

IBIS Common Format

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TODO:

- Expand on the explanations of a Compendium serialization
- Articulate the rules for assigning link types
- Trim unnecessary attributes
 - Subject to dialogues

Background

A DTD that specifies the XML serialization for IBIS elicitation platforms is specified. The specification has been created based on dialogues among the following individuals related to particular IBIS platforms:

- Jack Park—Compendium
- David Price—DebateGraph
- Mark Klein—Deliberatorium

Differences and Restrictions

There are known differences among the three platforms. Those differences suggest certain restrictions to capabilities as follows:

- Common Node Types
 - Question (Issue)
 - Answer (Position)
 - Map
 - Pro Argument
 - Con Argument
- ELEMENT = node ATTRIBUTE = "label"
 - Restricted to 70 characters

Behaviors

Nested Maps

Compendium is known to permit *nested maps*. That is, Compendium captures maps as *view elements*, each view serving as a container for the nodes captures in the map node for which it stands. Other platforms are free to treat nested maps by ignoring the nesting feature. For instance, in an *outline* view, nested maps might appear as follows:

```
Root Map
  Question
    Answer
      Pro Argument
      Con Argument
    Map
      Answer
        Pro Argument
```

Nodes Serialized But Not Included in Common Format

Suggested behavior: ignore those nodes.

Multiple Pages of Details from Compendium

Candidate suggested behaviors:

- Restrict Compendium to one page of details
- When multiple pages are detected:
 - concatenate and trim as needed

ELEMENT = view ATTRIBUTES = Xposition and Yposition

Suggested behaviors:

- Import: ignore unless its useful or can be transformed to local coordinates
 - Compendium will need to deal with auto arrange when it encounters "0" as values
- Export: default to "0"

Simple Example XML Serialization from Compendium

See **Appendix A** for the XML serialization.

A simple dialogue map with a nested map node was created to demonstrate a Compendium XML document. The full dialogue takes two images to display: Figure 1 and Figure 2.

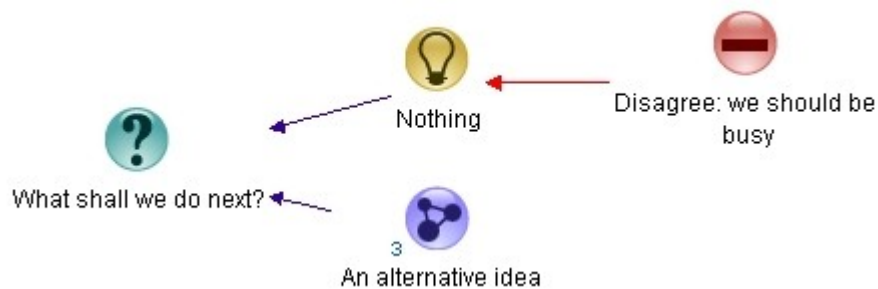


Figure 1: Outer (root) Map



Figure 2: Nested Map

Examining a Compendium Document

The outer element is `<model rootview="...">`

A *model* is a container for the following:

- views

- view
- nodes
 - node
 - details
 - page
- links
 - link
 - linkviews
 - linkview

Models and Views and their Relation to Nodes

```
<model rootview="19216811011237140096791">
<views>
  <view viewref="19216811011237140096791" noderef="19216811021244938183265"
    XPosition="201" YPosition="236" created="1244938183265"
    lastModified="1244938183265" showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true"
    showWeight="true" smallIcon="false" hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25"
    fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0" foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
  </view>
</views>
```

Note: Many of the attributes are slated to be removed from the Common Format DTD.

`viewref` refers to a view, synonymous with a map. `noderef` refers to a *node* identifier. Further explanation is necessary.

In Compendium, there is a Map node that is created in a *project*. That is the outer view. Its `viewref` points to a `noderef` that represents that outer map. That `noderef` becomes the `viewref` for the outer map such as Figure 1. The `noderefs` of *that* `viewref` will be the nodes contained in that view. In our example, one of those nodes is a map node. It becomes a new `viewref`, the `noderefs` for which are the nodes in the nested map, such as Figure 2.

Nodes and Details

```
<nodes>
  <node id="19216811011237140096791" type="2" extendedtype="" originalid=""
    author="jackpark" created="1237140096775" lastModified="1237140096775"
    label="Home Window" state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
  <details>
    <page nodeid="19216811011237140096791" author="jackpark"
      created="1237140096775" lastModified="1237140096775"
      pageno="1">Home Window of jackpark</page>
  </details>
</node>
</nodes>
```

Note that *details* are paged. In Compendium, there is the editorial option to create pages of details.

Links

```
<links>
<link id="19216811021244938254109" created="1244938254109"
      lastModified="1244938254109" author="jackpark"
      type="39"
      originalid=""
      from="19216811021244938215031" to="19216811021244938202218"
      label="" arrow="1">
<linkviews>
<linkview id="19216811021244938183265"/>
</linkviews>
</link>
```

Node Types

From the Compendium source file IcompendiumConstants

```
/**
 * This represents a map, which is a container for other nodes and links.
 * This can be used to:
 * - create a 'picture' of the relationships between ideas;
 * - group questions and ideas together in meaningful clusters;
 * - create associative links between nodes.
 */
public final static int          MAPVIEW                = 2;

/** This represents a Question or Issue for discussion. */
public final static int          ISSUE                  = 3;

/** The represents an Answer or Position, often in response to a question or issue. */
public final static int          POSITION                = 4;

/** This represents a response in favour of an answer or position. */
public final static int          PRO                    = 6;

/** This represents a response against an answer or position. */
public final static int          CON                    = 7;
```

NOTE: In Compendium, there are occasions where a node is used more than once, prompting a *shortcut* type. A shortcut type is the node type + 10: a MAPVIEW shortcut = 12.

Link Types

From the Compendium source file IcompendiumConstants

```
//LINK TYPES
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link responds to the Node at the TO end of  
the link */
```

```
public final static String      RESPONDS_TO_LINK      = "39";
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link supports the Node at the TO end of the  
link */
```

```
public final static String      SUPPORTS_LINK         = "40";
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link objects to the Node at the TO end of the  
link */
```

```
public final static String      OBJECTS_TO_LINK       = "41";
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link challenges the Node at the TO end of the  
link */
```

```
public final static String      CHALLENGES_LINK       = "42";
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link is a specialization of the Node at the TO  
end of the link */
```

```
public final static String      SPECIALIZES_LINK      = "43";
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link expands on the Node at the TO end of the  
link */
```

```
public final static String      EXPANDS_ON_LINK       = "44";
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link is related to the Node at the TO end of  
the link */
```

```
public final static String      RELATED_TO_LINK       = "45";
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link is about the Node at the TO end of the  
link */
```

```
public final static String      ABOUT_LINK            = "46";
```

```
/** Indicates the Node at the FROM end of the link resolves the Node at the TO end of the  
link */
```

```
public final static String      RESOLVES_LINK         = "47";
```

```
/** Indicates which link type is the default link type - Currently the 'Related To Link' */  
public final static String          DEFAULT_LINK          = "45";
```

DTD

The following DTD is a subset of the Compendium DTD

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<!ELEMENT model (views, nodes, links, codes, meetings*)>
<!ATTLIST model
    rootview CDATA #REQUIRED
>

<!ELEMENT page (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST page
    nodeid CDATA #REQUIRED
    author CDATA #REQUIRED
    pageno CDATA #REQUIRED
    created CDATA #REQUIRED
    lastModified CDATA #REQUIRED
>

<!ELEMENT details (#PCDATA | page)*>
<!ELEMENT detail (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT linkview (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST linkview
    id CDATA #REQUIRED
>

<!ELEMENT linkviews (#PCDATA | linkview)*>
<!ELEMENT link (#PCDATA | linkviews)*>
<!ATTLIST link
    id CDATA #REQUIRED
    created CDATA #REQUIRED
    lastModified CDATA #REQUIRED
    author CDATA #REQUIRED
    type CDATA #REQUIRED
    originalid CDATA #REQUIRED
    to CDATA #REQUIRED
    from CDATA #REQUIRED
    label CDATA #IMPLIED
    arrow CDATA #REQUIRED
>

<!ELEMENT links (#PCDATA | link)*>
<!ELEMENT node (details*, detail*, source, image, background, coderefs, shortcutrefs,
mediaindexes*)>
<!ATTLIST node
    id CDATA #REQUIRED
    type CDATA #REQUIRED
    extendedtype CDATA #REQUIRED
    originalid CDATA #REQUIRED
    author CDATA #REQUIRED
    created CDATA #REQUIRED
    lastModified CDATA #REQUIRED
    label CDATA #REQUIRED
    state CDATA #REQUIRED
    lastModificationAuthor CDATA #IMPLIED
```


>

<!ELEMENT nodes (node+)>

<!ELEMENT view (#PCDATA)>

<!ATTLIST view

viewref CDATA #REQUIRED

noderef CDATA #REQUIRED

XPosition CDATA #REQUIRED

YPosition CDATA #REQUIRED

created CDATA #IMPLIED

lastModified CDATA #IMPLIED

showTags CDATA #IMPLIED

showText CDATA #IMPLIED

showTrans CDATA #IMPLIED

showWeight CDATA #IMPLIED

smallIcon CDATA #IMPLIED

hideIcon CDATA #IMPLIED

labelWrapWidth CDATA #IMPLIED

fontSize CDATA #IMPLIED

fontface CDATA #IMPLIED

fontstyle CDATA #IMPLIED

foreground CDATA #IMPLIED

background CDATA #IMPLIED

>

<!ELEMENT views (view+)>

APPENDIX A—XML Serialization of TrivialMap Example

Note: some elements, e.g. <code> and <coderef> where hand removed as not applicable to the common DTD.

```
<model rootview="19216811011237140096791">
<views>
  <view viewref="19216811011237140096791" noderef="19216811021244938183265"
XPosition="201" YPosition="236" created="1244938183265" lastModified="1244938183265"
showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true" showWeight="true" smallIcon="false"
hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25" fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0"
foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
  </view>
  <view viewref="19216811021244938183265" noderef="19216811021244938215031"
XPosition="207" YPosition="28" created="1244938215031" lastModified="1244938215031"
showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true" showWeight="true" smallIcon="false"
hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25" fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0"
foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
  </view>
  <view viewref="19216811021244938183265" noderef="19216811021244938202218"
XPosition="16" YPosition="68" created="1244938202218" lastModified="1244938202218"
showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true" showWeight="true" smallIcon="false"
hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25" fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0"
foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
  </view>
  <view viewref="19216811021244938183265" noderef="19216811021244938232984"
XPosition="316" YPosition="20" created="1244938232984" lastModified="1244938232984"
showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true" showWeight="true" smallIcon="false"
hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25" fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0"
foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
  </view>
  <view viewref="19216811021244938183265" noderef="19216811021244938256703"
XPosition="177" YPosition="106" created="1244938256703" lastModified="1244938256703"
showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true" showWeight="true" smallIcon="false"
hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25" fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0"
foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
  </view>
  <view viewref="19216811021244938256703" noderef="19216811021244938315859"
XPosition="144" YPosition="20" created="1244938315859" lastModified="1244938315859"
showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true" showWeight="true" smallIcon="false"
hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25" fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0"
foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
  </view>
  <view viewref="19216811021244938256703" noderef="19216811021244938304531"
XPosition="16" YPosition="59" created="1244938304531" lastModified="1244938304531"
showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true" showWeight="true" smallIcon="false"
hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25" fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0"
foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
  </view>
  <view viewref="19216811021244938256703" noderef="19216811021244938322937"
XPosition="142" YPosition="98" created="1244938322937" lastModified="1244938322937"
showTags="true" showText="true" showTrans="true" showWeight="true" smallIcon="false"
```

```
hideIcon="false" labelWrapWidth="25" fontsize="12" fontface="Dialog" fontstyle="0"
foreground="-16777216" background="-1">
</view>
</views>
```

```
<nodes>
<node id="19216811011237140096791" type="2" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1237140096775" lastModified="1237140096775" label="Home
Window" state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
<details>
<page nodeId="19216811011237140096791" author="jackpark" created="1237140096775"
lastModified="1237140096775" pageno="1">Home Window of jackpark</page>
</details>
<source></source>
<image width="0" height="0"></image>
<background></background>
<shortcutrefs>
</shortcutrefs>
</node>
<node id="19216811021244938183265" type="2" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1244938183265" lastModified="1244938190734" label="TrivialMap"
state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
<details>
<page nodeId="19216811021244938183265" author="jackpark" created="1244938183265"
lastModified="1244938190734" pageno="1"></page>
</details>
<source></source>
<image width="0" height="0"></image>
<background></background>
<shortcutrefs>
</shortcutrefs>
</node>
<node id="19216811021244938215031" type="4" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1244938215031" lastModified="1244938217953" label="Nothing"
state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
<details>
<page nodeId="19216811021244938215031" author="jackpark" created="1244938215031"
lastModified="1244938217953" pageno="1"></page>
</details>
<source></source>
<image width="0" height="0"></image>
<background></background>
<shortcutrefs>
</shortcutrefs>
</node>
<node id="19216811021244938202218" type="3" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1244938202218" lastModified="1244938211281" label="What shall
we do next?" state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
<details>
<page nodeId="19216811021244938202218" author="jackpark" created="1244938202218"
lastModified="1244938211281" pageno="1"></page>
</details>
```

```
<source></source>
<image width="0" height="0"></image>
<background></background>
<shortcutrefs>
</shortcutrefs>
</node>
<node id="19216811021244938232984" type="7" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1244938232984" lastModified="1244938245625" label="Disagree: we
should be busy" state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
  <details>
    <page nodeId="19216811021244938232984" author="jackpark" created="1244938232984"
lastModified="1244938245625" pageno="1"></page>
  </details>
</node>
<node id="19216811021244938256703" type="2" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1244938256703" lastModified="1244938262109" label="An
alternative idea" state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
  <details>
    <page nodeId="19216811021244938256703" author="jackpark" created="1244938256703"
lastModified="1244938262109" pageno="1"></page>
  </details>
</node>
<node id="19216811021244938315859" type="3" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1244938315859" lastModified="1244938318562" label="What
about?" state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
  <details>
    <page nodeId="19216811021244938315859" author="jackpark" created="1244938315859"
lastModified="1244938318562" pageno="1"></page>
  </details>
</node>
<node id="19216811021244938304531" type="4" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1244938304531" lastModified="1244938308187" label="Let&apos;s
write a story" state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
  <details>
    <page nodeId="19216811021244938304531" author="jackpark" created="1244938304531"
lastModified="1244938308187" pageno="1"></page>
  </details>
</node>
<node id="19216811021244938322937" type="6" extendedtype="" originalid=""
author="jackpark" created="1244938322937" lastModified="1244938326265" label="Sounds
good" state="2" lastModificationAuthor="jackpark">
  <details>
    <page nodeId="19216811021244938322937" author="jackpark" created="1244938322937"
lastModified="1244938326265" pageno="1"></page>
  </details>
</node>
</nodes>
<links>
<link id="19216811021244938254109" created="1244938254109"
lastModified="1244938254109" author="jackpark" type="39" originalid=""
from="19216811021244938215031" to="19216811021244938202218" label="" arrow="1">
  <linkviews>
```

```
<linkview id="19216811021244938183265"/>
</linkviews>
</link>
```

```
<link id="19216811021244938264671" created="1244938264671"
lastModified="1244938264671" author="jackpark" type="39" originalid=""
from="19216811021244938256703" to="19216811021244938202218" label="" arrow="1">
  <linkviews>
    <linkview id="19216811021244938183265"/>
  </linkviews>
</link>
```

```
<link id="19216811021244938249562" created="1244938249562"
lastModified="1244938249562" author="jackpark" type="41" originalid=""
from="19216811021244938232984" to="19216811021244938215031" label="" arrow="1">
  <linkviews>
    <linkview id="19216811021244938183265"/>
  </linkviews>
</link>
```

```
<link id="19216811021244938321125" created="1244938321125"
lastModified="1244938321125" author="jackpark" type="39" originalid=""
from="19216811021244938315859" to="19216811021244938304531" label="" arrow="1">
  <linkviews>
    <linkview id="19216811021244938256703"/>
  </linkviews>
</link>
```

```
<link id="19216811021244938328765" created="1244938328765"
lastModified="1244938328765" author="jackpark" type="40" originalid=""
from="19216811021244938322937" to="19216811021244938304531" label="" arrow="1">
  <linkviews>
    <linkview id="19216811021244938256703"/>
  </linkviews>
</link>
</links>
</model>
```