
NSXMLParser Class Reference

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|----------------------------|---|
| Inherits from | NSObject |
| Conforms to | NSObject (NSObject) |
| Framework | /System/Library/Frameworks/Foundation.framework |
| Availability | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Companion guide | Event-Driven XML Programming Guide for Cocoa |
| Declared in | NSXMLParser.h |
| Related sample code | ImageMapExample |

Overview

Instances of this class parse XML documents (including DTD declarations) in an event-driven manner. An NSXMLParser notifies its delegate about the items (elements, attributes, CDATA blocks, comments, and so on) that it encounters as it processes an XML document. It does not itself do anything with those parsed items except report them. It also reports parsing errors. For convenience, an NSXMLParser object in the following descriptions is sometimes referred to as a parser object.

Note: Namespace support was implemented in NSXMLParser for Mac OS X v10.4. Namespace-related methods of NSXMLParser prior to this version have no effect.

Tasks

Initializing a Parser Object

- [initWithContentsOfURL:](#) (page 9)
Initializes the receiver with the XML content referenced by the given URL.
- [initWithData:](#) (page 10)
Initializes the receiver with the XML contents encapsulated in a given data object.

Managing Delegates

- [setDelegate:](#) (page 11)
Sets the receiver's delegate.
- [delegate](#) (page 9)
Returns the receiver's delegate.

Managing Parser Behavior

- [setShouldProcessNamespaces:](#) (page 12)
Specifies whether the receiver reports the namespace and the qualified name of an element in related delegation methods .
- [shouldProcessNamespaces](#) (page 13)
Indicates whether the receiver reports the namespace and the qualified name of an element in related delegation methods.
- [setShouldReportNamespacePrefixes:](#) (page 12)
Specifies whether the receiver reports the scope of namespace declarations using related delegation methods.
- [shouldReportNamespacePrefixes](#) (page 14)
Indicates whether the receiver reports the prefixes indicating the scope of namespace declarations using related delegation methods.
- [setShouldResolveExternalEntities:](#) (page 13)
Specifies whether the receiver reports declarations of external entities using the delegate method [parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:](#) (page 19).
- [shouldResolveExternalEntities](#) (page 14)
Indicates whether the receiver reports declarations of external entities using the delegate method [parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:](#) (page 19).

Parsing

- [parse](#) (page 10)
Starts the event-driven parsing operation.
- [abortParsing](#) (page 8)
Stops the parser object.
- [parserError](#) (page 11)
Returns an `NSError` object from which you can obtain information about a parsing error.

Handling XML

- [parserDidStartDocument:](#) (page 25) *delegate method*
Sent by the parser object to the delegate when it begins parsing a document.
- [parserDidEndDocument:](#) (page 24) *delegate method*
Sent by the parser object to the delegate when it has successfully completed parsing.

- `parser:didStartElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:attributes:` (page 16) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a start tag for a given element.
- `parser:didEndElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:` (page 15) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters an end tag for a specific element.
- `parser:didStartMappingPrefix:toURI:` (page 17) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate the first time it encounters a given namespace prefix, which is mapped to a URI.
- `parser:didEndMappingPrefix:` (page 16) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when a given namespace prefix goes out of scope.
- `parser:resolveExternalEntityName:systemID:` (page 23) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a given external entity with a specific system ID.
- `parser:parseErrorOccurred:` (page 23) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a fatal error.
- `parser:validationErrorOccurred:` (page 24) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a fatal validation error. NSXMLParser currently does not invoke this method and does not perform validation.
- `parser:foundCharacters:` (page 18) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to provide its delegate with a string representing all or part of the characters of the current element.
- `parser:foundIgnorableWhitespace:` (page 20) *delegate method*
Reported by a parser object to provide its delegate with a string representing all or part of the ignorable whitespace characters of the current element.
- `parser:foundProcessingInstructionWithTarget:data:` (page 22) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a processing instruction.
- `parser:foundComment:` (page 19) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a comment in the XML.
- `parser:foundCDATA:` (page 18) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a CDATA block.

Handling the DTD

- `parser:foundAttributeDeclarationWithName:forElement:type:defaultValue:` (page 17) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a declaration of an attribute that is associated with a specific element.
- `parser:foundElementDeclarationWithName:model:` (page 19) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a declaration of an element with a given model.
- `parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:` (page 19) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters an external entity declaration.
- `parser:foundInternalEntityDeclarationWithName:value:` (page 21) *delegate method*
Sent by a parser object to the delegate when it encounters an internal entity declaration.

- [parser:foundUnparsedEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:notationName:](#) (page 22) *delegate method*

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters an unparsed entity declaration.

- [parser:foundNotationDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:](#) (page 21) *delegate method*

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a notation declaration.

Obtaining Parser State

- [columnNumber](#) (page 8)

Returns the column number of the XML document being processed by the receiver.

- [lineNumber](#) (page 10)

Returns the line number of the XML document being processed by the receiver.

- [publicID](#) (page 11)

Returns the public identifier of the external entity referenced in the XML document.

- [systemID](#) (page 15)

Returns the system identifier of the external entity referenced in the XML document.

Instance Methods

abortParsing

Stops the parser object.

- [\(void\)abortParsing](#)

Discussion

If you invoke this method, the delegate, if it implements [parser:parseErrorOccurred:](#) (page 23), is informed of the cancelled parsing operation.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parse](#) (page 10)
- [parserError](#) (page 11)

Related Sample Code

[ImageMapExample](#)

Declared In

[NSXMLParser.h](#)

columnNumber

Returns the column number of the XML document being processed by the receiver.

- [\(NSInteger\)columnNumber](#)

Discussion

The column refers to the nesting level of the XML elements in the document. You may invoke this method once a parsing operation has begun or after an error occurs.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [lineNumber](#) (page 10)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

delegate

Returns the receiver's delegate.

- `(id)delegate`

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [setDelegate:](#) (page 11)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

initWithContentsOfURL:

Initializes the receiver with the XML content referenced by the given URL.

- `(id)initWithContentsOfURL:(NSURL *)url`

Parameters

`url`

An `NSURL` object specifying a URL. The URL must be fully qualified and refer to a scheme that is supported by the `NSURL` class.

Return Value

An initialized `NSXMLParser` object or `nil` if an error occurs.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [initWithData:](#) (page 10)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

initWithData:

Initializes the receiver with the XML contents encapsulated in a given data object.

- (id) initWithData:(NSData *)*data*

Parameters

data

An `NSData` object containing XML markup.

Return Value

An initialized `NSXMLParser` object or `nil` if an error occurs.

Discussion

This method is the designated initializer.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [initWithContentsOfURL:](#) (page 9)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

lineNumber

Returns the line number of the XML document being processed by the receiver.

- (NSInteger) lineNumber

Discussion

You may invoke this method once a parsing operation has begun or after an error occurs.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [columnNumber](#) (page 8)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

parse

Starts the event-driven parsing operation.

- (BOOL) parse

Return Value

`YES` if parsing is successful and `NO` in there is an error or if the parsing operation is aborted.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [abortParsing](#) (page 8)
- [parserError](#) (page 11)

Related Sample Code

[ImageMapExample](#)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

parserError

Returns an `NSError` object from which you can obtain information about a parsing error.

- `(NSError *)parserError`

Discussion

You may invoke this method after a parsing operation abnormally terminates to determine the cause of error.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [abortParsing](#) (page 8)
- [parse](#) (page 10)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

publicID

Returns the public identifier of the external entity referenced in the XML document.

- `(NSString *)publicID`

Discussion

You may invoke this method once a parsing operation has begun or after an error occurs.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [systemID](#) (page 15)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

setDelegate:

Sets the receiver's delegate.

- `(void)setDelegate:(id)delegate`

Parameters*delegate*

An object that is the new delegate. It is not retained.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [delegate](#) (page 9)

Related Sample Code

[ImageMapExample](#)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

setShouldProcessNamespaces:

Specifies whether the receiver reports the namespace and the qualified name of an element in related delegation methods .

- `(void)setShouldProcessNamespaces:(BOOL)shouldProcessNamespaces`

Parameters*shouldProcessNamespaces*

YES if the receiver should report the namespace and qualified name of each element, NO otherwise.
The default value is NO.

Discussion

The invoked delegation methods are

[parser:didStartElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:attributes:](#) (page 16) and
[parser:didEndElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:](#) (page 15).

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [shouldProcessNamespaces](#) (page 13)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

setShouldReportNamespacePrefixes:

Specifies whether the receiver reports the scope of namespace declarations using related delegation methods.

- `(void)setShouldReportNamespacePrefixes:(BOOL)shouldReportNamespacePrefixes`

Parameters*shouldReportNamespacePrefixes*

YES if the receiver should report the scope of namespace declarations, NO otherwise. The default value is NO.

Discussion

The invoked delegation methods are [parser:didStartMappingPrefix:toURI:](#) (page 17) and [parser:didEndMappingPrefix:](#) (page 16).

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [shouldReportNamespacePrefixes](#) (page 14)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

setShouldResolveExternalEntities:

Specifies whether the receiver reports declarations of external entities using the delegate method [parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:](#) (page 19).

- `(void)setShouldResolveExternalEntities:(BOOL)shouldResolveExternalEntities`

Parameters

`shouldResolveExternalEntities`

YES if the receiver should report declarations of external entities, NO otherwise. The default value is NO.

Discussion

If you pass in YES, you may cause other I/O operations, either network-based or disk-based, to load the external DTD.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [shouldResolveExternalEntities](#) (page 14)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

shouldProcessNamespaces

Indicates whether the receiver reports the namespace and the qualified name of an element in related delegation methods.

- `(BOOL)shouldProcessNamespaces`

Return Value

YES if the receiver reports namespace and qualified name, NO otherwise.

Discussion

The invoked delegation methods are

[parser:didStartElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:attributes:](#) (page 16) and [parser:didEndElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:](#) (page 15).

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [setShouldProcessNamespaces :](#) (page 12)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

shouldReportNamespacePrefixes

Indicates whether the receiver reports the prefixes indicating the scope of namespace declarations using related delegation methods.

- `(BOOL)shouldReportNamespacePrefixes`

Return Value

YES if the receiver reports the scope of namespace declarations, NO otherwise. The default value is NO.

Discussion

The invoked delegation methods are [parser:didStartMappingPrefix:toURI :](#) (page 17) and [parser:didEndMappingPrefix :](#) (page 16).

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [setShouldReportNamespacePrefixes :](#) (page 12)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

shouldResolveExternalEntities

Indicates whether the receiver reports declarations of external entities using the delegate method [parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID :](#) (page 19).

- `(BOOL)shouldResolveExternalEntities`

Return Value

YES if the receiver reports declarations of external entities, NO otherwise. The default value is NO.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [setShouldResolveExternalEntities :](#) (page 13)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

systemID

Returns the system identifier of the external entity referenced in the XML document.

- (NSString *)systemID

Discussion

You may invoke this method once a parsing operation has begun or after an error occurs.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [publicID](#) (page 11)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

Delegate Methods

parser:didEndElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters an end tag for a specific element.

- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser didEndElement:(NSString *)elementName
 namespaceURI:(NSString *)namespaceURI qualifiedName:(NSString *)qName

Parameters

parser

A parser object.

elementName

A string that is the name of an element (in its end tag).

namespaceURI

If namespace processing is turned on, contains the URI for the current namespace as a string object.

qName

If namespace processing is turned on, contains the qualified name for the current namespace as a string object..

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:didStartElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:attributes:](#) (page 16)

- [setShouldProcessNamespaces:](#) (page 12)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:didEndMappingPrefix:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when a given namespace prefix goes out of scope.

- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser didEndMappingPrefix:(NSString *)prefix

Parameters

parser

A parser object.

prefix

A string that is a namespace prefix.

Discussion

The parser sends this message only when namespace-prefix reporting is turned on through the [setShouldReportNamespacePrefixes:](#) (page 12) method.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:didStartMappingPrefix:toURI:](#) (page 17)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:didStartElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:attributes:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a start tag for a given element.

- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser didStartElement:(NSString *)elementName
 namespaceURI:(NSString *)namespaceURI qualifiedName:(NSString *)qualifiedName
 attributes:(NSDictionary *)attributeDict

Parameters

parser

A parser object.

elementName

A string that is the name of an element (in its start tag).

namespaceURI

If namespace processing is turned on, contains the URI for the current namespace as a string object.

qualifiedName

If namespace processing is turned on, contains the qualified name for the current namespace as a string object..

attributeDict

A dictionary that contains any attributes associated with the element. Keys are the names of attributes, and values are attribute values.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:didEndElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:](#) (page 15)
- [setShouldProcessNamespaces:](#) (page 12)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:didStartMappingPrefix:toURI:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate the first time it encounters a given namespace prefix, which is mapped to a URI.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser didStartMappingPrefix:(NSString *)prefix
          toURI:(NSString *)namespaceURI
```

Parameters*parser*

A parser object.

prefix

A string that is a namespace prefix.

namespaceURI

A string that specifies a namespace URI.

Discussion

The parser object sends this message only when namespace-prefix reporting is turned on through the [setShouldReportNamespacePrefixes:](#) (page 12) method.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:didEndMappingPrefix:](#) (page 16)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:foundAttributeDeclarationWithName:forElement:type:defaultValue:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a declaration of an attribute that is associated with a specific element.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundAttributeDeclarationWithName:(NSString *)
           attributeName forElement:(NSString *)elementName type:(NSString *)type
           defaultValue:(NSString *)defaultValue
```

Parameters*parser*

An NSXMLParser object parsing XML.

attributeName

A string that is the name of an attribute.

elementName

A string that is the name of an element that has the attribute *attributeName*.

type

A string, such as "ENTITY", "NOTATION", or "ID", that indicates the type of the attribute.

defaultValue

A string that specifies the default value of the attribute.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:didStartElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:attributes:](#) (page 16)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:foundCDATA:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a CDATA block.

- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundCDATA:(NSData *)CDATABlock

Parameters

parser

An NSXMLParser object parsing XML.

CDATABlock

A data object containing a block of CDATA.

Discussion

Through this method the parser object passes the contents of the block to its delegate in an NSData object. The CDATA block is character data that is ignored by the parser. The encoding of the character data is UTF-8. To convert the data object to a string object, use the NSString method `initWithData:encoding:`.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:foundCharacters:

Sent by a parser object to provide its delegate with a string representing all or part of the characters of the current element.

- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundCharacters:(NSString *)string

Parameters

parser

A parser object.

string

A string representing the complete or partial textual content of the current element.

Discussion

The parser object may send the delegate several `parser:foundCharacters:` messages to report the characters of an element. Because *string* may be only part of the total character content for the current element, you should append it to the current accumulation of characters until the element changes.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

parser:foundComment:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a comment in the XML.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundComment:(NSString *)comment
```

Parameters

parser

An `NSXMLParser` object parsing XML.

comment

A string that is the content of a comment in the XML.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

parser:foundElementDeclarationWithName:model:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a declaration of an element with a given model.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundElementDeclarationWithName:(NSString *)elementName model:(NSString *)model
```

Parameters

parser

An `NSXMLParser` object parsing XML.

elementName

A string that is the name of an element.

model

A string that specifies a model for *elementName*.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

[- parser:didStartElement:namespaceURI:qualifiedName:attributes: \(page 16\)](#)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters an external entity declaration.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:(NSString *)entityName publicID:(NSString *)publicID systemID:(NSString *)systemID
```

Parameters*parser*

An NSXMLParser object parsing XML.

entityName

A string that is the name of an entity.

publicID

A string that specifies the public ID associated with *entityName*.

systemID

A string that specifies the system ID associated with *entityName*.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:foundInternalEntityDeclarationWithName:value:](#) (page 21)
- [parser:foundUnparsedEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:notationName:](#) (page 22)
- [parser:resolveExternalEntityName:systemID:](#) (page 23)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:foundIgnorableWhitespace:

Reported by a parser object to provide its delegate with a string representing all or part of the ignorable whitespace characters of the current element.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundIgnorableWhitespace:(NSString *)whitespaceString
```

Parameters*parser*

A parser object.

whitespaceString

A string representing all or part of the ignorable whitespace characters of the current element.

Discussion

All the whitespace characters of the element (including carriage returns, tabs, and new-line characters) may not be provided through an individual invocation of this method. The parser may send the delegate several `parser:foundIgnorableWhitespace:` messages to report the whitespace characters of an element. You should append the characters in each invocation to the current accumulation of characters.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:foundCharacters:](#) (page 18)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:foundInternalEntityDeclarationWithName:value:

Sent by a parser object to the delegate when it encounters an internal entity declaration.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundInternalEntityDeclarationWithName:(NSString *)name value:(NSString *)value
```

Parameters*parser*

An NSXMLParser object parsing XML.

name

A string that is the declared name of an internal entity.

value

A string that is the value of entity *name*.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID: \(page 19\)](#)
- [parser:foundUnparsedEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:notationName: \(page 22\)](#)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:foundNotationDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a notation declaration.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundNotationDeclarationWithName:(NSString *)name publicID:(NSString *)publicID systemID:(NSString *)systemID
```

Parameters*parser*

An NSXMLParser object parsing XML.

name

A string that is the name of the notation.

publicID

A string specifying the public ID associated with the notation *name*.

systemID

A string specifying the system ID associated with the notation *name*.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:foundProcessingInstructionWithTarget:data:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a processing instruction.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundProcessingInstructionWithTarget:(NSString *)
           *target data:(NSString *)data
```

Parameters

parser

A parser object.

target

A string representing the target of a processing instruction.

data

A string representing the data for a processing instruction.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:foundUnparsedEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:notationName:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters an unparsed entity declaration.

```
- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser foundUnparsedEntityDeclarationWithName:(NSString *)
           *name publicID:(NSString *)publicID systemID:(NSString *)systemID
           notationName:(NSString *)notationName
```

Parameters

parser

An NSXMLParser object parsing XML.

name

A string that is the name of the unparsed entity in the declaration.

publicID

A string specifying the public ID associated with the entity *name*.

systemID

A string specifying the system ID associated with the entity *name*.

notationName

A string specifying a notation of the declaration of entity *name*.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID: \(page 19\)](#)
- [parser:foundInternalEntityDeclarationWithName:value: \(page 21\)](#)
- [parser:resolveExternalEntityName:systemID: \(page 23\)](#)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:parseErrorOccurred:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a fatal error.

- (void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser parseErrorOccurred:(NSError *)parseError

Parameters

parser

A parser object.

parseError

An `NSError` object describing the parsing error that occurred.

Discussion

When this method is invoked, parsing is stopped. For further information about the error, you can query `parseError` or you can send the receiver a `parserError` (page 11) message. You can also send the parser `lineNumber` (page 10) and `columnNumber` (page 8) messages to further isolate where the error occurred. Typically you implement this method to display information about the error to the user.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:validationErrorOccurred:](#) (page 24)

Declared In

`NSXMLParser.h`

parser:resolveExternalEntityName:systemID:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a given external entity with a specific system ID.

- (NSData *)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser resolveExternalEntityName:(NSString *)entityName systemID:(NSString *)systemID

Parameters

parser

A parser object.

entityName

A string that specifies the external name of an entity.

systemID

A string that specifies the system ID for the external entity.

Return Value

An `NSData` object that contains the resolution of the given external entity.

Discussion

The delegate can resolve the external entity (for example, locating and reading an externally declared DTD) and provide the result to the parser object as an `NSData` object.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parser:foundExternalEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:](#) (page 19)

- `parser:foundUnparsedEntityDeclarationWithName:publicID:systemID:notationName:` (page 22)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parser:validationErrorOccurred:

Sent by a parser object to its delegate when it encounters a fatal validation error. NSXMLParser currently does not invoke this method and does not perform validation.

- `(void)parser:(NSXMLParser *)parser validationErrorOccurred:(NSError *)validError`

Parameters*parser*

A parser object.

validError

An NSError object describing the validation error that occurred.

Discussion

If you want to validate an XML document, use the validation features of the NSXMLDocument class.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- `parser:parseErrorOccurred:` (page 23)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parserDidEndDocument:

Sent by the parser object to the delegate when it has successfully completed parsing.

- `(void)parserDidEndDocument:(NSXMLParser *)parser`

Parameters*parser*

A parser object.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- `parserDidStartDocument:` (page 25)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

parserDidStartDocument:

Sent by the parser object to the delegate when it begins parsing a document.

```
- (void)parserDidStartDocument:(NSXMLParser *)parser
```

Parameters

parser

A parser object.

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

See Also

- [parserDidEndDocument:](#) (page 24)

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

Constants

NSXMLParserErrorDomain

This constant defines the NSXMLParser error domain.

```
NSString * const NSXMLParserErrorDomain
```

Constants

NSXMLParserErrorDomain

Indicates an error in XML parsing.

Used by NSError.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

NSXMLParserError

A type defined for the constants listed in “[Parser Error Constants](#)” (page 26).

```
typedef NSInteger NSXMLParserError;
```

Availability

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

Parser Error Constants

The following error types are defined by NSXMLParser.

```
typedef enum {
    NSXMLParserInternalError = 1,
    NSXMLParserOutOfMemoryError = 2,
    NSXMLParserDocumentStartError = 3,
    NSXMLParserEmptyDocumentError = 4,
    NSXMLParserPrematureDocumentEndError = 5,
    NSXMLParserInvalidHexCharacterRefError = 6,
    NSXMLParserInvalidDecimalCharacterRefError = 7,
    NSXMLParserInvalidCharacterRefError = 8,
    NSXMLParserInvalidCharacterError = 9,
    NSXMLParserCharacterRefAtEOFError = 10,
    NSXMLParserCharacterRefInPrologError = 11,
    NSXMLParserCharacterRefInEpilogError = 12,
    NSXMLParserCharacterRefInDTDError = 13,
    NSXMLParserEntityRefAtEOFError = 14,
    NSXMLParserEntityRefInPrologError = 15,
    NSXMLParserEntityRefInEpilogError = 16,
    NSXMLParserEntityRefInDTDError = 17,
    NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefAtEOFError = 18,
    NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefInPrologError = 19,
    NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefInEpilogError = 20,
    NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefInInternalSubsetError = 21,
    NSXMLParserEntityReferenceWithoutNameError = 22,
    NSXMLParserEntityReferenceMissingSemiError = 23,
    NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefNoNameError = 24,
    NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefMissingSemiError = 25,
    NSXMLParserUndeclaredEntityError = 26,
    NSXMLParserUnparsedEntityError = 28,
    NSXMLParserEntityIsExternalError = 29,
    NSXMLParserEntityIsParameterError = 30,
    NSXMLParserUnknownEncodingError = 31,
    NSXMLParserEncodingNotSupportedError = 32,
    NSXMLParserStringNotStartedError = 33,
    NSXMLParserStringNotClosedError = 34,
    NSXMLParserNamespaceDeclarationError = 35,
    NSXMLParserEntityNotStartedError = 36,
    NSXMLParserEntityNotFinishedError = 37,
    NSXMLParserLessThanSymbolInAttributeError = 38,
    NSXMLParserAttributeNotStartedError = 39,
    NSXMLParserAttributeNotFinishedError = 40,
    NSXMLParserAttributeHasNoValueError = 41,
    NSXMLParserAttributeRedefinedError = 42,
    NSXMLParserLiteralNotStartedError = 43,
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NSXMLParserSpaceRequiredError = 65,
NSXMLParserSeparatorRequiredError = 66,
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NSXMLParserEntityBoundaryError = 90,
NSXMLParserInvalidURIError = 91,
NSXMLParserURIFragmentError = 92,
NSXMLParserNoDTDError = 94,
NSXMLParserDelegateAbortedParseError = 512
} NSXMLParserError;

```

Constants

NSXMLParserInternalError

The parser object encountered an internal error.**Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.****Declared in** NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserOutOfMemoryError

The parser object ran out of memory.**Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.****Declared in** NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserDocumentStartError

The parser object is unable to start parsing.**Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.****Declared in** NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserEmptyDocumentError
The document is empty.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserPrematureDocumentEndError
The document ended unexpectedly.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidHexCharacterRefError
Invalid hexadecimal character reference encountered.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidDecimalCharacterRefError
Invalid decimal character reference encountered.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidCharacterRefError
Invalid character reference encountered.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidCharacterError
Invalid character encountered.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserCharacterRefAtEOFError
Target of character reference cannot be found.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserCharacterRefInPrologError
Invalid character found in the prolog.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserCharacterRefInEpilogError
Invalid character found in the epilog.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserCharacterRefInDTDError
Invalid character encountered in the DTD.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

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|---|--|
| NSXMLParserEntityRefAtEOFError | Target of entity reference is not found. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserEntityRefInPrologError | Invalid entity reference found in the prolog. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserEntityRefInEpilogError | Invalid entity reference found in the epilog. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserEntityRefInDTDError | Invalid entity reference found in the DTD. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefAtEOFError | Target of parsed entity reference is not found. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefInPrologError | Target of parsed entity reference is not found in prolog. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefInEpilogError | Target of parsed entity reference is not found in epilog. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefInInternalSubsetError | Target of parsed entity reference is not found in internal subset. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserEntityReferenceWithoutNameError | Entity reference is without name. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserEntityReferenceMissingSemiError | Entity reference is missing semicolon. |
| | Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| | Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |

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| NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefNoNameError |
| Parsed entity reference is without an entity name. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefMissingSemiError |
| Parsed entity reference is missing semicolon. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserUndeclaredEntityError |
| Entity is not declared. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserUnparsedEntityError |
| Cannot parse entity. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserEntityIsExternalError |
| Cannot parse external entity. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserEntityIsParameterError |
| Entity is a parameter. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserUnknownEncodingError |
| Document encoding is unknown. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserEncodingNotSupportedError |
| Document encoding is not supported. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserStringNotStartedError |
| String is not started. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |
| NSXMLParserStringNotClosedError |
| String is not closed. |
| Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later. |
| Declared in NSXMLParser.h. |

NSXMLParserNamespaceDeclarationError
Invalid namespace declaration encountered.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserEntityNotStartedError
Entity is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserEntityNotFinishedError
Entity is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserLessThanSymbolInAttributeError
Angle bracket is used in attribute.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserAttributeNotStartedError
Attribute is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserAttributeNotFinishedError
Attribute is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserAttributeHasNoValueError
Attribute doesn't contain a value.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserAttributeRedefinedError
Attribute is redefined.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserLiteralNotStartedError
Literal is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserLiteralNotFinishedError
Literal is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserCommentNotFinishedError
Comment is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserProcessingInstructionNotStartedError
Processing instruction is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserProcessingInstructionNotFinishedError
Processing instruction is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
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NSXMLParserNotationNotStartedError
Notation is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserNotationNotFinishedError
Notation is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserAttributeListNotStartedError
Attribute list is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserAttributeListNotFinishedError
Attribute list is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserMixedContentDeclNotStartedError
Mixed content declaration is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserMixedContentDeclNotFinishedError
Mixed content declaration is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserElementContentDeclNotStartedError
Element content declaration is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserElementContentDeclNotFinishedError
Element content declaration is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserXMLDeclNotStartedError
XML declaration is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserXMLDeclNotFinishedError
XML declaration is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserConditionalSectionNotStartedError
Conditional section is not started.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserConditionalSectionNotFinishedError
Conditional section is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserExternalSubsetNotFinishedError
External subset is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserDOCTYPEDeclNotFinishedError
Document type declaration is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserMisplacedCDATAEndStringError
Misplaced CDATA end string.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserCDATANotFinishedError
CDATA block is not finished.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserMisplacedXMLDeclarationError
Misplaced XML declaration.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserSpaceRequiredError

Space is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserSeparatorRequiredError

Separator is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserNMTOKENRequiredError

Name token is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserNAMERequiredError

Name is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserPCDATARequiredError

CDATA is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserURIRequiredError

URI is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserPublicIdentifierRequiredError

Public identifier is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserLTRequiredError

Left angle bracket is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserGTRequiredError

Right angle bracket is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserLTSslashRequiredError

Left angle bracket slash is required.

Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.

Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserEqualExpectedError
Equal sign expected.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserTagNameMismatchError
Tag name mismatch.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserUnfinishedTagError
Unfinished tag found.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserStandaloneValueError
Standalone value found.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidEncodingNameError
Invalid encoding name found.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserCommentContainsDoubleHyphenError
Comment contains double hyphen.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidEncodingException
Invalid encoding.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserExternalStandaloneEntityError
External standalone entity.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidConditionalSectionError
Invalid conditional section.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserEntityValueRequiredError
Entity value is required.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserNotWellBalancedError
Document is not well balanced.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserExtraContentError
Error in content found.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidCharacterInEntityError
Invalid character in entity found.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserParsedEntityRefInInternalError
Internal error in parsed entity reference found.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserEntityRefLoopError
Entity reference loop encountered.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserEntityBoundaryError
Entity boundary error.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserInvalidURIError
Invalid URI specified.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserURIFragmentError
URI fragment.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserNoDTDError
Missing DTD.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

NSXMLParserDelegateAbortedParseError
Delegate aborted parse.
Available in Mac OS X v10.3 and later.
Declared in NSXMLParser.h.

Declared In

NSXMLParser.h

Document Revision History

This table describes the changes to *NSXMLParser Class Reference*.

| Date | Notes |
|------------|---|
| 2007-02-02 | Merged delegate method groups with regular method groups. |
| 2006-11-07 | Added version information for namespace support. |
| 2006-05-23 | First publication of this content as a separate document. |

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