

# PasDoc's autodoc

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# Chapter 1

## Pasdoc Sources Overview

This is the documentation of the pasdoc sources, intended for pasdoc developers. For user's documentation see [<https://pasdoc.github.io/>].

Contents:

General overview of the data flow in pasdoc:

### 1.1 Parsing

`TTokenizer`(28.4) reads the source file, and converts it to a series of `TToken`(28.4)s.

`TScanner`(20.4) uses an underlying `TTokenizer`(28.4) and also returns a series of `TToken`(28.4)s, but in addition it understands and interprets `$define`, `$ifdef` and similar compiler directives. While `TTokenizer`(28.4) simply returns all tokens, `TScanner`(20.4) returns only those tokens that are not "`$ifdefed` out". E.g. if `WIN32` is not defined then the `TScanner`(20.4) returns only tokens "`const LineEnding = #10;`" for the following code: `const LineEnding = {$ifdef WIN32} #13#10 {$else} #10 {$endif};`

Finally `TParser`(17.4) uses an underlying `TScanner`(20.4) and interprets the series of tokens, as e.g. "here I see a declaration of variable `Foo`, of type `Integer`". The Parser stores everything it reads in a `TPasUnit`(12.4) instance.

If you ever wrote a program that interprets a text language, you will see that there is nothing special here: We have a lexer (`TScanner`(20.4)), a simplified lexer in `TTokenizer`(28.4)) and a parser (`TParser`(17.4)).

It is important to note that pasdoc's parser is somewhat unusual, compared to "normal" parsers that are used e.g. in Pascal compilers.

1. Pasdoc's parser is "cheating": It does not really understand everything it reads. E.g. the parameter section of a procedure declaration is parsed "blindly", by simply reading tokens up to a matching closing parenthesis. Such cheating obviously simplifies the parser implementation, but it also makes pasdoc's parser "dumber", see [<https://pasdoc.github.io/ToDoParser>].
2. Pasdoc's parser collects the comments before each declaration, since these comments must be converted and placed in the final documentation (while "normal" parsers usually treat comments as a meaningless white-space).

## 1.2 Storing

The unit `PasDoc_Items(12)` provides a comfortable class hierarchy to store a parsed Pascal source tree. `TPasUnit(12.4)` is a "root class" (container-wise), it contains references to all other items within a unit, every item is some instance of `TPasItem(12.4)`.

## 1.3 Generators

The last link in the chain are the generators. A generator uses the stored `TPasItem(12.4)` tree and generates the final documentation. The base abstract class for a generator is `TDocGenerator(4.4)`, this provides some general mechanisms used by all generators. From `TDocGenerator(4.4)` descend more specialized generator classes, like `TGenericHTMLDocGenerator(5.4)`, `THTMLDocGenerator(5.4)`, `TTexDocGenerator(7.4)` and others.

## 1.4 Notes

Note that the parser and the generators do not communicate with each other directly. The parser stores things in the `TPasItem(12.4)` tree. Generators read and process the `TPasItem(12.4)` tree.

So the parser cannot do any stupid thing like messing with some HTML-specific or LaTeX-specific issues of generating documentation. And the generator cannot deal with parsing Pascal source code.

Actually, this makes the implementation of the generator independent enough to be used in other cases, e.g. to generate an "introduction" file for the final documentation, like the one you are reading right now.

# Chapter 2

## Unit PasDoc\_Aspell

### 2.1 Description

Spellchecking using Aspell.

### 2.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes
- Contnrs
- PasDoc\_ProcessLineTalk(18)
- PasDoc\_ObjectVector(15)
- PasDoc\_Types(29)

### 2.3 Overview

**TSpellingError Class** Single misspelling found by `TAspellProcess.CheckString`(2.4).

**TAspellProcess Class** This is a class to interface with aspell through pipe.

### 2.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**TSpellingError Class** \_\_\_\_\_

**Hierarchy**

`TSpellingError` > `TObject`

## Description

Single misspelling found by `TAspellProcess.CheckString(2.4)`. One instance is created per misspelled word.

## Fields

**Word**      `public Word: string;`

The misspelled word exactly as it appeared in the checked text.

**Offset**      `public Offset: Integer;`

Offset of the misspelled word within the string that was passed to `TAspellProcess.CheckString(2.4)`.

**Suggestions** `public Suggestions: string;`

Comma-separated list of replacement suggestions from Aspell, or empty string if Aspell offered none (the '#' response).

## TAspellProcess Class

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### Hierarchy

`TAspellProcess > TObject`

## Description

This is a class to interface with aspell through pipe. It uses underlying `TProcessLineTalk(18.4)` to execute and "talk" with aspell.

## Properties

**AspellMode**      `public property AspellMode: string read FAspellMode;`

Aspell input mode (passed to aspell --mode command-line option) passed at construction.  
Empty string means the Aspell default.

**AspellLanguage** `public property AspellLanguage: string read FAspellLanguage;`

Language code for aspell (passed to aspell --lang command-line option) passed at construction.  
Empty string means the Aspell default.

**OnMessage**      `public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;`

Callback for diagnostic messages.

## Methods

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create(const AAspellMode, AAspellLanguage: string;  
AOnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent);

**Description** Constructor. Values for AspellMode and AspellLanguage are the same as for aspell --mode and --lang command-line options. You can pass here ", then we will not pass appropriate command-line option to aspell.

### Destroy

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

### SetIgnoreWords

**Declaration** public procedure SetIgnoreWords(Value: TStringList);

**Description** Tell Aspell to ignore all words in Value for subsequent CheckString(2.4) calls.

### CheckString

**Declaration** public procedure CheckString(const AString: string; const AErrors: TObjectVector);

**Description** Spellchecks AString and returns result. Will create an array of TSpellingError objects, one entry for each misspelled word. Offsets of TSpellingErrors will be relative to AString.

# Chapter 3

## Unit PasDoc\_Base

### 3.1 Description

Manages parsing and documentation generation: TPasDoc(3.4).

Note: Unit name must be `PasDoc_Base` instead of just `PasDoc` to not conflict with the name of base program name `pasdoc.dpr`.

### 3.2 Uses

- `SysUtils`
- `Classes`
- `Contnrs`
- `PasDoc_Items`(12)
- `PasDoc_Languages`(13)
- `PasDoc_Gen`(4)
- `PasDoc_Types`(29)
- `PasDoc_StringVector`(25)
- `PasDoc_SortSettings`(22)
- `PasDoc_StreamUtils`(23)
- `PasDoc_TagManager`(26)

### 3.3 Overview

`TPasDoc Class` Manages parsing and documentation generation.

## 3.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TPasDoc Class

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#### Hierarchy

TPasDoc > TComponent

#### Description

Manages parsing and documentation generation.

#### Properties

Units	<pre>public property Units: TPasUnits read FUnits;</pre> <p>After Execute(3.4) has been called, Units holds the units that have been parsed.</p>
Conclusion	<pre>public property Conclusion: TExternalItem read FConclusion;</pre> <p>After Execute(3.4) has been called, Conclusion holds the conclusion.</p>
Introduction	<pre>public property Introduction: TExternalItem read FIntroduction;</pre> <p>After Execute(3.4) has been called, Introduction holds the introduction.</p>
AdditionalFiles	<pre>public property AdditionalFiles: TExternalItemList read FAdditionalFiles;</pre> <p>After Execute(3.4) has been called, AdditionalFiles holds the additional external files.</p>
DescriptionFileNames	<pre>published property DescriptionFileNames: TStringVector read FDescriptionFileNames write SetDescriptionFileNames;</pre>
Directives	<pre>published property Directives: TStringVector read FDirectives write SetDirectives;</pre>
IncludeDirectories	<pre>published property IncludeDirectories: TStringVector read FIncludeDirectories write SetIncludeDirectories;</pre>
OnWarning	<pre>published property OnWarning: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage stored false;</pre> <p>This is deprecated name for OnMessage(3.4)</p>
OnMessage	<pre>published property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;</pre>
ProjectName	<pre>published property ProjectName: string read FProjectName write FProjectName;</pre> <p>The name PasDoc shall give to this documentation project, also used to name some of the output files.</p>

<b>SourceFileNames</b>	published property SourceFileNames: TStringVector read FSourceFileNames write SetSourceFileNames;
<b>Title</b>	published property Title: string read FTitle write FTitle;
<b>Verbosity</b>	published property Verbosity: Cardinal read FVerbosity write FVerbosity default DEFAULT_VERBOSITY_LEVEL;
<b>StarOnly</b>	published property StarOnly: boolean read GetStarOnly write SetStarOnly stored false;
<b>CommentMarkers</b>	published property CommentMarkers: TStringList read FCommentMarkers write SetCommentMarkers;
<b>IgnoreMarkers</b>	published property IgnoreMarkers: TStringList read FIgnoreMarkers write SetIgnoreMarkers;
<b>MarkerOptional</b>	published property MarkerOptional: boolean read FMarkerOptional write FMarkerOptional default false;
<b>IgnoreLeading</b>	published property IgnoreLeading: string read FIgnoreLeading write FIgnoreLeading;
<b>Generator</b>	published property Generator: TDocGenerator read FGenerator write SetGenerator;
<b>ShowVisibilities</b>	published property ShowVisibilities: TVisibilities read FShowVisibilities write FShowVisibilities;
<b>CacheDir</b>	published property CacheDir: string read FCacheDir write FCacheDir;
<b>SortSettings</b>	published property SortSettings: TSortSettings read FSortSettings write FSortSettings default [];  This determines how items inside will be sorted. See –sort documentation.
<b>IntroductionFileName</b>	published property IntroductionFileName: string read FIntroductionFileName write FIntroductionFileName;
<b>ConclusionFileName</b>	published property ConclusionFileName: string read FConclusionFileName write FConclusionFileName;
<b>AdditionalFileNames</b>	published property AdditionalFileNames: TStringList read FAdditionalFileNames;
<b>ImplicitVisibility</b>	published property ImplicitVisibility: TI implicitVisibility read FI implicitVisibility write FI implicitVisibility default ivPublic;  See command-line option --implicit-visibility documentation at –implicit-visibility documentation. This will be passed to parser instance.

<b>HandleMacros</b>	published property HandleMacros: boolean read FHandleMacros write FHandleMacros default true;
<b>AutoLink</b>	published property AutoLink: boolean read FAutoLink write FAutoLink default false;
	This controls auto-linking, see -auto-link documentation.
<b>AutoBackComments</b>	published property AutoBackComments: boolean read FAutoBackComments write FAutoBackComments default false;
<b>InfoMergeType</b>	published property InfoMergeType: TInfoMergeType read FInfoMergeType write FInfoMergeType;

## Methods

### RemoveExcludedItems

**Declaration** protected procedure RemoveExcludedItems(const c: TPasItems);

**Description** Searches the description of each TPasUnit item in the collection for an excluded tag. If one is found, the item is removed from the collection. If not, the fields, methods and properties collections are called with RemoveExcludedItems If the collection is empty after removal of all items, it is disposed of and the variable is set to nil.

### Notification

**Declaration** protected procedure Notification(AComponent: TComponent; Operation: TOperation); override;

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create(AOwner: TComponent); override;

**Description** Creates object and sets fields to default values.

### Destroy

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

### AddSourceFileNames

**Declaration** public procedure AddSourceFileNames(const AFileNames: TStringList);

**Description** Adds source filenames from a stringlist

### AddSourceFileNamesFromFile

**Declaration** public procedure AddSourceFileNamesFromFile(const FileName: string;  
DashMeansStdin: boolean);

**Description** Loads names of Pascal unit source code files from a text file. Adds all file names to SourceFileNames(3.4). If DashMeansStdin and AFileName = '-' then it will load filenames from stdin.

### DoError

**Declaration** public procedure DoError(const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const; const AExitCode: Word);

**Description** Raises an exception.

### DoMessage

**Declaration** public procedure DoMessage(const AVerbosity: Cardinal; const AMessageType: TPasDocMessageType; const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const);

**Description** Forwards a message to the OnMessage(3.4) event.

### GenMessage

**Declaration** public procedure GenMessage(const MessageType: TPasDocMessageType; const AMessage: string; const AVerbosity: Cardinal);

**Description** for Generator messages

### Execute

**Declaration** public procedure Execute;

**Description** Starts creating the documentation.

## 3.5 Constants

### DEFAULT\_VERBOSITY\_LEVEL

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**Declaration** DEFAULT\_VERBOSITY\_LEVEL = 2;

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# Chapter 4

## Unit PasDoc\_Gen

### 4.1 Description

Base generator class **TDocGenerator**(4.4), to be specialized for specific output formats.

**PasDoc\_Gen** contains the basic documentation generator object **TDocGenerator**(4.4). It is not sufficient by itself but the basis for all generators that produce documentation in a specific format like HTML or LaTex. They override **TDocGenerator**(4.4)'s virtual methods.

### 4.2 Uses

- **PasDoc\_Items**(12)
- **PasDoc\_Languages**(13)
- **PasDoc\_StringVector**(25)
- **PasDoc\_ObjectVector**(15)
- **PasDoc\_HierarchyTree**(11)
- **PasDoc\_Types**(29)
- **Classes**
- **Contnrs**
- **PasDoc\_TagManager**(26)
- **PasDoc\_Aspell**(2)
- **PasDoc\_StreamUtils**(23)
- **PasDoc\_StringPairVector**(24)

## 4.3 Overview

**TOverviewFileInfo Record**

**TListEventData Class** Collected information about @xxxList item.

**TListData Class** Collected information about @xxxList content.

**TRowData Class** Collected information about @row (or @rowHead).

**TTableData Class** Collected information about @table.

**TDocGenerator Class** Base generator class, to be specialized for specific output formats.

## 4.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**TOverviewFileInfo Record** \_\_\_\_\_

### Fields

**BaseFileName** public BaseFileName: string;

**TranslationId** public TranslationId: TTranslationId;

**TranslationHeadlineId** public TranslationHeadlineId: TTranslationId;

**NoItemsTranslationId** public NoItemsTranslationId: TTranslationId;

**TListEventData Class** \_\_\_\_\_

### Hierarchy

TListEventData > TObject

### Description

Collected information about @xxxList item.

### Properties

**ItemLabel** public property ItemLabel: string read FItemLabel;

This is only for @definitionList: label for this list item, taken from @itemLabel. Already in the processed form. For other lists this will always be ”.

**Text** public property Text: string read FText;

This is content of this item, taken from @item. Already in the processed form, after TDocGenerator.ConvertStr etc. Ready to be included in final documentation.

**Index**

```
public property Index: Integer read FIndex;
```

Number of this item. This should be used for @orderedList. When you iterate over `TListData.Items`, you should be aware that Index of list item is *not* necessarily equal to the position of item inside `TListData.Items`. That's because of @itemSetNumber tag.

Normal list numbering (when no @itemSetNumber tag was used) starts from 1. Using @itemSetNumber user is able to change following item's Index.

For unordered and definition lists this is simpler: Index is always equal to the position within `TListData.Items` (because @itemSetNumber is not allowed there). And usually you will just ignore Index of items on unordered and definition lists.

## Methods

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create(AItemLabel, AText: string; AIndex: Integer);
```

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## TListData Class

### Hierarchy

`TListData > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList`

### Description

Collected information about @xxxList content. Passed to `TDocGenerator.FormatList(4.4)`. Every item of this list should be non-nil instance of `TListItemData(4.4)`.

### Properties

```
ItemSpacing public property ItemSpacing: TListItemSpacing read FItemSpacing;
ListType     public property ListType: TListType read FListType;
```

## Methods

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create(const AOwnsObject: boolean); override;
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## TRowData Class

### Hierarchy

`TRowData > TObject`

### Description

Collected information about @row (or @rowHead).

## Fields

**Head** public Head: boolean;

True if this is for @rowHead tag.

**Cells** public Cells: TStringList;

Each item on this list is already converted (with @-tags parsed, converted by ConvertString etc.) content of given cell tag.

## Methods

**Create**

Declaration public constructor Create;

**Destroy**

Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;

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## TTableData Class

### Hierarchy

TTableData > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### Description

Collected information about @table. Passed to TDocGenerator.FormatTable(4.4). Every item of this list should be non-nil instance of TRowData(4.4).

### Properties

**MaxCellCount** public property MaxCellCount: Cardinal read FMaxCellCount;

Maximum Cells.Count, considering all rows.

**MinCellCount** public property MinCellCount: Cardinal read FMinCellCount;

Minimum Cells.Count, considering all rows.

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## TDocGenerator Class

### Hierarchy

TDocGenerator > TComponent

### Description

Base generator class, to be specialized for specific output formats. This abstract object will do the complete process of writing documentation files. It will be given the collection of units that was the result of the parsing process and a configuration object that was created from default values and program parameters. Depending on the output format, one or more files may be created (HTML will create several, Tex only one).

## Properties

<b>CurrentStream</b>	<pre>protected property CurrentStream: TStream read FCurrentStream;</pre>
<b>Units</b>	<pre>public property Units: TPasUnits read FUnits write FUnits;</pre>
<b>Introduction</b>	<pre>public property Introduction: TExternalItem read FIntroduction write FIntroduction;</pre>
<b>Conclusion</b>	<pre>public property Conclusion: TExternalItem read FConclusion write FConclusion;</pre>
<b>AdditionalFiles</b>	<pre>public property AdditionalFiles: TExternalItemList read FAdditionalFiles write FAdditionalFiles;</pre>
<b>OnMessage</b>	<pre>public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;</pre> <p>Callback receiving messages from generator. This is usually used internally by TPasDoc class, that assigns it's internal callback here when using this generator. Also, for the above reason, do not make this published. See TPasDoc.OnMessage for something more useful for final programs.</p>
<b>Language</b>	<pre>published property Language: TLanguageID read GetLanguage write SetLanguage default DEFAULT_LANGUAGE;</pre> <p>the (human) output language of the documentation file(s)</p>
<b>ProjectName</b>	<pre>published property ProjectName: string read FProjectName write FProjectName;</pre> <p>Name of the project to create.</p>
<b>ExcludeGenerator</b>	<pre>published property ExcludeGenerator: Boolean read FExcludeGenerator write FExcludeGenerator default false;</pre> <p>"Generator info" are things that can change with each invocation of pasdoc, with different pasdoc binary etc. This includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• pasdoc's compiler name and version,</li><li>• pasdoc's version and time of compilation</li></ul> <p>See --exclude-generator documentation. Default value is false (i.e. show them), as this information is generally considered useful. Setting this to true is useful for automatically comparing two versions of pasdoc's output (e.g. when trying to automate pasdoc's tests).</p>

<b>IncludeCreationTime</b>	<pre>published property IncludeCreationTime: Boolean read FIncludeCreationTime write FIncludeCreationTime default false;</pre> <p>Show creation time in the output.</p>
<b>UseLowercaseKeywords</b>	<pre>published property UseLowercaseKeywords: Boolean read FUseLowercaseKeywords write FUseLowercaseKeywords default false;</pre> <p>Setting to define how literal tag keywords should appear in documentation.</p>
<b>Title</b>	<pre>published property Title: string read FTitle write FTitle;</pre> <p>Title of the documentation, supplied by user. May be empty. See <code>TPasDoc.Title(3.4)</code>.</p>
<b>DestinationDirectory</b>	<pre>published property DestinationDirectory: string read FDestDir write SetDestDir;</pre> <p>Destination directory for documentation. Must include terminating forward slash or backslash so that valid file names can be created by concatenating DestinationDirectory and a pathless file name.</p>
<b>OutputGraphVizUses</b>	<pre>published property OutputGraphVizUses: boolean read FGraphVizUses write FGraphVizUses default false;</pre> <p>generate a GraphViz diagram for the units dependencies</p>
<b>OutputGraphVizClassHierarchy</b>	<pre>published property OutputGraphVizClassHierarchy: boolean read FGraphVizClasses write FGraphVizClasses default false;</pre> <p>generate a GraphViz diagram for the Class hierarchy</p>
<b>LinkGraphVizUses</b>	<pre>published property LinkGraphVizUses: string read FLinkGraphVizUses write FLinkGraphVizUses;</pre> <p>link the GraphViz uses diagram</p>
<b>LinkGraphVizClasses</b>	<pre>published property LinkGraphVizClasses: string read FLinkGraphVizClasses write FLinkGraphVizClasses;</pre> <p>link the GraphViz classes diagram</p>
<b>Abbreviations</b>	<pre>published property Abbreviations: TStringList read FAbbreviations write SetAbbreviations;</pre>
<b>CheckSpelling</b>	<pre>published property CheckSpelling: boolean read FCheckSpelling write FCheckSpelling default false;</pre>
<b>AspellLanguage</b>	<pre>published property AspellLanguage: string read FAspellLanguage write FAspellLanguage;</pre>

<b>SpellCheckIgnoreWords</b>	<pre>published property SpellCheckIgnoreWords: TStringList read FSpellCheckIgnoreWords write SetSpellCheckIgnoreWords;</pre>
<b>AutoAbstract</b>	<pre>published property AutoAbstract: boolean read FAutoAbstract write FAutoAbstract default false;</pre> <p>The meaning of this is just like --auto-abstract command-line option. It is used in <code>ExpandDescriptions(4.4)</code>.</p>
<b>LinkLook</b>	<pre>published property LinkLook: TLinkLook read FLinkLook write FLinkLook default llDefault;</pre> <p>This controls <code>SearchLink(4.4)</code> behavior, as described in <code>-link-look</code> documentation.</p>
<b>WriteUsesClause</b>	<pre>published property WriteUsesClause: boolean read FWriteUsesClause write FWriteUsesClause default false;</pre>
<b>AutoLink</b>	<pre>published property AutoLink: boolean read FAutoLink write FAutoLink default false;</pre> <p>This controls auto-linking, see <code>--auto-link</code> documentation.</p>
<b>AutoLinkExclude</b>	<pre>published property AutoLinkExclude: TStringList read FAutoLinkExclude;</pre>
<b>ExternalClassHierarchy</b>	<pre>published property ExternalClassHierarchy: TStrings read FExternalClassHierarchy write SetExternalClassHierarchy stored StoredExternalClassHierarchy;</pre>
<b>Markdown</b>	<pre>published property Markdown: boolean read FMarkdown write FMarkdown default false;</pre>
<b>ShowSourcePosition</b>	<pre>published property ShowSourcePosition: boolean read FShowSourcePosition write FShowSourcePosition default false;</pre> <p>Show source filename and line number in documentation output.</p>
<b>SourceRoot</b>	<pre>published property SourceRoot: string read FSourceRoot write FSourceRoot;</pre> <p>Root path for source files. Used to make relative paths, shown by <code>ShowSourcePosition(4.4)</code> and replaced by <code>SourceUrlPattern(4.4)</code>. Leave empty to make <code>ShowSourcePosition(4.4)</code> and <code>SourceUrlPattern(4.4)</code> just take the final filename part to show / replace.</p>
<b>SourceUrlPattern</b>	<pre>published property SourceUrlPattern: string read FSourceUrlPattern write FSourceUrlPattern;</pre> <p>URL pattern for linking source positions. Use <code>{FILE}</code> for filename and <code>{LINE}</code> for line number. When set, source positions in the output become clickable links. Example: <a href="https://github.com/owner/repo/blob/main/{FILE}">https://github.com/owner/repo/blob/main/{FILE}</a></p>

## Fields

**FLanguage**      `protected FLanguage: TPasDocLanguages;`  
                        the (human) output language of the documentation file(s)

**FClassHierarchy** `protected FClassHierarchy: TStringCardinalTree;`

**FUnits**      `protected FUnits: TPasUnits;`  
                        list of all units that were successfully parsed

## Methods

### DoError

**Declaration** `protected procedure DoError(const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const; const AExitCode: Word);`

### DoMessage

**Declaration** `protected procedure DoMessage(const AVerbosity: Cardinal; const MessageType: TPasDocMessageType; const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const);`

### CreateClassHierarchy

**Declaration** `protected procedure CreateClassHierarchy;`

### MakeItemLink

**Declaration** `protected function MakeItemLink(const Item: TBaseItem; const LinkCaption: string; const LinkContext: TLinkContext): string; virtual;`

**Description** Return a link to item Item which will be displayed as LinkCaption. Returned string may be directly inserted inside output documentation. LinkCaption will be always converted using ConvertString before writing, so don't worry about doing this yourself when calling this method.

LinkContext may be used in some descendants to present the link differently, see `TLinkContext(4.5)` for it's meaning.

If some output format doesn't support this feature, it can return simply ConvertString(LinkCaption). This is the default implementation of this method in this class.

### WriteCodeWithLinksCommon

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteCodeWithLinksCommon(const Item: TPasItem; const Code: string; WriteItemLink: boolean; const NameLinkBegin, NameLinkEnd: string);`

**Description** This writes Code as a Pascal code. Links inside the code are resolved from Item. If WriteItemLink then Item.Name is made a link. Item.Name is printed between NameLinkBegin and NameLinkEnd.

### **HasSourcePosition**

**Declaration** `protected function HasSourcePosition(const AItem: TPasItem; out ItemName, ItemFilenameInRoot, ItemUrl: string): boolean;`

**Description** Utility to process information from `TPasItem.SourceAbsoluteFileName(12.4)` and `TPasItem.SourceLine(12.4)` and decide whether to show it. If True, then we should show it.

**Parameters** `ItemName` is the name to show.

`ItemFilenameInRoot` is the filename, relative to SourceRoot.

`ItemUrl` is the URL to link to, if any (don't make a link if this is ”).

### **CloseStream**

**Declaration** `protected procedure CloseStream;`

**Description** If field `CurrentStream(4.4)` is assigned, it is disposed and set to nil.

### **CodeString**

**Declaration** `protected function CodeString(const s: string): string; virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Return S formatted to look like code, e.g. `<code>xxx</code>` in HTML.

Given S is already in the final output format (with characters converted using `ConvertString(4.4)`, @-tags expanded etc.).

### **ConvertString**

**Declaration** `protected function ConvertString(const s: string): string; virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Converts for each character in S, thus assembling a String that is returned and can be written to the documentation file.

The @ character should not be converted, this will be done later on.

### **ConvertChar**

**Declaration** `protected function ConvertChar(c: char): string; virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Converts a character to its converted form. This method should always be called to add characters to a string.

@ should also be converted by this routine.

### **CreateLink**

**Declaration** `protected function CreateLink(const Item: TBaseItem): string; virtual;`

**Description** This function is supposed to return a reference to an item, that is the name combined with some linking information like a hyperlink element in HTML or a page number in Tex.

### CreateStream

**Declaration** `protected function CreateStream(const AName: string): Boolean;`

**Description** Open output stream in the destination directory. If `CurrentStream`(4.4) still exists (`<> nil`), it is closed. Then, a new output stream in the destination directory is created and assigned to `CurrentStream`(4.4). The file is overwritten if exists.

Use this only for text files that you want to write using `WriteXxx` methods of this class (like `WriteConverted`). There's no point to use it for other files.

Returns `True` if creation was successful, `False` otherwise. When it returns `False`, the error message was already shown by `DoMessage`.

### ExtractEmailAddress

**Declaration** `protected function ExtractEmailAddress(s: string; out S1, S2, EmailAddress: string): Boolean;`

**Description** Searches for an email address in String `S`. Searches for first appearance of the @ character

### FixEmailaddressWithoutMailTo

**Declaration** `protected function FixEmailaddressWithoutMailTo(const PossibleEmailAddress: String): String;`

**Description** Searches for an email address in `PossibleEmailAddress` and appends mailto: if it's an email address and `mailto:` wasn't provided. Otherwise it simply returns the input.

Needed to link email addresses properly which doesn't start with `mailto:`

### ExtractWebAddress

**Declaration** `protected function ExtractWebAddress(s: string; out S1, S2, WebAddress: string): Boolean;`

**Description** Searches for a web address in String `S`. It must either contain a `http://` or start with `www.`

### FindGlobal

**Declaration** `protected function FindGlobal(const NameParts: TNameParts): TBaseItem;`

**Description** Searches all items in all units (given by field `Units`(4.4)) for item with `NameParts`. Returns a pointer to the item on success, `nil` otherwise.

### FindGlobalPasItem

**Declaration** `protected function FindGlobalPasItem(const NameParts: TNameParts): TPasItem; overload;`

**Description** Find a Pascal item, searching global namespace. Returns `Nil` if not found.

### **FindGlobalPasItem**

**Declaration** `protected function FindGlobalPasItem(const ItemName: String): TPasItem; overload;`

**Description** Find a Pascal item, searching global namespace. Assumes that Name is only one component (not something with dots inside). Returns Nil if not found.

### **GetClassDirectiveName**

**Declaration** `protected function GetClassDirectiveName(const Directive: TClassDirective): string;`

**Description** `GetClassDirectiveName` returns 'abstract', or 'sealed' for classes that abstract or sealed respectively. `GetClassDirectiveName` is used by `TTexDocGenerator(7.4)` and `TGenericHTMLDocGenerator(5.4)` in writing the declaration of the class.

### **GetCIOTypename**

**Declaration** `protected function GetCIOTypename(const MyType: TCIOType): string;`

**Description** `GetCIOTypename` writes a translation of `MyType` based on the current language. However, 'record' and 'packed record' are not translated.

### **LoadDescriptionFile**

**Declaration** `protected procedure LoadDescriptionFile(n: string);`

**Description** Loads descriptions from file N and replaces or fills the corresponding comment sections of items.

### **SearchItem**

**Declaration** `protected function SearchItem(s: string; const Item: TBaseItem; WarningIfNotSplittable: boolean): TBaseItem;`

**Description** Searches for item with name S.

If S is not splittable by `SplitNameParts`, returns nil. If `WarningIfNotSplittable`, additionally does `DoMessage` with appropriate warning.

Else (if S is "splittable"), seeks for S (first trying `Item.FindName`, if Item is not nil, then trying `FindGlobal`). Returns nil if not found.

## SearchLink

**Declaration** `protected function SearchLink(s: string; const Item: TBarItem; const LinkDisplay: string; const WarningIfLinkNotFound: TLinkNotFoundAction; out FoundItem: TBarItem): string; overload;`

**Description** Searches for an item of name S which was linked in the description of Item. Starts search within item, then does a search on all items in all units using `FindGlobal(4.4)`. Returns a link as String on success.

If S is not splittable by `SplitNameParts`, it always does `DoMessage` with appropriate warning and returns something like 'UNKNOWN' (no matter what is the value of `WarningIfLinkNotFound`). `FoundItem` will be set to nil in this case.

When item will not be found then:

- if `WarningIfLinkNotFound` is true then it returns `CodeString(ConvertString(S))` and makes `DoMessage` with appropriate warning.
- else it returns " (and does not do any `DoMessage`)

If `LinkDisplay` is not ", then it specifies explicit the display text for link. Else how exactly link does look like is controlled by `LinkLook(4.4)` property.

**Parameters** `FoundItem` is the found item instance or nil if not found.

## SearchLink

**Declaration** `protected function SearchLink(s: string; const Item: TBarItem; const LinkDisplay: string; const WarningIfLinkNotFound: TLinkNotFoundAction): string; overload;`

**Description** Just like previous overloaded version, but this doesn't return `FoundItem` (in case you don't need it).

## StoreDescription

**Declaration** `protected procedure StoreDescription(ItemName: string; var t: string);`

## WriteConverted

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteConverted(const s: string; Newline: boolean); overload;`

**Description** Writes S to CurrentStream, converting it using `ConvertString(4.4)`. Then optionally writes LineEnding.

## WriteConverted

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteConverted(const s: string); overload;`

**Description** Writes S to CurrentStream, converting it using `ConvertString(4.4)`. No LineEnding at the end.

### **WriteConvertedLine**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteConvertedLine(const s: string);`

**Description** Writes S to CurrentStream, converting it using `ConvertString(4.4)`. Then writes LineEnding.

### **WriteDirect**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteDirect(const t: string; Newline: boolean); overload;`

**Description** Simply writes T to CurrentStream, with optional LineEnding.

### **WriteDirect**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteDirect(const t: string); overload;`

**Description** Simply writes T to CurrentStream.

### **WriteDirectLine**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteDirectLine(const t: string);`

**Description** Simply writes T followed by LineEnding to CurrentStream.

### **WriteUnit**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteUnit(const HL: integer; const U: TPasUnit); virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Abstract method that writes all documentation for a single unit U to output, starting at heading level HL. Implementation must be provided by descendant objects and is dependent on output format.

### **WriteUnits**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteUnits(const HL: integer);`

**Description** Writes documentation for all units, calling `WriteUnit(4.4)` for each unit.

### **WriteStartOfCode**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteStartOfCode; virtual;`

### **WriteEndOfCode**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteEndOfCode; virtual;`

### **WriteGVUses**

**Declaration** protected procedure WriteGVUses;

**Description** output graphviz uses tree

### **WriteGVClasses**

**Declaration** protected procedure WriteGVClasses;

**Description** output graphviz class tree

### **StartSpellChecking**

**Declaration** protected procedure StartSpellChecking(const AMode: string);

**Description** starts the spell checker

### **CheckString**

**Declaration** protected procedure CheckString(const AString: string; const AErrors: TObjectVector);

**Description** If CheckSpelling and spell checking was successfully started, this will run FAspellProcess.CheckString(2.4) and will report all errors using DoMessage with mtWarning.

Otherwise this just clears AErrors, which means that no errors were found.

### **EndSpellChecking**

**Declaration** protected procedure EndSpellChecking;

**Description** closes the spellchecker

### **FormatPascalCode**

**Declaration** protected function FormatPascalCode(const Line: string): string; virtual;

**Description** FormatPascalCode will cause Line to be formatted in the way that Pascal code is formatted in Delphi. Note that given Line is taken directly from what user put inside , it is not even processed by ConvertString. You should process it with ConvertString if you want.

### **FormatNormalCode**

**Declaration** protected function FormatNormalCode(AString: string): string; virtual;

**Description** This will cause AString to be formatted in the way that normal Pascal statements (not keywords, strings, comments, etc.) look in Delphi.

### **FormatComment**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatComment(AString: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** FormatComment will cause AString to be formatted in the way that comments other than compiler directives are formatted in Delphi. See: `FormatCompilerComment(4.4)`.

### **FormatHex**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatHex(AString: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** FormatHex will cause AString to be formatted in the way that Hex are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatNumeric**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatNumeric(AString: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** FormatNumeric will cause AString to be formatted in the way that Numeric are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatFloat**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatFloat(AString: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** FormatFloat will cause AString to be formatted in the way that Float are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatString**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatString(AString: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** FormatString will cause AString to be formatted in the way that strings are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatKeyWord**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatKeyWord(AString: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** FormatKeyWord will cause AString to be formatted in the way that reserved words are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatCompilerComment**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatCompilerComment(AString: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** FormatCompilerComment will cause AString to be formatted in the way that compiler directives are formatted in Delphi.

## Paragraph

**Declaration** `protected function Paragraph: string; virtual;`

**Description** This is paragraph marker in output documentation.

Default implementation in this class simply returns '' (one space).

## ShortDash

**Declaration** `protected function ShortDash: string; virtual;`

**Description** See `TTagManager.ShortDash(26.4)`. Default implementation in this class returns '-'.

## EnDash

**Declaration** `protected function EnDash: string; virtual;`

**Description** See `TTagManager.EnDash(26.4)`. Default implementation in this class returns '--'.

## EmDash

**Declaration** `protected function EmDash: string; virtual;`

**Description** See `TTagManager.EmDash(26.4)`. Default implementation in this class returns '---'.

## HtmlString

**Declaration** `protected function HtmlString(const S: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** Process HTML content, like provided by the @html tag. Override this function to decide what to put in output on such thing.

Note that S is not processed in any way, even with `ConvertString`. So you're able to copy user's input inside `@html()` verbatim to the output.

The default implementation is this class simply discards it, i.e. returns always ''. Generators that know what to do with HTML can override this with simple "Result := S".

## LatexString

**Declaration** `protected function LatexString(const S: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** Process LaTeX content, like provided by the @latex tag.

The default implementation is this class simply discards it, i.e. returns always ''. Generators that know what to do with raw LaTeX markup can override this with simple "Result := S".

## **LineBreak**

**Declaration** `protected function LineBreak: string; virtual;`

**Description** Markup that forces line break in given output format (e.g. '<br>' in html or '\\\\' in LaTeX).

It is used on  
tag (but may also be used on other occasions in the future).

In this class it returns "", because it's valid for an output generator to simply ignore  
tags if linebreaks can't be expressed in given output format.

## **URLLink**

**Declaration** `protected function URLLink(const URL: string): string; overload; virtual;`

**Description** Markup to display URL in a description. E.g. HTML generator will want to wrap this in <a href="...">...</a>.

Note that passed here URL is *not* processed by `ConvertString(4.4)` (because sometimes it could be undesirable). If you want you can process URL with `ConvertString` when overriding this method.

Default implementation in this class simply returns `ConvertString(URL)`. This is good if your documentation format does not support anything like URL links.

## **URLLink**

**Declaration** `protected function URLLink(const URL, LinkDisplay: string): string; overload; virtual;`

**Description** Text which will be shown for an URL tag.

URL is a link to a website or e-mail address. LinkDisplay is an optional parameter which will be used as the display name of the URL.

## **WriteExternal**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteExternal(const ExternalItem: TExternalItem; const Id: TTranslationID);`

**Description** Write the introduction and conclusion of the project.

## **WriteExternalCore**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteExternalCore(const ExternalItem: TExternalItem; const Id: TTranslationID); virtual; abstract;`

**Description** This is called from `WriteExternal(4.4)` when ExternalItem.Title and ShortTitle are already set, message about generating appropriate item is printed etc. This should write ExternalItem, including ExternalItem.DetailedDescription, ExternalItem.Authors, ExternalItem.Created, ExternalItem.LastMod.

### **WriteConclusion**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteConclusion;`

**Description** Writes a conclusion for the project. See `WriteExternal(4.4)`.

### **WriteIntroduction**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteIntroduction;`

**Description** Writes an introduction for the project. See `WriteExternal(4.4)`.

### **WriteAdditionalFiles**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteAdditionalFiles;`

**Description** Writes the other files for the project. See `WriteExternal(4.4)`.

### **FormatSection**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatSection(HL: integer; const Anchor: string; const Caption: string): string; virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Writes a section heading and a link-anchor.

### **FormatAnchor**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatAnchor(const Anchor: string): string; virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Writes a link-anchor.

### **FormatBold**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatBold(const Text: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** Return Text formatted using bold font.

Given Text is already in the final output format (with characters converted using `ConvertString(4.4)`, @-tags expanded etc.).

Implementation of this method in this class simply returns `Result := Text`. Output generators that can somehow express bold formatting (or at least emphasis of some text) should override this.

**See also** `FormatItalic(4.4)` Return Text formatted using italic font.

### **FormatItalic**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatItalic(const Text: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** Return Text formatted using italic font. Analogous to `FormatBold(4.4)`.

### **FormatWarning**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatWarning(const Text: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** Return Text using bold font by calling FormatBold(Text).

### **FormatNote**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatNote(const Text: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** Return Text using italic font by calling FormatItalic(Text).

### **FormatPreformatted**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatPreformatted(const Text: string): string; virtual;`

**Description** Return Text preserving spaces and line breaks. Note that Text passed here is not yet converted with ConvertString. The implementation of this method in this class just returns ConvertString(Text).

### **FormatImage**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatImage(FileNames: TStringList): string; virtual;`

**Description** Return markup to show an image. FileNames is a list of possible filenames of the image. FileNames always contains at least one item (i.e. FileNames.Count >= 1), never contains empty lines (i.e. Trim(FileNames[I]) <> ”), and contains only absolute filenames.

E.g. HTML generator will want to choose the best format for HTML, then somehow copy the image from FileNames[Chosen] and wrap this in <img src=”...”>.

Implementation of this method in this class simply shows FileNames[0]. Output generators should override this.

### **FormatList**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatList(ListData: TListData): string; virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Format a list from given ListData.

### **FormatTable**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatTable(Table: TTableData): string; virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Return appropriate content for given Table. It’s guaranteed that the Table passed here will have at least one row and in each row there will be at least one cell, so you don’t have to check it within descendants.

### **FormatTableOfContents**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatTableOfContents(Sections: TStringPairVector): string; virtual;`

**Description** Override this if you want to insert something on @tableOfContents tag. As a parameter you get already prepared tree of sections that your table of contents should show. Each item of Sections is a section on the level 1. Item's Name is section name, item's Value is section caption, item's Data is a TStringPairVector instance that describes subsections (on level 2) below this section. And so on, recursively.

Sections given here are never nil, and item's Data is never nil. But of course they may contain 0 items, and this should be a signal to you that given section doesn't have any subsections.

Default implementation of this method in this class just returns empty string.

### **BuildLinks**

**Declaration** `public procedure BuildLinks; virtual;`

**Description** Creates anchors and links for all items in all units.

### **ExpandDescriptions**

**Declaration** `public procedure ExpandDescriptions;`

**Description** Expands description for each item in each unit of `Units(4.4)`. "Expands description" means that `TTagManager.Execute` is called, and item's `DetailedDescription`, `AbstractDescription`, `AbstractDescriptionWasAutomatic` (and many others, set by @-tags handlers) properties are calculated.

### **GetFileExtension**

**Declaration** `public function GetFileExtension: string; virtual; abstract;`

**Description** Abstract function that provides file extension for documentation format. Must be overwritten by descendants.

### **LoadDescriptionFiles**

**Declaration** `public procedure LoadDescriptionFiles(const c: TStringVector);`

**Description** Assumes C contains file names as PString variables. Calls `LoadDescriptionFile(4.4)` with each file name.

### **WriteDocumentation**

**Declaration** `public procedure WriteDocumentation; virtual;`

**Description** Must be overwritten, writes all documentation. Will create either a single file or one file for each unit and each class, interface or object, depending on output format.

**Create**

**Declaration** public constructor Create(AOwner: TComponent); override;

**Destroy**

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

**ParseAbbreviationsFile**

**Declaration** public procedure ParseAbbreviationsFile(const AFileName: string);

## 4.5 Types

**TOverviewFile** 

---

**Declaration** TOverviewFile = (...);

**Description** Overview files that pasdoc generates for multiple-document-formats like HTML (see `TGenericHTMLDocGenerator`). But not all of them are supposed to be generated by pasdoc, some must be generated by external programs by user, e.g. uses and class diagrams must be made by user using programs such as GraphViz. See type `TCreatedOverviewFile` for subrange type of `TOverviewFile` that specifies only overview files that are really supposed to be made by pasdoc.

**Values** ofUnits  
ofClassHierarchy  
ofCios  
ofTypes  
ofVariables  
ofConstants  
ofFunctionsAndProcedures  
ofIdentifiers  
ofGraphVizUses  
ofGraphVizClasses

**TCreatedOverviewFile** 

---

**Declaration** TCreatedOverviewFile = Low(TOverviewFile) .. ofIdentifiers;

**TLinkLook** 

---

**Declaration** TLinkLook = (...);

**Description**

**Values** llDefault  
llFull  
llStripped

## TLinkNotFoundAction

---

**Declaration** TLinkNotFoundAction = (...);

### Description

**Values** lnfIgnore  
lnfWarn  
lnfWarnIfNotInternal

## TLinkContext

---

**Declaration** TLinkContext = (...);

**Description** This is used by TDocGenerator.MakeItemLink(4.4)

**Values** lcCode This means that link is inside some larger code piece, e.g. within FullDeclaration of some item etc. This means that we *may* be inside a context where used font has constant width.

lcNormal This means that link is inside some "normal" description text.

## TListType

---

**Declaration** TListType = (...);

### Description

**Values** ltUnordered  
ltOrdered  
ltDefinition

## TListItemSpacing

---

**Declaration** TListItemSpacing = (...);

### Description

**Values** lisCompact  
lisParagraph

## 4.6 Constants

### OverviewFileInfo

---

**Declaration** OverviewFileInfo: array[TOverviewFile] of TOverviewFileInfo = (  
(BaseFileName: 'AllUnits' ; TranslationId: trUnits ; TranslationHeadlineId:  
trHeadlineUnits ; NoItemsTranslationId: trNone ; ), (BaseFileName:  
'ClassHierarchy' ; TranslationId: trClassHierarchy ; TranslationHeadlineId:

```

trClassHierarchy ; NoItemsTranslationId: trNoCIOs ; ), (BaseFileName:
'AllClasses' ; TranslationId: trCio ; TranslationHeadlineId: trHeadlineCio
; NoItemsTranslationId: trNoCIOs ; ), (BaseFileName: 'AllTypes' ;
TranslationId: trTypes ; TranslationHeadlineId: trHeadlineTypes ;
NoItemsTranslationId: trNoTypes ; ), (BaseFileName: 'AllVariables' ;
TranslationId: trVariables ; TranslationHeadlineId: trHeadlineVariables ;
NoItemsTranslationId: trNoVariables ; ), (BaseFileName: 'AllConstants' ;
TranslationId: trConstants ; TranslationHeadlineId: trHeadlineConstants ;
NoItemsTranslationId: trNoConstants ; ), (BaseFileName: 'AllFunctions' ;
TranslationId: trFunctionsAndProcedures; TranslationHeadlineId:
trHeadlineFunctionsAndProcedures; NoItemsTranslationId: trNoFunctions ; ),
(BaseFileName: 'AllIdentifiers'; TranslationId: trIdentifiers ;
TranslationHeadlineId: trHeadlineIdentifiers ; NoItemsTranslationId:
trNoIdentifiers ; ), (BaseFileName: 'GVUses' ; TranslationId: trGvUses ;
TranslationHeadlineId: trGvUses ; NoItemsTranslationId: trNone ; ),
(BaseFileName: 'GVClasses' ; TranslationId: trGvClasses ;
TranslationHeadlineId: trGvClasses ; NoItemsTranslationId: trNoCIOs ; ) );

```

## LowCreatedOverviewFile

---

**Declaration** LowCreatedOverviewFile = Low(TCreatedOverviewFile);

**Description** Using High(TCreatedOverviewFile) or High(Overview) where Overview: TCreatedOverviewFile in PasDoc\_GenHtml produces internal error in FPC 2.0.0. Same for Low(TCreatedOverviewFile).  
This is submitted as FPC bug 4140, FPC bug 4140. Fixed in FPC 2.0.1 and FPC 2.1.1.

## HighCreatedOverviewFile

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**Declaration** HighCreatedOverviewFile = High(TCreatedOverviewFile);

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# Chapter 5

## Unit PasDoc\_GenHtml

### 5.1 Description

HTML documentation generator in `TGenericHTMLDocGenerator`(5.4).

### 5.2 Uses

- `PasDoc_Utils`(30)
- `PasDoc_Gen`(4)
- `PasDoc_Items`(12)
- `PasDoc_Languages`(13)
- `PasDoc_StringVector`(25)
- `PasDoc_Types`(29)
- `Classes`
- `Contnrs`
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector`(24)

### 5.3 Overview

`TGenericHTMLDocGenerator Class` HTML documentation generator.

`THTMLDocGenerator Class` Right now this is the same thing as `TGenericHTMLDocGenerator`.

`SignatureToHtmlId` DON'T EDIT – this file was automatically generated from "pasdoc.css"

## 5.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TGenericHTMLDocGenerator Class

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#### Hierarchy

TGenericHTMLDocGenerator > TDocGenerator(4.4) > TComponent

#### Description

HTML documentation generator.

Extends TDocGenerator(4.4) and overwrites many of its methods to generate output in HTML format.

#### Properties

<b>Header</b>	<code>published property Header: string read FHeader write FHeader;</code> some HTML code to be written as header for every page
<b>Footer</b>	<code>published property Footer: string read FFooter write FFooter;</code> some HTML code to be written as footer for every page
<b>HtmlBodyBegin</b>	<code>published property HtmlBodyBegin: string read FHtmlBodyBegin write FHtmlBodyBegin;</code>
<b>HtmlBodyEnd</b>	<code>published property HtmlBodyEnd: string read FHtmlBodyEnd write FHtmlBodyEnd;</code>
<b>HtmlHead</b>	<code>published property HtmlHead: string read FHtmlHead write FHtmlHead;</code>
<b>CSS</b>	<code>published property CSS: string read FCSS write FCSS;</code> Contents of the main CSS file (pasdoc.css).
<b>Bootstrap</b>	<code>published property Bootstrap: boolean read FBootstrap write FBootstrap default true;</code> If true, add Bootstrap CSS and JS. Definitions in CSS(5.4) will be evaluated after Bootstrap's ones.
<b>NumericFilenames</b>	<code>published property NumericFilenames: boolean read FNumericFilenames write FNumericFilenames default false;</code> if set to true, numeric filenames will be used rather than names with multiple dots
<b>UseTipueSearch</b>	<code>published property UseTipueSearch: boolean read FUseTipueSearch write FUseTipueSearch default False;</code> Enable Tipue fulltext search. See <code>-use-tipue-search</code> documentation.

## Methods

### MakeHead

**Declaration** protected function MakeHead: string;

**Description** Return common HTML content that goes inside <head>.

### MakeBodyBegin

**Declaration** protected function MakeBodyBegin: string; virtual;

**Description** Return common HTML content that goes right after <body>.

### MakeBodyEnd

**Declaration** protected function MakeBodyEnd: string; virtual;

**Description** Return common HTML content that goes right before </body>.

### ConvertString

**Declaration** protected function ConvertString(const s: string): string; override;

### ConvertChar

**Declaration** protected function ConvertChar(c: char): string; override;

**Description** Called by ConvertString(5.4) to convert a character. Will convert special characters to their html escape sequence -> test

### WriteUnit

**Declaration** protected procedure WriteUnit(const HL: integer; const U: TPasUnit);  
override;

### HtmlString

**Declaration** protected function HtmlString(const S: string): string; override;

**Description** overrides TDocGenerator.HtmlString(4.4).HtmlString to return the string verbatim (TDocGenerator.HtmlString discards those strings)

### FormatPascalCode

**Declaration** protected function FormatPascalCode(const Line: string): string; override;

**Description** FormatPascalCode will cause Line to be formatted in the way that Pascal code is formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatComment**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatComment(AString: string): string; override;`

**Description** FormatComment will cause AString to be formatted in the way that comments other than compiler directives are formatted in Delphi. See: `FormatCompilerComment(5.4)`.

### **FormatHex**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatHex(AString: string): string; override;`

**Description** FormatHex will cause AString to be formatted in the way that Hex are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatNumeric**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatNumeric(AString: string): string; override;`

**Description** FormatNumeric will cause AString to be formatted in the way that Numeric are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatFloat**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatFloat(AString: string): string; override;`

**Description** FormatFloat will cause AString to be formatted in the way that Float are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatString**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatString(AString: string): string; override;`

**Description** FormatKeyWord will cause AString to be formatted in the way that strings are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatKeyWord**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatKeyWord(AString: string): string; override;`

**Description** FormatKeyWord will cause AString to be formatted in the way that reserved words are formatted in Delphi.

### **FormatCompilerComment**

**Declaration** `protected function FormatCompilerComment(AString: string): string; override;`

**Description** FormatCompilerComment will cause AString to be formatted in the way that compiler directives are formatted in Delphi.

### **CodeString**

**Declaration** `protected function CodeString(const s: string): string; override;`

**Description** Makes a String look like a coded String, i.e. <CODE>TheString</CODE> in Html.

### **CreateLink**

**Declaration** `protected function CreateLink(const Item: TBaseItem): string; override;`

**Description** Returns a link to an anchor within a document. HTML simply concatenates the strings with a "#" character between them.

### **WriteStartOfCode**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteStartOfCode; override;`

### **WriteEndOfCode**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteEndOfCode; override;`

### **WriteAnchor**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteAnchor(const AName: string); overload;`

### **WriteAnchor**

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteAnchor(const AName, Caption: string); overload;`

**Description** Write an anchor. Note that the Caption is assumed to be already processed with the `ConvertString(5.4)`.

### **Paragraph**

**Declaration** `protected function Paragraph: string; override;`

### **EnDash**

**Declaration** `protected function EnDash: string; override;`

### **EmDash**

**Declaration** `protected function EmDash: string; override;`

### **LineBreak**

**Declaration** `protected function LineBreak: string; override;`

## **URLLink**

```
Declaration protected function URLLink(const URL: string): string; override;
```

## **URLLink**

```
Declaration protected function URLLink(const URL, LinkDisplay: string): string;  
override;
```

## **WriteExternalCore**

```
Declaration protected procedure WriteExternalCore(const ExternalItem: TExternalItem;  
const Id: TTranslationID); override;
```

## **MakeItemLink**

```
Declaration protected function MakeItemLink(const Item: TBaseItem; const LinkCaption:  
string; const LinkContext: TLinkContext): string; override;
```

## **EscapeURL**

```
Declaration protected function EscapeURL(const AString: string): string; virtual;
```

## **FormatSection**

```
Declaration protected function FormatSection(HL: integer; const Anchor: string; const  
Caption: string): string; override;
```

## **FormatAnchor**

```
Declaration protected function FormatAnchor(const Anchor: string): string; override;
```

## **FormatBold**

```
Declaration protected function FormatBold(const Text: string): string; override;
```

## **FormatItalic**

```
Declaration protected function FormatItalic(const Text: string): string; override;
```

## **FormatWarning**

```
Declaration protected function FormatWarning(const Text: string): string; override;
```

## **FormatNote**

```
Declaration protected function FormatNote(const Text: string): string; override;
```

**FormatPreformatted**

```
Declaration protected function FormatPreformatted(const Text: string): string;
override;
```

**FormatImage**

```
Declaration protected function FormatImage(FileNames: TStringList): string; override;
```

**FormatList**

```
Declaration protected function FormatList(ListData: TListData): string; override;
```

**FormatTable**

```
Declaration protected function FormatTable(Table: TTableData): string; override;
```

**FormatTableOfContents**

```
Declaration protected function FormatTableOfContents(Sections: TStringPairVector):
string; override;
```

**Create**

```
Declaration public constructor Create(AOwner: TComponent); override;
```

**Destroy**

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

**GetFileExtension**

```
Declaration public function GetFileExtension: string; override;
```

**Description** Returns HTML file extension ".htm".

**WriteDocumentation**

```
Declaration public procedure WriteDocumentation; override;
```

**Description** The method that does everything - writes documentation for all units and creates overview files.

**THTMLDocGenerator Class** 

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**Hierarchy**

THTMLDocGenerator > **TGenericHTMLDocGenerator**(5.4) > **TDocGenerator**(4.4) > **TComponent**

## Description

Right now this is the same thing as TGenericHTMLDocGenerator. In the future it may be extended to include some things not needed for HtmlHelp generator.

## Methods

### MakeBodyBegin

```
Declaration protected function MakeBodyBegin: string; override;
```

### MakeBodyEnd

```
Declaration protected function MakeBodyEnd: string; override;
```

## 5.5 Functions and Procedures

### SignatureToHtmlId

---

```
Declaration function SignatureToHtmlId(const Signature: string): string;
```

**Description** DON'T EDIT – this file was automatically generated from "pasdoc.css"

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# Chapter 6

## Unit PasDoc\_GenHtmlHelp

### 6.1 Description

Generate HtmlHelp output.

### 6.2 Uses

- PasDoc\_GenHtml(5)
- PasDoc\_Utils(30)
- PasDoc\_SortSettings(22)

### 6.3 Overview

THTMLHelpDocGenerator Class

### 6.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**THTMLHelpDocGenerator Class** \_\_\_\_\_

#### Hierarchy

THTMLHelpDocGenerator > TGenericHTMLDocGenerator(5.4) > TDocGenerator(4.4) > TComponent

#### Description

no description available, TGenericHTMLDocGenerator description follows HTML documentation generator.  
Extends TDocGenerator(4.4) and overwrites many of its methods to generate output in HTML format.

## **Properties**

**ContentsFile** published property ContentsFile: string read FContentsFile write FContentsFile;

Contains Name of a file to read HtmlHelp Contents from. If empty, create default contents file.

## **Methods**

### **WriteDocumentation**

**Declaration** public procedure WriteDocumentation; override;

# Chapter 7

## Unit PasDoc\_GenLatex

### 7.1 Description

LaTeX documentation generator `TTexDocGenerator`(7.4).

### 7.2 Uses

- `PasDoc_Gen`(4)
- `PasDoc_Items`(12)
- `PasDoc_Languages`(13)
- `PasDoc_StringVector`(25)
- `PasDoc_Types`(29)
- `Classes`
- `Contnrs`

### 7.3 Overview

`TTexDocGenerator` Class LaTeX documentation generator.

### 7.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

`TTexDocGenerator` Class

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Hierarchy

`TTexDocGenerator` > `TDocGenerator`(4.4) > `TComponent`

## Description

LaTeX documentation generator.

Extends `TDocGenerator(4.4)` and overwrites many of its methods to generate output in LaTeX format.

## Properties

`Latex2rtf` published property `Latex2rtf: boolean read FLatex2rtf write FLatex2rtf default false;`

Indicate if the output must be simplified for `latex2rtf`

`LatexHead` published property `LatexHead: TStrings read FLatexHead write SetLatexHead;`

The strings in `LatexHead` are inserted directly into the preamble of the LaTeX document. Therefore they must be valid LaTeX code.

## Methods

### ConvertString

Declaration protected function `ConvertString(const s: string): string; override;`

### ConvertChar

Declaration protected function `ConvertChar(c: char): String; override;`

Description Called by `ConvertString(7.4)` to convert a character. Will convert special characters to their html escape sequence -> test

### WriteUnit

Declaration protected procedure `WriteUnit(const HL: integer; const U: TPasUnit); override;`

### LatexString

Declaration protected function `LatexString(const S: string): string; override;`

### CodeString

Declaration protected function `CodeString(const s: string): string; override;`

Description Makes a String look like a coded String, i.e. '\begin{ttfamily}TheString\end{ttfamily}' in LaTeX. }

### CreateLink

Declaration protected function `CreateLink(const Item: TBaseItem): string; override;`

Description Returns a link to an anchor within a document. LaTeX simply concatenates the strings with either a "-" or "." character between them.

**WriteStartOfCode**

**Declaration** protected procedure WriteStartOfCode; override;

**WriteEndOfCode**

**Declaration** protected procedure WriteEndOfCode; override;

**Paragraph**

**Declaration** protected function Paragraph: string; override;

**ShortDash**

**Declaration** protected function ShortDash: string; override;

**LineBreak**

**Declaration** protected function LineBreak: string; override;

**URLLink**

**Declaration** protected function URLLink(const URL: string): string; override;

**URLLink**

**Declaration** protected function URLLink(const URL, LinkDisplay: string): string;  
override;

**WriteExternalCore**

**Declaration** protected procedure WriteExternalCore(const ExternalItem: TExternalItem;  
const Id: TTranslationID); override;

**FormatKeyWord**

**Declaration** protected function FormatKeyWord(AString: string): string; override;

**Description** FormatKeyWord is called from within FormatPascalCode(7.4) to return AString in a bold font.

**FormatCompilerComment**

**Declaration** protected function FormatCompilerComment(AString: string): string;  
override;

**Description** FormatCompilerComment is called from within FormatPascalCode(7.4) to return AString in italics.

**FormatComment**

**Declaration** protected function FormatComment(AString: string): string; override;

**Description** FormatComment is called from within FormatPascalCode(7.4) to return AString in italics.

**FormatAnchor**

**Declaration** protected function FormatAnchor(const Anchor: string): string; override;

**MakeItemLink**

**Declaration** protected function MakeItemLink(const Item: TBaseItem; const LinkCaption: string; const LinkContext: TLinkContext): string; override;

**FormatBold**

**Declaration** protected function FormatBold(const Text: string): string; override;

**FormatItalic**

**Declaration** protected function FormatItalic(const Text: string): string; override;

**FormatWarning**

**Declaration** protected function FormatWarning(const Text: string): string; override;

**FormatNote**

**Declaration** protected function FormatNote(const Text: string): string; override;

**FormatPreformatted**

**Declaration** protected function FormatPreformatted(const Text: string): string; override;

**FormatImage**

**Declaration** protected function FormatImage(FileNames: TStringList): string; override;

**FormatList**

**Declaration** protected function FormatList(ListData: TListData): string; override;

**FormatTable**

**Declaration** protected function FormatTable(Table: TTableData): string; override;

### **FormatPascalCode**

**Declaration** public function FormatPascalCode(const Line: string): string; override;

**Description** FormatPascalCode is intended to format Line as if it were Object Pascal code in Delphi or Lazarus. However, unlike Lazarus and Delphi, colored text is not used because printing colored text tends to be much more expensive than printing all black text.

### **GetFileExtension**

**Declaration** public function GetFileExtension: string; override;

**Description** Returns Latex file extension ".tex".

### **WriteDocumentation**

**Declaration** public procedure WriteDocumentation; override;

**Description** The method that does everything — writes documentation for all units and creates overview files.

### **Create**

**Declaration** public constructor Create(AOwner: TComponent); override;

### **Destroy**

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

### **EscapeURL**

**Declaration** public function EscapeURL(const AString: string): string; virtual;

### **FormatSection**

**Declaration** public function FormatSection(HL: integer; const Anchor: string; const Caption: string): string; override;

# Chapter 8

## Unit PasDoc\_GenPHP

### 8.1 Description

PHP output generator.

### 8.2 Uses

- PasDoc\_Utils(30)
- PasDoc\_Gen(4)
- PasDoc\_Items(12)
- PasDoc\_Types(29)
- PasDoc\_Languages(13)
- PasDoc\_StringVector(25)

### 8.3 Overview

TPHPDocGenerator Class PHP output generator.

### 8.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**TPHPDocGenerator Class** \_\_\_\_\_

Hierarchy

TPHPDocGenerator > TDocGenerator(4.4) > TComponent

## Description

PHP output generator.

## Methods

### CodeString

**Declaration** `protected function CodeString(const s: string): string; override;`

**Description** Overrides of ancestor abstract methods, not really used by PHP generation. As we output only a simple map (name->html\_filename) for PHP now, we don't really use most of these methods. But we override them, as they are abstract in ancestor.

### WriteExternalCore

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteExternalCore(const ExternalItem: TExternalItem; const Id: TTranslationID); override;`

### FormatSection

**Declaration** `protected function FormatSection(HL: integer; const Anchor: string; const Caption: string): string; override;`

### FormatAnchor

**Declaration** `protected function FormatAnchor(const Anchor: string): string; override;`

### FormatList

**Declaration** `protected function FormatList(ListData: TListData): string; override;`

### FormatTable

**Declaration** `protected function FormatTable(Table: TTableData): string; override;`

### ConvertString

**Declaration** `protected function ConvertString(const s: string): string; override;`

**Description** Overrides actually used.

### ConvertChar

**Declaration** `protected function ConvertChar(c: char): string; override;`

**WriteUnit**

```
Declaration protected procedure WriteUnit(const HL: integer; const U: TPasUnit);  
override;
```

**WriteDocumentation**

```
Declaration public procedure WriteDocumentation; override;
```

**GetFileExtension**

```
Declaration public function GetFileExtension: String; override;
```

# Chapter 9

## Unit PasDoc\_GenSimpleXML

### 9.1 Description

SimpleXML documentation generator `TSimpleXMLDocGenerator`(9.4).

### 9.2 Uses

- `PasDoc_Utils`(30)
- `PasDoc_Gen`(4)
- `PasDoc_Items`(12)
- `PasDoc_Languages`(13)
- `PasDoc_StringVector`(25)
- `PasDoc_Types`(29)
- `Classes`
- `Contnrs`
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector`(24)

### 9.3 Overview

`TSimpleXMLDocGenerator` Class

## 9.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TSimpleXMLDocGenerator Class

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#### Hierarchy

TSimpleXMLDocGenerator > TDocGenerator(4.4) > TComponent

#### Description

no description available, TDocGenerator description followsBase generator class, to be specialized for specific output formats. This abstract object will do the complete process of writing documentation files. It will be given the collection of units that was the result of the parsing process and a configuration object that was created from default values and program parameters. Depending on the output format, one or more files may be created (HTML will create several, Tex only one).

#### Methods

##### CodeString

Declaration protected function CodeString(const s: string): string; override;

##### ConvertString

Declaration protected function ConvertString(const s: string): string; override;

##### ConvertChar

Declaration protected function ConvertChar(c: char): string; override;

##### WriteUnit

Declaration protected procedure WriteUnit(const HL: integer; const U: TPasUnit);  
override;

##### WriteExternalCore

Declaration protected procedure WriteExternalCore(const ExternalItem: TExternalItem;  
const Id: TTranslationID); override;

##### FormatSection

Declaration protected function FormatSection(HL: integer; const Anchor: string; const  
Caption: string): string; override;

##### FormatAnchor

Declaration protected function FormatAnchor(const Anchor: string): string; override;

**FormatTable**

**Declaration** protected function FormatTable(Table: TTableData): string; override;

**FormatList**

**Declaration** protected function FormatList(ListData: TListData): string; override;

**FormatBold**

**Declaration** protected function FormatBold(const Text: string): string; override;

**FormatItalic**

**Declaration** protected function FormatItalic(const Text: string): string; override;

**WriteDocumentation**

**Declaration** public procedure WriteDocumentation; override;

**GetFileExtension**

**Declaration** public function GetFileExtension: string; override;

# Chapter 10

## Unit PasDoc\_Hashes

### 10.1 Description

This unit implements an associative array. Before writing this unit, I've always missed Perl commands like `$h{abc}='def'` in Pascal.

Version 0.9.1 (works fine, don't know a bug, but 1.0? No, error checks are missing!)

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Thanks to:

- Larry Wall for perl! And because I found a way how to implement a hash in perl's source code (hv.c and hv.h). This is not a direct translation from C to Pascal, but the algorithms are more or less the same.

Be warned:

- There is NOT a single ERROR CHECK in this unit. So expect anything! Especially there are NO checks on NEW and GETMEM functions — this might be dangerous on machines with low memory.

Programmer's information:

- you need Free Pascal Compiler or Delphi to compile this unit
- I recommend that you use Ansistrings {\$H+} to be able to use keys longer than 255 chars

How to use this unit:

Simply put this unit in your uses line. You can use a new class - THash.

```

Initialize a hash (assuming "var h: THash;"):
h:=THash.Create;

Save a String:
h.SetString('key','value');           //perl: $h{key}='value'

Get the String back:
string_var:=h.GetString('key');      //perl: $string_var=$h{key}
returns '' if 'key' is not set

Test if a key has been set:
if h.KeyExists('key') then...        //perl: if (exists $h{key}) ...
returns a boolean

Delete a key
h.DeleteKey('key');                //perl: delete $h{key};

Which keys do exist?
stringlist:=h.Keys;                //perl: @list=keys %h;
returns a TStringList

Which keys do exist beginning with a special string?
stringlist:=h.Keys('abc');
returns all keys beginning with 'abc' //perl: @list=grep /^abc/, keys %h;

How many keys are there?
number_of_keys:=h.Count;            //perl: $number=scalar keys %hash;

How many keys fit in memory allocated by THash?
c:=h.Capacity; (property)
THash automatically increases h.Capacity if needed.
This property is similar to Delphi's TList.Capacity property.
Note #1: You can't decrease h.Capacity.
Note #2: Capacity must be 2**n -- Create sets Capacity:=8;
The same: Capacity:=17; , Capacity:=32;

I know there will be 4097 key/values in my hash. I don't want
the hash's capacity to be 8192 (wasting 50% ram). What to do?
h.MaxCapacity:=4096; => Capacity will never be > 4096.
Note: You can store more than MaxCapacity key/values in the
hash (as many as you want) but Count should be >= Capacity
for best performance.
MaxCapacity is -1 by default, meaning no limit.

Delete the hash

```

```
h.Free;      OR  
h.Destroy;
```

Instead of just strings you can also save objects in my hash - anything that is a pointer can be saved. Similar to SetString and GetString there are SetObject and GetObject. The latter returns nil if the key is unknown.

You can use both Set/GetString and Set/GetObject for a single key string - no problem. But if DeleteKey is called, both the string and the pointer are lost.

If you want to store a pointer and a string, it is faster to call SetStringObject(key, string, pointer) than SetString and SetObject. The same is true getting the data back - GetString and GetObject are significantly slower then a singe call to GetStringObject(key, var string, var pointer).

Happy programming!

## 10.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes

## 10.3 Overview

THashEntry Record

THash Class

TObjectHash Class

## 10.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### THashEntry Record

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#### Fields

```
next  public next:  PHashEntry;  
hash  public hash:  Integer;  
key   public key:   String;  
value public value:  String;  
data  public data:  Pointer;
```

## **THash Class**

---

### **Hierarchy**

THash > TObject

### **Properties**

```
Count      public property Count: Integer read FeldBelegt;
Capacity    public property Capacity: Integer read GetCapacity write SetCapacity;
MaxCapacity public property MaxCapacity: Integer read FMaxCapacity write
              SetMaxCapacity;
```

### **Methods**

#### **Create**

```
Declaration public constructor Create;
```

#### **Destroy**

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

#### **SetObject**

```
Declaration public procedure SetObject(_key: String; data: Pointer);
```

#### **SetString**

```
Declaration public procedure SetString(_key: String; data: String);
```

#### **SetStringObject**

```
Declaration public procedure SetStringObject(_key: String; s: String; p: Pointer);
```

#### **GetObject**

```
Declaration public function GetObject(_key: String): Pointer;
```

#### **GetString**

```
Declaration public function GetString(_key: String): String;
```

#### **GetStringObject**

```
Declaration public procedure GetStringObject(_key: String; var s: String; var p:
                                         Pointer);
```

### **KeyExists**

```
Declaration public function KeyExists(_key: String): Boolean;
```

### **DeleteKey**

```
Declaration public procedure DeleteKey(_key: String);
```

### **Keys**

```
Declaration public function Keys: TStringList; overload;
```

### **Keys**

```
Declaration public function Keys(beginning: String): TStringList; overload;
```

## **TObjectHash Class** ---

### **Hierarchy**

```
TObjectHash > THash(10.4) > TObject
```

### **Properties**

```
Items public property Items[_key: string]: Pointer read GetObject write SetObject;
```

### **Methods**

#### **Delete**

```
Declaration public procedure Delete(_key: String);
```

## **10.5 Types**

### **PPHashEntry** ---

```
Declaration PPHashEntry=^PHashEntry;
```

### **PHashEntry** ---

```
Declaration PHashEntry=^THashEntry;
```

### **TFakeArray** ---

```
Declaration TFakeArray=array[0..0] of PHashEntry;
```

**Description** in FPC, I can simply use PPHashEntry as an array of PHashEntry - Delphi doesn't allow that. I need this stupid array[0..0] definition! From Delphi4, I could use a dynamic array.

**PFakeArray** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration PFakeArray=^TFakeArray;

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# Chapter 11

## Unit PasDoc\_HierarchyTree

### 11.1 Description

a n-ary tree for PasItems — for use in Class Hierarchy

### 11.2 Uses

- Classes
- PasDoc\_Items(12)

### 11.3 Overview

TPasItemNode Class

TStringCardinalTree Class

NewStringCardinalTree

### 11.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

TPasItemNode Class

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Hierarchy

TPasItemNode > TObject

#### Properties

Name public property Name: string read GetName;

Item public property Item: TPasItem read FItem;

Parent public property Parent: TPasItemNode read FParent;

## Fields

```
FChildren protected FChildren: TList;  
FParent protected FParent: TPasItemNode;  
FItem protected FItem: TPasItem;  
FName protected FName: string;
```

## Methods

### GetName

```
Declaration protected function GetName: string;
```

### AddChild

```
Declaration protected procedure AddChild(const Child: TPasItemNode); overload;
```

### AddChild

```
Declaration protected function AddChild(const AName: string): TPasItemNode; overload;
```

### AddChild

```
Declaration protected function AddChild(const AItem: TPasItem): TPasItemNode;  
overload;
```

### FindItem

```
Declaration protected function FindItem(const AName: string): TPasItemNode;
```

### Adopt

```
Declaration protected procedure Adopt(const AChild: TPasItemNode);
```

### Orphan

```
Declaration protected function Orphan(const AChild: TPasItemNode): boolean;
```

### Sort

```
Declaration protected procedure Sort;
```

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create;
```

### **Destroy**

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

### **Level**

```
Declaration public function Level: Integer;
```

## **TStringCardinalTree Class** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Hierarchy**

```
TStringCardinalTree > TObject
```

### **Properties**

```
IsEmpty public property IsEmpty: boolean read GetIsEmpty;
```

```
FirstItem public property FirstItem: TPasItemNode read GetFirstItem;
```

### **Fields**

```
FRoot protected FRoot: TPasItemNode;
```

### **Methods**

#### **GetIsEmpty**

```
Declaration protected function GetIsEmpty: boolean;
```

#### **GetFirstItem**

```
Declaration protected function GetFirstItem: TPasItemNode;
```

#### **NeedRoot**

```
Declaration protected procedure NeedRoot;
```

#### **ItemOfName**

```
Declaration public function ItemOfName(const AName: string): TPasItemNode;
```

#### **InsertName**

```
Declaration public function InsertName(const AName: string): TPasItemNode; overload;
```

#### **InsertItem**

```
Declaration public function InsertItem(const AItem: TPasItem): TPasItemNode; overload;
```

**InsertParented**

```
Declaration public function InsertParented(const AParent: TPasItemNode; const AItem:  
TPasItem): TPasItemNode; overload;
```

**InsertParented**

```
Declaration public function InsertParented(const AParent: TPasItemNode; const AName:  
string): TPasItemNode; overload;
```

**MoveChildLast**

```
Declaration public procedure MoveChildLast(const Child, Parent: TPasItemNode);
```

**Level**

```
Declaration public function Level(const ANode: TPasItemNode): Integer;
```

**NextItem**

```
Declaration public function NextItem(const ANode: TPasItemNode): TPasItemNode;
```

**Sort**

```
Declaration public procedure Sort;
```

**Create**

```
Declaration public constructor Create;
```

**Destroy**

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

## 11.5 Functions and Procedures

**NewStringCardinalTree** \_\_\_\_\_

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```
Declaration function NewStringCardinalTree: TStringCardinalTree;
```

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# Chapter 12

## Unit PasDoc\_Items

### 12.1 Description

All items that can appear within Pascal source code.

For each item (type, variable, class etc.) that may appear in a Pascal source code file and can thus be taken into the documentation, this unit provides an object type which will store name, unit, description and more on this item.

### 12.2 Uses

- `SysUtils`
- `PasDoc_Types(29)`
- `PasDoc_StringVector(25)`
- `PasDoc_ObjectVector(15)`
- `PasDoc_Hashes(10)`
- `Classes`
- `Contnrs`
- `PasDoc_TagManager(26)`
- `PasDoc_Serialize(21)`
- `PasDoc_SortSettings(22)`
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector(24)`
- `PasDoc_Tokenizer(28)`

## 12.3 Overview

**TRawDescriptionInfo Record** Raw description, in other words: the contents of comment before given item.

**TBaseItem Class** This is a basic item class, that is linkable, and has some **RawDescription(12.4)**.

**TPasItem Class** This is a **TBaseItem(12.4)** descendant that is always declared inside some Pascal source file.

**TPasConstant Class** Pascal constant.

**TPasFieldVariable Class** Pascal global variable or field or nested constant of CIO.

**TPasType Class** Pascal type (but not a procedural type — these are expressed as **TPasRoutine(12.4)**.)

**TPasEnum Class** Enumerated type.

**TPasRoutine Class** This represents:

1. global function/procedure,
2. method (function/procedure of a structure (**TPasCio**)),
3. type (pointer to one of the above) (in this case Name is the type name).

**TPasProperty Class**

**TPasCio Class** Extends **TPasItem(12.4)** to store all items in a class / an object, e.g. fields.

**EAnchorAlreadyExists Class**

**TExternalItem Class** **TExternalItem** extends **TBaseItem(12.4)** to store extra information about a project.

**TExternalItemList Class** **TExternalItemList** extends **TObjectVector(15.4)** to store non-nil instances of **TExternalItem(12.4)**

**TAnchorItem Class**

**TPasUnit Class** extends **TPasItem(12.4)** to store anything about a unit, its constants, types etc.; also provides methods for parsing a complete unit.

**TBaseItems Class** Container class to store a list of **TBaseItem(12.4)**s.

**TPasItems Class** Container class to store a list of **TPasItem(12.4)**s.

**TPasRoutines Class** Collection of methods.

**TPasProperties Class** Collection of properties.

**TPasNestedCios Class** Collection of classes / records / interfaces.

**TPasTypes Class** Collection of types.

**TPasUnits Class** Collection of units.

`RoutineTypeToString` Returns lowercased keyword associated with given method type.

`CioTypeToString` Returns lowercased keyword(s) associated with given structure type.

`VisibilitiesToStr` Returns VisibilityStr for each value in Visibilities, delimited by commas.

`VisToStr`

## 12.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TRawDescriptionInfo Record

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#### Description

Raw description, in other words: the contents of comment before given item. Besides the content, this also specifies filename, begin and end positions of given comment.

#### Fields

**Content**      `public Content: string;`

This is the actual content the comment.

**StreamName**    `public StreamName: string;`

`StreamName` is the name of the TStream from which this comment was read. Will be " if no comment was found. It will be ' ' if the comment was somehow read from more than one stream.

**BeginPosition** `public BeginPosition: Int64;`

`BeginPosition` is the position in the stream of the start of the comment.

**EndPosition**    `public EndPosition: Int64;`

`EndPosition` is the position in the stream of the character immediately after the end of the comment describing the item.

### TBaseItem Class

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#### Hierarchy

`TBaseItem > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject`

#### Description

This is a basic item class, that is linkable, and has some `RawDescription`(12.4).

## Properties

<b>DetailedDescription</b>	<pre>public property DetailedDescription: string read FDetailedDescription write FDetailedDescription;</pre> <p>Detailed description of this item. In case of TPasItem, this is something more elaborate than <code>TPasItem.AbstractDescription(12.4)</code>. This is already in the form suitable for final output, ready to be put inside final documentation.</p>
<b>RawDescription</b>	<pre>public property RawDescription: string read GetRawDescription write WriteRawDescription;</pre> <p>This stores unexpanded version (as specified in user's comment in source code of parsed units) of description of this item. Actually, this is just a shortcut to <code>RawDescriptionInfo(12.4).Content</code></p>
<b>FullLink</b>	<pre>public property FullLink: string read FFullLink write FFullLink;</pre> <p>a full link that should be enough to link this item from anywhere else</p>
<b>LastMod</b>	<pre>public property LastMod: string read FLastMod write FLastMod;</pre> <p>Contains " or string with date of last modification. This string is already in the form suitable for final output format (i.e. already processed by <code>TDocGenerator.ConvertString</code>).</p>
<b>Name</b>	<pre>public property Name: string read FName write FName;</pre> <p>name of the item</p>
<b>Authors</b>	<pre>public property Authors: TStringVector read FAuthors write SetAuthors;</pre> <p>list of strings, each representing one author of this item</p>
<b>Created</b>	<pre>public property Created: string read FCreated;</pre> <p>Contains " or string with date of creation. This string is already in the form suitable for final output format (i.e. already processed by <code>TDocGenerator.ConvertString</code>).</p>
<b>AutoLinkHereAllowed</b>	<pre>public property AutoLinkHereAllowed: boolean read FAutoLinkHereAllowed write FAutoLinkHereAllowed default true;</pre> <p>Is auto-link mechanism allowed to create link to this item ? This may be set to False by <code>@noAutoLinkHere</code> tag in item's description.</p>

## Methods

### Serialize

```
Declaration protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;
```

**Description** Serialization of TPasItem need to store in stream only data that is generated by parser. That's because current approach treats "loading from cache" as equivalent to parsing a unit and stores to cache right after parsing a unit. So what is generated by parser must be written to cache.

That said,

1. It will not break anything if you will accidentally store in cache something that is not generated by parser. That's because saving to cache will be done anyway right after doing parsing, so properties not initialized by parser will have their initial values anyway. You're just wasting memory for cache, and some cache saving/loading time.
2. For now, in implementation of serialize/deserialize we try to add even things not generated by parser in a commented out code. This way if approach to cache will change some day, we will be able to use this code.

## Deserialize

**Declaration** protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;

## Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create; override;

## Destroy

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

## RegisterTags

**Declaration** public procedure RegisterTags(TagManager: TTagManager); virtual;

**Description** It registers TTag(26.4)s that init Authors(12.4), Created(12.4), LastMod(12.4) and remove relevant tags from description. You can override it to add more handlers.

## FindItem

**Declaration** public function FindItem(const ItemName: string): TBaseItem; virtual;

**Description** Search for an item called ItemName *inside this Pascal item*. For units, it searches for items declared *inside this unit* (like a procedure, or a class in this unit). For classes it searches for items declared *within this class* (like a method or a property). For an enumerated type, it searches for members of this enumerated type.

All normal rules of ObjectPascal scope apply, which means that e.g. if this item is a unit, **FindItem** searches for a class named ItemName but it *doesn't* search for a method named ItemName inside some class of this unit. Just like in ObjectPascal the scope of identifiers declared within the class always stays within the class. Of course, in ObjectPascal you can

qualify a method name with a class name, and you can also do such qualified links in pasdoc, but this is not handled by this routine (see `FindName`(12.4) instead).

Returns nil if not found.

Note that it never compares `ItemName` with `Self.Name`. You may want to check this yourself if you want.

Note that for `TPasItem` descendants, it always returns also some `TPasItem` descendant (so if you use this method with some `TPasItem` instance, you can safely cast result of this method to `TPasItem`).

Implementation in this class always returns nil. Override as necessary.

### **FindItemMaybeInAncestors**

**Declaration** `public function FindItemMaybeInAncestors(const ItemName: string): TBaseItem; virtual;`

**Description** This is just like `FindItem`(12.4), but in case of classes or such it should also search within ancestors. In this class, the default implementation just calls `FindItem`.

### **FindName**

**Declaration** `public function FindName(const NameParts: TNameParts): TBaseItem; virtual;`

**Description** Do all you can to find link specified by `NameParts`.

While searching this tries to mimic ObjectPascal identifier scope as much as it can. It searches within this item, but also within class enclosing this item, within ancestors of this class, within unit enclosing this item, then within units used by unit of this item.

### **RawDescriptionInfo**

**Declaration** `public function RawDescriptionInfo: PRawDescriptionInfo;`

**Description** Full info about `RawDescription`(12.4) of this item, including it's filename and position.

This is intended to be initialized by parser.

This returns `PRawDescriptionInfo`(12.6) instead of just `TRawDescriptionInfo`(12.4) to allow natural setting of properties of this record (otherwise `Item.RawDescriptionInfo.StreamName := 'foo'` would not work as expected).

### **QualifiedName**

**Declaration** `public function QualifiedName: String; virtual;`

**Description** Returns the qualified name of the item. This is intended to return a concise and not ambiguous name. E.g. in case of `TPasItem` it is overridden to return `Name` qualified by class name and unit name.

In this class this simply returns `Name`.

## BasePath

**Declaration** public function BasePath: string; virtual;

**Description** The full (absolute) path used to resolve filenames in this item's descriptions. Must always end with PathDelim. In this class, this simply returns GetCurrentDir (with PathDelim added if needed).

## Signature

**Declaration** public function Signature: string; virtual;

## TPasItem Class

---

### Hierarchy

TPasItem > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

### Description

This is a **TBaseItem(12.4)** descendant that is always declared inside some Pascal source file. Parser creates only items of this class (e.g. never some basic **TBaseItem(12.4)** instance). This class introduces properties and methods pointing to parent unit (**MyUnit(12.4)**) and parent class/interface/object/record (**MyObject(12.4)**). Also many other things not needed at **TBaseItem(12.4)** level are introduced here: things related to handling @abstract tag, @seealso tag, used to sorting items inside (**Sort(12.4)**) and some more.

### Properties

#### AbstractDescription

public property AbstractDescription: string read FAbstractDescription write FAbstractDescription;

Abstract description of this item. This is intended to be short (e.g. one sentence) description of this object.

This will be initied from @abstract tag in RawDescription, or cutted out from first sentence in RawDescription if --auto-abstract was used.

Note that this is already in the form suitable for final output, with tags expanded, chars converted etc.

#### AbstractDescriptionWasAutomatic

public property AbstractDescriptionWasAutomatic: boolean read FAbstractDescriptionWasAutomatic write FAbstractDescriptionWasAutomatic;

TDocGenerator.ExpandDescriptions sets this property to true if AutoAbstract was used and AbstractDescription of this item was automatically deduced from the 1st sentence of RawDescription.

Otherwise (if @abstract was specified explicitly, or there was no @abstract and AutoAbstract was false) this is set to false.

This is a useful hint for generators: it tells them that when they are printing *both* AbstractDescription and DetailedDescription of the item in one place (e.g. TTExDocGenerator.WriteItemLongDescription and TGenericHTMLDocGenerator.WriteItemLongDescription both do this) then they should *not* put any additional space between AbstractDescription and DetailedDescription.

This way when user will specify description like

```
{ First sentence. Second sentence. }  
procedure Foo;
```

and --auto-abstract was on, then "First sentence." is the AbstractDescription, "Second sentence." is DetailedDescription, AbstractDescriptionWasAutomatic is true and and TGenericHTMLDocGenerator.WriteItemLongDescription can print them as "First sentence. Second sentence."

Without this property, TGenericHTMLDocGenerator.WriteItemLongDescription would not be able to say that this abstract was deduced automatically and would print additional paragraph break that was not present in dessment, i.e. "First sentence.<p> Second sentence."

#### MyUnit

```
public property MyUnit: TPasUnit read FMyUnit write FMyUnit;
```

Unit of this item.

#### MyObject

```
public property MyObject: TPasCio read FMyObject write FMyObject;
```

If this item is part of a class (or record, object., interface...), the corresponding class is stored here. Nil otherwise.

#### MyEnum

```
public property MyEnum: TPasEnum read FMyEnum write FMyEnum;
```

If this item is a member of an enumerated type, then the enclosing enumerated type is stored here. Nil otherwise.

#### Visibility

```
public property Visibility: TVisibility read FVisibility write FVisibility;
```

#### HintDirectives

```
public property HintDirectives: THintDirectives read FHintDirectives write FHintDirectives;
```

Hint directives specify is this item deprecated, platform-specific, library-specific, or experimental.

#### DeprecatedNote

```
public property DeprecatedNote: string read FDeprecatedNote write FDeprecatedNote;
```

Deprecation note, specified as a string after "deprecated" directive. Empty if none, always empty if HintDirectives(12.4) does not contain hdDeprecated.

#### FullDeclaration

```
public property FullDeclaration: string read  
FFullDeclaration write FFullDeclaration;
```

Full declaration of the item. This is full parsed declaration of the given item.

Note that that this is not used for some descendants. Right now it's used only with

- TPasConstant
- TPasFieldVariable (includes type, default values, etc.)
- TPasType
- TPasRoutine (includes parameter list, procedural directives, etc.)
- TPasProperty (includes read/write and storage specifiers, etc.)
- TPasEnum

But in this special case, '...' is used instead of listing individual members, e.g. 'TEnumName = (...)' . You can get list of Members using TPasEnum.Members. Eventual specifics of each member should be also specified somewhere inside Members items, e.g. TMyEnum = (meOne, meTwo = 3); and TMyEnum = (meOne, meTwo); will both result in TPasEnum with equal FullDeclaration (just 'TMyEnum = (...)') but this ' = 3' should be marked somewhere inside Members[1] properties.

- TPasItem when it's a CIO's field.

The intention is that in the future all TPasItem descendants will always have appropriate FullDeclaration set. It all requires adjusting appropriate places in PasDoc\_Parser to generate appropriate FullDeclaration.

#### SeeAlso

```
public property SeeAlso: TStringPairVector read  
FSeeAlso;
```

Items here are collected from @seealso tags.

Name of each item is the 1st part of @seealso parameter. Value is the 2nd part of @seealso parameter.

#### Attributes

```
public property Attributes: TStringPairVector read  
FAttributes;
```

List of attributes defined for this item

<b>Params</b>	<pre>public property Params: TStringPairVector read FParams;</pre> <p>Parameters of method or property.</p> <p>Name of each item is the name of parameter (without any surrounding whitespace), Value of each item is users description for this item (in already-expanded form).</p> <p>This is already in the form processed by <code>TTagManager.Execute(26.4)</code>, i.e. with links resolved, html characters escaped etc. So <i>don't</i> convert them (e.g. before writing to the final docs) once again (by some <code>ExpandDescription</code> or <code>ConvertString</code> or anything like that).</p>
<b>Raises</b>	<pre>public property Raises: TStringPairVector read FRaises;</pre> <p>Exceptions raised by the method, or by property getter/setter.</p> <p>Name of each item is the name of exception class (without any surrounding whitespace), Value of each item is users description for this item (in already-expanded form).</p> <p>This is already in the form processed by <code>TTagManager.Execute(26.4)</code>, i.e. with links resolved, html characters escaped etc. So <i>don't</i> convert them (e.g. before writing to the final docs) once again (by some <code>ExpandDescription</code> or <code>ConvertString</code> or anything like that).</p>
<b>SourceAbsoluteFileName</b>	<pre>public property SourceAbsoluteFileName: string read FSourceAbsoluteFileName write FSourceAbsoluteFileName;</pre> <p>Source (absolute) file name where this item is declared. Set by the parser when parsing the item's declaration.</p>
<b>SourceLine</b>	<pre>public property SourceLine: Integer read FSourceLine write FSourceLine;</pre> <p>Source line number (1-based) where this item is declared. Set by the parser when parsing the item's declaration.</p>

## Methods

### Serialize

```
Declaration protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;
```

### Deserialize

```
Declaration protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;
```

### **FindNameWithinUnit**

**Declaration** `protected function FindNameWithinUnit(const NameParts: TNameParts): TBaseItem; virtual;`

**Description** This does the same thing as `FindName`(12.4) but it *doesn't* scan other units. If this item is a unit, it searches only inside this unit, else it searches only inside `MyUnit`(12.4) unit.

Actually `FindName`(12.4) uses this function.

### **Create**

**Declaration** `public constructor Create; override;`

### **Destroy**

**Declaration** `public destructor Destroy; override;`

### **FindName**

**Declaration** `public function FindName(const NameParts: TNameParts): TBaseItem; override;`

### **RegisterTags**

**Declaration** `public procedure RegisterTags(TagManager: TTagManager); override;`

### **HasDescription**

**Declaration** `public function HasDescription: Boolean;`

**Description** Returns true if there is a `DetailedDescription` or `AbstractDescription` available.

### **QualifiedName**

**Declaration** `public function QualifiedName: String; override;`

### **UnitRelativeQualifiedName**

**Declaration** `public function UnitRelativeQualifiedName: string; virtual;`

## Sort

**Declaration** `public procedure Sort(const SortSettings: TSortSettings); virtual;`

**Description** This recursively sorts all items inside this item, and all items inside these items, etc. E.g. in case of TPasUnit, this method sorts all variables, consts, CIOs etc. inside (honouring SortSettings), and also recursively calls Sort(SortSettings) for every CIO.

Note that this does not guarantee that absolutely everything inside will be really sorted. Some items may be deliberately left unsorted, e.g. Members of TPasEnum are never sorted (their declared order always matters, so we shouldn't sort them when displaying their documentation — reader of such documentation would be seriously misled). Sorting of other things depends on SortSettings — e.g. without ssMethods, CIOs methods will not be sorted.

So actually this method *makes sure that all things that should be sorted are really sorted*.

## SetAttributes

**Declaration** `public procedure SetAttributes(var Value: TStringPairVector);`

## InheritedItem

**Declaration** `public function InheritedItem: TPasItem; virtual;`

**Description** Get the closest item that this item inherits from.

## GetInheritedItemDescriptions

**Declaration** `public function GetInheritedItemDescriptions: TStringPairVector; virtual;`

**Description** Generate a list of descriptions defined on this item in base classes.

This stops at the first class ancestor to have a description defined for an ancestor of this item. Along the way it will also collect descriptions of this item from any implemented interfaces.

If there is no description in any ancestor, it will return an empty vector.

## BasePath

**Declaration** `public function BasePath: string; override;`

## HasOptionalInfo

**Declaration** `public function HasOptionalInfo: boolean; virtual;`

**Description** Is optional information (that may be empty for after parsing unit and expanding tags) specified. Currently this checks Params(12.4) and Raises(12.4) and TPasRoutine.Returns(12.4).

## **IsOverride**

**Declaration** public function IsOverride: Boolean; virtual;

**Description** Whether this item overrides an item in an ancestor.

## **TPasConstant Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TPasConstant > TPasItem(12.4) > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

### **Description**

Pascal constant.

Precise definition of "constant" for pasdoc purposes is "a name associated with a value". Optionally, constant type may also be specified in declararion. Well, Pascal constant always has some type, but pasdoc is too weak to determine the implicit type of a constant, i.e. to unserstand that constand `const A = 1` is of type Integer.

## **TPasFieldVariable Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TPasFieldVariable > TPasItem(12.4) > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

### **Description**

Pascal global variable or field or nested constant of CIO.

Precise definition is "a name with some type". And Optionally with some initial value, for global variables. It also holds a nested constant of extended classes and records. In the future we may introduce here some property like Type: TPasType.

### **Properties**

**IsConstant** public property IsConstant: Boolean read FIsConstant write FIsConstant;

Set if this is a nested constant field

### **Methods**

#### **Serialize**

**Declaration** protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;

#### **Deserialize**

**Declaration** protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;

## **TPasType Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TPasType > TPasItem(12.4) > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

### **Description**

Pascal type (but not a procedural type — these are expressed as TPasRoutine(12.4).)

## **TPasEnum Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TPasEnum > TPasType(12.4) > TPasItem(12.4) > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

### **Description**

Enumerated type.

### **Properties**

**Members** public property Members: TPasItems read FMembers;

### **Fields**

**FMembers** protected FMembers: TPasItems;

### **Methods**

#### **Serialize**

**Declaration** protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;

#### **Deserialize**

**Declaration** protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;

#### **StoreValueTag**

**Declaration** protected procedure StoreValueTag(ThisTag: TTag; var ThisTagData: TObject; EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; const TagParameter: string; var ReplaceStr: string);

#### **RegisterTags**

**Declaration** public procedure RegisterTags(TagManager: TTagManager); override;

### **FindItem**

**Declaration** public function FindItem(const ItemName: string): TBaseItem; override;

**Description** Searches for a member of this enumerated type.

### **Destroy**

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

### **Create**

**Declaration** public constructor Create; override;

## **TPasRoutine Class** ---

### **Hierarchy**

TPasRoutine > TPasItem(12.4) > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

### **Description**

This represents:

1. global function/procedure,
2. method (function/procedure of a structure (TPasCio)),
3. type (pointer to one of the above) (in this case Name is the type name).

### **Properties**

**What** public property What: TRoutineType read FWhat write FWhat;  
Routine type, see TRoutineType(12.6).

**IsType** public property IsType: Boolean read FIsType write FIsType default false;  
Is this a type (pointer to routine).

**Returns** public property Returns: string read FReturns;  
What does the method return.

This is already in the form processed by TTagManager.Execute(26.4), i.e. with links resolved, html characters escaped etc. So *don't* convert them (e.g. before writing to the final docs) once again (by some ExpandDescription or ConvertString or anything like that).

**Directives** public property Directives: TStandardDirectives read FDirectives write FDirectives;  
Set of method directive flags

**ParamTypes** public property ParamTypes: TStringVector read FParamTypes write FParamTypes;

## Fields

```
FReturns protected FReturns: string;  
FWhat protected FWhat: TRoutineType;  
FDirectives protected FDirectives: TStandardDirectives;  
FParamTypes protected FParamTypes: TStringVector;  
FIstType protected FIstType: Boolean;
```

## Methods

### Serialize

```
Declaration protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;
```

### Deserialize

```
Declaration protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;
```

### StoreReturnsTag

```
Declaration protected procedure StoreReturnsTag(ThisTag: TTag; var ThisTagData:  
TObject; EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; const  
TagParameter: string; var ReplaceStr: string);
```

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create; override;
```

### Destroy

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

### RegisterTags

```
Declaration public procedure RegisterTags(TagManager: TTagManager); override;
```

**Description** In addition to inherited, this also registers TTag(26.4) that inits Returns(12.4).

### HasOptionalInfo

```
Declaration public function HasOptionalInfo: boolean; override;
```

### Signature

```
Declaration public function Signature: string; override;
```

## InheritedItem

**Declaration** public function InheritedItem: TPasItem; override;

**Description** Get the closest item that this item inherits from. Returns Nil if the routine does not override.

## IsOverride

**Declaration** public function IsOverride: Boolean; override;

## TPasProperty Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasProperty > TPasItem(12.4) > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

### Description

no description available, TPasItem description followsThis is a TBaseItem(12.4) descendant that is always declared inside some Pascal source file.

Parser creates only items of this class (e.g. never some basic TBaseItem(12.4) instance). This class introduces properties and methods pointing to parent unit (MyUnit(12.4)) and parent class/interface/object/record (MyObject(12.4)). Also many other things not needed at TBaseItem(12.4) level are introduced here: things related to handling @abstract tag, @seealso tag, used to sorting items inside (Sort(12.4)) and some more.

### Properties

**IndexDecl** public property IndexDecl: string read FIndexDecl write FIndexDecl;  
contains the optional index declaration, including brackets

**Proptype** public property Proptype: string read FPropType write FPropType;  
contains the type of the property

**Reader** public property Reader: string read FReader write FReader;  
read specifier

**Writer** public property Writer: string read FWriter write FWriter;  
write specifier

**DefaultInClass** public property DefaultInClass: Boolean read FDefaultInClass write FDefaultInClass;  
Is it the default property in class. For example "property Items[I: Integer]: String read GetItems; default;".

**DefaultValue** public property DefaultValue: string read FDefaultValue write FDefaultValue;  
Default value. For example it will be 123 for declaration like this "property Xxx: Integer default 123;".

<b>NoDefault</b>	public property NoDefault: Boolean read FNoDefault write FNoDefault; true if Nodefault property
<b>Stored</b>	public property Stored: string read FStored write FStored; keeps Stored specifier

## Fields

<b>FDefaultInClass</b>	protected FDefaultInClass: Boolean;
<b>FNoDefault</b>	protected FNoDefault: Boolean;
<b>FIndexDecl</b>	protected FIndexDecl: string;
<b>FStored</b>	protected FStored: string;
<b>FDefaultValue</b>	protected FDefaultValue: string;
<b>FWriter</b>	protected FWriter: string;
<b>FPropType</b>	protected FPropType: string;
<b>FReader</b>	protected FReader: string;

## Methods

### Serialize

Declaration protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;

### Deserialize

Declaration protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;

### InheritedItem

Declaration public function InheritedItem: TPasItem; override;

Description Get the closest item that this item inherits from. Returns Nil if the property does not override.

### IsOverride

Declaration public function IsOverride: Boolean; override;

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## TPasCio Class

### Hierarchy

TPasCio > TPasType(12.4) > TPasItem(12.4) > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

## Description

Extends TPasItem(12.4) to store all items in a class / an object, e.g. fields.

TODO: Rename to TPasStructure, most general term.

## Properties

### Ancestors

```
public property Ancestors: TStringPairVector read FAncestors;
```

Name of the ancestor (class, object, interface). Each item is a TStringPair, with

- **Name** is the name (single Pascal identifier) of this ancestor,
- **Value** is the full declaration of this ancestor. For example, in addition to Name, this may include "specialize" directive (for FPC generic specialization) at the beginning. And "<foo,bar>" section at the end (for FPC or Delphi generic specialization).
- **Data** is a TPasItem reference to this ancestor, or **Nil** if not found. This is assigned only in TDocGenerator.BuildLinks.

Note that each ancestor is a TPasItem, *not necessarily* TPasCio. Consider e.g. the case

```
TMyStringList = Classes.TStringList;
TMyExtendedStringList = class(TMyStringList)
  ...
end;
```

At least for now, such declaration will result in TPasType (not TPasCio!) with Name = 'TMyStringList', which means that ancestor of TMyExtendedStringList will be a TPasType instance.

Note that the PasDoc\_Parser already takes care of correctly setting Ancestors when user didn't specify any ancestor name at cio declaration. E.g. if this cio is a class, and user didn't specify ancestor name at class declaration, and this class name is not 'TObject' (in case pasdoc parses the RTL), the Ancestors[0] will be set to 'TObject'.

### Cios

```
public property Cios: TPasNestedCios read FCios;
```

Nested classes (and records, interfaces...).

### ClassDirective

```
public property ClassDirective: TClassDirective read
FClassDirective write FClassDirective;
```

ClassDirective is used to indicate whether a class is sealed or abstract.

### Fields

```
public property Fields: TPasItems read FFields;
```

list of all fields

### HelperTypeIdentifier

```
public property HelperTypeIdentifier: string read
FHelperTypeIdentifier write FHelperTypeIdentifier;
```

Class or record helper type identifier

<b>Methods</b>	<code>public property Methods: TPasRoutines read FMethods;</code> list of all methods
<b>Properties</b>	<code>public property Properties: TPasProperties read FProperties;</code> list of properties
<b>MyType</b>	<code>public property MyType: TCIOType read FMyType write FMyType;</code> determines if this is a class, an interface or an object
<b>OutputFileName</b>	<code>public property OutputFileName: string read FOutputFileName write FOutputFileName;</code> name of documentation output file (if each class / object gets its own file, that's the case for HTML, but not for TeX)
<b>Types</b>	<code>public property Types: TPasTypes read FTypes;</code> Simple nested types (that don't fall into Cios(12.4)).
<b>NameWithGeneric</b>	<code>public property NameWithGeneric: string read FNameWithGeneric write FNameWithGeneric;</code> Name, with optional "generic" directive before (for FPC generics) and generic type identifiers list "<foo,bar>" after (for FPC and Delphi generics).

## Fields

<b>FClassDirective</b>	<code>protected FClassDirective: TClassDirective;</code>
<b>FFields</b>	<code>protected FFields: TPasItems;</code>
<b>FMethods</b>	<code>protected FMethods: TPasRoutines;</code>
<b>FProperties</b>	<code>protected FProperties: TPasProperties;</code>
<b>FAcestors</b>	<code>protected FAcestors: TStringPairVector;</code>
<b>FOoutputFileName</b>	<code>protected FOoutputFileName: string;</code>
<b>FMyType</b>	<code>protected FMyType: TCIOType;</code>
<b>FHelperTypeIdentifier</b>	<code>protected FHelperTypeIdentifier: string;</code>
<b>FCios</b>	<code>protected FCios: TPasNestedCios;</code>
<b>FTypes</b>	<code>protected FTypes: TPasTypes;</code>
<b>FNameWithGeneric</b>	<code>protected FNameWithGeneric: string;</code>

## Methods

### Serialize

**Declaration** `protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;`

### **Deserialize**

```
Declaration protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;
```

### **StoreMemberTag**

```
Declaration protected procedure StoreMemberTag(ThisTag: TTag; var ThisTagData: TObject; EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; const TagParameter: string; var ReplaceStr: string);
```

### **Create**

```
Declaration public constructor Create; override;
```

### **Destroy**

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

### **FindItem**

```
Declaration public function FindItem(const ItemName: string): TBaseItem; override;
```

**Description** If this class (or interface or object) contains a field, method or property with the name of ItemName, the corresponding item pointer is returned.

### **FindItemMaybeInAncestors**

```
Declaration public function FindItemMaybeInAncestors(const ItemName: string): TBaseItem; override;
```

### **FindItemInAncestors**

```
Declaration public function FindItemInAncestors(const ItemName: string): TPasItem;
```

**Description** This searches for item (field, method or property) defined in ancestor of this ci. I.e. searches within the FirstAncestor, then within FirstAncestor.FirstAncestor, and so on. Returns nil if not found.

### **Sort**

```
Declaration public procedure Sort(const SortSettings: TSortSettings); override;
```

### **RegisterTags**

```
Declaration public procedure RegisterTags(TagManager: TTagManager); override;
```

## **FirstAncestor**

**Declaration** `public function FirstAncestor: TPasItem;`

**Description** This returns Ancestors[0].Data, i.e. instance of the first ancestor of this Cio (or nil if it couldn't be found), or nil if Ancestors.Count = 0.

## **InheritedItem**

**Declaration** `public function InheritedItem: TPasItem; override;`

**Description** Get the closest item that this item inherits from. Returns the value of `FirstAncestor(12.4)`.

## **GetInheritedItemDescriptions**

**Declaration** `public function GetInheritedItemDescriptions: TStringPairVector; override;`

## **FirstAncestorName**

**Declaration** `public function FirstAncestorName: string;`

**Description** This returns the name of first ancestor of this Cio.

If Ancestor.Count > 0 then it simply returns Ancestors[0], i.e. the name of the first ancestor as was specified at class declaration, else it returns ””.

So this method is *roughly* something like `FirstAncestor.Name`, but with a few notable differences:

- FirstAncestor is nil if the ancestor was not found in items parsed by pasdoc. But this method will still return in this case name of ancestor.
- `FirstAncestor.Name` is the name of ancestor as specified at declaration of an ancestor. But this method is the name of ancestor as specified at declaration of this cio — with the same letter case, with optional unit specifier.

If this function returns ””, then you can be sure that FirstAncestor returns nil. The other way around is not necessarily true — FirstAncestor may be nil, but still this function may return something <> ””.

## **ShowVisibility**

**Declaration** `public function ShowVisibility: boolean;`

**Description** Is Visibility of items (Fields, Methods, Properties) important ?

## **EAnchorAlreadyExists Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

`EAnchorAlreadyExists` > Exception

## TExternalItem Class

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### Hierarchy

TExternalItem > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

### Description

TExternalItem extends TBaseItem(12.4) to store extra information about a project. TExternalItem is used to hold an introduction and conclusion to the project.

### Properties

```
OutputFileName public property OutputFileName: string read FOutputFileName write
SetOutputFileName;
name of documentation output file

ShortTitle      public property ShortTitle: string read FShortTitle write FShortTitle;

SourceFileName  public property SourceFileName: string read FSourceFilename write
FSourceFilename;

Title          public property Title: string read FTitle write FTitle;

Anchors        public property Anchors: TBaseItems read FAnchors;
Anchors holds a list of TAnchorItem(12.4)s that represent anchors and sections within
the TExternalItem. The TAnchorItem(12.4)s have no content so, they should not be
indexed separately.
```

### Methods

#### HandleTitleTag

```
Declaration protected procedure HandleTitleTag(ThisTag: TTag; var ThisTagData:
TObject; EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; const
TagParameter: string; var ReplaceStr: string);
```

#### HandleShortTitleTag

```
Declaration protected procedure HandleShortTitleTag(ThisTag: TTag; var ThisTagData:
TObject; EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; const
TagParameter: string; var ReplaceStr: string);
```

#### Create

```
Declaration public Constructor Create; override;
```

#### Destroy

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

### **RegisterTags**

```
Declaration public procedure RegisterTags(TagManager: TTagManager); override;
```

### **FindItem**

```
Declaration public function FindItem(const ItemName: string): TBaseItem; override;
```

### **AddAnchor**

```
Declaration public procedure AddAnchor(const AnchorItem: TAnchorItem); overload;
```

### **AddAnchor**

```
Declaration public function AddAnchor(const AnchorName: string): TAnchorItem;
overload;
```

**Description** If item with Name (case ignored) already exists, this raises exception EAnchorAlreadyExists. Otherwise it adds TAnchorItem with given name to Anchors. It also returns created TAnchorItem.

### **BasePath**

```
Declaration public function BasePath: string; override;
```

## **TExternalItemList Class** ---

### **Hierarchy**

TExternalItemList > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### **Description**

TExternalItemList extends TObjectVector(15.4) to store non-nil instances of TExternalItem(12.4)

### **Methods**

#### **Get**

```
Declaration public function Get(Index: Integer): TExternalItem;
```

## **TAnchorItem Class** ---

### **Hierarchy**

TAnchorItem > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject

## Description

no description available, TBaseItem description followsThis is a basic item class, that is linkable, and has some `RawDescription(12.4)`.

## Properties

**ExternalItem**    `public property ExternalItem: TExternalItem read FExternalItem write FExternalItem;`

**SectionLevel**    `public property SectionLevel: Integer read FSectionLevel write FSectionLevel default 0;`

If this is an anchor for a section, this tells section level (as was specified in the @section tag). Otherwise this is 0.

**SectionCaption** `public property SectionCaption: string read FSectionCaption write FSectionCaption;`

If this is an anchor for a section, this tells section caption (as was specified in the @section tag).

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## TPasUnit Class

### Hierarchy

`TPasUnit > TPasItem(12.4) > TBaseItem(12.4) > TSerializable(21.4) > TObject`

## Description

extends `TPasItem(12.4)` to store anything about a unit, its constants, types etc.; also provides methods for parsing a complete unit.

Note: Remember to always set `CacheDateTime(12.4)` after deserializing this unit.

## Properties

**CIOs**    `public property CIOs: TPasItems read FCIOs;`

list of classes, interfaces, objects, and records defined in this unit

**Constants**    `public property Constants: TPasItems read FConstants;`

list of constants defined in this unit

**FuncsProcs**    `public property FuncsProcs: TPasRoutines read FFuncsProcs;`

list of functions and procedures defined in this unit

**UsesUnits**    `public property UsesUnits: TStringVector read FUsesUnits;`

The names of all units mentioned in a uses clause in the interface section of this unit.

This is never nil.

After `TDocGenerator.BuildLinks(4.4)`, for every `i`: `UsesUnits.Objects[i]` will point to `TPasUnit` object with `Name = UsesUnits[i]` (or nil, if pasdoc's didn't parse such unit). In other words, you will be able to use `UsesUnits.Objects[i]` to obtain given unit's instance, as parsed by pasdoc.

<b>Types</b>	<pre>public property Types: TPasTypes read FTypes;</pre> <p>list of types defined in this unit</p>
<b>Variables</b>	<pre>public property Variables: TPasItems read FVariables;</pre> <p>list of variables defined in this unit</p>
<b>OutputFileName</b>	<pre>public property OutputFileName: string read FOutputFileName write FOutputFileName;</pre> <p>name of documentation output file THIS SHOULD NOT BE HERE!</p>
<b>SourceFileName</b>	<pre>public property SourceFileName: string read FSourceFilename write FSourceFilename;</pre>
<b>SourceFileDateTime</b>	<pre>public property SourceFileDateTime: TDateTime read FSourceFileDateTime write FSourceFileDateTime;</pre>
<b>CacheDateTime</b>	<pre>public property CacheDateTime: TDateTime read FCacheDateTime write FCacheDateTime;</pre> <p>If WasDeserialized then this specifies the datetime of a cache data of this unit, i.e. when cache data was generated. If cache was obtained from a file then this is just the cache file modification date/time.</p> <p>If not WasDeserialized then this property has undefined value – don't use it.</p>
<b>IsUnit</b>	<pre>public property IsUnit: boolean read FIIsUnit write FIIsUnit;</pre> <p>If <code>False</code>, then this is a program or library file, not a regular unit (though it's treated by pasdoc almost like a unit, so we use <code>TPasUnit</code> class for this).</p>
<b>IsProgram</b>	<pre>public property IsProgram: boolean read FIIsProgram write FIIsProgram;</pre>
<b>Fields</b>	
<b>FTypes</b>	<pre>protected FTypes: TPasTypes;</pre>
<b>FVariables</b>	<pre>protected FVariables: TPasItems;</pre>
<b>FCIOs</b>	<pre>protected FCIOs: TPasItems;</pre>
<b>FConstants</b>	<pre>protected FConstants: TPasItems;</pre>
<b>FFuncsProcs</b>	<pre>protected FF funcsProcs: TPasRoutines;</pre>
<b>FUsesUnits</b>	<pre>protected FUsesUnits: TStringVector;</pre>

```
FSourceFilename      protected FSourceFilename: string;  
FOutputFileName     protected FOutputFileName: string;  
FCacheDateTime      protected FCacheDateTime: TDateTime;  
FSourceFileDateTime protected FSourceFileDateTime: TDateTime;  
FIsUnit             protected FIsUnit: boolean;  
FIsProgram          protected FIsProgram: boolean;
```

## Methods

### Serialize

```
Declaration protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;
```

### Deserialize

```
Declaration protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;
```

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create; override;
```

### Destroy

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

### AddCIO

```
Declaration public procedure AddCIO(const i: TPasCio);
```

### AddConstant

```
Declaration public procedure AddConstant(const i: TPasItem);
```

### AddType

```
Declaration public procedure AddType(const i: TPasItem);
```

### AddVariable

```
Declaration public procedure AddVariable(const i: TPasItem);
```

### FindInsideSomeClass

```
Declaration public function FindInsideSomeClass(const AClassName, ItemInsideClass: string): TPasItem;
```

### **FindInsideSomeEnum**

```
Declaration public function FindInsideSomeEnum(const EnumName, EnumMember: string): TPasItem;
```

### **FindItem**

```
Declaration public function FindItem(const ItemName: string): TBaseItem; override;
```

### **Sort**

```
Declaration public procedure Sort(const SortSettings: TSortSettings); override;
```

### **FileNewerThanCache**

```
Declaration public function FileNewerThanCache(const FileName: string): boolean;
```

**Description** Returns if unit WasDeserialized, and file FileName exists, and file FileName is newer than CacheDateTime.

So if FileName contains some info generated from information of this unit, then we can somehow assume that FileName still contains valid information and we don't have to write it once again.

Sure, we're not really 100% sure that FileName still contains valid information, but that's how current approach to cache works.

### **BasePath**

```
Declaration public function BasePath: string; override;
```

## **TBaseItems Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TBaseItems > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### **Description**

Container class to store a list of TBaseItem(12.4)s.

### **Methods**

#### **Serialize**

```
Declaration protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); virtual;
```

#### **Deserialize**

```
Declaration protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); virtual;
```

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create(const AOwnsObject: Boolean); override;

### Destroy

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

### FindListItem

**Declaration** public function FindListItem(const ASignature: string): TBaseItem;

**Description** Find a given item name on a list. In the base class (TBaseItems), this simply searches the items (not recursively).

In some cases, it may look within the items (recursively), when the identifiers inside the item are in same namespace as the items themselves. Example: it will look also inside enumerated types members, because (when "scoped enums" are off) the enumerated members are in the same namespace as the enumerated type name.

Returns `Nil` if nothing can be found.

### InsertItems

**Declaration** public procedure InsertItems(const c: TBaseItems);

**Description** Inserts all items of C into this collection. Disposes C and sets it to nil.

### Add

**Declaration** public procedure Add(const AObject: TBaseItem); virtual;

**Description** During Add, AObject is associated with AObject.Name using hash table, so remember to set AObject.Name *before* calling Add(AObject).

### ClearAndAdd

**Declaration** public procedure ClearAndAdd(const AObject: TBaseItem);

**Description** This is a shortcut for doing `Clear(12.4)` and then `Add(AObject)(12.4)`. Useful when you want the list to contain exactly the one given AObject.

### Delete

**Declaration** public procedure Delete(const AIndex: Integer);

### Clear

**Declaration** public procedure Clear; override;

## TPasItems Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasItems > TBaseItems(12.4) > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### Description

Container class to store a list of TPasItem(12.4)s.

### Properties

```
PasItemAt public property PasItemAt[const AIndex: Integer]: TPasItem read  
GetPasItemAt write SetPasItemAt;
```

### Methods

#### FindListItem

**Declaration** public function FindListItem(const ASignature: string): TPasItem;

**Description** A comfortable routine that just calls inherited and casts result to TPasItem, since every item on this list must be always TPasItem.

#### CopyItems

**Declaration** public procedure CopyItems(const c: TPasItems);

**Description** Copies all Items from c to this object, not changing c at all.

#### CountCIO

**Declaration** public procedure CountCIO(var c, i, o: Integer);

**Description** Counts classes, interfaces and objects within this collection.

#### RemovePrivateItems

**Declaration** public procedure RemovePrivateItems;

**Description** Checks each element's Visibility field and removes all elements with a value of viPrivate.

#### SortDeep

**Declaration** public procedure SortDeep(const SortSettings: TSortSettings);

**Description** This sorts all items on this list by their name, and also calls Sort(SortSettings)(12.4) for each of these items. This way it sorts recursively everything in this list.

This is equivalent to doing both SortShallow(12.4) and SortOnlyInsideItems(12.4).

### **SortOnlyInsideItems**

**Declaration** public procedure SortOnlyInsideItems(const SortSettings: TSortSettings);

**Description** This calls `Sort(SortSettings)`(12.4) for each of items on the list. It does *not* sort the items on this list.

### **SortShallow**

**Declaration** public procedure SortShallow;

**Description** This sorts all items on this list by their name. Unlike `SortDeep(12.4)`, it does *not* call `Sort(12.4)` for each of these items. So "items inside items" (e.g. class methods, if this list contains TPasCio objects) remain unsorted.

### **SetFullDeclaration**

**Declaration** public procedure SetFullDeclaration(PrefixName: boolean; const Suffix: string);

**Description** Sets FullDeclaration of every item to

1. Name of this item (only if PrefixName)
2. + Suffix.

Very useful if you have a couple of items that share a common declaration in source file, e.g. variables or fields declared like

A, B: Integer;

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## **TPasRoutines Class**

### **Hierarchy**

TPasRoutines > TPasItems(12.4) > TBaseItems(12.4) > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### **Description**

Collection of methods.

### **Methods**

#### **Serialize**

**Declaration** protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); override;

#### **Deserialize**

**Declaration** protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); override;

### **FindListItem**

**Declaration** public function FindListItem(const AName: string; Index: Integer): TPasRoutine; overload;

**Description** Find an Index-th item with given name on a list. Index is 0-based. There could be multiple items sharing the same name (overloads) while method of base class returns only the one most recently added item.

Returns `Nil` if nothing can be found.

### **FindListItem**

**Declaration** public function FindListItem(const ANameOrSignature: string): TPasRoutine; overload;

### **Add**

**Declaration** public procedure Add(const AItem: TBaseItem); override;

### **Create**

**Declaration** public constructor Create(const AOwnsObject: Boolean); override;

### **Destroy**

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

---

## **TPasProperties Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TPasProperties > TPasItems(12.4) > TBaseItems(12.4) > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### **Description**

Collection of properties.

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## **TPasNestedCios Class**

---

### **Hierarchy**

TPasNestedCios > TPasItems(12.4) > TBaseItems(12.4) > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### **Description**

Collection of classes / records / interfaces.

## Methods

### Create

Declaration public constructor Create; reintroduce;

## TPasTypes Class

---

### Hierarchy

TPasTypes > TPasItems(12.4) > TBaseItems(12.4) > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### Description

Collection of types.

## Methods

### FindListItem

Declaration public function FindListItem(const AName: string): TPasItem;

## TPasUnits Class

---

### Hierarchy

TPasUnits > TPasItems(12.4) > TBaseItems(12.4) > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### Description

Collection of units.

## Properties

UnitAt public property UnitAt[const AIndex: Integer]: TPasUnit read GetUnitAt write SetUnitAt;

## Methods

### ExistsUnit

Declaration public function ExistsUnit(const AUnit: TPasUnit): Boolean;

## 12.5 Functions and Procedures

## RoutineTypeToString

---

Declaration function RoutineTypeToString(const RoutineType: TRoutineType): string;

Description Returns lowercased keyword associated with given method type.

## CioTypeToString

---

**Declaration** function CioTypeToString(const CioType: TCIOType): String;

**Description** Returns lowercased keyword(s) associated with given structure type.

## VisibilitiesToStr

---

**Declaration** function VisibilitiesToStr(const Visibilities: TVisibilities): string;

**Description** Returns VisibilityStr for each value in Visibilities, delimited by commas.

## VisToStr

---

**Declaration** function VisToStr(const Vis: TVisibility): string;

## 12.6 Types

### TVisibility

---

**Declaration** TVisibility = (...);

**Description** Visibility of a field/method.

**Values**

- viPublished indicates field or method is published
- viPublic indicates field or method is public
- viProtected indicates field or method is protected
- viStrictProtected indicates field or method is strict protected
- viPrivate indicates field or method is private
- viStrictPrivate indicates field or method is strict private
- viAutomated indicates field or method is automated
- viImplicit implicit visibility, marks the implicit members if user used --implicit-visibility=implicit command-line option.

### TVisibilities

---

**Declaration** TVisibilities = set of TVisibility;

### TInfoMergeType

---

**Declaration** TInfoMergeType = (...);

**Description** Type of merging interface and implementation comments. See -implementation-comments documentation.

**Values**

- imtNone Implementation not parsed.
- imtPreferIntf Read both, prefer interface.
- imtPreferImpl Read both, prefer implementation.
- imtJoin Read both, concatenate.

---

**PRawDescriptionInfo** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration PRawDescriptionInfo = ^TRawDescriptionInfo;

**THintDirective** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration THintDirective = (...);

**Description**

Values hdDeprecated  
hdPlatform  
hdLibrary  
hdExperimental

**THintDirectives** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration THintDirectives = set of THintDirective;

**TRoutineType** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration TRoutineType = (...);

**Description** Routine type for TPasRoutine.What(12.4)

Values ROUTINE\_CONSTRUCTOR  
ROUTINE\_DESTRUCTOR  
ROUTINE\_FUNCTION  
ROUTINE\_PROCEDURE  
ROUTINE\_OPERATOR

**TCIOType** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration TCIOType = (...);

**Description** Determine type of TPasCio(12.4) item, like a class or record.

Values CIO\_CLASS  
CIO\_PACKEDCLASS  
CIO\_OBJCLASS  
CIO\_PACKEDOBJCLASS  
CIO\_DISPINTERFACE  
CIO\_INTERFACE  
CIO\_OBJECT  
CIO\_PACKEDOBJECT

```
CIO_RECORD  
CIO_PACKEDRECORD  
CIO_TYPE CIO_TYPE is used only when CIO is a type helper, designed by CIO.ClassDirective  
= CT_HELPER.
```

## TClassDirective

---

Declaration TClassDirective = (...);

### Description

Values CT\_NONE  
CT\_ABSTRACT  
CT\_SEALED  
CT\_HELPER  
CT\_EXTERNAL external can be used with objcclass (see FPC PasCocoa)

## 12.7 Constants

### VisibilityStr

---

Declaration VisibilityStr: array[TVisibility] of string[16] = ( 'published', 'public',  
'protected', 'strict protected', 'private', 'strict private', 'automated',  
'implicit' );

### AllVisibilities

---

Declaration AllVisibilities: TVisibilities = [Low(TVisibility) .. High(TVisibility)];

### DefaultVisibilities

---

Declaration DefaultVisibilities: TVisibilities = [viProtected, viPublic, viPublished,  
viAutomated];

### InfoMergeTypeStr

---

Declaration InfoMergeTypeStr: array[TInfoMergeType] of string = ( 'none',  
'prefer-interface', 'prefer-implementation', 'join' );

### CIORecordType

---

Declaration CIORecordType = [CIO\_RECORD, CIO\_PACKEDRECORD];

### CIONonHierarchy

---

Declaration CIONonHierarchy = CIORecordType;

## **EmptyRawDescriptionInfo**

---

```
Declaration EmptyRawDescriptionInfo: TRawDescriptionInfo = ( Content: ''; StreamName:  
''; BeginPosition: -1; EndPosition: -1; );
```

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# Chapter 13

## Unit PasDoc\_Languages

### 13.1 Description

Language definitions and translations.

### 13.2 Overview

`TLanguageRecord Record`

`TPasDocLanguages Class` Language class to hold all translated strings

`LanguageFromIndex` Full language name

`LanguageFromID`

`SyntaxFromIndex` Language abbreviation

`SyntaxFromID`

`IDfromLanguage` Search for language by short or long name

`Translation` Manual translation of id into lang

`LanguageFromStr` Find a language with Syntax = S (case ignored).

`LanguageDescriptor` access LANGUAGE\_ARRAY

`LanguageCode` Language code, using an official standardized language names, suitable for Aspell or HTML.

### 13.3 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

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#### TLanguageRecord Record

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##### Fields

```
Table      public Table: PTransTable;  
Name       public Name: string;  
Syntax     public Syntax: string;  
CharSet    public CharSet: string;  
  
AspellLanguage public AspellLanguage: string;
```

Name of this language as used by Aspell, see Aspell supported languages.

Set this to empty string if it's the same as our Syntax up to a dot. So a Syntax = 'pl' or Syntax = 'pl.iso-8859-2' already indicates AspellLanguage = 'pl'.

TODO: In the future, it would be nice if all language names used by PasDoc and Aspell matched. Aspell language naming follows the standard ISO 639-1 as far as I see, and we should probably follow it too (currently, we deviate for some languages).

So in the future, we'll probably replace Syntax and AspellLanguage by LanguageCode and CharsetCode. LanguageCode = code (suitable for both PasDoc and Aspell command-line; the thing currently up to a dot in Syntax), CharsetCode = the short representation of CharSet (the thing currently after a dot in Syntax).

#### TPasDocLanguages Class

---

##### Hierarchy

TPasDocLanguages > TObject

##### Description

Language class to hold all translated strings

##### Properties

```
CharSet    public property CharSet: string read FCharset;  
           Charset for current language.  
  
Translation public property Translation[ATranslationID: TTranslationID]: string read  
               GetTranslation;  
  
Language   public property Language: TLanguageID read FLanguage write SetLanguage  
               default DEFAULT_LANGUAGE;
```

## Fields

**FCharSet** protected FCharSet: string;

## Methods

### GetTranslation

**Declaration** protected function GetTranslation(ATranslationID: TTranslationID): string;

**Description** Translation for given ATranslationID.

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create;

## 13.4 Functions and Procedures

### LanguageFromIndex

---

**Declaration** function LanguageFromIndex(i: integer): string;

**Description** Full language name

### LanguageFromID

---

**Declaration** function LanguageFromID(i: TLanguagID): string;

### SyntaxFromIndex

---

**Declaration** function SyntaxFromIndex(i: integer): string;

**Description** Language abbreviation

### SyntaxFromID

---

**Declaration** function SyntaxFromID(i: TLanguagID): string;

### IDfromLanguage

---

**Declaration** function IDfromLanguage(const s: string): TLanguagID;

**Description** Search for language by short or long name

### Translation

---

**Declaration** function Translation(id: TTranslationID; lang: TLanguagID): string;

**Description** Manual translation of id into lang

## **LanguageFromStr** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** function LanguageFromStr(S: string; out LanguageId: TLanguageID): boolean;

**Description** Find a language with Syntax = S (case ignored). Returns True and sets LanguageId if found, otherwise returns False.

## **LanguageDescriptor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** function LanguageDescriptor(id: TLanguageID): PLanguageRecord;

**Description** access LANGUAGE\_ARRAY

## **LanguageCode** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** function LanguageCode(const Language: TLanguageID): string;

**Description** Language code, using an official standardized language names, suitable for Aspell or HTML.

## **13.5 Types**

### **TLanguageID** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** TLanguageID = (...);

**Description** An enumeration type of all supported languages

**Values**

- lgBosnian
- lgBrazilian\_1252
- lgBrazilian\_utf8
- lgBulgarian
- lgCatalan
- lgChinese\_gb2312
- lgCroatian
- lgDanish
- lgDutch
- lgEnglish
- lgFrench\_ISO\_8859\_15
- lgFrench\_UTF\_8
- lgGerman\_ISO\_8859\_15
- lgGerman\_UTF\_8
- lgIndonesian
- lgItalian

```
lgJavanese
lgPolish_CP1250
lgPolish_ISO_8859_2
lgRussian_1251
lgRussian_utf8
lgRussian_866
lgRussian_koi8
lgSlovak
lgSpanish
lgSwedish
lgHungarian_1250
lgCzech_CP1250
lgCzech_ISO_8859_2
```

## TTranslationID

---

**Declaration** TTranslationID = (...);

**Description** An enumeration type of all static output texts. Warning: count and order changed!

**Values**

- trNoTrans no translation ID assigned, so far
- trLanguage the language name (English, ASCII), e.g. for file names.
- trUnits map
- trClassHierarchy
- trCio
- trNestedCR
- trNestedTypes
- trIdentifiers
- trGvUses
- trGvClasses
- trClasses tables and members
- trClass
- trObjcClass
- trDispInterface
- trInterface
- trObjects
- trObject
- trRecord

trPacked  
trHierarchy  
trFields  
trMethods  
trProperties  
trLibrary  
trPackage  
trProgram  
trUnit  
trUses  
trConstants  
trFunctionsAndProcedures  
trTypes  
trType  
trVariables  
trAuthors  
trAuthor  
trCreated  
trLastModified  
trSubroutine  
trParameters  
trReturns  
trExceptionsRaised  
trExceptions  
trException  
trEnum  
trVisibility visibilities  
trPrivate  
trStrictPrivate  
trProtected  
trStrictProtected  
trPublic  
trPublished  
trAutomated  
trImplicit

**trDeprecated** hints  
**trPlatformSpecific**  
**trLibrarySpecific**  
**trExperimental**  
**trOverview** headings  
**trIntroduction**  
**trConclusion**  
**trAdditionalFile**  
**trEnclosingClass**  
**trHeadlineCio**  
**trHeadlineConstants**  
**trHeadlineFunctionsAndProcedures**  
**trHeadlineIdentifiers**  
**trHeadlineTypes**  
**trHeadlineUnits**  
**trHeadlineVariables**  
**trSummaryCio**  
**trDeclaration** column headings  
**trDescription** as column OR section heading!  
**trDescriptions** section heading for detailed descriptions  
**trName**  
**trValues**  
**trWarningTag** tags with inbuilt heading  
**trNoteTag**  
**trNone** empty tables  
**trNoCIOs**  
**trNoCIOsForHierarchy**  
**trNoTypes**  
**trNoVariables**  
**trNoConstants**  
**trNoFunctions**  
**trNoIdentifiers**  
**trHelp** misc  
**trLegend**  
**trMarker**

```
trWarningOverwrite  
trWarning  
trGeneratedBy  
trGeneratedOn  
trOnDateTime  
trSearch  
trSeeAlso  
trNested  
trAttributes add more here  
trSourcePosition  
trDummy
```

### RTransTable

---

**Declaration** RTransTable = array[TTranslationID] of string;

**Description** array holding the translated strings, or empty for default (English) text.

### PTransTable

---

**Declaration** PTransTable = ^RTransTable;

### PLanguageRecord

---

**Declaration** PLanguageRecord = ^TLanguageRecord;

**Description** language descriptor

## 13.6 Constants

### DEFAULT\_LANGUAGE

---

**Declaration** DEFAULT\_LANGUAGE = lgEnglish;

### lgDefault

---

**Declaration** lgDefault = lgEnglish;

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# Chapter 14

## Unit PasDoc\_Main

### 14.1 Description

**Main** Does the complete job of the command-line PasDoc.

### 14.2 Overview

**Main** Does the complete job of the command-line PasDoc.

### 14.3 Functions and Procedures

**Main** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Declaration** procedure Main;

**Description** Does the complete job of the command-line PasDoc.

- Process command-line options.
- Create TPasDoc, set it up, run TPasDoc.Execute(3.4) on it.

# Chapter 15

## Unit PasDoc\_ObjectVector

### 15.1 Description

a simple object vector

### 15.2 Uses

- `Contnrs`
- `Classes`

### 15.3 Overview

`TObjectVector` Class

`ObjectVectorIsNilOrEmpty`

### 15.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

`TObjectVector` Class

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**Hierarchy**

`TObjectVector` > `TObjectList`

**Methods**

**Create**

**Declaration** `public constructor Create(const AOwnsObject: boolean); virtual;`

**Description** This is only to make constructor virtual, while original `TObjectList` has a static constructor.

## 15.5 Functions and Procedures

### ObjectVectorIsNilOrEmpty

---

```
Declaration function ObjectVectorIsNilOrEmpty(const AOV: TObjectVector): boolean;
```

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# Chapter 16

# Unit PasDoc\_OptionParser

## 16.1 Description

Command line option parsing.

To use this unit, create an object of `TOptionParser`(16.4) and add options to it, each option descends from `TOption`(16.4). Then, call your object's `TOptionParser.ParseOptions`(16.4) method and options are parsed. After parsing, examine your option objects.

## 16.2 Uses

- Classes

## 16.3 Overview

`TOption` Class Base class for options.

`TBoolOption` Class Boolean option, "on" if was specified.

`TValueOption` Class Base class for all options that have values.

`TIntegerOption` Class Option that accepts additional Integer as a value.

`TStringOption` Class Option that accepts additional string as a value.

`TStringOptionList` Class stringlist option

`TPathListOption` Class pathlist option

`TSetOption` Class useful for making a choice of things

`TOptionParser` Class OptionParser — instantiate one of these for commandline parsing

## 16.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TOption Class

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#### Hierarchy

TOption > TObject

#### Description

Base class for options.

This class implements all the basic functionality and provides abstract methods for the TOptionParser(16.4) class to call, which are overridden by descendants. It also provides function to write the explanation.

#### Properties

<b>ShortForm</b>	<code>public property ShortForm: char read FShort write FShort;</code> Short form of the option — single character — if #0 then not used
<b>LongForm</b>	<code>public property LongForm: string read FLong write FLong;</code> long form of the option — string — if empty, then not used
<b>ShortCaseSensitive</b>	<code>public property ShortCaseSensitive: boolean read FShortSens write FShortSens;</code> specified whether the short form should be case sensitive or not
<b>LongCaseSensitive</b>	<code>public property LongCaseSensitive: boolean read FLongSens write FLongSens;</code> specifies whether the long form should be case sensitive or not
<b>WasSpecified</b>	<code>public property WasSpecified: boolean read FWasSpecified;</code> signifies if the option was specified at least once
<b>Explanation</b>	<code>public property Explanation: string read FExplanation write FExplanation;</code> explanation for the option, see also WriteExplanation(16.4)

#### Fields

<b>FShort</b>	<code>protected FShort: char;</code>
<b>FLong</b>	<code>protected FLong: string;</code>
<b>FShortSens</b>	<code>protected FShortSens: boolean;</code>
<b>FLongSens</b>	<code>protected FLongSens: boolean;</code>
<b>FExplanation</b>	<code>protected FExplanation: string;</code>

```
FWasSpecified protected FWasSpecified: boolean;  
FParser protected FParser: TOptionParser;
```

## Methods

### ParseOption

**Declaration** protected function ParseOption(const AWords: TStrings): boolean; virtual;  
abstract;

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create(const AShort:char; const ALong: string);

**Description** Create a new Option. Set AShort to #0 in order to have no short option. Technically you can set ALong to " to have no long option, but in practice \*every\* option should have long form. Don't override this in descendants (this always simply calls CreateEx). Override only CreateEx.

### CreateEx

**Declaration** public constructor CreateEx(const AShort:char; const ALong: string; const AShortCaseSensitive, ALongCaseSensitive: boolean); virtual;

### GetOptionWidth

**Declaration** public function GetOptionWidth: Integer;

**Description** returns the width of the string "-s, --long-option" where s is the short option. Removes non-existent options (longoption = " or shortoption = #0)

### WriteExplanation

**Declaration** public procedure WriteExplanation(const AOptWidth: Integer);

**Description** writes the wrapped explanation including option format, AOptWidth determines how much it is indented & wrapped

## TBoolOption Class

---

### Hierarchy

TBoolOption > TOption(16.4) > TObject

### Description

Boolean option, "on" if was specified.

Note: This cannot handle something like --option=false . Whether the option is TurnedOn(16.4) simply depends on whether it was specified.

## Properties

```
TurnedOn public property TurnedOn: boolean read FWasSpecified;
```

## Methods

### ParseOption

```
Declaration protected function ParseOption(const AWords: TStrings): boolean; override;
```

## TValueOption Class

---

### Hierarchy

```
TValueOption > TOption(16.4) > TObject
```

### Description

Base class for all options that have values.

These options that take one or more values of the form --option=value or --option value etc

## Methods

### CheckValue

```
Declaration protected function CheckValue(const AString: String): boolean; virtual;
abstract;
```

### ParseOption

```
Declaration protected function ParseOption(const AWords: TStrings): boolean; override;
```

## TIntegerOption Class

---

### Hierarchy

```
TIntegerOption > TValueOption(16.4) > TOption(16.4) > TObject
```

### Description

Option that accepts additional Integer as a value.

## Properties

```
Value public property Value: Integer read FValue write FValue;
```

## Fields

```
FValue protected FValue: Integer;
```

## Methods

### CheckValue

Declaration protected function CheckValue(const AString: String): boolean; override;

## TStringOption Class

---

### Hierarchy

TStringOption > TValueOption(16.4) > TOption(16.4) > TObject

### Description

Option that accepts additional string as a value.

### Properties

**Value** public property Value: String read FValue write FValue;

### Fields

**FValue** protected FValue: String;

## Methods

### CheckValue

Declaration protected function CheckValue(const AString: String): boolean; override;

## TStringOptionList Class

---

### Hierarchy

TStringOptionList > TValueOption(16.4) > TOption(16.4) > TObject

### Description

stringlist option

accepts multiple strings and collates them even if the option itself is specified more than one time

### Properties

**Values** public property Values: TStringList read FValues;

### Fields

**FValues** protected FValues: TStringList;

## Methods

### CheckValue

```
Declaration protected function CheckValue(const AString: String): Boolean; override;
```

### CreateEx

```
Declaration public constructor CreateEx(const AShort: Char; const ALong: String; const  
AShortCaseSensitive, ALongCaseSensitive: Boolean); override;
```

### Destroy

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

## TPathListOption Class

---

### Hierarchy

TPathListOption > TStringOptionList(16.4) > TValueOption(16.4) > TOption(16.4) > TObject

### Description

pathlist option

accepts multiple strings paths and collates them even if the option itself is specified more than one time.  
Paths in a single option can be separated by the DirectorySeparator

## Methods

### CheckValue

```
Declaration public function CheckValue(const AString: String): Boolean; override;
```

## TSetOption Class

---

### Hierarchy

TSetOption > TValueOption(16.4) > TOption(16.4) > TObject

### Description

useful for making a choice of things

Values must not have a + or - sign as the last character as that can be used to add/remove items from the default set, specifying items without +/- at the end clears the default and uses only specified items

## Properties

```
PossibleValues public property PossibleValues: string read GetPossibleValues write SetPossibleValues;  
Values public property Values: string read GetValues write SetValues;
```

## Fields

```
FPossibleValues protected FPossibleValues: TStringList;  
FValues protected FValues: TStringList;
```

## Methods

### GetPossibleValues

```
Declaration protected function GetPossibleValues: string;
```

### SetPossibleValues

```
Declaration protected procedure SetPossibleValues(const Value: string);
```

### CheckValue

```
Declaration protected function CheckValue(const AString: String): Boolean; override;
```

### GetValues

```
Declaration protected function GetValues: string;
```

### SetValues

```
Declaration protected procedure SetValues(const Value: string);
```

### CreateEx

```
Declaration public constructor CreateEx(const AShort: Char; const ALong: String; const  
AShortCaseSensitive, ALongCaseSensitive: Boolean); override;
```

### Destroy

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

### HasValue

```
Declaration public function HasValue(const AValue: string): boolean;
```

## **TOptionParser Class**

---

### **Hierarchy**

TOptionParser > TObject

### **Description**

OptionParser — instantiate one of these for commandline parsing

This class is the main parsing class, although a lot of parsing is handled by TOption(16.4) and its descendants instead.

### **Properties**

<b>LeftList</b>	<pre>public property LeftList: TStringList read FLeftList;</pre> <p>This TStringList contains all the items from the command line that could not be parsed. Includes options that didn't accept their value and non-options like filenames specified on the command line</p>
<b>OptionsCount</b>	<pre>public property OptionsCount: Integer read GetOptionsCount;</pre> <p>The number of option objects that were added to this parser</p>
<b>Options</b>	<pre>public property Options[const AIndex: Integer]: TOption read GetOption;</pre> <p>retrieve an option by index — you can use this and OptionsCount(16.4) to iterate through the options that this parser owns</p>
<b>ByName</b>	<pre>public property ByName[const AName: string]: TOption read GetOptionByLongName;</pre> <p>retrieve an option by its long form. Case sensitivity of the options is taken into account!</p>
<b>ByShortName</b>	<pre>public property ByShortName[const AName: char]: TOption read GetOptionByShortname;</pre> <p>retrieve an option by its short form. Case sensitivity of the options is taken into account!</p>
<b>ShortOptionStart</b>	<pre>public property ShortOptionStart: Char read FShortOptionChar write FShortOptionChar default DefShortOptionChar;</pre> <p>introductory character to be used for short options</p>
<b>LongOptionStart</b>	<pre>public property LongOptionStart: String read FLongOptionString write FLongOptionString;</pre> <p>introductory string to be used for long options</p>
<b>IncludeFileOptionName</b>	<pre>public property IncludeFileOptionName: string read FIncludeFileOptionName write FIncludeFileOptionName;</pre> <p>name of an option to include config file</p>

```
IncludeFileOptionExpl public property IncludeFileOptionExpl: string read  
FIncludeFileOptionExpl write FIncludeFileOptionExpl;  
explanation of an option to include config file
```

## Fields

```
FParams protected FParams: TStringList;  
FOptions protected FOptions: TList;  
FLeftList protected FLeftList: TStringList;  
FShortOptionChar protected FShortOptionChar: Char;  
FLongOptionString protected FLongOptionString: string;  
FIncludeFileName protected FIncludeFileName: string;  
FIncludeFileOptionExpl protected FIncludeFileOptionExpl: string;
```

## Methods

### GetOption

```
Declaration protected function GetOption(const AIndex: Integer): TOption;
```

### GetOptionsCount

```
Declaration protected function GetOptionsCount: Integer;
```

### GetOptionByLongName

```
Declaration protected function GetOptionByLongName(const AName: string): TOption;
```

### GetOptionByShortname

```
Declaration protected function GetOptionByShortname(const AName: char): TOption;
```

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create; virtual;
```

**Description** Create without any options — this will parse the current command line

### CreateParams

```
Declaration public constructor CreateParams(const AParams: TStrings); virtual;
```

**Description** Create with parameters to be used instead of command line

### **Destroy**

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

**Description** destroy the option parser object and all associated TOption(16.4) objects

### **AddOption**

**Declaration** public function AddOption(const AOption: TOption): TOption;

**Description** Add a TOption(16.4) descendant to be included in parsing the command line

### **ParseOptions**

**Declaration** public procedure ParseOptions;

**Description** Parse the specified command line, see also Create(16.4)

### **WriteExplanations**

**Declaration** public procedure WriteExplanations;

**Description** output explanations for all options to stdout, will nicely format the output and wrap explanations

## **16.5 Constants**

### **DefShortOptionChar** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** DefShortOptionChar = '-' ;

**Description** default short option character used

### **DefLongOptionString** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** DefLongOptionString = '--' ;

**Description** default long option string used

### **OptionFileChar** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** OptionFileChar = '@' ;

**Description** Marks "include config file" option

### **CfgMacroCfgPath** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** CfgMacroCfgPath = '\$CFG\_PATH' ;

**Description** Special substitution that, if found inside a config file, will be replaced with actual path of the file

## **OptionIndent** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** OptionIndent = ' ';

**Description** Indentation of option's name from the start of console line

## **OptionSep** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** OptionSep = ' ';

**Description** Separator between option's name and explanation

## **ConsoleWidth** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** ConsoleWidth = 80;

**Description** Width of console

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# Chapter 17

## Unit PasDoc\_Parser

### 17.1 Description

Parse Pascal code.

Contains the `TParser`(17.4) object, which can parse a Pascal code, and put the collected information into the `TPasUnit` instance.

### 17.2 Uses

- `SysUtils`
- `Classes`
- `Contnrs`
- `StrUtils`
- `PasDoc_Types`(29)
- `PasDoc_Items`(12)
- `PasDoc_Scanner`(20)
- `PasDoc_Tokenizer`(28)
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector`(24)
- `PasDoc_StringVector`(25)

### 17.3 Overview

`EInternalParserError` Class Raised when an impossible situation (indicating bug in pasdoc) occurs.

`TPasCioHelper` Class `TPasCioHelper` stores a CIO reference and current state.

**TPasCioHelperStack** Class A stack of TPasCioHelper(17.4) objects currently used to parse nested classes and records

**TRawDescriptionInfoList** Class TRawDescriptionInfoList stores a series of TRawDescriptionInfos(12.4).

**TParser** Class Parser class that will process a complete unit file and all of its include files, regarding directives.

## 17.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**EInternalParserError** Class

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**Hierarchy**

EInternalParserError > Exception

**Description**

Raised when an impossible situation (indicating bug in pasdoc) occurs.

**TPasCioHelper** Class

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**Hierarchy**

TPasCioHelper > TObject

**Description**

TPasCioHelper stores a CIO reference and current state.

**Properties**

**Cio** public property Cio: TPasCio read FCio write FCio;

**CurVisibility** public property CurVisibility: TVisibility read FCurVisibility write FCurVisibility;

**Mode** public property Mode: TItemParseMode read FMode write FMode;

**SkipCioDecl** public property SkipCioDecl: Boolean read FSkipCioDecl write FSkipCioDecl;

**Methods**

**FreeAll**

**Declaration** public procedure FreeAll;

**Description** Frees included objects and calls its own destructor. Objects are not owned by default.

## **TPasCioHelperStack Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TPasCioHelperStack > TObjectStack

### **Description**

A stack of TPasCioHelper(17.4) objects currently used to parse nested classes and records

### **Methods**

#### **Clear**

**Declaration** public procedure Clear;

**Description** Frees all items including their CIOs and clears the stack

#### **Push**

**Declaration** public function Push(AHelper: TPasCioHelper): TPasCioHelper; inline;

#### **Pop**

**Declaration** public function Pop: TPasCioHelper; inline;

#### **Peek**

**Declaration** public function Peek: TPasCioHelper; inline;

## **TRawDescriptionInfoList Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TRawDescriptionInfoList > TObject

### **Description**

TRawDescriptionInfoList stores a series of TRawDescriptionInfos(12.4). It is modelled after TStringList but has only the minimum number of methods required for use in PasDoc.

### **Properties**

**Count** public property Count: integer read FCount;

Count is the number of TRawDescriptionInfos(12.4) in TRawDescriptionInfoList.

**Items** public property Items[Index: integer]: TRawDescriptionInfo read GetItems;

Items provides read access to the TRawDescriptionInfos(12.4) in TRawDescriptionInfoList.

## Methods

### Append

**Declaration** public function Append(Comment: TRawDescriptionInfo): integer;

**Description** Append adds a new TRawDescriptionInfo(12.4) to TRawDescriptionInfoList.

### Create

**Declaration** public Constructor Create;

## TParser Class

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### Hierarchy

TParser > TObject

### Description

Parser class that will process a complete unit file and all of its include files, regarding directives. When creating this object constructor **Create**(17.4) takes as an argument an input stream and a list of directives. Parsing work is done by calling **ParseUnitOrProgram**(17.4) method. If no errors appear, should return a TPasUnit(12.4) object with all information on the unit. Else exception is raised.

Things that parser inits in items it returns:

- Of every TPasItem : Name, RawDescription, Visibility, HintDirectives, DeprecatedNote, FullDeclaration (note: for now not all items get sensible FullDeclararation, but the intention is to improve this over time; see **TPasItem.FullDeclaration**(12.4) to know where FullDeclararation is available now).

Note to IsDeprecated: parser inits it basing on hint directive "deprecated" presence in source file; it doesn't handle the fact that @deprecated tag may be specified inside RawDescription.

Note to RawDescription: parser inits them from user's comments that preceded given item in source file. It doesn't handle the fact that @member and @value tags may also assign RawDescription for some item.

- Of TPasCio: Ancestors, Fields, Methods, Properties, MyType.
- Of TPasEnum: Members, FullDeclararation.
- Of TPasRoutine: What.
- Of TPasVarConst: FullDeclaration.
- Of TPasProperty: IndexDecl, FullDeclaration. PropType, NoDefault, Stored, DefaultValue, Reader, Writer. TODO: Parsing TPasProperty.DefaultInClass.
- Of TPasUnit; UsesUnits, Types, Variables, CIOs, Constants, FuncsProcs.

It doesn't init other values. E.g. AbstractDescription or DetailedDescription of TPasItem should be initied while expanding this item's tags. E.g. SourceFileDialogTime and SourceFileName of TPasUnit must be set by other means.

## Properties

<b>OnMessage</b>	public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;
<b>CommentMarkers</b>	public property CommentMarkers: TStringList read FCommentMarkers write SetCommentMarkers;
<b>MarkersOptional</b>	public property MarkersOptional: boolean read fMarkersOptional write fMarkersOptional;
<b>IgnoreLeading</b>	public property IgnoreLeading: string read FIgnoreLeading write FIgnoreLeading;
<b>IgnoreMarkers</b>	public property IgnoreMarkers: TStringList read FIgnoreMarkers write SetIgnoreMarkers;
<b>ShowVisibilities</b>	public property ShowVisibilities: TVisibilities read FShowVisibilities write FShowVisibilities;
<b>ImplicitVisibility</b>	public property ImplicitVisibility: TImplicitVisibility read FImplicitVisibility write FImplicitVisibility; See command-line option --implicit-visibility documentation at -implicit-visibility documentation.
<b>AutoBackComments</b>	public property AutoBackComments: boolean read FAutoBackComments write FAutoBackComments; See command-line option --auto-back-comments documentation at -auto-back-comments documentation.
<b>InfoMergeType</b>	public property InfoMergeType: TInfoMergeType read FInfoMergeType write FInfoMergeType; Whether to read comments from the implementation, and how to merge them with the interface comments.

## Methods

### Create

<b>Declaration</b>	public constructor Create( const InputStream: TStream; const Directives: TStringVector; const IncludeFilePaths: TStringVector; const OnMessageEvent: TPasDocMessageEvent; const VerbosityLevel: Cardinal; const AStreamName, AStreamAbsoluteFileName: string; const AHandleMacros: boolean);
<b>Description</b>	Create a parser, initialize the scanner with input stream S. All strings in SD are defined compiler directives.

### **Destroy**

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

**Description** Release all dynamically allocated memory.

### **ParseUnitOrProgram**

**Declaration** public procedure ParseUnitOrProgram(var U: TPasUnit);

**Description** This does the real parsing work, creating U unit and parsing InputStream and filling all U properties.

## **17.5 Types**

### **TItemParseMode** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** TItemParseMode = (...);

**Description**

**Values** pmUndefined  
pmConst  
pmVar  
pmType

### **TOwnerItemType** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** TOwnerItemType = (...);

**Description**

**Values** otUnit  
otCio

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# Chapter 18

## Unit PasDoc\_ProcessLineTalk

### 18.1 Description

Talking with another process through pipes.

### 18.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes

### 18.3 Overview

**TTextReader Class** TTextReader reads given Stream line by line.

**TProcessLineTalk Class** This is a subclass of TProcess that allows to easy "talk" with executed process by pipes (read process stdout/stderr, write to process stdin) on a line-by-line basis.

### 18.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**TTextReader Class** \_\_\_\_\_

**Hierarchy**

TTextReader > TObject

**Description**

TTextReader reads given Stream line by line. Lines may be terminated in Stream with #13, #10, #13+#10 or #10+#13. This way I can treat any TStream quite like standard Pascal text files: I have simple ReadLn method.

After calling Readln or Eof you should STOP directly using underlying Stream (but you CAN use Stream right after creating TTextReader.Create(Stream) and before any Readln or Eof operations on this TTextReader).

## Methods

### CreateFromFileStream

**Declaration** `public constructor CreateFromFileStream(const FileName: string);`

**Description** This is a comfortable constructor, equivalent to TTextReader.Create(TFileStream.Create(FileName, fmOpenRead or fmShareDenyWrite), true)

### Create

**Declaration** `public constructor Create(AStream: TStream; AOwnsStream: boolean);`

**Description** If AOwnsStream then in Destroy we will free Stream object.

### Destroy

**Declaration** `public destructor Destroy; override;`

### Readln

**Declaration** `public function Readln: string;`

**Description** Reads next line from Stream. Returned string does not contain any end-of-line characters.

### Eof

**Declaration** `public function Eof: boolean;`

## TProcessLineTalk Class

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### Hierarchy

TProcessLineTalk > TComponent

### Description

This is a subclass of TProcess that allows to easy "talk" with executed process by pipes (read process stdout/stderr, write to process stdin) on a line-by-line basis.

If symbol HAS\_PROCESS is not defined, this defines a junky implementation of TProcessLineTalk class that can't do anything and raises exception when you try to execute a process.

## Properties

```
CommandLine published property CommandLine: string read FCommandLine write  
FCommandLine;  
Executable     published property Executable: string read FExecutable write FExecutable;  
Parameters    published property Parameters: TStrings read FParameters;
```

## Methods

### Execute

```
Declaration public procedure Execute;
```

### WriteLine

```
Declaration public procedure WriteLine(const S: string);
```

### ReadLine

```
Declaration public function ReadLine: string;
```

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create(AOwner: TComponent); override;
```

### Destroy

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

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# Chapter 19

## Unit PasDoc\_Reg

### 19.1 Description

**Registers** Registers the PasDoc components into the IDE.

**TODO:** We have some properties in TPasDoc and generators components that should be registered with filename editors.

### 19.2 Overview

**Register** Registers the PasDoc components into the IDE.

### 19.3 Functions and Procedures

**Register** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** procedure Register;

**Description** Registers the PasDoc components into the IDE.

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# Chapter 20

## Unit PasDoc\_Scanner

### 20.1 Description

Scanner for Pascal, producing tokens and interpreting conditionals.

### 20.2 Uses

- `SysUtils`
- `Classes`
- `Contnrs`
- `Types`
- `PasDoc_Types(29)`
- `PasDoc_Tokenizer(28)`
- `PasDoc_StringVector(25)`
- `PasDoc_StreamUtils(23)`
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector(24)`
- `PasDoc_ObjectVector(15)`

### 20.3 Overview

`ETokenizerStreamEnd Class`

`EInvalidIfCondition Class`

`TScanner Class` Scanner for Pascal, producing tokens and interpreting conditionals

Returns tokens from a Pascal language source code input stream.

## 20.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### ETokenizerStreamEnd Class

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#### Hierarchy

ETokenizerStreamEnd > EPasDoc(29.4) > Exception

#### Description

no description available, EPasDoc description followsException raised in many situations when PasDoc encounters an error.

### EInvalidIfCondition Class

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#### Hierarchy

EInvalidIfCondition > EPasDoc(29.4) > Exception

#### Description

no description available, EPasDoc description followsException raised in many situations when PasDoc encounters an error.

### TScanner Class

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#### Hierarchy

TScanner > TObject

#### Description

Scanner for Pascal, producing tokens and interpreting conditionals

Returns tokens from a Pascal language source code input stream. Uses the `PasDoc_Tokenizer(28)` unit to get tokens, processes directives that might lead to

- including other files
- define / undefine symbols
- processes conditional directives
- handles FPC macros (when HandleMacros is true).

Effectively this is a combined tokenizer and pre-processor.

Single TScanner instance scans one unit using one or more `TTokenizer(28.4)` instances (to scan the unit and all nested include files).

## Properties

**IncludeFilePaths** public property IncludeFilePaths: TStringVector read FIncludeFilePaths write SetIncludeFilePaths;  
Paths to search for include files. When you assign something to this property it causes Assign(Value) call, not a real reference copy.

**OnMessage** public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;

**Verbosity** public property Verbosity: Cardinal read FVerbosity write FVerbosity;

**SwitchOptions** public property SwitchOptions: TSwitchOptions read FSwitchOptions;

**HandleMacros** public property HandleMacros: boolean read FHandleMacros;

## Methods

### DoError

**Declaration** protected procedure DoError(const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const);

### DoMessage

**Declaration** protected procedure DoMessage(const AVerbosity: Cardinal; const MessageType: TPasDocMessageType; const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const);

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create( const s: TStream; const OnMessageEvent: TPasDocMessageEvent; const VerbosityLevel: Cardinal; const AStreamName, AStreamAbsoluteFileName: string; const AHandleMacros: boolean);

**Description** Creates a TScanner object that scans the given input stream.

Note that the stream S will be freed by this object (at destruction or when we will read all its tokens), so after creating TScanner you should leave the stream to be managed completely by this TScanner.

### Destroy

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

### AddSymbol

**Declaration** public procedure AddSymbol(const Name: string);

**Description** Adds Name to the list of symbols (as a normal symbol, not macro).

### AddSymbols

**Declaration** `public procedure AddSymbols(const NewSymbols: TStringVector);`

**Description** Adds all symbols in the NewSymbols collection by calling `AddSymbol(20.4)` for each of the strings in that collection.

### AddMacro

**Declaration** `public procedure AddMacro(const Name, Value: string);`

**Description** Adds Name as a symbol that is a macro, that expands to Value.

### ConsumeToken

**Declaration** `public procedure ConsumeToken;`

**Description** Gets next token and throws it away.

### GetToken

**Declaration** `public function GetToken: TToken;`

**Description** Returns next token. Always non-nil (will raise exception in case of any problem).

### GetStreamInfo

**Declaration** `public function GetStreamInfo: string;`

**Description** Returns the name of the file that is currently processed and the line number. Good for meaningful error messages.

### PeekToken

**Declaration** `public function PeekToken: TToken;`

### UnGetToken

**Declaration** `public procedure UnGetToken(var t: TToken);`

**Description** Place T in the buffer. Next time you will call `GetToken` you will get T. This also sets T to nil (because you shouldn't free T anymore after ungetting it). Note that the buffer has room only for 1 token, so you have to make sure that you will never unget more than two tokens. Practically, always call `UnGetToken` right after some `GetToken`.

## 20.5 Types

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### TUpperCaseLetter

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**Declaration** TUpperCaseLetter = 'A'...'Z';

**Description** subrange type that has the 26 lower case letters from a to z

### TSwitchOptions

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**Declaration** TSwitchOptions = array[TUpperCaseLetter] of Boolean;

**Description** an array of boolean values, index type is TUpperCaseLetter(20.5)

### TDirectiveType

---

**Declaration** TDIRECTIVETYPE = (...);

**Description** All directives a scanner is going to regard.

**Values**

- DT\_UNKNOWN
- DT\_DEFINE
- DT\_ELSE
- DT\_ENDIF
- DT\_IFDEF
- DT\_IFNDEF
- DT\_IFOPT
- DT\_INCLUDE\_FILE
- DT\_UNDEF
- DT\_INCLUDE\_FILE\_2
- DT\_IF
- DT\_ELSEIF
- DT\_IFEND

## 20.6 Constants

### MAX\_TOKENIZERS

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**Declaration** MAX\_TOKENIZERS = 32;

**Description** maximum number of streams we can recurse into; first one is the unit stream, any other stream an include file; current value is 32, increase this if you have more include files recursively including others

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# Chapter 21

## Unit PasDoc\_Serialize

### 21.1 Description

Serializing / deserializing cached information.

### 21.2 Uses

- Classes
- SysUtils
- PasDoc\_StreamUtils(23)

### 21.3 Overview

EInvalidCacheFileVersion Class

TSerializable Class

ESerializedException Class

### 21.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

EInvalidCacheFileVersion Class

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Hierarchy

EInvalidCacheFileVersion > Exception

## **TSerializable Class**

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### **Hierarchy**

TSerializable > TObject

### **Properties**

**WasDeserialized** public property WasDeserialized: boolean read FWasDeserialized;

### **Methods**

#### **Serialize**

**Declaration** protected procedure Serialize(const ADestination: TStream); virtual;

#### **Deserialize**

**Declaration** protected procedure Deserialize(const ASource: TStream); virtual;

#### **Read7BitEncodedInt**

**Declaration** public class function Read7BitEncodedInt(const ASource: TStream): Integer;

#### **Write7BitEncodedInt**

**Declaration** public class procedure Write7BitEncodedInt(Value: Integer; const ADestination: TStream);

#### **LoadStringFromStream**

**Declaration** public class function LoadStringFromStream(const ASource: TStream): string;

#### **SaveStringToStream**

**Declaration** public class procedure SaveStringToStream(const AValue: string; const ADestination: TStream);

#### **LoadDoubleFromStream**

**Declaration** public class function LoadDoubleFromStream(const ASource: TStream): double;

#### **SaveDoubleToStream**

**Declaration** public class procedure SaveDoubleToStream(const AValue: double; const ADestination: TStream);

**LoadIntegerFromStream**

```
Declaration public class function LoadIntegerFromStream(const ASource: TStream):  
  Longint;
```

**SaveIntegerToStream**

```
Declaration public class procedure SaveIntegerToStream(const AValue: Longint; const  
  ADestination: TStream);
```

**Create**

```
Declaration public constructor Create; virtual;
```

**SerializeObject**

```
Declaration public class procedure SerializeObject(const AObject: TSerializable; const  
  ADestination: TStream);
```

**DeserializeObject**

```
Declaration public class function DeserializeObject(const ASource: TStream):  
  TSerializable;
```

**Register**

```
Declaration public class procedure Register(const AClass: TSerializableClass);
```

**SerializeToFile**

```
Declaration public procedure SerializeToFile(const AFileName: string);
```

**DeserializeFromFile**

```
Declaration public class function DeserializeFromFile(const AFileName: string):  
  TSerializable;
```

**Description** Read back from file.

**Exceptions** `EInvalidCacheFileVersion(21.4)` When the cached file contents are from an old pasdoc version (or invalid).

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**ESerializedException Class****Hierarchy**

`ESerializedException` > `Exception`

## **21.5 Types**

**TSerializableClass** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration TSerializableClass = class of TSerializable;

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# Chapter 22

## Unit PasDoc\_SortSettings

### 22.1 Description

Sorting settings types and names.

### 22.2 Uses

- SysUtils

### 22.3 Overview

EInvalidSortSetting Class

SortSettingFromName

SortSettingsToName Comma-separated list

### 22.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

EInvalidSortSetting Class

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Hierarchy

EInvalidSortSetting > Exception

### 22.5 Functions and Procedures

SortSettingFromName

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Declaration function SortSettingFromName(const SortSettingName: string): TSortSetting;

Description

**Exceptions** EInvalidSortSetting(22.4) if ASortSettingName does not match (case ignored) to any SortSettingNames.

### SortSettingsToName

---

**Declaration** function SortSettingsToName(const SortSettings: TSortSettings): string;

**Description** Comma-separated list

## 22.6 Types

### TSortSetting

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**Declaration** TSortSetting = (...);

**Description**

**Values** ssCIOs  
ssConstants  
ssFuncsProcs  
ssTypes  
ssVariables  
ssUsesClauses  
ssRecordFields  
ssNonRecordFields  
ssMethods  
ssProperties

### TSortSettings

---

**Declaration** TSortSettings = set of TSortSetting;

## 22.7 Constants

### AllSortSettings

---

**Declaration** AllSortSettings: TSortSettings = [Low(TSortSetting) .. High(TSortSetting)];

### SortSettingNames

---

**Declaration** SortSettingNames: array[TSortSetting] of string = ( 'structures', 'constants', 'functions', 'types', 'variables', 'uses-clauses', 'record-fields', 'non-record-fields', 'methods', 'properties' );

**Description** Must be lowercase. Used in SortSettingsToName(22.5), SortSettingFromName(22.5).

## Chapter 23

# Unit PasDoc\_StreamUtils

### 23.1 Description

A few stream utility functions.

TBufferedStream, TStreamReader and TStreamWriter by Arno Garrels.

### 23.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes
- PasDoc\_Types(29)

### 23.3 Overview

TBufferedStream Class

StreamReadLine

StreamWriteLine Write AString contents, then LineEnding to AStream

StreamWriteString Just write AString contents to AStream

### 23.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

TBufferedStream Class

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Hierarchy

TBufferedStream > TStream

## Properties

**IsReadOnly** public property IsReadOnly: Boolean read FIsReadOnly write SetIsReadOnly;  
Set IsReadOnly if you are sure you will never write to the stream and nobody else will do, this speeds up getter Size and in turn Seek as well. IsReadOnly is set to TRUE if a constructor with filename is called with a read only mode and a share lock.

**FastSize** public property FastSize: Int64 read GetSize;

## Methods

### SetIsReadOnly

**Declaration** protected procedure SetIsReadOnly(const Value: Boolean);

**Description** See property IsReadOnly below

### SetSize

**Declaration** protected procedure SetSize(NewSize: Integer); override;

### SetSize

**Declaration** protected procedure SetSize(const NewSize: Int64); override;

### InternalGetSize

**Declaration** protected function InternalGetSize: Int64; inline;

### GetSize

**Declaration** protected function GetSize: Int64; override;

### Init

**Declaration** protected procedure Init; virtual;

### FillBuffer

**Declaration** protected function FillBuffer: Boolean; inline;

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create; overload;

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create(Stream : TStream; BufferSize : Integer =  
    DEFAULT_BUFSIZE; OwnsStream : Boolean = FALSE); overload; virtual;
```

Description Dummy, don't call!

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create(const FileName : String; Mode : Word; BufferSize  
    : Integer = DEFAULT_BUFSIZE); overload; virtual;
```

### Destroy

```
Declaration public destructor Destroy; override;
```

### Flush

```
Declaration public procedure Flush; inline;
```

### Read

```
Declaration public function Read(var Buffer; Count: Integer): Integer; override;
```

### Seek

```
Declaration public function Seek(Offset: Integer; Origin: Word): Integer; override;
```

### Seek

```
Declaration public function Seek(const Offset: Int64; Origin: TSeekOrigin): Int64;  
    override;
```

### Write

```
Declaration public function Write(const Buffer; Count: Integer): Integer; override;
```

## 23.5 Functions and Procedures

### StreamReadLine

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```
Declaration function StreamReadLine(const AStream: TStream): AnsiString;
```

### StreamWriteLine

---

```
Declaration procedure StreamWriteLine(const AStream: TStream; const AString:  
    AnsiString);
```

Description Write AString contents, then LineEnding to AStream

## **StreamWriteString**

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**Declaration** procedure StreamWriteString(const AStream: TStream; const AString: AnsiString);

**Description** Just write AString contents to AStream

## **23.6 Constants**

### **DEFAULT\_BUFSIZE**

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**Declaration** DEFAULT\_BUFSIZE = 4096;

### **MIN\_BUFSIZE**

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**Declaration** MIN\_BUFSIZE = 128;

### **MAX\_BUFSIZE**

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**Declaration** MAX\_BUFSIZE = 1024 \* 64;

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## Chapter 24

# Unit PasDoc\_StringPairVector

### 24.1 Description

Simple container for a pair of strings.

### 24.2 Uses

- Classes
- Contnrs
- PasDoc\_ObjectVector(15)

### 24.3 Overview

TStringPair Class

TStringPairVector Class List of string pairs.

### 24.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

TStringPair Class

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Hierarchy

TStringPair > TObject

#### Fields

```
Name  public Name:  string;  
Value  public Value:  string;  
Data  public Data:  Pointer;
```

## Methods

### CreateExtractFirstWord

**Declaration** public constructor CreateExtractFirstWord(const S: string);

**Description** Init Name and Value by ExtractFirstWord(30.5) from S.

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create; overload;

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create(const AName, AValue: string; AData: Pointer = nil); overload;

## TStringPairVector Class

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### Hierarchy

TStringPairVector > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### Description

List of string pairs. This class contains only non-nil objects of class TStringPair.

Using this class instead of TStringList (with its Name and Value properties) is often better, because this allows both Name and Value of each pair to safely contain any special characters (including '=' and newline markers). It's also faster, since it doesn't try to encode Name and Value into one string.

### Properties

**Items** public property Items[i: Integer]: TStringPair read GetItems write SetItems;

## Methods

### Text

**Declaration** public function Text(const NameValueSepapator, ItemSeparator: string): string;

**Description** Returns all items Names and Values glued together. For every item, string Name + NameValueSepapator + Value is constructed. Then all such strings for every items all concatenated with ItemSeparator.

Remember that the very idea of **TStringPair**(24.4) and **TStringPairVector**(24.4) is that Name and Value strings may contain any special characters, including things you give here as NameValueSepapator and ItemSeparator. So it's practically impossible to later convert such Text back to items and Names/Value pairs.

### **FindName**

**Declaration** public function FindName(const Name: string; IgnoreCase: boolean = true): Integer;

**Description** Finds a string pair with given Name. Returns -1 if not found.

### **DeleteName**

**Declaration** public function DeleteName(const Name: string; IgnoreCase: boolean = true): boolean;

**Description** Removes first string pair with given Name. Returns if some pair was removed.

### **LoadFromBinaryStream**

**Declaration** public procedure LoadFromBinaryStream(Stream: TStream);

**Description** Load from a stream using the binary format. For each item, it's Name and Value are saved.  
(TStringPair.Data pointers are *not* saved.)

### **SaveToBinaryStream**

**Declaration** public procedure SaveToBinaryStream(Stream: TStream);

**Description** Save to a stream, in a format readable by LoadFromBinaryStream(24.4).

### **FirstName**

**Declaration** public function FirstName: string;

**Description** Name of first item, or " " if list empty.

# Chapter 25

## Unit PasDoc\_StringVector

### 25.1 Description

String vector based on TStringList.

The string vector is based on TStringList and simply exports a few extra functions - I did this so I didn't have to change so much old code, this has only little additional functionality

### 25.2 Uses

- Classes

### 25.3 Overview

TStringVector Class

NewStringVector

IsEmpty

### 25.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

TStringVector Class

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Hierarchy

TStringVector > TStringList

Methods

FirstName

Declaration public function FirstName: string;

**Description** This is the same thing as Items[0]

#### LoadFromFileAdd

**Declaration** public procedure LoadFromFileAdd(const AFilename: string); overload;

#### LoadFromFileAdd

**Declaration** public procedure LoadFromFileAdd(var ATextFile: TextFile); overload;

#### RemoveAllNamesCI

**Declaration** public procedure RemoveAllNamesCI(const AName: string);

#### ExistsNameCI

**Declaration** public function ExistsNameCI(const AName: string): boolean;

#### IsEmpty

**Declaration** public function IsEmpty: boolean;

#### AddNotExisting

**Declaration** public function AddNotExisting(const AString: string): Integer;

#### LoadFromBinaryStream

**Declaration** public procedure LoadFromBinaryStream(Stream: TStream);

**Description** Load from a stream using the binary format.

The binary format is

- Count
- followed by each string, loaded using `TSerializable.LoadStringFromStream(21.4)`.

Note that you should never use our Text value to load/save this object from/into a stream, like `Text := TSerializable.LoadStringFromStream(Stream)`. Using and assigning to the Text value breaks when some strings have newlines inside that should be preserved.

#### SaveToBinaryStream

**Declaration** public procedure SaveToBinaryStream(Stream: TStream);

**Description** Save to a stream, in a format readable by `LoadFromBinaryStream(25.4)`.

## 25.5 Functions and Procedures

NewStringVector

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Declaration function NewStringVector: TStringVector;

IsEmpty

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Declaration function IsEmpty(const AOV: TStringVector): boolean; overload;

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# Chapter 26

## Unit PasDoc\_TagManager

### 26.1 Description

Collects information about available @-tags and can parse text with tags.

### 26.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes
- Contnrs
- PasDoc\_Types(29)
- PasDoc\_ObjectVector(15)

### 26.3 Overview

TTag Class

TTopLevelTag Class

TNonSelfTag Class

TTagVector Class All Items of this list must be non-nil TTag objects.

TTagManager Class

## 26.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TTag Class

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#### Hierarchy

TTag > TObject

#### Properties

**TagOptions**      `public property TagOptions: TTagOptions read FTagOptions write FTagOptions;`

**TagManager**      `public property TagManager: TTagManager read FTagManager;`

TagManager that will recognize and handle this tag. Note that the tag instance is owned by this tag manager (i.e. it will be freed inside this tag manager). It can be nil if no tag manager currently owns this tag.

Note that it's very useful in `Execute(26.4)` or `OnExecute(26.4)` implementations.

E.g. you can use it to report a message by `TagManager.DoMessage(...)`, this is e.g. used by implementation of `TPasItem.StoreAbstractTag`.

You could also use this to manually force recursive behavior of a given tag. I.e let's suppose that you have a tag with `TagOptions = [toParameterRequired]`, so the `TagParameter` parameter passed to handler was not recursively expanded. Then you can do inside your handler `NewTagParameter := TagManager.Execute(TagParameter, ...)` and this way you have explicitly recursively expanded the tag.

Scenario above is actually used in implementation of `@noAutoLink` tag. There I call `TagManager.Execute` with parameter `AutoLink` set to false thus preventing auto-linking inside text within `@noAutoLink`.

**Name**      `public property Name: string read FName write FName;`

Name of the tag, that must be specified by user after the "@" sign. Value of this property must always be lowercase.

**OnPreExecute**      `public property OnPreExecute: TTagExecuteEvent read FOnPreExecute write FOnPreExecute;`

**OnExecute**      `public property OnExecute: TTagExecuteEvent read FOnExecute write FOnExecute;`

**OnAllowedInside**      `public property OnAllowedInside: TTagAllowedInsideEvent read FOnAllowedInside write FOnAllowedInside;`

#### Methods

##### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create(ATagManager: TTagManager; const AName: string; AOnPreExecute: TTagExecuteEvent; AOnExecute: TTagExecuteEvent; const ATagOptions: TTagOptions);

**Description** Note that AName will be converted to lowercase before assigning to Name.

#### PreExecute

**Declaration** public procedure PreExecute(var ThisTagData: TObject; EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; const TagParameter: string; var ReplaceStr: string); virtual;

**Description** This is completely analogous to Execute(26.4) but used when TTagManager.PreExecute(26.4) is True. In this class this simply calls OnPreExecute(26.4).

#### Execute

**Declaration** public procedure Execute(var ThisTagData: TObject; EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; const TagParameter: string; var ReplaceStr: string); virtual;

**Description** This will be used to do main work when this @-tag occurred in description.

EnclosingTag parameter specifies enclosing tag. This is useful for tags that must behave differently in different contexts, e.g. in plain-text output @item tag will behave differently inside @orderedList and @unorderedList. EnclosingTag is nil when the tag occurred at top level of the description.

ThisTagData and EnclosingTagData form a mechanism to pass arbitrary data between child tags enclosed within one parent tag. Example uses:

- This is the way for multiple @item tags inside @orderedList tag to count themselves (to provide list item numbers, for pasdoc output formats that can't automatically number list items).
- This is the way for @itemSpacing tag to communicate with enclosing @orderedList tag to specify list style.
- And this is the way for @cell tags to be collected inside rows data and then @rows tags to be collected inside table data. Thanks to such collecting TDocGenerator.FormatTable(4.4) receives at once all information about given table, and can use it to format table.

How does this XxxTagData mechanism work:

When we start parsing parameter of some tag with toRecursiveTags, we create a new pointer initied to CreateOccurrenceData(26.4). When @-tags occur inside this parameter, we pass them this pointer as EnclosingTagData (this way all @-tags with the same parent can use this pointer to communicate with each other). At the end, when parameter was parsed, we call given tag's Execute method passing the resulting pointer as ThisTagData (this way @-tags with the same parent can use this pointer to pass some data to their parent).

In this class this method simply calls OnExecute(26.4) (if assigned).

### **AllowedInside**

**Declaration** public function AllowedInside(EnclosingTag: TTag): boolean; virtual;

**Description** This will be checked always when this tag occurs within description. Given EnclosingTag is enclosing tag, nil if we're in top level. If this returns false then this tag will not be allowed inside EnclosingTag.

In this class this method

1. Assumes that Result = true if we're at top level or EnclosingTag.TagOptions contains toAllowOtherTagsInsideByDefault. Else it assumes Result = false.
2. Then it calls OnAllowedInside(Self, EnclosingTag, Result) (26.4) (if OnAllowedInside is assigned).

### **CreateOccurrenceData**

**Declaration** public function CreateOccurrenceData: TObject; virtual;

**Description** In this class this simply returns Nil.

### **DestroyOccurrenceData**

**Declaration** public procedure DestroyOccurrenceData(Value: TObject); virtual;

**Description** In this class this simply does Value.Free.

## **TTopLevelTag Class** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Hierarchy**

TTopLevelTag > TTag(26.4) > TObject

### **Methods**

#### **AllowedInside**

**Declaration** public function AllowedInside(EnclosingTag: TTag): boolean; override;

**Description** This returns just EnclosingTag = nil.

Which means that this tag is allowed only at top level of description, never inside parameter of some tag.

## **TNonSelfTag Class** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Hierarchy**

TNonSelfTag > TTag(26.4) > TObject

## Methods

### AllowedInside

**Declaration** public function AllowedInside(EnclosingTag: TTag): boolean; override;

**Description** This returns just inherited and (EnclosingTag <> Self).

Which means that (assuming that OnAllowedInside(26.4) is not assigned) this tag is allowed at top level of description and inside parameter of any tag *but not within itself and not within tags without toAllowOtherTagsInsideByDefault*.

This is currently not used by any tag.

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## TTagVector Class

### Hierarchy

TTagVector > TObjectVector(15.4) > TObjectList

### Description

All Items of this list must be non-nil TTag objects.

## Methods

### FindByName

**Declaration** public function FindByName(const Name: string): TTag;

**Description** Case of Name does *not* matter (so don't bother converting it to lowercase or something like that before using this method). Returns nil if not found.

Maybe in the future it will use hashlist, for now it's not needed.

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## TTagManager Class

### Hierarchy

TTagManager > TObject

### Properties

**OnMessage** public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;

This will be used to print messages from within Execute(26.4).

Note that in this unit we essentialy "don't know" that parsed Description string is probably attached to some TPasItem. It's good that we don't know it (because it makes this class more flexible). But it also means that OnMessage that you assign here may want to add to passed AMessage something like +'(Expanded\_TPasItem\_Name)', see e.g. TDocGenerator.DoMessageFromExpandDescription. Maybe in the future we will do some descendant of this class, like TTagManagerForPasItem.

<b>Paragraph</b>	<pre>public property Paragraph: string read FParagraph write FParagraph;</pre> <p>This will be inserted on paragraph marker (two consecutive newlines, see wiki page WritingDocumentation) in the text. This should specify how paragraphs are marked in particular output format, e.g. html generator may set this to '&lt;p&gt;'.</p> <p>Default value is ' ' (one space).</p>
<b>Space</b>	<pre>public property Space: string read FSpace write FSpace;</pre> <p>This will be inserted on each whitespace sequence (but not on paragraph break). This is consistent with WritingDocumentation that clearly says that "amount of whitespace does not matter".</p> <p>Although in some pasdoc output formats amount of whitespace also does not matter (e.g. HTML and LaTeX) but in other (e.g. plain text) it matters, so such space compression is needed. In other output formats (no examples yet) it may need to be expressed by something else than simple space, that's why this property is exposed.</p> <p>Default value is ' ' (one space).</p>
<b>ShortDash</b>	<pre>public property ShortDash: string read FShortDash write FShortDash;</pre> <p>This will be inserted on @- in description, and on a normal single dash in description that is not a part of en-dash or em-dash. This should produce just a short dash.</p> <p>Default value is '-'.</p> <p>You will never get any '-' character to be converted by ConvertString. Conversion of '-' is controlled solely by XxxDash properties of tag manager.</p>
<b>See also</b>	<p><a href="#">EnDash(26.4)</a> This will be inserted on -- in description.</p> <p><a href="#">EmDash(26.4)</a> This will be inserted on --- in description.</p>
<b>EnDash</b>	<pre>public property EnDash: string read FEnDash write FEnDash;</pre> <p>This will be inserted on -- in description. This should produce en-dash (as in LaTeX). Default value is '--'.</p>
<b>EmDash</b>	<pre>public property EmDash: string read FEmDash write FEmDash;</pre> <p>This will be inserted on --- in description. This should produce em-dash (as in LaTeX). Default value is '---'.</p>
<b>URLLink</b>	<pre>public property URLLink: TStringConverter read FURLLink write FURLLink;</pre> <p>This will be called from <a href="#">Execute(26.4)</a> when URL will be found in Description. Note that passed here URL will <i>not</i> be processed by <a href="#">ConvertString(26.4)</a>.</p> <p>This tells what to put in result on URL. If this is not assigned, then ConvertString(URL) will be appended to Result in <a href="#">Execute(26.4)</a>.</p>
<b>OnTryAutoLink</b>	<pre>public property OnTryAutoLink: TTryAutoLinkEvent read FOnTryAutoLink write FOnTryAutoLink;</pre> <p>This should check does QualifiedIdentifier looks like a name of some existing identifier. If yes, sets AutoLinked to true and sets QualifiedIdentifierReplacement to a link to</p>

**QualifiedIdentifier** (QualifiedIdentifierReplacement should be ready to be put in final documentation, i.e. already in the final output format). By default AutoLinked is false.

**ConvertString**    `public property ConvertString: TStringConverter read FConvertString write FConvertString;`

**Abbreviations**    `public property Abbreviations: TStringList read FAbbreviations write FAbbreviations;`

**PreExecute**    `public property PreExecute: boolean read FPreExecute write FPreExecute;`  
When `PreExecute` is `True`, tag manager will work a little differently than usual:

- Instead of `TTag.Execute(26.4)`, `TTag.PreExecute(26.4)` will be called.
- Various warnings will *not* be reported.  
Assumption is that you will later process the same text with `PreExecute` set to `False` to get all the warnings.
- `AutoLink` will not be used (like it was always false). Also the result of `Execute(26.4)` will be pretty much random and meaningless (so you should ignore it). Also this means that the `TagParameter` for tags with `toRecursiveTags` should be ignored, because it will be something incorrect. This means that only tags without `toRecursiveTags` should actually use `TagParameter` in their `OnPreExecute` handlers.  
Assumption is that you actually don't care about the result of `Execute(26.4)` methods, and you will later process the same text with `PreExecute` set to `False` to get the proper output.

The goal is to make execution with `PreExecute` set to `True` as fast as possible.

**Markdown**    `public property Markdown: boolean read FMarkdown write FMarkdown default false;`  
When `Markdown` is `True`, Markdown syntax is considered

## Methods

### Create

**Declaration** `public constructor Create;`

### Destroy

**Declaration** `public destructor Destroy; override;`

### DoMessage

**Declaration** `public procedure DoMessage(const AVerbosity: Cardinal; const MessageType: TPasDocMessageType; const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const);`

**Description** Call `OnMessage` (if assigned) with given params.

### **DoMessageNonPre**

**Declaration** public procedure DoMessageNonPre(const AVerbosity: Cardinal; const MessageType: TPasDocMessageType; const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const);

**Description** Call DoMessage(26.4) only if PreExecute(26.4) is **False**.

### **Execute**

**Declaration** public function Execute(const Description: string; AutoLink: boolean; WantFirstSentenceEnd: boolean; out FirstSentenceEnd: Integer): string; overload;

**Description** This method is the very essence of this class and this unit. It expands Description, which means that it processes Description (text supplied by user in some comment in parsed unit) into something ready to be included in output documentation. This means that this handles parsing @-tags, inserting paragraph markers, recognizing URLs in Description and correctly translating it, and translating rest of the "normal" text via ConvertString.

If WantFirstSentenceEnd then we will look for '.' char followed by any whitespace in Description. Moreover, this '.' must be outside of any @-tags parameter. Under FirstSentenceEnd we will return the number of beginning characters in the *output string* that will include correspont '.' character (note that this definition takes into account that ConvertString may translate '.' into something longer). If no such character exists in Description, FirstSentenceEnd will be set to Length(Result), so the whole Description will be treated as it's first sentence.

If WantFirstSentenceEnd, FirstSentenceEnd will not be set.

### **Execute**

**Declaration** public function Execute(const Description: string; AutoLink: boolean): string; overload;

**Description** This is equivalent to Execute(Description, AutoLink, false, Dummy)

### **CoreExecute**

**Declaration** public function CoreExecute(const Description: string; AutoLink: boolean; EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; WantFirstSentenceEnd: boolean; out FirstSentenceEnd: Integer): string; overload;

**Description** This is the underlying version of Execute. Use with caution!

If EnclosingTag = nil then this is understood to be toplevel of description, which means that all tags are allowed inside.

If EnclosingTag <> nil then this is not toplevel.

EnclosingTagData returns collected data for given EnclosingTag. You should init it to EnclosingTag.CreateOccurenceData. It will be passed as EnclosingTagData to each of @-tags found inside Description.

**CoreExecute**

```
Declaration public function CoreExecute(const Description: string; AutoLink: boolean;
EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject): string; overload;
```

## 26.5 Types

**TTagExecuteEvent** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration TTagExecuteEvent = procedure(ThisTag: TTag; var ThisTagData: TObject;
EnclosingTag: TTag; var EnclosingTagData: TObject; const TagParameter:
string; var ReplaceStr: string) of object;
```

**Description**

See also [TTag.Execute\(26.4\)](#) This will be used to do main work when this @-tag occurred in description.

**TTagAllowedInsideEvent** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration TTagAllowedInsideEvent = procedure( ThisTag: TTag; EnclosingTag: TTag; var
Allowed: boolean) of object;
```

**Description**

See also [TTag.AllowedInside\(26.4\)](#) This will be checked always when this tag occurs within description.

**TStringConverter** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration TStringConverter = function(const s: string): string of object;
```

**TTagOption** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration TTagOption = (...);
```

**Description**

**Values** `toParameterRequired` This means that tag expects parameters. If this is not included in `TagOptions` then tag should not be given any parameters, i.e. `TagParameter` passed to `TTag.Execute(26.4)` should be ". We will display a warning if user will try to give some parameters for such tag.

`toRecursiveTags` This means that parameters of this tag will be expanded before passing them to `TTag.Execute(26.4)`. This means that we will expand recursive tags inside parameters, that we will ConvertString inside parameters, that we will handle paragraphs inside parameters etc. — all that does `TTagManager.Execute(26.4)`.

If `toParameterRequired` is not present in `TTagOptions` then it's not important whether you included `toRecursiveTags`.

It's useful for some tags to include `toParameterRequired` without including `toRecursiveTags`, e.g. `@longcode` or `@html`, that want to get their parameters "verbatim", not processed.

**If `toRecursiveTags` is not included in tag options:** Then *everything* is allowed within parameter of this tag, but nothing is interpreted. E.g. you can freely use `@` char, and even write various `@`-tags inside `@html` tag — this doesn't matter, because `@`-tags will not be interpreted (they will not be even searched !) inside `@html` tag. In other words, `@` character means literally "`@`" inside `@html`, nothing more. The only exception are double `@@`, `@(` and `@)`: we still treat them specially, to allow escaping the default parenthesis matching rules. Unless `toRecursiveTagsManually` is present.

`toRecursiveTagsManually` Use this, instead of `toRecursiveTags`, if the implementation of your tag calls (always!) `TagManager.CoreExecute` on given `TagParameter`. This means that your tag is expanded recursively (it handles `-tags` inside), but you do it manually (instead of allowing `toRecursiveTags` to do the job). In this case, `TagParameter` given will be really absolutely unmodified (even the special `@@`, `@(` and `@)` will not be handled), because we know that it will be handled later by special `CoreExecute` call.

Never use both flags `toRecursiveTags` and `toRecursiveTagsManually`.

`toAllowOtherTagsInsideByDefault` This is meaningful only if `toRecursiveTags` is included. Then `toAllowOtherTagsInsideByDefault` determines are other tags allowed by the default implementation of `TTag.AllowedInside`(26.4).

`toAllowNormalTextInside` This is meaningful only if `toRecursiveTags` is included. Then `toAllowNormalTextInside` says that normal text is allowed inside parameter of this tag. "Normal text" is anything except other `@`-tags: normal text, paragraph breaks, various dashes, URLs, and literal `@` character (expressed by `@@` in descriptions).

If `toAllowNormalTextInside` will not be included, then normal text (not enclosed within other `@`-tags) will not be allowed inside. Only whitespace will be allowed, and it will be ignored anyway (i.e. will not be passed to `ConvertString`, empty line will not produce any Paragraph etc.). This is useful for tags like `@orderedList` that should only contain other `@item` tags inside.

`toFirstWordVerbatim` This is useful for tags like `@raises` and `@param` that treat 1st word of their descriptions very specially (where "what exactly is the 1st word" is defined by the `ExtractFirstWord`(30.5) function). This tells pasdoc to leave the beginning of tag parameter (the first word and the eventual whitespace before it) as it is in the parameter. Don't search there for `@`-tags, URLs, -- or other special dashes, don't insert paragraphs, don't try to auto-link it.

This is meaningful only if `toRecursiveTags` is included (otherwise the whole tag parameters are always preserved "verbatim").

TODO: in the future `TTagExecuteEvent` should just get this "first word" as a separate parameter, separated from `TagParameters`. Also, this word should not be converted by `ConvertString`.

## TTagOptions

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**Declaration** `TTagOptions = set of TTagOption;`

## TTryAutoLinkEvent

---

```
Declaration TTryAutoLinkEvent = procedure(TagManager: TTagManager; const  
QualifiedIdentifier: TNameParts; out QualifiedIdentifierReplacement:  
string; var AutoLinked: boolean) of object;
```

# Chapter 27

## Unit PasDoc\_Tipue

### 27.1 Description

Integrate Tipue search.

### 27.2 Uses

- `PasDoc_Utils(30)`
- `PasDoc_Items(12)`
- `Contnrs`

### 27.3 Overview

`TipueSearchButtonHead` Put this in `<head>` of every page with search button.

`TipueSearchButton` Put this at a place where Tipue button should appear.

`TipueAddFiles` Adds some additional files to html documentation, needed for tipue engine.

### 27.4 Functions and Procedures

`TipueSearchButtonHead` \_\_\_\_\_

`Declaration function TipueSearchButtonHead: string;`

`Description` Put this in `<head>` of every page with search button.

## **TipueSearchButton**

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**Declaration** function TipueSearchButton: string;

**Description** Put this at a place where Tipue button should appear. It will make a form with search button. You will need to use Format to insert the localized word for "Search", e.g.: Format(TipueSearchButton, ['Search']) for English.

## **TipueAddFiles**

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**Declaration** procedure TipueAddFiles(Units: TPasUnits; const Introduction, Conclusion: TExternalItem; const AdditionalFiles: TExternalItemList; const Head, BodyBegin, BodyEnd: string; const LanguageCode: string; const OutputPath: string);

**Description** Adds some additional files to html documentation, needed for tipue engine.

OutputPath is our output path, where html output must be placed. Must end with PathDelim.

Units must be non-nil. It will be used to generate index data for tipue.

# Chapter 28

## Unit PasDoc\_Tokenizer

### 28.1 Description

Simple Pascal tokenizer.

The `TTokenizer`(28.4) object creates `TToken`(28.4) objects (tokens) for the Pascal programming language from a character input stream.

The `PasDoc_Scanner`(20) unit does the same (it actually uses this unit's tokenizer), with the exception that it evaluates compiler directives, which are comments that start with a dollar sign.

### 28.2 Uses

- `Classes`
- `PasDoc_Utils`(30)
- `PasDoc_Types`(29)
- `PasDoc_StreamUtils`(23)

### 28.3 Overview

`TToken` Class Stores the exact type and additional information on one token.

`TTokenizer` Class Converts an input `TStream` to a sequence of `TToken`(28.4) objects.

`StandardDirectiveByName` Checks is Name (case ignored) some Pascal keyword.

`KeyWordByName` Checks is Name (case ignored) some Pascal standard directive.

## 28.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TToken Class

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#### Hierarchy

TToken > TObject

#### Description

Stores the exact type and additional information on one token.

#### Properties

<b>StreamName</b>	<pre>public property StreamName: string read FStreamName;</pre> <p>Informative to user name of the stream from which this token was read. This can be a filename (relative or absolute, however user specified it), but it also can be something arbitrary like "\$if / \$elseif condition". So don't treat it like a reliable filename. It is currently used to set TRawDescriptionInfo.StreamName(12.4).</p>
<b>StreamAbsoluteFileName</b>	<pre>public property StreamAbsoluteFileName: string read FStreamAbsoluteFileName;</pre> <p>Filename, always absolute, of the underlying file of this stream. Empty ("") if this is not a file stream.</p>
<b>BeginPosition</b>	<pre>public property BeginPosition: Int64 read FBeginPosition;</pre> <p>BeginPosition is the position in the stream of the start of the token. It is currently used to set TRawDescriptionInfo.BeginPosition(12.4).</p>
<b>EndPosition</b>	<pre>public property EndPosition: Int64 read FEndPosition;</pre> <p>EndPosition is the position in the stream of the character immediately after the end of the token. It is currently used to set TRawDescriptionInfo.EndPosition(12.4).</p>
<b>Line</b>	<pre>public property Line: Integer read FLine;</pre> <p>Line number (1-based) in the stream where this token starts.</p>

#### Fields

<b>Data</b>	<pre>public Data: string;</pre> <p>the exact character representation of this token as it was found in the input file</p>
<b>MyType</b>	<pre>public MyType: TTokenType;</pre> <p>the type of this token as TTokenType(28.6)</p>
<b>Info</b>	<pre>public Info: record</pre> <p>additional information on this token as a variant record depending on the token's MyType</p>

**CommentContent** public CommentContent: string;

Contents of a comment token. This is defined only when MyType is in TokenCommentTypes or is TOK\_DIRECTIVE. This is the text within the comment *without* comment delimiters. For TOK\_DIRECTIVE you can safely assume that CommentContent[1] = '\$'.

**StringContent** public StringContent: string;

Contents of the string token, that is: the value of the string literal. D only when MyType is TOK\_STRING.

## Methods

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create(const TT: TTokenType);

**Description** Create a token of and assign the argument token type to MyType(28.4)

### GetTypeName

**Declaration** public function GetTypeName: string;

### IsSymbol

**Declaration** public function IsSymbol(const ASymbolType: TSymbolType): Boolean;

**Description** Does MyType(28.4) is TOK\_SYMBOL and Info.SymbolType is ASymbolType ?

### IsKeyWord

**Declaration** public function IsKeyWord(const AKeyWord: TKeyWord): Boolean;

**Description** Does MyType(28.4) is TOK\_KEYWORD and Info.KeyWord is AKeyWord ?

### IsStandardDirective

**Declaration** public function IsStandardDirective( const AStandardDirective: TStandardDirective): Boolean;

**Description** Does MyType(28.4) is TOK\_IDENTIFIER and Info.StandardDirective is AStandardDirective ?

### Description

**Declaration** public function Description: string;

**Description** Few words long description of this token. Describes MyType and Data (for those tokens that tend to have short Data). Starts with lower letter.

## TTokenizer Class

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### Hierarchy

TTokenizer > TObject

### Description

Converts an input TStream to a sequence of TToken(28.4) objects.

### Properties

<b>OnMessage</b>	<pre>public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;</pre>
<b>Verbosity</b>	<pre>public property Verbosity: Cardinal read FVerbosity write FVerbosity;</pre>
<b>StreamName</b>	<pre>public property StreamName: string read FStreamName;</pre> <p>Informative to user name of the stream from which this token was read. This can be a filename (relative or absolute, however user specified it), but it also can be something arbitrary like "\$if / \$elseif condition".</p> <p>So don't treat it like a reliable filename, for this use StreamAbsoluteFileName.</p>
<b>StreamAbsoluteFileName</b>	<pre>public property StreamAbsoluteFileName: string read FStreamAbsoluteFileName;</pre> <p>Filename, always absolute, of the underlying file of this stream. Empty ("") if this is not a file stream.</p>

### Fields

<b>FOnMessage</b>	<pre>protected FOnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent;</pre>
<b>FVerbosity</b>	<pre>protected FVerbosity: Cardinal;</pre>
<b>BufferedChar</b>	<pre>protected BufferedChar: Char;</pre> <p>if IsCharBuffered(28.4) is true, this field contains the buffered character</p>
<b>EOS</b>	<pre>protected EOS: Boolean;</pre> <p>true if end of stream Stream(28.4) has been reached, false otherwise</p>
<b>IsCharBuffered</b>	<pre>protected IsCharBuffered: Boolean;</pre> <p>if this is true, BufferedChar(28.4) contains a buffered character; the next call to GetChar(28.4) or PeekChar(28.4) will return this character, not the next in the associated stream Stream(28.4)</p>
<b>Line</b>	<pre>protected Line: Integer;</pre> <p>current line number in stream Stream(28.4); useful when giving error messages</p>

```
Stream                   protected Stream: TStream;  
                          the input stream this tokenizer is working on  
FStreamName           protected FStreamName: string;  
FStreamAbsoluteFileName protected FStreamAbsoluteFileName: string;
```

## Methods

### DoError

```
Declaration protected procedure DoError(const AMessage: string; const AArguments:  
                         array of const);
```

### DoMessage

```
Declaration protected procedure DoMessage(const AVerbosity: Cardinal; const  
                          Message Type: TPasDocMessageType; const AMessage: string; const AArguments:  
                         array of const);
```

### CheckForDirective

```
Declaration protected procedure CheckForDirective(const t: TToken);
```

### ConsumeChar

```
Declaration protected procedure ConsumeChar;
```

### CreateSymbolToken

```
Declaration protected function CreateSymbolToken(const st: TSymbolType; const s:  
                         string): TToken; overload;
```

### CreateSymbolToken

```
Declaration protected function CreateSymbolToken(const st: TSymbolType): TToken;  
                         overload;
```

**Description** Uses default symbol representation, from SymbolNames[st]

### GetChar

```
Declaration protected function GetChar(out c: AnsiChar): Integer;
```

**Description** Returns 1 on success or 0 on failure

### PeekChar

```
Declaration protected function PeekChar(out c: Char): Boolean;
```

**ReadCommentType1**

**Declaration** protected function ReadCommentType1: TToken;

**ReadCommentType2**

**Declaration** protected function ReadCommentType2: TToken;

**ReadCommentType3**

**Declaration** protected function ReadCommentType3: TToken;

**ReadAttAssemblerRegister**

**Declaration** protected function ReadAttAssemblerRegister: TToken;

**ReadLiteralString**

**Declaration** protected function ReadLiteralString(var t: TToken): Boolean;

**ReadToken**

**Declaration** protected function ReadToken(c: Char; const s: TCharSet; const TT: TTokenType; var t: TToken): Boolean;

**Create**

**Declaration** public constructor Create( const AStream: TStream; const OnMessageEvent: TPasDocMessageEvent; const VerbosityLevel: Cardinal; const AstreamName, AStreamAbsoluteFileName: string);

**Description** Creates a TTokenizer and associates it with given input TStream. Note that AStream will be freed when this object will be freed.

**Destroy**

**Declaration** public destructor Destroy; override;

**Description** Releases all dynamically allocated memory.

**HasData**

**Declaration** public function HasData: Boolean;

**GetStreamInfo**

**Declaration** public function GetStreamInfo: string;

### **GetToken**

**Declaration** public function GetToken(const NilOnEnd: Boolean = false; const NilOnInvalidContent: Boolean = false): TToken;

**Description** Get next token from stream.

**Parameters** **NilOnEnd** If True, return Nil once stream ends. Otherwise we make exception about it.

**NilOnInvalidContent** If True, return Nil on some invalid content, like "!" which is not Pascal token at all. This parameter is independent from NilOnEnd. The "invalid content" affected by this parameter is still something that "we can read to advance our position within the stream".

### **UnGetToken**

**Declaration** public procedure UnGetToken(var T: TToken);

**Description** Makes the token T next to be returned by GetToken. Also sets T to Nil, to prevent you from freeing it accidentally.

You cannot have more than one "unget" token. If you only call UnGetToken after some GetToken, you are safe.

### **SkipUntilCompilerDirective**

**Declaration** public function SkipUntilCompilerDirective: TToken;

**Description** Skip all chars until it encounters some compiler directive, like \$ELSE or \$ENDIF. Returns either Nil or a token with MyType = TOK\_DIRECTIVE.

## **28.5 Functions and Procedures**

### **StandardDirectiveByName** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** function StandardDirectiveByName(const Name: string): TStandardDirective;

**Description** Checks is Name (case ignored) some Pascal keyword. Returns SD\_INVALIDSTANDARDDIRECTIVE if not.

### **KeyWordByName** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** function KeyWordByName(const Name: string): TKeyword;

**Description** Checks is Name (case ignored) some Pascal standard directive. Returns KEY\_INVALIDKEYWORD if not.

## 28.6 Types

---

### TTokenType

---

**Declaration** TTokenType = (...);

**Description** enumeration type that provides all types of tokens; each token's name starts with TOK\_.  
TOK\_DIRECTIVE is a compiler directive (like \$ifdef, \$define).

Note that tokenizer is not able to tell whether you used standard directive (e.g. 'Register') as an identifier (e.g. you're declaring procedure named 'Register') or as a real standard directive (e.g. a calling specifier 'register'). So there is *no* value like TOK\_STANDARD\_DIRECTIVE here, standard directives are always reported as TOK\_IDENTIFIER. You can check TToken.Info.StandardDirective to know whether this identifier is *maybe* used as real standard directive.

**Values** TOK\_WHITESPACE  
TOK\_COMMENT\_PAS  
TOK\_COMMENT\_EXT  
TOK\_COMMENT\_HELPINSIGHT  
TOK\_COMMENT\_CSTYLE  
TOK\_IDENTIFIER  
TOK\_NUMBER  
TOK\_STRING  
TOK\_SYMBOL  
TOK\_DIRECTIVE  
TOK\_KEYWORD  
TOK\_ATT\_ASSEMBLER\_REGISTER

### TKeyword

---

**Declaration** TKeyword = (...);

**Description**

**Values** KEY\_INVALIDKEYWORD  
KEY\_AND  
KEY\_ARRAY  
KEY\_AS  
KEY\_ASM  
KEY\_BEGIN  
KEY\_CASE  
KEY\_CLASS

KEY\_OBJCCLASS  
KEY\_CONST  
KEY\_CONSTRUCTOR  
KEY\_DESTRUCTOR  
KEY\_DISPINTERFACE  
KEY\_DIV  
KEY\_DO  
KEY\_DOWNT0  
KEY\_ELSE  
KEY\_END  
KEY\_EXCEPT  
KEY\_EXPORTS  
KEY\_FILE  
KEY\_FINALIZATION  
KEY\_FINALLY  
KEY\_FOR  
KEY\_FUNCTION  
KEY\_GOTO  
KEY\_IF  
KEY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
KEY\_IN  
KEY\_INHERITED  
KEY\_INITIALIZATION  
KEY\_INLINE  
KEY\_INTERFACE  
KEY\_IS  
KEY\_LABEL  
KEY\_LIBRARY  
KEY\_MOD  
KEY\_NIL  
KEY\_NOT  
KEY\_OBJECT  
KEY\_OF  
KEY\_ON  
KEY\_OR

```
KEY_PACKED
KEY_PROCEDURE
KEY_PROGRAM
KEY_PROPERTY
KEY_RAISE
KEY_RECORD
KEY_REPEAT
KEY_RESOURCESTRING
KEY_SET
KEY_SHL
KEY_SHR
KEY_STRING
KEY_THEN
KEY_THREADVAR
KEY_TO
KEY_TRY
KEY_TYPE
KEY_UNIT
KEY_UNTIL
KEYUSES
KEY_VAR
KEY_WHILE
KEY_WITH
KEY_XOR
KEY_OUT
```

## TStandardDirective

---

**Declaration** TStandardDirective = (...);

### Description

**Values** SD\_INVALIDSTANDARDDIRECTIVE  
SD\_ABSOLUTE  
SD\_ABSTRACT  
SD\_APIENTRY  
SD\_ASSEMBLER  
SD\_AUTOMATED

SD\_CDECL  
SD\_CVAR  
SD\_DEFAULT  
SD\_DISPID  
SD\_DYNAMIC  
SD\_EXPERIMENTAL  
SD\_EXPORT  
SD\_EXTERNAL  
SD\_FAR  
SD\_FORWARD  
SD\_GENERIC  
SD\_HELPER  
SD\_INDEX  
SD\_INLINE  
SD\_MESSAGE  
SD\_NAME  
SD\_NEAR  
SD\_NODEFAULT  
SD\_OPERATOR  
SD\_OUT  
SD\_OVERLOAD  
SD\_OVERRIDE  
SD\_PASCAL  
SD\_PRIVATE  
SD\_PROTECTED  
SD\_PUBLIC  
SD\_PUBLISHED  
SD\_READ  
SD\_REFERENCE  
SD\_REGISTER  
SD\_REINTRODUCE  
SD\_RESIDENT  
SD\_SEALED  
SD\_SPECIALIZE  
SD\_STATIC

```
SD_STDCALL  
SD_STORED  
SD_STRICT  
SD_VIRTUAL  
SD_WRITE  
SD_DEPRECATED  
SD_SAFECALL  
SD_PLATFORM  
SD_VARARGS  
SD_FINAL
```

## TStandardDirectives

---

**Declaration** TStandardDirectives = set of TStandardDirective;

## TSymbolType

---

**Declaration** TSymbolType = (...);

**Description** enumeration type that provides all types of symbols; each symbol's name starts with SYM\_

**Values**

```
SYM_PLUS  
SYM_MINUS  
SYM_ASTERISK  
SYM_SLASH  
SYM_EQUAL  
SYM_LESS_THAN  
SYM_LESS_THAN_EQUAL  
SYM_GREATER_THAN  
SYM_GREATER_THAN_EQUAL  
SYM_LEFT_BRACKET  
SYM_RIGHT_BRACKET  
SYM_COMMA  
SYM_LEFT_PARENTHESIS  
SYM_RIGHT_PARENTHESIS  
SYM_COLON  
SYM_SEMICOLON  
SYM_DEREFERENCE  
SYM_PERIOD
```

```

SYM_AT
SYM_DOLLAR
SYM_ASSIGN
SYM_RANGE
SYM_POWER
SYM_BACKSLASH SYM_BACKSLASH may occur when writing char constant "^\", see ../../tests/ok_caret_chara

```

## 28.7 Constants

### TOKEN\_TYPE\_NAMES

---

**Declaration** TOKEN\_TYPE\_NAMES: array[TTokenType] of string = ( 'whitespace', 'comment ((\*\*)-style)', 'comment ({}-style)', 'comment (///-style)', 'comment (//--style)', 'identifier', 'number', 'string', 'symbol', 'directive', 'reserved word', 'AT&T assembler register name' );

**Description** Names of the token types. All start with lower letter. They should somehow describe (in a few short words) given TTokenType.

### TokenCommentTypes

---

**Declaration** TokenCommentTypes: set of TTokenType = [ TOK\_COMMENT\_PAS, TOK\_COMMENT\_EXT, TOK\_COMMENT\_HELPINSIGHT, TOK\_COMMENT\_CSTYLE ] ;

### SymbolNames

---

**Declaration** SymbolNames: array[TSymbolType] of string = ( '+', '-', '\*', '/', '=', '<', '<=', '>', '>=', '[', ']', ',', '(', ')', ':', ';', '^', '.', '@', '\$', ':=', '..', '\*\*', '\\' );

**Description** Symbols as strings. They can be useful to have some mapping TSymbolType -> string, but remember that actually some symbols in tokenizer have multiple possible representations, e.g. "right bracket" is usually given as "]" but can also be written as ".)".

### KeyWordArray

---

**Declaration** KeyWordArray: array[Low(TKeyword)..High(TKeyword)] of string = ('x', 'AND', 'ARRAY', 'AS', 'ASM', 'BEGIN', 'CASE', 'CLASS', 'OBJCLASS', 'CONST', 'CONSTRUCTOR', 'DESTRUCTOR', 'DISPINTERFACE', 'DIV', 'DO', 'DOWNTO', 'ELSE', 'END', 'EXCEPT', 'EXPORTS', 'FILE', 'FINALIZATION', 'FINALLY', 'FOR', 'FUNCTION', 'GOTO', 'IF', 'IMPLEMENTATION', 'IN', 'INHERITED', 'INITIALIZATION', 'INLINE', 'INTERFACE', 'IS', 'LABEL', 'LIBRARY', 'MOD', 'NIL', 'NOT', 'OBJECT', 'OF', 'ON', 'OR', 'PACKED', 'PROCEDURE', 'PROGRAM', 'PROPERTY', 'RAISE', 'RECORD', 'REPEAT', 'RESOURCESTRING', 'SET', 'SHL', 'SHR', 'STRING', 'THEN', 'THREADVAR', 'TO', 'TRY', 'TYPE', 'UNIT', 'UNTIL', 'USES', 'VAR', 'WHILE', 'WITH', 'XOR', 'OUT');

**Description** all Object Pascal keywords

## StandardDirectiveArray

---

**Declaration** StandardDirectiveArray:

```
array[Low(TStandardDirective)..High(TStandardDirective)] of PChar = ('x',
  'ABSOLUTE', 'ABSTRACT', 'APIENTRY', 'ASSEMBLER', 'AUTOMATED', 'CDECL',
  'CVAR', 'DEFAULT', 'DISPID', 'DYNAMIC', 'EXPERIMENTAL', 'EXPORT', 'EXTERNAL',
  'FAR', 'FORWARD', 'GENERIC', 'HELPER', 'INDEX', 'INLINE', 'MESSAGE', 'NAME',
  'NEAR', 'NODEFAULT', 'OPERATOR', 'OUT', 'OVERLOAD', 'OVERRIDE', 'PASCAL',
  'PRIVATE', 'PROTECTED', 'PUBLIC', 'PUBLISHED', 'READ', 'REFERENCE',
  'REGISTER', 'REINTRODUCE', 'RESIDENT', 'SEALED', 'SPECIALIZE', 'STATIC',
  'STDCALL', 'STORED', 'STRICT', 'VIRTUAL', 'WRITE', 'DEPRECATED', 'SAFECALL',
  'PLATFORM', 'VARARGS', 'FINAL');
```

**Description** Object Pascal directives

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# Chapter 29

## Unit PasDoc\_Types

### 29.1 Description

Basic types.

### 29.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- StrUtils
- Types

### 29.3 Overview

**EPasDoc Class** Exception raised in many situations when PasDoc encounters an error.

**SplitNameParts** Splits S, which can be made of any number of parts, separated by dots (Delphi namespaces, like PasDoc.Output.HTML.TWriter.Write).

**OneNamePart** Simply returns an array with Length = 1 and one item = S.

**GlueNameParts** Simply concatenates all NameParts with dot.

### 29.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**EPasDoc Class** \_\_\_\_\_

**Hierarchy**

EPasDoc > Exception

## Description

Exception raised in many situations when PasDoc encounters an error.

## Methods

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create(const AMessageFormat: string; const AArguments: array of const; const AExitCode: Word = 3); overload;
```

### Create

```
Declaration public constructor Create(const AMessage: string; const AExitCode: Word = 3); overload;
```

## 29.5 Functions and Procedures

### SplitNameParts

---

```
Declaration function SplitNameParts(S: string; out NameParts: TNameParts): Boolean;
```

**Description** Splits S, which can be made of any number of parts, separated by dots (Delphi namespaces, like PasDoc.Output.HTML.TWriter.Write). If S is not a valid identifier, False is returned, otherwise True is returned and splitted name is returned as NameParts.

### OneNamePart

---

```
Declaration function OneNamePart(const S: string): TNameParts;
```

**Description** Simply returns an array with Length = 1 and one item = S.

### GlueNameParts

---

```
Declaration function GlueNameParts(const NameParts: TNameParts): string;
```

**Description** Simply concatenates all NameParts with dot.

## 29.6 Types

### TBytes

---

```
Declaration TBytes = array of Byte;
```

### UnicodeString

---

```
Declaration UnicodeString = WideString;
```

---

## **RawByteString**

---

**Declaration** `RawByteString = AnsiString;`

---

## **TStringArray**

---

**Declaration** `TStringArray = TStringDynArray;`

---

## **TNameParts**

---

**Declaration** `TNameParts = TStringArray;`

**Description** This represents parts of a qualified name of some item.

User supplies such name by separating each part with dot, e.g. 'UnitName.ClassName.ProcedureName', then `SplitNameParts(29.5)` converts it to TNameParts like ['UnitName', 'ClassName', 'ProcedureName']. Length must be *always* between 1 and `MaxNameParts(29.7)`.

---

## **TPasDocMessageType**

---

**Declaration** `TPasDocMessageType = (...);`

**Description**

**Values**

- `pmtPlainText`
- `pmtInformation`
- `pmtWarning`
- `pmtError`

---

## **TPasDocMessageEvent**

---

**Declaration** `TPasDocMessageEvent = procedure(const MessageType: TPasDocMessageType; const AMessage: string; const AVerbosity: Cardinal) of object;`

---

## **TCharSet**

---

**Declaration** `TCharSet = set of AnsiChar;`

---

## **TImplicitVisibility**

---

**Declaration** `TImplicitVisibility = (...);`

**Description** See command-line option `--implicit-visibility` documentation at `-implicit-visibility` documentation.

**Values**

- `ivPublic`
- `ivPublished`
- `ivImplicit`

## 29.7 Constants

**MaxNameParts** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** MaxNameParts = 3;

**CP\_UTF16** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** CP\_UTF16 = 1200;

**Description** Windows Unicode code page ID

**CP\_UTF16Be** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** CP\_UTF16Be = 1201;

**CP\_UTF32** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** CP\_UTF32 = 12000;

**CP\_UTF32Be** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** CP\_UTF32Be = 12001;

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# Chapter 30

## Unit PasDoc\_Utils

### 30.1 Description

Utility functions.

### 30.2 Uses

- Classes
- SysUtils
- PasDoc\_Types(29)

### 30.3 Overview

`TCharReplacement Record`

`IsStrEmptyA` string empty means it contains only whitespace

`StrCountCharA` count occurrences of AChar in AString

`StrPosIA` Position of the ASub in AString.

`MakeMethod` creates a "method pointer"

`StringReplaceChars` Returns S with each char from `ReplacementArray[]`.`cChar` replaced with `ReplacementArray[]`.`sSpec`.

`SCharIs` Comfortable shortcut for `Index <= Length(S)` and `S[Index] = C`.

`SCharIs` Comfortable shortcut for `Index <= Length(S)` and `S[Index]` in Chars.

`ExtractFirstWord` Extracts all characters up to the first white-space encountered (ignoring white-space at the very beginning of the string) from the string specified by S.

**ExtractFirstWord** Another version of ExtractFirstWord.

**SkipBOM** Interpret and skip the BOM in the InputStream.

**FileToString** Read the given FileName contents into a String.

**StringToFile** Save the String content into a file.

**DataToFile** Save the binary Data into a file.

**SCharsReplace** Returns S with all Chars replaced by ReplacementChar

**SCharsReplace**

**CopyFile**

**IsPrefix** Checks is Prefix a prefix of S.

**RemovePrefix** If IsPrefix(Prefix, S), then remove the prefix, otherwise return unmodified S.

**SEnding** SEnding returns S contents starting from position P.

**IsPathAbsolute** Check is the given Path absolute.

**IsPathAbsoluteOnDrive** Just like IsPathAbsolute, but on Windows accepts also paths that specify full directory tree without drive letter.

**CombinePaths** Combines basePath with RelPath.

**DeleteFileExt** Remove from the FileName the last extension (including the dot).

**RemoveIndentation** Remove common indentation (whitespace prefix) from a multiline string.

**Swap16Buf**

**IsCharInSet**

**IsCharInSet**

**IsUnicodeLeadByte**

**IsUnicodeTrailByte**

**Utf8Size**

**IsLeadChar**

**StripHtml** Strip HTML elements from the string.

**SAppendPart** If S = " then returns NextPart, else returns S + PartSeparator + NextPart.

**CharsPos** Find first occurrence of any character in Chars in string S.

**SRemoveChars** Remove all instances of a character in Chars from a string.

## 30.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**TCharReplacement Record** \_\_\_\_\_

### Fields

```
cChar public cChar: Char;  
sSpec public sSpec: string;
```

## 30.5 Functions and Procedures

**IsStrEmptyA** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function IsStrEmptyA(const AString: string): boolean;
```

**Description** string empty means it contains only whitespace

**StrCountCharA** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function StrCountCharA(const AString: string; const AChar: Char):  
Integer;
```

**Description** count occurrences of AChar in AString

**StrPosIA** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function StrPosIA(const ASub, AString: string): Integer;
```

**Description** Position of the ASub in AString. Return 0 if not found

**MakeMethod** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function MakeMethod(const AObject: Pointer; AMethod: Pointer): TMethod;
```

**Description** creates a "method pointer"

**StringReplaceChars** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function StringReplaceChars(const S: string; const ReplacementArray: array  
of TCharReplacement): string;
```

**Description** Returns S with each char from ReplacementArray[].cChar replaced with ReplacementAr-  
ray[].sSpec.

**SCharIs** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function SCharIs(const S: string; Index: integer; C: char): boolean;  
overload;
```

**Description** Comfortable shortcut for Index <= Length(S) and S[Index] = C.

## SCharIs

---

**Declaration** `function SCharIs(const S: string; Index: integer; const Chars: TCharSet): boolean; overload;`

**Description** Comfortable shortcut for `Index <= Length(S)` and `S[Index]` in Chars.

## ExtractFirstWord

---

**Declaration** `function ExtractFirstWord(var s: string): string; overload;`

**Description** Extracts all characters up to the first white-space encountered (ignoring white-space at the very beginning of the string) from the string specified by S.

If there is no white-space in S (or there is white-space only at the beginning of S, in which case it is ignored) then the whole S is regarded as it's first word.

Both S and result are trimmed, i.e. they don't have any excessive white-space at the beginning or end.

## ExtractFirstWord

---

**Declaration** `procedure ExtractFirstWord(const S: string; out FirstWord, Rest: string); overload;`

**Description** Another version of ExtractFirstWord.

Splits S by it's first white-space (ignoring white-space at the very beginning of the string). No such white-space means that whole S is regarded as the FirstWord.

Both FirstWord and Rest are trimmed.

## SkipBOM

---

**Declaration** `procedure SkipBOM(const InputStream: TStream);`

**Description** Interpret and skip the BOM in the InputStream. Assumes that initial position is at the beginning of the InputStream, and will change the position to the one immediately after BOM (or 0, if no BOM was detected).

**Exceptions** EPasDoc(29.4) When BOM indicates UTF encoding that we cannot handle (UTF-32, UTF-16 now).

## FileToString

---

**Declaration** `function FileToString(const FileName: string): string;`

**Description** Read the given FileName contents into a String. Use this only with text files – it does automatic UTF BOM skipping, so it assumes it is a text file, not a binary file with random contents.

## **StringToFile**

---

**Declaration** procedure StringToFile(const FileName, S: string);

**Description** Save the String content into a file. Overwrites the FileName, if it already exists.

## **DataToFile**

---

**Declaration** procedure DataToFile(const FileName: string; const Data: array of Byte);

**Description** Save the binary Data into a file. Overwrites the FileName, if it already exists.

## **SCharsReplace**

---

**Declaration** function SCharsReplace(const S: String; const Chars: TCharSet; const ReplacementChar: Char): string; overload;

**Description** Returns S with all Chars replaced by ReplacementChar

## **SCharsReplace**

---

**Declaration** function SCharsReplace(const S: String; const SearchChar: Char; const ReplacementChar: Char): string; overload;

## **CopyFile**

---

**Declaration** procedure CopyFile(const SourceFileName, DestinationFileName: string);

## **IsPrefix**

---

**Declaration** function IsPrefix(const Prefix, S: string): boolean;

**Description** Checks is Prefix a prefix of S. Not case-sensitive.

## **RemovePrefix**

---

**Declaration** function RemovePrefix(const Prefix, S: string): string;

**Description** If IsPrefix(Prefix, S), then remove the prefix, otherwise return unmodified S.

## **SEnding**

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**Declaration** function SEnding(const s: string; P: integer): string;

**Description** SEnding returns S contents starting from position P. Returns " if P > length(S). Yes, this is simply equivalent to Copy(S, P, MaxInt).

## **IsPathAbsolute**

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**Declaration** `function IsPathAbsolute(const Path: string): boolean;`

**Description** Check is the given Path absolute.

Path may point to directory or normal file, it doesn't matter. Also it doesn't matter whether Path ends with PathDelim or not.

Note for Windows: while it's obvious that '`c:\autoexec.bat`' is an absolute path, and '`\autoexec.bat`' is not, there's a question whether path like '`\autoexec.bat`' is absolute? It doesn't specify drive letter, but it does specify full directory hierarchy on some drive. This function treats this as *not absolute*, on the reasoning that "not all information is contained in Path".

**See also** [IsPathAbsoluteOnDrive\(30.5\)](#) Just like IsPathAbsolute, but on Windows accepts also paths that specify full directory tree without drive letter.

## **IsPathAbsoluteOnDrive**

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**Declaration** `function IsPathAbsoluteOnDrive(const Path: string): boolean;`

**Description** Just like IsPathAbsolute, but on Windows accepts also paths that specify full directory tree without drive letter.

**See also** [IsPathAbsolute\(30.5\)](#) Check is the given Path absolute.

## **CombinePaths**

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**Declaration** `function CombinePaths(BasePath, RelPath: string): string;`

**Description** Combines BasePath with RelPath. BasePath MUST be an absolute path, on Windows it must contain at least drive specifier (like '`c:`'), on Unix it must begin with '`/`'. RelPath can be relative and can be absolute. If RelPath is absolute, result is RelPath. Else the result is an absolute path calculated by combining RelPath with BasePath.

## **DeleteFileExt**

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**Declaration** `function DeleteFileExt(const FileName: string): string;`

**Description** Remove from the FileName the last extension (including the dot). Note that if the FileName had a couple of extensions (e.g. `blah.x3d.gz`) this will remove only the last one. Will remove nothing if filename has no extension.

## **RemoveIndentation**

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**Declaration** `function RemoveIndentation(const Code: string): string;`

**Description** Remove common indentation (whitespace prefix) from a multiline string.

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**Swap16Buf** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration procedure Swap16Buf(Src, Dst: PWord; WordCount: Integer);
```

**IsCharInSet** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function IsCharInSet(C: AnsiChar; const CharSet: TCharSet): Boolean;
overload; inline;
```

**IsCharInSet** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function IsCharInSet(C: WideChar; const CharSet: TCharSet): Boolean;
overload; inline;
```

**IsUnicodeLeadByte** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function IsUtf8LeadByte(const B: Byte): Boolean; inline;
```

**IsUnicodeTrailByte** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function IsUtf8TrailByte(const B: Byte): Boolean; inline;
```

**Utf8Size** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function Utf8Size(const LeadByte: Byte): Integer; inline;
```

**IsLeadChar** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function IsLeadChar(Ch: WideChar): Boolean; overload; inline;
```

**StripHtml** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function StripHtml(const S: string): string;
```

**Description** Strip HTML elements from the string.

Assumes that the HTML content is correct (all elements are nicely closed, all < > inside attributes are escaped to &lt; &gt;, all < > outside elements are escaped to &lt; &gt;). It doesn't try very hard to deal with incorrect HTML context (it will not crash, but results are undefined). It's designed to strip HTML from PasDoc-generated HTML, which should always be correct.

**SAppendPart** \_\_\_\_\_

```
Declaration function SAppendPart(const s, PartSeparator, NextPart: String): String;
```

**Description** If S = " then returns NextPart, else returns S + PartSeparator + NextPart.

## CharsPos

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**Declaration** function CharsPos(const Chars: TCharSet; const S: String): Integer;

**Description** Find first occurrence of any character in Chars in string S. This is quite like FirstDelimiter but it takes parameter as TSetOfChars and has more sensible name. Returns 0 if not found.

## SRemoveChars

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**Declaration** function SRemoveChars(const S: string; const Chars: TCharSet): string;

**Description** Remove all instances of a character in Chars from a string.

## 30.6 Constants

### AllChars

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**Declaration** AllChars = [Low(AnsiChar)..High(AnsiChar)];

### WhiteSpaceNotNL

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**Declaration**WhiteSpaceNotNL = [' ', #9];

**Description** Whitespace that is not any part of newline.

### WhiteSpaceNL

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**Declaration**WhiteSpaceNL = [#10, #13];

**Description** Whitespace that is some part of newline.

### WhiteSpace

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**Declaration**WhiteSpace = WhiteSpaceNotNL + WhiteSpaceNL;

**Description** Any whitespace (that may indicate newline or not)

### FlagStartSigns

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**Declaration** FlagStartSigns = ['['];

**Description** Flag Start- and Endsigns for parameters (Feature request "direction of parameter": pasdoc issue 8)

### FlagEndSigns

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**Declaration** FlagEndSigns = [']';

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# Chapter 31

## Unit PasDoc\_Versions

### 31.1 Description

Information about PasDoc and compilers version.

### 31.2 Overview

**COMPILER\_NAME** Nice compiler name.

**PASDOC\_FULL\_INFO** Returns pasdoc name, version, used compiler version, etc.

### 31.3 Functions and Procedures

#### **COMPILER\_NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** function COMPILER\_NAME: string;

**Description** Nice compiler name. This is a function only because we can't nicely declare it as a constant. But this behaves like a constant, i.e. every time you call it it returns the same thing (as long as this is the same binary).

#### **PASDOC\_FULL\_INFO** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** function PASDOC\_FULL\_INFO: string;

**Description** Returns pasdoc name, version, used compiler version, etc.

This is a function only because we can't nicely declare it as a constant. But this behaves like a constant, i.e. every time you call it it returns the same thing (as long as this is the same binary).

## 31.4 Constants

**COMPILER\_BITS** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration `COMPILER_BITS = '32'` ;

**PASDOC\_NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration `PASDOC_NAME = 'PasDoc'` ;

**PASDOC\_DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration `PASDOC_DATE = 'snapshot'` ;

Description `PASDOC_DATE = '2021-02-07'` ;

**PASDOC\_VERSION** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration `PASDOC_VERSION = '0.17.0.snapshot'` ;

**PASDOC\_NAME\_AND\_VERSION** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration `PASDOC_NAME_AND_VERSION = PASDOC_NAME + ' ' + PASDOC_VERSION;`

**PASDOC\_HOMEPAGE** \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration `PASDOC_HOMEPAGE = 'https://pasdoc.github.io/'` ;