

# How to develop XSLT stylesheets for Saxon-CE

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# A few words about Saxon-CE processor

- Saxon-CE is a Saxonica implementation of XSLT 2.0 processor designed to work within a web browser
- Saxon-CE can handle the user input and interactions directly in the XSLT code
- Saxon-CE is a JavaScript library obtained by converting the Java processor into highly-optimized JavaScript using GWT library

# 'Book list' sample

<http://saxonica.com/ce/user-doc/1.1/index.html#!samples/booklist>

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## Book List

To try out the book list application, visit [here](#).

Wait for the list of books to appear (it may take a while if you are on a slow connection, as Saxon is being downloaded into your browser cache from the server). When it appears, try clicking on column headings to sort the tables by a chosen column, or clicking the check boxes to filter which books are displayed.

To see how it works, view the source of the HTML page ("view source" in your browser), and examine [the stylesheet](#).

Note how the HTML page contains two `script` elements, one to identify the Saxon Javascript library, the other to identify the stylesheet and source document.

Note how the XSLT code addresses an area of the HTML page to be updated using `xsl:result-document`.

Note the event handlers in the stylesheet - the template rules with `mode="ixsl:onclick"` or `mode="ixsl:onmouseover"`. Note how these template rules update attributes of the HTML page using `ixsl:set-` attribute. Also see how user-defined attributes such as `data-order` and `data-type` are used to retain state information in the HTML tree, so that the sorting process can decide whether to sort ascending or descending, and whether to sort alphabetically or numerically.

Note how the `onmouseover` event handler reads the mouse coordinates by a call on the `ixsl:event()` extension function which returns the current mouse event, and then uses these coordinates to position the tooltip.

# XSLT with Saxon-CE support add-on

<http://www.oxygenxml.com/InstData/Addons/Saxon-CE/updateSite.xml>

- an XSLT module
- an implementation of the Java extension SchemaManagerFilter
- a Schematron module
- two default validation scenarios

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- an *XSLT module* containing declarations of the extension functions specific to Saxon-CE processor

Unknown Saxon-CE extension function

```
<xsl:variable  
    name="styleLeftVal"  
    select="concat(ixsl:get(ixsl:event(), 'clientX') + 30, 'px')"/>
```

XSLT module snippet

```
<xsl:function name="ixsl:event" override="no"/>  
  
<xsl:function name="ixsl:get" override="no">  
    <xsl:param name="object"/>  
    <xsl:param name="property"/>  
</xsl:function>
```

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- an implementation of the Java extension *SchemaManagerFilter* to improve content completion proposals

```
/**  
 * Interface for objects used to filter the editor content completion schema manager proposals.  
 * This should be implemented if the list of content completion proposals must be filtered based on some  
 criteria or  
 * some new entries need to be added.  
 */  
public interface SchemaManagerFilter extends Extension {  
    List<CIElement> filterElements(List<CIElement> elements, WhatElementsCanGoHereContext context);  
    List<CIValue> filterElementValues(List<CIValue> elementValues, Context context);  
    List<CIAttribute> filterAttributes(List<CIAttribute> attributes, WhatAttributesCanGoHereContext context);  
    List<CIValue> filterAttributeValues(List<CIValue> attributeValues, WhatPossibleValuesHasAttributeContext  
 context);  
}
```

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- a *Schematron module* to verify the name of Saxon-CE extension elements and attributes

```
<pattern id="ixsl_element_names">
  <p>Test the names of Saxon-CE extension elements.</p>
  <rule context="ixsl:*">
    <let name="elemName" value="local-name()" />
    <assert test="$elemName = 'set-attribute' or $elemName = 'set-property' or
      $elemName = 'schedule-action' or $elemName = 'remove-attribute'" role="warning">
      Unknown Saxon CE extension element: '<value-of select="$elemName"/>'.
      Expected one of: 'set-attribute', 'set-property', 'remove-attribute' and 'schedule-action'.
    </assert>
  </rule>
</pattern>
```

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The screenshot shows the Oxygen XML Editor interface with the 'Validation' tab selected in the top navigation bar. A sidebar on the left lists validation scenarios: 'XSLT default validation' (selected) and 'Saxon-CE validation with Schematron'. Two 'Edit scenario' dialog boxes are open. The top dialog is for 'XSLT default validation', showing settings: URL of the file to validate is \${currentFileURL}, File type is XSLT Document, Validation engine is <Default engine>, Automatic validation is checked, and Schema is empty. The bottom dialog is for 'Saxon-CE validation with Schematron', showing settings: URL of the file to validate is \${currentFileURL}, File type is XML Document, Validation engine is <Default engine>, Automatic validation is checked, and Schema is \${framework}/sa... .

URL of the file to validate	File type	Validation engine	Automatic validation	Schema
\${currentFileURL}	XSLT Document	<Default engine>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

URL of the file to validate	File type	Validation engine	Automatic validation	Schema
\${currentFileURL}	XML Document	<Default engine>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\${framework}/sa...

# Conclusions

- Installing *XSLT with Saxon-CE* add-on helps you to develop Saxon-CE stylesheets
- A document type can be extended to improve content completion or document validation
- A document type can be distributed as an add-on

# Thank you!

Location for *XSLT with Saxon-CE support* add-on:

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## Questions?

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