

# Windup Rules Development Guide

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## 1. Introduction

This guide is for engineers, consultants, and others who plan to create custom XML-based rules for Windup.

### 1.1. What is Windup?

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### 1.1.1. Overview

Windup is an extensible and customizable rule-based tool that helps simplify migration of Java applications.

Running from a [Forge](#) environment, Windup examines application artifacts, including project source directories and applications archives, then produces an HTML report highlighting areas that need changes. Windup can be used to migrate Java applications from previous versions of *Red Hat JBoss Enterprise Application Platform* or from other containers, such as *Oracle WebLogic Server* or *IBM® WebSphere® Application Server*.

### 1.1.2. How Does Windup Simplify Migration?

Windup looks for common resources and highlights technologies and known “trouble spots” when migrating applications. The goal is to provide a high level view into the technologies used by the application and provide a detailed report organizations can use to estimate, document, and migrate enterprise applications to Java EE and JBoss EAP.

## 1.2. Features of Windup

### Shared Data Model

Windup creates a shared data model graph that provides the following benefits.

- It enables complex rule interaction, allowing rules to pass findings to other rules.
- It enables 3rd-party plug-ins to interact with other plug-ins, rules and reports.
- The findings in data graph model can be searched and queried during rule execution and used for reporting purposes.

### Extensibility

Windup can be extended by developers, users, and 3rd-party software.

- It provides a plug-in API to inject other applications into Windup.
- It enables 3rd-parties to create simple POJO plug-ins that can interact with the data graph.
- Means we don’t have to invent everything. Users with domain knowledge can implement their own rules.

### Better Rules

Windup provides more powerful and complex rules.

- XML-based rules are simple to write and easy to implement.
- Java-based rule add-ons are based on [OCPsoft Rewrite](#) and provide greater flexibility and power creating when rules.
- Rules can now be nested to handle more complex situations. This means you can nest simple statements rather than use complex XPATH or REGEX expressions. \*Rules can be linked using and/or statements

### Automation

Windup has the ability to automate some of the migration processes.

- Windup is integrated with Forge 2, meaning it can generate projects, libraries, and configuration files.
- Rules can create Forge inputs and put them into the data graph.
- During the automation phase, the data graph inputs can be processed to generate a new project.

## Work Estimation

Estimates for the *level of effort* are based on the skills required and the classification of migration work needed.

*Level of effort* is represented as *story points* in the Windup reports and are described in more detail here: [Rule Story Points](#).

## Better Reporting

Windup reports are now targeted for specific audiences.

- IT Management - Applications are ranked by cost of migration.
- Project Management - Reports detail the type of work and estimation of effort to complete the tasks.
- Developers - An Eclipse plug-in provides hints and suggested code changes within the IDE.

## 1.3. About Windup Rules

Windup is a rule-based migration tool that analyzes the APIs, technologies, and architectures used by the applications you plan to migrate. In fact, the Windup tool executes its own core set of rules through all phases of the migration process. It uses rules to extract files from archives, decompile files, scan and classify file types, analyze XML and other file content, analyze the application code, and build the reports.

Windup builds a data model based on the rule execution results and stores component data and relationships in a graph database, which can then be queried and updated as needed by the migration rules and for reporting purposes.

Windup rules use the following familiar rule pattern:

```
when(condition)
  perform(action)
otherwise(action)
```

Windup provides comprehensive set of standard migration rules out-of-the-box. Because applications may contain custom libraries or components, Windup allows you to write your own rules to identify use of components or software that may not be covered by the existing ruleset. If you plan to write your own custom rules, see the *Windup Rule Development Guide* for detailed instructions.

## 1.4. System Requirements

### 1.4.1. Software

- Java Platform, Enterprise Edition 7
- Windup is tested on Linux, Mac OS X, and Windows. Other Operating Systems with Java 7 support should work equally well.

### 1.4.2. Hardware

The following memory and disk space requirements are the minimum needed to run Windup. If your application is very large or you need to evaluate multiple applications, you may want to increase these values to improve performance. For tips on how to optimize performance, see [Optimize Windup Performance](#).

- A minimum of 4 GB RAM. For better performance, a 4-core processor with 8 GB RAM is recommended. This allows 3 - 4 GB RAM for use by the JVM.
- A minimum of 4 GB of free disk space. A fast disk, especially a Solid State Drive (SSD), will improve performance.

## 1.5. About the WINDUP\_HOME Variable

This documentation uses the **WINDUP\_HOME** *replaceable* value to denote the path to the Windup distribution. When you encounter this value in the documentation, be sure to replace it with the actual path to your Windup installation.

- If you download and install the latest distribution of Windup from the JBoss Nexus repository, WINDUP\_HOME refers to the windup-distribution-2.2.0-Final folder extracted from the downloaded ZIP file.
- If you build Windup from GitHub source, WINDUP\_HOME refers to the windup-distribution-2.2.0-Final folder extracted from the Windup source dist/target/windup-distribution-2.2.0-Final.zip file.

## 2. Get Started

### 2.1. Install Windup

1. If you installed previous versions of Windup, delete the `${user.home}/.windup/` directory. Otherwise you may see errors like the following when you execute Windup.

```
Command: windup-migrate-app was not found
```

2. Download the latest [Windup ZIP distribution](#).
3. Extract the ZIP file in to a directory of your choice.

### 2.2. Create Your First Rule

#### 2.2.1. Overview

This topic guides you through the process of creating and testing your first rule.

Windup XML-base rules use the following familiar rule pattern:

```
when(condition)
  perform(action)
otherwise(action)
```

Ruleset and Rule XML elements are covered in more detail here: [XML Rule Construction](#).

Additional details about creating XML rules, with example syntax, can be found here: [Create a Basic XML Rule](#).

As you create your first rule, refer to the [Rules Schema](#) for valid XML syntax.

#### 2.2.2. Rule Example Description

In previous releases of Red Hat JBoss Enterprise Application, you could ensure application class namespace isolation during deployment by defining a `<class-loading>` element in the `jboss-web.xml` file. Due to the change in JBoss EAP 6 to use modular class loading, this element is no longer necessary, and can result in `ParseError` and `XMLStreamException` errors in the server log. This issue is described in the [JBoss EAP Migration Guide](#).

In this example, you write a rule to discover instances where an application defines a `jboss-web.xml` file containing a `<class-loading>` element and provide a link to the documentation that describes how to migrate the code.

#### 2.2.3. Create the Directory Structure for the Rule

1. Create a directory structure to contain your first rule and the data file to use for testing.

```
$ mkdir -p migration-rules/rules
$ mkdir -p migration-rules/data
```

2. This directory structure will also be used to hold the generated Windup reports.

#### 2.2.4. Create Data to Test the Rule

1. Use your favorite editor or IDE to create a `jboss-web.xml` file in the `~/migration-rules/data/` subdirectory.
2. Copy in the following content.

```
<!DOCTYPE jboss-web PUBLIC "-//JBoss//DTD Web Application 4.2//EN" "http://www.jboss.org/j2ee/dtd/jboss-web_4_2.dtd">
<jboss-web>
  <class-loading java2ClassLoadingCompliance="false">
    <loader-repository>
      seam.jboss.org:loader=@projectName@
    <loader-repository-config>java2ParentDelegation=false</loader-repository-config>
    </loader-repository>
  </class-loading>
</jboss-web>
```

#### 2.2.5. Create the Rule

1. Use your favorite editor or IDE to create an XML file in the `~/migration-rules/rules/` subdirectory named `JBoss5-web-class-loading.windup.xml`. Copy in the following content.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<ruleset xmlns="http://windup.jboss.org/v1/xml" id="UNIQUE_RULESET_ID">
  <metadata>
    <description>
      <!-- Ruleset Description -->
    </description>
    <sourceTechnology id="SOURCE_ID" versionRange="VERSION-RANGE"/>
    <targetTechnology id="TARGET_ID" versionRange="VERSION-RANGE"/>
    <tag>Reviewed-2015-05-01</tag>
  </metadata>
  <rules>
    <rule id="UNIQUE_RULE_ID">
      <when>
        <!-- Test for a condition here -->
      </when>
      <perform>
        <!-- Perform an action -->
      </perform>
    </rule>
  </rules>
</ruleset>
```

#### NOTE

Windup identifies files with the `.windup.xml` extension as XML-based rules, so be sure to use this naming convention, otherwise the rule will not be evaluated!

2. Add the unique identifier for the ruleset and rule.
  - Replace the `UNIQUE_RULESET_ID` with the file name: `"JBoss5-web-class-loading"`
  - Replace the `UNIQUE_RULE_ID` with the ruleset ID appended with `'_001'`: `"JBoss5-web-class-loading_001"`
3. Complete the `when` condition.
  - Because this rule finds `jboss-web.xml` files containing the `class-loading` element, we use `xmlfile` to evaluate the files.
  - To match on the `class-loading` element that is a child of `jboss-web`, use the xpath expression `"jboss-web/class-loading"`.

```
<when>
  <xmlfile matches="jboss-web/class-loading" />
</when>
```

4. Complete the `perform` action for this rule.

- Provide an informative message.
- Provide a link to documentation that describes the migration details.
- Assign a level of effort of "1" to this task.

```
<perform>
  <iteration>
    <classification classification="JBoss Web Application Descriptor" effort="0"/>
    <hint message="The class-loading element is no longer valid in the jboss-web.xml file." effort="1">
      <link href="https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en-US/JBoss_Enterprise_Application_Platform/6.4/html-
    </hint>
  </iteration>
</perform>
```

5. The rule is now complete and should look like the following example.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<ruleset xmlns="http://windup.jboss.org/v1/xml" id="JBoss5-web-class-loading">
  <metadata>
    <description>
      This ruleset looks for the class-loading element in a jboss-web.xml file, which is no longer valid in JBoss
    </description>
    <sourceTechnology id="eap" versionRange="(4,5)"/>
    <targetTechnology id="eap" versionRange="[6,)" />
  </metadata>
  <rules>
    <rule id="JBoss5-web-class-loading_001">
      <when>
        <xmlfile matches="jboss-web/class-loading" />
      </when>
      <perform>
        <iteration>
          <classification classification="JBoss Web Application Descriptor" effort="0"/>
          <hint message="The class-loading element is no longer valid in the jboss-web.xml file." effort="1">
            <link href="https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en-US/JBoss_Enterprise_Application_Platform
          </hint>
        </iteration>
      </perform>
    </rule>
  </rules>
</ruleset>
```

### 2.2.6. Install the Rule

A Windup rule is installed simply by copying the rule to the appropriate folder.

Copy the `JBoss5-web-class-loading.windup.xml` file to your `${user.home}/.windup/rules/` directory.

```
For Linux or Mac: ~/.windup/rules/
For Windows: "%Documents and Settings\USER_NAME\.windup\rules\" or "%Users\USER_NAME\.windup\rules\"
```

### 2.2.7. Validate the Rule Against the Schema

To validate your XML rule using the Windup rule schema, see [Validate Rulesets Against the Schema](#).

### 2.2.8. Test the Rule

1. Open a terminal and navigate to the `WINDUP_HOME` directory.
2. Type the following command to test the rule in batch mode, passing the test file as an input argument and a directory for the output report.

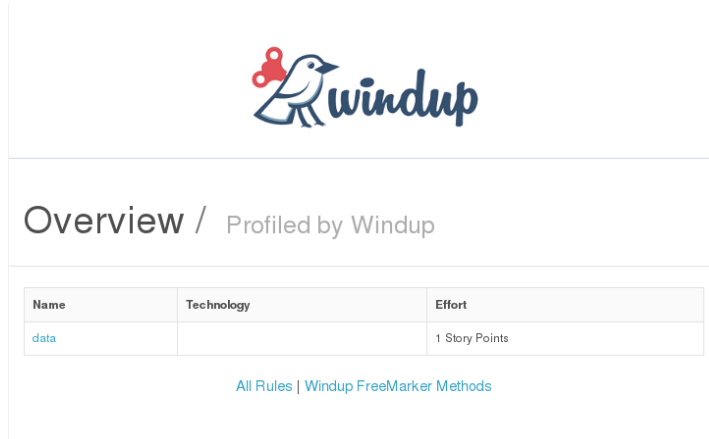
```
For Linux: WINDUP_HOME/bin/windup --sourceMode true --input ~/migration-rules/data --output ~/migration-rules/report
For Windows: WINDUP_HOME\bin\windup.bat --sourceMode true --input migration-rules\data --output migration-rules\report
```

3. You should see this result.

```
***SUCCESS*** Windup report created: /home/your-username/migration-rules/reports/index.html
Access it at this URL: file:///home/your-username/migration-rules/reports/index.html
```

4. Access the report at `~/migration-rules/reports/index.html` to be sure it provides the expected results.

- The *Overview* page displays the **Name** of the input folder, "data", along with the expected **Effort** of "1 Story Points".

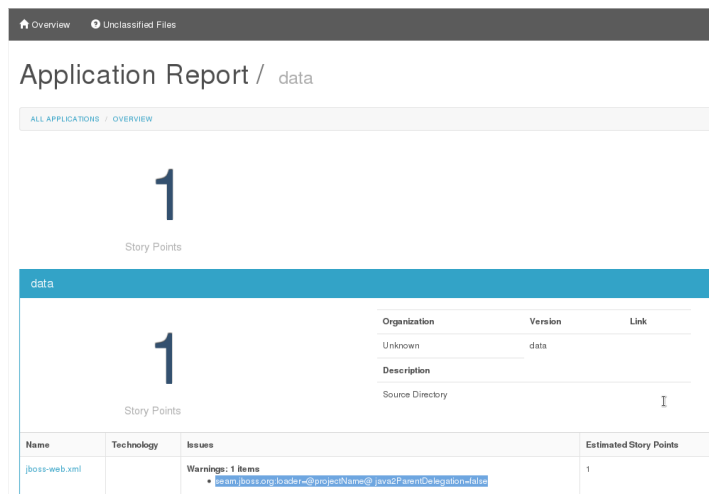


The screenshot shows the Windup Overview page. At the top is the Windup logo, which features a stylized bird with a red beak and a red gear-like shape on its head. Below the logo, the text "Overview / Profiled by Windup" is displayed. Underneath is a table with three columns: "Name", "Technology", and "Effort". The table contains one row with the value "data" under "Name" and "1 Story Points" under "Effort". At the bottom of the page, there are two links: "All Rules" and "Windup FreeMarker Methods".

Name	Technology	Effort
data		1 Story Points

[All Rules](#) | [Windup FreeMarker Methods](#)

- Drill down into the *Application Report* detail by clicking on the "data" link. This report displays the **Name** of the file, "jboss-web.xml", the warning "seam.jboss.org:loader=@projectName@ java2ParentDelegation=false" in the **Issues** column, and displays "1" \*Estimated Story Points", as expected.

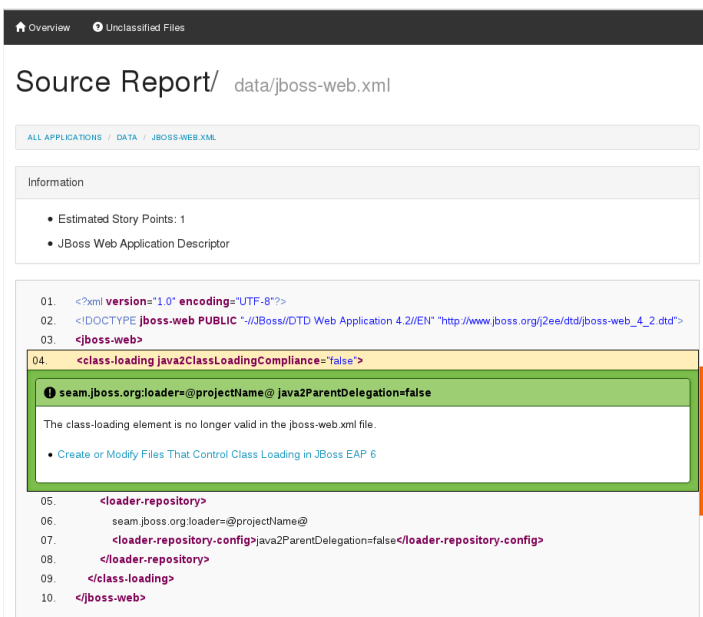


The screenshot shows the Windup Application Report page for the "data" folder. At the top, there is a navigation bar with "Overview" and "Unclassified Files". Below the navigation bar, the text "Application Report / data" is displayed. Underneath is a large number "1" with "Story Points" below it. Below this is a table with three columns: "Organization", "Version", and "Link". The table contains one row with the value "Unknown" under "Organization", "data" under "Version", and a link under "Link". Below the table is a section titled "Description" with the text "Source Directory". At the bottom of the page, there is a table with four columns: "Name", "Technology", "Issues", and "Estimated Story Points". The table contains one row with the value "jboss-web.xml" under "Name", "Unknown" under "Technology", "Warnings: 1 Items" under "Issues", and "1" under "Estimated Story Points".

Name	Technology	Issues	Estimated Story Points
jboss-web.xml	Unknown	Warnings: 1 Items • <a href="#">seam.jboss.org:loader=@projectName@ java2ParentDelegation=false</a>	1

- Drill down into *Source Report* by clicking on the "jboss-web.xml" file link. This report provides information about the file and summarizes the story points. It also highlights the `<class-loading>` line in the `jboss-web.xml` file, provides the message "The class-loading element is no longer valid in the jboss-web.xml file.", and provides a link to the [Create or Modify Files That Control Class Loading in JBoss EAP 6](#) topic in the JBoss EAP 6 Migration Guide. Click on the link to be sure the link is valid.





## 3. Create and Test XML Rules

### 3.1. Difference Between XML-based and Java-based Rules

#### 3.1.1. Summary

As mentioned before, Windup provides a core and a default set of rules to analyze and report on migration of application code. Windup also allows you to write your own custom rules. These rules can be written using either XML or Java. Rules written using XML are referred to as *XML-based* rules. Rules written using the Java API are referred to as *Java-based* rule add-ons. Both *XML-based* and *Java-based* rule add-ons can be used to inspect (classify) and report on Java source, XML, properties, archives, and other types of files,

#### 3.1.2. Which one to choose?

*XML-based* rules provide a quick, simple way to create rules to analyze Java, XML, and properties files. If you simply need to highlight a specific section of Java code or XML file content and provide migration hints for it, creation of *XML-based* rules is the recommended approach. Creation of custom *XML-based* rules is covered in the *Windup Rules Development Guide*.

*Java-based* rule add-ons provide the ability to create very complex rules, manipulate the shared data model graph, and customize the resulting reports. If you need to test or perform complex conditions and operations or want to manipulate the shared data model graph, create custom reports, or extend the functionality in any other way beyond what the *XML-based* rules provide, you must create *Java-based* rules. Creation of custom *Java-based* rules is covered in the *Windup Core Development Guide*.

#### 3.1.3. Pros and Cons of XML-based Rules

Pros:

- XML rules are fairly easy to write and require less code.
- XML rules are not compiled so you do not need to configure Maven to build from source.
- XML rules are simple to deploy. You simply drop the rule into the appropriate path and Windup automatically scans the new rule.

Cons:

- XML rules only support a simple subset of conditions and operations.
- XML rules do not provide for direct custom graph data manipulation.
- XML rules do not support the ability to create custom reports.

#### 3.1.4. Pros and Cons of Java-based Rules

Pros:

- Java rule add-ons allow you to write custom conditions and operations and provide a lot of flexibility.
- Java rule add-ons allow you to access and manipulate the shared data model graph and to customize reports.
- You can set breakpoints and test Java rule add-ons using a debugger.
- IDEs provide code completion for the Windup API.

Cons:

- You must configure Maven to compile Java rule add-ons.
- Java rule add-ons that are not included in the Windup core code base must be a full Forge add-on.
- Java rule add-ons require that you write Java code.
- Writing Java rule add-ons can be complex and require knowledge of Windup internals.

#### 3.1.5. Examples

The following is an example of a rule written in XML that classifies Java code:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<ruleset xmlns="http://windup.jboss.org/v1/xml" id="EjbRules">
  <rules>
    <rule id="EjbRules_2fmb">
      <when>
        <javaclass references="javax.persistence.Entity" as="default">
          <location>TYPE</location>
        </javaclass>
      </when>
      <perform>
        <iteration>
          <classification classification="JPA Entity" effort="0"/>
        </iteration>
      </perform>
    </rule>
  </rules>
</ruleset>
```

The following is an example of a rule written in Java that classifies Java code:

```

/**
 * Scans for classes with EJB related annotations, and adds EJB related metadata for these.
 */
public class DiscoverEjbAnnotationsRuleProvider extends AbstractRuleProvider
{
    @Override
    public Configuration getConfiguration(GraphContext context) {
        return ConfigurationBuilder.begin()
            .addRule()
            .when(JavaClass.references("javax.ejb.{annotationType}").at(TypeReferenceLocation.ANNOTATION))
            .perform(new AbstractIterationOperation<JavaTypeReferenceModel>()
            {
                public void perform(GraphRewrite event, EvaluationContext context, JavaTypeReferenceModel payload)
                {
                    extractEJBMetadata(event, payload);
                }
            })
            .where("annotationType").matches("Stateless|Stateful")
            .withId(ruleIDPrefix + "_StatelessAndStatefulRule")
            .addRule()
            .when(JavaClass.references("javax.ejb.MessageDriven").at(TypeReferenceLocation.ANNOTATION))
            .perform(new AbstractIterationOperation<JavaTypeReferenceModel>() {
                @Override
                public void perform(GraphRewrite event, EvaluationContext context, JavaTypeReferenceModel payload) {
                    extractMessageDrivenMetadata(event, payload);
                }
            })
            .withId(ruleIDPrefix + "_MessageDrivenRule")
            .addRule()
            .when(JavaClass.references("javax.persistence.Entity").at(TypeReferenceLocation.ANNOTATION).as(ENTITY_ANNOTATIONS)
                .or(JavaClass.references("javax.persistence.Table").at(TypeReferenceLocation.ANNOTATION).as(TABLE_ANNOTATIONS)))
            .perform(Iteration.over(ENTITY_ANNOTATIONS).perform(new AbstractIterationOperation<JavaTypeReferenceModel>() {
                @Override public void perform(GraphRewrite event, EvaluationContext context, JavaTypeReferenceModel payload) {
                    extractEntityBeanMetadata(event, payload);
                }
            })).endIteration()
            .withId(ruleIDPrefix + "_EntityBeanRule");
    }
    ...
}

```

### 3.1.6. Quick Comparison Summary

Requirement	XML Rule	Java Rule Add-on
Easy to write?	Yes	Depends on the complexity of the rule
Requires that you configure Maven?	No	Yes
Requires that you compile the rule?	No	Yes
Simple deployment?	No	Yes
Supports custom reports?	No	Yes
Ability to create complex conditions and operations?	No	Yes
Ability to directly manipulate the graph data?	No	Yes

## 3.2. XML-Rule-Construction

This section describes the basic construction of XML rules. All XML rules are defined as elements within rulesets.

### 3.2.1. Rulesets

A ruleset is a group of one or more rules that targets a specific area of migration. This is the basic construct for the `<ruleset>` element.

- **<ruleset id="UNIQUE\_RULESET\_ID">**: This element defines this as a Windup ruleset and gives it a unique ruleset ID.
  - **<metadata>**: Provide metadata about the ruleset.
    - **<description>**: Description of the ruleset.
    - **<dependencies/>**: Rule add-ons required by this ruleset.
    - **<sourceTechnology/>**: Source technology
    - **<targetTechnology/>**: Target technology
  - **<rules>**: This element contains the individual rules.
    - **<rule id=UNIQUE\_RULESET\_ID\_UNIQUE\_RULE\_ID>**: This element is defines the rule and gives it a unique ID. One or more rules can be defined for a ruleset.
      - **<when>**: This element defines the condition or conditions to match on. For a detailed description of the elements allowed in a `<when>`, see [XML Rule - When Condition Syntax](#)
      - **<perform>**: This element defines the action to be performed when the rule condition is matched. For a detailed description of the elements allowed in a `<perform>`, see [XML Rule - Perform Action Syntax](#)
      - **<otherwise>**: This element defines the action to be performed when the rule condition is not matched. This element takes the same child elements as the `<perform>` element.
      - **<where>**: This element matches on a string pattern.
      - **<file-mapping/>**: Mapa an extension to a graph type
      - **<package-mapping/>**: Maps from a package pattern (regular expression) to a organization name.

### 3.2.2. Predefined Rules

Windup provides some predefined rules for more common migration requirements, for example, mapping files from the source platform to target platform. The following is an example of the predefined "XmlFileMappings" rule.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<ruleset xmlns="http://windup.jboss.org/v1/xml" id="XmlFileMappings">
  <rules>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.tld$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.bpel$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.wsdl$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.wsdd$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.bpelex$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.mon$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.xmi$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.export$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.import$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.bcfg$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.map$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.brg$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.brgt$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.ruleset$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.module$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.modulex$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.composite$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
    <file-mapping from=".*\.requirements$" to="XmlFileModel"/>
  </rules>
</ruleset>
```

## 3.3. Create a Basic XML Rule

You can create a Windup rule using Java, XML, or Groovy. This topic describes how to create a rule using XML.

### 3.3.1. Prerequisites

- You should have already [installed Windup](#).
- Before you begin, you may also want to be familiar with the following documentation:
  - Windup rules are based on the ocpsoft **rewrite** project. You can find more information about ocpsoft **rewrite** here: <http://ocpsoft.org/rewrite/>
  - The JavaDoc for the Windup API is located here: <http://windup.github.io/windup/docs/javadoc/latest/>
  - The XML rule schema is located here: <http://windup.jboss.org/schema/windup-jboss-ruleset.xsd>

### 3.3.2. File Naming Convention for XML Rules

You must name the file containing an XML rule with the `.windup.xml` extension. Windup identifies files with this extension as XML-base rules, so be sure to use this naming convention, otherwise the rule will not be evaluated!

### 3.3.3. Basic XML Rule Template

XML rules consist of *conditions* and *actions* and follow the familiar "if/then/else" construct:

```
when(condition)
  perform(action)
otherwise(action)
```

The following is the basic syntax for XML rules.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<ruleset xmlns="http://windup.jboss.org/v1/xml" id="<unique-rule-identifier">
  <metadata>
    <!-- Metadata about the rule including a description,
           source technology, target technology, and any
           add-on dependencies -->
  </metadata>
  <rules>
    <rule>
      <when>
        <!-- Test a condition... -->
      </when>
      <perform>
        <!-- Perform this action when condition is satisfied -->
      </perform>
      <otherwise>
        <!-- Perform this action when condition is not satisfied -->
      </otherwise>
    </rule>
  </rules>
</ruleset>
```

### 3.3.4. Create the Ruleset Metadata

The XML ruleset `metadata` element provides additional information about the ruleset such as a description, the source and target technologies, and add-on dependencies. The metadata also allows for specification of tags, which allow you to provide additional information about a ruleset.

*Example:*

```

<ruleset id="ruleset-id">
<metadata>
  <description>
    This is the description.
  </description>
  <dependencies>
    <addon id="org.jboss.windup.rules,windup-rules-javaee,2.0.1.Final"/>
    <addon id="org.jboss.windup.rules,windup-rules-java,2.0.0.Final"/>
  </dependencies>
  <sourceTechnology id="weblogic" versionRange="(10,12]"/>
  <sourceTechnology id="ejb" versionRange="(2,3]"/>
  <targetTechnology id="eap" versionRange="(5,6]"/>
  <targetTechnology id="ejb" versionRange="(2,3]"/>
  <tag>require-stateless</tag>
  <tag>require-nofilesystem-io</tag>
  <executeAfter>AfterRulesetId</executeAfter>
  <executeBefore>BeforeRulesetId</executeBefore>
</metadata>
<rules>
</rules>
</ruleset>

```

### 3.3.5. Create the Rule When Condition

The syntax is dependent on whether you are creating a rule to evaluate Java class, an XML file, a project, or file content and is described in more detail here: [XML Rule - When Condition Syntax](#)

### 3.3.6. Create the Rule Perform Action

Operations allowed in the `perform` section of the rule include the classification of application resources, in-line hints for migration steps, links to migration information, and project lineitem reporting. The syntax is described in detail here: [XML Rule - Perform Action Syntax](#)

## 3.4. Validate Rulesets Against the Schema

To validate XML rules using the Windup rule schema, follow these steps.

1. Download this XML validator: <https://github.com/amouat/xsd-validator> <https://github.com/amouat/xsd-validator/releases/download/v1.0/xsdv-1.0.zip>
2. Extract the ZIP file in to a directory of your choice.
3. The xsd-validator requires the schema file to be located on the local file system. Download the Windup rule schema from one of the following locations to a directory of your choice.
  - <http://windup.jboss.org/schema/windup-jboss-ruleset.xsd>
  - <https://github.com/windup/windup/blob/master/config-xml/windup-jboss-ruleset.xsd>
4. Run the following command, replacing the variables as follows.
  - RULESET\_DIRECTORY: The path to the top level folder that contains the rules.
  - XSD\_VALIDATOR: The path to the extracted xsd-validator.
  - XSD\_SCHEMA: The path to the local Windup windup-jboss-ruleset.xsd file.

```
find RULESET_DIRECTORY -type f -iname "*.windup.xml" -exec XSD_VALIDATOR./xsdv.sh XSD_SCHEMA {} \;
```

For example:

```
find ~/MigrationRules/ -type f -iname "*.windup.xml" -exec ~/Downloads/xsdv/xsdv.sh ~/windup/config-xml/windup-jboss
```

5. The console displays the results of each ruleset validation. If a ruleset fails to validate, the content causing the error is printed to the console.

## 3.5. Test an XML Rule in Windup

### 3.5.1. Add the Rule to Windup

A Windup rule is installed simply by copying the rule to the appropriate Windup folder. Windup scans for rules, which are files that end with either `*.windup.groovy` or `.windup.xml`, in the following locations:

- In the directory specified on the `windup-migrate-app` using the `--userRulesDirectory` argument.
- In the `WINDUP_HOME/rules/` directory.

[WINDUP\\_HOME](#) is the directory where you install and run the Windup executable.

- In the `${user.home}/.windup/rules/` directory.

The `${user.home}/.windup` is a directory created by Windup at first run and contains rules, add-ons, and the Windup log.

```
For Linux or Mac:  ~/.windup/rules/  
For Windows:  "%Documents and Settings\USER_NAME\.windup\rules\" -or-  "%Users\USER_NAME\.windup\rules\"
```

### 3.5.2. Test the XML Rule

1. If you have not started Windup, follow the instructions to [Execute Windup](#).
2. Test the XML rule against your application file by running the `windup-migrate-app` command in the Windup console prompt.

The command uses this syntax:

```
windup-migrate-app [--sourceMode true] --input INPUT_ARCHIVE_OR_FOLDER --output OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY --packages PACK
```

You should see the following result:

```
***SUCCESS*** Windup report created: OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY/index.html
```

### 3.5.3. Additional Resources

- For more information and examples of how to run Windup, see: [Execute Windup](#)
- Working examples of XML-based rules can be found on GitHub in the [Windup source code](#) GitHub repository and the Windup quickstarts [GitHub repository](#) or [latest release ZIP download](#).

## 4. Learn More About Windup

### 4.1. Execute Windup

#### 4.1.1. Prerequisites

Before you begin, you must gather the following information.

1. The fully qualified path of the application archive or folder you plan to migrate.
2. The fully qualified path to a folder that will contain the resulting report information.
  - If you do not specify a folder, Windup creates one for you at the same level as the application.
  - If you specify a folder and it does not exist, it is created by Windup.
  - If you specify a folder and it does exist, you see the following:
    - In batch mode, you must specify `--overwrite` or you see the following error.

```
***ERROR*** Files exist in /home/username/OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY, but --overwrite not specified. Aborting!
```

- In interactive mode, you see the following prompt and can choose whether to overwrite the directory.

```
Overwrite all contents of <OUTPUT_DIRECTORY> (anything already in the directory will be deleted)? [y/N]
```

Choose "y" if you want Windup to delete and recreate the directory. If you are confident you want to overwrite the output directory, you can specify `--overwrite` on the command line to automatically delete and recreate the directory.

**WARNING** | Be careful not to specify a report output directory that contains important information!

3. You must also provide a list of the application packages to be evaluated.
  - In most cases, you are interested only in evaluating the custom application class packages and not the standard Java EE or 3rd party packages. For example, if the *MyCustomApp* application uses the package `com.mycustomapp`, you provide that package using the `--packages` argument on the command line. It is not necessary to provide the standard Java EE packages, like `java.util` or `javax.ejb`.
  - While you can provide package names for standard Java EE 3rd party software like `org.apache`, it is usually best not to include them as they should not impact the migration effort.
  - If you omit the `--packages` argument, every package in the application is scanned, resulting in very slow performance. It is best to provide the argument with one or more packages.
4. For information about the use of `WINDUP_HOME` in the instructions below, see [About the WINDUP\\_HOME Variable](#).

#### 4.1.2. Run Windup in Batch Mode

This is the quickest way to run Windup.

1. Open a terminal and navigate to the `WINDUP_HOME` directory.
2. Type the following command to run Windup in batch mode:

```
For Linux:    $ WINDUP_HOME/bin/windup --input INPUT_ARCHIVE --output OUTPUT_REPORT --packages PACKAGE_1 PACKAGE_2 PAC
For Windows:  > WINDUP_HOME\bin\windup.bat --input INPUT_ARCHIVE --output OUTPUT_REPORT --packages PACKAGE_1 PACKAGE_2
```

3. This command can take arbitrary options processed by different add-ons. The list of options in the core Windup distribution can be found in the [Javadoc](#). Most commonly used command line arguments are:

##### **--input INPUT\_ARCHIVE\_OR\_FOLDER**

This is the fully qualified application archive or source path.

##### **--output OUTPUT\_REPORT\_DIRECTORY (optional)**

The fully qualified path to the folder that will contain the the report information produced by Windup. If omitted, the report will be generated in a `INPUT_ARCHIVE_OR_FOLDER.report` folder. If the output directory exists, you will see the error described above and must specify the `--overwrite` argument. This forces Windup to delete and recreate the folder, so be careful not to specify an output directory that contains important information!

##### **--source (optional)**

One or more source technologies, platforms, or frameworks to migrate from.

##### **--target (optional)**

One or more source technologies, platforms, or frameworks to migrate to.

##### **--overwrite (optional)**



Specify this optional argument only if you are certain you want to force Windup to delete the existing `OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY` folder. The default value is `false`.

**--userRulesDirectory (optional)**

Points to a directory to load XML rules from. (Search pattern: \*.windup.groovy and \*.windup.xml)

**--packages PACKAGE\_1, PACKAGE\_2, PACKAGE\_N (optional)**

This is a comma-delimited list of the packages to be evaluated by Windup.

**--excludePackages PACKAGE\_1, PACKAGE\_2, PACKAGE\_N (optional)**

This is a comma-delimited list of the packages to be excluded by Windup.

**--source-mode true (optional)**

This argument is optional and is only required if the application to be evaluated contains source files rather than compiled binaries. The default value is `false`.

4. To evaluate an application archive, use the following syntax:

```
WINDUP_HOME/bin/windup --input INPUT_ARCHIVE_OR_FOLDER --output OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY --packages PACKAGE_1 PACKAGE_2
```

To run Windup against application source code, you must add the `--sourceMode true` argument:

```
WINDUP_HOME/bin/windup --sourceMode true --source SOURCE_TECHNOLOGY --target TARGET_TECHNOLOGY --input INPUT_ARCHIVE_O
```

See [Windup Command Examples](#) below for concrete examples of commands that use source code directories and archives located in the Windup GitHub repository.

5. You should see the following result upon completion of the command:

```
**SUCCESS** Windup report created: PATH_TO_REPORTS/index.html
Access it at this URL: file:///home/username/PATH_TO_REPORTS/index.html
```

**WARNING**

Depending on the size of the application and the hardware Windup is running on, this command can take a very long time. For tips on how to improve performance, see [Optimize Windup Performance](#).

6. Open the `OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY/index.html` file in a browser to access the report. The following subdirectories in the `OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY` contain the supporting information for the report:

```
OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY/
  graph/
  renderedGraph/
  reports/
  stats/
  index.html
```

7. For details on how to evaluate the report data, see [Review the Report](#).

#### 4.1.3. Windup Help for Batch Mode

To see the complete list of available arguments for the `windup` command, execute the following command in the terminal:

```
WINDUP_HOME/bin/windup --help
```

#### 4.1.4. Start Windup in Interactive Mode



### 4.1.6. Windup Command Examples

The following batch mode examples report against applications located in the Windup source `test-files` directory. The same arguments can be used to run the commands interactively in Windup using the `windup-migrate-app` command.

#### Source Code Example

The following command runs against the `seam-booking-5.2` application source code. It evaluates all `org.jboss.seam` packages and creates a folder named 'seam-booking-report' in the `/home/username/windup-reports/` directory to contain the reporting output.

```
WINDUP_HOME/bin/windup --sourceMode true --input /home/username/windup-source/test-files/seam-booking-5.2/ --output /home/username/windup-reports/seam-booking-report --source eap4,eap5 --target eap6 --packages org.jboss.seam
```

#### Archive Example

The following command runs against the `jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear` EAR archive. It evaluates all `com.acme` and `org.apache` packages and creates a folder named 'jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear-report' in the `/home/username/windup-reports/` directory to contain the reporting output.

```
WINDUP_HOME/bin/windup --input /home/username/windup-source/test-files/jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear/ --output /home/username/windup-reports/jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear-report --source eap4,eap5 --target eap6 --packages com.acme org.apache
```

### Windup Quickstart Examples

For more concrete examples, see the Windup quickstarts located on GitHub here: <https://github.com/windup/windup-quickstarts>. If you prefer, you can download the [latest release](#) ZIP or TAR distribution of the quickstarts.

The quickstarts provide examples of Java-based and XML-based rules you can run and test using Windup. The README instructions provide a step-by-step guide to run the quickstart example. You can also look through the code examples and use them as a starting point for creating your own rules.

## 4.2. Review the Report

### 4.2.1. About the Report

When you execute Windup, the report is generated in the `OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY` you specify for the `--output` argument in the command line. This output directory contains the following files and subdirectories:

- `index.html` : This is the landing page for the report.
- `archives/` : Contains the archives extracted from the application
- `graph/` : Contains binary graph database files
- `reports/` : This directory contains the generated HTML report files
- `stats/` : Contains Windup performance statistics

The examples below use the `test-files/jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear` located in the Windup GitHub source repository for input and specify the `com.acme` and `org.apache` package name prefixes to scan. For example:

```
windup-migrate-app --input /home/username/windup-source/test-files/jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear/ --output /home/username/windup-reports/jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear-report --packages com.acme org.apache
```

### 4.2.2. Open the Report

Use your favorite browser to open the `index.html` file located in the output report directory. You should see something like the following:

## Windup Report: Overview



### Overview / Profiled by Windup

Name	Technology	Effort
JEE Example App (org.windup.example:jee-example-app:1.0.0)	<a href="#">Wind-SMS 2.4</a> <a href="#">Properties</a> <a href="#">Metadata</a> <a href="#">EJB XML 2.1</a> <a href="#">Decompiled Java File</a>	34 Story Points

[All Rules](#) | [Windup FreeMarker Methods](#)

This page lists the applications that were processed along with the technologies that were encountered.

Click on the link under the **Name** column to view the Windup application report page.

### 4.2.3. Report Sections

#### Application Report Page

The first section of the application report page summarizes the migration effort. It displays the following information both graphically and in list form by application artifact for each file that is analyzed.

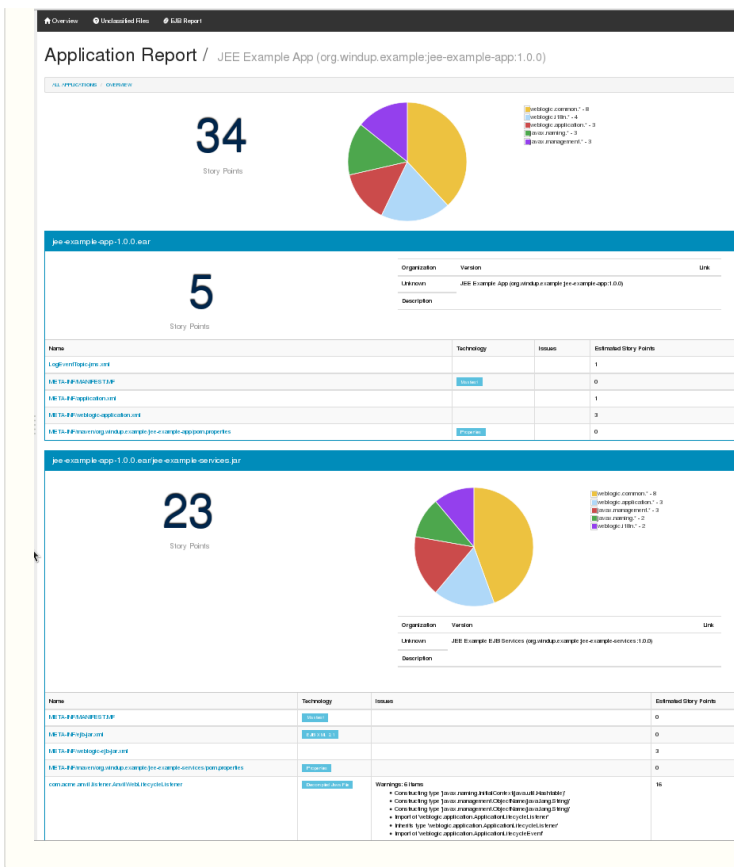
- The file name
- The file type
- A list of issues, if any, that were found in the file
- The estimated total *Story Points* to migrate the file. A *Story Point* is a term commonly used in Scrum Agile software development methodology to estimate the level of effort needed to implement a feature or change. It does not necessarily translate to man-hours, but the value should be consistent across tasks. For more information about *Story Points*, see [Rule Story Points](#).

#### NOTE

The estimated Story Points change as new rules are added to Windup. The values here may not match what you see when you test this application.

In the following Windup Application Report example, the migration of the **JEE Example App** EAR is assigned a total of 34 story points. A pie chart shows the breakdown of story points by package. This is followed by a section for each of the archives contained in the EAR. It provides the total of the story points assigned to the archive and lists the files contained in archive along with the warnings and story point assigned to each file.

## Windup Report: Application Report



## Archive Analysis Sections

Each archive summary begins with a total of the story points assigned to its migration, followed by a table detailing the changes required for each file in the archive. The report contains the following columns.

### Name

The name of the file being analyzed

### Technology

The type of file being analyzed. For example:

- Java Source
- Decompiled Java File
- Manifest
- Properties
- EJB XML
- Spring XML
- Web XML
- Hibernate Cfg
- Hibernate Mapping

### Issues

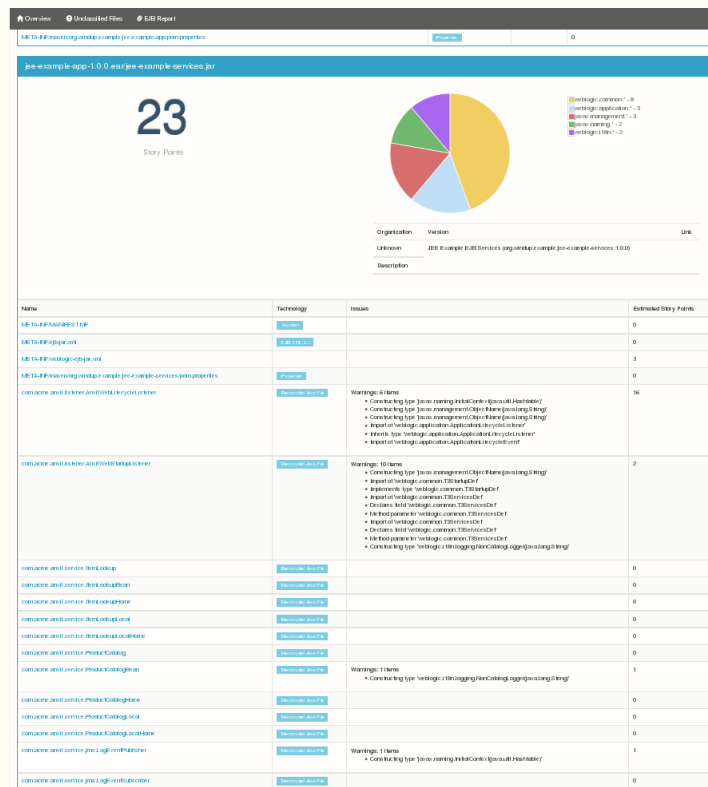
Warnings about areas of code that need review or changes.

### Estimated Story Points

Level of effort required for migrating the file.

The following is an example of the archive analysis summary section of a Windup Report. The following is an the analysis of the `WINDUP_SOURCE/test-files/jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear/jee-example-services.jar`.

## Windup Report: Application Report (jee-example-app-1.0.0.ear/jee-example-services.jar)



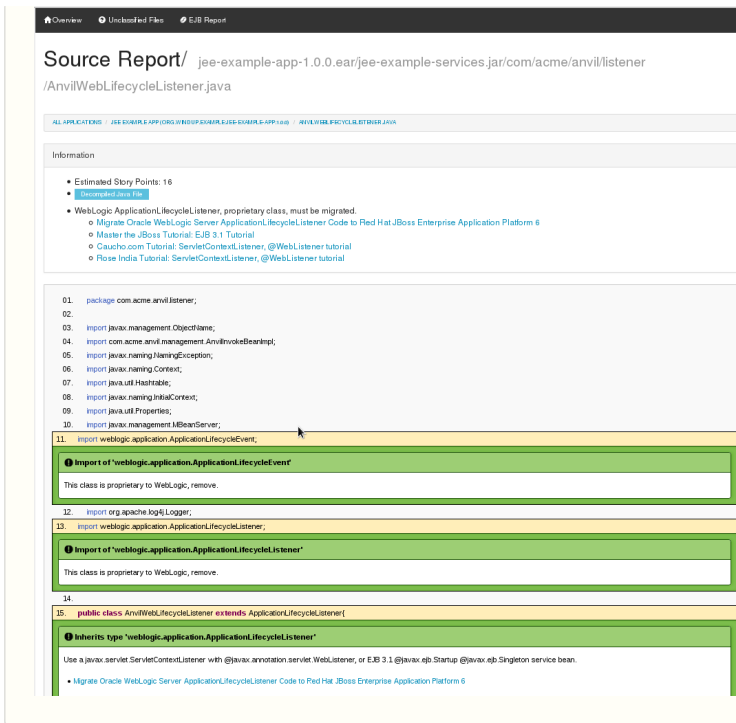
## File Analysis Pages

The analysis of the `jee-example-services.jar` lists the files in the JAR and the warnings and story points assigned to each one. Notice the `com.acme.anvil.listener.AnvilWebLifecycleListener` file, at the time of this test, has 6 warnings and is assigned 16 story points. Click on the file to see the detail.

- The **Information** section provides a summary of the story points and notes that the file was decompiled by Windup.
- This is followed by the file source code listing. Warnings appear in the file at the point where migration is required.

In this example, warnings appear at the import of `weblogic.application.ApplicationLifecycleEvent` and report that the class is proprietary to WebLogic and must be removed.

## Windup Report: Source Report - Part 1



Later in the code, warnings appear for the creation of the InitialContext and for the object name when registering and unregistering an MBeans

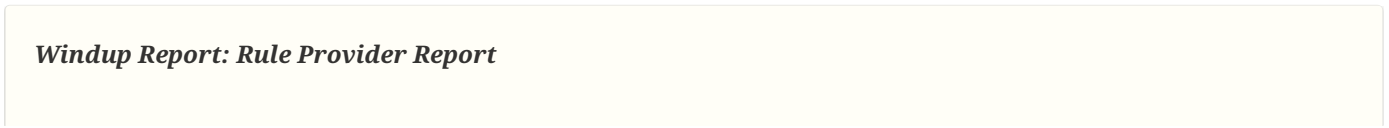


#### 4.2.4. Additional Reports

Explore the Windup OUTPUT\_REPORT\_DIRECTORY/reports folder to find additional reporting information.

#### Rule Provider Execution Report

The OUTPUT\_REPORT\_DIRECTORY/reports/windup\_ruleproviders.html page provides the list of rule providers that executed when running the Windup migration command against the application.



All Applications				
Rule Provider Executions				
Phase: DependentPhase				
Phase: InitializationPhase				
IgnoredArchivesConfigLoadingRuleProvider				
Phase: InitializationPhase				
Rule	Statistics	Executed?	Failed?	Failure Cause
addRule() perform(org.jboss.windup.rules.apps.java.archives.config.IgnoredArchivesConfigLoadingRuleProvider\$1@3381338a) } withId("GeneratedID_IgnoredArchivesConfigLoadingRuleProvider_1")	Vertices Created: 0 Edges Created: 0 Vertices Removed: 0 Edges Removed: 0	yes	no	
ArchiveIdentificationConfigLoadingRuleProvider				
Phase: InitializationPhase				
Rule	Statistics	Executed?	Failed?	Failure Cause
addRule() perform(org.jboss.windup.rules.apps.java.archives.config.ArchiveIdentificationConfigLoadingRuleProvider\$1@723c304) } withId("GeneratedID_ArchiveIdentificationConfigLoadingRuleProvider_1")	Vertices Created: 0 Edges Created: 0 Vertices Removed: 0 Edges Removed: 0	yes	no	
CopyJavaConfigToGraphRuleProvider				
Phase: InitializationPhase				
Rule	Statistics	Executed?	Failed?	Failure Cause
addRule() perform(org.jboss.windup.rules.apps.java.config.CopyJavaConfigToGraphRuleProvider\$1@3d097c05) } withId("GeneratedID_CopyJavaConfigToGraphRuleProvider_1")	Vertices Created: 11 Edges Created: 10 Vertices Removed: 0 Edges Removed: 0	yes	no	
GatherIgnoredFileNamesRuleProvider				
Phase: InitializationPhase				
Rule	Statistics	Executed?	Failed?	Failure Cause
addRule() when(Query.find(org.jboss.windup.graph.model.WindupConfigurationModel) as(default)) } perform(iteration.over(!).perform(Gather all the information about ignored files.) } withId("GeneratedID_GatherIgnoredFileNamesRuleProvider_1")	Vertices Created: 0 Edges Created: 0 Vertices Removed: 0 Edges Removed: 0	yes	no	
Phase: DiscoveryPhase				
DiscoverFilesAndTypesRuleProvider				
Phase: DiscoveryPhase				

## Rule Provider Execution Report

The `OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY/reports/windup_ruleproviders.html` page provides the list of rule providers that executed when running the Windup migration command against the application.

## Individual File Analysis Reports

You can directly access the the file analysis report pages described above by browsing for them by name in the `OUTPUT_REPORT_DIRECTORY/reports/` directory. Because the same common file names can exist in multiple archives, for example "manifest.mf" or "web.xml", Windup adds a unique numeric suffix to each report file name.

## Windup Report: Report Directory List

Index of file:///home/sgilda/temp/windup-reports-latest/reports/ - Mozilla Firefox				
Index of file:///home/sgilda/temp/windup-reports-latest/reports/				
Up to higher level directory				
Name	Size	Last Modified		
[[ AnvilWebLifecycleListener.java.html	13 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ AnvilWebServlet.java.html	7 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ AnvilWebStartupListener.java.html	12 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ AuthenticationFilter.java.html	7 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ItemLookupBean.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ItemLookupForm.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ItemLookupServletHome.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ItemLookupLocal.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ItemLookup.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ JEE.Example.App...org.jboss.windup.example.jee.example.app.1.0.0...html	26 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ LogEventSubscriber.java.html	8 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ LogEventSubscriber.java.html	6 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ LogEventTopic.jms.xml.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ LoginFilter.java.html	6 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ MANIFEST_MF.1.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ MANIFEST_MF.2.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ MANIFEST_MF.3.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ MANIFEST_MF.4.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ MANIFEST_MF.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ProductCatalogBean.java.html	6 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ProductCatalogHome.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ProductCatalogLocalHome.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ProductCatalogLocal.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ProductCatalog.java.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ application.xml.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ ehj.jar.xml.html	8 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ ehjreport.JEE.Example.App...org.jboss.windup.example.jee.example.app.1.0.0...html	4 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ fccs.config.xml.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ nonceservlets.JEE.Example.App...org.jboss.windup.example.jee.example.app.1.0...	8 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ pom.properties.1.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ pom.properties.2.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ pom.properties.3.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ pom.properties.4.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ pom.properties.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ resources		05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ transform.xml		05/20/2015	07:37:59 AM	
[[ web.xml.html	6 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ weblogic.application.xml.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ weblogic-ehj.jar.xml.html	7 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ weblogic.xml.html	5 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:01 AM	
[[ windup_frommarkerfunctions.html	8 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	
[[ windup_ruleproviders.html	1007 KB	05/20/2015	07:38:02 AM	



## 4.3. Review the Existing Windup XML Rules

Windup XML-based rules are located on GitHub at the following location: <https://github.com/windup/windup-rulesets/tree/master/rules>.

Instructions to [fork and clone the Windup rulesets repository](#) to your local machine are provided on the Wiki.

Rules are grouped by target platform and function. When you create a new rule, it is helpful to find a rule that is similar to the one you need and use it as a starting template.

New rules are continually added, so it is a good idea to check back frequently to review the updates.

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## 5. Additional Resources

### 5.1. Get Involved

#### 5.1.1. How can you help?

To help us make Windup cover most application constructs and server configurations, including yours, you can help with any of the following items. Many require only a few minutes of your time!

- Send an email to [windup-users@lists.jboss.org](mailto:windup-users@lists.jboss.org) and let us know what should Windup migration rules cover.
- Provide example applications to test migration rules.
- Identify application components and problem areas that may be difficult to migrate.
  - Write a short description of these problem migration areas.
  - Write a brief overview describing how to solve the problem migration areas.
- [Try Windup](#) on your application. Be sure to [report any issues](#) you encounter.
- You can contribute to the Windup rules repository.
  - Write a Windup rule to identify or automate a migration process.
  - Create a test for the new rule.
  - Fork the `windup-rulesets` Github repository and put the rule therein.
  - Details are provided in the [Windup Rules Development Guide](#).
- You can also contribute to the project source code.
  - Create a core rule.
  - Improve Windup performance or efficiency.
  - See the [Windup Core Development Guide](#) for information about how to configure your environment and set up the project.

Any level of involvement is greatly appreciated!

#### 5.1.2. Important links

See the [list of links to Windup resources](#)

### 5.2. Important Links

- Windup wiki: <https://github.com/windup/windup/wiki>
- Windup documentation (generated from the Wiki documentation at the link above):
  - [Windup User Guide](#)

- [Windup Rules Development Guide](#)
- [Windup Core Development Guide](#)
- [Windup Javadoc](#)
- Windup forums: <https://community.jboss.org/en/windup>
  - Windup 0.x legacy forums: <https://developer.jboss.org/en/windup>
- Windup issue tracker: <https://issues.jboss.org/browse/WINDUP>
- Windup users mailing List: [windup-users@lists.jboss.org](mailto:windup-users@lists.jboss.org)
- Windup developers mailing list: [windup-dev@lists.jboss.org](mailto:windup-dev@lists.jboss.org)
- Windup commits mailing list: [windup-commits@lists.jboss.org](mailto:windup-commits@lists.jboss.org)
- Windup on Twitter: [@JBossWindup](#)
- Windup IRC channel: Server FreeNode ( `irc.freenode.net` ), channel `#windup` .
  - Windup IRC Chat transcripts: <http://bit.ly/windup-transcripts>
  - Windup meeting IRC Chat transcripts: transcripts: <http://bit.ly/windup-meetings>

### 5.3. Review the Windup Quickstarts

The Windup quickstarts provide working examples of how to create custom Java-based rule add-ons and XML rules. You can use them as a starting point for creating your own custom rules.

You can download a ZIP file of the latest released version of the quickstarts. Or, if you prefer to play around with the source code, you can fork and clone the windup-quickstarts project repository.

#### 5.3.1. Download the Latest Quickstart ZIP

To download the latest quickstart ZIP file, browse to: <https://github.com/windup/windup-quickstarts/releases>

Click on the most recent release to download the ZIP to your local file system.

#### 5.3.2. Fork and Clone the Quickstart GitHub Project

If you don't have the GitHub client (`git`), download it from: <http://git-scm.com/>

1. Click the `Fork` link on the [Windup quickstart](#) GitHub page to create the project in your own Git. The forked GitHub repository URL created by the fork should look like this: [https://github.com/YOUR\\_USER\\_NAME/windup-quickstarts.git](https://github.com/YOUR_USER_NAME/windup-quickstarts.git)
2. Clone your Windup quickstart repository to your local file system:

```
git clone https://github.com/YOUR_USER_NAME/windup-quickstarts.git
```

3. This creates and populates a `windup-quickstarts` directory on your local file system. Navigate to the newly created directory, for example

```
cd windup-quickstarts/
```

4. If you want to be able to retrieve the latest code updates, add the remote `upstream` repository so you can fetch any changes to the original forked repository.

```
git remote add upstream https://github.com/windup/windup-quickstarts.git
```

5. To get the latest files from the `upstream` repository.

```
git reset --hard upstream/master
```

## 5.4. Known Windup Issues

Windup known issues are tracked here: [Open Windup issues](#)

## 5.5. Report Issues with Windup

Windup uses JIRA as its issue tracking system. If you encounter an issue executing Windup, please file a JIRA Issue.

### 5.5.1. Create a JIRA Account

If you do not yet have a JIRA account, create one using the following procedure.

1. Open a browser to the following URL: <https://issues.jboss.org/secure/Dashboard.jspa>
2. Click the *Sign Up* link in the top right side of the page.
3. Enter your email address and click the **Confirm address** button.
4. Follow the instructions sent to your email address.

### 5.5.2. Create a JIRA Issue

1. Open a browser to the following URL: <https://issues.jboss.org/secure/CreateIssue!default.jspa>.
  - If you have not yet logged in, click the *Log In* link at the top right side of the page.
  - Enter your credentials and click the **LOGIN** button.
  - You are then redirected back to the **Create Issue** page.
2. Choose the following options and click the **Next** button.
  - **Project:** *Windup*
  - **Issue Type:** *Bug*
3. On the next screen complete the following fields:
  - **Summary:** Enter a brief description of the problem or issue.
  - **Environment:** Provide the details of your operating system, version of Java, and any other pertinent information.
  - **Description:** Provide a detailed description of the issue. Be sure to include logs and exceptions traces.
4. Click the **Create** button to create the JIRA issue.
5. If the application or archive causing the issue does not contain sensitive information and you are comfortable sharing it with the Windup development team, attach it to the issue by choosing **More → Attach Files**. You are provided with an option to restrict visibility to JBoss employees.

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## 6. Appendix

### 6.1. Glossary of Terms Used in Windup

#### 6.1.1. Rules Terms

##### **Rule**

A piece of code that performs a single unit of work during the migration process. Depending on the complexity of the rule, it may or may not include configuration data. Extensive configuration information may be externalized into external configuration, for example, a custom XML file. The following is an example of a Java-based rule added to the `JDKConfig` `RuleProvider` class.

```
.addRule()
    .when(JavaClass.references("java.lang.ClassLoader$").at(TypeReferenceLocation.TYPE))
    .perform(Classification.as("Java Classloader, must be migrated."))
    .with(Link.to("Red Hat Customer Portal: How to get resources via the ClassLoader in a JavaEE application in JBoss EAP", "https://access.redhat.com/knowledge/solutions/239033"))
    .withEffort(1))
```

## RuleProvider

An implementation of `OCPSoft ConfigurationProvider` class specifically for Windup. It provides Rule instances and the relevant `RuleProviderMetadata` for those Java-based and XML-based Rule instances.

## Ruleset

A ruleset is a group of one or more RuleProviders that targets a specific area of migration, for example, `Spring → Java EE 6` or `WebLogic → JBoss EAP`. A ruleset is packaged as a JAR and contains additional information needed for the migration, such as operations, conditions, report templates, static files, metadata, and relationships to other rulesets. The following Windup projects are rulesets.

- rules-java-ee
- rules-xml

## Rules Metadata

Information about whether a particular ruleset applies to a given situation. The metadata can include the source and target platform and frameworks.

## Rules Pipeline

A collection of rules that feed information into the knowledge graph.

### 6.1.2. Reporting Terms

#### Level of effort

The effort required to complete the migration task. *Level of effort* is represented as *story points* in the Windup reports.

#### Story Point

A term commonly used in Scrum Agile software development methodology to estimate the *level of effort* needed to implement a feature or change. It does not necessarily translate to man-hours, but the value should be consistent across tasks. *Story points* and *level of effort* are described in more detail here: [Rule Story Points](#).

## 6.2. Rule Story Points

### 6.2.1. What are Story Points?

*Story Points* are an abstract metric commonly used in Scrum Agile software development methodology to estimate the *level of effort* needed to implement a feature or change. They are based on a [modified Fibonacci sequence](#).

In a similar manner, Windup uses *story points* to express the *level of effort* needed to migrate particular application constructs, and in a sum, the application as a whole. It does not necessarily translate to man-hours, but the value should be consistent across tasks.

### 6.2.2. How Story Points are Estimated in Rules

Estimating the *level of effort* for the *story points* for a rule can be tricky. The following are the general guidelines Windup uses when estimating the *level of effort* required for a rule.

Level of Effort	Story Points	Description
Trivial	1	The migration is a trivial change or a simple library swap with no or minimal API changes.
Complex	3	The changes required for the migration task are complex, but have a documented solution.
Redesign	5	The migration task requires a redesign or a complete library change, with significant API changes.
Rearchitecture	7	The migration requires a complete rearchitecture of the component or subsystem.
Unknown	13	The migration solution is not known and may need a complete rewrite.

### 6.2.3. Task Severity

In addition to the *level of effort*, migration tasks can be assigned a *severity* that indicates whether the task must be completed or can be postponed.

#### Mandatory

The task must be completed for a successful migration. If the changes are not made, the resulting application will not build or run successfully. Examples include replacement of proprietary APIs that are not supported in the target platform.

#### Optional

If the migration task is not completed, the application will work, but the results may not be the optimal. If the change is not made at the time of migration, it is recommended to put it on the schedule soon after migration is completed. An example of this would be the upgrade of EJB 2.x code to EJB 3.

## 6.3. XML Rule - When Condition Syntax

Conditions allowed in the `when` portion of a rule must extend [GraphOperation](#) and currently include evaluation of Java classes, XML files, projects, and file content. Because XML rules are modeled after the Java-based rule add-ons, links to JavaDocs for the related Java classes are provided for a better understanding of how they behave.

The complete XML rule schema is located here: <http://windup.jboss.org/schema/windup-jboss-ruleset.xsd>

The following sections describe the more common XML `when` rule conditions.

- [javaclass Syntax](#)
- [xmlfile Syntax](#)
- [project Syntax](#)
- [filecontent Syntax](#)

### 6.3.1. javaclass Syntax

#### Summary

Use the `javaclass` element to find imports, methods, variable declarations, annotations, class implementations, and other items related to Java classes. For a better understanding of the `javaclass` condition, see the JavaDoc for the [JavaClass](#) class.

The following is an example of a rule that tests for a `javaclass`.

```

<rule>
  <when>
    <javaclass references="org.jboss.ws.api.annotation.WebContext" in="org/jboss/{*}" as="webcontextclasses">
      <location>IMPORT</location>
      <location>TYPE</location>
    </javaclass>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <hint message="WebContext is deprecated." effort="0"/>
  </perform>
</rule>

```

## Construct a javaclass Element

### javaclass Element Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
references	CLASS_NAME	<p>The package or class name to match on. Wildcard characters can be used.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>references="org.apache.commons.{*}"</pre>
sourceMatch	STRING	<p>An exact regex to match. This is useful to distinguish hard-coded strings.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>sourceMatch="log4j.logger"</pre>
as	VARIABLE_NAME	<p>A variable name assigned to the rule so that it can be used as a reference in later processing. See the <code>from</code> attribute below.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>as="MyEjbRule"</pre>
in	PATH_FILTER	<p>Used to filter input files matching this regex (regular expression) naming pattern. Wildcard characters can be used.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>in="{*}File1"</pre>
from	VARIABLE_NAME	<p>Begin the search query with the filtered result from a previous search identified by its <code>as</code> VARIABLE_NAME.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>from="MyEjbRule"</pre>

Child Element	Description
<location>	<p>The location where the reference was found in a Java class. Location can refer to annotations, field and variable declarations, imports, and methods. For the complete list of valid values, see the JavaDoc for <a href="#">TypeReferenceLocation</a>.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>&lt;location&gt;IMPORT&lt;/location&gt;</pre>

6.3.2. xmlfile Syntax

Summary

Use the `xmlfile` element to find information in XML files. For a better understanding of the `xmlfile` condition, see the [XmlFile](#) JavaDoc.

The following is an example of a rule that tests for an `xmlfile`.

```
<rule>
  <when>
    <xmlfile matches="/w:web-app/w:resource-ref/w:res-auth[text() = 'Container']">
      <namespace prefix="w" uri="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/javaee"/>
    </xmlfile>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <hint title="Title for Hint from XML">
      <message>Container Auth</message>
    </hint>
    <xslt description="Example XSLT Conversion" extension="-converted-example.xml"
      template="/exampleconversion.xsl"/>
  </perform>
</rule>
```

Construct an xmlfile Element

xmlfile Element: Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
matches	XPATH	<p>Match on an XML file condition.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>matches="/w:web-app/w:resource-ref/w:res-auth[text() = 'Container']"</pre>
xpathResultMatch	XPATH_RESULT_STRING	<p>Return results that match the given regex.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>xpathResultMatch=""</pre>

Attribute Name	Type	Description
as	VARIABLE_NAME	<p>A variable name assigned to the rule so that it can be used as a reference in later processing. See the <code>from</code> attribute below.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>as="MyEjbRule"</pre>
in	PATH_FILTER	<p>Used to filter input files matching this regex (regular expression) naming pattern. Wildcard characters can be used.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>in="{*}File1"</pre>
from	VARIABLE_NAME	<p>Begin the search query with the filtered result from a previous search identified by its <code>as</code> VARIABLE_NAME.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>from="MyEjbRule"</pre>
public-id	PUBLIC_ID	<p>The DTD public-id regex.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>public-id="public"</pre>

#### xmlfile Element: Child Elements

Child Element	Description
<namespace>	<p>The namespace to referenced in XML files. This element contains 2 attributes: The <code>prefix</code> and the <code>uri</code>.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>&lt;namespace prefix="abc" uri="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0"/&gt;</pre>

### 6.3.3. project Syntax

#### Summary

Use the `project` element to query for the project characteristics. For a better understanding of the `project` condition, see the JavaDoc for the [Project](#) class.

The following is an example of a rule that checks a rule is dependent on the junit in the version between 2.0.0.Final and 2.2.0.Final.



```

<rule>
  <when>
    <project>
      <artifact groupId="junit" artifactId="junit" from="2.0.0.Final" to="2.2.0.Final"/>
    </project>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <lineitem message="The project uses junit with the version between 2.0.0.Final and 2.2.0.Final"/>
  </perform>
</rule>

```

## Construct a project Element

### project Element Attributes

The `project` element is used to match against the project as a whole. You can use this condition to query for dependencies of the project. It does not have any attributes itself.

### project Element Child Elements

Child Element	Description
<artifact>	Subcondition used within <code>project</code> to query against project dependencies. The <code>artifact</code> element attributes are described below.

### artifact Element Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
groupId	PROJECT_GROUP_ID	Match on the project <groupId> of the dependency
artifactId	PROJECT_ARTIFACT_ID	Match on the project <artifactId> of the dependency
fromVersion	FROM_VERSION	Specify the lower version bound of the artifact. For example 2.0.0.Final
toVersion	TO_VERSION	Specify the upper version bound of the artifact. For example 2.2.0.Final

## 6.3.4. filecontent Syntax

### Summary

Use the `filecontent` element to find strings or text within files, for example, a line in a Properties file. For a better understanding of the `filecontent` condition, see the JavaDoc for the [FileContent](#) class.

## Construct a filecontent Element

### filecontent Element Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
pattern	String	Match the file contents against the provided parameterized string
filename	String	Match the file names against the provided parameterized string.

## 6.4. XML Rule - Perform Action Syntax

Operations available in the `perform` section of the rule include the classification of application resources, in-line hints for migration steps, links to migration information, and project lineitem reporting. Because XML rules are modeled after the Java-based rule add-ons, links to JavaDocs for the related Java classes are provided for a better understanding of how they behave.

The complete XML rule schema is located here: <http://windup.jboss.org/schema/windup-jboss-ruleset.xsd>

The following sections describe the more common XML rule perform actions.

- [Classification Syntax](#)
- [Link Syntax](#)
- [Hint Syntax](#)
- [XSLT Syntax](#)
- [Lineitem Syntax](#)
- [Iteration Syntax](#)

#### 6.4.1. Classification Syntax

##### Summary

The `classification` element is used to identify or classify application resources. It provides a level of effort and can also provide links to additional information about how to migrate this resource classification. For a better understanding of the `classification` action, see the JavaDoc for the [Classification](#) class.

The following is an example of a rule that classifies a resource as a WebLogic EAR application deployment descriptor file.

*Example:*

```
<rule id="XmlWebLogicRules_10vvyf">
  <when>
    <xmlfile as="default" matches="/*[local-name()='weblogic-application']"></xmlfile>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <iteration>
      <classification title="Weblogic EAR Application Descriptor" effort="3"/>
    </iteration>
  </perform>
</rule>
```

##### `classification` Element: Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
title	STRING	Title this resource using the specified string.  <i>Example:</i>  title="JBoss Seam Components"
effort	NUMBER	The level of effort assigned to this resource.  <i>Example:</i>  effort="2"

Attribute Name	Type	Description
severity	STRING	Whether this classification is mandatory or optional  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>severity="mandatory"</pre>
description	STRING	Description of this resource  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>description="JBoss Seam components must be replaced"</pre>
of	VARIABLE_NAME	Create a new classification for the given reference.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>of="MySeamRule"</pre>

#### classification Element: Child Elements

Child Element	Description
<link>	Provides a link URI and text description for additional information.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>&lt;classification title="WebSphere Startup Service" effort="4"&gt;   &lt;link href="http://docs.oracle.com/javaee/6/api/javax/ejb/Singleton.html" description="EJB3.1 Singleton Bean"/&gt;   &lt;link href="http://docs.oracle.com/javaee/6/api/javax/ejb/Startup.html" description="EJB3.1 Startup Bean"/&gt; &lt;/classification&gt;</pre>
<tag>	Provides additional custom information for the classification.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>&lt;tag&gt;Seam3&lt;/tag&gt;</pre>

#### 6.4.2. Link Syntax

##### Summary

The `link` element is used in classifications or hints to identify or classify links to informational content. For a better understanding of the `link` action, see the JavaDoc for the [Link](#) class.

The following is an example of a rule that creates links to additional information.

*Example:*

```

<rule id="SeamToCDIRules_2fmb">
  <when>
    <javaclass references="org.jboss.seam.*" as="default"/>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <iteration>
      <classification title="SEAM Component" effort="1">
        <link href="http://www.seamframework.org/Seam3/Seam2ToSeam3MigrationNotes" description="Seam 2 to Seam 3 Mi
        <link href="http://docs.jboss.org/weld/reference/latest/en-US/html/example.html" description="JSF Web Appli
        <link href="http://docs.jboss.org/weld/reference/latest/en-US/html/context.html" description="JBoss Contex
        <link href="http://www.andygibson.net/blog/tutorial/cdi-conversations-part-2/" description="CDI Conversatio
      </classification>
    </iteration>
  </perform>
</rule>

```

#### link Element: Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
href	URI	<p>The URI for the referenced link.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>href="https://access.redhat.com/articles/1249423"</pre>
description	STRING	<p>A description for the link.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>description="Migrate WebLogic Proprietary Servlet Annotations"</pre>

### 6.4.3. Hint Syntax

#### Summary

The `hint` element is used to provide a hint or inline information about how to migrate a section of code. For a better understanding of the `hint` action, see the JavaDoc for the [Hint](#) class.

The following is an example of a rule that creates a hint.

#### Example:

```

<rule id="WebLogicWebServiceRules_8jyqn">
  <when>
    <javaclass references="weblogic.wsee.connection.transport.http.HttpTransportInfo.setUsername(*)" as="default">
      <location>METHOD</location>
    </javaclass>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <iteration>
      <hint effort="3">
        <message>Replace proprietary web-service authentication with JAX-WS standards.</message>
        <link href="http://java-x.blogspot.com/2009/03/invoking-web-services-through-proxy.html" description="JAX-w
      </hint>
    </iteration>
  </perform>
</rule>

```

#### hint Element: Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
title	STRING	Title this hint using the specified string.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>title="JBoss Seam Component Hint"</pre>
severity	STRING	Whether this hint is mandatory or optional  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>severity="mandatory"</pre>
in	VARIABLE_NAME	Create a new Hint in the FileLocationModel resolved by the given variable.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>in="Foo"</pre>
effort	NUMBER	The level of effort assigned to this resource.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>effort="2"</pre>

## hint Element: Child Elements

Child Element	Description
<message>	A message describing the migration hint  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>&lt;message&gt;EJB 2.0 is deprecated&lt;/message&gt;</pre>
<link>	Identify or classify links to informational content. See the section on <a href="#">Link Syntax</a> for details.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>&lt;link href="" description="" /&gt;</pre>

Child Element	Description
<tag>	Define a custom tag for this hint .  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>&lt;tag&gt;Needs review&lt;/tag&gt;</pre>

6.4.4. XSLT Syntax

Summary

The `xslt` element specifies how to transform an XML file. For a better understanding of the `xslt` action, see the JavaDoc for the [XSLTTransformation](#) class.

The following is an example of rule that defines an XSLT action.

*Example:*

```
<rule id="XmlWebLogicRules_6bcvk">
  <when>
    <xmlfile as="default" matches="/weblogic-ejb-jar"/>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <iteration>
      <classification title="Weblogic EJB XML" effort="3"/>
      <xslt description="JBoss EJB Descriptor (Windup-Generated)" template="transformations/xslt/weblogic-ejb-to-jbos
    </iteration>
  </perform>
</rule>
```

`xslt` Element: Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
of	STRING	Create a new transformation for the given reference.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>of="testVariable_instance"</pre>
description	STRING	Sets the description of this XSLTTransformation.  <i>Example:</i> description="XSLT Transformed Output"
extension	STRING	Sets the extension for this XSLTTransformation.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>extension="-result.html"</pre>

Attribute Name	Type	Description
template	STRING	Sets the XSL template.  <i>Example:</i>  template="simpleXSLT.xsl"

#### xslt Element: Child Elements

Child Element	Description
<xslt-parameter>	Specify XSLTTransformation parameters as property value pairs  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>&lt;xslt-parameter property="title" value="EJB Transformation"/&gt;</pre>

### 6.4.5. Lineitem Syntax

#### Summary

The `lineitem` element is used to provide line item information about a hint on the project or application overview page. For a better understanding of the `lineitem` action, see the JavaDoc for the [Lineitem](#) class.

The following is an example of a rule that creates a lineitem message.

*Example:*

```
<rule>
  <when>
    <javaclass references="weblogic.servlet.annotation.WLServlet" as="default">
      <location>ANNOTATION</location>
    </javaclass>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <hint effort="1">
      <message>Replace the proprietary WebLogic @WLServlet annotation with the Java EE 6 standard @WebServlet annotat
      <link href="https://access.redhat.com/articles/1249423" description="Migrate WebLogic Proprietary Servlet Annot
      <lineitem message="Proprietary WebLogic @WLServlet annotation found in file."/>
    </hint>
  </perform>
</rule>
```

#### lineitem Element: Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
message	STRING	A lineitem message  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>message="Proprietary code found."</pre>

### 6.4.6. Iteration Syntax

## Summary

The `iteration` element specifies to iterate over an implicit or explicit variable defined within the rule. For a better understanding of the `iteration` action, see the JavaDoc for the [Iteration](#) class.

The following is an example of a rule that preforms an iteration.

*Example:*

```
<rule id="XmlWebLogicRules_14wscy">
  <when>
    <xmlfile as="1" matches="//wl:weblogic-webservices | /wl9:weblogic-webservices">
      <namespace prefix="wl9" uri="http://www.bea.com/ns/weblogic/90"/>
      <namespace prefix="wl" uri="http://www.bea.com/ns/weblogic/weblogic-webservices"/>
    </xmlfile>
    <xmlfile as="2" matches="//wl:webservice-type | //wl9:webservice-type" from="1">
      <namespace prefix="wl9" uri="http://www.bea.com/ns/weblogic/90"/>
      <namespace prefix="wl" uri="http://www.bea.com/ns/weblogic/weblogic-webservices"/>
    </xmlfile>
  </when>
  <perform>
    <iteration over="1">
      <classification title="Weblogic Webservice Descriptor" effort="0"/>
    </iteration>
    <iteration over="2">
      <hint effort="1">
        <message>Webservice Type</message>
      </iteration>
    </perform>
  </rule>
```

### iteration Element: Attributes

Attribute Name	Type	Description
over	VARIABLE_NAME	Iterate over the condition identified by this VARIABLE_NAME.  <i>Example:</i>  <pre>over="2"</pre>

### iteration Element: Child Elements

Child Element	Description
<iteration>	Child elements include a <code>when</code> condition, along with the actions <code>iteration</code> , <code>classification</code> , <code>hint</code> , <code>xslt</code> , <code>lineitem</code> , and <code>otherwise</code> .

## 6.5. Optimize Windup Performance

### 6.5.1. Overview

Windup performance depends on a number of factors, including hardware configuration, the number and types of files in the application, the size and number of applications to be evaluated, and whether the application contains source or compiled code. For example, a file that is larger than 10 MB may need a lot of time to process.

In general, Windup spends about 40% of the time decompiling classes, 40% of the time executing rules, and the remainder of the time processing other tasks and generating reports. This section describes what you can do to improve the performance of Windup.

### 6.5.2. Tips to Optimize Performance



## Application and Command Line Suggestions

Try these suggestions first before upgrading hardware.

- If possible, execute Windup against the source code instead of the archives. This eliminates the need to decompile additional JARs and archives.
- Specify the `--target` platform on the `windup-migrate-app` command line to limit the execution of rules to only those that apply to this target platform.
- Be sure to specify a comma-delimited list of the packages to be evaluated by Windup using the `--packages` argument on the `windup-migrate-app` command line. If you omit this argument, Windup will decompile everything, which has a big impact on performance.
- Specify the `--excludePackages` and `--excludeTags` where possible to exclude them from processing.
- Add additional proprietary packages that should not be processed to the `ignore/proprietary.package-ignore.txt` file in the Windup distribution directory. Windup can still find the references to the packages in the application source code, but avoids the need to decompile and analyze the proprietary classes.

## Hardware Upgrade Suggestions

If the steps above do not improve performance, you may need to upgrade your hardware.

- Very large applications that require decompilation have large memory requirements. 8 GB RAM is recommended. This allows 3 - 4 GB RAM for use by the JVM.
- An upgrade from a single or dual-core to a 4-core CPU processor provides better performance.
- Disk space and fragmentation can impact performance. A fast disk, especially a Solid State Drive (SSD), with greater than 4 GB of defragmented disk space should improve performance.