

# 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(27.4)` reads the source file, and converts it to a series of `TToken(27.4)`s.

`TScanner(19.4)` uses an underlying `TTokenizer(27.4)` and also returns a series of `TToken(27.4)`s, but in addition it understands and interprets `$define`, `$ifdef` and similar compiler directives. While `TTokenizer(27.4)` simply returns all tokens, `TScanner(19.4)` returns only those tokens that are not "`$ifdef`ed out". E.g. if `WIN32` is not defined then the `TScanner(19.4)` returns only tokens "`const LineEnding = #10;`" for the following code: `const LineEnding = {$ifdef WIN32} #13#10 {$else} #10 {$endif};`

Finally `TParser(16.4)` uses an underlying `TScanner(19.4)` 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(11.4)` 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(19.4)`), a simplified lexer in `TTokenizer(27.4)` and a parser (`TParser(16.4)`).

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 does not read the implementation section of a unit file (although this may change some day, see [<https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/WantedFeaturesParsingImplementation>]).
2. 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://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/ToDoParser>].



3. 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`(11) provides a comfortable class hierarchy to store a parsed Pascal source tree. `TPasUnit`(11.4) is a "root class" (container-wise), it contains references to all other items within a unit, every item is some instance of `TPasItem`(11.4).

## 1.3 Generators

The last link in the chain are the generators. A generator uses the stored `TPasItem`(11.4) 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`(11.4) tree. Generators read and process the `TPasItem`(11.4) 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
- PasDoc\_ProcessLineTalk(17)
- PasDoc\_ObjectVector(14)
- PasDoc\_Types(28)

### 2.3 Overview

TSpellingError Class

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

### 2.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

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

#### Hierarchy

TSpellingError > TObject

## Fields

**Word**            `public Word: string;`  
the mis-spelled word

**Offset**        `public Offset: Integer;`  
offset inside the checked string

**Suggestions** `public Suggestions: string;`  
comma-separated list of suggestions

## TAspellProcess Class

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### Hierarchy

TAspellProcess > TObject

### Description

This is a class to interface with aspell through pipe. It uses underlying TProcessLineTalk(17.4) to execute and "talk" with aspell.

### Properties

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

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

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

### 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);`

## 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

Contains the main TPasDoc component.

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`
- `PasDoc_Items(11)`
- `PasDoc_Languages(12)`
- `PasDoc_Gen(4)`
- `PasDoc_Types(28)`
- `PasDoc_StringVector(24)`
- `PasDoc_SortSettings(21)`
- `PasDoc_StreamUtils(22)`
- `PasDoc_TagManager(25)`

### 3.3 Overview

`TPasDoc` Class The main object in the `pasdoc` application; first scans parameters, then parses files.

## 3.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TPasDoc Class

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#### Hierarchy

TPasDoc > TComponent

#### Description

The main object in the pasdoc application; first scans parameters, then parses files. All parsed units are then given to documentation generator, which creates one or more documentation output files.

#### Properties

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

<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 [ <a href="https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/Sort-Settings">https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/Sort-Settings</a> ]
<b>IntroductionFileName</b>	published property IntroductionFileName: string read FIntroductionFileName write FIntroductionFileName;
<b>ConclusionFileName</b>	published property ConclusionFileName: string read FConclusionFileName write FConclusionFileName;
<b>AdditionalFilesNames</b>	published property AdditionalFilesNames: TStringList read FAdditionalFilesNames;
<b>ImplicitVisibility</b>	published property ImplicitVisibility: TImplicitVisibility read FImplicitVisibility write FImplicitVisibility default ivPublic;  See command-line option --implicit-visibility documentation at [ <a href="https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/Implicit-Visibility">https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/Implicit-Visibility</a> ] 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 [ <a href="https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/AutoLinkOption">https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/AutoLinkOption</a> ]
<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

basic doc generator object

`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`(11)
- `PasDoc_Languages`(12)
- `PasDoc_StringVector`(24)
- `PasDoc_ObjectVector`(14)
- `PasDoc_HierarchyTree`(10)
- `PasDoc_Types`(28)
- `Classes`
- `PasDoc_TagManager`(25)
- `PasDoc_Aspell`(2)
- `PasDoc_StreamUtils`(22)
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector`(23)

## 4.3 Overview

**TOverviewFileInfo** Record

**TListItemData** 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 basic documentation generator object

## 4.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

**TOverviewFileInfo** Record

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### Fields

**BaseFileName**            public BaseFileName:   string;

**TranslationId**           public TranslationId:   TTranslationId;

**TranslationHeadlineId** public TranslationHeadlineId:   TTranslationId;

**NoItemsTranslationId** public NoItemsTranslationId:   TTranslationId;

**TListItemData** Class

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### Hierarchy

TListItemData > 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);`

## TListData Class ---

### Hierarchy

`TListData > TObjectVector(14.4) > 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;`

## 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;

## TTableData Class

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### Hierarchy

TTableData > TObjectVector(14.4) > 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.

## TDocGenerator Class

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### Hierarchy

TDocGenerator > TComponent

## Description

basic documentation generator object

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>	protected property CurrentStream: TStream read FCurrentStream;
<b>Units</b>	public property Units: TPasUnits read FUnits write FUnits;
<b>Introduction</b>	public property Introduction: TExternalItem read FIntroduction write FIntroduction;
<b>Conclusion</b>	public property Conclusion: TExternalItem read FConclusion write FConclusion;
<b>AdditionalFiles</b>	public property AdditionalFiles: TExternalItemList read FAdditionalFiles write FAdditionalFiles;
<b>OnMessage</b>	public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;  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 pro- grams.
<b>Language</b>	published property Language: TLanguageID read GetLanguage write SetLanguage default DEFAULT_LANGUAGE;  the (human) output language of the documentation file(s)
<b>ProjectName</b>	published property ProjectName: string read FProjectName write FProjectName;  Name of the project to create.
<b>ExcludeGenerator</b>	published property ExcludeGenerator: Boolean read FExcludeGenerator write FExcludeGenerator default false;  "Generator info" are things that can change with each invocation of pasdoc, with different pasdoc binary etc.  This includes

- pasdoc's compiler name and version,
- pasdoc's version and time of compilation

See [<https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/ExcludeGeneratorOption>]. 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).

<b>IncludeCreationTime</b>	published property IncludeCreationTime: Boolean read FIncludeCreationTime write FIncludeCreationTime default false; Show creation time in the output.
<b>UseLowercaseKeywords</b>	published property UseLowercaseKeywords: Boolean read FUseLowercaseKeywords write FUseLowercaseKeywords default false; Setting to define how literal tag keywords should appear in documentation.
<b>Title</b>	published property Title: string read FTitle write FTitle; Title of the documentation, supplied by user. May be empty. See <code>TPasDoc.Title(3.4)</code> .
<b>DestinationDirectory</b>	published property DestinationDirectory: string read FDestDir write SetDestDir; 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.
<b>OutputGraphVizUses</b>	published property OutputGraphVizUses: boolean read FGraphVizUses write FGraphVizUses default false; generate a GraphViz diagram for the units dependencies
<b>OutputGraphVizClassHierarchy</b>	published property OutputGraphVizClassHierarchy: boolean read FGraphVizClasses write FGraphVizClasses default false; generate a GraphViz diagram for the Class hierarchy
<b>LinkGraphVizUses</b>	published property LinkGraphVizUses: string read FLinkGraphVizUses write FLinkGraphVizUses; link the GraphViz uses diagram
<b>LinkGraphVizClasses</b>	published property LinkGraphVizClasses: string read FLinkGraphVizClasses write FLinkGraphVizClasses; link the GraphViz classes diagram



<b>Abbreviations</b>	published property Abbreviations: TStringList read FAbbreviations write SetAbbreviations;
<b>CheckSpelling</b>	published property CheckSpelling: boolean read FCheckSpelling write FCheckSpelling default false;
<b>AspellLanguage</b>	published property AspellLanguage: string read FAspellLanguage write FAspellLanguage;
<b>SpellCheckIgnoreWords</b>	published property SpellCheckIgnoreWords: TStringList read FSpellCheckIgnoreWords write SetSpellCheckIgnoreWords;
<b>AutoAbstract</b>	published property AutoAbstract: boolean read FAutoAbstract write FAutoAbstract default false;  The meaning of this is just like --auto-abstract command-line option. It is used in ExpandDescriptions(4.4).
<b>LinkLook</b>	published property LinkLook: TLinkLook read FLinkLook write FLinkLook default llDefault;  This controls SearchLink(4.4) behavior, as described in [https://github.com/pasdoc/p
<b>WriteUsesClause</b>	published property WriteUsesClause: boolean read FWriteUsesClause write FWriteUsesClause default false;
<b>AutoLink</b>	published property AutoLink: boolean read FAutoLink write FAutoLink default false;  This controls auto-linking, see [https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/AutoLinkOpt
<b>AutoLinkExclude</b>	published property AutoLinkExclude: TStringList read FAutoLinkExclude;
<b>ExternalClassHierarchy</b>	published property ExternalClassHierarchy: TStrings read FExternalClassHierarchy write SetExternalClassHierarchy stored StoredExternalClassHierarchy;
<b>Markdown</b>	published property Markdown: boolean read FMarkdown write FMarkdown default false;

## Fields

<b>FLanguage</b>	protected FLanguage: TPasDocLanguages; the (human) output language of the documentation file(s)
<b>FClassHierarchy</b>	protected FClassHierarchy: TStringCardinalTree;
<b>FUnits</b>	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.

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

**Parameters** `s` is the string to format

**Returns** the formatted string

### 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(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(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: TBaseItem; const LinkDisplay: string; const WarningIfLinkNotFound: boolean; out FoundItem: TBaseItem): 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 explicitely 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: TBaseItem; const LinkDisplay: string; const WarningIfLinkNotFound: boolean): 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(25.4). Default implementation in this class returns '- '.

## EnDash

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

**Description** See `TTagManager.EnDash(25.4)`. Default implementation in this class returns '--'.

## EmDash

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

**Description** See `TTagManager.EmDash(25.4)`. Default implementation in this class returns '---'.

## HtmlString

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

**Description** S is guaranteed (guaranteed by the user) to be correct html content, this is taken directly from parameters of `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 in 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** This is equivalent of `HtmlString(4.4)` for `@latex` tag.

The default implementation in 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** This returns 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** This should return markup upon finding URL in 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** This returns the 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** `WriteExternal` is used to 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** `WriteConclusion` writes a conclusion for the project. See `WriteExternal(4.4)`.

## WriteIntroduction

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteIntroduction;`

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

## WriteAdditionalFiles

**Declaration** `protected procedure WriteAdditionalFiles;`

**Description** `WriteAdditionalFiles` 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** `FormatSection` writes a section heading and a link-anchor;

## FormatAnchor

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

**Description** `FormatAnchor` writes a link-anchor;

## FormatBold

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

**Description** This returns `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)` This returns `Text` formatted using italic font.

## FormatItalic

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

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

## FormatWarning

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

**Description** This returns `Text` using bold font by calling `FormatBold(Text)`.

## FormatNote

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

**Description** This returns `Text` using italic font by calling `FormatItalic(Text)`.

### FormatPreformatted

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

**Description** This returns 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 .

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** This should 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 **TTTagManager.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

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

**Description** Overview files that pasdoc generates for multiple-document-formats like HTML (see TGenericHTMLDocGenerat

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

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

### TLinkLook

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

**Description**

**Values** llDefault  
llFull  
llStripped

### TLinkContext

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**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

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

### Description

**Values** ltUnordered  
ltOrdered  
ltDefinition

## TListItemSpacing

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

### Description

**Values** lisCompact  
lisParagraph

## 4.6 Constants

### OverviewFileInfo

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**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

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**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, [<http://www.freepascal.org/bugs/showrec.php3?ID=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

Provides HTML document generator object.

Implements an object to generate HTML documentation, overriding many of `TDocGenerator(4.4)`'s virtual methods.

### 5.2 Uses

- `PasDoc_Utils(29)`
- `PasDoc_Gen(4)`
- `PasDoc_Items(11)`
- `PasDoc_Languages(12)`
- `PasDoc_StringVector(24)`
- `PasDoc_Types(28)`
- `Classes`
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector(23)`

### 5.3 Overview

`TGenericHTMLDocGenerator` Class generates HTML documentation

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

## 5.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TGenericHTMLDocGenerator Class

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#### Hierarchy

TGenericHTMLDocGenerator > TDocGenerator(4.4) > TComponent

#### Description

generates HTML documentation

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

#### Properties

<b>Header</b>	published property Header: string read FHeader write FHeader; some HTML code to be written as header for every page
<b>Footer</b>	published property Footer: string read FFooter write FFooter; some HTML code to be written as footer for every page
<b>HtmlBodyBegin</b>	published property HtmlBodyBegin: string read FHtmlBodyBegin write FHtmlBodyBegin;
<b>HtmlBodyEnd</b>	published property HtmlBodyEnd: string read FHtmlBodyEnd write FHtmlBodyEnd;
<b>HtmlHead</b>	published property HtmlHead: string read FHtmlHead write FHtmlHead;
<b>CSS</b>	published property CSS: string read FCSS write FCSS; the content of the cascading stylesheet
<b>NumericFileNames</b>	published property NumericFileNames: boolean read FNumericFileNames write FNumericFileNames default false; if set to true, numeric filenames will be used rather than names with multiple dots
<b>UseTipueSearch</b>	published property UseTipueSearch: boolean read FUseTipueSearch write FUseTipueSearch default False; Enable Tiptue fulltext search. See [ <a href="https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/UseTipueSearchOption">https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/UseTipueSearchOption</a> ]

#### 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** ---

### **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 Constants

### DefaultPasdocCss

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Declaration DefaultPasdocCss =

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    '/*' + LineEnding + ' Copyright 1998-2018 PasDoc developers.' + LineEnding +
    '' + LineEnding + ' This file is part of "PasDoc".' + LineEnding + '' +
    LineEnding + ' "PasDoc" is free software; you can redistribute it and/or
    modify' + LineEnding + ' it under the terms of the GNU General Public License
    as published by' + LineEnding + ' the Free Software Foundation; either
    version 2 of the License, or' + LineEnding + ' (at your option) any later
    version.' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + ' "PasDoc" is distributed in the
    hope that it will be useful,' + LineEnding + ' but WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY;
    without even the implied warranty of' + LineEnding + ' MERCHANTABILITY or
    FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. See the' + LineEnding + ' GNU General
    Public License for more details.' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + ' You
    should have received a copy of the GNU General Public License' + LineEnding +
    ' along with "PasDoc"; if not, write to the Free Software' + LineEnding + '
    Foundation, Inc., 51 Franklin Street, Fifth Floor, Boston, MA 02110-1301,
    USA' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + '
    -----',
    + LineEnding + '*/' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'body, html {' +
    LineEnding + ' margin: 0;' + LineEnding + ' padding: 0;' + LineEnding + '}',
    + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'body {' + LineEnding + ' font-family:
    Verdana,Arial;' + LineEnding + ' color: black;' + LineEnding + '
    background-color: white;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding +
    + '.container {' + LineEnding + ' width: 100%;' + LineEnding + ' height:
    100%;' + LineEnding + ' border-spacing: 0;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding +
    + '' + LineEnding + '.navigation {' + LineEnding + ' float: left;' +
    LineEnding + ' width: 20em; /* must match .content margin-left */' +
    LineEnding + ' height: 100%;' + LineEnding + ' color: white;' + LineEnding +
    + ' background-color: #787878;' + LineEnding + ' position: fixed;' +
    LineEnding + ' margin: 0;' + LineEnding + ' box-sizing: border-box; /*
    without this, you could not have padding here, it would overlap with
    .content, causing errors on narrow screens */' + LineEnding + ' padding:
    1em;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '.navigation ul {' + LineEnding + '
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margin: 0em;' + LineEnding + ' padding: 0em;' + LineEnding + '}' +
LineEnding + '.navigation li {' + LineEnding + ' list-style-type: none;' +
LineEnding + ' margin: 0.2em 0em 0em 0em;' + LineEnding + ' padding:
0.25em;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '.navigation h2 {' + LineEnding +
' text-align: center;' + LineEnding + ' margin: 0em;' + LineEnding + '
padding: 0.5em;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding +
'.content {' + LineEnding + ' margin-left: 20em; /* must match .navigation
width */' + LineEnding + ' box-sizing: border-box; /* without this, you
could not have padding here, it would overlap with .navigation, causing
errors on narrow screens */' + LineEnding + ' padding: 1em;' + LineEnding +
'}' + LineEnding + '.content h1 {' + LineEnding + ' margin-top: 0;' +
LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + '.appinfo {' + LineEnding +
' float: right;' + LineEnding + ' text-align: right;' + LineEnding + '
margin-bottom: 1em;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding +
'img { border:0px; }' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'hr {' + LineEnding +
' border-bottom: medium none;' + LineEnding + ' border-top: thin solid
#888;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'a:link
{color:#C91E0C; text-decoration: none; }' + LineEnding + 'a:visited
{color:#7E5C31; text-decoration: none; }' + LineEnding + 'a:hover
{text-decoration: underline; }' + LineEnding + 'a:active {text-decoration:
underline; }' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + '.navigation a:link { color:
white; text-decoration: none; }' + LineEnding + '.navigation a:visited {
color: white; text-decoration: none; }' + LineEnding + '.navigation a:hover
{ color: white; font-weight: bold; text-decoration: none; }' + LineEnding +
'.navigation a:active { color: white; text-decoration: none; }' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'a.bold:link {color:#C91E0C; text-decoration:
none; font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding + 'a.bold:visited {color:#7E5C31;
text-decoration: none; font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding + 'a.bold:hover
{text-decoration: underline; font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding +
'a.bold:active {text-decoration: underline; font-weight:bold; }' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'a.section {color: green; text-decoration:
none; font-weight: bold; }' + LineEnding + 'a.section:hover {color: green;
text-decoration: underline; font-weight: bold; }' + LineEnding + '' +
LineEnding + 'ul.useslist a:link {color:#C91E0C; text-decoration: none;
font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding + 'ul.useslist a:visited {color:#7E5C31;
text-decoration: none; font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding + 'ul.useslist
a:hover {text-decoration: underline; font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding +
'ul.useslist a:active {text-decoration: underline; font-weight:bold; }' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'ul.hierarchy { list-style-type:none; }' +
LineEnding + 'ul.hierarchylevel { list-style-type:none; }' + LineEnding + ''
+ LineEnding + 'p.unitlink a:link {color:#C91E0C; text-decoration: none;
font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding + 'p.unitlink a:visited {color:#7E5C31;
text-decoration: none; font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding + 'p.unitlink
a:hover {text-decoration: underline; font-weight:bold; }' + LineEnding +
'p.unitlink a:active {text-decoration: underline; font-weight:bold; }' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'tr.list { background: #FFBF44; }' +

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LineEnding + 'tr.list2 { background: #FFC982; }' + LineEnding +
'tr.listheader { background: #C91E0C; color: white; }' + LineEnding + '' +
LineEnding + 'table.wide_list { border-spacing:2px; width:100%; }' +
LineEnding + 'table.wide_list td { vertical-align:top; padding:4px; }' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'table.markerlegend { width:auto; }' +
LineEnding + 'table.markerlegend td.legendmarker { text-align:center; }' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + '.sections { background:white; }' + LineEnding
+ '.sections .one_section {' + LineEnding + ' background:lightgray;' +
LineEnding + ' display: inline-block;' + LineEnding + ' margin: 0.2em;' +
LineEnding + ' padding: 0.5em 1em;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '' +
LineEnding + 'table.summary td.itemcode { width:100%; }' + LineEnding +
'table.detail td.itemcode { width:100%; }' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding +
'td.itemname {white-space:nowrap; }' + LineEnding + 'td.itemunit
{white-space:nowrap; }' + LineEnding + 'td.itemdesc { width:100%; }' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'div.nodescription { color:red; }' +
LineEnding + 'dl.parameters dt {' + LineEnding + ' color:blue;' + LineEnding
+ '}' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'code {' + LineEnding + ' font-family:
monospace;' + LineEnding + ' font-size:1.2em;' + LineEnding + '}' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + '/* style for warning and note tag */' +
LineEnding + 'dl.tag.warning {' + LineEnding + ' margin-left:-2px;' +
LineEnding + ' padding-left: 3px;' + LineEnding + ' border-left:4px solid;'
+ LineEnding + ' border-color: #FF0000;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding +
'dl.tag.note {' + LineEnding + ' margin-left:-2px;' + LineEnding + '
padding-left: 3px;' + LineEnding + ' border-left:4px solid;' + LineEnding +
' border-color: #D0C000;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding
+ '/* Various browsers have various default styles for <h6>,' + LineEnding +
' sometimes ugly for our purposes, so it's best to set things' + LineEnding
+ ' like font-size and font-weight in out pasdoc.css explicitly. */' +
LineEnding + 'h6.description_section {' + LineEnding + ' /* font-size 100%
means that it has the same font size as the' + LineEnding + ' parent element,
i.e. normal description text */' + LineEnding + ' font-size: 100%;' +
LineEnding + ' font-weight: bold;' + LineEnding + ' /* By default browsers
usually have some large margin-bottom and' + LineEnding + ' margin-top for
<h1-6> tags. In our case, margin-bottom is' + LineEnding + ' unnecessary,
we want to visually show that description_section' + LineEnding + ' is
closely related to content below. In this situation' + LineEnding + ' (where
the font size is just as a normal text), smaller bottom' + LineEnding + '
margin seems to look good. */' + LineEnding + ' margin-top: 1.4em;' +
LineEnding + ' margin-bottom: 0em;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding + '' +
LineEnding + '/* Style applied to Pascal code in documentation' + LineEnding
+ ' (e.g. produced by @longcode tag) */' + LineEnding + '.longcode {' +
LineEnding + ' font-family: monospace;' + LineEnding + ' font-size: 1.2em;'
+ LineEnding + ' background-color: #eee;' + LineEnding + ' padding: 0.5em;'
+ LineEnding + ' border: thin solid #ccc;' + LineEnding + '}' + LineEnding +
'span.pascal_string { color: #000080; }' + LineEnding + 'span.pascal.keyword
{ font-weight: bolder; }' + LineEnding + 'span.pascal.comment { color:

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#000080; font-style: italic; }' + LineEnding + 'span.pascal_compiler_comment
{ color: #008000; }' + LineEnding + 'span.pascal_numeric { }' + LineEnding +
'span.pascal_hex { }' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'p.hint_directive {
color: red; }' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'input#search_text { }' +
LineEnding + 'input#search_submit_button { }' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding
+ 'acronym.mispelling { background-color: #f00; }' + LineEnding + '' +
LineEnding + '/* Actually this reduces vertical space between *every*
paragraph' + LineEnding + ' inside list with @itemSpacing(compact).' +
LineEnding + ' While we would like to reduce this space only for the' +
LineEnding + ' top of 1st and bottom of last paragraph within each list
item.' + LineEnding + ' But, well, user probably will not do any paragraph
breaks' + LineEnding + ' within a list with @itemSpacing(compact) anyway, so
it's' + LineEnding + ' acceptable solution. */' + LineEnding +
'ul.compact_spacing p { margin-top: 0em; margin-bottom: 0em; }' +
LineEnding + 'ol.compact_spacing p { margin-top: 0em; margin-bottom: 0em;
}' + LineEnding + 'dl.compact_spacing p { margin-top: 0em; margin-bottom:
0em; }' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + '/* Style for table created by
@table tags:' + LineEnding + ' just some thin border.' + LineEnding + '' +
LineEnding + ' This way we have some borders around the cells' + LineEnding +
' (so cells are visibly separated), but the border' + LineEnding + ' "blends
with the background" so it doesn't look too ugly.' + LineEnding +
' Hopefully it looks satisfactory in most cases and for most' + LineEnding +
' people.' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + ' We add padding for cells,
otherwise they look too close.' + LineEnding + ' This is normal thing to do
when border-collapse is set to' + LineEnding + ' collapse (because this
eliminates spacing between cells).' + LineEnding + '*/' + LineEnding +
'table.table_tag { border-collapse: collapse; }' + LineEnding +
'table.table_tag td { border: 1pt solid gray; padding: 0.3em; }' +
LineEnding + 'table.table_tag th { border: 1pt solid gray; padding: 0.3em;
}' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'table.detail { ' + LineEnding + ' border:
1pt solid gray;' + LineEnding + ' margin-top: 0.3em;' + LineEnding + '
margin-bottom: 0.3em;' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding +
'.search-form { white-space: nowrap; }' + LineEnding + '.search-input input
{ max-width: 80%; } /* this provides some safe space to always fit even on
very narrow screens */' + LineEnding + '.search-input input, .search-button {
display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle; }' + LineEnding +
'.search-input { display: inline-block; }' + LineEnding + '' + LineEnding +
'/* Do not make extra vertical space at the beginning/end of table cells.' +
LineEnding + ' We need ">" selector, to not change paragraphs inside lists
inside' + LineEnding + ' table cells. */' + LineEnding + 'table.table_tag td
> p:first-child,' + LineEnding + 'table.table_tag th > p:first-child,' +
LineEnding + ' td.itemdesc > p:first-child { margin-top: 0em; }' +
LineEnding + '' + LineEnding + 'table.table_tag td > p:last-child,' +
LineEnding + 'table.table_tag th > p:last-child,' + LineEnding + '
td.itemdesc > p:last-child { margin-bottom: 0em; }' + LineEnding + '' ;

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## Chapter 6

# Unit PasDoc\_GenHtmlHelp

### 6.1 Description

Generate HtmlHelp output.

### 6.2 Uses

- PasDoc\_GenHtml(5)
- PasDoc\_Utils(29)
- PasDoc\_SortSettings(21)

### 6.3 Overview

THTMLHelpDocGenerator Class

### 6.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

THTMLHelpDocGenerator Class

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#### Hierarchy

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

#### Description

no description available, TGenericHTMLDocGenerator description followsgenerates HTML documentation  
Extends TDocGenerator(4.4) and overwrites many of its methods to generate output in HTML (HyperText Markup Language) 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

Provides Latex document generator object.

Implements an object to generate latex documentation, overriding many of `TDocGenerator(4.4)`'s virtual methods.

### 7.2 Uses

- `PasDoc_Gen(4)`
- `PasDoc_Items(11)`
- `PasDoc_Languages(12)`
- `PasDoc_StringVector(24)`
- `PasDoc_Types(28)`
- `Classes`

### 7.3 Overview

`TTexDocGenerator Class` generates latex documentation

### 7.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

`TTexDocGenerator Class` \_\_\_\_\_

#### Hierarchy

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



## Description

generates latex documentation

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: TString 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\_GenSimpleXML

### 8.1 Description

SimpleXML output generator.

### 8.2 Uses

- PasDoc\_Utils(29)
- PasDoc\_Gen(4)
- PasDoc\_Items(11)
- PasDoc\_Languages(12)
- PasDoc\_StringVector(24)
- PasDoc\_Types(28)
- Classes
- PasDoc\_StringPairVector(23)

### 8.3 Overview

TSimpleXMLDocGenerator Class

### 8.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

TSimpleXMLDocGenerator Class

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#### Hierarchy

TSimpleXMLDocGenerator > TDocGenerator(4.4) > TComponent

## Description

no description available, TDocGenerator description follows basic documentation generator object

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 9

# Unit PasDoc\_Hashes

### 9.1 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 Freepascal (<http://www.freepascal.org>) or Delphi (<http://www.borland.com>) 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?  
stinglist:=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 than a single call to GetStringObject(key, var string, var pointer).

Happy programming!

## 9.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes

## 9.3 Overview

THashEntry Record

THash Class

TObjectHash Class

## 9.4 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**

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### **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(9.4) > TObject

### Properties

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

### Methods

#### Delete

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

## 9.5 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;

## **9.6 Author**

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## Chapter 10

# Unit PasDoc\_HierarchyTree

### 10.1 Description

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

### 10.2 Uses

- Classes
- PasDoc\_Items(11)

### 10.3 Overview

TPasItemNode Class

TStringCardinalTree Class

NewStringCardinalTree

### 10.4 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

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### 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;

## **10.5 Functions and Procedures**

### **NewStringCardinalTree**

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**Declaration** function NewStringCardinalTree: TStringCardinalTree;

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# Chapter 11

## Unit PasDoc\_Items

### 11.1 Description

defines all items that can appear within a Pascal unit's interface

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.

### 11.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- PasDoc\_Types(28)
- PasDoc\_StringVector(24)
- PasDoc\_ObjectVector(14)
- PasDoc\_Hashes(9)
- Classes
- PasDoc\_TagManager(25)
- PasDoc\_Serialize(20)
- PasDoc\_SortSettings(21)
- PasDoc\_StringPairVector(23)
- PasDoc\_Tokenizer(27)

## 11.3 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**(11.4).

**TPasItem** **Class** This is a **TBaseItem**(11.4) 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 **TPasMethod**(11.4).)

**TPasEnum** **Class** Enumerated type.

**TPasMethod** **Class** This represents:

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

**TPasProperty** **Class**

**TPasCio** **Class** Extends **TPasItem**(11.4) to store all items in a class / an object, e.g. fields.

**EAnchorAlreadyExists** **Class**

**TExternalItem** **Class** **TExternalItem** extends **TBaseItem**(11.4) to store extra information about a project.

**TExternalItemList** **Class** **TExternalItemList** extends **TObjectVector**(14.4) to store non-nil instances of **TExternalItem**(11.4)

**TAnchorItem** **Class**

**TPasUnit** **Class** extends **TPasItem**(11.4) 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**(11.4)s.

**TPasItems** **Class** Container class to store a list of **TPasItem**(11.4)s.

**TPasMethods** **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.

**MethodTypeToString** Returns lowercased keyword associated with given method type.

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

**VisToStr**

## 11.4 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(20.4) > TObject

#### Description

This is a basic item class, that is linkable, and has some RawDescription(11.4).

#### Properties

**DetailedDescription** `public property DetailedDescription: string read  
FDetailedDescription write FDetailedDescription;`

Detailed description of this item.

In case of TPasItem, this is something more elaborate than TPasItem.AbstractDescription(11.4).

This is already in the form suitable for final output, ready to be put inside final documentation.

<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.</p> <p>Actually, this is just a shortcut to <code>RawDescriptionInfo(11.4).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 <code>False</code> 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(25.4)s that init Authors(11.4), Created(11.4), LastMod(11.4) 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(11.4) 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(11.4)`, 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(11.4)` of this item, including its filename and position.

This is intended to be initialized by parser.

This returns `PRawDescriptionInfo(11.6)` instead of just `TRawDescriptionInfo(11.4)` 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).

## TPasItem Class

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### Hierarchy

`TPasItem > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > TObject`

## Description

This is a `TBaseItem(11.4)` descendant that is always declared inside some Pascal source file.

Parser creates only items of this class (e.g. never some basic `TBaseItem(11.4)` instance). This class introduces properties and methods pointing to parent unit (`MyUnit(11.4)`) and parent class/interface/object/record (`MyObject(11.4)`). Also many other things not needed at `TBaseItem(11.4)` level are introduced here: things related to handling `@abstract` tag, `@seealso` tag, used to sorting items inside (`Sort(11.4)`) 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 inited 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 `TGenericHTMLDocGenerator.WriteItemLongDescription` can print them as "First sentence. Second sentence."



	<p>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 description, i.e. "First sentence.&lt;p&gt; Second sentence."</p>
<b>MyUnit</b>	<pre>public property MyUnit: TPasUnit read FMyUnit write FMyUnit;</pre> <p>Unit of this item.</p>
<b>MyObject</b>	<pre>public property MyObject: TPasCio read FMyObject write FMyObject;</pre> <p>If this item is part of a class (or record, object., interface...), the corresponding class is stored here. Nil otherwise.</p>
<b>MyEnum</b>	<pre>public property MyEnum: TPasEnum read FMyEnum write FMyEnum;</pre> <p>If this item is a member of an enumerated type, then the enclosing enumerated type is stored here. Nil otherwise.</p>
<b>Visibility</b>	<pre>public property Visibility: TVisibility read FVisibility write FVisibility;</pre>
<b>HintDirectives</b>	<pre>public property HintDirectives: THintDirectives read FHintDirectives write FHintDirectives;</pre> <p>Hint directives specify is this item deprecated, platform-specific, library-specific, or experimental.</p>
<b>DeprecatedNote</b>	<pre>public property DeprecatedNote: string read FDeprecatedNote write FDeprecatedNote;</pre> <p>Deprecation note, specified as a string after "deprecated" directive. Empty if none, always empty if HintDirectives(11.4) does not contain hdDeprecated.</p>
<b>FullDeclaration</b>	<pre>public property FullDeclaration: string read FFullDeclaration write FFullDeclaration;</pre> <p>Full declaration of the item. This is full parsed declaration of the given item.</p> <p>Note that that this is not used for some descendants. Right now it's used only with</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TPasConstant</li> <li>• TPasFieldVariable (includes type, default values, etc.)</li> <li>• TPasType</li> <li>• TPasMethod (includes parameter list, procedural directives, etc.)</li> </ul>

- 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

## Params

```
public property Params: TStringPairVector read
FParams;
```

Parameters of method or property.

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).

This is already in the form processed by TTagManager.Execute(25.4), 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).

## Raises

```
public property Raises: TStringPairVector read
FRaises;
```

Exceptions raised by the method, or by property getter/setter.

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).

This is already in the form processed by `TTagManager.Execute(25.4)`, 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).

## 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(11.4)` 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(11.4)` unit. Actually `FindName(11.4)` 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);`

## 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(11.4)` and `Raises(11.4)` and `TPasMethod.Returns(11.4)`.

## TPasConstant Class

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### Hierarchy

`TPasConstant` > `TPasItem(11.4)` > `TBaseItem(11.4)` > `TSerializable(20.4)` > `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(11.4) > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > 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(11.4) > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > TObject

### Description

Pascal type (but not a procedural type — these are expressed as TPasMethod(11.4).)

## TPasEnum Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasEnum > TPasType(11.4) > TPasItem(11.4) > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > 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;`

## TPasMethod Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasMethod > TPasItem(11.4) > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > TObject

### Description

This represents:

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

### Properties

**What** `public property What: TMethodType read FWhat write FWhat;`

**Returns** `public property Returns: string read FReturns;`

What does the method return.

This is already in the form processed by `TTagManager.Execute(25.4)`, 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

### Fields

**FReturns** `protected FReturns: string;`

**FWhat** `protected FWhat: TMethodType;`

**FDirectives** `protected FDirectives: TStandardDirectives;`

### 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(25.4) that inits Returns(11.4).

## HasOptionalInfo

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

## TPasProperty Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasProperty > TPasItem(11.4) > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > TObject

### Description

no description available, TPasItem description followsThis is a TBaseItem(11.4) descendant that is always declared inside some Pascal source file.

Parser creates only items of this class (e.g. never some basic TBaseItem(11.4) instance). This class introduces properties and methods pointing to parent unit (MyUnit(11.4)) and parent class/interface/object/record (MyObject(11.4)). Also many other things not needed at TBaseItem(11.4) level are introduced here: things related to handling @abstract tag, @seealso tag, used to sorting items inside (Sort(11.4)) and some more.



## Properties

<b>IndexDecl</b>	public property IndexDecl: string read FIndexDecl write FIndexDecl; contains the optional index declaration, including brackets
<b>Proptype</b>	public property Proptype: string read FPropType write FPropType; contains the type of the property
<b>Reader</b>	public property Reader: string read FReader write FReader; read specifier
<b>Writer</b>	public property Writer: string read FWriter write FWriter; write specifier
<b>Default</b>	public property Default: Boolean read FDefault write FDefault; true if the property is the default property
<b>DefaultID</b>	public property DefaultID: string read FDefaultID write FDefaultID; keeps default value specifier
<b>NoDefault</b>	public property NoDefault: Boolean read FNoDefault write FNoDefault; true if Noddefault property
<b>StoredId</b>	public property StoredId: string read FStoredID write FStoredID; keeps Stored specifier

## Fields

<b>FDefault</b>	protected FDefault: Boolean;
<b>FNoDefault</b>	protected FNoDefault: Boolean;
<b>FIndexDecl</b>	protected FIndexDecl: string;
<b>FStoredID</b>	protected FStoredID: string;
<b>FDefaultID</b>	protected FDefaultID: 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;`

## TPasCio Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasCio > TPasType(11.4) > TPasItem(11.4) > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > TObject

### Description

Extends TPasItem(11.4) to store all items in a class / an object, e.g. fields.

### 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.

<b>Fields</b>	<code>public property Fields: TPasItems read FFields;</code> list of all fields
<b>HelperTypeIdentifier</b>	<code>public property HelperTypeIdentifier: string read FHelperTypeIdentifier write FHelperTypeIdentifier;</code> Class or record helper type identifier
<b>Methods</b>	<code>public property Methods: TPasMethods 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(11.4)).
<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: TPasMethods;</code>
<b>FProperties</b>	<code>protected FProperties: TPasProperties;</code>
<b>FAncestors</b>	<code>protected FAncestors: TStringPairVector;</code>
<b>FOutputFileName</b>	<code>protected FOutputFileName: 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 cio. 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`.

## 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 ---

### Hierarchy

`EAnchorAlreadyExists` > `Exception`

## TExternalItem Class ---

### Hierarchy

`TExternalItem` > `TBaseItem(11.4)` > `TSerializable(20.4)` > `TObject`

## Description

`TExternalItem` extends `TBaseItem`(11.4) 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`(11.4)s that represent anchors and sections within the `TExternalItem`. The `TAnchorItem`(11.4)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

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### Hierarchy

TExternalItemList > TObjectVector(14.4) > TObjectList

### Description

TExternalItemList extends TObjectVector(14.4) to store non-nil instances of TExternalItem(11.4)

### Methods

#### Get

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

## TAnchorItem Class

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### Hierarchy

TAnchorItem > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > TObject

### Description

no description available, TBaseItem description followsThis is a basic item class, that is linkable, and has some RawDescription(11.4).

## Properties

<b>ExternalItem</b>	public property ExternalItem: TExternalItem read FExternalItem write FExternalItem;
<b>SectionLevel</b>	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.
<b>SectionCaption</b>	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).

## TPasUnit Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasUnit > TPasItem(11.4) > TBaseItem(11.4) > TSerializable(20.4) > TObject

### Description

extends TPasItem(11.4) to store anything about a unit, its constants, types etc.; also provides methods for parsing a complete unit.

Note: Remember to always set CacheDateTime(11.4) after deserializing this unit.

## Properties

<b>CIOs</b>	public property CIOs: TPasItems read FCIOs; list of classes, interfaces, objects, and records defined in this unit
<b>Constants</b>	public property Constants: TPasItems read FConstants; list of constants defined in this unit
<b>FuncsProcs</b>	public property FuncsProcs: TPasMethods read FFuncsProcs; list of functions and procedures defined in this unit
<b>UsesUnits</b>	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>	public property Types: TPasTypes read FTypes; list of types defined in this unit
<b>Variables</b>	public property Variables: TPasItems read FVariables; list of variables defined in this unit
<b>OutputFileName</b>	public property OutputFileName: string read FOutputFileName write FOutputFileName; name of documentation output file THIS SHOULD NOT BE HERE!
<b>SourceFileName</b>	public property SourceFileName: string read FSourceFilename write FSourceFilename;
<b>SourceFileDateTime</b>	public property SourceFileDateTime: TDateTime read FSourceFileDateTime write FSourceFileDateTime;
<b>CacheDateTime</b>	public property CacheDateTime: TDateTime read FCacheDateTime write FCacheDateTime;  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.  If not WasDeserialized then this property has undefined value – don't use it.
<b>IsUnit</b>	public property IsUnit: boolean read FIsUnit write FIsUnit;  If False, 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 TPasUnit class for this).
<b>IsProgram</b>	public property IsProgram: boolean read FIsProgram write FIsProgram;
<b>Fields</b>	
<b>FTypes</b>	protected FTypes: TPasTypes;
<b>FVariables</b>	protected FVariables: TPasItems;
<b>FCIOs</b>	protected FCIOs: TPasItems;
<b>FConstants</b>	protected FConstants: TPasItems;
<b>FFuncsProcs</b>	protected FFuncsProcs: TPasMethods;
<b>FUsesUnits</b>	protected FUsesUnits: TStringVector;
<b>FSourceFilename</b>	protected FSourceFilename: string;
<b>FOutputFileName</b>	protected FOutputFileName: string;
<b>FCacheDateTime</b>	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 ---

### Hierarchy

TBaseItems > TObjectVector(14.4) > TObjectList

### Description

Container class to store a list of TBaseItem(11.4)s.

### Methods

#### Create

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

#### Destroy

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

## FindListItem

**Declaration** `public function FindListItem(const AName: 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);`

**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(11.4) and then Add(AObject)(11.4). 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 ---

### Hierarchy

TPasItems > TBaseItems(11.4) > TObjectVector(14.4) > TObjectList

### Description

Container class to store a list of TPasItem(11.4)s.

## Properties

**PasItemAt** public property PasItemAt[constAIndex:Integer]: TPasItem read GetPasItemAt  
write SetPasItemAt;

## Methods

### FindListItem

**Declaration** public function FindListItem(const AName: 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)(11.4) for each of these items. This way it sorts recursively everything in this list.

This is equivalent to doing both SortShallow(11.4) and SortOnlyInsideItems(11.4).

### SortOnlyInsideItems

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

**Description** This calls Sort(SortSettings)(11.4) 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(11.4)`, it does *not* call `Sort(11.4)` 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;`

## TPasMethods Class

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### Hierarchy

`TPasMethods > TPasItems(11.4) > TBaseItems(11.4) > TObjectVector(14.4) > TObjectList`

### Description

Collection of methods.

### Methods

#### FindListItem

**Declaration** `public function FindListItem(const AName: string; Index: Integer): TPasMethod; 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.

## TPasProperties Class

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### Hierarchy

`TPasProperties > TPasItems(11.4) > TBaseItems(11.4) > TObjectVector(14.4) > TObjectList`

## Description

Collection of properties.

## TPasNestedCios Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasNestedCios > TPasItems(11.4) > TBaseItems(11.4) > TObjectVector(14.4) > TObjectList

## Description

Collection of classes / records / interfaces.

## Methods

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create; reintroduce;

## TPasTypes Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasTypes > TPasItems(11.4) > TBaseItems(11.4) > TObjectVector(14.4) > TObjectList

## Description

Collection of types.

## Methods

### FindListItem

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

## TPasUnits Class

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### Hierarchy

TPasUnits > TPasItems(11.4) > TBaseItems(11.4) > TObjectVector(14.4) > TObjectList

## Description

Collection of units.

## Properties

**UnitAt** public property UnitAt[constAIndex:Integer]: TPasUnit read GetUnitAt write SetUnitAt;

## Methods

### ExistsUnit

**Declaration** `public function ExistsUnit(const AUnit: TPasUnit): Boolean;`

## 11.5 Functions and Procedures

### MethodTypeToString

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**Declaration** `function MethodTypeToString(const MethodType: TMethodType): string;`

**Description** Returns lowercased keyword associated with given method type.

### VisibilitiesToStr

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**Declaration** `function VisibilitiesToStr(const Visibilities: TVisibilities): string;`

**Description** Returns VisibilityStr for each value in Visibilities, delimited by commas.

### VisToStr

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**Declaration** `function VisToStr(const Vis: TVisibility): string;`

## 11.6 Types

### TVisibility

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**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

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**Declaration** `TVisibilities = set of TVisibility;`



## TInfoMergeType

---

**Declaration** TInfoMergeType = (...);

**Description** Type of merging intf section and impl section metadata of an item

**Values** `intNone` impl section is not scanned - default behavior  
`intPreferIntf` data is taken from intf, if it's empty - from impl  
`intJoin` data is concatenated  
`intPreferImpl` data is taken from impl, if it's empty - from intf

## PRawDescriptionInfo

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**Declaration** PRawDescriptionInfo = ^TRawDescriptionInfo;

## THintDirective

---

**Declaration** THintDirective = (...);

**Description**

**Values** `hdDeprecated`  
`hdPlatform`  
`hdLibrary`  
`hdExperimental`

## THintDirectives

---

**Declaration** THintDirectives = set of THintDirective;

## TMethodType

---

**Declaration** TMethodType = (...);

**Description** Methodtype for TPasMethod(11.4)

**Values** `METHOD_CONSTRUCTOR`  
`METHOD_DESTRUCTOR`  
`METHOD_FUNCTION`  
`METHOD_PROCEDURE`  
`METHOD_OPERATOR`

## TCIOType

---

**Declaration** TCIOType = (...);

**Description** enumeration type to determine type of TPasCio(11.4) item

**Values** CIO\_CLASS  
CIO\_PACKEDCLASS  
CIO\_DISPINTERFACE  
CIO\_INTERFACE  
CIO\_OBJECT  
CIO\_PACKEDOBJECT  
CIO\_RECORD  
CIO\_PACKEDRECORD

## TClassDirective

---

**Declaration** TClassDirective = (...);

**Description**

**Values** CT\_NONE  
CT\_ABSTRACT  
CT\_SEALED  
CT\_HELPER

## 11.7 Constants

### VisibilityStr

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**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', 'join', 'prefer-implementation' );

## CIORecordType

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**Declaration** CIORecordType = [CIO\_RECORD, CIO\_PACKEDRECORD];

## CIONonHierarchy

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**Declaration** CIONonHierarchy = CIORecordType;

## EmptyRawDescriptionInfo

---

**Declaration** EmptyRawDescriptionInfo: TRawDescriptionInfo = ( Content: ''; StreamName: ''; BeginPosition: -1; EndPosition: -1; );

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## Chapter 12

# Unit PasDoc\_Languages

### 12.1 Description

PasDoc language definitions and translations.

### 12.2 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.

## 12.3 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TLanguageRecord Record

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#### Fields

<b>Table</b>	<code>public Table: PTransTable;</code>
<b>Name</b>	<code>public Name: string;</code>
<b>Syntax</b>	<code>public Syntax: string;</code>
<b>CharSet</b>	<code>public CharSet: string;</code>
<b>AspellLanguage</b>	<code>public AspellLanguage: string;</code> Name of this language as used by Aspell, see <a href="http://aspell.net/man-html/Supported.html">http://aspell.net/man-html/Supported.html</a> . 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 <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO_639-1">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO_639-1</a> 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

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#### Hierarchy

TPasDocLanguages > TObject

#### Description

Language class to hold all translated strings

#### Properties

<b>CharSet</b>	<code>public property CharSet: string read FCharSet;</code> Charset for current language
<b>Translation</b>	<code>public property Translation[ATranslationID:TTranslationID]: string read GetTranslation;</code>
<b>Language</b>	<code>public property Language: TLanguageID read FLanguage write SetLanguage</code> default DEFAULT_LANGUAGE;

## Fields

**FCharSet** protected FCharSet: string;

## Methods

### GetTranslation

**Declaration** protected function GetTranslation(ATranslationID: TTranslationID): string;

**Description** gets a translation token

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create;

## 12.4 Functions and Procedures

### LanguageFromIndex

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**Declaration** function LanguageFromIndex(i: integer): string;

**Description** Full language name

### LanguageFromID

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**Declaration** function LanguageFromID(i: TLanguageID): string;

### SyntaxFromIndex

---

**Declaration** function SyntaxFromIndex(i: integer): string;

**Description** Language abbreviation

### SyntaxFromID

---

**Declaration** function SyntaxFromID(i: TLanguageID): string;

### IDfromLanguage

---

**Declaration** function IDfromLanguage(const s: string): TLanguageID;

**Description** Search for language by short or long name

### Translation

---

**Declaration** function Translation(id: TTranslationID; lang: TLanguageID): string;

**Description** Manual translation of id into lang

## LanguageFromStr

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**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

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**Declaration** `function LanguageDescriptor(id: TLanguageID): PLanguageRecord;`

**Description** access `LANGUAGE_ARRAY`

## LanguageCode

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**Declaration** `function LanguageCode(const Language: TLanguageID): string;`

**Description** Language code, using an official standardized language names, suitable for Aspell or HTML.

## 12.5 Types

### TLanguageID

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**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

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**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
- 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
trDummy
```

## RTransTable

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**Declaration** RTransTable = array[TTranslationID] of string;

**Description** array holding the translated strings, or empty for default (English) text.

## PTransTable

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**Declaration** PTransTable = ^RTransTable;

## PLanguageRecord

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**Declaration** PLanguageRecord = ^TLanguageRecord;

**Description** language descriptor

## 12.6 Constants

### DEFAULT\_LANGUAGE

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**Declaration** DEFAULT\_LANGUAGE = lgEnglish;

### lgDefault

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**Declaration** lgDefault = lgEnglish;

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# Chapter 13

## Unit PasDoc\_Main

### 13.1 Description

Provides the Main procedure.

### 13.2 Overview

**Main** This is the main procedure of PasDoc, it does everything.

### 13.3 Functions and Procedures

**Main** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** `procedure Main;`

**Description** This is the main procedure of PasDoc, it does everything.

## Chapter 14

# Unit PasDoc\_ObjectVector

### 14.1 Description

a simple object vector

### 14.2 Uses

- Contnrs
- Classes

### 14.3 Overview

TObjectVector Class

ObjectVectorIsNilOrEmpty

### 14.4 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.

## 14.5 Functions and Procedures

### ObjectVectorIsNilOrEmpty

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**Declaration** `function ObjectVectorIsNilOrEmpty(const AOV: TObjectVector): boolean;`

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# Chapter 15

## Unit PasDoc\_OptionParser

### 15.1 Description

The `PasDoc.OptionParser` unit — easing command line parsing

To use this unit, create an object of `TOptionParser`(15.4) and add options to it, each option descends from `TOption`(15.4). Then, call your object's `TOptionParser.ParseOptions`(15.4) method and options are parsed. After parsing, examine your option objects.

### 15.2 Uses

- `Classes`

### 15.3 Overview

`TOption` Class abstract base class for options

`TBoolOption` Class simple boolean option

`TValueOption` Class base class for all options that values

`TIntegerOption` Class Integer option

`TStringOption` Class String option

`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



## 15.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TOption Class

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#### Hierarchy

TOption > TObject

#### Description

abstract base class for options

This class implements all the basic functionality and provides abstract methods for the `TOptionParser`(15.4) 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 <code>WriteExplanation</code> (15.4)

#### 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

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### Hierarchy

TBoolOption > TOption(15.4) > TObject

### Description

simple boolean option

turned off when not specified, turned on when specified. Cannot handle --option=false et al.

## Properties

**TurnedOn** public property TurnedOn: boolean read FWasSpecified;

## Methods

### ParseOption

**Declaration** protected function ParseOption(const AWords: TStrings): boolean; override;

## TValueOption Class

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### Hierarchy

TValueOption > TOption(15.4) > TObject

### Description

base class for all options that values

base class for all 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

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### Hierarchy

TIntegerOption > TValueOption(15.4) > TOption(15.4) > TObject

### Description

Integer option

accepts only integers

## 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

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### Hierarchy

`TStringOption > TValueOption(15.4) > TOption(15.4) > TObject`

### Description

String option

accepts a single string

### 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

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### Hierarchy

`TStringOptionList > TValueOption(15.4) > TOption(15.4) > 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

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### Hierarchy

`TPathListOption > TStringOptionList(15.4) > TValueOption(15.4) > TOption(15.4) > 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

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### Hierarchy

`TSetOption > TValueOption(15.4) > TOption(15.4) > 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

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### 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`(15.4) and its descendants instead.

### Properties

<b>LeftList</b>	<pre>public property LeftList: TStringList read FLeftList;</pre> <p>This StringList 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[constAIndex:Integer]: TOption read GetOption;</pre> <p>retrieve an option by index — you can use this and <code>OptionsCount</code>(15.4) to iterate through the options that this parser owns</p>
<b>ByName</b>	<pre>public property ByName[constAName: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[constAName: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>IncludeFileName</b>	<pre>public property IncludeFileName: string read FIncludeFileName write FIncludeFileName;</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(15.4)` objects

## AddOption

**Declaration** `public function AddOption(const AOption: TOption): TOption;`

**Description** Add a `TOption(15.4)` descendant to be included in parsing the command line

## ParseOptions

**Declaration** `public procedure ParseOptions;`

**Description** Parse the specified command line, see also `Create(15.4)`

## WriteExplanations

**Declaration** `public procedure WriteExplanations;`

**Description** output explanations for all options to stdout, will nicely format the output and wrap explanations

# 15.5 Constants

## DefShortOptionChar

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**Declaration** `DefShortOptionChar = '-';`

**Description** default short option character used

## DefLongOptionString

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**Declaration** `DefLongOptionString = '--';`

**Description** default long option string used

## OptionFileChar

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**Declaration** `OptionFileChar = '@';`

**Description** Marks "include config file" option

## CfgMacroCfgPath

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**Declaration** `CfgMacroCfgPath = '$CFG_PATH';`

**Description** Special substitution that, if found inside a config file, will be replaced with actual path of the file

## OptionIndent

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**Declaration** `OptionIndent = ' ';`

**Description** Indentation of option's name from the start of console line

## OptionSep

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**Declaration** `OptionSep = ' ';`

**Description** Separator between option's name and explanation

## ConsoleWidth

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**Declaration** `ConsoleWidth = 80;`

**Description** Width of console

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# Chapter 16

## Unit PasDoc\_Parser

### 16.1 Description

Parse ObjectPascal code.

Contains the `TParser(16.4)` object, which can parse an ObjectPascal code, and put the collected information into the `TPasUnit` instance.

### 16.2 Uses

- `SysUtils`
- `Classes`
- `Contnrs`
- `StrUtils`
- `PasDoc_Types(28)`
- `PasDoc_Items(11)`
- `PasDoc_Scanner(19)`
- `PasDoc_Tokenizer(27)`
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector(23)`
- `PasDoc_StringVector(24)`

### 16.3 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**(16.4) objects currently used to parse nested classes and records

**TRawDescriptionInfoList Class** **TRawDescriptionInfoList** stores a series of **TRawDescriptionInfos**(11.4).

**TParser Class** Parser class that will process a complete unit file and all of its include files, regarding directives.

## 16.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### **EInternalParserError Class** \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Hierarchy**

**EInternalParserError** > **Exception**

#### **Description**

Raised when an impossible situation (indicating bug in pasdoc) occurs.

### **TPasCioHelper Class** \_\_\_\_\_

#### **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(16.4) 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(11.4). 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(11.4) in TRawDescriptionInfoList.

**Items** public property Items[Index:integer]: TRawDescriptionInfo read GetItems;

Items provides read access to the TRawDescriptionInfos(11.4) in TRawDescriptionInfoList.

## Methods

### Append

**Declaration** `public function Append(Comment: TRawDescriptionInfo): integer;`

**Description** Append adds a new TRawDescriptionInfo(11.4) 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**(16.4) takes as an argument an input stream and a list of directives. Parsing work is done by calling **ParseUnitOrProgram**(16.4) method. If no errors appear, should return a **TPasUnit**(11.4) 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 FullDeclaration, but the intention is to improve this over time; see **TPasItem.FullDeclaration**(11.4) to know where FullDeclaration 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, FullDeclaration.
- Of TPasMethod: What.
- Of TPasVarConst: FullDeclaration.
- Of TPasProperty: IndexDecl, FullDeclaration. PropType (only if was specified in property declaration). It was intended that parser will also set Default, NoDefault, StoredId, DefaultId, Reader, Writer attributes, but it's still not implemented.
- 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. SourceFileDateTime and SourceFileName of TPasUnit must be set by other means.

## Properties

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

**CommentMarkers** public property CommentMarkers: TStringList read FCommentMarkers write SetCommentMarkers;

**MarkersOptional** public property MarkersOptional: boolean read fMarkersOptional write fMarkersOptional;

**IgnoreLeading**    public property IgnoreLeading: string read FIgnoreLeading write FIgnoreLeading;

**IgnoreMarkers**   public property IgnoreMarkers: TStringList read FIgnoreMarkers write SetIgnoreMarkers;

**ShowVisibilities** public property ShowVisibilities: TVisibilities read FShowVisibilities write FShowVisibilities;

**ImplicitVisibility** public property ImplicitVisibility: TImplicitVisibility read FImplicitVisibility write FImplicitVisibility;

See command-line option --implicit-visibility documentation at [<https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki>]

**AutoBackComments** public property AutoBackComments: boolean read FAutoBackComments write FAutoBackComments;

See command-line option --auto-back-comments documentation at [<https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki>]

**InfoMergeType**    public property InfoMergeType: TInfoMergeType read FInfoMergeType write FInfoMergeType;

TODO comment

## Methods

### Create

**Declaration** public constructor Create( const InputStream: TStream; const Directives: TStringVector; const IncludeFilePaths: TStringVector; const OnMessageEvent: TPasDocMessageEvent; const VerbosityLevel: Cardinal; const AStreamName, AStreamPath: string; const AHandleMacros: boolean);

**Description** 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.

## 16.5 Types

### TItemParseMode

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**Declaration** `TItemParseMode = (...);`

**Description**

**Values** pmUndefined  
pmConst  
pmVar  
pmType

### TOwnerItemType

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**Declaration** `TOwnerItemType = (...);`

**Description**

**Values** otUnit  
otCio

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## Chapter 17

# Unit PasDoc\_ProcessLineTalk

### 17.1 Description

Talking with another process through pipes.

### 17.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes

### 17.3 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.

### 17.4 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`).

Original version of this class comes from Michalis Kamburelis code library, see [<http://www.camelot.homedns.org/michalis/>], unit `base/KambiClassUtils.pas`.

## 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 18

## Unit PasDoc\_Reg

### 18.1 Description

Registers the PasDoc components into the IDE.

TODO: We have some properties in TPasDoc and generators components that should be registered with filename editors.

### 18.2 Overview

**Register** Registers the PasDoc components into the IDE.

### 18.3 Functions and Procedures

**Register** \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration** `procedure Register;`

**Description** Registers the PasDoc components into the IDE.

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# Chapter 19

## Unit PasDoc\_Scanner

### 19.1 Description

Simple Pascal scanner.

The scanner object `TScanner`(19.4) returns tokens from a Pascal language character input stream. It uses the `PasDoc_Tokenizer`(27) unit to get tokens, regarding conditional directives that might lead to including another files or will add or delete conditional symbols. Also handles FPC macros (when `HandleMacros` is true). So, this scanner is a combined tokenizer and pre-processor.

### 19.2 Uses

- `SysUtils`
- `Classes`
- `PasDoc_Types`(28)
- `PasDoc_Tokenizer`(27)
- `PasDoc_StringVector`(24)
- `PasDoc_StreamUtils`(22)
- `PasDoc_StringPairVector`(23)

### 19.3 Overview

`ETokenizerStreamEnd` Class

`EInvalidIfCondition` Class

`TScanner` Class This class scans one unit using one or more `TTokenizer`(27.4) objects to scan the unit and all nested include files.

## 19.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### ETokenizerStreamEnd Class

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#### Hierarchy

ETokenizerStreamEnd > EPasDoc(28.4) > Exception

### EInvalidIfCondition Class

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#### Hierarchy

EInvalidIfCondition > EPasDoc(28.4) > Exception

### TScanner Class

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#### Hierarchy

TScanner > TObject

#### Description

This class scans one unit using one or more **TTokenizer**(27.4) objects to scan the unit and all nested include files.

#### Properties

<b>IncludeFilePaths</b>	<code>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.</code>
<b>OnMessage</b>	<code>public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;</code>
<b>Verbosity</b>	<code>public property Verbosity: Cardinal read FVerbosity write FVerbosity;</code>
<b>SwitchOptions</b>	<code>public property SwitchOptions: TSwitchOptions read FSwitchOptions;</code>
<b>HandleMacros</b>	<code>public property HandleMacros: boolean read FHandleMacros;</code>

#### 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, AStreamPath: 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 it's 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(19.4) 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.

## 19.5 Types

### 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(19.5)

### TDirectiveType

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**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

## 19.6 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 20

## Unit PasDoc\_Serialize

### 20.1 Description

Serializing/deserializing cached information.

### 20.2 Uses

- `Classes`
- `SysUtils`
- `PasDoc_StreamUtils(22)`

### 20.3 Overview

`EInvalidCacheFileVersion` Class

`TSerializable` Class

`ESerializedException` Class

### 20.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

`EInvalidCacheFileVersion` Class \_\_\_\_\_

#### 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(**20.4**) When the cached file contents are from an old pasdoc version (or invalid).

## ESerializedException Class ---

### Hierarchy

ESerializedException > Exception

## 20.5 Types

**TSerializableClass**

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**Declaration** `TSerializableClass = class of TSerializable;`

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# Chapter 21

## Unit PasDoc\_SortSettings

### 21.1 Description

Sorting settings types and names.

### 21.2 Uses

- SysUtils

### 21.3 Overview

EInvalidSortSetting Class

SortSettingFromName

SortSettingsToName Comma-separated list

### 21.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

EInvalidSortSetting Class 

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#### Hierarchy

EInvalidSortSetting > Exception

### 21.5 Functions and Procedures

SortSettingFromName 

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**Declaration** function SortSettingFromName(const SortSettingName: string): TSortSetting;

**Description**

**Exceptions** `EInvalidSortSetting(21.4)` if `ASortSettingName` does not match (case ignored) to any `SortSettingNames`.

## SortSettingsToName

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**Declaration** `function SortSettingsToName(const SortSettings: TSortSettings): string;`

**Description** Comma-separated list

## 21.6 Types

### TSortSetting

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**Declaration** `TSortSetting = (...);`

**Description**

**Values** `ssCIOs`  
`ssConstants`  
`ssFuncsProcs`  
`ssTypes`  
`ssVariables`  
`ssUsesClauses`  
`ssRecordFields`  
`ssNonRecordFields`  
`ssMethods`  
`ssProperties`

### TSortSettings

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**Declaration** `TSortSettings = set of TSortSetting;`

## 21.7 Constants

### AllSortSettings

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**Declaration** `AllSortSettings: TSortSettings = [Low(TSortSetting) .. High(TSortSetting)];`

### SortSettingNames

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**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(21.5)`, `SortSettingFromName(21.5)`.

## Chapter 22

# Unit PasDoc\_StreamUtils

### 22.1 Description

A few stream utility functions.

TBufferedStream, TStreamReader and TStreamWriter by Arno Garrels.

### 22.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes
- PasDoc\_Types(28)

### 22.3 Overview

TBufferedStream Class

StreamReadLine

StreamWriteLine Write AString contents, then LineEnding to AStream

StreamWriteString Just write AString contents to AStream

### 22.4 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 Seeks 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;`

## 22.5 Functions and Procedures

### StreamReadLine

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**Declaration** `function StreamReadLine(const AStream: TStream): AnsiString;`

### StreamWriteLine

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**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

## 22.6 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 23

# Unit PasDoc\_StringPairVector

### 23.1 Description

Simple container for a pair of strings.

### 23.2 Uses

- Classes
- PasDoc\_ObjectVector(14)

### 23.3 Overview

TStringPair Class

TStringPairVector Class List of string pairs.

### 23.4 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(29.5)` 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(14.4)` > `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(23.4)` and `TStringPairVector(23.4)` 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(23.4).

### FirstName

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

**Description** Name of first item, or "" if list empty.

## Chapter 24

# Unit PasDoc\_StringVector

### 24.1 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

### 24.2 Uses

- Classes

### 24.3 Overview

TStringVector Class

NewStringVector

IsEmpty

### 24.4 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]`

#### **LoadFromTextFileAdd**

**Declaration** `public procedure LoadFromTextFileAdd(const AFilename: string); overload;`

#### **LoadFromTextFileAdd**

**Declaration** `public procedure LoadFromTextFileAdd(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(20.4)`.

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(24.4)`.



## 24.5 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;`

## 24.6 Authors

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## Chapter 25

# Unit PasDoc\_TagManager

### 25.1 Description

Collects information about available @-tags and can parse text with tags.

### 25.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- Classes
- PasDoc\_Types(28)
- PasDoc\_ObjectVector(14)

### 25.3 Overview

TTTag Class

TToplevelTag Class

TNonSelfTag Class

TTagVector Class All Items of this list must be non-nil TTag objects.

TTagManager Class

### 25.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

TTTag Class

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Hierarchy

TTTag > TObject

## Properties

<b>TagOptions</b>	<code>public property TagOptions: TTagOptions read FTagOptions write FTagOptions;</code>
<b>TagManager</b>	<code>public property TagManager: TTagManager read FTagManager;</code> 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 <code>Execute(25.4)</code> or <code>OnExecute(25.4)</code> implementations. E.g. you can use it to report a message by <code>TagManager.DoMessage(...)</code> , this is e.g. used by implementation of <code>TPasItem.StoreAbstractTag</code> . 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 <code>TagOptions = [toParameterRequired]</code> , so the <code>TagParameter</code> parameter passed to handler was not recursively expanded. Then you can do inside your handler <code>NewTagParameter := TagManager.Execute(TagParameter, ...)</code> and this way you have explicitly recursively expanded the tag. Scenario above is actually used in implementation of <code>@noAutoLink</code> tag. There I call <code>TagManager.Execute</code> with parameter <code>AutoLink</code> set to false thus preventing auto-linking inside text within <code>@noAutoLink</code> .
<b>Name</b>	<code>public property Name: string read FName write FName;</code> Name of the tag, that must be specified by user after the "@" sign. Value of this property must always be lowercase.
<b>OnPreExecute</b>	<code>public property OnPreExecute: TTagExecuteEvent read FOnPreExecute write FOnPreExecute;</code>
<b>OnExecute</b>	<code>public property OnExecute: TTagExecuteEvent read FOnExecute write FOnExecute;</code>
<b>OnAllowedInside</b>	<code>public property OnAllowedInside: TTagAllowedInsideEvent read FOnAllowedInside write FOnAllowedInside;</code>

## 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(25.4)` but used when `TTagManager.PreExecute(25.4)` is `True`. In this class this simply calls `OnPreExecute(25.4)`.

## 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 inited to `CreateOccurenceData(25.4)`. 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(25.4)` (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)(25.4) (if OnAllowedInside is assigned).

### CreateOccurenceData

**Declaration** public function CreateOccurenceData: TObject; virtual;

**Description** In this class this simply returns Nil.

### DestroyOccurenceData

**Declaration** public procedure DestroyOccurenceData(Value: TObject); virtual;

**Description** In this class this simply does Value.Free.

## TTopLevelTag Class

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### Hierarchy

TTopLevelTag > TTag(25.4) > 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

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### Hierarchy

TNonSelfTag > TTag(25.4) > 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(25.4) 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.

## TTagVector Class

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### Hierarchy

TTagVector > TObjectVector(14.4) > 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.

## TTagManager Class

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### Hierarchy

TTagManager > TObject

## Properties

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

This will be used to print messages from within Execute(25.4).

Note that in this unit we essentially "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;'. 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 [https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/WritingDocumentation] that clearly says that "amount of whitespace does not matter". 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. 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. Default value is '-'. 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><b>EnDash(25.4)</b> This will be inserted on -- in description. <b>EmDash(25.4)</b> 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 Execute(25.4) when URL will be found in Description. Note that passed here URL will <i>not</i> be processed by ConvertString(25.4). This tells what to put in result on URL. If this is not assigned, then ConvertString(URL) will be appended to Result in Execute(25.4).</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.

<b>ConvertString</b>	public property ConvertString: TStringConverter read FConvertString write FConvertString;
<b>Abbreviations</b>	public property Abbreviations: TStringList read FAbbreviations write FAbbreviations;
<b>PreExecute</b>	<p>public property PreExecute: boolean read FPreExecute write FPreExecute;</p> <p>When PreExecute is True, tag manager will work a little differently than usual:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Instead of TTag.Execute(25.4), TTag.PreExecute(25.4) will be called.</li><li>• Various warnings will <i>not</i> be reported. Assumption is that you will later process the same text with PreExecute set to False to get all the warnings.</li><li>• AutoLink will not be used (like it was always false). Also the result of Execute(25.4) 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(25.4) 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.</li></ul>
<b>Markdown</b>	<p>public property Markdown: boolean read FMarkdown write FMarkdown default false;</p> <p>When Markdown is True, Markdown syntax is considered</p>

## 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(25.4) only if PreExecute(25.4) 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 corresponding '.' 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;`

## 25.5 Types

### TTagExecuteEvent

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**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(25.4)` This will be used to do main work when this @-tag occurred in description.

### TTagAllowedInsideEvent

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**Declaration** `TTagAllowedInsideEvent = procedure( ThisTag: TTag; EnclosingTag: TTag; var Allowed: boolean) of object;`

#### Description

See also `TTag.AllowedInside(25.4)` This will be checked always when this tag occurs within description.

### TStringConverter

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**Declaration** `TStringConverter = function(const s: string): string of object;`

### TTagOption

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**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(25.4)` 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(25.4)`. 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(25.4)`.

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(25.4)`.

**`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(29.5)` 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

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**Declaration** TTryAutoLinkEvent = procedure(TagManager: TTagManager; const QualifiedIdentifier: TNameParts; out QualifiedIdentifierReplacement: string; var AutoLinked: boolean) of object;

## Chapter 26

# Unit PasDoc\_Tipue

### 26.1 Description

Helper unit for integrating tipue [<http://www.tipue.com/>] with pasdoc HTML output.

### 26.2 Uses

- PasDoc\_Utils(29)
- PasDoc\_Items(11)

### 26.3 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.

### 26.4 Functions and Procedures

#### TipueSearchButtonHead

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**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 27

# Unit PasDoc\_Tokenizer

### 27.1 Description

Simple Pascal tokenizer.

The `TTokenizer(27.4)` object creates `TToken(27.4)` objects (tokens) for the Pascal programming language from a character input stream.

The `PasDoc_Scanner(19)` 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.

### 27.2 Uses

- `Classes`
- `PasDoc_Utils(29)`
- `PasDoc_Types(28)`
- `PasDoc_StreamUtis(22)`

### 27.3 Overview

`TToken Class` Stores the exact type and additional information on one token.

`TTokenizer Class` Converts an input `TStream` to a sequence of `TToken(27.4)` objects.

`StandardDirectiveByName` Checks is Name (case ignored) some Pascal keyword.

`KeyWordByName` Checks is Name (case ignored) some Pascal standard directive.

## 27.4 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

- StreamName**    public property StreamName: string read FStreamName;  
StreamName is the name of the TStream from which this TToken was read. It is currently used to set TRawDescriptionInfo.StreamName(11.4).
- BeginPosition**    public property BeginPosition: Int64 read FBeginPosition;  
BeginPosition is the position in the stream of the start of the token. It is currently used to set TRawDescriptionInfo.BeginPosition(11.4).
- EndPosition**    public property EndPosition: Int64 read FEndPosition;  
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(11.4).

#### Fields

- Data**                public Data: string;  
the exact character representation of this token as it was found in the input file
- MyType**             public MyType: TTokenType;  
the type of this token as TTokenType(27.6)
- Info**                public Info: record  
additional information on this token as a variant record depending on the token's MyType
- CommentContent**    public CommentContent: string;  
Contents of a comment token. This is defined only when MyType is in TokenComment-Types 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(27.4)

### GetTypeNames

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

### IsSymbol

**Declaration** `public function IsSymbol(const ASymbolType: TSymbolType): Boolean;`

**Description** Does MyType(27.4) is TOK\_SYMBOL and Info.SymbolType is ASymbolType ?

### IsKeyword

**Declaration** `public function IsKeyword(const AKeyword: TKeyword): Boolean;`

**Description** Does MyType(27.4) is TOK\_KEYWORD and Info.KeyWord is AKeyword ?

### IsStandardDirective

**Declaration** `public function IsStandardDirective( const AStandardDirective: TStandardDirective): Boolean;`

**Description** Does MyType(27.4) 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 ---

### Hierarchy

TTokenizer > TObject

### Description

Converts an input TStream to a sequence of TToken(27.4) objects.

## Properties

<b>OnMessage</b>	public property OnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent read FOnMessage write FOnMessage;
<b>Verbosity</b>	public property Verbosity: Cardinal read FVerbosity write FVerbosity;
<b>StreamName</b>	public property StreamName: string read FStreamName;
<b>StreamPath</b>	public property StreamPath: string read FStreamPath; This is the path where the underlying file of this stream is located. It may be an absolute path or a relative path. Relative paths are always resolved vs pasdoc current directory. This way user can give relative paths in command-line when writing Pascal source filenames to parse. In particular, this may be " to indicate current dir. It's always specified like it was processed by IncludeTrailingPathDelimiter, so it has trailing PathDelim included (unless it was ", in which case it remains empty).

## Fields

<b>FOnMessage</b>	protected FOnMessage: TPasDocMessageEvent;
<b>FVerbosity</b>	protected FVerbosity: Cardinal;
<b>BufferedChar</b>	protected BufferedChar: Char; if IsCharBuffered(27.4) is true, this field contains the buffered character
<b>EOS</b>	protected EOS: Boolean; true if end of stream Stream(27.4) has been reached, false otherwise
<b>IsCharBuffered</b>	protected IsCharBuffered: Boolean; if this is true, BufferedChar(27.4) contains a buffered character; the next call to GetChar(27.4) or PeekChar(27.4) will return this character, not the next in the associated stream Stream(27.4)
<b>Row</b>	protected Row: Integer; current row in stream Stream(27.4); useful when giving error messages
<b>Stream</b>	protected Stream: TStream; the input stream this tokenizer is working on
<b>FStreamName</b>	protected FStreamName: string;
<b>FStreamPath</b>	protected FStreamPath: string;

## 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);

### 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, AStreamPath: 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): TToken;

## 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.

## 27.5 Functions and Procedures

### StandardDirectiveByName

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**Declaration** `function StandardDirectiveByName(const Name: string): TStandardDirective;`

**Description** Checks is Name (case ignored) some Pascal keyword. Returns SD\_INVALIDSTANDARDIRECTIVE 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.

## 27.6 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.

<b>Values</b>	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

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**Declaration** TKeyword = (...);

### Description

<b>Values</b>	KEY_INVALIDKEYWORD
	KEY_AND
	KEY_ARRAY
	KEY_AS
	KEY_ASM
	KEY_BEGIN
	KEY_CASE
	KEY_CLASS
	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  
 KEY\_USES  
 KEY\_VAR  
 KEY\_WHILE  
 KEY\_WITH  
 KEY\_XOR

## TStandardDirective

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**Declaration** TStandardDirective = (...);

### Description

**Values** SD\_INVALIDSTANDARDIRECTIVE  
 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

## 27.7 Constants

### TOKEN\_TYPE\_NAMES

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**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

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**Declaration** TokenCommentTypes: set of TTokenType = [ TOK\_COMMENT\_PAS, TOK\_COMMENT\_EXT, TOK\_COMMENT\_HELPINSIGHT, TOK\_COMMENT\_CSTYLE ];

## SymbolNames

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**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

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**Declaration** KeywordArray: array[Low(TKeyword)..High(TKeyword)] of string = ('x', 'AND', 'ARRAY', 'AS', 'ASM', 'BEGIN', 'CASE', 'CLASS', 'CONST', 'CONSTRUCTOR', 'DESTRUCTOR', 'DISPINTERFACE', 'DIV', 'DO', 'DOWNT', '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');

**Description** all Object Pascal keywords

## StandardDirectiveArray

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**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 28

## Unit PasDoc\_Types

### 28.1 Description

Basic types.

### 28.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- StrUtils
- Types

### 28.3 Overview

EPasDoc Class

**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.

### 28.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

EPasDoc Class

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#### Hierarchy

EPasDoc > Exception

## Methods

### Create

**Declaration** `public constructor Create(const AMessage: string; const AArguments: array of const; const AExitCode: Word = 3);`

## 28.5 Functions and Procedures

### SplitNameParts

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**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

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**Declaration** `function OneNamePart(const S: string): TNameParts;`

**Description** Simply returns an array with Length = 1 and one item = S.

### GlueNameParts

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**Declaration** `function GlueNameParts(const NameParts: TNameParts): string;`

**Description** Simply concatenates all NameParts with dot.

## 28.6 Types

### TBytes

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**Declaration** `TBytes = array of Byte;`

### UnicodeString

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**Declaration** `UnicodeString = WideString;`

### RawByteString

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**Declaration** `RawByteString = AnsiString;`

### TStringArray

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**Declaration** `TStringArray = TStringDynArray;`

## TNameParts

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**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(28.5)` converts it to TNameParts like ['UnitName', 'ClassName', 'ProcedureName']. Length must be *always* between 1 and `MaxNameParts(28.7)`.

## 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 [<https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/Implicit-Visibility>]

**Values** ivPublic  
ivPublished  
ivImplicit

## 28.7 Constants

### MaxNameParts

---

**Declaration** MaxNameParts = 3;

## **CP\_UTF16**

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**Declaration** CP\_UTF16 = 1200;

**Description** Windows Unicode code page ID

## **CP\_UTF16Be**

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**Declaration** CP\_UTF16Be = 1201;

## **CP\_UTF32**

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**Declaration** CP\_UTF32 = 12000;

## **CP\_UTF32Be**

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**Declaration** CP\_UTF32Be = 12001;

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# Chapter 29

## Unit PasDoc\_Utils

### 29.1 Description

Utility functions.

### 29.2 Uses

- SysUtils
- PasDoc\_Types(28)

### 29.3 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.

FileToString

StringToFile

DataToFile

SCharsReplace Returns S with all Chars replaced by ReplacementChar

CopyFile

IsPrefix Checks if Prefix is 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 if the given Path is 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

IsUtf8LeadByte

IsUtf8TrailByte

Utf8Size

IsLeadChar

StripHtml Strip HTML elements from the string.

SAppendPart If S = " then returns NextPart, else returns S + PartSeparator + NextPart.

## 29.4 Classes, Interfaces, Objects and Records

### TCharReplacement Record

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#### Fields

cChar public cChar: Char;

sSpec public sSpec: string;

## 29.5 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[i].cChar replaced with ReplacementArray[i].sSpec.

### SCharIs

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**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.

## FileToString

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**Declaration** `function FileToString(const FileName: string): string;`

## StringToFile

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**Declaration** `procedure StringToFile(const FileName, S: string);`

## DataToFile

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**Declaration** `procedure DataToFile(const FileName: string; const Data: array of Byte);`

## SCharsReplace

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**Declaration** `function SCharsReplace(const S: string; const Chars: TCharSet; ReplacementChar: char): string;`

**Description** Returns S with all Chars replaced by ReplacementChar

## CopyFile

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**Declaration** `procedure CopyFile(const SourceFileName, DestinationFileName: string);`

## IsPrefix

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**Declaration** `function IsPrefix(const Prefix, S: string): boolean;`

**Description** Checks is Prefix a prefix of S. Not case-sensitive.

## RemovePrefix

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**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(29.5) 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(29.5) 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.

## Swap16Buf

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**Declaration** `procedure Swap16Buf(Src, Dst: PWord; WordCount: Integer);`

## IsCharInSet

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**Declaration** `function IsCharInSet(C: AnsiChar; const CharSet: TCharSet): Boolean;  
overload; inline;`

## IsCharInSet

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**Declaration** `function IsCharInSet(C: WideChar; const CharSet: TCharSet): Boolean;  
overload; inline;`

## IsUtf8LeadByte

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**Declaration** `function IsUtf8LeadByte(const B: Byte): Boolean; inline;`

## IsUtf8TrailByte

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**Declaration** `function IsUtf8TrailByte(const B: Byte): Boolean; inline;`

## Utf8Size

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**Declaration** `function Utf8Size(const LeadByte: Byte): Integer; inline;`

## IsLeadChar

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**Declaration** `function IsLeadChar(Ch: WideChar): Boolean; overload; inline;`

## StripHtml

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**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

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**Declaration** `function SAppendPart(const s, PartSeparator, NextPart: String): String;`

**Description** If S = " then returns NextPart, else returns S + PartSeparator + NextPart.

## 29.6 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": <https://github.com/pasdoc>)

### FlagEndSigns

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**Declaration** `FlagEndSigns = [']'];`

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# Chapter 30

## Unit PasDoc\_Versions

### 30.1 Description

Information about PasDoc and compilers version.

### 30.2 Overview

COMPILER\_NAME Nice compiler name.

PASDOC\_FULL\_INFO Returns pasdoc name, version, used compiler version, etc.

### 30.3 Functions and Procedures

#### COMPILER\_NAME

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**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

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**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).

## 30.4 Constants

### COMPILER\_BITS

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**Declaration** `COMPILER_BITS = '32' ;`

### PASDOC\_NAME

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**Declaration** `PASDOC_NAME = 'PasDoc' ;`

### PASDOC\_DATE

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**Declaration** `PASDOC_DATE = '2021-02-07' ;`

**Description** Date of last pasdoc release.

We used to have this constant set to CVS/SVN `$ Date` keyword, but:

- That's not a really correct indication of pasdoc release. `$ Date` is only the date when this file, `PasDoc_Base.pas`, was last modified.

As it happens, always when you make an official release you have to manually change `PASDOC_VERSION` constant in this file below. So `PASDOC_DATE` was (at the time when the official release was made) updated to current date. But, since you have to change `PASDOC_VERSION` constant manually anyway, then it's not much of a problem to also update `PASDOC_DATE` manually.

For unofficial releases (i.e. when pasdoc is simply compiled from SVN by anyone, or when it's packaged for [<https://github.com/pasdoc/pasdoc/wiki/DevelopmentSnapshots>]), `PASDOC_DATE` has no clear meaning. It's not the date of this release (since you don't update the `PASDOC_VERSION` constant) and it's not the date of last official release (since some commits possibly happened to `PasDoc_Base.pas` since last release).

- SVN makes this date look bad for the purpose of `PASDOC_FULL_INFO`. It's too long: contains the time, day of the week, and a descriptive version. Like

`2006-11-15 07:12:34 +0100 (Wed, 15 Nov 2006)`

Moreover, it contains indication of local user's system time, and the words (day of the week and month's name) are localized. So it depends on the locale developer has set (you can avoid localization of the words by doing things like `export LANG=C` before SVN operations, but it's too error-prone).

### PASDOC\_VERSION

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**Declaration** `PASDOC_VERSION = '0.16.0' ;`

### PASDOC\_NAME\_AND\_VERSION

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**Declaration** `PASDOC_NAME_AND_VERSION = PASDOC_NAME + ' ' + PASDOC_VERSION ;`

**PASDOC\_HOMEPAGE**

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**Declaration** PASDOC\_HOMEPAGE = 'https://pasdoc.github.io/';