const unsigned short CM_ATTRIBUTE_DECLARATION
const unsigned short CM_NOTATION_DECLARATION
const unsigned short CM_ENTITY_DECLARATION
const unsigned short CM_CHILDREN
const unsigned short CM_MODEL
const unsigned short CM_EXTERNALMODEL
                                                                           = 5;
                                                                           = 6;
                                                                          = 7;
     readonly attribute unsigned short cmNodeType;
                attribute CMModel ownerCMModel;
                attribute DOMString
                                               nodeName;
                                               prefix;
                attribute DOMString
                attribute DOMString
                                               localName;
                attribute DOMString
                                               namespaceURI;
     CMNode
                           clone();
  };
```

```
interface CMNodeList {
};
interface CMNamedNodeMap {
interface CMDataType {
  const short
                                   STRING_DATATYPE
                                                                         = 1;
  short
                          getCMPrimitiveType();
};
interface CMPrimitiveType : CMDataType {
                       BOOLEAN_DATATYPE
FLOAT_DATATYPE
FLOAT_DATATYPE
DOUBLE_DATATYPE
DECIMAL_DATATYPE
HEXBINARY_DATATYPE
BASE64BINARY_DATATYPE
ANYURI_DATATYPE
QNAME_DATATYPE
DURATION_DATATYPE
DATETIME_DATATYPE
TIME_DATATYPE
TIME_DATATYPE
YEARMONTH_DATATYPE
YEAR_DATATYPE
MONTHDAY_DATATYPE
MONTH_DATATYPE
MONTH_DATATYPE
                                BOOLEAN_DATATYPE
                                                                         = 2;
  const short
                                                                          = 3;
  const short
  const short
                                                                          = 4;
  const short
                                                                         = 5;
  const short
                                                                         = 6;
                                                                         = 7;
  const short
 const short
                                                                         = 8;
                                                                         = 9;
 const short
                                                                         = 10;
                                                                         = 11;
                                                                         = 12;
                                                                          = 13;
                                                                    = 14;
                                                                          = 15;
                                                                          = 16;
  const short
                                                                          = 17;
  const short MONTH_DATATYPE const short NOTATION_DATATYPE
                                                                          = 18;
                                                                          = 19;
                                        lowValue;
             attribute decimal
              attribute decimal
                                              highValue;
};
interface CMElementDeclaration : CMNode {
             attribute CMDataType elementType;
  readonly attribute boolean isPCDataOnly; attribute DOMString tagName;
  int
                         getContentType();
                        getCMChildren();
  CMChildren
  CMNamedNodeMap getCMAttributes();
CMNamedNodeMap getCMGrandChildren();
};
interface CMChildren : CMNode {
  const unsigned long UNBOUNDED
                                                                           = MAX_LONG;
  const unsigned short NONE
const unsigned short SEQUENCE
const unsigned short CHOICE
                                                                           = 0;
                                                                           = 1;
  const unsigned short
                                  CHOICE
                                                                           = 2;
              attribute unsigned short listOperator;
              attribute unsigned long minOccurs;
             attribute unsigned long maxOccurs;
             attribute CMNodeList
                                                subModels;
                         removeCMNode(in unsigned long nodeIndex);
  CMNode
                          insertCMNode(in unsigned long nodeIndex,
  int
                                           in CMNode newNode);
                          appendCMNode(in CMNode newNode);
  int
```

```
};
interface CMAttributeDeclaration : CMNode {
                                                               = 0;
  const short NO_VALUE_CONSTRAINT
  const short
                             DEFAULT_VALUE_CONSTRAINT
                                                               = 1;
  const short
                             FIXED_VALUE_CONSTRAINT
                                                               = 2;
                                   attrName;
           attribute DOMString
           attribute CMDataType attribute CMDataType;
attribute DOMString attributeValue;
attribute CMNodeList ownerElement;
           attribute short
                                       constraintType;
};
interface CMEntityDeclaration : CMNode {
  const short
                            INTERNAL_ENTITY
                                                              = 1;
  const short
                             EXTERNAL_ENTITY
                                                              = 2;
           attribute short
                                   entityType;
           attribute DOMString entityName;
attribute DOMString entityValue;
attribute DOMString systemId;
attribute DOMString publicId;
attribute DOMString notationName;
};
interface CMNotationDeclaration : CMNode {
           attribute DOMString notationName;
           attribute DOMString
                                        systemId;
                                      publicId;
           attribute DOMString
};
interface Document {
 void
                      setErrorHandler(in DOMErrorHandler handler);
};
interface DocumentCM : Document {
 const short
                             WF_CHECK
                                                                = 1;
  const short
                             NS_WF_CHECK
                                                              = 2;
                   PARTIAL_VALIDITY_CHECK
STRICT_VALIDITY_CHECK
  const short
                                                              = 3;
  const short
           attribute boolean continuousValidityChecking;
           attribute short
                                       wfValidityCheckLevel;
  int
                     numCMs();
  CMModel
                      getInternalCM();
  CMNodeList
                      getCMs();
  CMModel
                      getActiveCM();
  void
                      addCM(in CMModel cm);
  void
                      removeCM(in CMModel cm);
  boolean
                      activateCM(in CMModel cm);
interface DOMErrorHandler {
  void
                      warning(in DOMLocator where,
                               in DOMString how,
                               in DOMString why)
                                        raises(dom::DOMSystemException);
  void
                     fatalError(in DOMLocator where,
```

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```
in DOMString how,
                                in DOMString why)
                                      raises(dom::DOMSystemException);
 void
                     error(in DOMLocator where,
                           in DOMString how,
                           in DOMString why)
                                      raises(dom::DOMSystemException);
};
interface DOMLocator {
 int
                     getColumnNumber();
 int
                     getLineNumber();
 DOMString
                     getPublicID();
 DOMString
                     getSystemID();
 Node
                     getNode();
};
interface CMModel : CMNode {
 readonly attribute boolean
                                     isNamespaceAware;
           attribute CMElementDeclaration rootElementDecl;
                    getLocation();
 DOMString
 nsElement
                     getCMNamespace();
 CMNamedNodeMap
                    getCMNodes();
                     removeNode(in CMNode node);
 boolean
                     insertBefore(in CMNode newNode,
 boolean
                                  in CMNode refNode);
                     validate();
 CMElementDeclaration createCMElementDeclaration(inout DOMString namespaceURI,
                                                  in DOMString qualifiedElementName,
                                                  in int contentSpec)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 CMAttributeDeclaration createCMAttributeDeclaration(inout DOMString namespaceURI,
                                                      in DOMString qualifiedName)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 CMNotationDeclaration createCMNotationDeclaration(in DOMString name,
                                                    in DOMString systemIdentifier,
                                                    inout DOMString publicIdentifier)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 CMEntityDeclaration createCMEntityDeclaration(in DOMString name)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 CMChildren
                     createCMChildren(in unsigned long minOccurs,
                                      in unsigned long maxOccurs,
                                      inout unsigned short operator)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
};
interface CMExternalModel : CMModel {
interface DOMImplementationCM : DOMImplementation {
                     createCM();
 CMModel
 CMExternalModel
                     createExternalCM();
};
interface NodeCM : Node {
                     canInsertBefore(in Node newChild,
 boolean
                                     in Node refChild)
```

content-models.idl:

```
raises(dom::DOMException);
                     canRemoveChild(in Node oldChild)
 boolean
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 boolean
                     canReplaceChild(in Node newChild,
                                     in Node oldChild)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 boolean
                     canAppendChild(in Node newChild)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 boolean
                     isValid()
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
};
interface ElementCM : Element, NodeCM {
                     contentType();
 CMElementDeclaration getElementDeclaration()
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 boolean
                     canSetAttribute(in DOMString attrname,
                                     in DOMString attrval);
 boolean
                     canSetAttributeNode(in Node node);
 boolean
                     canSetAttributeNodeNS(in Node node);
 boolean
                     canSetAttributeNS(in DOMString attrname,
                                       in DOMString attrval,
                                       in DOMString namespaceURI,
                                       in DOMString localName);
 boolean
                     canRemoveAttribute(in DOMString attrname);
 boolean
                     canRemoveAttributeNS(in DOMString attrname,
                                           inout DOMString namespaceURI);
 boolean
                     canRemoveAttributeNode(in Node node);
};
interface CharacterDataCM : Text,NodeCM {
 boolean
                     isWhitespaceOnly();
 boolean
                     canSetData(in unsigned long offset,
                                in DOMString arg)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 boolean
                     canAppendData(in DOMString arg)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 boolean
                     canReplaceData(in unsigned long offset,
                                    in unsigned long count,
                                    in DOMString arg)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
                     canInsertData(in unsigned long offset,
 boolean
                                   in DOMString arg)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
 boolean
                     canDeleteData(in unsigned long offset,
                                   in DOMString arg)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException);
};
interface DocumentTypeCM : DocumentType,NodeCM {
 boolean
                     isElementDefined(in DOMString elemTypeName);
 boolean
                     isElementDefinedNS(in DOMString elemTypeName,
                                        in DOMString namespaceURI,
                                        in DOMString localName);
                     isAttributeDefined(in DOMString elemTypeName,
 boolean
                                        in DOMString attrName);
 boolean
                    isAttributeDefinedNS(in DOMString elemTypeName,
```

```
in DOMString attrName,
                                             in DOMString namespaceURI,
                                             in DOMString localName);
    boolean
                       isEntityDefined(in DOMString entName);
  };
  interface AttributeCM : Attr,NodeCM {
    CMAttributeDeclaration getAttributeDeclaration();
    CMNotationDeclaration getNotation()
                                        raises(dom::DOMException);
};

#endif // _CONTENT-MODELS_IDL_
load-save.idl:
// File: load-save.idl
#ifndef _LOAD-SAVE_IDL_
#define _LOAD-SAVE_IDL_
#include "dom.idl"
#pragma prefix "dom.w3c.org"
module load-save
  typedef dom::DOMErrorHandler DOMErrorHandler;
  typedef dom::DOMString DOMString;
  typedef dom::Document Document;
  typedef dom::DOMInputStream DOMInputStream;
  typedef dom::DOMReader DOMReader;
  typedef dom::Element Element;
  typedef dom::DOMOutputStream DOMOutputStream;
  typedef dom::Node Node;
  interface DOMBuilder;
  interface DOMWriter;
  interface DOMEntityResolver;
  interface DOMBuilderFilter;
  interface DOMInputSource;
  interface DOMImplementationLS {
                      createDOMBuilder();
    DOMBuilder
    DOMWriter
                       createDOMWriter();
  };
  interface DOMBuilder {
             attribute DOMEntityResolver entityResolver;
             attribute DOMErrorHandler errorHandler;
             attribute DOMBuilderFilter filter;
    void
                       setFeature(in DOMString name,
                                  in boolean state)
                                        raises(dom::DOMException);
    boolean
                       supportsFeature(in DOMString name);
```

```
canSetFeature(in DOMString name,
 boolean
                                   in boolean state);
 boolean
                     getFeature(in DOMString name)
                                     raises(dom::DOMException);
 Document
                    parseURI(in DOMString uri)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException,
                                             dom::DOMSystemException);
 Document
                    parseDOMInputSource(in DOMInputSource is)
                                      raises(dom::DOMException,
                                             dom::DOMSystemException);
};
interface DOMInputSource {
          attribute DOMInputStream byteStream;
           attribute DOMReader
                                     characterStream;
           attribute DOMString
                                     encoding;
           attribute DOMString
                                     publicId;
           attribute DOMString
                                     systemId;
};
interface DOMEntityResolver {
 DOMInputSource resolveEntity(in DOMString publicId,
                                   in DOMString systemId )
                                      raises(dom::DOMSystemException);
};
interface DOMBuilderFilter {
              startElement(in Element element);
 boolean
                    endElement(in Element element);
};
interface DOMWriter {
          attribute DOMString
                                    encoding;
 readonly attribute DOMString
                                    lastEncoding;
           attribute unsigned short format;
 // Modified in DOM Level 3:
           attribute DOMString
                                     newLine;
 void
                    writeNode(in DOMOutputStream destination,
                              in Node node)
                                     raises(dom::DOMSystemException);
};
interface DocumentLS {
          attribute boolean
                                      async;
 void
                    abort();
 boolean
                    load(in DOMString url);
                    loadXML(in DOMString source);
 boolean
 DOMString
                    saveXML(in Node node)
                                     raises(dom::DOMException);
};
interface ParserErrorEvent {
 readonly attribute long
                                     errorCode;
 readonly attribute long
                                     filepos;
 readonly attribute long
                                     line;
 readonly attribute long
                                     linepos;
 readonly attribute DOMString
                                    reason;
```

Appendix B: Java Language Binding

This appendix contains the complete Java [Java] bindings for the Level 3 Document Object Model Content Model and Load and Save.

The Java files are also available as http://www.w3.org/TR/2001/WD-DOM-Level-3-CMLS-20010419/java-binding.zip

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMModel.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
import org.w3c.dom.nsElement;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMException;
public interface CMModel extends CMNode {
    public boolean getIsNamespaceAware();
    public CMElementDeclaration getRootElementDecl();
    public void setRootElementDecl(CMElementDeclaration rootElementDecl);
    public String getLocation();
    public nsElement getCMNamespace();
    public CMNamedNodeMap getCMNodes();
    public boolean removeNode(CMNode node);
    public boolean insertBefore(CMNode newNode,
                                CMNode refNode);
    public boolean validate();
    public CMElementDeclaration createCMElementDeclaration(String namespaceURI,
                                                            String qualifiedElementName,
                                                            int contentSpec)
                                                            throws DOMException;
    public CMAttributeDeclaration createCMAttributeDeclaration(String namespaceURI,
                                                                String qualifiedName)
                                                                throws DOMException;
    public CMNotationDeclaration createCMNotationDeclaration(String name,
                                                              String systemIdentifier,
                                                              String publicIdentifier)
                                                              throws DOMException;
    public CMEntityDeclaration createCMEntityDeclaration(String name)
                                                          throws DOMException;
    public CMChildren createCMChildren(int minOccurs,
                                       int maxOccurs,
```

```
short operator)
throws DOMException;
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMExternalModel.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface CMExternalModel extends CMModel {
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMNode.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface CMNode {
   public static final short CM_ELEMENT_DECLARATION = 1;
   public static final short CM_ATTRIBUTE_DECLARATION = 2;
   public static final short CM_NOTATION_DECLARATION = 3;
   public static final short CM_ENTITY_DECLARATION = 4;
   public static final short CM_CHILDREN
   public static final short CM_MODEL
                                                     = 6;
   public static final short CM_EXTERNALMODEL
                                                    = 7;
   public short getCmNodeType();
   public CMModel getOwnerCMModel();
   public void setOwnerCMModel(CMModel ownerCMModel);
   public String getNodeName();
   public void setNodeName(String nodeName);
   public String getPrefix();
   public void setPrefix(String prefix);
   public String getLocalName();
   public void setLocalName(String localName);
   public String getNamespaceURI();
   public void setNamespaceURI(String namespaceURI);
   public CMNode clone();
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMNodeList.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface CMNodeList {
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMNamedNodeMap.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface CMNamedNodeMap {
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMDataType.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface CMDataType {
    public static final short STRING_DATATYPE = 1;
    public short getCMPrimitiveType();
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMPrimitiveType.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
import org.w3c.dom.decimal;
public interface CMPrimitiveType extends CMDataType {
    public static final short BOOLEAN_DATATYPE
    public static final short FLOAT_DATATYPE
                                                       = 3;
    public static final short DOUBLE DATATYPE
   public static final short DECIMAL_DATATYPE
   public static final short HEXBINARY_DATATYPE = 6;
   public static final short BASE64BINARY_DATATYPE = 7;
   public static final short ANYURI_DATATYPE
                                                        = 8;
                                                        = 9;
    public static final short QNAME_DATATYPE
    public static final short DURATION_DATATYPE
                                                        = 10;
    public static final short DATETIME_DATATYPE
                                                        = 11;
   public static final short DATE_DATATYPE
public static final short TIME_DATATYPE
                                                        = 12;
    public static final short YEARMONTH_DATATYPE
    public static final short YEAR_DATATYPE
    public static final short MONTHDAY_DATATYPE
    public static final short DAY_DATATYPE public static final short MONTH_DATATYPE
                                                        = 17;
                                                        = 18;
                                                      = 19;
    public static final short NOTATION_DATATYPE
    public decimal getLowValue();
    public void setLowValue(decimal lowValue);
    public decimal getHighValue();
    public void setHighValue(decimal highValue);
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMElementDeclaration.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;

public interface CMElementDeclaration extends CMNode {
    public CMDataType getElementType();
    public void setElementType(CMDataType elementType);

    public boolean getIsPCDataOnly();

    public String getTagName();
    public void setTagName(String tagName);

    public int getContentType();

    public CMChildren getCMChildren();

    public CMNamedNodeMap getCMAttributes();

    public CMNamedNodeMap getCMGrandChildren();
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMChildren.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface CMChildren extends CMNode {
    public static final int UNBOUNDED
                                                      = MAX_LONG;
    public static final short NONE
                                                       = 0;
    public static final short SEQUENCE
                                                        = 1;
    public static final short CHOICE
                                                       = 2;
    public short getListOperator();
    public void setListOperator(short listOperator);
    public int getMinOccurs();
    public void setMinOccurs(int minOccurs);
    public int getMaxOccurs();
    public void setMaxOccurs(int maxOccurs);
    public CMNodeList getSubModels();
    public void setSubModels(CMNodeList subModels);
    public CMNode removeCMNode(int nodeIndex);
    public int insertCMNode(int nodeIndex,
                            CMNode newNode);
    public int appendCMNode(CMNode newNode);
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMAttributeDeclaration.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface CMAttributeDeclaration extends CMNode {
    public static final short NO_VALUE_CONSTRAINT = 0;
    public static final short DEFAULT_VALUE_CONSTRAINT = 1;
    public static final short FIXED_VALUE_CONSTRAINT = 2;
    public String getAttrName();
    public void setAttrName(String attrName);
    public CMDataType getAttrType();
    public void setAttrType(CMDataType attrType);
    public String getAttributeValue();
    public void setAttributeValue(String attributeValue);
    public String getEnumAttr();
    public void setEnumAttr(String enumAttr);
    public CMNodeList getOwnerElement();
    public void setOwnerElement(CMNodeList ownerElement);
    public short getConstraintType();
    public void setConstraintType(short constraintType);
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMEntityDeclaration.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface CMEntityDeclaration extends CMNode {
    public static final short INTERNAL_ENTITY
                                                        = 1;
    public static final short EXTERNAL_ENTITY
                                                        = 2;
    public short getEntityType();
    public void setEntityType(short entityType);
    public String getEntityName();
    public void setEntityName(String entityName);
    public String getEntityValue();
    public void setEntityValue(String entityValue);
    public String getSystemId();
    public void setSystemId(String systemId);
    public String getPublicId();
    public void setPublicId(String publicId);
    public String getNotationName();
    public void setNotationName(String notationName);
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CMNotationDeclaration.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;

public interface CMNotationDeclaration extends CMNode {
   public String getNotationName();
   public void setNotationName(String notationName);

   public String getSystemId();
   public void setSystemId(String systemId);

   public String getPublicId();
   public void setPublicId(String publicId);
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/Document.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface Document {
    public void setErrorHandler(DOMErrorHandler handler);
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/DocumentCM.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
public interface DocumentCM extends Document {
    public static final short WF_CHECK
    public static final short NS_WF_CHECK
    public static final short PARTIAL_VALIDITY_CHECK
                                                        = 3;
    public static final short STRICT_VALIDITY_CHECK
    public boolean getContinuousValidityChecking();
    public void setContinuousValidityChecking(boolean continuousValidityChecking);
    public short getWfValidityCheckLevel();
    public void setWfValidityCheckLevel(short wfValidityCheckLevel);
    public int numCMs();
    public CMModel getInternalCM();
    public CMNodeList getCMs();
    public CMModel getActiveCM();
    public void addCM(CMModel cm);
    public void removeCM(CMModel cm);
    public boolean activateCM(CMModel cm);
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/DOMImplementationCM.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMImplementation;
public interface DOMImplementationCM extends DOMImplementation {
    public CMModel createCM();
    public CMExternalModel createExternalCM();
}
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/NodeCM.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
import org.w3c.dom.Node;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMException;
public interface NodeCM extends Node {
    public boolean canInsertBefore(Node newChild,
                                   Node refChild)
                                   throws DOMException;
    public boolean canRemoveChild(Node oldChild)
                                  throws DOMException;
    public boolean canReplaceChild(Node newChild,
                                   Node oldChild)
                                   throws DOMException;
    public boolean canAppendChild(Node newChild)
                                  throws DOMException;
    public boolean isValid()
                           throws DOMException;
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/ElementCM.java:

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/CharacterDataCM.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
import org.w3c.dom.Text,NodeCM;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMException;
public interface CharacterDataCM extends Text,NodeCM {
    public boolean isWhitespaceOnly();
    public boolean canSetData(int offset,
                              String arg)
                              throws DOMException;
    public boolean canAppendData(String arg)
                                 throws DOMException;
    public boolean canReplaceData(int offset,
                                  int count,
                                  String arg)
                                  throws DOMException;
    public boolean canInsertData(int offset,
                                  String arg)
                                 throws DOMException;
    public boolean canDeleteData(int offset,
                                 String arg)
                                 throws DOMException;
```

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/DocumentTypeCM.java:

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/AttributeCM.java:

org/w3c/dom/contentModel/DOMErrorHandler.java:

org/w3c/dom/content Model/DOM Locator. j ava:

```
package org.w3c.dom.contentModel;
import org.w3c.dom.Node;
public interface DOMLocator {
    public int getColumnNumber();
    public int getLineNumber();
    public String getPublicID();
    public String getSystemID();
    public Node getNode();
}
```

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/DOMImplementation LS. java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.loadSave;

public interface DOMImplementationLS {
    public DOMBuilder createDOMBuilder();

    public DOMWriter createDOMWriter();
}
```

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/DOMBuilder.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.loadSave;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMErrorHandler;
import org.w3c.dom.Document;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMSystemException;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMException;

public interface DOMBuilder {
    public DOMEntityResolver getEntityResolver();
    public void setEntityResolver(DOMEntityResolver entityResolver);

    public DOMErrorHandler getErrorHandler();
    public void setErrorHandler(DOMErrorHandler errorHandler);
```

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/DOMInputSource.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.loadSave;

public interface DOMInputSource {
    public java.io.InputStream getByteStream();
    public void setByteStream(java.io.InputStream byteStream);

    public java.io.Reader getCharacterStream();
    public void setCharacterStream(java.io.Reader characterStream);

    public String getEncoding();
    public void setEncoding(String encoding);

    public String getPublicId();
    public void setPublicId(String publicId);

    public String getSystemId();
    public void setSystemId(String systemId);
}
```

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/DOMEntityResolver.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.loadSave;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMSystemException;
public interface DOMEntityResolver {
    public DOMInputSource resolveEntity(String publicId,
```

```
String systemId ) throws DOMSystemException;
```

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/DOMBuilderFilter.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.loadSave;
import org.w3c.dom.Element;
public interface DOMBuilderFilter {
    public boolean startElement(Element element);
    public boolean endElement(Element element);
```

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/DOMWriter.java:

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/DocumentLS.java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.loadSave;
import org.w3c.dom.Node;
import org.w3c.dom.DOMException;
public interface DocumentLS {
   public boolean getAsync();
   public void setAsync(boolean async);
   public void abort();
```

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/ParserErrorEvent. java:

```
package org.w3c.dom.loadSave;

public interface ParserErrorEvent {
    public int getErrorCode();

    public int getFilepos();

    public int getLine();

    public int getLinepos();

    public String getReason();

    public String getSrcText();

    public String getUrl();
}
```

org/w3c/dom/loadSave/ParserErrorEvent.java:

Appendix C: ECMA Script Language Binding

This appendix contains the complete ECMA Script [ECMAScript] binding for the Level 3 Document Object Model Content Model and Load and Save definitions.

Object CMModel

CMModel has the all the properties and methods of the **CMNode** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **CMModel** object has the following properties:

isNamespaceAware

This read-only property is of type **Boolean**.

rootElementDecl

This property is a **CMElementDeclaration** object.

The **CMModel** object has the following methods:

getLocation()

This method returns a **String**.

getCMNamespace()

This method returns a **nsElement** object.

getCMNodes()

This method returns a CMNamedNodeMap object.

removeNode(node)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **node** parameter is a **CMNode** object.

insertBefore(newNode, refNode)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **newNode** parameter is a **CMNode** object.

The **refNode** parameter is a **CMNode** object.

validate()

This method returns a **Boolean**.

create CME lement Declaration (name space URI, qualified Element Name, content Spec)

This method returns a **CMElementDeclaration** object.

The **namespaceURI** parameter is of type **String**.

The qualifiedElementName parameter is of type String.

The **contentSpec** parameter is a **int** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

createCMAttributeDeclaration(namespaceURI, qualifiedName)

This method returns a **CMAttributeDeclaration** object.

The namespaceURI parameter is of type String.

The qualifiedName parameter is of type String.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

createCMNotationDeclaration(name, systemIdentifier, publicIdentifier)

This method returns a **CMNotationDeclaration** object.

The **name** parameter is of type **String**.

The **systemIdentifier** parameter is of type **String**.

The **publicIdentifier** parameter is of type **String**.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

createCMEntityDeclaration(name)

This method returns a **CMEntityDeclaration** object.

The **name** parameter is of type **String**.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

createCMChildren(minOccurs, maxOccurs, operator)

This method returns a CMChildren object.

The **minOccurs** parameter is of type **Number**.

The **maxOccurs** parameter is of type **Number**.

The **operator** parameter is of type **Number**.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

Object CMExternalModel

CMExternalModel has the all the properties and methods of the **CMModel** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

Prototype Object CMNode

The **CMNode** class has the following constants:

CMNode.CM_ELEMENT_DECLARATION

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **1**.

CMNode.CM_ATTRIBUTE_DECLARATION

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **2**.

CMNode.CM_NOTATION_DECLARATION

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **3**.

CMNode.CM_ENTITY_DECLARATION

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **4**.

CMNode.CM_CHILDREN

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **5**.

CMNode.CM_MODEL

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **6**.

CMNode.CM_EXTERNALMODEL

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **7**.

Object CMNode

The **CMNode** object has the following properties:

cmNodeType

This read-only property is of type **Number**.

ownerCMModel

This property is a CMModel object.

nodeName

This property is of type **String**.

prefix

This property is of type **String**.

localName

This property is of type **String**.

namespaceURI

This property is of type **String**.

The **CMNode** object has the following methods:

clone()

This method returns a **CMNode** object.

Object CMNodeList

Object CMNamedNodeMap

Prototype Object CMDataType

The **CMDataType** class has the following constants:

CMDataType.STRING_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **1**.

Object CMDataType

The **CMDataType** object has the following methods:

getCMPrimitiveType()

This method returns a **short** object.

Prototype Object CMPrimitiveType

The **CMPrimitiveType** class has the following constants:

CMPrimitiveType.BOOLEAN_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **2**.

$CMP rimitive Type. FLOAT_DATATYPE$

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **3**.

CMPrimitiveType.DOUBLE_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **4**.

CMPrimitiveType.DECIMAL_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **5**.

CMPrimitiveType.HEXBINARY_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **6**.

CMPrimitiveType.BASE64BINARY_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **7**.

CMPrimitiveType.ANYURI_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **8**.

CMPrimitiveType.QNAME_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **9**.

CMPrimitiveType.DURATION_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **10**.

CMPrimitiveType.DATETIME_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **11**.

CMPrimitiveType.DATE_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **12**.

CMPrimitiveType.TIME_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **13**.

CMPrimitiveType.YEARMONTH_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **14**.

CMPrimitiveType.YEAR_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **15**.

CMPrimitiveType.MONTHDAY_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **16**.

CMPrimitiveType.DAY_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **17**.

CMPrimitiveType.MONTH_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **18**.

CMPrimitiveType.NOTATION_DATATYPE

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **19**.

Object CMPrimitiveType

CMPrimitiveType has the all the properties and methods of the **CMDataType** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **CMPrimitiveType** object has the following properties:

lowValue

This property is a **decimal** object.

highValue

This property is a **decimal** object.

Object CMElementDeclaration

CMElementDeclaration has the all the properties and methods of the **CMNode** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **CMElementDeclaration** object has the following properties:

elementType

This property is a CMDataType object.

isPCDataOnly

This read-only property is of type **Boolean**.

tagName

This property is of type **String**.

The CMElementDeclaration object has the following methods:

getContentType()

This method returns a int object.

getCMChildren()

This method returns a CMChildren object.

getCMAttributes()

This method returns a **CMNamedNodeMap** object.

getCMGrandChildren()

This method returns a **CMNamedNodeMap** object.

Prototype Object CMChildren

The **CMChildren** class has the following constants:

CMChildren.UNBOUNDED

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **MAX_LONG**.

CMChildren.NONE

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **0**.

CMChildren.SEQUENCE

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **1**.

CMChildren.CHOICE

This constant is of type **Number** and its value is **2**.

Object CMChildren

CMChildren has the all the properties and methods of the **CMNode** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **CMChildren** object has the following properties:

listOperator

This property is of type **Number**.

minOccurs

This property is of type **Number**.

maxOccurs

This property is of type **Number**.

subModels

This property is a **CMNodeList** object.

The **CMChildren** object has the following methods:

removeCMNode(nodeIndex)

This method returns a **CMNode** object.

The **nodeIndex** parameter is of type **Number**.

insertCMNode(nodeIndex, newNode)

This method returns a int object.

The **nodeIndex** parameter is of type **Number**.

The **newNode** parameter is a **CMNode** object.

appendCMNode(newNode)

This method returns a int object.

The **newNode** parameter is a **CMNode** object.

Prototype Object CMAttributeDeclaration

The **CMAttributeDeclaration** class has the following constants:

$CMAttribute Declaration. NO_VALUE_CONSTRAINT$

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **0**.

CMAttributeDeclaration.DEFAULT_VALUE_CONSTRAINT

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **1**.

CMAttributeDeclaration.FIXED_VALUE_CONSTRAINT

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **2**.

Object CMAttributeDeclaration

CMAttributeDeclaration has the all the properties and methods of the **CMNode** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **CMAttributeDeclaration** object has the following properties:

attrName

This property is of type **String**.

attrType

This property is a CMDataType object.

attributeValue

This property is of type **String**.

enumAttr

This property is of type **String**.

ownerElement

This property is a **CMNodeList** object.

constraintType

This property is a **short** object.

Prototype Object CMEntityDeclaration

The **CMEntityDeclaration** class has the following constants:

CMEntityDeclaration.INTERNAL ENTITY

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **1**.

CMEntityDeclaration.EXTERNAL_ENTITY

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **2**.

Object CMEntityDeclaration

CMEntityDeclaration has the all the properties and methods of the **CMNode** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **CMEntityDeclaration** object has the following properties:

entityType

This property is a **short** object.

entityName

This property is of type **String**.

entityValue

This property is of type **String**.

systemId

This property is of type **String**.

publicId

This property is of type **String**.

notationName

This property is of type **String**.

Object CMNotationDeclaration

CMNotationDeclaration has the all the properties and methods of the **CMNode** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **CMNotationDeclaration** object has the following properties:

notationName

This property is of type **String**.

systemId

This property is of type **String**.

publicId

This property is of type **String**.

Object **Document**

The **Document** object has the following methods:

setErrorHandler(handler)

This method has no return value.

The **handler** parameter is a **DOMErrorHandler** object.

Prototype Object **DocumentCM**

The **DocumentCM** class has the following constants:

DocumentCM.WF_CHECK

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **1**.

DocumentCM.NS_WF_CHECK

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **2**.

DocumentCM.PARTIAL_VALIDITY_CHECK

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **3**.

DocumentCM.STRICT_VALIDITY_CHECK

This constant is of type **short** and its value is **4**.

Object **DocumentCM**

DocumentCM has the all the properties and methods of the **Document** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **DocumentCM** object has the following properties:

continuousValidityChecking

This property is of type Boolean.

wfValidityCheckLevel

This property is a **short** object.

The **DocumentCM** object has the following methods:

numCMs()

This method returns a int object.

getInternalCM()

This method returns a CMModel object.

getCMs()

This method returns a CMNodeList object.

getActiveCM()

This method returns a **CMModel** object.

addCM(cm)

This method has no return value.

The **cm** parameter is a **CMModel** object.

removeCM(cm)

This method has no return value.

The cm parameter is a CMModel object.

activateCM(cm)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **cm** parameter is a **CMModel** object.

Object **DOMImplementationCM**

DOMImplementationCM has the all the properties and methods of the **DOMImplementation** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **DOMImplementationCM** object has the following methods:

createCM()

This method returns a **CMModel** object.

createExternalCM()

This method returns a **CMExternalModel** object.

Object NodeCM

NodeCM has the all the properties and methods of the **Node** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **NodeCM** object has the following methods:

canInsertBefore(newChild, refChild)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **newChild** parameter is a **Node** object.

The **refChild** parameter is a **Node** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

canRemoveChild(oldChild)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **oldChild** parameter is a **Node** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

canReplaceChild(newChild, oldChild)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **newChild** parameter is a **Node** object.

The **oldChild** parameter is a **Node** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

canAppendChild(newChild)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **newChild** parameter is a **Node** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

isValid()

This method returns a Boolean.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

Object ElementCM

ElementCM has the all the properties and methods of the **Element,NodeCM** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **ElementCM** object has the following methods:

contentType()

This method returns a **int** object.

getElementDeclaration()

This method returns a **CMElementDeclaration** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

canSetAttribute(attrname, attrval)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **attrname** parameter is of type **String**.

The attrval parameter is of type String.

canSetAttributeNode(node)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **node** parameter is a **Node** object.

canSetAttributeNodeNS(node)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **node** parameter is a **Node** object.

canSetAttributeNS(attrname, attrval, namespaceURI, localName)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **attrname** parameter is of type **String**.

The attrval parameter is of type String.

The namespaceURI parameter is of type String.

The localName parameter is of type String.

canRemoveAttribute(attrname)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **attrname** parameter is of type **String**.

canRemoveAttributeNS(attrname, namespaceURI)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **attrname** parameter is of type **String**.

The **namespaceURI** parameter is of type **String**.

canRemoveAttributeNode(node)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **node** parameter is a **Node** object.

Object CharacterDataCM

CharacterDataCM has the all the properties and methods of the **Text,NodeCM** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **CharacterDataCM** object has the following methods:

isWhitespaceOnly()

This method returns a Boolean.

canSetData(offset, arg)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **offset** parameter is of type **Number**.

The arg parameter is of type String.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

canAppendData(arg)

This method returns a Boolean.

The arg parameter is of type String.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

canReplaceData(offset, count, arg)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **offset** parameter is of type **Number**.

The **count** parameter is of type **Number**.

The arg parameter is of type String.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

canInsertData(offset, arg)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **offset** parameter is of type **Number**.

The arg parameter is of type String.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

canDeleteData(offset, arg)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **offset** parameter is of type **Number**.

The arg parameter is of type String.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

Object DocumentTypeCM

DocumentTypeCM has the all the properties and methods of the **DocumentType,NodeCM** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **DocumentTypeCM** object has the following methods:

isElementDefined(elemTypeName)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **elemTypeName** parameter is of type **String**.

isElementDefinedNS(elemTypeName, namespaceURI, localName)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **elemTypeName** parameter is of type **String**.

The **namespaceURI** parameter is of type **String**.

The **localName** parameter is of type **String**.

isAttributeDefined(elemTypeName, attrName)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **elemTypeName** parameter is of type **String**.

The **attrName** parameter is of type **String**.

isAttributeDefinedNS(elemTypeName, attrName, namespaceURI, localName)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **elemTypeName** parameter is of type **String**.

The attrName parameter is of type String.

The **namespaceURI** parameter is of type **String**.

The **localName** parameter is of type **String**.

isEntityDefined(entName)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The entName parameter is of type String.

Object AttributeCM

AttributeCM has the all the properties and methods of the **Attr,NodeCM** object as well as the properties and methods defined below.

The **AttributeCM** object has the following methods:

getAttributeDeclaration()

This method returns a CMAttributeDeclaration object.

getNotation()

This method returns a **CMNotationDeclaration** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

Object **DOMErrorHandler**

The **DOMErrorHandler** object has the following methods:

warning(where, how, why)

This method has no return value.

The where parameter is a **DOMLocator** object.

The **how** parameter is of type **String**.

The **why** parameter is of type **String**.

This method can raise a **DOMSystemException** object.

fatalError(where, how, why)

This method has no return value.

The where parameter is a **DOMLocator** object.

The **how** parameter is of type **String**.

The **why** parameter is of type **String**.

This method can raise a **DOMSvstemException** object.

error(where, how, why)

This method has no return value.

The where parameter is a **DOMLocator** object.

The **how** parameter is of type **String**.

The **why** parameter is of type **String**.

This method can raise a **DOMSystemException** object.

Object **DOMLocator**

The **DOMLocator** object has the following methods:

getColumnNumber()

This method returns a int object.

getLineNumber()

This method returns a int object.

getPublicID()

This method returns a **String**.

getSystemID()

This method returns a **String**.

getNode()

This method returns a **Node** object.

Object **DOMImplementationLS**

The **DOMImplementationLS** object has the following methods:

createDOMBuilder()

This method returns a **DOMBuilder** object.

createDOMWriter()

This method returns a **DOMWriter** object.

Object **DOMBuilder**

The **DOMBuilder** object has the following properties:

entityResolver

This property is a **DOMEntityResolver** object.

errorHandler

This property is a **DOMErrorHandler** object.

filter

This property is a **DOMBuilderFilter** object.

The **DOMBuilder** object has the following methods:

setFeature(name, state)

This method has no return value.

The **name** parameter is of type **String**.

The **state** parameter is of type **Boolean**.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

supportsFeature(name)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **name** parameter is of type **String**.

canSetFeature(name, state)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **name** parameter is of type **String**.

The **state** parameter is of type **Boolean**.

getFeature(name)

This method returns a Boolean.

The **name** parameter is of type **String**.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

parseURI(uri)

This method returns a **Document** object.

The **uri** parameter is of type **String**.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object or a **DOMSystemException** object.

parseDOMInputSource(is)

This method returns a **Document** object.

The **is** parameter is a **DOMInputSource** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object or a **DOMSystemException** object.

Object **DOMInputSource**

The **DOMInputSource** object has the following properties:

byteStream

This property is a **DOMInputStream** object.

characterStream

This property is a **DOMReader** object.

encoding

This property is of type **String**.

publicId

This property is of type **String**.

systemId

This property is of type **String**.

Object **DOMEntityResolver**

The **DOMEntityResolver** object has the following methods:

resolveEntity(publicId, systemId)

This method returns a **DOMInputSource** object.

The **publicId** parameter is of type **String**.

The **systemId** parameter is of type **String**.

This method can raise a **DOMSystemException** object.

Object **DOMBuilderFilter**

The **DOMBuilderFilter** object has the following methods:

startElement(element)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **element** parameter is a **Element** object.

endElement(element)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **element** parameter is a **Element** object.

Object **DOMWriter**

The **DOMWriter** object has the following properties:

encoding

This property is of type **String**.

lastEncoding

This read-only property is of type **String**.

format

This property is of type **Number**.

newLine

This property is of type **String**.

The **DOMWriter** object has the following methods:

writeNode(destination, node)

This method has no return value.

The **destination** parameter is a **DOMOutputStream** object.

The **node** parameter is a **Node** object.

This method can raise a **DOMSystemException** object.

Object DocumentLS

The **DocumentLS** object has the following properties:

async

This property is of type Boolean.

The **DocumentLS** object has the following methods:

abort()

This method has no return value.

load(url)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **url** parameter is of type **String**.

loadXML(source)

This method returns a **Boolean**.

The **source** parameter is of type **String**.

saveXML(node)

This method returns a **String**.

The **node** parameter is a **Node** object.

This method can raise a **DOMException** object.

Object ParserErrorEvent

The **ParserErrorEvent** object has the following properties:

errorCode

This read-only property is a long object.

filepos

This read-only property is a long object.

line

This read-only property is a **long** object.

linepos

This read-only property is a **long** object.

reason

This read-only property is of type **String**.

srcText

This read-only property is of type **String**.

url

This read-only property is of type **String**.

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