

OOXML Document Analysis

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How do we proceed when we receive a problematic OOXML document?





Reproduce the problem

There may be more than one problem in same document. We must make sure we produce the right one.





Simplify the document

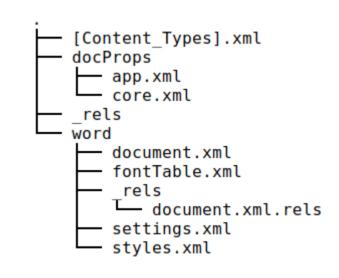
The document may contain texts, images, sounds. But the problem might just about the images. If possible, other elements in the document can be cleaned.





Read the XML

OOXML documents (docx, pptx, xlsx etc) contains compressed XML files. Result of the "unzip test.docx" command will be seen like this.





Detect the XML part problematic element

For example: A paragraph element will look like as following





Read the OOXML specs

It can be understood at this stage whether the syntax is appropriate or not. Apart from that, it allows us to understand the element in more detail than what I see in the interface.





Pick the keywords

We will need this to understand how Collabora Office handles these elements.





grep, read, debug loop

It cannot be formulated after this stage.

Reading code \rightarrow detecting suspicious parts \rightarrow debug them is a loop.

Often writing code is a small part of that proces:)





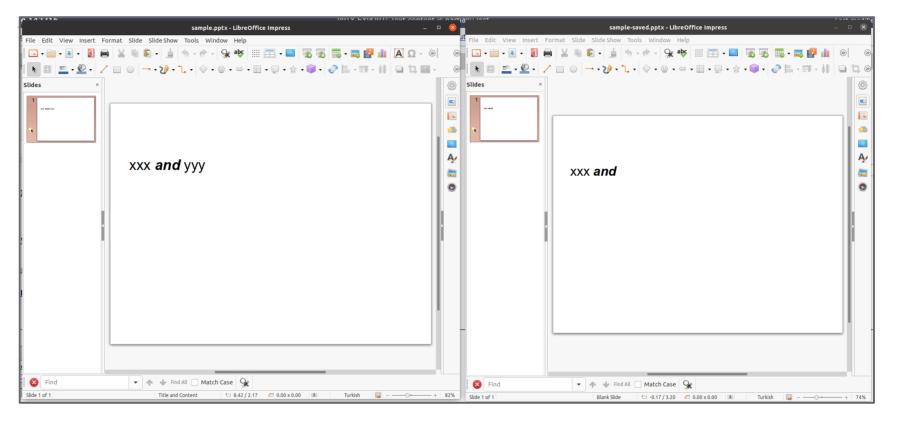
Real example

Bug report: https://bugs.documentfoundation.org/show_bug.cgi?id=142716 (PPTX EXPORT: Text content is partially lost)





Before After



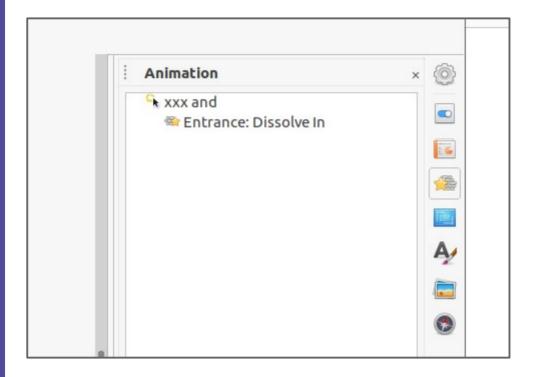




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<p:txBody>
  <a:bodyPr/>
  a:lstStyle/>
 <a:p>
   <a: r>
      <a:rPr lang="tr-TR" dirty="0" smtClean="0"/>
      <a:t>xxx</a:t>
   </a:r>
   <a:г>
      <a:rPr lang="en-NZ" dirty="0" smtClean="0"/>
      <a:t> </a:t>
   </a:r>
   <a:r>
      <a:rPr lang="en-NZ" b="1" i="1" dirty="0" smtClean="0"/>
      <a:t>and </a:t>
   </a:r>
   <a:г>
      <a:rPr lang="tr-TR" dirty="0" smtClean="0"/>
      <a:t>yyy</a:t>
   </a:r>
   <a:endParaRPr lang="en-US" dirty="0"/>
 </a:p>
</p:txBody>
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<p:animEffect transition="in" filter="dissolve">
  <p:cBhvr>
    <p:cTn id="7" dur="500"/>
    <p:tgtEl>
      <p:spTgt spid="3">
        <p:txEl>
          <p:pRg st="0" end="0"/>
        </p:txEl>
      </p:spTgt>
    </p:tgtEl>
  </p:cBhvr>
</p:animEffect>
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1875
               uno::Reference< text::XTextRange > SAL CALL SvxUnoTextBase::getEnd()
                   return SvxUnoTextRangeBase::getEnd();
               OUString SAL CALL SvxUnoTextBase::getString()
                   return SvxUnoTextRangeBase::getString();
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               void SAL CALL SvxUnoTextBase::setString( const OUString& aString )
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   1888
                   SvxUnoTextRangeBase::setString(aString);
               // XEnumerationAccess
               uno::Reference< container::XEnumeration > SAL CALL SvxUnoTextBase::createEnumeration()
 3+><mark>1894</mark>
   1895
                   if( maSelection == ESelection(0,0,0,0) || maSelection == ESelection(EE PARA MAX COUNT,0,0,0))
                       ESelection aSelection:
                       ::GetSelection( aSelection, GetEditSource()->GetTextForwarder() );
   1900
                       return new SvxUnoTextContentEnumeration(*this, aSelection);
                   else
   1904
                       return new SvxUnoTextContentEnumeration(*this, maSelection);
               // XElementAccess ( container::XEnumerationAccess )
   1909
               uno::Type SAL CALL SyxUnoTextBase::getElementType( )
                   return cppu::UnoType<text::XTextRange>::get();
               sal Bool SAL CALL SvxUnoTextBase::hasElements( )
multi-thre Thread 0x7fffe90d50 In: SvxUnoTextBase::createEnumeration
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      L1894 PC: 0x7ffff6c212f0
Thread 1 "soffice.bin" hit Breakpoint 1, animcore::(anonymous namespace)::AnimationNode::createEnumeration (this=0x55555a0a4e70) at /media/qulsah/EK/libreoffice-public-2/animations/source/animcore/animcore.cxx:1906
(qdb) n
(gdb) c
Continuing.
Thread 1 "soffice.bin" hit Breakpoint 1, animcore::(anonymous namespace)::AnimationNode::createEnumeration (this=0x55556f647b0) at /media/qulsah/EK/libreoffice-public-2/animations/source/animcore/animcore.cxx:1906
Continuing.
Thread 1 "soffice.bin" hit Breakpoint 1, animcore::(anonymous namespace)::AnimationNode::createEnumeration (this=0x5555711f270) at /media/gulsah/EK/libreoffice-public-2/animations/source/animcore/animcore.cxx:1906
(gdb) c
Continuing.
Thread 1 "soffice.bin" hit Breakpoint 1, animcore::(anonymous namespace)::AnimationNode::createEnumeration (this=0x5555520ed10) at /media/gulsah/EK/libreoffice-public-2/animations/source/animcore/animcore.cxx:1906
Continuing.
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Thread 1 "soffice.bin" hit Breakpoint 1, non-virtual thunk to SyxUnoTextBase::createEnumeration() () at /media/gulsah/EK/libreoffice-public-2/include/editeng/unotext.hxx:451

Thread 1 "soffice.bin" hit Breakpoint 1, SvxUnoTextBase::createEnumeration (this=0x555559e75ab8) at /media/gulsah/EK/libreoffice-public-2/editeng/source/uno/unotext.cxx:1894

+ main attrlist.cxx mem-cpu script srv Shell

(qdb) c Continuing.

(gdb)

□ libreoffice-public-2: gdb - Drop-Down Terminal



Solution: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/c/core/+/117557

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void SAL_CALL SyxUnoTextBase::insertString( const uno::Reference< text::XTextRange >& xRange, const
                                                                                                   1728 void SAL_CALL SvxUnoTextBase::insertString( const uno::Reference< text::XTextRange >& xRange, const
OUString& aString, sal Bool bAbsorb )
                                                                                                          OUString& aString, sal_Bool bAbsorb )
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    SolarMutexGuard aGuard:
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    if(!xRange.is())
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        return:
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    if (GetEditSource())
        ESelection aSelection:
        ::GetSelection( aSelection, GetEditSource()->GetTextForwarder() );
        SetSelection( aSelection ):
    SvxUnoTextRangeBase* pRange = comphelper::getUnoTunnelImplementation<SvxUnoTextRange>( xRange ): 1735
                                                                                                              SvxUnoTextRangeBase* pRange = comphelper::getUnoTunnelImplementation<SvxUnoTextRange>( xRange ):
    if(!pRange)
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                                                                                                              if(!pRange)
        return;
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                                                                                                                  return;
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    // setString on SvxUnoTextRangeBase instead of itself QuickInsertText
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                                                                                                              // setString on SvxUnoTextRangeBase instead of itself QuickInsertText
    // and UpdateData, so that the selection will be adjusted to
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                                                                                                              // and UpdateData, so that the selection will be adjusted to
    // SvxUnoTextRangeBase. Actually all cursor objects of this Text must
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                                                                                                              // SvxUnoTextRangeBase. Actually all cursor objects of this Text must
    // to be statement to be adapted!
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                                                                                                              // to be statement to be adapted!
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    if (!bAbsorb)
                                   // do not replace -> append on tail
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                                                                                                              if (!bAbsorb)
                                                                                                                                             // do not replace -> append on tail
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        pRange->CollapseToEnd();
                                                                                                                  pRange->CollapseToEnd();
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    pRange->setString( aString );
                                                                                                              pRange->setString( aString );
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    pRange->CollapseToEnd();
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                                                                                                              pRange->CollapseToEnd();
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                                                                                                              if (GetEditSource())
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                                                                                                                  ESelection aSelection;
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                                                                                                                  ::GetSelection( aSelection, GetEditSource()->GetTextForwarder() );
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                                                                                                                  SetSelection( aSelection );
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                                                                                                     1757 }
```









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