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# xml.etree.ElementTree — XML Manipulation API

**Purpose:** Generate and parse XML documents

The ElementTree library includes tools for parsing XML using event-based and document-based APIs, searching parsed documents with XPath expressions, and creating new or modifying existing documents.

- Parsing an XML Document
- Traversing the Parsed Tree
- Finding Nodes in a Document
- Parsed Node Attributes
- Watching Events While Parsing
- Creating a Custom Tree Builder
- Parsing Strings
- Building Documents With Element Nodes
- Pretty-Printing XML
- Setting Element Properties
- Building Trees from Lists of Nodes
- Serializing XML to a Stream

### See also

- <u>Standard library documentation for xml.etree.ElementTree</u> The standard library documentation for this module.
- <u>csv</u> Read and write comma-separated-value files
- defusedxml A package with fixes for various entity-expansion denial of service vulnerabilities useful for working with untrusted XML data.
- Prety print xml with python indenting xml A tip from Rene Dudfield for pretty-printing XML in Python.
- <u>ElementTree Overview</u> Fredrick Lundh's original documentation and links to the development versions of the ElementTree library.
- Process XML in Python with ElementTree IBM DeveloperWorks article by David Mertz.
- Outline Processor Markup Language (OPML) Dave Winer's OPML specification and documentation.
- XML Path Language (XPath) A syntax for identifying parts of an XML document.
- XPath Support in ElementTree Part of Fredrick Lundh's original documentation for ElementTree.

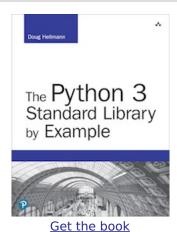
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