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FOREWORD

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INTRODUCTION

There is a general need for interchange and interoperability of structured text amongst information systems.

While there is a plethora of richly-formatted text documents, ranging from complex document formats like OOXML and ODF, hypertext formats like HTML, to older formats such as RTF and presentation-focused formats like PDF, there is no standardized method of transmitting an interoperable text structure to another system.

In addition, the popularity of lightweight text markup syntaxes such as Markdown and AsciiDoc has been hampered by practical concerns that documents generated by such syntaxes have inherited identical issues as have the document formats described above.

Such issues have limited the exchange of structured text down to the lowest common denominator in parsing support, which is plain text, with no defined human- or machine-understandable structure.

The *BasicDocument* model is created to express the structure of generic documents in a lightweight form.

BasicDocument achieves a number of goals:

- Serve as an interoperable basis that allows systems to interchange general documents while preserving semantics;
- Allows document formats to be mapped to it and out of it, effectively enabling document formats to be converted to presentation formats without loss of meaning;
- Establishes a central data model for supporting multiple input formats (and syntaxes) with multiple output formats; and
- Enables changes to be applied incrementally in a defined manner.

BasicDocument is deliberately not a detailed document model, unlike DocBook and TEI: it is intended to be a base document model which other document models can map to or specialize upon.

The *BasicDocument* document model has been designed to maintain compatibility with several existing models, with a view to reflecting the expressiveness of existing document structures, but also to align with the capability of established document production tools.

The markup languages and document production tools that *BasicDocument* sought to align with include:

- hypertext formats: W3C HTML 5 and HTML 4
- document formats: OOXML, Microsoft RTF, DocBook

- text markup syntaxes: Markdown and AsciiDoc

1. SCOPE

This document provides a reference lightweight document model called *BasicDocument* for generic documents, intended as an interoperable basis that allows systems to interchange generic document content while preserving semantics.

This document model can be directly utilized to represent interchangeable document content, or adopted, superseded or internalized by document representation models and formats in order to represent document content in other forms.

The modelling of bibliographies and citations is part of the reference model, but is the subject of a separate document, ISO 6900:--, and are hence not described in detail in this document.

The following aspects are excluded from scope:

- Specialization and profiling of this model to specialized classes of documents;
- Implementation of the reference model and serialization formats;
- Mapping of the reference model to output formats; and
- Markup schemes and syntaxes that enable creation of documents that fit the reference model.

2. NORMATIVE REFERENCES

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

- ISO 639 (all parts), Codes for the representation of names of languages Part 1:
 Alpha-2 code
- ISO 8601-1, Date and time Representations for information interchange Part 1:
 Basic rules
- ISO 8601-2, Date and time Representations for information interchange Part 2: Extensions
- ISO/IEC 10118 (all parts), Information technology Security techniques Hashfunctions – Part 1: General
- ISO/IEC 14888 (all parts), Information technology Security techniques Digital signatures with appendix Part 1: General
- ISO 15924, Information and documentation Codes for the representation of names of scripts
- ISO 6900:—, Information and documentation Bibliographic reference model and serialization
- IETF RFC 3986, Uniform Resource Identifier (URI): Generic Syntax

3. TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1. class

structure containing a description of an entity in terms of its components

3.2. subclass

class (Clause 3.1) which inherits from another class its component descriptions, and optionally adds to them its own component descriptions

3.3. document model

model

formal specification of the structure of a document in terms of its components and their arrangement, expressed through *classes* (Clause 3.1)

3.4. paragraph

subdivision of running text, normally run on throughout, that is separated from text before and after by a change of line and stands below any chapters or sections (Clause 3.7)

[SOURCE: ISO 5127:2017, Clause 3.5.8.07]

3.5. block

paragraph (Clause 3.4)-level grouping of text

3.6. inline element

grouping of text that can be contained within a *paragraph* (Clause 3.4), including plain strings

3.7. section

hierarchical subdivision of a document, consisting of one or more *blocks* (Clause 3.5), and/or one or more sections

3.8. identifier

character, or group of characters, used to identify or name an item of data and possibly to indicate certain properties of that item

[SOURCE: 714-21-07]

4. MODELLING

4.1. Intent

The *BasicDocument* model expresses the structure of generic documents in a lightweight form.

It is deliberately not designed to fully represent semantics of document formats like DocBook and TEI: the model is intended to be a base document model which other document models can map to or specialize upon, or for the interchange of generic document content.

4.2. Specialization

Specialization of a model consists of:

- Adding classes to a base model.
- Changing attributes of a base model class. This is not restricted to adding attributes, as is the case in typical entity subclassing; it can also include removing attributes from a class, changing their obligation and cardinality, and changing their type, including changing enumerations. Attributes can be overruled at any level; for example, standards-specific models routinely enhance the bibliographic model at the base of the hierarchy.
- For reasons of clarity, renaming classes and attributes is avoided in specialisation.

4.3. Structure

The classes involved in the document model are of three classes:

- Sections (Clause 7)
- Blocks (paragraph-level groupings of text) (Clause 8)
- Inline elements (groupings of text smaller than a paragraph, including plain strings)
 (Clause 9)

In the BasicDocument model, the classes are in a strict hierarchical relation:

- Documents consist of sections, which consist of blocks, which consist of inline elements.
- Sections can be nested within sections (e.g. clauses and subclauses); blocks can be nested within blocks (e.g. nested lists);

Inline elements can also be embedded within other inline elements (e.g. bold + italics).

However, sections should not be siblings of blocks, nor blocks of inline elements. For this reason, paragraphs cannot contain other block elements, such as lists or tables.

a list (block) is not expected to occur next to inline text within a paragraph.

NOTE This constraint is imposed in order to maintain structural simplicity of this model. While it sacrifices some expressive potential, the difference is minor, particularly with regards to the rendering of paragraphs. This is a major difference between this model and the more flexible document models in XML-based schemas, such as HTML, TEI-C, and DocBook, which do not have this limitation.

The *BasicDocument* model is most fleshed out at the level of blocks and inline elements. Specialization of the model is expected to take place mostly at the level of prescribing particular arrangements of sections.

The Basic Document model depends on the ISO 690 bibliography model for its expression of bibliographic references. The specific bibliography model instantiation and serialization it uses is described in ISO 6900:--.

5. BASICDOCUMENT MODEL

The *BasicDocument* model treats all documents as collections of *sections* (Clause 7). It also adds the following metadata as part of the document model:

identifier a globally unique identifier for the document in an agreed

identifier schema. The identifier is to be used for tracking interactions with the document without depending on formal document registries; it would be exemplified by a GUID, rather than a document registry identifier such as "ISO 639", which

belongs to bibdata.

bibdata a bibliographic description, capturing bibliographic metadata

about the document itself, including authors, title, and date of

production.

integrityValue an optional digital signature of the document (Clause 10.2).

BasicDocument

+identifier: UniqueIdentifier

+bibdata: BibData

+sections: BasicSection[1..*]

+integrityValue: IntegrityValue[0..*]

Figure 1 – Basic Document model: Document

6. METADATA AND BIBLIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION MODELS

The modelling of bibdata follows the *BibliographicItem* class in ISO 6900:--, and readers are referred to that specification. The *BibliographicItem* class is intended to capture document citations, and to be applicable to any document type, without any further specialization; that is because a document can cite documents of any type.

The bibdata class allows the *BibliographicItem* class to be extended with metadata specific to a document class, which appears as document metadata rather than as citation data; this information is modelled in BibDataExtensionType. The only extension point modelled as generically applicable in the Basic Document model is the document type, doctype, which is populated in the generic instance with the single value "document". It is assumed that particular specialisations of the document model will substitute their own enumerations of particular subclasses of document, which will be more granular than the intentionally generic classes of document modelled in ISO 6900:-

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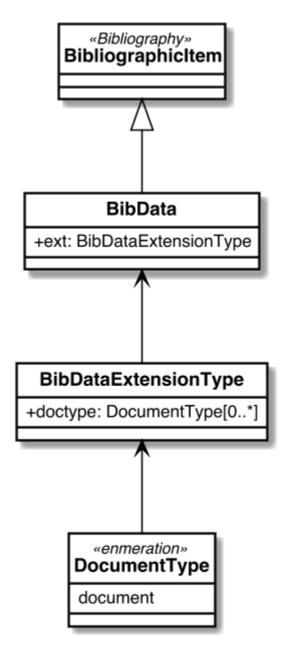


Figure 2 – Basic Document model: Bibdata

7. SECTION MODELS

The *BasicDocument* model is generic in its application, and accordingly does not do detailed modelling of the differences between sections; that is deferred for specialisations (such as the *StandardsDocument* model). The *BasicDocument* model only recognizes the following classes of section:

- Basic Sections, which are leaf nodes (do not contain any sections).
- Hierarchical Sections, which can contain other sections. Hierarchical Sections are modelled as a subclass of Basic Sections, so the hierarchical arrangement of sections can be arbitrarily deep.
- Content Sections, which in the BasicDocument model are treated as equivalent to
 Hierarchical Sections. (The distinction is currently reserved for downstream models
 such as Metanorma, which differentiates structurally between prefatory sections and
 sections in the main body of the text; differences between the two may be introduced
 in the Basic Document model at a later date.)
- References Sections, which are leaf nodes, and contain zero or more bibliographical items (as described in ISO 6900:--), along with any prefatory text.

All sections are modelled as having the following attributes:

title	an optional title of the section.
id	an optional identifier for the section, to be used for cross-references within the document. (Citations of references are modelled as cross-references to the corresponding bibliographical item in the References section.)
language	zero or more language tags for the section, coded as ISO 639 (all parts) codes.
script	zero or more script tags for the section, coded as ISO 15924 codes.
blocks	zero or more text blocks, containing the textual content of the section (but excluding subsections, which are only present in Hierarchical Sections).
notes	any notes whose scope is the entire section, rather than a specific block. Notes are modelled as a sequence of zero or more paragraphs.

NOTE In the *BasicDocument* model, a section can contain both blocks of text and subsections; in rendering, the blocks of text are presumed to come before the subsections. In some classes of document the co-occurrence of text and subsections in a clause (or in a section) is proscribed as "hanging paragraphs": in order for text to be clearly identifiable by section number, those models prevent

text and subsections from being siblings. That proscription is modelled as an override of this model specific to Standards documents.

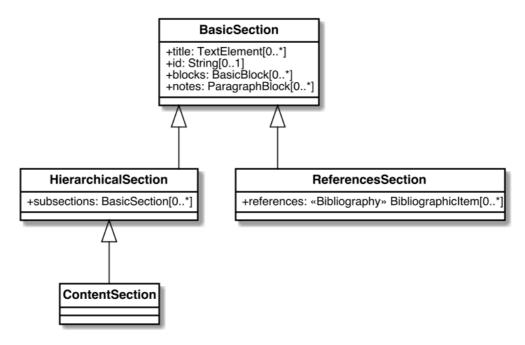


Figure 3 - Basic Document model: Section

8. BLOCK MODELS

8.1. General

Blocks of text are all modelled as subclasses of the *BasicBlock* class, which has the following attributes common to all blocks:

id an optional identifier for the block, to be used for cross-

references.

notes any notes whose scope is the block. Notes are modelled as a

sequence of zero or more paragraphs.

contribMetadata attribution of the block to a specific contributor (Clause 10.2),

to be used in change management of documents.

The BasicDocument model recognizes the following classes of block:

- Paragraphs (Clause 8.2)
- Multi-paragraph blocks: Blockquotes, Reviewer comments, Admonitions (Clause 8.3)
- Tables (Clause 8.4)
- Lists (Clause 8.5): Unordered lists, Ordered lists, Definition lists
- Ancillary blocks: Figures (Clause 8.6.2), Sourcecode (Clause 8.6.3), Formulas (Clause 8.6.4), Pre-formatted blocks (Clause 8.6.5), Examples (Clause 8.6.6)

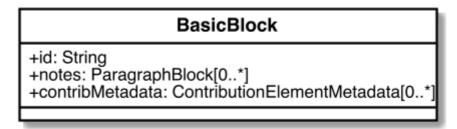


Figure 4 – Basic Document model: Block

8.2. Paragraph

Paragraphs can contain any sequence of inline elements (Clause 9), and optionally a text alignment (alignment). Unlike the case for other document models, paragraphs *cannot* contain other blocks, such as lists, tables, or figures: they are modelled as a basic building block of text.

NOTE Text alignment is the only concession the modelling of paragraphs makes to rendering, and is there because the application of alignment to paragraphs, while rare, can be unpredictable from paragraph semantics. Other rendering attributes of paragraphs, such as spacing before and after, are considered to be semantically predictable and are relegated to document stylesheets.

Paragraphs have the following subclass:

 Paragraph With Footnote, which can also contain footnotes (Clause 9.6). While most paragraphs in a document can contain footnotes, the distinction is necessary, as footnotes are not appropriate for all instances of paragraph content in a document (e.g. sourcecode annotations) (Clause 8.6.3).

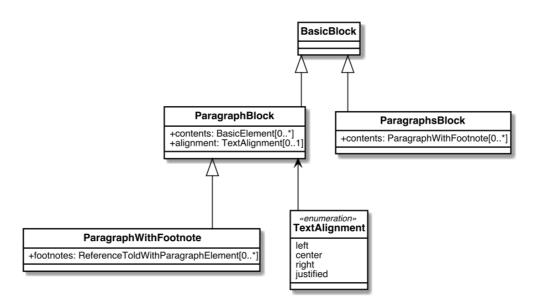


Figure 5 – Basic Document model: Paragraph

8.3. Multi-paragraph blocks

8.3.1. General

The following classes of block are modelled as containing zero or more paragraphs.

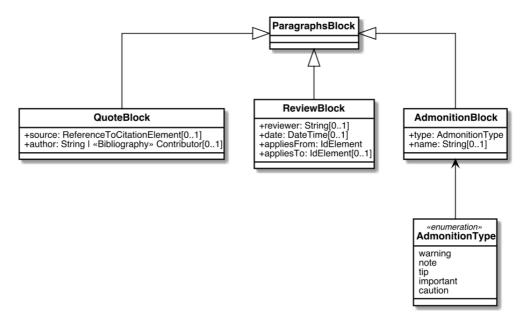


Figure 6 - Basic Document model: Multi-paragraph Block

8.3.2. Blockquote

Blockquote, which also contains an optional bibliographic citation for the quotation (source), and an optional author of the quotation. The author attribute of the blockquote is redundant with the citation, since it restates information about the author that should be recoverable from the citation itself. It is included for convenience, in case processing the citation to extract the author is prohibitive for rendering tools.

8.3.3. Admonition

Admonition, which captures sidebars to the main text conveying particular warnings or supplementary text to the reader. The Admonition block includes a name (title), a class (subcategory), a URI (in case the admonition is available as a separate external document), and a type of admonition.

The type of admonition determines the rendering of the admonition; the class allows different runs of admonitions to be labelled and auto-numbered differently, even if they are of the same type. The defined types for the *BasicDocument* model are *Warning*, *Note*, *Tip*, *Important*, *Caution*, *and Statement*. (In rendering, distinct admonition types are often associated with distinct icons or rendering.)

NOTE 1 Statement is intended for typographically separate statements in mathematics, such as propositions, proofs, or theorems. Statement conflates all of these for rendering, while Proposition, Proof, Theorem etc. can be treated as distinct classes.

NOTE 2 Admonition notes are modelled to be distinct from notes under sections or blocks.

8.3.4. Review

Review, which is intended to capture reviewer comments about some text in the document. The Review block includes the following attributes: an optional string identifying the reviewer who offered the comment; an optional date when the comment was made; a mandatory identifier for the start of the text to which the comment applies (appliesFrom), and an optional identifier for the end of the text to which the comment applies (appliesTo).

NOTE If the appliesTo identifier of a Review block is absent, the comment applies only to the span of text identified by the appliesFrom identifier; if it is present, the comments applies to the span of text between the start of the span of text identified by appliesFrom, and the end of the span of text identified by appliesTo.

8.4. Table

8.4.1. General

Tables are modelled following the same principles as HTML tables.

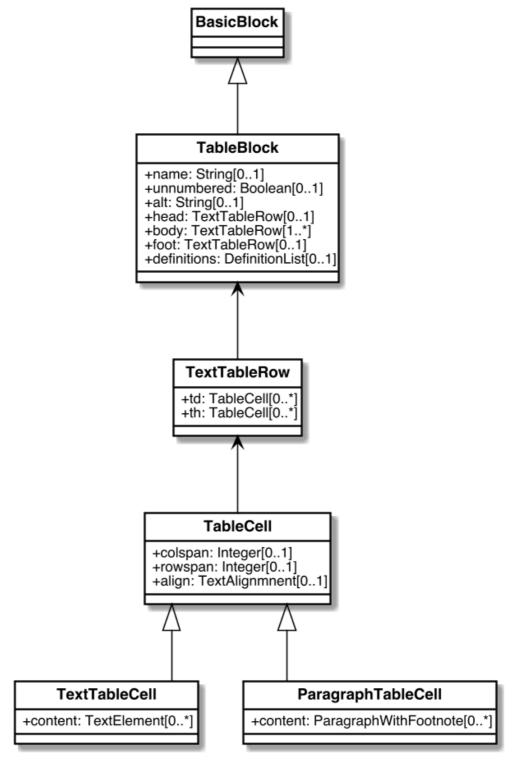


Figure 7 – Basic Document model: Table

They contain the following elements:

name An optional label for the table.

head Zero or more table rows constituting the table header.

body One or more table rows constituting the table body.

foot Zero or more table rows constituting the table footer.

definitions An optional definitions list (Clause 8.5) defining any symbols used in

the table. (This reflects practice in standards documents such as

ISO/IEC DIR 2:2018.)

alt Alternate text to be provided for accessibility purposes, in case the

table cannot be rendered accessibly.

summary Alternative more extensive summary of table to be provided for

accessibility purposes, in case the table cannot be rendered

accessibly.

uri a URI (in case the admonition is available as a separate external

document),

unnumbered An optional boolean attribute indicating that the table should be

excluded from any automatic numbering of tables in the document.

subsequence A token indicating that all assets with the same subsequence token

are to be autonumbered in the same subsequence (e.g. as 2a, 2b,

2c... rather than as 2, 3, 4...)

8.4.2. Table rows

Table rows are defined as a sequence of zero or more header cells and data cells (corresponding to HTML th and td), both classes being instances of table cells.

8.4.3. Table cells

Table cells contain either zero or more paragraphs with footnotes (Clause 8.2), or zero or more text elements (Clause 9.2). In addition, they have the following optional rendering attributes, which are aligned with HTML:

colspan Number of columns in the underlying table grid which the cell spans.

rowspan Number of rows in the underlying table grid which the cell spans.

align Textual alignment of the cell.

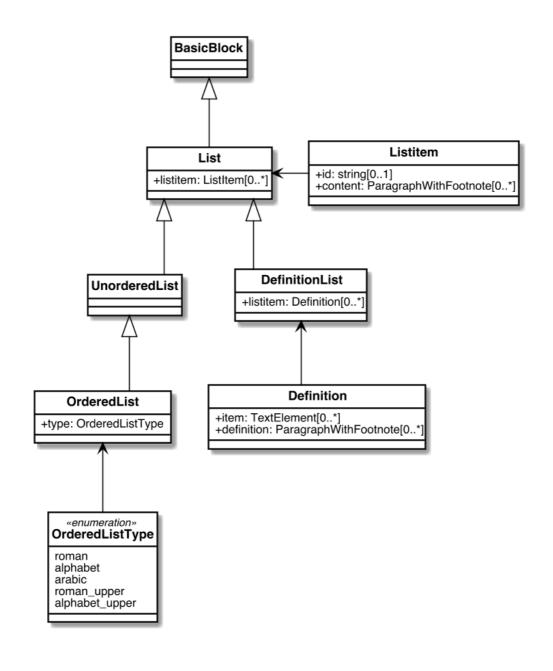
8.5. List

Lists are modelled following the same principles as HTML lists. All lists contain zero or more *list items*, which by default consist of an identifier (id), and one or more paragraphs

with footnotes (Clause 8.2). This allows individual list items in a list to be cross-referenced within the document.

Three subclasses of List are modelled.

- Unordered lists are equivalent to the List base class.
- Ordered lists are Lists with a type attribute, describing the kind of numeration applied to the List; the values allowed under the BasicDocument model are roman, alphabet, arabic, roman_upper, alphabet_upper, corresponding to lowercase Roman numerals, lowercase alphabetic letters, Arabic numerals, uppercase Roman numerals, and uppercase alphabetic letters.
- Definition lists override the definition of the List Item to be a pair of item (zero or more text elements: Clause 9.2) and definition (zero or more paragraphs with footnotes: Clause 8.2).



8.6. Ancillary blocks

8.6.1. General

Functionally, figures, sourcecode, formulas, pre-formatted blocks and examples all play a similar role, as providing illustrative content that is ancillary to the main content. However each class has its own particular structure.

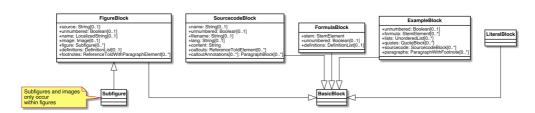


Figure 9 – Basic Document model: Figure, Sourcecode, Formula, Example

8.6.2. Figure

Figures are wrappers for images, and may themselves contain figures (*Subfigure* class). They contain the following elements, all of which are optional:

name A label for the figure.

class A class for the figure; this is to allow different classes of figure (e.g.

Plate, Chart, Diagram) to be auto-numbered and captioned

differently.

image Animage (Clause 9.4).

source A URI or other reference intended to link to an externally hosted

image (or equivalent).

definitions An optional definitions list (Clause 8.5) defining any symbols used in

the figure.

NOTE 1 This reflects practice in ISO/IEC DIR 2:2018.

footnotes Optional footnotes specific to the figure. (This reflects practice in

ISO/IEC DIR 2:2018.)

figure Zero or more embedded figures.

NOTE 2 This reflects practice in e.g. ISO/IEC DIR 2:2018, and subfigures are intended to be mutually exclusive with image, source: the latter are intended for leaf node figures.

unnumbered An optional boolean attribute indicating that the figure should be

excluded from any automatic numbering of figures in the document.

subsequence A token indicating that all assets with the same subsequence token

are to be autonumbered in the same subsequence (e.g. as 2a, 2b,

2c... rather than as 2, 3, 4...)

8.6.3. Sourcecode

Sourcecode blocks are wrappers for computer code or comparable text. They contain the following elements:

name A label for the source code.

filename A file name associated with the source code (and which

could be used to extract the source code fragment to from the document, or to populate the source code fragment with from the external file, in automated processing of the

document).

lang The computer language or other notational convention

that the source code is expressed in.

content The computer code or other such text presented in the

block, as a single unformatted string. (The string should be treated as pre-formatted text, with whitespace treated as

significant.)

callouts Zero or more cross-references (Clause 9.5); these are

intended to be embedded within the content string, and

link to annotations.

callout Annotations These are annotations to the source code; each annotation

consists of zero or more paragraphs, and is intended to be

referenced by a callout within the source code.

unnumbered An optional boolean attribute indicating that the

sourcecode block should be excluded from any automatic

numbering of sourcecode blocks in the document.

subsequence A token indicating that all assets with the same

subsequence token are to be autonumbered in the same subsequence (e.g. as 2a, 2b, 2c... rather than as 2, 3, 4...)

8.6.4. Formula

Formula blocks are wrappers for mathematical or other formulas. They contain the following elements:

stem A STEM element (Clause 9.2), constituting the content of the

formula

definitions An optional definitions list (Clause 8.5) defining any symbols used in

the formula.

NOTE This reflects practice in ISO/IEC DIR 2:2018.

unnumbered An optional boolean attribute indicating that the formula should be

excluded from any automatic numbering of formulas in the

document.

subsequence A token indicating that all assets with the same subsequence token

are to be autonumbered in the same subsequence (e.g. as 2a, 2b,

2c... rather than as 2, 3, 4...)

inequality An optional boolean attribute indicating that the formula is to be

labelled as an Inequality, if inequalities are differentiated from

equations.

8.6.5. Pre-formatted Blocks

Pre-formatted blocks are wrappers for text to be rendered with fixed-width typeface, and preserving spaces including line breaks. They are intended for a restricted number of functions, most typically ASCII Art (which is still in prominent use in some standards documents), and computer output. In most cases, Sourcecode blocks (Clause 8.6.3) is more appropriate in markup, as it is more clearly motivated semantically.

It contains the following elements (which are a subset of the elements of Sourcecode blocks):

name A label for the pre-formatted text.

content The pre-formatted text presented in the block, as a single unformatted

string. (Whitespace is treated as significant.)

8.6.6. Example

Example blocks are wrappers for open-ended example text. They consist of a combination of any of the following blocks:

- Formula
- List
- Blockquote (which is how generic text is included in an example)
- Sourcecode
- Paragraph

It also contains the following elements:

unnumbered An optional boolean attribute indicating that the example should be

excluded from any automatic numbering of examples in the

document.

subsequence A token indicating that all assets with the same subsequence token

are to be autonumbered in the same subsequence (e.g. as 2a, 2b,

2c... rather than as 2, 3, 4...)

9. INLINE ELEMENT MODELS

9.1. General

Inline elements represent the components of text blocks. They are modelled in the *BasicDocument* model as *Basic Elements*.

All Basic Elements have the following attribute:

contribMetadata attribution of the element to a specific contributor (Clause 10.2), to be used in change management of documents.

Three subclasses of Basic Elements are modelled:

- Text elements, which contain text and associated formatting information, but which do not contain any associated identifiers. (Clause 9.2)
- ID elements, which contain identifiers. (Clause 9.4)
- Reference elements, which contain references to identifiers. (Clause 9.5)

Footnotes (Clause 9.6) are a special case of Reference element, which are not included under Basic Elements because of the need to exclude them from certain classes of paragraph (Clause 8.2).

9.2. Text Elements

The modelling of text elements is substantially derived from HTML, and encompasses semantically significant formatting of text. For example, it encompasses italics and boldface (under their semantic guise of emphasis and strong); but it omits different sizes of font, as information that is typically semantically predictable, and relegated to stylesheets.

All text elements contain a localized string (Clause 10).

The following elements indicate formatting, and have no further attributes:

- Monospace (corresponding to HTML tt, code)
- Keyword
- Emphasis (corresponding to HTML em, i)
- Strong (corresponding to HTML strong, b)
- Superscript (corresponding to HTML sup)
- Subscript (corresponding to HTML sub)

- Strike (corresponding to HTML 4 s)
- Underline (corresponding to HTML 4 u)
- Small Caps

The following elements are used for Ruby annotations in East Asian languages, and correspond to their HTML 5 equivalents;

- ruby
- rt
- rp

Text Elements also include the STEM element, representing mathematical and other formulas. This consists of a type, indicating which language is used to express the formula, and the content of the formula itself. By default the *BasicDocument* model allows AsciiMath and MathML in STEM elements.

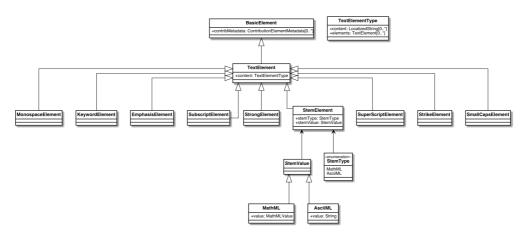


Figure 10 - Basic Document model: Text Elements

9.3. Empty Elements

The following elements are subclasses of Basic Element that contain no text, and are intended to represent semantically significant formatting elements:

- Line Break (corresponding to HTML br)
- Page Break
- Horizontal Rule (corresponding to HTML hr)

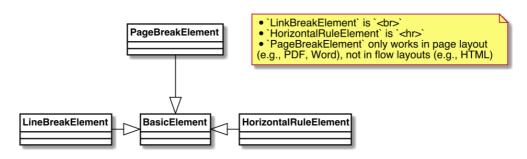


Figure 11 - Basic Document model: Empty Elements

9.4. ID Elements

ID Elements are inline elements that have an identifier (id), which permits them to be cross-referenced by Reference Elements (Clause 9.5). ID Elements in the BasicDocument model do not contain text.

There are two subclasses of ID Elements in the BasicDocument model:

- Bookmarks are intended as anchors for cross-references which do not have scope over blocks or sections. Anchors within a block under the BasicDocument model cannot span across a number of inline elements; bookmarks are intended as point anchors. For that reason, the Review block (Clause 8.3.4) has a starting reference and an optional ending reference, which can be bookmarks as well as block or section references.
- *Media* are containers for media content. They have the following attribues:

source	indicating the URI of the media file
filename	indicating a file name corresponding to the media, to which the media can be extracted if it is represented inline (e.g. in Base64 encoding in the URI)
type	indicating the type of the image file; the Basic Document model leaves the text to be used here open, but recommends the use of MIME types (RFC 2045)
alt	alternate text, supplied for accessibility
longdesc	URI pointing to more extensive alternate text description, supplied for accessibility

Media files are of three subtypes, each of which has its own element name:

Image is for image files, and has the following additional attributes

height optional attribute, which can be an integer or "auto"

width optional attribute, which can be an integer or "auto"

Audio is for audio files, and has the following additional attributes

altsource zero or more specifications of alternative files to use as media.

These specifications in turn consist of an optional filename, a

source, and a type, as with the parent Media class

Video is for audio files, and has the following additional attributes

altsource zero or more specifications of alternative files to use as media.

These specifications in turn consist of an optional filename, a

source, and a type, as with the parent Media class

height optional attribute, which can be an integer or "auto"

width optional attribute, which can be an integer or "auto"

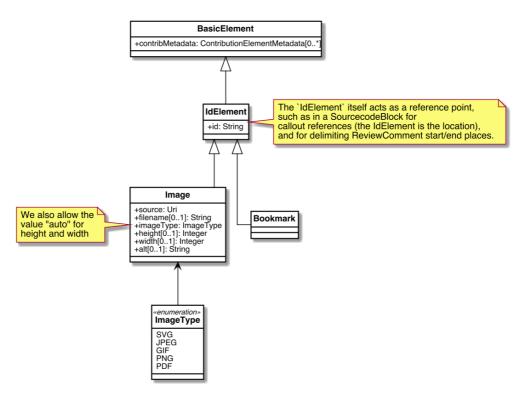


Figure 12 - Basic Document model: ID Elements

9.5. Reference Elements

Reference Elements are inline elements which reference other elements in the document, or other documents. All Reference Elements are modelled as containing the following attributes:

text The optional, unformatted textual content of the reference element.

The type of Reference Element, prescribing how it is to be rendered. The BasicDocument model recognises four types: inline (referencing another element in the same document), external (referencing an external document), footnote (an inline reference to be rendered as a footnote), and callout (an inline reference to be rendered as a callout: Clause 8.6.3).

alt Alternate text, used for accessibility.

The following subclasses of Reference Elements are modelled.

- Reference to Link Element: An external reference, whose target is defined as a URI.
 An optional alt attribute is also permitted, summarising the link content for accessibility.
- Reference to Citation Element: An external reference to a bibliographic entity, as modelled in ISO 6900:-- as a citation. In addition to the attributes of citation, the reference has an optional normative attribute (which may be used by those standards which differentiate normative and informative references), and optional citeAs attributes prescribing how the bibliographic citation should be rendered in the text.
- Reference to ID Element: An internal reference, whose target corresponds to the identifier of a section, block or ID Element within the current document.

The Reference to ID Element class in turn has the following subclasses modelled:

- Callout, for which the type is set to callout, and the text is constrained to be a single mandatory string. The target of the callout is understood to be the location of the callout within the source code; the extent of the target is not expressed overtly.
- Reference To ID With Paragraph Element, which associates both text and content to the cross-reference; the content is a sequence of one or more paragraphs (Clause 8.2).

9.6. Footnote

Footnotes are modelled as a subclass of Reference To ID With Paragraph Element, which constrain their type to be *footnote*. The text attribute is the footnote reference, and the content attribute is the footnote contents. The target of the footnote is understood to

be the location of the footnote within the text; the extent of the target is not expressed overtly.

NOTE Endnotes are not modelled separately from footnotes in the *BasicDocument* model, and the use of footnotes and endnotes as realisations of annotations are normally stylistic alternatives, which would be relegated to a stylesheet.

10. DATA TYPE MODELS

10.1. Basic Data Types

The following basic types are used in the definition of the BasicDocument model.

- String
- URI, as defined in RFC 3986.
- Language names, as defined in ISO 639 (all parts).
- Dates and times, as defined in ISO 8601-1.
- Hash algorithms, as defined in ISO/IEC 10118 (all parts).
- Digital signature algorithms, as defined in ISO/IEC 14888 (all parts).
- Script names, as defined in ISO 15924.
- Localized Strings, specifying a String with optional Language and Script attributes.
- Formatted Strings, specifying a Localized String with a formαt attribute, in order to admit markup into Strings (whether XML-based or not).

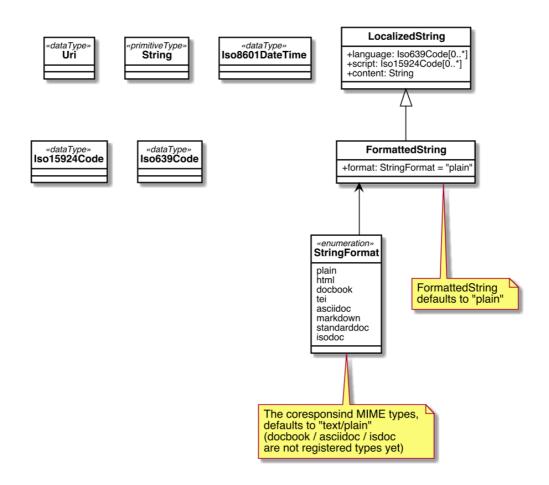


Figure 13 – Basic Document model: Data Types

10.2. Contribution Element Metadata

In addition to the Basic Data Values, the *BasicDocument* model defines a container encoding the contribution made by a party towards a particular element in the document, with the following attributes:

dateTime The date and time when the contribution was made.

contributor The party who made the contribution, as described through the

contributor element in ISO 6900:--.

inegrityValue A digital signature of the contribution, consisting of a hash value

and a signature, with an associated publicKey.

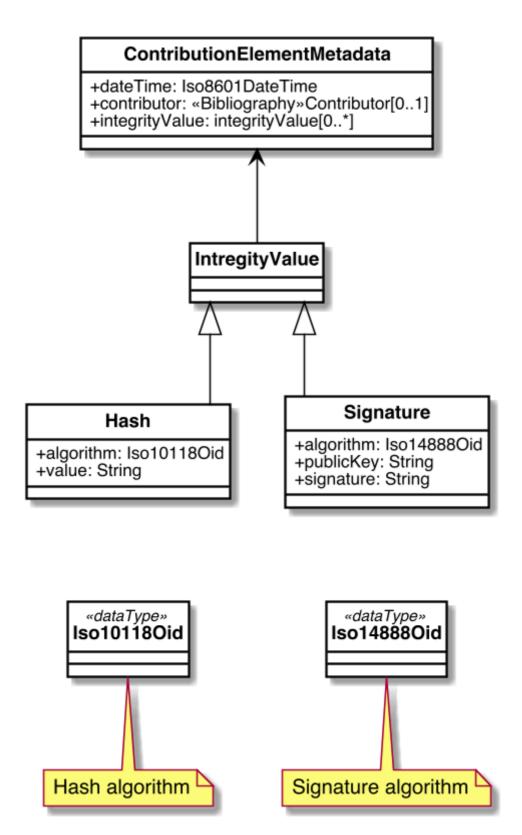


Figure 14 – Basic Document model: Contribution Element Metadata

11. CHANGE MODELS

11.1. General

The change models are provided in *BasicDocument* to enable changes to be applied incrementally towards a *BasicDocument* in a defined manner.

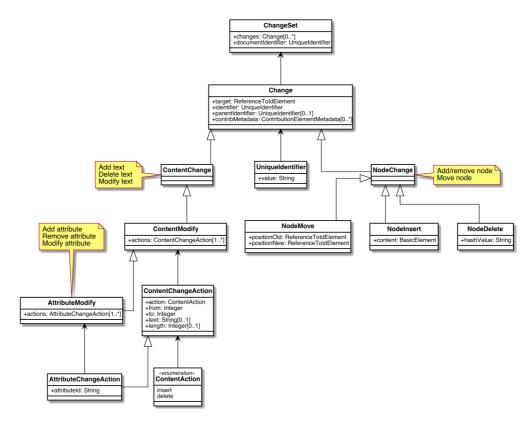


Figure 15 – Basic Document model: Changes

11.2. Change

The *Change* model defines an action to be performed on an element within *BasicDocument*.

It contains the following attributes:

target The element that this action should be applied to.

identifier A unique identifier of this change.

parentIdentifier One or more unique identifiers of *Change* objects, that this

change is supposed to follow after.

contribMetadata Metadata of the contributor, see Clause 10.2.

11.3. Change set

The *ChangeSet* model defines a collection of *Change* data, and specifies a unique identifier that identifies the *BasicDocument* where this *ChangeSet* should be applied to.

changes The set of *Change* data.

documentIdentifier The unique identifier that identifies the BasicDocument

where this ChangeSet should be applied to.

11.4. Unique identifier

The unique identifier is used to uniquely identify a BasicDocument.

It contains the attribute:

value A string that uniquely identifies a BasicDocument.

11.5. Content change

11.5.1. General

The *ContentChange* model defines possible actions that involve modification of content within a *BasicDocument* data element.

11.5.2. Content change action

The *ContentChangeAction* model is used to indicate the actual content changes that applies to the specified portion of textual content. This is used both by the *ContentModify* and *AttributeModify* models as their content are treated as pure text.

It provides the following attributes:

action A ContentAction value, where it could be either insert or delete,

indicating text to be inserted or deleted from the content.

from An Integer that specifies the beginning cursor position of a textual

change.

to An Integer that specifies the ending cursor position of a textual change.

text In the case of an insert, a String to be inserted or replace the substring

referred to by from to to.

length In the case of a delete, an Integer to indicate how many characters to

be removed from the from position. In the case of an insert, an Integer to indicate the length of the text attribute.

11.5.3. Content modify

The ContentModify class provides a container for a multiple ContentChangeAction data.

It has the following attribute:

actions One or more ContentChangeAction data

11.6. Attribute change

The *AttributeChange* model defines possible actions that involve modification of an attribute within a *BasicDocument* data element.

11.6.1. Attribute change action

Similar to *ContentChangeAction* which it inherits from, the *AttributeChangeAction* class is used to specify an actual change to an attribute.

It has the following attribute:

attributeId A String that identifies the attribute where the attribute change should apply to.

11.6.2. Attribute modify

The AttributeModify class provides a container for a multiple AttributeChangeAction data.

It has the following attribute:

actions One or more AttributeChangeAction data

11.7. Node change

11.7.1. General

The *NodeChange* model defines possible actions that involve modification of data elements at the node level within a *BasicDocument*.

The target attribute inherited from the *Change* model indicates the node this NodeChange action applies to.

11.7.2. Node insert

The NodeInsert class specifies the insertion of a data node in a BasicDocument.

It has the following attribute:

content A data element conforming to BasicElement to be inserted into the

specified BasicDocument.

11.7.3. Node delete

The NodeDelete class specifies the deletion of a data node in a BasicDocument.

It has the following attributes:

hashValue An optional string that contains the hash value of the node to be

deleted for verification purposes.

11.7.4. Node move

The *NodeMove* class specifies moving of a particular node in a *BasicDocument* to another location within the same *BasicDocument*.

It has the following attributes:

positionOld A ReferenceToIdElement that indicates the position of the

node's parent. While this seems redundant to the target attribute inherited from the *Change* model, it is useful for verifying that the

location has not changed.

positionNew A ReferenceToIdElement that indicates the new parent or

sibling of the node.

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