

# [MS-XSSK]: XML Serialization of Synchronization Knowledge Specification

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# 1 Introduction

This document specifies the structure of knowledge XML serialization. This type of serialization depends on the use of prescribed formatting for the data "knowledge," which represents a metadata structure that can be used to synchronize two or more sets of data as efficiently as possible. The knowledge can be represented as an XML file, as specified in [\[XML\]](#), that conforms to its XML schema.

## 1.1 Glossary

The following terms are specific to this document:

**change unit identifier:** For tabular data, the identifier for a particular column.

**change unit override:** Part of the knowledge that associates a particular item identifier, change unit identifier pair with the clock vector.

**clock vector:** A list of synchronization versions that is ordered by the replica key.

**data synchronization:** The process of making two or more sets of data contain exactly the same items.

**item identifier:** For tabular data, the identifier for a particular row.

**item override:** Part of the knowledge that associates a pair comprising a particular item identifier and any change unit identifier with the clock vector, given that the knowledge doesn't contain a change unit override covering that pair.

**range override:** Part of the knowledge that associates all item identifiers in the closed range between two item identifiers (called lower-bound identifier and upper-bound identifier) paired with any change unit identifier, given that the knowledge doesn't contain a change unit override and item override covering that pair.

**replica:** A set of data, together with associated synchronization metadata.

**replica identifier:** A unique identifier for a particular replica.

**replica keymap:** A data structure that provides one-to-one mapping between replica identifiers and unsigned integers, which are called replica keys.

**scope clock vector:** Part of the knowledge that associates any item identifier, change unit identifier pair with the clock vector, given that the knowledge doesn't contain a change unit override, item override, or range override covering that pair.

**synchronization metadata:** Additional data associated with the user's data for the purpose of enabling data synchronization.

**synchronization version:** Synchronization metadata associated with a particular item identifier, change unit identifier pair. The version consists of the replica key and an unsigned number, which is called a tick count.

**tick count:** A single per-replica integer associated with and maintained by a particular replica. A replica's tick count grows whenever the replica makes changes.

**MAY, SHOULD, MUST, SHOULD NOT, MUST NOT:** These terms (in all caps) are used as described in [\[RFC2119\]](#). All statements of optional behavior use either MAY, SHOULD, or SHOULD NOT.

## 1.2 References

### 1.2.1 Normative References

We conduct frequent surveys of the normative references to assure their continued availability. If you have any issue with finding a normative reference, please contact [dochelp@microsoft.com](mailto:dochelp@microsoft.com). We will assist you in finding the relevant information. Please check the archive site, <http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/E4BD6494-06AD-4aed-9823-445E921C9624>, as an additional source.

[RFC4648] Josefsson, S., "The Base16, Base32, and Base64 Data Encodings", RFC 4648, October 2006, <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4648.txt>

[XML] World Wide Web Consortium, "Extensible Markup Language (XML) 1.0 (Fifth Edition)", W3C Recommendation, November 2008, <http://www.w3.org/TR/REC-xml>

[RFC2119] Bradner, S., "Key words for use in RFCs to Indicate Requirement Levels", BCP 14, RFC 2119, March 1997, <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2119.txt>

### 1.2.2 Informative References

None.

## 1.3 Structure Overview (Synopsis)

The knowledge data structure is applicable to the scenarios that involve synchronization of two or more sets of data. In this document, the term **replica** is used to identify such sets of data together with the associated synchronization metadata. Each replica is uniquely identified by a **replica identifier**.

A **replica keymap** provides one-to-one mapping between the replica identifiers and unsigned integers. In this document, the term replica key is used to specify the concrete unsigned integer associated with the particular replica identifier. Every replica maintains the replica keymap, which contains entries for this replica and all replicas that this replica is ever synchronized with.

The data in every replica is represented in tabular form. Each row of data is uniquely identified by an **item identifier**. Each column of data is uniquely identified by a **change unit identifier**.

A set of all possible item identifiers is completely ordered.

Each element of the replica's data set, identified by an item identifier, change unit identifier pair, has a **synchronization version** associated with it. The synchronization version is a pair of replica key and unsigned integer that will be referred to as **tick count**. For every synchronization version, the replica key has a corresponding entry in the replica keymap attached to the replica.

In this document, the term **clock vector** is used to specify a list of zero or more sync versions, ordered by the replica key. Every replica key is present in the clock vector no more than once.

The knowledge data structure provides a mechanism to associate every possible item identifier, change unit identifier pair with a clock vector. The structure consists of the following parts:

- Zero or more **change unit overrides**. Each change unit override is identified by a unique item identifier, change unit identifier pair and has a clock vector associated with it.
- Zero or more **item overrides**. Each item override is identified by a unique item identifier and has a clock vector associated with it.

- Zero or more **range overrides**. Each range override is identified by a (lower bound identifier, upper bound identifier) pair of item identifiers and has a clock vector associated with it. All ranges in the knowledge are not overlapping. That is, for any two ranges, the lower range identifier of one of them is always greater than upper range identifier of the other one.
- A clock vector, which will be referred to as a **scope clock vector**.

The algorithm that finds a clock vector for a particular item identifier, change unit identifier pair is one of the following:

1. If the knowledge has a change unit override that is identified by the item identifier, change unit identifier pair equal to the one item identifier, change unit identifier in question, the answer is the clock vector associated with this change unit override.
2. Otherwise, if the knowledge has an item override that is identified by the item identifier equal to the item identifier in question, the answer is the clock vector associated with this item override.
3. Otherwise, if the knowledge has a range override, such as if its lower bound identifier is smaller than or equal to the item identifier in question, or its upper bound identifier is greater than or equal to the item identifier in question, the answer is the clock vector associated with this range override.
4. Otherwise, the answer is the scope clock vector.

In the data synchronization scenarios, the crucial question is whether the particular instance of the knowledge data structure covers the synchronization version associated with the specified item identifier, change unit identifier pair. To answer that question, do the following:

- Find the clock vector associated with the specified item identifier, change unit identifier pair, as described earlier in this section.
- If the clock vector doesn't have a synchronization version with a replica key equal to the replica key provided with the synchronization version in question, the answer is "not covered."
- Otherwise, compare the tick count of the synchronization version in the clock vector with the one from the synchronization version that is provided. If the former tick count is greater than or equal to the latter one, the answer is "covered"; if it is smaller than the provided tick count, the answer is "not covered."

## 1.4 Relationship to Protocols and Other Structures

The knowledge data structure is not related to any other structures.

## 1.5 Applicability Statement

The knowledge data structure can be used for data synchronization scenarios in which the data is represented in tabular form. It serves to convey state to other replicas that use the knowledge data structure.

## 1.6 Versioning and Localization

This document covers versioning issues in the following areas:

- Structure versions: This document specifies version 1 of all structures defined herein.

There are no localization-dependent structures in knowledge XML serialization.

## 1.7 Vendor-Extensible Fields

None.

## 2 Structures

### 2.1 XML Serialization of Synchronization Knowledge

This is a valid instance of an XML document as specified in [\[XML\]](#).

#### 2.1.1 The XML Namespace

All XML elements and XML attributes MUST be in the following XML namespace:

|   |
|---|
| <code>http://schemas.microsoft.com/2008/03/sync/</code> |
|---|

In addition, the root XML element of the document MUST define an empty XML namespace prefix with the preceding namespace. All child XML elements MUST NOT use nonempty XML namespace prefixes.

#### 2.1.2 The Identifier Format

Replica, item, and change unit identifiers MUST be byte sequences of either variable length or fixed length.

Variable-length replica identifiers MUST begin with the 2-byte prefix, which MUST specify the length of the replica identifier, with the prefix included as an unsigned 16-bit integer.

The set of the item identifiers is completely sorted. Sorting is performed in dictionary (alphabetic) order on the sequence of bytes that constitutes the item identifier. For variable-length item identifiers, the 2-byte prefix is skipped during the sort.

#### 2.1.3 The syncKnowledge Element

This element is the root XML element of the Microsoft® SQL Server® XML Serialization Format of Knowledge. Its child elements are listed and described in the following table.

| Child element              | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <b>idFormatGroup</b>       | Describes the format for the replica, item, and change unit identifiers used in this knowledge instance. |
| <b>replicaKeyMap</b>       | Specifies the replica keymap associated with this knowledge instance.                                    |
| <b>clockVector</b>         | Specifies the scope clock vector of this knowledge instance.   |
| <b>itemOverrides</b>       | Specifies the list of item overrides in this knowledge instance.   |
| <b>changeUnitOverrides</b> | Specifies the list change unit overrides in this knowledge instance.                                     |
| <b>rangeOverrides</b>      | Specifies the list of range overrides in this knowledge instance.  |

```
<xsd:element name="syncKnowledge">
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="idFormatGroup" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
      <xsd:element name="replicaKeyMap" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
      <xsd:element name="clockVector" type="sync:clockVectorType" minOccurs="1"
maxOccurs="1" />
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```



```

        <xsd:element name="itemOverrides" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" />
        <xsd:element name="changeUnitOverrides" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" />
        <xsd:element name="rangeOverrides" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" />
    </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>

```

### 2.1.4 The idFormatGroup Element

This element groups the descriptions of the format of replica identifiers, item identifiers, and change unit identifiers used in this XML document.

| Child elements            | Description                                       |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>replicaIdFormat</b>    | Describes the format for replica identifiers.     |
| <b>itemIdFormat</b>       | Describes the format for item identifiers.        |
| <b>changeUnitIdFormat</b> | Describes the format for change unit identifiers. |

| Parent element       |
|----------------------|
| <b>syncKnowledge</b> |

```

<xsd:element name="idFormatGroup">
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="replicaIdFormat" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
      <xsd:element name="itemIdFormat" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
      <xsd:element name="changeUnitIdFormat" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>

```

### 2.1.5 The replicaIdFormat Element

This element describes the format of the replica identifiers used in this XML document.

| Parent element       |
|----------------------|
| <b>idFormatGroup</b> |

The **replicaIdFormat** element has the following attributes:

**isVariable:** If the value of the attribute is "true", all replica identifiers in the document are of variable length, as specified in section [2.1.2](#) earlier in this document. If the value of the attribute is "false", all replica identifiers in the document are of fixed length, as specified in section [2.1.2](#).

**maxLength:** For fixed-length replica identifiers, this attribute specifies the length of the identifiers; for variable-length replica identifiers, it specifies the maximum length of the replica identifier, including the 2-byte prefix.

For fixed-length replica identifiers, the value of the **maxLength** attribute MUST be 1 or greater. For variable-length replica identifiers, the value of this attribute MUST be 3 or greater.

```
<xsd:element name="replicaIdFormat">
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:attribute name="isVariable" type="xsd:boolean" use="required" />
    <xsd:attribute name="maxLength" type="xsd:unsignedInt" use="required" />
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

## 2.1.6 The **itemIdFormat** Element

This element describes the format of the item identifiers used in this XML document.

|                       |
|-----------------------|
| <b>Parent element</b> |
| <b>idFormatGroup</b>  |

The **itemIdFormat** element has the following attributes:

**isVariable:** If the value of the attribute is "true", all item identifiers in the document are of variable length, as specified in section [2.1.2](#) earlier in this document.

If the value of the attribute is "false", all item identifiers in the document are of fixed length, as specified in section [2.1.2](#).

**maxLength:** For fixed-length item identifiers, this attribute specifies the length of the identifiers; for variable-length item identifiers, it specifies the maximum length of the item identifier, including the 2-byte prefix.

For fixed-length item identifiers, the value of the **maxLength** attribute MUST be 1 or greater. For variable-length item identifiers, the value of the **maxLength** attribute MUST be 3 or greater.

```
<xsd:element name="itemIdFormat">
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:attribute name="isVariable" type="xsd:boolean" use="required" />
    <xsd:attribute name="maxLength" type="xsd:unsignedInt" use="required" />
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

## 2.1.7 The **changeUnitIdFormat** Element

This element describes the format of the change unit identifiers used in this XML document.

|                       |
|-----------------------|
| <b>Parent element</b> |
| <b>idFormatGroup</b>  |

The **changeUnitIdFormat** element has the following attributes:

**isVariable:** If the value of the attribute is "true", all change unit identifiers in the document are of variable length, as specified in section [2.1.2](#) earlier in this document.

If the value of the attribute is "false", all change unit identifiers in the document are of fixed length, as specified in section [2.1.2](#).

**maxLength:** For fixed-length change unit identifiers, this attribute specifies the length of the identifiers; for variable-length change unit identifiers, it specifies the maximum length of the change unit identifier, including the 2-byte prefix.

For fixed-length change unit identifiers, the value of the **maxLength** attribute MUST be 1 or a greater. For variable-length change unit identifiers, the value of the **maxLength** attribute MUST be 3 or greater.

```
<xsd:element name="changeUnitIdFormat" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:attribute name="isVariable" type="xsd:boolean" use="required" />
    <xsd:attribute name="maxLength" type="xsd:unsignedInt" use="required" />
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

## 2.1.8 The replicaKeyMap Element

This element specifies the replica keymap associated with a particular knowledge instance. The **replicaKey** attribute values in the **replicaKeyMap** child elements MUST be consecutive unsigned integers, starting with 0 (zero).

| Child elements            | Description                             |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>replicaKeyMapEntry</b> | Individual entry of the replica keymap. |

| Parent element       |
|----------------------|
| <b>syncKnowledge</b> |

```
<xsd:element name="replicaKeyMap" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="replicaKeyMapEntry" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

## 2.1.9 The replicaKeyMapEntry Element

This element specifies a single entry in a replica keymap.

| Parent element       |
|----------------------|
| <b>replicaKeyMap</b> |

The replicaKeyMapEntry element has the following attributes:

**replicaId:** The replica identifier in base64 encoding as specified in [\[RFC4648\]](#). The replica identifier MUST conform to the replica identifier format specified by the **replicaIdFormat** element, as described in section [2.1.5](#) earlier in this document.

**replicaKey:** An unsigned integer specifying the replica key associated with the replica identifier.

```
<xsd:element name="replicaKeyMapEntry" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:attribute name="replicaId" type="xsd:base64binary" use="required" />
    <xsd:attribute name="replicaKey" type="xsd:unsignedInt" use="required" />
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

### 2.1.10 The clockVector Element

This element specifies the scope clock vector of a particular knowledge instance. The type of this XML element is **clockVectorType**, as specified in section [2.1.18](#) later in this document.

|                       |
|-----------------------|
| <b>Parent element</b> |
| <b>syncKnowledge</b>  |

```
<xsd:element name="clockVector" type="sync:clockVectorType" />
```

### 2.1.11 The itemOverrides Element

This element specifies a set of the item overrides in a particular knowledge instance. The values of the **itemId** attribute in the **itemOverride** child elements MUST be distinct.

| Child element       | Description                  |
|---------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>itemOverride</b> | An individual item override. |

|                       |
|-----------------------|
| <b>Parent element</b> |
| <b>syncKnowledge</b>  |

```
<xsd:element name="itemOverrides" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="itemOverride" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" />
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

### 2.1.12 The itemOverride Element

This element specifies a single item override.

| Child element      | Description   |
|--------------------|---|
| <b>clockVector</b> | The clock vector associated with a specified item override. The type of this element is <b>clockVectorType</b> , as specified in section <a href="#">2.1.18</a> later in this document. |

| Parent element       |
|----------------------|
| <b>itemOverrides</b> |

The itemOverride element has the following attributes:

**itemId**: The item identifier of the item override in base64 encoding, as specified in [RFC4648](#). The item identifier MUST conform to the item identifier format, as described in section [2.1.6](#) earlier in this document.

```
<xsd:element name="itemOverride" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="clockVector" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="itemId" type="xsd:base64binary" use="required" />
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

### 2.1.13 The changeUnitOverrides Element

This element specifies a set of the change unit overrides in this knowledge instance. The pairs of the **itemId** and **changeUnitId** attributes in the **changeUnitOverrides** child elements MUST be distinct.

| Child element             | Description                     |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>changeUnitOverride</b> | Individual change unit override |

| Parent element       |
|----------------------|
| <b>syncKnowledge</b> |

```
<xsd:element name="changeUnitOverrides" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="changeUnitOverride" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" />
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

## 2.1.14 The changeUnitOverride Element

This element specifies a single change unit override.

| Child element      | Description  |
|--------------------|--|
| <b>clockVector</b> | The clock vector associated with a specified change unit override. The type of this element is <b>clockVectorType</b> , as specified in section <a href="#">2.1.18</a> later in this document. |

| Parent element             |
|----------------------------|
| <b>changeUnitOverrides</b> |

The **changeUnitOverride** element has the following attributes:

**itemId:** The item identifier of the change unit override in Base64 encoding, as specified in [\[RFC4648\]](#). The item identifier MUST conform to the item identifier format specified by the **itemIdFormat** element, as described in section [2.1.6](#) earlier in this document.

**changeUnitId:** The change unit identifier of the change unit override in Base64 encoding as specified in [\[RFC4648\]](#). The change unit identifier MUST conform to the change unit identifier format specified by the **changeUnitIdFormat** element, as described in section [2.1.7](#) earlier in this document.

```
<xsd:element name="changeUnitOverride" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="clockVector" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="itemId" type="xsd:base64binary" use="required" />
    <xsd:attribute name="changeUnitId" type="xsd:base64binary" use="required" />
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

## 2.1.15 The rangeOverrides Element

This element specifies a set of the range overrides in a particular knowledge instance. The individual range overrides MUST NOT overlap.

| Child element        | Description                   |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>rangeOverride</b> | An individual range override. |

| Parent element       |
|----------------------|
| <b>syncKnowledge</b> |

```
<xsd:element name="rangeOverrides" >
  <xsd:complexType>
```

```

    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="rangeOverride" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" />
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>

```

### 2.1.16 The rangeOverride Element

This element specifies a single range override. The value of the **closedUpperBound** attribute MUST be greater than or equal to the value of the **closedLowerBound** attribute, according to the sorting order described in section [2.1.2](#) earlier in this document.

| Child element      | Description  |
|--------------------|--|
| <b>clockVector</b> | The clock vector associated with a specified range override. The type of this element is <b>clockVectorType</b> , as specified in section <a href="#">2.1.18</a> later in this document. |

| Parent element        |
|-----------------------|
| <b>rangeOverrides</b> |

The **rangeOverride** element has the following attributes:

**closedLowerBound:** The lower bound identifier of the range override in base64 encoding, as specified in [\[RFC4648\]](#). The lower bound identifier attribute value MUST conform to the item identifier format specified by the **itemIdFormat** element, as described in section [2.1.6](#) earlier in this document.

**closedUpperBound:** The upper bound identifier of the range override in base64 encoding as specified in [\[RFC4648\]](#). The upper bound identifier attribute value MUST conform to the item identifier format specified by the **itemIdFormat** element, as described in section [2.1.6](#).

```

<xsd:element name="rangeOverride" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="clockVector" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="closedLowerBound" type="xsd:base64binary" use="required" />
    <xsd:attribute name="closedUpperBound" type="xsd:base64binary" use="required" />
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>

```

### 2.1.17 The clockVectorElement Element

This element specifies a single synchronization version. The following table specifies all possible parent elements of the **clockVectorElement** element.

| Parent element     | Description   |
|--------------------|---|
| <b>clockVector</b> | A child of the <b>syncKnowledge</b> element, as specified in <a href="#">2.1.10</a> . |

| Parent element     | Description  |
|--------------------|--|
| <b>clockVector</b> | A child of the <b>itemOverride</b> element, as specified in <a href="#">2.1.12</a> .       |
| <b>clockVector</b> | A child of the <b>changeUnitOverride</b> element, as specified in <a href="#">2.1.14</a> . |
| <b>clockVector</b> | A child of the <b>rangeOverride</b> element, as specified in <a href="#">2.1.16</a> .      |

The **clockVectorElement** element has the following attributes:

**replicaKey**: The replica key of a specified synchronization version. The value of this attribute MUST have the corresponding **replicaKeyMapEntry** element specified in section [2.1.9](#) earlier in this document.

**tickCount**: The tick count of the specified synchronization version.

```
<xsd:element name="clockVectorElement" >
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:attribute name="replicaKey" type="xsd:unsignedInt" use="required" />
    <xsd:attribute name="tickCount" type="xsd:unsignedLong" use="required" />
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

### 2.1.18 The ClockVectorType Type

The **ClockVectorType** type is a custom XML type used to describe the clock vectors referred to in sections 2.1.10 through 2.1.16 earlier in this document. The **clockVectorElement** child elements MUST be sorted by the value of their **replicaKey** attribute. The **replicaKey** attribute values of the child elements MUST be distinct within the single instance of the **ClockVectorType** type.

| Child element             | Description                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>clockVectorElement</b> | An individual clock vector element. |

```
<xsd:complexType name="clockVectorType" >
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="clockVectorElement" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```



### 3 Structure Examples

The following is an example of the knowledge data structure serialized in the XML format.

Knowledge in this example contains only a scope clock vector; it doesn't contain any range, item, or change unit overrides.

```
<syncKnowledge xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/2008/03/sync/"
xmlns:sync="http://schemas.microsoft.com/2008/03/sync/">
  <idFormatGroup>
    <replicaIdFormat sync:isVariable="false" sync:maxLength="16" />
    <itemIdFormat sync:isVariable="false" sync:maxLength="24"/>
    <changeUnitIdFormat sync:isVariable="false" sync:maxLength="1" />
  </idFormatGroup>
  <replicaKeyMap>
    <replicaKeyMapEntry sync:replicaId="zaun9erpTKCRxvHzTngj4w==" sync:replicaKey="0" />
    <replicaKeyMapEntry sync:replicaId="71J30mgqQ6K/wjnSqEIKYg==" sync:replicaKey="1" />
    <replicaKeyMapEntry sync:replicaId="nQh3j4ExQluKail5dmlYaA==" sync:replicaKey="2" />
  </replicaKeyMap>
  <clockVector>
    <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="0" sync:tickCount="10" />
    <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="2" sync:tickCount="20" />
  </clockVector>
</syncKnowledge>
```

The following is another example of the knowledge data structure serialized in the XML format.

Knowledge in this example contains a scope clock vector, one range override, two item overrides, and three change unit overrides.

```
<syncKnowledge xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/2008/03/sync/"
xmlns:sync="http://schemas.microsoft.com/2008/03/sync/">
  <idFormatGroup>
    <replicaIdFormat sync:isVariable="false" sync:maxLength="16" />
    <itemIdFormat sync:isVariable="false" sync:maxLength="24"/>
    <changeUnitIdFormat sync:isVariable="false" sync:maxLength="1" />
  </idFormatGroup>
  <replicaKeyMap>
    <replicaKeyMapEntry sync:replicaId="zaun9erpTKCRxvHzTngj4w==" sync:replicaKey="0" />
    <replicaKeyMapEntry sync:replicaId="71J30mgqQ6K/wjnSqEIKYg==" sync:replicaKey="1" />
  </replicaKeyMap>
  <clockVector>
    <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="0" sync:tickCount="10" />
    <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="2" sync:tickCount="20" />
  </clockVector>
  <itemOverrides>
    <itemOverride sync:itemId="AAAAAAAAAAARVFBb7zBEMJCiSPPioeuL">
      <clockVector>
        <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="0" sync:tickCount="5" />
        <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="1" sync:tickCount="5" />
      </clockVector>
    </itemOverride>
    <itemOverride sync:itemId="AAAAAAAAAB9AiNPqZB/pB7p3TXWo3VrZ0">
      <clockVector>
        <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="0" sync:tickCount="6" />
        <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="1" sync:tickCount="4" />
      </clockVector>
    </itemOverride>
  </itemOverrides>
```

```

        </clockVector>
    </itemOverride>
</itemOverrides>
<changeUnitOverrides>
    <changeUnitOverride sync:itemId="AAAAAAAAAB9DdeszlYFtE9r8QN7JEg4ZQ"
sync:changeUnitId="FA==">
        <clockVector>
            <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="0" sync:tickCount="15" />
            <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="1" sync:tickCount="2" />
        </clockVector>
    </changeUnitOverride>
    <changeUnitOverride sync:itemId="AAAAAAAAAD6AXfz97akZByL01Lj96G1FL"
sync:changeUnitId="KA==">
        <clockVector>
            <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="0" sync:tickCount="16" />
            <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="1" sync:tickCount="12" />
        </clockVector>
    </changeUnitOverride>
    <changeUnitOverride sync:itemId="AAAAAAAAAADUaRgYm21PjIEqSfh+SI1/"
sync:changeUnitId="AA==">
        <clockVector>
            <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="0" sync:tickCount="17" />
            <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="1" sync:tickCount="22" />
        </clockVector>
    </changeUnitOverride>
</changeUnitOverrides>
<rangeOverrides>
    <rangeOverride sync:closedLowerBound="AAAAAAAAAGTIXlJlVXBP2Kqk6mGiuwvL"
sync:closedUpperBound="AAAAAAAAAMjIXlJlVXBP2Kqk6mGiuwvL">
        <clockVector>
            <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="0" sync:tickCount="18" />
            <clockVectorElement sync:replicaKey="1" sync:tickCount="28" />
        </clockVector>
    </rangeOverride>
</rangeOverrides>
</syncKnowledge>

```

## 4 Security Considerations

None.

## 5 Appendix A: Full XML Schema

```
<?xml version='1.0'?>
<xs:schema targetNamespace='http://schemas.microsoft.com/2008/03/sync/'
  xmlns:sync='http://schemas.microsoft.com/2008/03/sync/'
  xmlns:xs='http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema'
  attributeFormDefault='qualified'
  elementFormDefault='qualified'>
  <xs:element name='syncKnowledge'>
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element name='idFormatGroup' minOccurs='1'
maxOccurs='1'>
          <xs:complexType>
            <xs:sequence>
              <xs:element name='replicaIdFormat' minOccurs='1' maxOccurs='1'>
                <xs:complexType>
                  <xs:attribute name='isVariable' type='xs:boolean'
use='required' />
                  <xs:attribute name='maxLength' type='xs:unsignedInt'
use='required' />
                </xs:complexType>
              </xs:element>
              <xs:element name='itemIdFormat' minOccurs='1' maxOccurs='1'>
                <xs:complexType>
                  <xs:attribute name='isVariable' type='xs:boolean'
use='required' />
                  <xs:attribute name='maxLength' type='xs:unsignedInt'
use='required' />
                </xs:complexType>
              </xs:element>
              <xs:element name='changeUnitIdFormat' minOccurs='1'
maxOccurs='1'>
                <xs:complexType>
                  <xs:attribute name='isVariable' type='xs:boolean'
use='required' />
                  <xs:attribute name='maxLength' type='xs:unsignedInt'
use='required' />
                </xs:complexType>
              </xs:element>
            </xs:sequence>
          </xs:complexType>
        </xs:element>
        <!-- -->
        <xs:element name='replicaKeyMap' minOccurs='1' maxOccurs='1'>
          <xs:complexType>
            <xs:sequence>
              <xs:element name='replicaKeyMapEntry' minOccurs='1'
maxOccurs='unbounded'>
                <xs:complexType>
                  <xs:attribute name='replicaId' type='xs:base64Binary'
use='required' />
                  <xs:attribute name='replicaKey' type='xs:unsignedInt'
use='required' />
                </xs:complexType>
              </xs:element>
            </xs:sequence>
          </xs:complexType>
        </xs:element>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
</!-- -->
```

```

        <xs:element name='clockVector' type='sync:clockVectorType' minOccurs='1'
maxOccurs='1' />
        <!-- -->
        <xs:element name='itemOverrides' minOccurs='0' maxOccurs='1'>
            <xs:complexType>
                <xs:sequence>
                    <xs:element name='itemOverride' minOccurs='0'
maxOccurs='unbounded'>
                        <xs:complexType>
                            <xs:sequence>
                                <xs:element name='clockVector'
type='sync:clockVectorType' minOccurs='1' maxOccurs='1' />
                                </xs:sequence>
                                <xs:attribute name='itemId' type='xs:base64Binary'
use='required' />
                            </xs:complexType>
                        </xs:element>
                    </xs:sequence>
                </xs:complexType>
            </xs:element>
        </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
    <!-- -->
    <xs:element name='changeUnitOverrides' minOccurs='0' maxOccurs='1'>
        <xs:complexType>
            <xs:sequence>
                <xs:element name='changeUnitOverride' minOccurs='0'
maxOccurs='unbounded'>
                    <xs:complexType>
                        <xs:sequence>
                            <xs:element name='clockVector'
type='sync:clockVectorType' minOccurs='1' maxOccurs='1' />
                            </xs:sequence>
                            <xs:attribute name='itemId' type='xs:base64Binary'
use='required' />
                            <xs:attribute name='changeUnitId' type='xs:base64Binary'
use='required' />
                        </xs:complexType>
                    </xs:element>
                </xs:sequence>
            </xs:complexType>
        </xs:element>
    </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
    <!-- -->
    <xs:element name='rangeOverrides' minOccurs='0' maxOccurs='1'>
        <xs:complexType>
            <xs:sequence>
                <xs:element name='rangeOverride' minOccurs='0'
maxOccurs='unbounded'>
                    <xs:complexType>
                        <xs:sequence>
                            <xs:element name='clockVector'
type='sync:clockVectorType' minOccurs='1' maxOccurs='1' />
                            </xs:sequence>
                            <xs:attribute name='closedLowerBound'
type='xs:base64Binary' use='required' />
                            <xs:attribute name='closedUpperBound'
type='xs:base64Binary' use='required' />
                        </xs:complexType>
                    </xs:element>
                </xs:sequence>
            </xs:complexType>
        </xs:element>
    </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>

```

```
        <!-- -->
    </xs:sequence>
</xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
<xs:complexType name='clockVectorType'>
  <xs:sequence>
    <xs:element name='clockVectorElement' minOccurs='0' maxOccurs='unbounded'>
      <xs:complexType>
        <xs:attribute name='replicaKey' type='xs:unsignedInt' use='required' />
        <xs:attribute name='tickCount' type='xs:unsignedLong' use='required' />
      </xs:complexType>
    </xs:element>
  </xs:sequence>
</xs:complexType>
</xs:schema>
```

## 6 Appendix B: Product Behavior

The information in this specification is applicable to the following product versions:

- Microsoft® Office Groove® 2010
- Microsoft® SharePoint® 2010

Exceptions, if any, are noted below. If a service pack number appears with the product version, behavior changed in that service pack. The new behavior also applies to subsequent service packs of the product unless otherwise specified.

Unless otherwise specified, any statement of optional behavior in this specification that is prescribed using the terms SHOULD or SHOULD NOT implies product behavior in accordance with the SHOULD or SHOULD NOT prescription. Unless otherwise specified, the term MAY implies that the product does not follow the prescription.

## 7 Change Tracking

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