

## XMLSTARLET USER'S GUIDE

see also <http://xmlstar.sourceforge.net/>

## 1. BASIC COMMAND LINE OPTIONS

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xml

XMLStarlet Toolkit: Command line utilities for XML

Usage: xml [<options>] <command> [<cmd-options>]

where <command> is one of:

ed (or edit) - Edit/Update XML document(s)  
 sel (or select) - Select data or query XML document(s) (XPath, etc)  
 tr (or transform) - Transform XML document(s) using XSLT  
 val (or validate) - Validate XML document(s) (well-formed/DTD/XSD/RelaxNG)  
 fo (or format) - Format XML document(s)  
 el (or elements) - Display element structure of XML document  
 c14n (or canonic) - XML canonicalization  
 ls (or list) - List directory as XML  
 esc (or escape) - Escape special XML characters  
 unesc (or unescape) - Unescape special XML characters  
 pyx (or xmln) - Convert XML into PYX format (based on ESIS - ISO 8879)  
 p2x (or depyx) - Convert PYX into XML

<options> are:

--version - show version  
 --help - show help

Wherever file name mentioned in command help it is assumed that URL can be used instead as well.

Type: xml <command> --help <ENTER> for command help

XMLStarlet is a command line toolkit to query/edit/check/transform XML documents (for more information see <http://xmlstar.sourceforge.net/>)

## 2. Select/Query XML documents

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xml sel --help

XMLStarlet Toolkit: Select from XML document(s)

Usage: xml sel <global-options> {<template>} [ <xml-file> ... ]

where

<global-options> - global options for selecting  
 <xml-file> - input XML document file name/uri (stdin is used if missing)  
 <template> - template for querying XML document with following syntax:

<global-options> are:

-C or --comp - display generated XSLT  
 -R or --root - print root element <xsl-select>  
 -T or --text - output is text (default is XML)  
 -I or --indent - indent output  
 -D or --xml-decl - do not omit xml declaration line  
 -B or --noblanks - remove insignificant spaces from XML tree  
 -N <name>=<value> - predefine namespaces (name without 'xmlns:')  
 ex: xsql=urn:oracle-xsql  
 Multiple -N options are allowed.  
 --net - allow fetch DTDs or entities over network  
 --help - display help

Syntax for templates: -t|--template <options>

where <options>

-c or --copy-of <xpath> - print copy of XPath expression  
 -v or --value-of <xpath> - print value of XPath expression  
 -o or --output <string> - output string literal  
 -n or --nl - print new line  
 -f or --inp-name - print input file name (or URL)  
 -m or --match <xpath> - match XPath expression  
 -i or --if <test-xpath> - check condition <xsl:if test="test-xpath">  
 -e or --elem <name> - print out element <xsl:element name="name">  
 -a or --attr <name> - add attribute <xsl:attribute name="name">

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-b or --break          - break nesting
-s or --sort op xpath  - sort in order (used after -m) where
op is X:Y:Z,
  X is A - for order="ascending"
  X is D - for order="descending"
  Y is N - for data-type="numeric"
  Y is T - for data-type="text"
  Z is U - for case-order="upper-first"
  Z is L - for case-order="lower-first"

```

There can be multiple --match, --copy-of, --value-of, etc options in a single template. The effect of applying command line templates can be illustrated with the following XSLT analogue

```

xml sel -t -c "xpath0" -m "xpath1" -m "xpath2" -v "xpath3" \
      -t -m "xpath4" -c "xpath5"

```

is equivalent to applying the following XSLT

```

<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" >
<xsl:template match="/" >
  <xsl:call-template name="t1"/>
  <xsl:call-template name="t2"/>
</xsl:template>
<xsl:template name="t1" >
  <xsl:copy-of select="xpath0"/>
  <xsl:for-each select="xpath1">
    <xsl:for-each select="xpath2">
      <xsl:value-of select="xpath3"/>
    </xsl:for-each>
  </xsl:for-each>
</xsl:template>
<xsl:template name="t2" >
  <xsl:for-each select="xpath4">
    <xsl:copy-of select="xpath5"/>
  </xsl:for-each>
</xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>

```

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Current implementation uses libxslt from GNOME codebase as XSLT processor (see <http://xmlsoft.org/> for more details)

### 3. Editing XML documents

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xml ed --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: Edit XML document(s)
Usage: xml ed <global-options> {<action>} [ <xml-file-or-uri> ... ]
where
  <global-options> - global options for editing
  <xml-file-or-uri> - input XML document file name/uri (stdin is used if missing)

<global-options> are:
-P (or --pf)          - preserve original formatting
-S (or --ps)         - preserve non-significant spaces
-O (or --omit-decl) - omit XML declaration (<?xml ...?>)
-N <name>=<value>    - predefine namespaces (name without 'xmlns:')
                    ex: xsql=urn:oracle-xsql
                    Multiple -N options are allowed.
                    -N options must be last global options.
--help or -h         - display help

```

```

where <action>
-d or --delete <xpath>
-i or --insert <xpath> -t (--type) elem|text|attr -n <name> -v (--value) <value>
-a or --append <xpath> -t (--type) elem|text|attr -n <name> -v (--value) <value>
-s or --subnode <xpath> -t (--type) elem|text|attr -n <name> -v (--value) <value>
-m or --move <xpath1> <xpath2>
-r or --rename <xpath1> -v <new-name>
-u or --update <xpath> -v (--value) <value>
-x (--expr) <xpath> (-x is not implemented yet)

```

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#### 4. Using XSLT to transform XML documents

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```
xml tr --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: Transform XML document(s) using XSLT
Usage: xml tr [<options>] <xsl-file> {-p|-s <name>=<value>} [ <xml-file-or-uri> ... ]
where
  <xsl-file>      - main XSLT stylesheet for transformation
  <xml-file>      - input XML document file name (stdin is used if missing)
  <name>=<value>  - name and value of the parameter passed to XSLT processor
  -p             - parameter is XPATH expression ("string" to quote string)
  -s             - parameter is a string literal
<options> are:
  --omit-decl    - omit xml declaration <?xml version="1.0"?>
  --show-ext     - show list of extensions
  --val          - allow validate against DTDs or schemas
  --net         - allow fetch DTDs or entities over network
  --xinclue     - do XInclude processing on document input
  --maxdepth val - increase the maximum depth
  --html        - input document(s) is(are) in HTML format
  --docbook     - input document(s) is(are) in SGML docbook format
  --catalogs    - use SGML catalogs from $SGML_CATALOG_FILES
                  otherwise XML catalogs starting from
                  file:///etc/xml/catalog are activated by default
```

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#### 5. Formatting XML documents

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```
xml fo --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: Format XML document(s)
Usage: xml fo [<options>] <xml-file>
where <options> are
  -n or --noindent      - do not indent
  -t or --indent-tab    - indent output with tabulation
  -s or --indent-spaces <num> - indent output with <num> spaces
  -o or --omit-decl    - omit xml declaration <?xml version="1.0"?>
  -R or --recover      - try to recover what is parsable
  -e or --encode <encoding> - output in the given encoding (utf-8, unicode...)
  -H or --html         - input is HTML
  -h or --help         - print help
```

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#### 6. Validating XML documents

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```
xml val --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: Validate XML document(s)
Usage: xml val <options> [ <xml-file-or-uri> ... ]
where <options>
  -w or --well-formed      - validate well-formedness only (default)
  -d or --dtd <dtd-file>   - validate against DTD
  -s or --xsd <xsd-file>   - validate against XSD schema
  -r or --relaxng <rng-file> - validate against Relax-NG schema
  -e or --err              - print verbose error messages on stderr
  -b or --list-bad         - list only files which do not validate
  -g or --list-good        - list only files which validate
  -q or --quiet            - do not list files (return result code only)
```

NOTE: XML Schemas are not fully supported yet due to its incomplete

support in libxml (see <http://xmlsoft.org>)

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#### 7. Displaying structure of XML documents

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```
xml el --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: Display element structure of XML document
Usage: xml el [<options>] <xml-file>
where
  <xml-file> - input XML document file name (stdin is used if missing)
  <options>:
  -a - show attributes as well
  -v - show attributes and their values
  -u - print out sorted unique lines
```

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#### 8. Escape/Unescape special XML characters

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```
xml esc --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: Escape special XML characters
Usage: xml esc [<options>] [<string>]
where <options> are
  --help - print usage
  (TODO: more to be added in future)
if <string> is missing stdin is used instead.
```

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#### 9. List directory as XML

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```
xml ls --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: List directory as XML
Usage: xml ls
Lists current directory in XML format.
```

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#### 10. XML canonicalization

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```
xml c14n --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: XML canonization
Usage: xml c14n <mode> <xml-file> [<xpath-expr>] [<inclusive-ns-list>]
where
  <xml-file> - input XML document file name (stdin is used if '-')
  <mode> is one of following:
  --with-comments      XML file canonization w comments
  --without-comments   XML file canonization w/o comments
  --exc-with-comments  Exclusive XML file canonization w comments
  --exc-without-comments Exclusive XML file canonization w/o comments
```

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## 11. Convert XML into PYX format (based on ESIS - ISO 8879)

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xml pyx --help
XMLStarlet Toolkit: Convert XML into PYX format (based on ESIS - ISO 8879)
Usage: xml pyx {<xml-file>}
where
  <xml-file> - input XML document file name (stdin is used if missing)
```

The PYX format is a line-oriented representation of XML documents that is derived from the SGML ESIS format. (see ESIS - ISO 8879 Element Structure Information Set spec, ISO/IEC JTC1/SC18/WG8 N931 (ESIS))

A non-validating, ESIS generating tool originally developed for pyxie project (see <http://pyxie.sourceforge.net/>)  
ESIS Generation by Sean Mc Grath <http://www.digitome.com/sean.html>

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## 12. Examples:

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```

Input1  
examples/xml/table.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
  <table>
    <rec id="1">
      <numField>123</numField>
      <stringField>String Value</stringField>
    </rec>
    <rec id="2">
      <numField>346</numField>
      <stringField>Text Value</stringField>
    </rec>
    <rec id="3">
      <numField>-23</numField>
      <stringField>stringValue</stringField>
    </rec>
  </table>
</xml>
```

Input2  
examples/xml/tab-obj.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
  <table>
    <rec id="1">
      <numField>123</numField>
      <stringField>String Value</stringField>
      <object name="Obj1">
        <property name="size">10</property>
        <property name="type">Data</property>
      </object>
    </rec>
    <rec id="2">
      <numField>346</numField>
      <stringField>Text Value</stringField>
    </rec>
    <rec id="3">
      <numField>-23</numField>
      <stringField>stringValue</stringField>
    </rec>
  </table>
</xml>
```

Input3  
examples/html/hello1.html

```

<html>
<head>
  <title>Hello World</title>
  <meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1" >
</head>
<body>
  <div align="center">Hello World!<br></div>
</body>
</html>

```

Input4  
examples/sgml/docbook1.sgml

```

<!DOCTYPE book
PUBLIC "-//OASIS//DTD DocBook XML V4.1.2//EN"
"http://www.oasis-open.org/docbook/xml/4.1.2/docbookx.dtd">
<book>

<bookinfo>
  <title>DocBook document example</title>
  <author>
    <firstname>Mikhail</firstname>
    <surname>Grushinskiy</surname>
  </author>

  <copyright>
    <year>2002</year>
    <holder>Mikhail Grushinskiy</holder>
  </copyright>
</bookinfo>

<preface>
  <title>Sample document</title>

  <para>A simple DocBook example document.</para>
</preface>

<chapter>
  <title>XMLStarlet Example</title>

  <para>The <emphasis>XMLStarlet</emphasis> command line toolkit
allows querying/checking/editing/transforming/formatting XML documents
from command line</para>

  <para>To find out more on how to use the
<emphasis>XMLStarlet</emphasis> for XML processing, point
your browser to <ulink
url="http://xmlstar.sourceforge.net/">http://xmlstar.sourceforge.net</ulink>.
</para>

</chapter>
</book>

```

Stylesheet1  
examples/xsl/sum1.xsl

```

<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform">
<xsl:output method="text"/>
<xsl:param name="inputFile"></xsl:param>
<xsl:template match="/">
  <xsl:call-template name="t1"/>
</xsl:template>
<xsl:template name="t1">
  <xsl:value-of select="sum(/xml/table/rec/numField)"/>
  <xsl:value-of select="'&#10;'"/>
</xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>

```

Stylesheet2

examples/xsl/hello1.xsl

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" >
<xsl:output method="text" />
<xsl:param name="inputFile"></xsl:param>
<xsl:template match="/" >
  <xsl:call-template name="t1" />
</xsl:template>
<xsl:template name="t1" >
  <xsl:for-each select="/" >
    <xsl:value-of select="/html/body/div" />
  </xsl:for-each>
</xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

Stylesheet3

examples/xsl/param1.xsl

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" >
<xsl:output method="text" />
<xsl:param name="Text" />
<xsl:param name="Count" />
<xsl:template match="/" >
  <xsl:call-template name="t1" />
</xsl:template>
<xsl:template name="t1" >
  <xsl:for-each select="/xml" >
    <xsl:value-of select="$Text" />
    <xsl:value-of select="$Count" />
    <xsl:value-of select="'&#10;' " />
  </xsl:for-each>
</xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

Command:

```
# XML canonicalization
xml c14n --with-comments ../examples/xml/structure.xml ; echo $?
Result Output:
```

```
<a1>
  <a11>
    <a111>
      <a1111></a1111>
    </a111>
  <a112>
    <a1121></a1121>
  </a112>
</a11>
<a12></a12>
<a13>
  <a131></a131>
</a13>
</a1>
0
```

Command:

```
# Count elements matching XPath expression
xml sel -t -v "count(/xml/table/rec/numField)" xml/table.xml
Result Output:
3
```

Command:

```
# Count all nodes in XML document
xml sel -t -f -o " " -v "count(//node())" xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml
Result Output:
xml/table.xml 32
xml/tab-obj.xml 41
```

Command:

```
# Delete elements matching XPath expression
```

```

xml ed -d /xml/table/rec[@id='2'] xml/table.xml
Result Output:
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
  <table>
    <rec id="1">
      <numField>123</numField>
      <stringField>String Value</stringField>
    </rec>
    <rec id="3">
      <numField>-23</numField>
      <stringField>stringValue</stringField>
    </rec>
  </table>
</xml>

```

Command:

```
# Generate HTML from given SGML docbook document
```

```
xml tr --omit-decl --docbook /usr/share/sgml/docbook/yelp/docbook/html/docbook.xsl sgml/docbook1.sgml | \
  xml fo --html --indent-spaces 2
```

Result Output:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1" standalone="yes"?>
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.0 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/REC-html40/loose.dtd">
<html>
  <head>
    <meta content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1" http-equiv="Content-Type"/>
    <title>DocBook document example</title>
    <meta name="generator" content="DocBook XSL Stylesheets V1.48"/>
  </head>
  <body bgcolor="white" text="black" link="#0000FF" vlink="#840084" alink="#0000FF">
    <div class="book">
      <div class="titlepage">
        <div>
          <h1 class="title"><a name="id2765244"/>DocBook document example</h1>
        </div>
        <div>
          <h3 class="author">Mikhail Grushinskiy</h3>
        </div>
        <div>
          <p class="copyright">Copyright © 2002 Mikhail Grushinskiy</p>
        </div>
        <hr/>
      </div>
      <div class="toc">
        <p>
          <b>Table of Contents</b>
        </p>
        <dl>
          <dt>
            <a href="#id2765482">Sample document</a>
          </dt>
          <dt>1. <a href="#id2767329">XMLStarlet Example</a></dt>
        </dl>
      </div>
      <div class="preface">
        <div class="titlepage">
          <div>
            <h2 class="title"><a name="id2765482"/>Sample document</h2>
          </div>
        </div>
        <p>A simple DocBook example document.</p>
      </div>
      <div class="chapter">
        <div class="titlepage">
          <div>
            <h2 class="title"><a name="id2767329"/>Chapter 1. XMLStarlet Example</h2>
          </div>
        </div>
        <p>The <span class="emphasis"><i>XMLStarlet</i></span> command line toolkit
allows querying/checking/editing/transforming/formatting XML documents
from command line</p>
        <p>To find out more on how to use the
<span class="emphasis"><i>XMLStarlet</i></span> for XML processing, point
your browser to <a href="http://xmlstar.sourceforge.net/" target="_top">http://xmlstar.sourceforge.net/</a>.
</p>
      </div>

```



```

    </div>
  </body>
</html>

```

```

Command:
# Validate XML document against DTD
xml val --dtd dtd/table.dtd xml/tab-obj.xml >/dev/null 2>&1; echo $?
Result Output:
1

```

```

Command:
# Validate XML document against DTD
xml val --dtd dtd/table.dtd xml/table.xml >/dev/null 2>&1; echo $?
Result Output:
0

```

```

Command:
# Display element structure of XML document
xml el ./xml/tab-obj.xml
Result Output:
xml
xml/table
xml/table/rec
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField
xml/table/rec/object
xml/table/rec/object/property
xml/table/rec/object/property
xml/table/rec
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField
xml/table/rec
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField

```

```

Command:
# Display element structure of XML document (including attributes)
xml el -a ./xml/tab-obj.xml
Result Output:
xml
xml/table
xml/table/rec
xml/table/rec/@id
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField
xml/table/rec/object
xml/table/rec/object/@name
xml/table/rec/object/property
xml/table/rec/object/property/@name
xml/table/rec/object/property
xml/table/rec/object/property/@name
xml/table/rec
xml/table/rec/@id
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField
xml/table/rec
xml/table/rec/@id
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField

```

```

Command:
# Display element structure of XML document (including attribute values)
xml el -v ./xml/tab-obj.xml
Result Output:
xml
xml/table
xml/table/rec[@id='1']
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField
xml/table/rec/object[@name='Obj1']
xml/table/rec/object/property[@name='size']
xml/table/rec/object/property[@name='type']

```

```
xml/table/rec[@id='2']
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField
xml/table/rec[@id='3']
xml/table/rec/numField
xml/table/rec/stringField
```

Command:

```
# Escape special XML characters
cat xml/structure.xml | xml esc
```

Result Output:

```
&lt;a1&gt;
  &lt;a11&gt;
    &lt;a111&gt;
      &lt;a1111/&gt;
    &lt;/a111&gt;
  &lt;a112&gt;
    &lt;a1121/&gt;
  &lt;/a112&gt;
&lt;/a11&gt;
&lt;a12/&gt;
&lt;a13&gt;
  &lt;a131/&gt;
&lt;/a13&gt;
&lt;/a1&gt;
```

Command:

```
# Calculate EXSLT (XSLT extentions) XPath value
echo "<x/>" | xml sel -t -v "math:abs(-1000)"
```

Result Output:

```
1000
```

Command:

```
# Find XML files matching XPath expression (containing 'object' element)
xml sel -t -m //object -f xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml
```

Result Output:

```
xml/tab-obj.xml
```

Command:

```
# Generate XML document using command line xml sel
echo "<x/>" | xml sel -t -m / -e xml -e child -a data -o value
```

Result Output:

```
<xml><child data="value"/></xml>
```

Command:

```
# Apply XSLT stylesheet to HTML input file
xml tr --html xsl/hello1.xsl html/hello1.html
```

Result Output:

```
Hello World!
```

Command:

```
# Use local-name() XSLT function in XPath expression
xml sel -t -v "//*[local-name()='query']" xsql/jobserve.xsql
```

Result Output:

```
SELECT substr(title,1,26) short_title, title, location, skills
FROM job
WHERE UPPER(title) LIKE '%ORACLE%'
ORDER BY first_posted DESC
```

Command:

```
# Select text value of an XML element mathing given XPath expression
xml sel -t -m "/xml/table/rec[@id='2']" -v numField xml/table.xml
```

Result Output:

```
346
```

Command:

```
# Format XML document disabling indent
cat xml/tab-obj.xml | xml fo --noindent
```

Result Output:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
<table>
<rec id="1">
<numField>123</numField>
<stringField>String Value</stringField>
<object name="Obj1">
<property name="size">10</property>
<property name="type">Data</property>
</object>
</rec>
<rec id="2">
<numField>346</numField>
<stringField>Text Value</stringField>
</rec>
<rec id="3">
<numField>-23</numField>
<stringField>stringValue</stringField>
</rec>
</table>
</xml>
```

Command:

```
# Predefine namespaces for XPath expressions
xml sel -N xsql=urn:oracle-xsql -t -v /xsql:query xsql/jobserve.xsql
Result Output:
```

```
SELECT substr(title,1,26) short_title, title, location, skills
FROM job
WHERE UPPER(title) LIKE '%ORACLE%'
ORDER BY first_posted DESC
```

Command:

```
# Recover malformed XML document
xml fo -R xml/malformed.xml 2>/dev/null
```

Result Output:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<test_output>
  <test_name>foo</test_name>
  <subtest>...</subtest>
</test_output>
```

Command:

```
# Rename attributes
xml ed -r "//*[@id]" -v ID xml/tab-obj.xml
```

Result Output:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
  <table>
    <rec ID="1">
      <numField>123</numField>
      <stringField>String Value</stringField>
      <object name="Obj1">
        <property name="size">10</property>
        <property name="type">Data</property>
      </object>
    </rec>
    <rec ID="2">
      <numField>346</numField>
      <stringField>Text Value</stringField>
    </rec>
    <rec ID="3">
      <numField>-23</numField>
      <stringField>stringValue</stringField>
    </rec>
  </table>
</xml>
```

Command:

```
# Rename elements
xml ed -r "/xml/table/rec" -v record xml/tab-obj.xml
```

Result Output:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
  <table>
    <record id="1">
      <numField>123</numField>
      <stringField>String Value</stringField>
      <object name="Obj1">
        <property name="size">10</property>
        <property name="type">Data</property>
      </object>
    </record>
    <record id="2">
      <numField>346</numField>
      <stringField>Text Value</stringField>
    </record>
    <record id="3">
      <numField>-23</numField>
      <stringField>stringValue</stringField>
    </record>
  </table>
</xml>
```

Command:

```
# Validate against XSD schema
xml val -b -s xsd/table.xsd xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
Result Output:
xml/tab-obj.xml
1
```

Command:

```
# xsl:copy-of in xml sel command
xml sel -B -t -m /xml/table/rec -c . -n xml/table.xml
Result Output:
<rec id="1"><numField>123</numField><stringField>String Value</stringField></rec>
<rec id="2"><numField>346</numField><stringField>Text Value</stringField></rec>
<rec id="3"><numField>-23</numField><stringField>stringValue</stringField></rec>
```

Command:

```
# Query XML document and produce sorted text table
xml sel -T -t -m /xml/table/rec -s D:N:- "@id" -v "concat(@id,'|',numField,'|',stringField)" -n xml/table.xml
Result Output:
3|-23|stringValue
2|346|Text Value
1|123|String Value
```

Command:

```
# Print structure of XML element using xml sel (advanced XPath expressions and xml sel command usage)
xml sel -T -t -m '//**' \
-m 'ancestor-or-self::*' -v 'name()' -i 'not(position()=last())' -o . -b -b -n \
xml/structure.xml
Result Output:
a1
a1.a11
a1.a11.a111
a1.a11.a111.a1111
a1.a11.a112
a1.a11.a112.a1121
a1.a12
a1.a13
a1.a13.a131
```

Command:

```
# Calculating running sum on XML document
xml sel -t -v "sum(/xml/table/rec/numField)" xml/table.xml
Result Output:
446
```

Command:

```
# Indent XML document with tabs
```

```
cat xml/tab-obj.xml | xml fo --indent-tab
```

Result Output:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
  <table>
    <rec id="1">
      <numField>123</numField>
      <stringField>String Value</stringField>
      <object name="Obj1">
        <property name="size">10</property>
        <property name="type">Data</property>
      </object>
    </rec>
    <rec id="2">
      <numField>346</numField>
      <stringField>Text Value</stringField>
    </rec>
    <rec id="3">
      <numField>-23</numField>
      <stringField>stringValue</stringField>
    </rec>
  </table>
</xml>
```

Command:

```
# Generate plain text table from XML document
```

```
xml sel -T -t -m /xml/table/rec -v "@id" -o "|" -v numField -o "|" -v stringField -n xml/table.xml
```

Result Output:

```
1|123|String Value
2|346|Text Value
3|-23|stringValue
```

Command:

```
# Generate plain text table from XML document
```

```
xml sel -T -t -m /xml/table/rec -v "concat(@id,'|',numField,'|',stringField)" -n xml/table.xml
```

Result Output:

```
1|123|String Value
2|346|Text Value
3|-23|stringValue
```

Command:

```
# Generate plain text table from XML document
```

```
xml sel -T \
  -t -o "=====" -n \
  -m /xml/table/rec -v "concat(@id,'|',numField,'|',stringField)" -n \
  -t -o "=====" -n xml/table.xml
```

Result Output:

```
=====  
1|123|String Value  
2|346|Text Value  
3|-23|stringValue  
=====
```

Command:

```
# Select from XML document containing unicode characters
```

```
xml sel -T -t -m "//test[@lang='fran#231;ais']/@lang" -v . -n xml/unicode.xml
```

Result Output:

```
français  
français  
français
```

Command:

```
# Update value of an attribute
```

```
xml ed -u '/xml/table/rec[@id=3]/@id' -v 5 xml/tab-obj.xml
```

Result Output:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
  <table>
    <rec id="1">
      <numField>123</numField>
      <stringField>String Value</stringField>
      <object name="Obj1">
```

```

    <property name="size">10</property>
    <property name="type">Data</property>
  </object>
</rec>
<rec id="2">
  <numField>346</numField>
  <stringField>Text Value</stringField>
</rec>
<rec id="5">
  <numField>-23</numField>
  <stringField>stringValue</stringField>
</rec>
</table>
</xml>

```

Command:

```

# Update value of an element
xml ed -u '/xml/table/rec[@id=1]/numField' -v 0 xml/tab-obj.xml
Result Output:

```

```

<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xml>
  <table>
    <rec id="1">
      <numField>0</numField>
      <stringField>String Value</stringField>
      <object name="Obj1">
        <property name="size">10</property>
        <property name="type">Data</property>
      </object>
    </rec>
    <rec id="2">
      <numField>346</numField>
      <stringField>Text Value</stringField>
    </rec>
    <rec id="3">
      <numField>-23</numField>
      <stringField>stringValue</stringField>
    </rec>
  </table>
</xml>

```

Command:

```

# Validate XML documents using well-formedness/DTD/XSD/RelaxNG checks
echo "====="
echo "Well-Formedness Validation Tests"
echo "- 1 -"
xml val xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 2 -"
xml val -g xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 3 -"
xml val -b xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 4 -"
xml val -q xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?

echo "====="
echo "DTD Validation Tests"
echo "- 1 -"
xml val -d dtd/table.dtd xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 2 -"
xml val -g -d dtd/table.dtd xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 3 -"
xml val -b -d dtd/table.dtd xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 4 -"
xml val -q -d dtd/table.dtd xml/table.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?

echo "====="
echo "Schema Validation Tests"
echo "- 1 -"
xml val -s xsd/table.xsd xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 2 -"
xml val -g -s xsd/table.xsd xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 3 -"
xml val -b -s xsd/table.xsd xml/table.xml xml/tab-obj.xml xml/tab-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 4 -"
xml val -q -s xsd/table.xsd xml/table.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?

```

```

echo "====="
echo "RelaxNG Schema Validation Tests"
echo "- 1 -----"
xml val -r relaxng/address.rng relaxng/address.xml relaxng/address-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 2 -----"
xml val -g -r relaxng/address.rng relaxng/address.xml relaxng/address-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 3 -----"
xml val -b -r relaxng/address.rng relaxng/address.xml relaxng/address-bad.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?
echo "- 4 -----"
xml val -q -r relaxng/address.rng relaxng/address.xml 2>/dev/null; echo $?

```

Result Output:

```

=====
Well-Formedness Validation Tests

```

```

- 1 -----
xml/table.xml - valid
xml/tab-obj.xml - valid
xml/tab-bad.xml - invalid
1

```

```

- 2 -----
xml/table.xml
xml/tab-obj.xml
1

```

```

- 3 -----
xml/tab-bad.xml
1

```

```

- 4 -----
0

```

```

=====
DTD Validation Tests

```

```

- 1 -----
xml/table.xml - valid
xml/tab-obj.xml - invalid
xml/tab-bad.xml - invalid
1

```

```

- 2 -----
xml/table.xml
1

```

```

- 3 -----
xml/tab-obj.xml
xml/tab-bad.xml
1

```

```

- 4 -----
0

```

```

=====
Schema Validation Tests

```

```

- 1 -----
xml/table.xml - valid
xml/tab-obj.xml - invalid
xml/tab-bad.xml - invalid
1

```

```

- 2 -----
xml/table.xml
1

```

```

- 3 -----
xml/tab-obj.xml
xml/tab-bad.xml
1

```

```

- 4 -----
0

```

```

=====
RelaxNG Schema Validation Tests

```

```

- 1 -----
relaxng/address.xml - valid
relaxng/address-bad.xml - invalid
1

```

```

- 2 -----
relaxng/address.xml
1

```

```

- 3 -----
relaxng/address-bad.xml
1

```

```

- 4 -----
0

```

Command:

```
# Include one XML document into another using XInclude
xml tr --xinclude xsl/cat.xsl xml/document.xml
Result Output:
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<document xmlns:xi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XInclude">
  <p>120 Mz is adequate for an average home user.</p>
  <disclaimer xml:base="xml/disclaimer.xml">
    <p>The opinions represented herein represent those of the individual
    and should not be interpreted as official policy endorsed by this
    organization.</p>
  </disclaimer>
</document>
```

```
Command:
# Passing parameters to XSLT stylesheet
xml tr xsl/paraml.xsl -p Count='count(/xml/table/rec)' -s Text="Count=" xml/table.xml
Result Output:
Count=3
```

```
Command:
# Applying XSLT stylesheet to XML document
xml tr xsl/suml.xsl xml/table.xml
Result Output:
446
```