



Editorial and XML
Solutions for Publishers

So... What Have We *Really* Been Up To?

Exciting new developments in Inera technology

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Inera Development Projects



Juggling priorities

- Adding new features to eXtyles and Edifix
- Custom development work for new and existing customers (e.g., we're finally tackling DITA!)
- Staying ahead of updates from our various technology partners (Microsoft, Crossref, NCBI, MathType, etc.)

Looking at the big picture

- What are the major challenges in publishing? What will they be in 5 years?
- → How can we help address them?



Challenges in Scholarly Publishing



- Open Access
 - > Pressure to make ever more content freely available
 - ▷ Establishing financially sustainable OA models
- ▶ Time to publication
- Identifying trusted scholarship
- Quality vs. cost: some publishers can afford to invest more than others in labor-intensive or automated quality measures



When Challenges Converge



- There's a widespread drive to publish more content, more quickly, with less labor and more automation
- ► How to do *all* of this without sacrificing quality?



Inera, Automation, and Quality



► Intelligent automation

- First do no harm: automate what can be safely automated to save time and enhance consistency and accuracy of content
- Leave the stuff that requires human intelligence to the experts

Flexibility and scalability

- Some of our customers are high touch with their publications; some are very low touch
- Some are large, established publishers; some are just getting up and running
- Wide variety of content types, workflows, and requirements to which eXtyles adapts



eXtyles Desktop and Server Versions



- eXtyles (Desktop): 2000
- eXtyles SI (Server Implementation): 2005
- ▶ SI was originally developed for Aries Systems
 - Integration of eXtyles reference tools into EM
 - Required building automatic recognition of the reference list in articles in Word (eXtyles Auto-Style)
- ► SI has been adopted by many other organizations for use in combination with eXtyles Desktop to more fully automate certain aspects of the eXtyles workflow



A Brief History of eXtyles Automation



Specifically, automatic recognition of document elements

2000 Reference Processing

2011

Body Text

Auto-Styling

2017
Metadata
Extraction

Citation Matching 1997 Reference Auto-Styling 2005

Table
Auto-Styling
2013

??? 2018



What's Next?



The biggest hurdle is successful automatic conversion from author submission to XML

- XML authoring tools have not been adopted
- Author compliance with Word templates or other formatting requirements is unreliable

- Authors are complex (and smart, and creative)
- ▷ If your automated tool only works on a perfectly formatted article, then it's not very automated



What's Next?



- ► Inera has continually developed new features for automatic recognition of document elements within eXtyles
- One eXtyles process has always required manual labor: Paragraph Styling
- ► The next frontier: fully automated document structuring
- ► Introducing...





eXtyles Arc

Automated markup of unstructured content



eXtyles Arc



Automated markup of unstructured content

- Extracts metadata
- Automatically applies paragraph styles
- Runs all reference and citation processes
- Logs inconsistencies and errors
- Exports to JATS
- Can be a fully automated publishing solution or used in combination with hightouch editorial workflows



Current Status



- eXtyles Arc release 1.0:
 - > Journal article content
 - Available with eXtyles SI
 - Focused on STM content elements
- ▶ Initial Goal:
 - ≥ 100% accurate JATS from 80% of submissions
 - The other 20% will require touch-up of the XML, but there will be no loss of content



eXtyles Improvements



- The eXtyles Arc project required improvements that have already cascaded down to existing releases of eXtyles Desktop and SI
- Without human intervention, the things that have already been automated for a long time had to get even better
- Other improvements are likely to follow



eXtyles Desktop/SI Improvements



- Major improvements to Author Processing (required for Metadata Extraction)
- XML export of table titles/captions placed below, rather than above, the table
- Minimization of certain classes of XML parsing errors
 - Author footnote symbols with no corresponding footnote
 - Uncited tables
 - ▷ In a nutshell: more user-friendly dialog warnings instead of cryptic XML errors



Possible Future eXtyles Improvements



eXtyles Arc innovations that have not yet been added to current releases but may be available in the future include:

- Detection of duplicate content (e.g., an article title appears twice in the Word file)
- Automatic recognition of the in-text citation style used by the author
- And, obviously, full Auto-Styling of content (no immediate plans to implement this in the Desktop environment, but we want to hear your feedback)





eXtyles Arc in Action! (Demo)





Questions? Comments? Grand visions?

Speak now or send them to Liz at lblake@inera.com

