


This unit addresses basic Data Transformation mapping.


Unit Objectives



- Create a new Data Transformation Map
- Identify the Source Dictionary and Source Document Definition
- Define a Target Dictionary and Target Document Definition
- Use the Data Transformation Mapping Commands
- Identify and describe the four areas of the mapping window
- Use the mapping cues when performing drag and drop mapping
- Specify the occurrence of repeating source data
- Compile a map

Creating a map involves naming it, identifying the input and output formats and defining map characteristics. Most mapping will be performed via the “drag and drop” technique, but there are many conditions under which commands are entered to provide conditional mapping and control over the translation process.

Data Transformation Concept 

- Data Transformation
 - Source  Target

Where:

- Source and target are any of the supported data types: EDI, XML, Raw
Data as fixed length fields, or Comma Separated Values

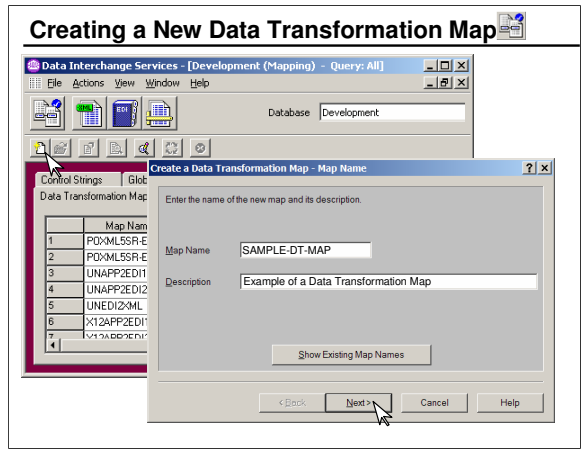
Data Transformation mapping is based on translation of source data (input) to target data (output) where the source and target data may be defined as *Record Oriented Data, XML, or EDI*.

Data Transformation

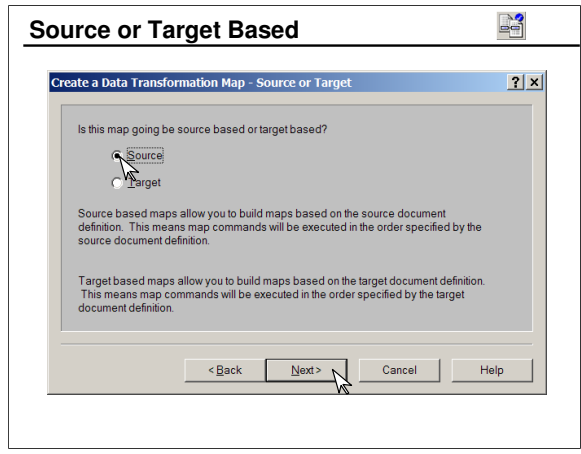


- Variables – Global, Local, Special
- Literals – Quoted numeric or character string
- Comments – Comment nodes
- Keywords – Including Boolean (True/False)
- Paths – Identify source and target elements
- Data Types – Character, Integer, Real, Boolean, Binary
- Expressions – Arithmetic, Logical, Comparison, Unary
- Commands – Error, MapTo, SetProperty, etc.
- Functions – Char, Concat, Date, DateCnv, Find, etc.

Data Transformation maps include extensive programming commands and functions. All commands and functions will be addressed in this unit.



Note that the map is being produced in the database selected. The new icon may be selected or you can select File/New to create a new map. The map name may be up to 16 characters long. The description may only be 50 characters long, but additional information may be stored under the Comments tab.

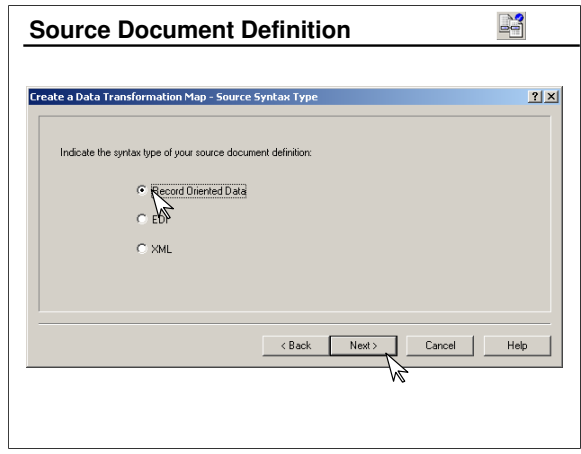


Data Transformation maps allow commands to be imbedded within either the source or target document definition.

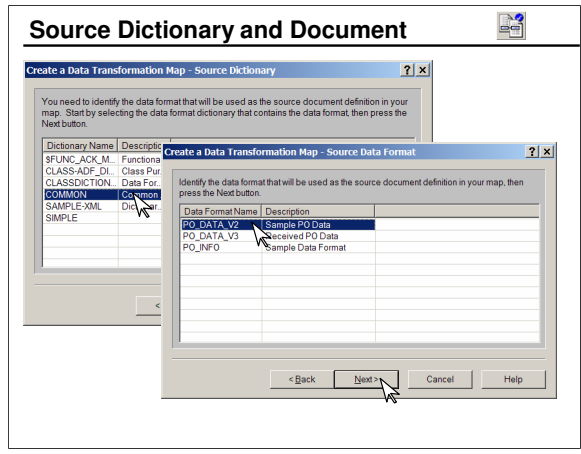
Deciding on Source or Target Based Mapping

- If mapping hierarchical loops, the map should be based on the hierarchical data (source for inbound, target for outbound)
- Translation will be processed in the order of the data upon which the map is defined making source-based mapping more efficient
- Source-based maps use MapTo() and the Default qualification commands, but the target-based maps use the MapFrom() and ForEach() commands
- For Source-based maps, repeating loops will be qualified by Occurrence, Value or Expression
- For target-based maps, repeating loops will be mapped using ForEach, identifying the corresponding source path. Repeating source elements may then be qualified by Occurrence, Value or Expression within the ForEach specification

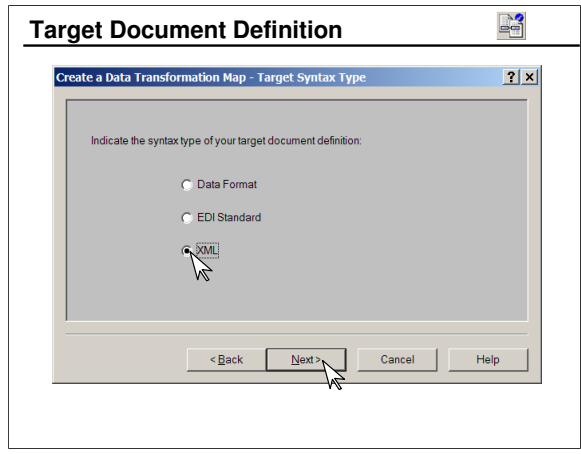
It may take some experience with mapping to identify the better technique for each map.



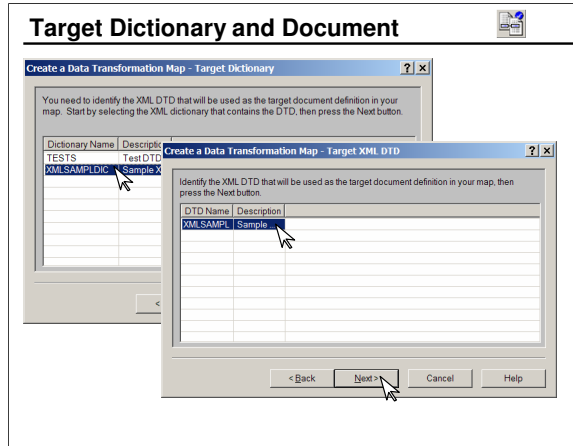
The three radio buttons represent the three possible syntax types for the source document. XML is defined by a DTD Document Definition or Schema Document Definition".



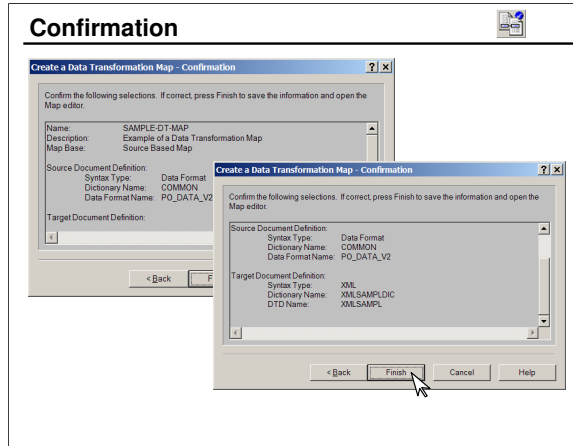
All document definitions are contained within dictionaries. The DIS Client will display all the dictionaries for the source syntax type selected. Once a dictionary is selected, the Client will display a list of all document definitions within that dictionary. You will identify both the dictionary and document definition for both the source and target document.



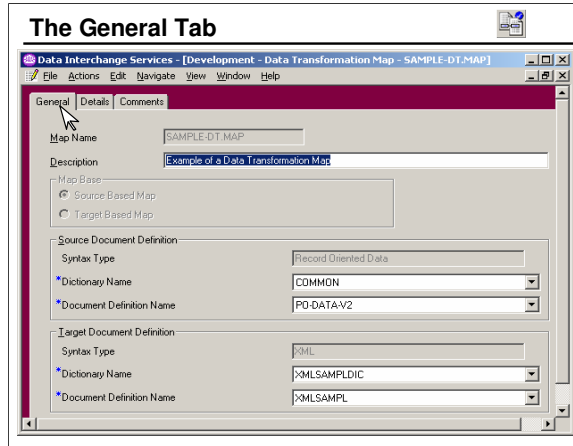
Here you again select the syntax type. You have the same three choices for the target as the source. The target and source documents may be of the same type.



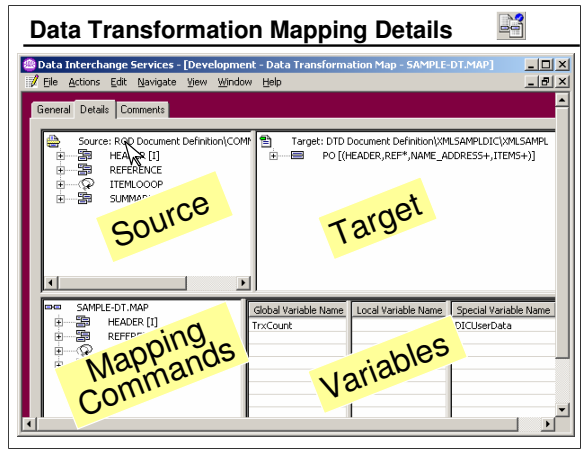
The DIS Client will display all the dictionaries for the target syntax type selected. Once a dictionary is selected, the Client will display a list of all document definitions within that dictionary.



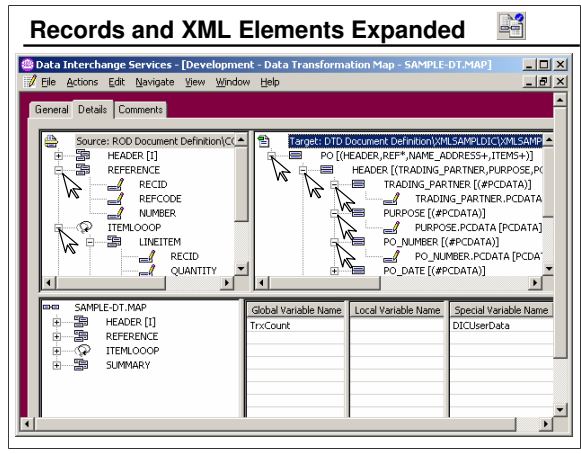
At this point you can click “Back” to change any of these selections. Once “Finish” is clicked, you will not be able to change the source or target syntax types, but will be able to change the document dictionary and definition selected.



The unavailable areas cannot be changed on this tag page. Also, your map has already been saved at this point, so you don't have to map now.



Note that the four panes in this window may be resized. While mapping you may find it convenient to resize regularly. At times it may be useful to have the command pane occupy most of the screen.



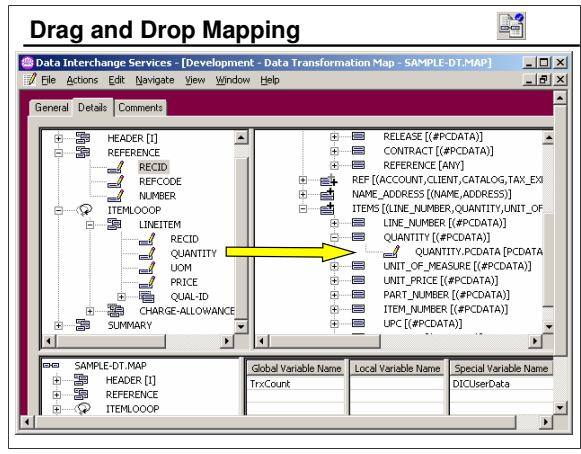
Right click “Expand All”, “Collapse All”, and “Find” functions are available in source, target and mapping command windows. Use expand to expand the areas in which you are mapping. You will also find it convenient to collapse items to be able to focus on the area that is currently being mapped.

Drag and Drop Mapping

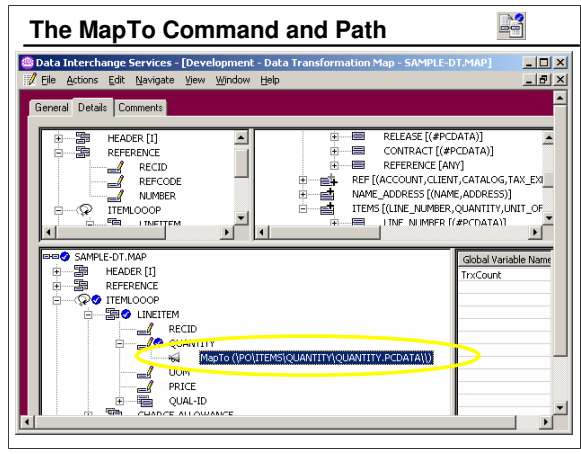


- Select and drag an element from the source pane and drop it on the corresponding element in the target pane
- Valid target elements will be highlighted when the mouse is over them. If the element is not highlighted, it is not a valid target
- Compound elements will expand after the mouse is held over them momentarily
- The window will scroll when the mouse is brought to the edge of the window
- Commands may be dragged from one mapped element to another or copied by holding the Shift key while dragging

The mouse pointer will turn to a “Not” symbol when the item being dragged is not over a valid area onto which it may be dropped.



You can drag from source to target or target to source. You can also drag to the command pane. If variables are defined, they may also be dragged to the command pane.



When drag and drop mapping is performed for a source-based map, a MapTo command is automatically generated. For a target-based map a MapFrom command is produced.

Mapping ICONS

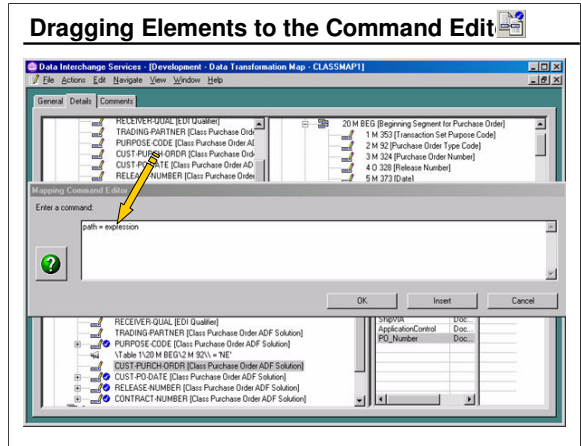


<u>Icon</u>	<u>Description</u>
	Represents most mapping commands.
	Represents a command group.
	Represents conditional commands such as if()/Elseif()/Else/Endif.
	Represents the Qualify() and Default commands.
	Represents the ForEach() command.
	Represents the hierarchical loop mapping command <i>HLLevel()</i> .
	Represents the hierarchical loop mapping command <i>HLDefault</i> .
	Positioned to the right of a mapping command icon to indicate there is an error in the mapping command. A description of the error will be contained within parenthesis following the mapping command.

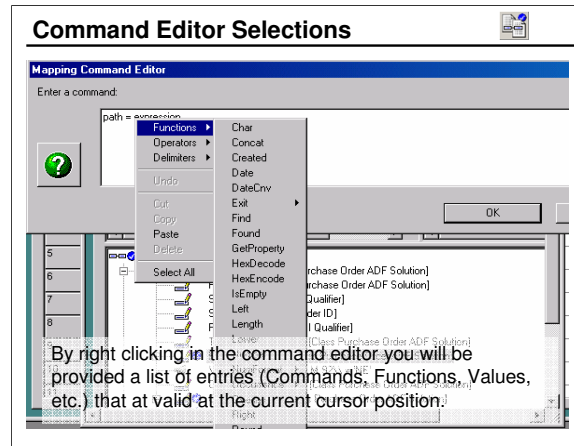
Entering Commands

- By right clicking in the mapping pane, commands may be inserted before, after, or within a field or element being mapped.
- In a complex map, you may also discover that the *Find* option is very useful.

While the “Drag and Drop” process causes MapTo and MapFrom commands to be generated automatically, commands may also be entered at any point in the command pane.



You can drag to the command editor from the source pane, the target pane, the variable pane, or the command pane.



If you right click on an argument to a function, the Client will provide you with a list of possible values for that argument. In this example, when “expression” is right-clicked, these menus are displayed.

Mapping Options

10 M P01 [Baseline Item Data]

1 0 350 [Assigned Identification]


MapFrom \ITEMS\ASSIGNED-ID\\

\Table 2\10 M P01 Loop\10 M P01\1 0 350\ = \ITEMS\ASSIGNED-ID\\

This = \ITEMS\ASSIGNED-ID\\

- Any of the above provide the same mapping.
- *This* refers to the element within which the command is located.
- *This* is used as a target for target-based maps, or a source for source-based maps.

There are many ways to create a map and several methods may be available for any mapping. Be aware of mapping methods and find those that work best for you.

Literals	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Character Strings<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Enclosed in quotes ("Virtual Reality") or apostrophes ('WebSphere') or "don't" or 'He said, "yes!"'• Numeric Values<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 3.141592737▪ -22	

Literals may be used to set values for output elements or fields or may be used to compare element or field values in logical expressions.

Keywords



- True
- False

Used to test and set Boolean values

Mapping commands, logical operators, comparison operators, and arithmetic operators are also considered keywords.

Keywords are not coded within quotes.

Paths

- *Paths are used to identify source and target elements in mapping commands. The Client will generate paths for you when you drag an element or field to a mapping component. Manually entering paths in a map is not available.*
- Path defining an EDI element:
 - \Table 2\10 M PO1 Loop\10 M PO1\1 O 350\\
 - (X12 V4050 – 850 – Table 2, Loop 10, PO1 Segment at Position 10, Element 350 at Position 1)
- Path defining an XML element
 - \Root\Loop\Item\Quantity\\

Slashes identify each new identifier in the path. The Path Definition is terminated with two slashes.

Expressions and Assignments

- Expression
 - *token operator token*
 - where token is a variable, constant, path or function*
- Assignment
 - *target = expression*
 - where target is a variable or element and expression is comprise of source paths, variables, functions, literals, or combinations thereof

*Strings must always be compared using the StrComp function

Expressions are not “stand-alone” but are components of commands. Examples of expressions include:

$X+Y-Z*2*(A/B)$

TOTAL = QUANTITY (*This is a logical expression, evaluated as true or false.*)

ROUND(VALUE) (*This expression references a function.*)

Note that, in addition to variable references, paths to source or target elements may be used at any point in an expression.

Assignment statements may take the form:

target-path = source-path

Logical Operators



- AND – Logical AND
 - Both values must be True for result to be True
- OR
 - If either value is True, the result is True
- NOT or ! (Exclamation Point)
 - Reverses Boolean result - True becomes False and False becomes True

Logical expressions always result in a True or False value.

Comparison Operators



- EQ (=) - Equal To
- GT (>) - Greater Than
- LT (<) - Less Than
- NE (!= or <>) - Not Equal To
- GE (>=) - Greater Than or Equal To
- LE (<=) - Less Than or Equal To

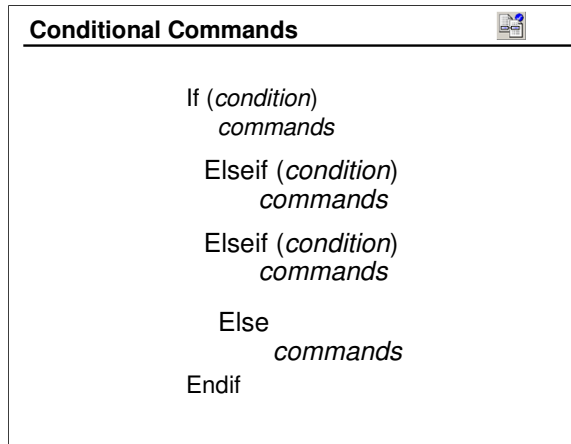
Either symbols or the two-character codes may be used. They may also be mixed in a single expression.

Arithmetic Operators



- - (Unary) – Reverses the sign of a value
- * – Multiply
- / – Divide
- % – Modulus
- + – Addition
- - – Subtraction

Modulus is the “remainder” after dividing operand 1 by operand 2.



The *EndIf* is created automatically. The commands to be executed when the logical condition is true are inserted within the *If* command. The *ElseIf* and *Else* commands are inserted after the *If* command. These keywords are not case sensitive.

Commands



- Error – Issues a user error message, setting the severity level and condition code
- MapTo – Associates source and target repeating elements or maps the correlation between source and target elements in source-based maps. (This is equivalent to an assignment statement "targetpath=sourcepath.")
- Quality/Default – Qualifies a particular instance or instances of a repeating element. (Default specifies the qualification if none of the qualify conditions are true.)
- SetProperty – Sets the value of the XML prolog or of an envelope element
- Other commands include CloseOccurrence, FAError, MapFrom, ForEach, MapChain, MapCall, MapSwitch, HLLLevel, and HLAutoMapped

These are a few sample commands. This unit will address all the commands and show sample use within a map. Right-clicking in the map will provide a drop-down list of commands and functions appropriate to the current syntax.

Error Command

- Error (*level, code, message*)

where:

- level
 - Severity 0, 1, 2, or 3 (extended error code and JCL condition code)
- code
 - Unique error code 5000 to 5999
- message
 - Text message
 - Message to be written as a TR0026 message

The severity code definitions are:

0 – no error

1 – simple element error (field or element)

2 – compound element error (segment, record, loop, etc.)

3 – transaction level error

Remember to place the text message in quotes if it is a literal. It may also be an expression or variable, however.

MapTo Command

- MapTo (*targetpath*, *expression*)

where:

- targetpath
 - Path being mapped in the target document
- expression (optional)
 - Expression to be evaluated with the result mapped to the target element

- Used in source-based map only – *MapFrom* is used for target based maps

The *MapTo* command (without *expression*) is produced automatically when drag-and-drop mapping is used for a source-based map. The *MapTo* command may also be manually entered or selected from a drop-down list. It is the equivalent of the assignment statement: *target-path = expression*. If the assignment command is within an element mapping, *MapTo* is the equivalent of *This = expression*.

Assignment

- For simple elements, MapTo is equivalent to:
 - targetpath = (current-source-element)

or

- path = expression

↑ This must be a Target path or variable

↑ Any path in this expression must be a Source path

Typically an assignment statement is produced by right-clicking on the element in the command pane, then selecting *Insert within / Command / Assignment*.

The target is then dragged over the word *path* and *expression* is replaced by typing an expression or dragging an source element or variable.

Hint: A quick way to produce an assignment statement is to drag any variable to the command pane element being mapped. You can then replace the variable name with the expression or path defining the source data for the mapping.

Properties



- DIProlog – XML Prolog
- ISAnn – Element nn from the ISA
- GSnn – Element nn from the GS
- STnn – Element nn from the ST
- UNBnn – Element nn from the UNB
- Likewise for IEA, GE, SE, UN, UNG, UNH, UNT, UNE, and UNZ

The use of properties will be discussed.

Standard Generic Properties
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IchgCtlNum – Interchange Control Number• IchgSndrId – Interchange Sender ID• IchgRcvrId – Interchange Receiver ID• IchgDate – Interchange Date• IchgPswd – Interchange Password• IchgUsgInd – Interchange Usage Indicator• GrpCtlNum – Group Control Number• TrxCde – Transaction Code

A complete list of Standard Generic Properties may be found in the Appendix B of the Client User's Guide.

IchgSndrId is an alternative to ISA06; IchgRcvrId is an alternative to ISA08, etc.

SetProperty Command

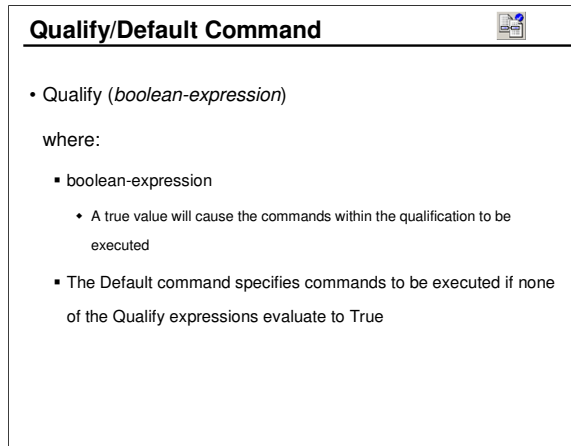


- SetProperty (*PropertyName*, *PropertyValue*)

where:

- PropertyName
 - Name of the property (envelope element or XML header) being set
- PropertyValue
 - The value to which the named property is to be set

SetProperty may be used to assign a value to an envelope element when EDI standard data is being produced. It may be used to set the XML prolog when XML data is being produced.



To insert a new qualify after the current one, right click on the existing *Qualify* and select *Qualify*. If you select *Qualify* at the compound element level, the new qualification will be inserted before the first qualification for that compound element. The *Default* command is used to provide mappings for the condition when none of the *Qualify* commands are selected based on the qualification criteria.

Qualification



- Qualification defines the relationship between repeating source and target elements
- Terminology:
 - Simple Element – A single value
 - Compound element – A group of elements
 - Element – Simple or compound element

Because different data types use different terminology, standard convention for reference within the Client is used.

Simple and Compound Elements		
<i>Data Type</i>	Simple Elements	Compound Elements
ROD	Fields	Structures, Records, Loops
EDI	Data elements, Component elements	Loops, Segments, Composite elements
XML	Attribute, Value	Elements

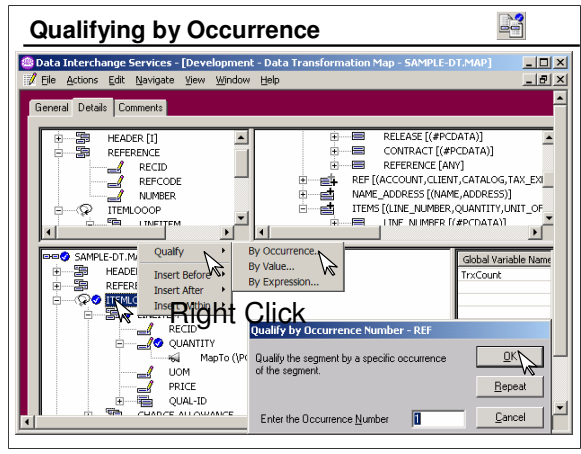
Compound elements are elements that may contain simple elements.

Types of Qualification

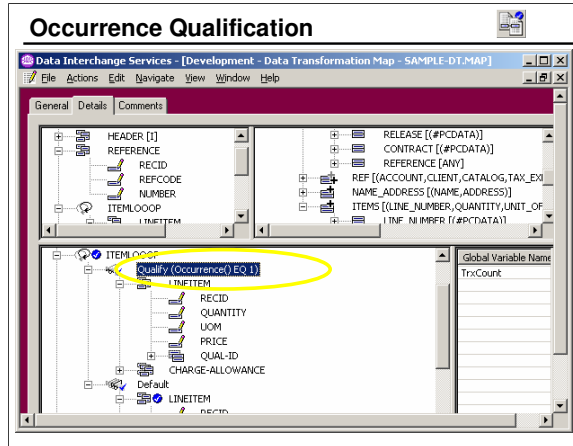


- Occurrence – By position (occurrence number) in the repeating sequence
- Multi-occurrence – Repeating structure or record (path qualified)
- Value – Mapping for each repetition is based on the value of an element received
- Expression – Mapping for each repetition is based on the value calculated for a boolean expression
- Combination of occurrence, value and expression is also allowed

When data repeats, you must specify in the map how to handle each occurrence of the repeating data.



This might be considered “positional” mapping. The first occurrence is mapped to one target, the second occurrence is mapped to another target, etc.

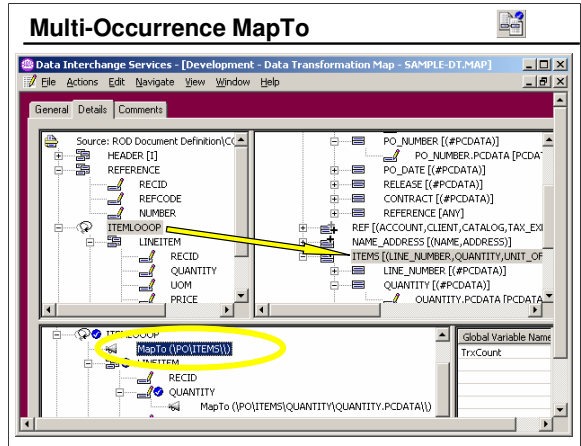


This is stating that when this source data appears for the first time, perform this mapping.

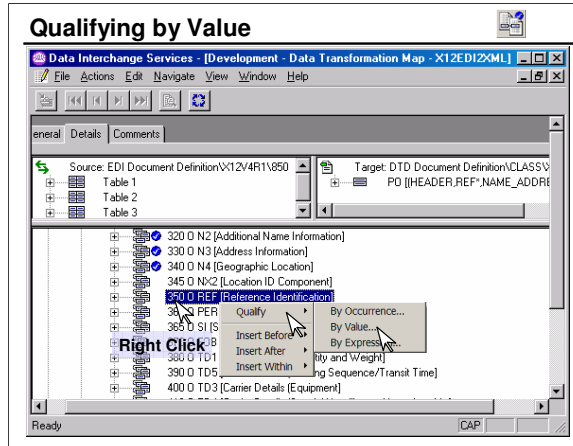
Qualifying by Multi-Occurrence

- When an element is qualified by Multi-Occurrence (Path Qualified), an element is produced in the target data for each occurrence of a repeating element in the source data.
- To map a Multi-Occurrence, drag the repeating source element to the repeating target element.
- If other occurrences have been mapped, the Multi-Occurrence may be mapped as "Default."

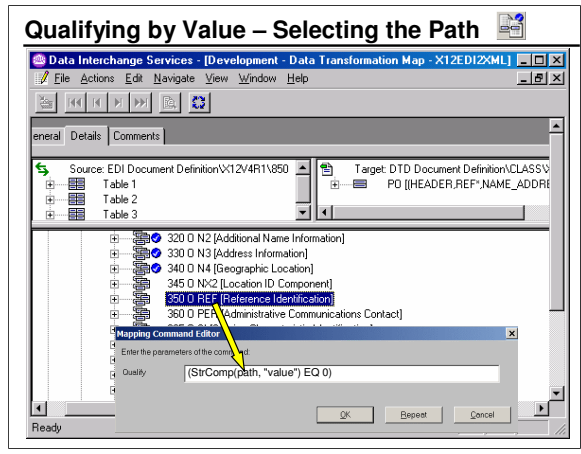
For a source-based map this will produce a *MapTo* command. For a target-based map, a *ForEach* command will be generated.



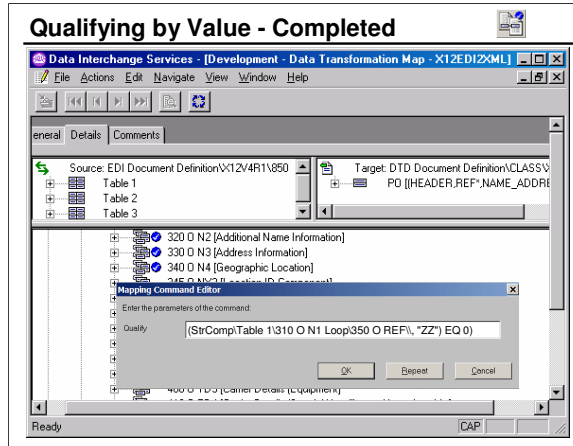
For each occurrence of ITEMLOOP in the source data, one ITEMS element in the XML target data will be created.



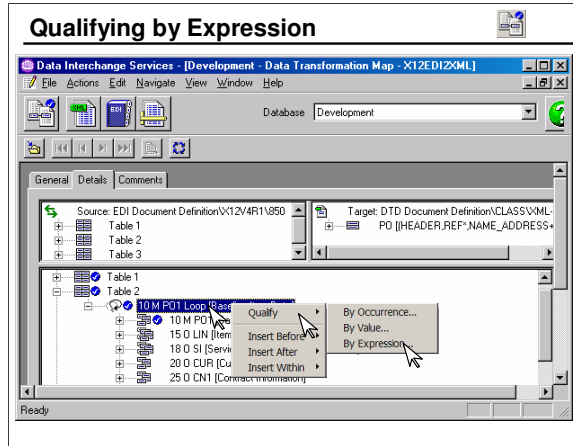
Mapping is based on the value of a qualifying element.



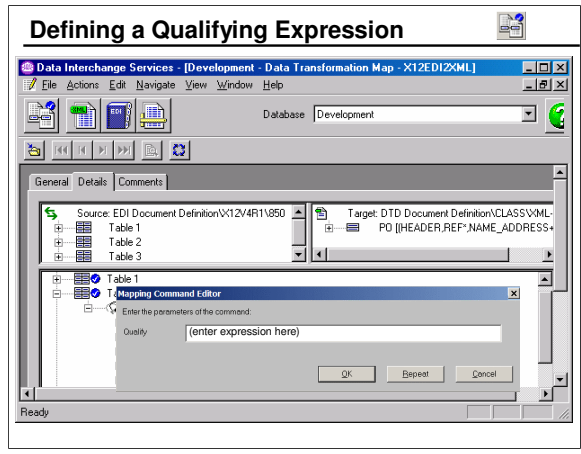
When comparing string values you need to use the StrComp (string comparison) function. If you drag element 128 to “path”, you can compare it a value that you enter. If the value of element 128 is equal to the literal value entered, the StrComp function will return a “True”. This will cause the mapping to occur.



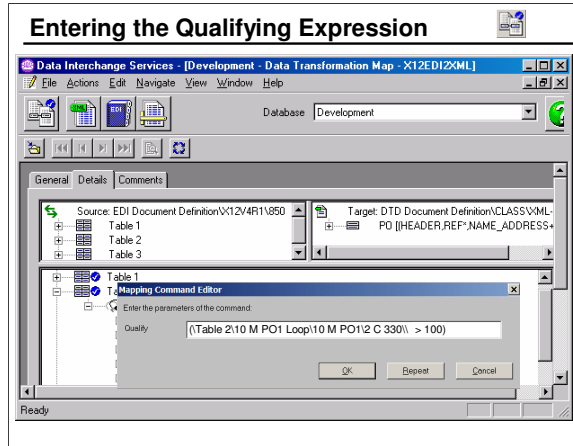
If element 128 contains 'ZZ' the StrComp (string comparison) will return a "True" and the mapping will take place.



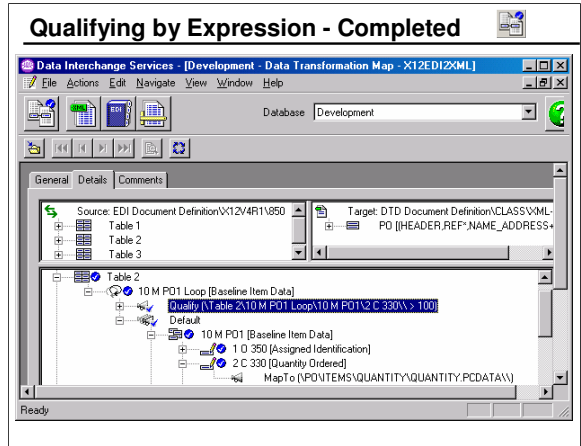
Here the mapping will take place if a logical expression is true.



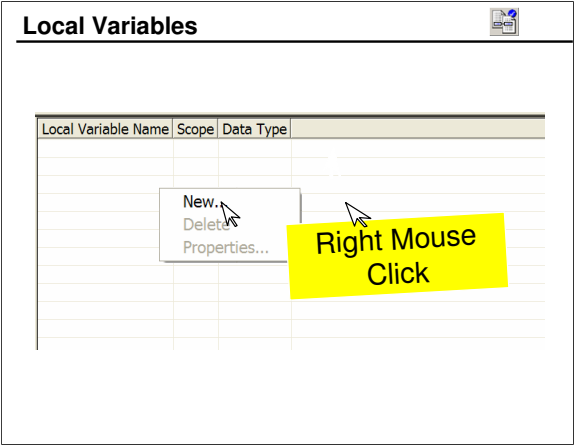
Here you can enter any expression that evaluates to true or false.



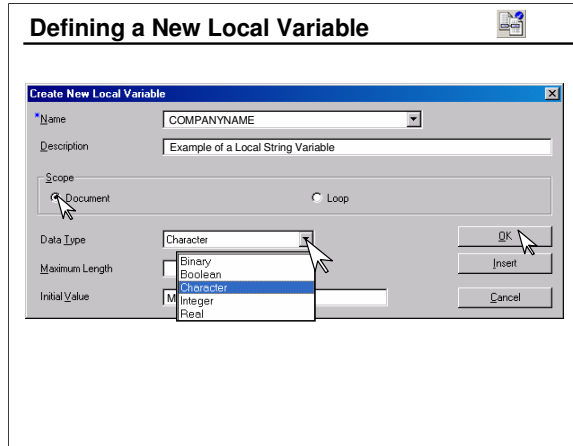
If the field defined by path
“\LINE_ITEMS\ITEMINFOS\QUANTITY\” is
greater than 100, the mapping will be performed.



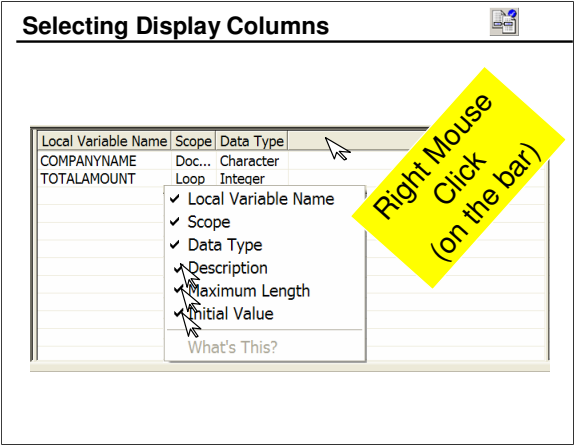
The Default mapping will occur if none of the Qualifying conditions is 'True'.



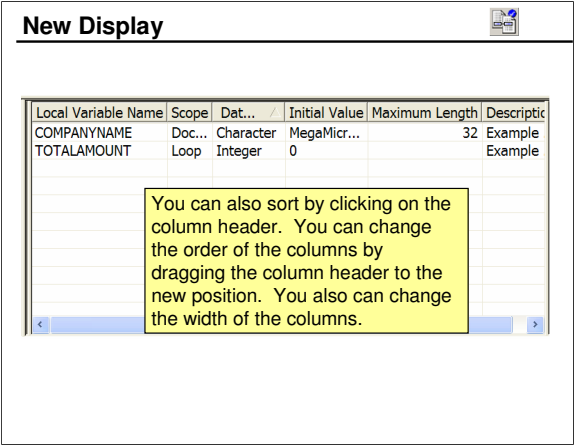
Be sure to right click below the column header bar.



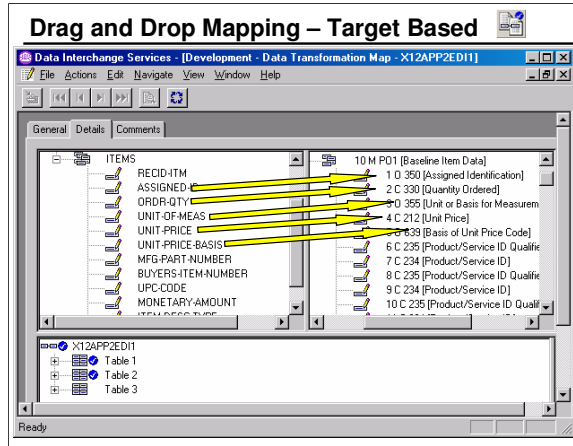
A local variable is one that exists for the duration of the mapping of the current Document Definition or a loop within the current Document Definition.



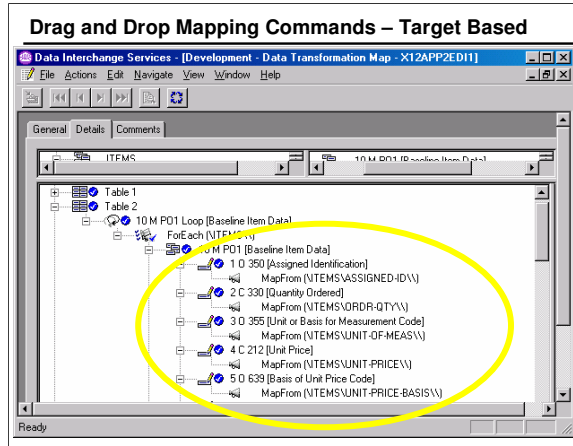
Right click in the white area to add a variable. Right click on the header bar to select display columns.



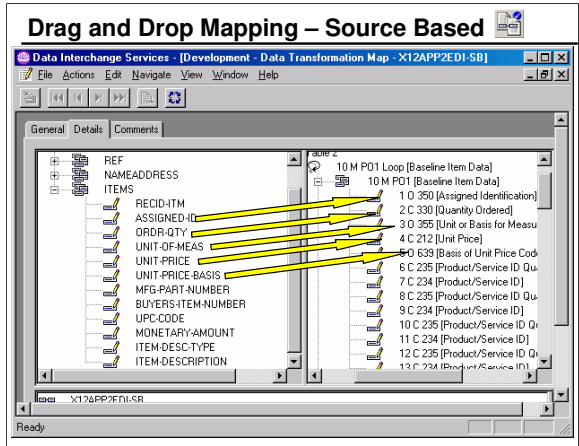
This feature is not available for lists of objects within functional areas.

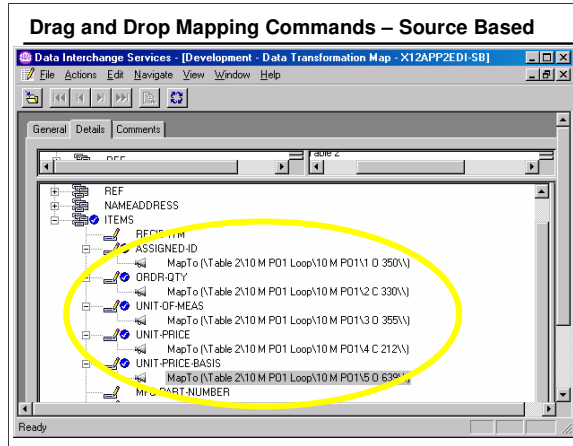


Note that the data need not appear in the same order in the source and target documents.

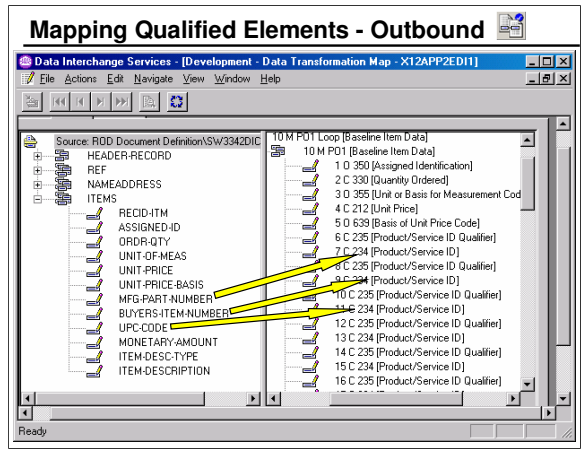


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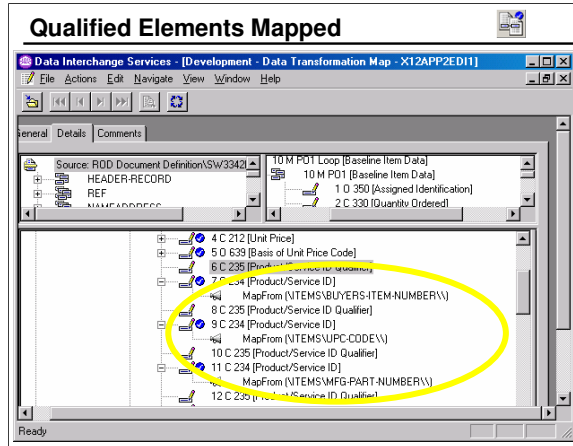




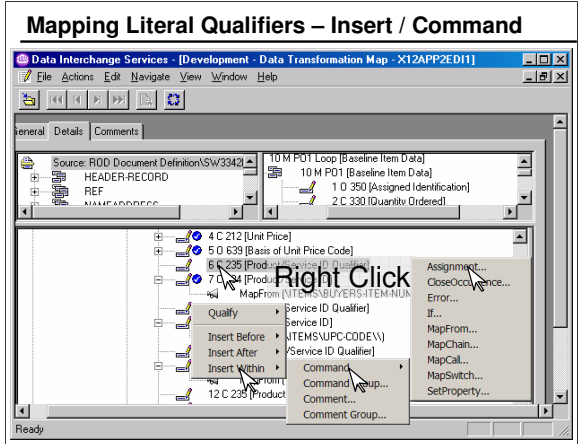
Note that *MapFrom* commands are produced when performing drag-and-drop for target-based maps.



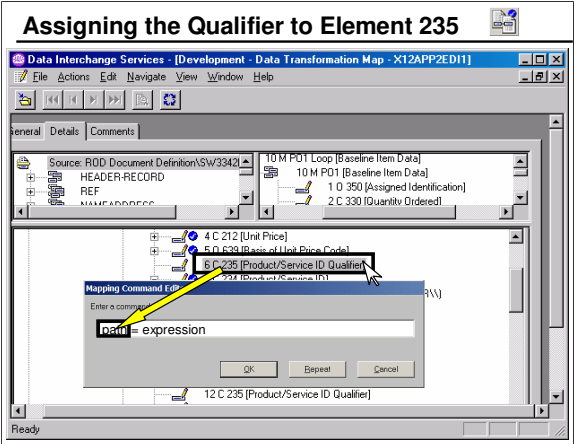
Here the source data does not contain the qualifying values, but places the product IDs in uniquely named fields. All these fields need to be mapped to element number 234 and will need qualifying values to distinguish them in the EDI data.



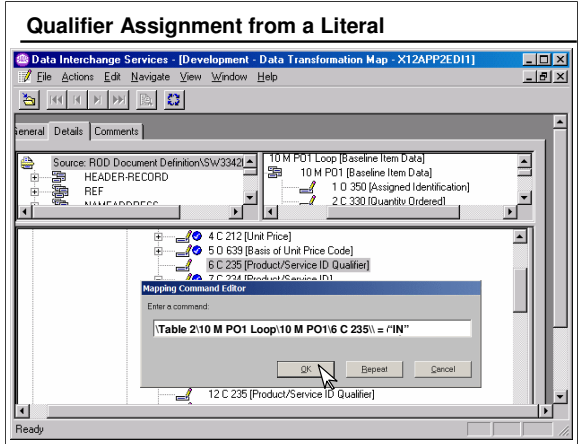
Element 234 was mapped from source data. The qualifiers in elements 235 will be manually hard-coded.



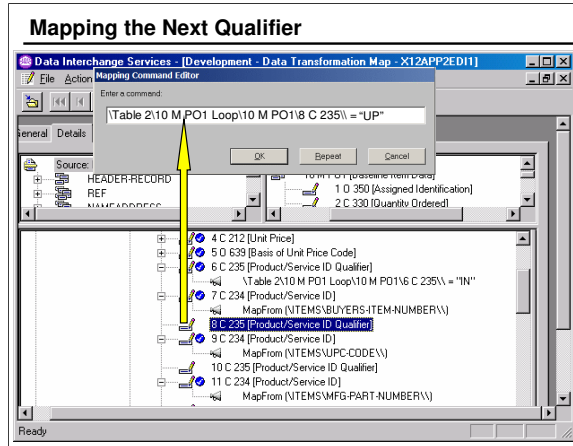
Use assignment statements to establish the qualifying values, by setting the qualifiers to constant values.



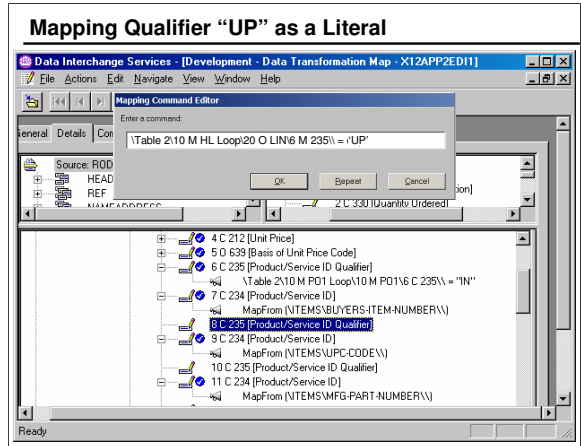
Paths are always created by dragging from the source or target value being mapped.



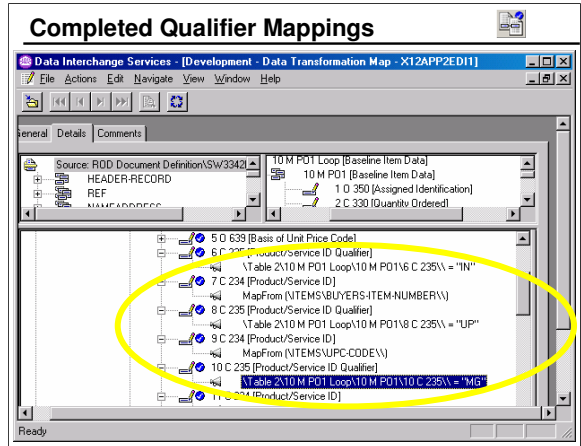
Here one of the element 235 qualifiers is mapped to the literal 'IN' (Item Number).



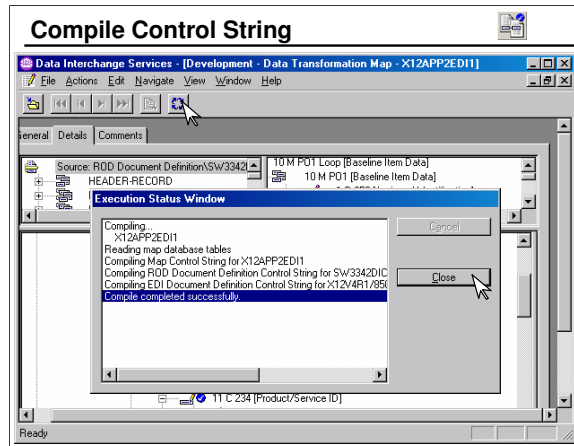
In this slide, 'UP' (Qualifier for UPC Code) was mapped to element 235 to qualify the following element 234. Element 234 has been mapped the UPC code from the source data.



Finally 'UP' (UPC code) is mapped to qualify the element containing the UPC code.



It is important here to note the element positions in the paths since they appear similar.



If errors occur during compilation, check them carefully and correct the map. A successful compilation is essential.

Only Control Strings are used during translation. A change to a map is not effective until the Control String is compiled. The Control String may also need to be migrated to another database. The connection of remote Clients to the same database maybe accomplished through ODBC (open database connectivity) definitions.

Unit Summary



- Create a new Data Transformation Map naming the name and selecting source or target based commands
- Select Source Dictionary and Source Document Definition
- Select the Target Dictionary and Target Document Definition
- Enter Data Transformation Mapping Commands by dragging source elements to target elements or by entering commands in the command pane
- Right click to insert Data Transformation Mapping Commands
- The four areas of the mapping window are: source, target, commands, and variables
- Mapping cues assist in mapping
- Occurrence of repeating source data includes occurrence number, value, expression, and path qualifications
- Maps must be compiled

Each of these objectives have been discussed in this module.