

NAME

`xsd` – Mono’s utility for generating schema or class files

SYNOPSIS

xsd <schema.xsd> /classes [options]

xsd <schema.xsd> /dataset [options]

xsd <assembly>.dll|<assembly>.exe [options]

xsd <instance.xml> [<instance.xml> ...] [options]

DESCRIPTION

`xsd` is a tool for intended to complement the XML serialization support of Mono. It can do the following tasks:

Generate serializable classes

From a given XML schema, generate a class that can be used to read and write xml documents that conform that schema (/classes option).

Generate typed datasets

From a given XML schema, generate a typed DataSet class that can be used to read and write xml documents that conform that schema (/dataset option).

Generate XML schemas

From a given assembly and an optional type name, generate an XML schema that can be used to validate the xml documents that can be obtained by serializing objects of that type. If no type is provided, `xsd` generates a schema for all types in the assembly. When specifying the assembly name do not include the file extension (.dll or .exe). `xsd` will look for the assembly using the standard assembly loading rules.

Infer XML schemas

From a given set of XML documents, infer the XML schema that can be used to validate those documents.

OPTIONS

The following options are available:

/element:name /e:name

Specifies the name of the XML schema element for which a class or a dataset has to be generated.

/namespace:name /n:name

Specifies the namespace of the XML schema element for which a class or a dataset has to be generated.

/language:name /l:name

Specifies the programming language to use for the generated code. The only supported languages are CS (C#) and VB (Visual Basic.NET).

/generator:type,assembly /g:type,assembly

Indicates `xsd.exe` to use custom CodeDomProvider to generate code. The type name must be full name. Assembly name is a local file name that is going to be loaded. The specified Type must have the default constructor.

/outputdir:path /o:path

Specifies the directory where to generate the code or schemas.

/type:name /t:name

Specifies the full name of the type (including namespace) for which to generate the XML schema.

/help /h

Show usage help.

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LICENSE

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SEE ALSO

disco(1), soapsuds(1), mono(1), mcs(1), wsdl(1)