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IBM Integration Bus

Message Modeling with DFDL

Lab 3

Record-oriented, tagged, delimited text

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1. Introduction

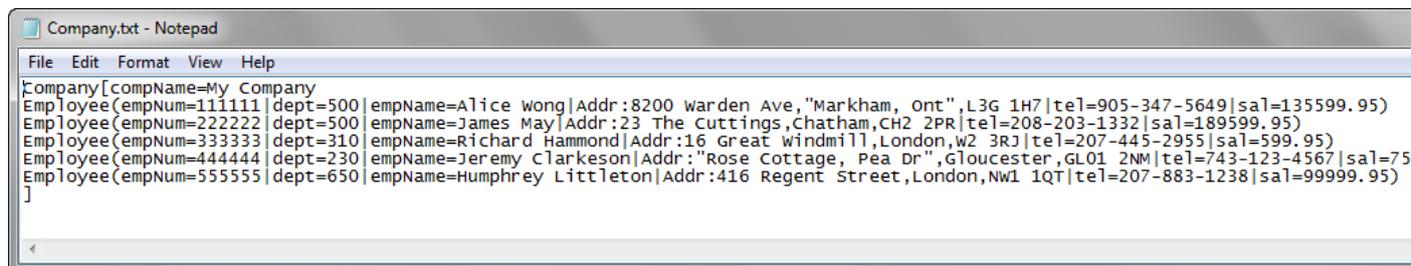
1.1 Lab preparation

To run this lab, unzip the supplied file MessageModelling.zip into the directory c:\student10 directory. This will create a subdirectory called MessageModelling, with several further subdirectories. If you are using the pre-supplied vmware image, this will already be available.

1.2 Lab Scenario

A Record oriented message model is useful to model messages that consist of text strings, but it can also handle binary data. Examples of this type of messages are those that conform to the ACORD AL3, EDIFACT, HL7, SWIFT, or X12 standards. This format allows a high degree of flexibility when defining message formats, and is not restricted to modeling specific industry standards, so you can use it to model your own messages.

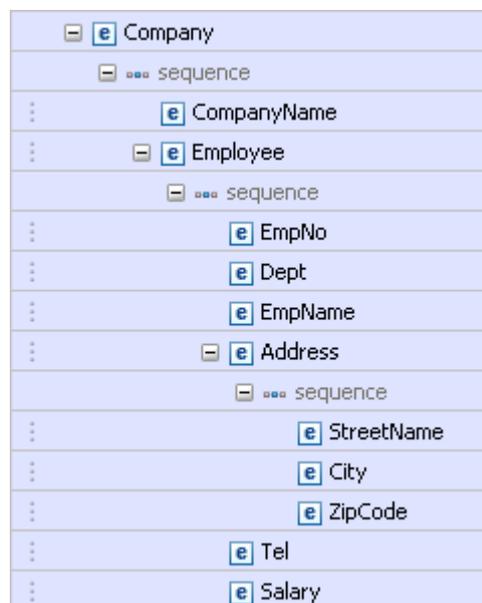
In this lab you will build a message model capable of parsing this tagged / delimited file:



```

Company[compName=My Company
Employee(empNum=111111|dept=500|empName=Alice Wong|Addr:8200 Warden Ave,"Markham, Ont",L3G 1H7|tel=905-347-5649|sal=135599.95)
Employee(empNum=222222|dept=500|empName=James May|Addr:23 The Cuttings,Chatham,CH2 2PR|tel=208-203-1332|sal=189599.95)
Employee(empNum=333333|dept=310|empName=Richard Hammond|Addr:16 Great Windmill,London,W2 3RJ|tel=207-445-2955|sal=599.95)
Employee(empNum=444444|dept=230|empName=Jeremy Clarkson|Addr:"Rose Cottage, Pea Dr",Gloucester,GL01 2NM|tel=743-123-4567|sal=750000.95)
Employee(empNum=555555|dept=650|empName=Humphrey Littleton|Addr:416 Regent Street,London,Nw1 1QT|tel=207-883-1238|sal=99999.95)
]
  
```

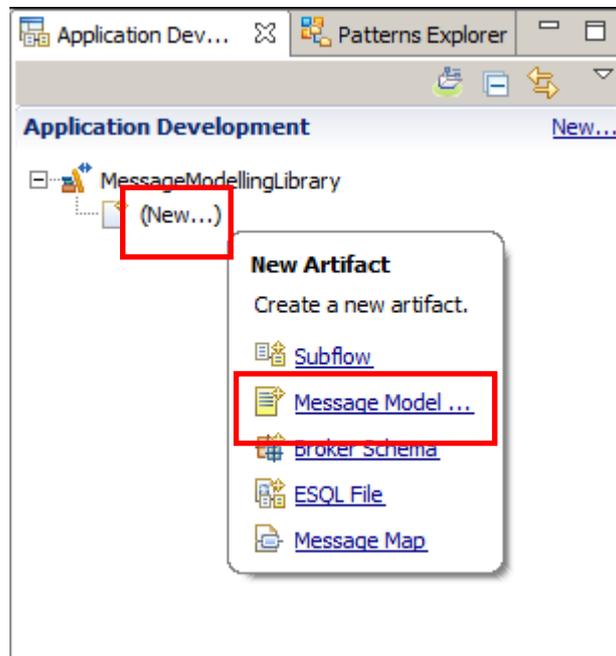
This is an outline of the final message model that you will create:



2. Build the Message Model

1. In the MessageModellingLibrary that you created in Lab1, click New -> Message Model.

(If you didn't do any earlier labs, you can create a new library called MessageModellingLibrary).



2. In the "New Message Model" window, select "Record-oriented text" and click Next.

New Message Model

Create a new message model file

Select the message model type or format

XML

- SOAP XML** XML data for use in Web Services.
- Other XML** All other XML data.

Text and binary

- CSV text** Comma Separated Values data, a delimited text format commonly used as an export format by spreadsheets and databases.
- Record-oriented text** Text data formats where delimited fields are grouped into records.
- COBOL** Data for COBOL programs
- C** Data for C programs
- Other text or binary** All other text or binary data formats.

Enterprise Information Systems

- SAP** Data from SAP systems including IDoc and BAPI
- Siebel** Data from Siebel systems
- PeopleSoft** Data from PeopleSoft
- JD Edwards** Data from JD Edwards systems

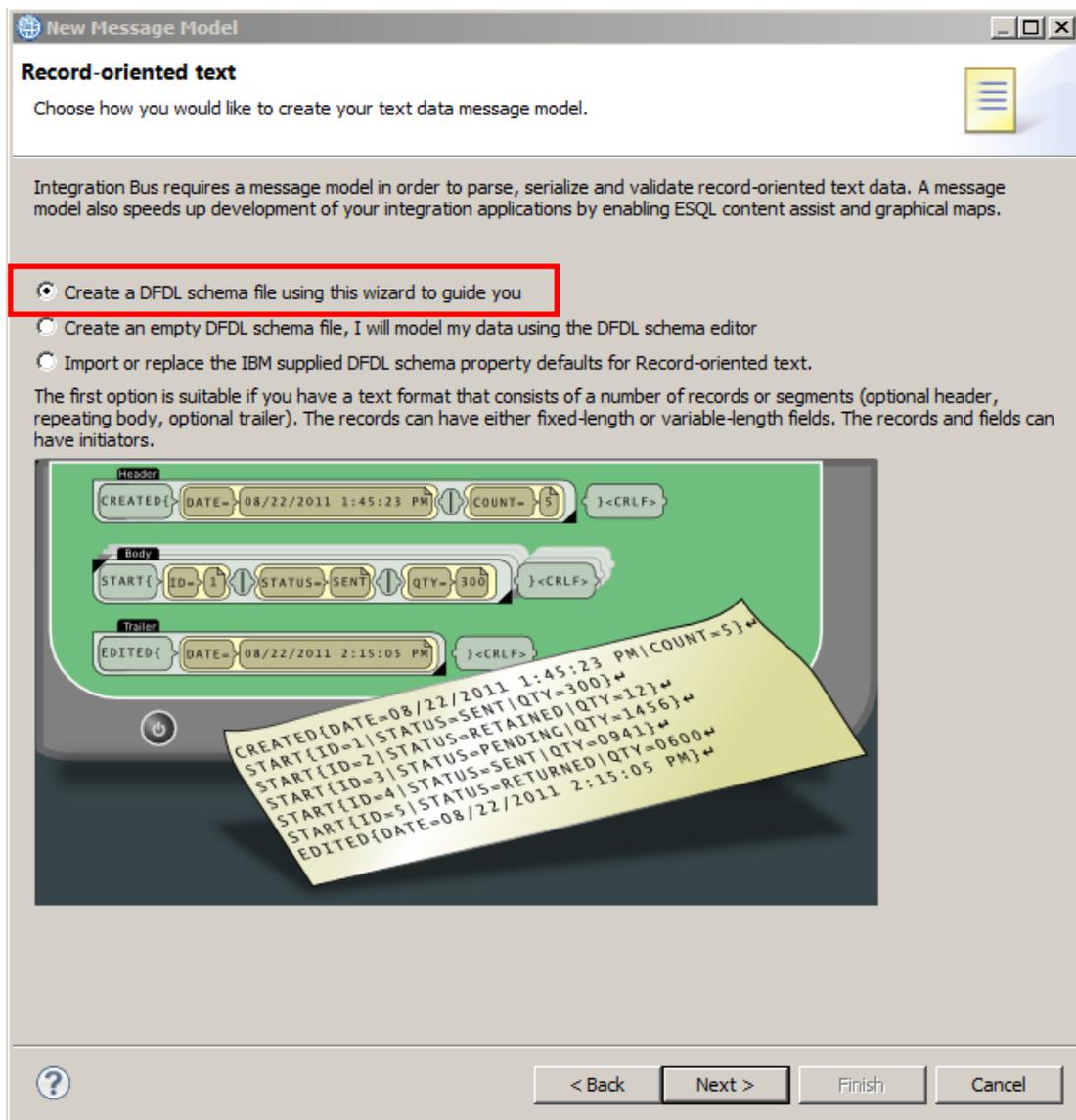
Other

- CORBA IDL** Data from CORBA
- Database record** Records from relational databases
- MIME** Data for extended email format
- IBM supplied** Predefined data format

? < Back Next > Finish Cancel

3. You can create the new message model using a wizard or create an empty DFDL schema and start from scratch.

Leave the default selection to “use the wizard” and click Next.



4. Enter "Company" as the name for the DFDL Schema and click Next.

New Message Model

Create a Data Format Description Language (DFDL) Schema
Specify the location and name of the DFDL schema, and specify the name of the message.

Application or Library:

Folder:

DFDL schema file name:

Message name:

5. Uncheck both "The first record is a header" and "The last record is a trailer".

On the "Body fields" tab, set the Record initiator to "Employee(" and set the number of fields to 6.

Change the Escape scheme to "**Default escape scheme**". Note that in versions of IIB prior to V9.0.0.2, the Escape scheme was automatically set to this value. The default escape scheme is required in this lab, because there is an element in the test data which has a value containing embedded comma (,) which needs to be escaped.

New Message Model

Configure schema for data formatted as records and fields

Provide setting for new DFDL schema that represent record-oriented data.

Record settings

End of record character: Carriage Return & Line Feed - %CR;%LF;
(Blank records will be skipped)

The first record is a header

The last record is a trailer

Header fields | **Body fields** | Trailer fields

Record initiator: Employee(
Number of fields: 6

Field settings

Separated by: | - %#124; (UTF-8: 0x7C) (UTF-16: 0x007C)

Fixed length

All fields have an initiator

Create default values for fields

Encoding code page options:

Dynamic (provided to the processor by the application at runtime)

Fixed US-ASCII

Global settings

Escape scheme: Default escape scheme

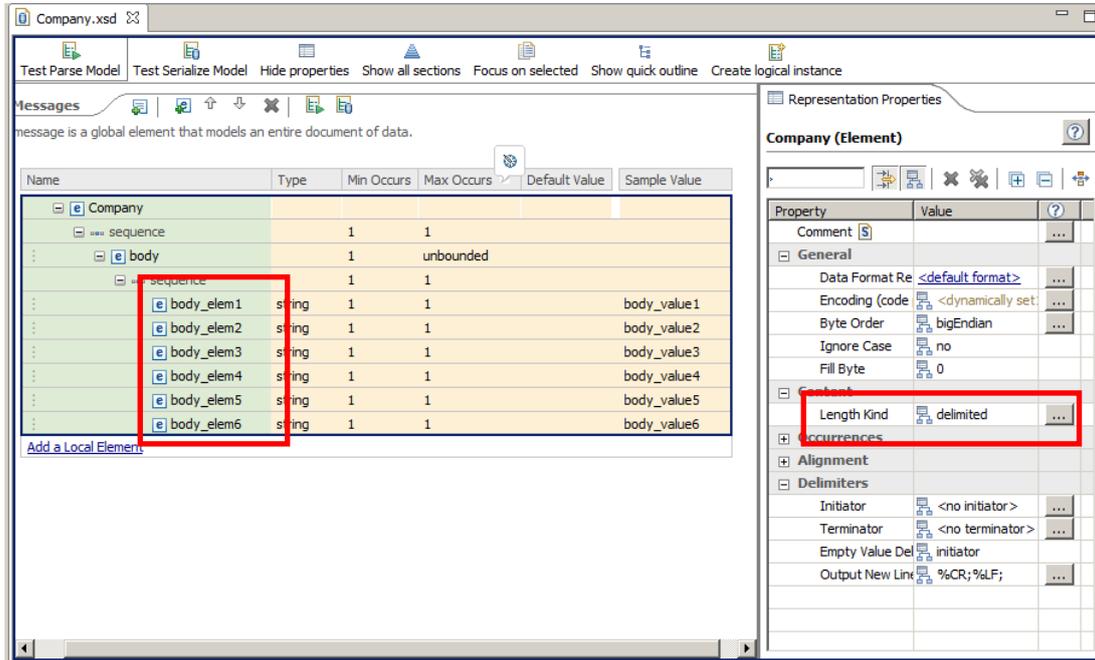
< Back Next > Finish Cancel

Leave "Separated by" as "|" (pipe) and "All fields have an initiator" checked. These default values match the required for the message model.

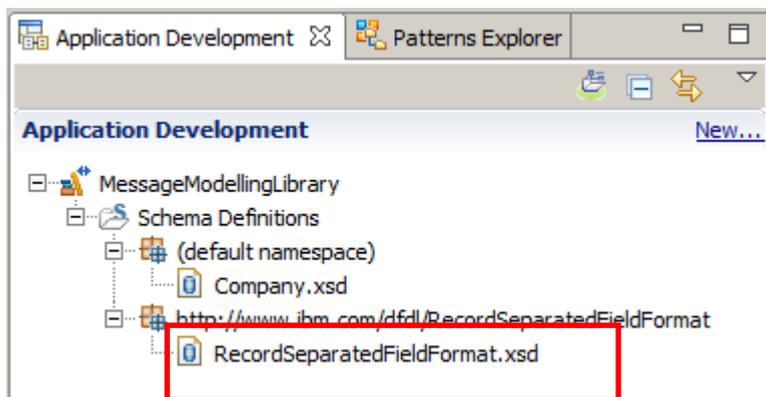
Click Finish.

- When the wizard finishes, the DFDL Editor will open with the generated Company.xsd schema file.

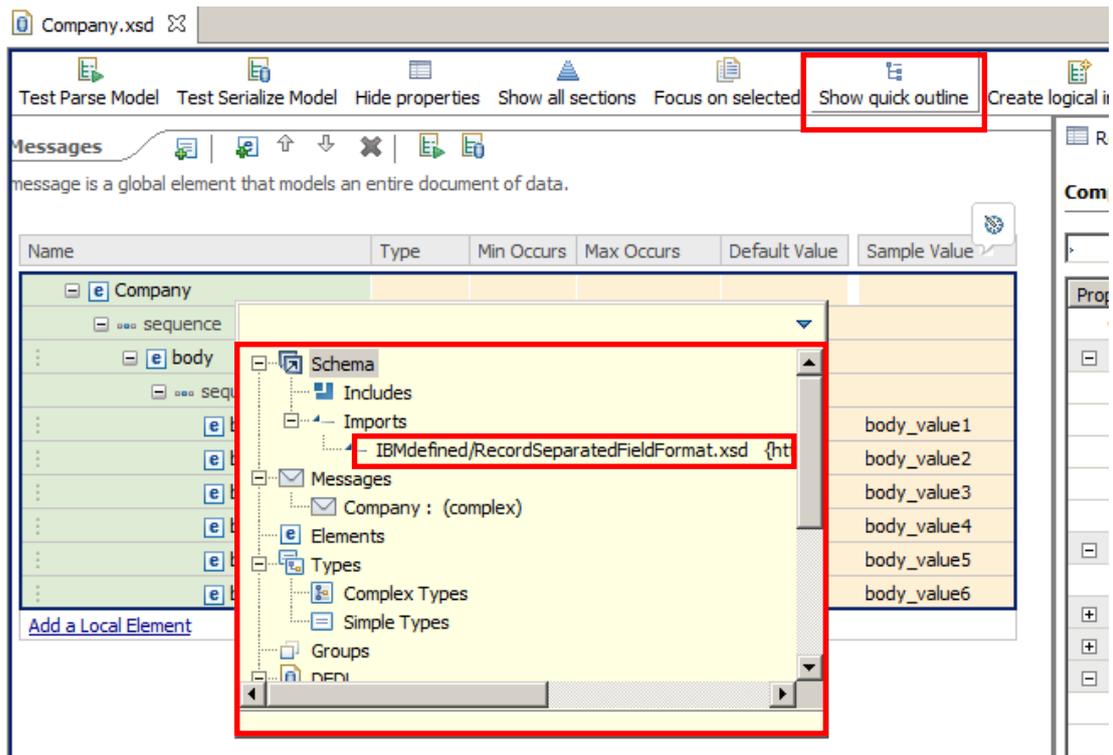
Note that as you defined it in the wizard, the model has six fields, "Length Kind" property is set to delimited.



- The wizard has also generated a second xsd file, RecordSeparatedFieldFormat.xsd. This is the "Helper schema file" that contains the default values for all DFDL properties for the defined Record Oriented data format.



- Click on the "Show quick outline" icon.



The Outline view will appear with a high level view of the elements of your message model. If you click on any of them, the editor will focus on it.

In the outline view you can see that Company.xsd has a reference to the helper schema file RecordSeparatedFieldFormat.xsd.

To close the Outline pop-up, click anywhere else on the editor window.

Hint: if the Messages display "disappears", click Show all Sections (the blue pyramid), and then expand Messages, then expand "body". You can optionally click "Hide Empty Sections" to provide a less cluttered display.



Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
e Company			
sequence		1	1
e body		1	unbounded
sequence		1	1
e body_elem1	string	1	1
e body_elem2	string	1	1
e body_elem3	string	1	1
e body_elem4	string	1	1
e body_elem5	string	1	1
e body_elem6	string	1	1

3. Refining the Message Model

1. Change the name of the "body" field to "Employee" by single-clicking on it, and overtyping.

Company.xsd

Test Parse Model Test Serialize Model Hide properties Show all sections Focus on selected Show quick outline Create lc

▼Messages

A message is a global element that models an entire document of data.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs	Default Value	Sample Value
[-] e Company					
[-] sequence		1	1		
[-] e Employee		1	unbounded		
[-] sequence		1	1		
e body_elem1	string	1	1		body_value1
e body_elem2	string	1	1		body_value2
e body_elem3	string	1	1		body_value3
e body_elem4	string	1	1		body_value4
e body_elem5	string	1	1		body_value5
e body_elem6	string	1	1		body_value6

[Add a Local Element](#)

2. Similarly, change the name of the 6 fields under "Employee" as shown. You can just use the down-arrow to move between element names.

▼Messages

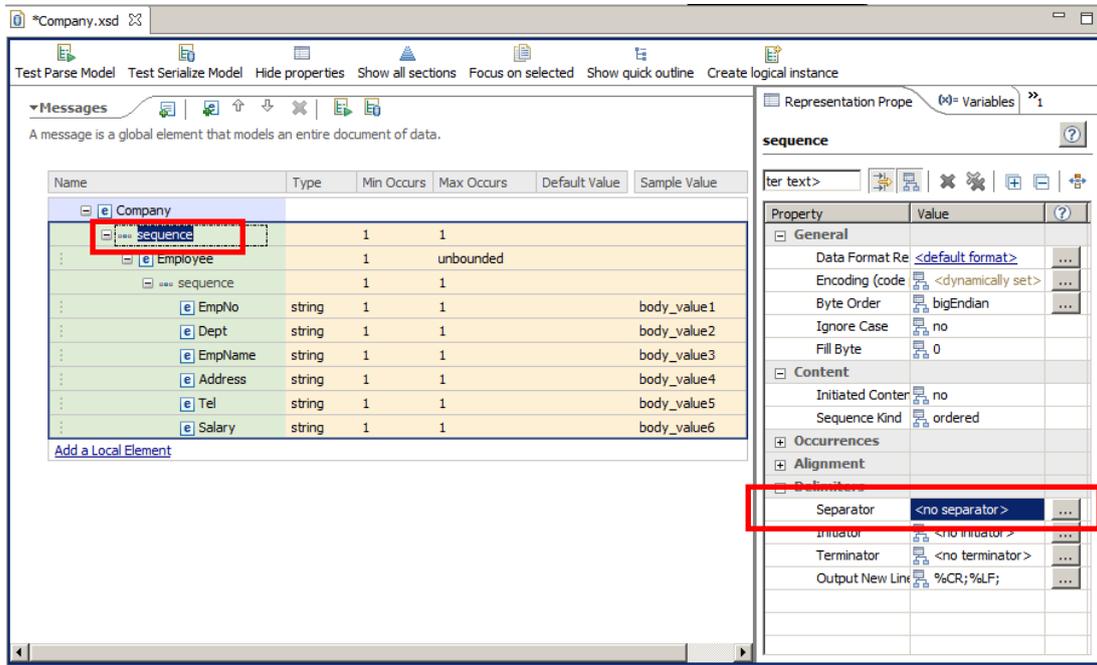
A message is a global element that models an entire document of data.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] e Company			
[-] sequence		1	1
[-] e Employee		1	unbounded
[-] sequence		1	1
e EmpNo	string	1	1
e Dept	string	1	1
e EmpName	string	1	1
e Address	string	1	1
e Tel	string	1	1
e Salary	string	1	1

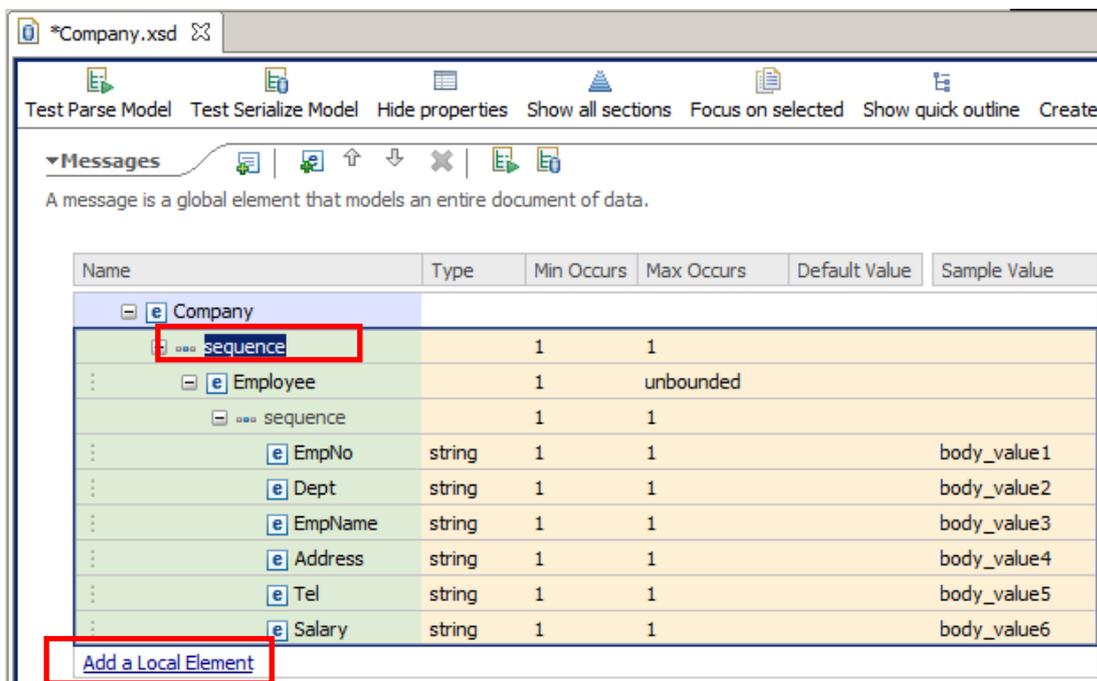
[Add a Local Element](#)

- Click on the <sequence> content of the Company element. In the Representation Properties view, go to the "Delimiter" section and delete the value of the Separator field (%CR;%LF;%WSP*).

This value was introduced by the wizard, but since it doesn't comply with our data file, we need to delete it. (Highlight the value, click delete, and then click return to make sure the change takes effect).



- Click on the <sequence> content of the Company element and click on "Add a Local Element".



5. Name the new element "CompanyName"

▼Messages 

A message is a global element that models an entire document of data.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] [e] Company			
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ [-] [e] Employee		1	unbounded
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ [e] EmpNo	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Dept	string	1	1
⋮ [e] EmpName	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Address	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Tel	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Salary	string	1	1
⋮ [e] CompanyName	string	1	1

[Add a Local Element](#)

6. Highlight "CompanyName" and click the yellow "Up" arrow to move this element above the "Employee" element (or you can right-click the element and select "Move Up".)

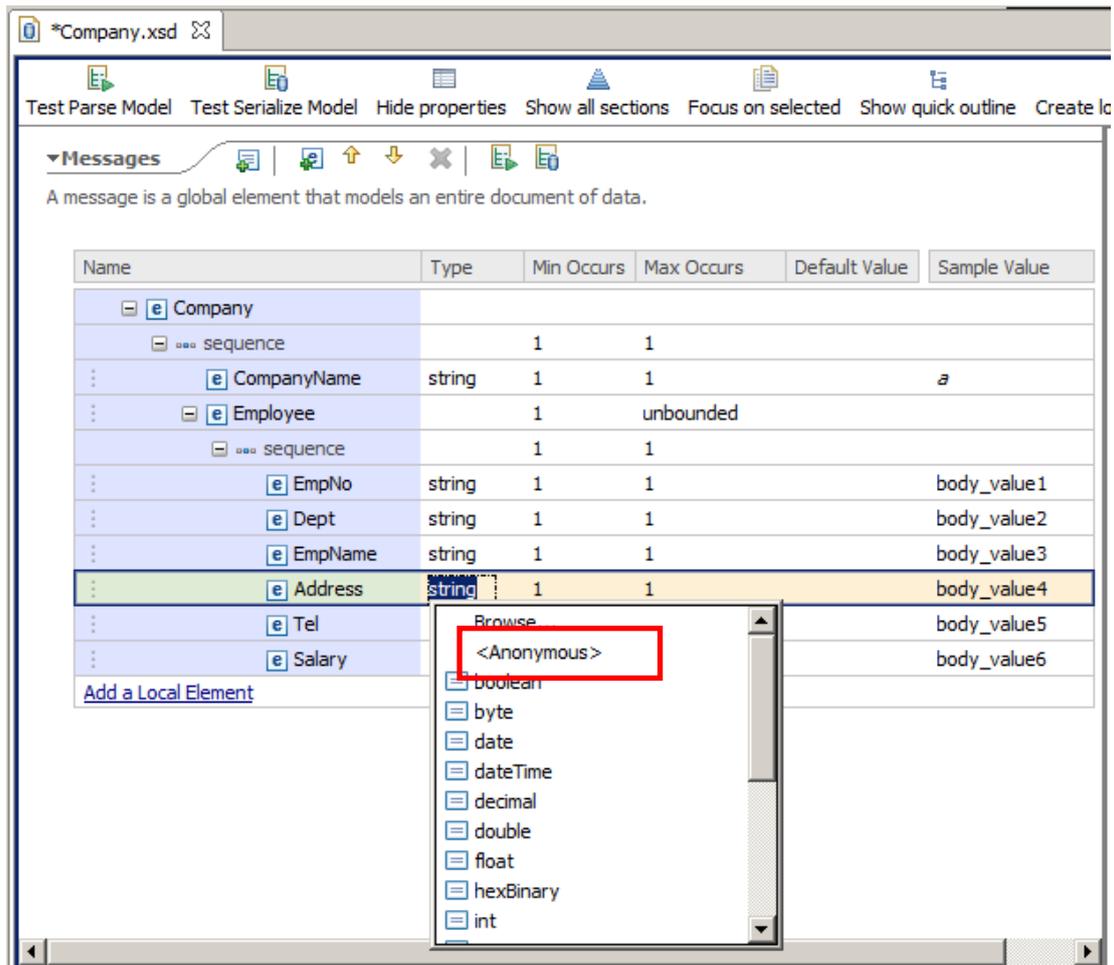
▼Messages 

A message is a global element that models an entire document of data.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] [e] Company			
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ [-] [e] Employee		1	unbounded
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ [e] EmpNo	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Dept	string	1	1
⋮ [e] EmpName	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Address	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Tel	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Salary	string	1	1
⋮ [e] CompanyName	string	1	1

[Add a Local Element](#)

- Click on the type column of the Address element and select "<Anonymous>"



The screenshot shows the IBM Integration Bus Message Modelling tool interface. The main window displays the 'Messages' tab for the file *Company.xsd. A table lists the message structure with columns for Name, Type, Min Occurs, Max Occurs, Default Value, and Sample Value. The 'Address' element is highlighted in green, and its type 'string' is selected. A 'Browse' dialog box is open over the 'Address' row, showing a list of data types. The '<Anonymous>' option is highlighted with a red rectangle.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs	Default Value	Sample Value
[-] e Company					
[-] ... sequence		1	1		
...					
[-] e CompanyName	string	1	1		a
...					
[-] e Employee		1	unbounded		
[-] ... sequence		1	1		
...					
[-] e EmpNo	string	1	1		body_value1
...					
[-] e Dept	string	1	1		body_value2
...					
[-] e EmpName	string	1	1		body_value3
...					
[-] e Address	string	1	1		body_value4
...					
[-] e Tel					body_value5
...					
[-] e Salary					body_value6

Available types in the 'Browse' dialog:

- <Anonymous>
- boolean
- byte
- date
- dateTime
- decimal
- double
- float
- hexBinary
- int

8. Now define three elements under the Address element.

First, you need to add a new sequence element under Address.

Right-click on the Address element line (although not on any text) and select "Add Sequence".

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] Company			
[-] sequence		1	1
⋮			
[e] CompanyName	string	1	1
⋮			
[-] Employee		1	unbounded
[-] sequence		1	1
⋮			
[e] EmpNo	string	1	1
⋮			
[e] Dept	string	1	1
⋮			
[e] EmpName	string	1	1
⋮			
[-] Address		1	1
⋮			
⋮			
⋮			

Make Local Element Global	Alt+Shift+E
Move to a New Model Group...	Alt+Shift+G
Move Up	Alt+Up
Move Down	Alt+Down
Cut	Ctrl+X
Copy	Ctrl+C
Paste	Ctrl+V
Delete	Delete
--- Add Sequence	Ctrl+L, S
+ Add Choice	Ctrl+L, C

This will be added like this:

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] Company			
[-] sequence		1	1
⋮			
[e] CompanyName	string	1	1
⋮			
[-] Employee		1	unbounded
[-] sequence		1	1
⋮			
[e] EmpNo	string	1	1
⋮			
[e] Dept	string	1	1
⋮			
[e] EmpName	string	1	1
⋮			
[-] Address		1	1
[-] sequence		1	1
⋮			
[e] Tel	string	1	1
⋮			
[e] Salary	string	1	1
⋮			

- Now add a new element under the new Sequence. Right-click on the Sequence line (although not the text *** sequence *** itself), and select Add a Local Element.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs	Default Value
[-] [e] Company				
[-] *** sequence		1	1	
⋮ [e] CompanyName	string	1	1	
⋮ [-] [e] Employee		1	unbounded	
[-] *** sequence		1	1	
⋮ [e] EmpNo	string	1	1	
⋮ [e] Dept	string	1	1	
⋮ [e] EmpName	string	1	1	
⋮ [-] [e] Address		1	1	
[-] *** sequence				
⋮ [e] Tel				
⋮ [e] Salary				
Add a Local Element				

Move Up

Move Down

Paste

✖ Delete

➤ Add a Local Element

➤ Add Complex Local Element...

*** Add Sequence

⊕ Add Choice

⊕ Add Element Reference...

⊕ Add Group Reference...

Add Hidden Group Reference... (not supported in current version)

- Repeat the previous step twice to add two more fields to the Address element.

▼Messages

A message is a global element that models an entire document of data.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] [e] Company			
[-] *** sequence		1	1
⋮ [e] CompanyName	string	1	1
⋮ [-] [e] Employee		1	unbounded
[-] *** sequence		1	1
⋮ [e] EmpNo	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Dept	string	1	1
⋮ [e] EmpName	string	1	1
⋮ [-] [e] Address		1	1
[-] *** sequence		1	1
⋮ [e] field1	string	1	1
⋮ [e] field2	string	1	1
⋮ [e] field3	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Tel	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Salary	string	1	1
Add a Local Element			

11. Change the names of the 3 elements you've just added to the following by clicking and overwriting with the new names:

1. StreetName
2. City
3. ZipCode

▼Messages

A message is a global element that models an entire document of data.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] [e] Company			
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ [e] CompanyName	string	1	1
⋮ [-] [e] Employee		1	unbounded
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ [e] EmpNo	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Dept	string	1	1
⋮ [e] EmpName	string	1	1
⋮ [-] [e] Address		1	1
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ [e] StreetName	string	1	1
⋮ [e] City	string	1	1
⋮ [e] ZipCode	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Tel	string	1	1
⋮ [e] Salary	string	1	1

[Add a Local Element](#)

- Click on the <sequence> content of the Address element and take a look at the Delimiters section in the Representation properties.

Notice the inheritance icon next to the Separator field. The Separator for this element was automatically set to "," (comma) because it was inherited from the Helper Schema file (RecordSeparatedFieldFormat.xsd).

The screenshot displays the IBM Integration Bus V10 Message Modelling tool interface. The main window shows a message model for 'Company.xsd'. The 'Messages' pane on the left lists the elements of the message, including 'Company', 'Employee', 'Address', and a 'sequence' element nested under 'Address'. The 'Address' element is expanded, showing its 'sequence' content. The 'sequence' element is highlighted with a red box. The 'Representation Properties' pane on the right shows the properties for the selected 'sequence' element. The 'Delimiters' section is expanded, and the 'Separator' field is highlighted with a red box, showing a comma character (','). The 'Separator' field has an inheritance icon (a small square with a diagonal line) next to it, indicating that the value is inherited from a parent schema.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Company			
sequence		1	1
CompanyName	string	1	1
Employee		1	unbounded
sequence		1	1
EmpNo	string	1	1
Dept	string	1	1
EmpName	string	1	1
Address		1	1
sequence		1	1
StreetName	string	1	1
City	string	1	1
ZipCode	string	1	1
Tel	string	1	1
Salary	string	1	1

Property	Value
General	
Data Format Re	<default format>
Encoding (code)	<dynamically set>
Byte Order	bigEndian
Ignore Case	no
Fill Byte	0
Content	
Initiated Center	no
Sequence Kind	ordered
Occurrences	
Min Occurs	1
Max Occurs	1
Alignment	
Delimiters	
Separator	,
Separator S	trailingEmpty
Separator P	infix
Initiator	<no initiator>

13. Click on the type column of the "EmpNo" element and select "integer" (not "int").

▼ Messages 

A message is a global element that models an entire document of data.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] e Company			
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ e CompanyName	string	1	1
⋮ [-] e Employee		1	unbounded
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ e EmpNo	string	1	1
⋮ e Dept			
⋮ e EmpName			
⋮ [+ e Address			
⋮ e Tel			
⋮ e Salary			

[Add a Local Element](#)

- double
- float
- hexBinary
- int
- integer
- long
- nonNegativeInteger
- short
- string
- time

14. Similarly, set the Type of the "Dept" element. = integer (not "int", which would restrict the value to 4 bytes).

15. Set the Type of "Salary" = decimal.

The screenshot shows the IBM Integration Bus Message Modelling tool interface. At the top, there is a toolbar with icons for adding, deleting, and moving elements. Below the toolbar, a text box states: "A message is a global element that models an entire document of data."

The main area displays a hierarchical tree of message elements. The root element is "Company", which contains a "sequence" of elements. The "Employee" element is expanded, showing its own "sequence" of elements: "EmpNo", "Dept", "EmpName", "Address", "StreetName", "City", "ZipCode", "Tel", and "Salary". The "Salary" element is currently selected, and its type is set to "string". A dropdown menu is open below the "Salary" element, showing the following options: "byte", "date", "dateTime", and "decimal". The "decimal" option is highlighted with a red box, indicating the intended selection.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] e Company			
[-] ... sequence		1	1
...			
[-] e CompanyName	string	1	1
...			
[-] e Employee		1	unbounded
[-] ... sequence		1	1
...			
[-] e EmpNo	integer	1	1
...			
[-] e Dept	integer	1	1
...			
[-] e EmpName	string	1	1
...			
[-] e Address		1	1
[-] ... sequence		1	1
...			
[-] e StreetName	string	1	1
...			
[-] e City	string	1	1
...			
[-] e ZipCode	string	1	1
...			
[-] e Tel	string	1	1
...			
[-] e Salary	string	1	1

[Add a Local Element](#)

- byte
- date
- dateTime
- decimal

16. Highlight the "Tel" element and look for the "Validation" section in the Representation Properties view of the DFDL Editor.

The screenshot displays the IBM DFDL Editor interface. The main window shows a tree view of the message structure under 'Messages'. The 'Tel' element is highlighted with a red box. The right-hand pane shows the 'Representation Properties' for the selected 'Tel (Element)'. The 'Validation' section is also highlighted with a red box, showing the following properties:

Property	Value
Occurrences	
Min Occurs	1
Max Occurs	1
Floating	no
Alignment	
Delimiters	
Initiator	iBody5
Terminator	<no terminator>
Nil Value Delimit	initiator
Empty Value Del	initiator
Output New Line	%CR;%LF;
Validation	string
Minimum Length	0
Maximum Length	<unbounded>
Enumerations	<unset>
Patterns	<unset>

17. Click on the "..." button next to the "Patterns" property.

The screenshot shows the configuration window for a 'Tel (Element)'. At the top, there is a text input field containing 'text>' and a toolbar with various icons. Below this is a table with columns for 'Property' and 'Value'. The 'Patterns' property is set to '<unset>' and has a red box around its '...' button. Other properties include Occurrences (Min Occurs: 1, Max Occurs: 1, Floating: no), Alignment, Delimiters (Initiator: iBody5, Terminator: <no terminator>, Nil Value Delimit: initiator, Empty Value Del: initiator, Output New Line: %CR;%LF;), Validation (string, Minimum Length: 0, Maximum Length: <unbounded>, Enumerations: <unset>), and Calculated Value.

Property	Value	
Occurrences		
Min Occurs	1	
Max Occurs	1	
Floating	no	
Alignment		
Delimiters		
Initiator	iBody5	...
Terminator	<no terminator>	...
Nil Value Delimit	initiator	
Empty Value Del	initiator	
Output New Line	%CR;%LF;	...
Validation		
Minimum Length	0	
Maximum Length	<unbounded>	
Enumerations	<unset>	...
Patterns	<unset>	...
Calculated Value		

- Click the "Add.." button to create a regular expression that will define a telephone number pattern.

The screenshot shows the 'Property Wizard' dialog box, specifically the 'Pattern' page. The window title is 'Property Wizard' and the page title is 'Pattern'. The instructions state: 'Set the overall effective pattern by adding parts to the pattern. The pattern can be tested by typing example text. Note that patterns defined here must follow XML Schema regular expression rules.'

The dialog is divided into several sections:

- Effective pattern (more...):** A text input field.
- Test Pattern:** A section containing:
 - Example text:** A text input field.
 - Does example match pattern?** A checkbox.
- Define Pattern:** A section containing:
 - Part of pattern inherited from parent chain:** A text input field.
 - Part of pattern defined on this type:** A text input field.
 - A large empty list box for defining pattern parts.
 - A vertical stack of buttons on the right side of the list box: **Add..** (highlighted with a red box), **Edit...**, **Remove**, **Up**, and **Down**.

At the bottom of the dialog, there is a help icon (question mark in a circle) on the left, and **Finish** and **Cancel** buttons on the right.

19. In the Regular Expression wizard, select "Digit" from the "Token contents" dropdown.

Regular Expression Wizard

Compose Regular Expression

To add a token, specify its contents and occurrence, then click Add.

Token contents: **Any character (.)** Auto escape

Occurrence

- Just once
- Zero or more
- One or more
- Optional (?)
- Repeat
- Range to

Add

Current regular expression:

20. Then select the "Repeat" option, enter "3" as its value and click "Add".

Regular Expression Wizard

Compose Regular Expression

To add a token, specify its contents and occurrence, then click Add.

Token contents: Auto escape

Occurrence

Just once

Zero or more (*)

One or more (+)

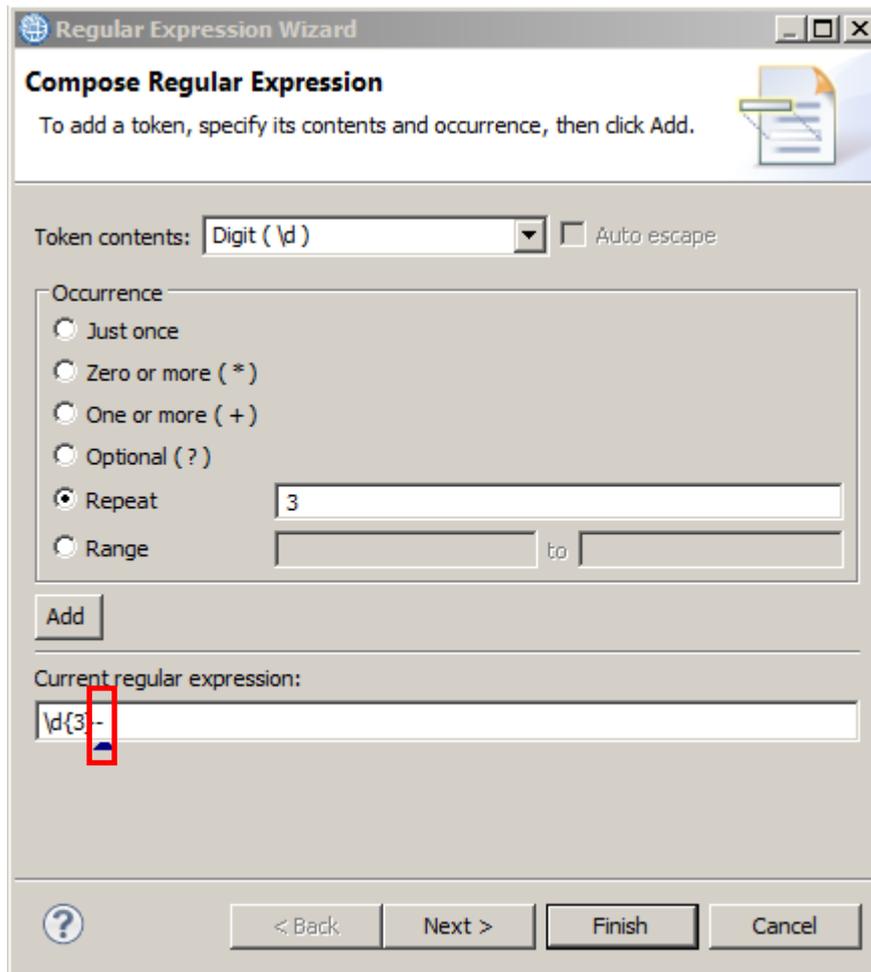
Optional (?)

Repeat

Range to

Current regular expression:

21. In the "Current regular expression" field, enter a hyphen ("-") after the text:



Regular Expression Wizard

Compose Regular Expression

To add a token, specify its contents and occurrence, then click Add.

Token contents: Auto escape

Occurrence

Just once

Zero or more (*)

One or more (+)

Optional (?)

Repeat

Range to

Current regular expression:

(Note: A red box highlights the hyphen character in the current regular expression field.)

22. Make sure the "token contents" dropdown is set to "Digit" and click the "Add" button again, to add another 3 digits expression.

Regular Expression Wizard

Compose Regular Expression

To add a token, specify its contents and occurrence, then click Add.

Token contents: **Digit (\d)** Auto escape

Occurrence

Just once

Zero or more (*)

One or more (+)

Optional (?)

Repeat

Range to

Add

Current regular expression:

\d{3}-\d{3}

23. In the "Current regular expression" field, enter another hyphen ("-") after the text:

Regular Expression Wizard

Compose Regular Expression

To add a token, specify its contents and occurrence, then click Add.

Token contents: Auto escape

Occurrence

Just once

Zero or more (*)

One or more (+)

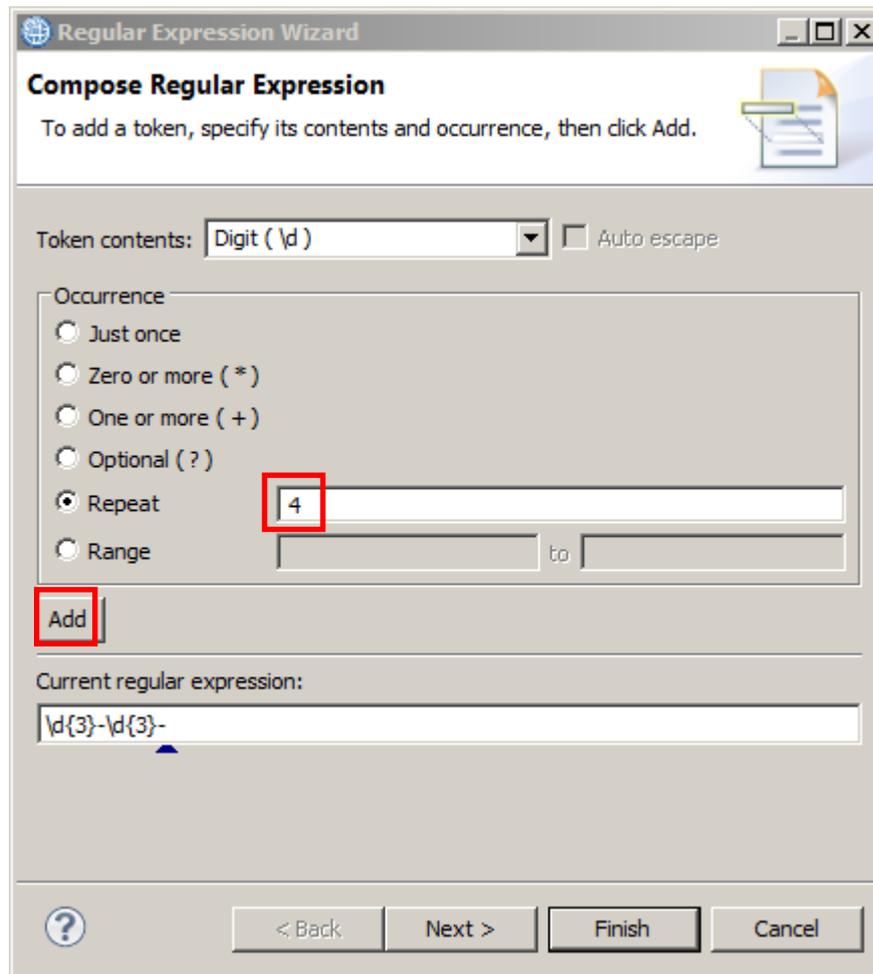
Optional (?)

Repeat

Range to

Current regular expression:

24. Make sure the "token contents" dropdown is set to "Digit (\d)", modify the "Repeat" field from "3" to "4" and click the "Add" button again, to add a 4 digits expression.



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One or more (+)

Optional (?)

Repeat

Range to

Current regular expression:

25. Click on the Next button.

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Occurrence

Just once

Zero or more (*)

One or more (+)

Optional (?)

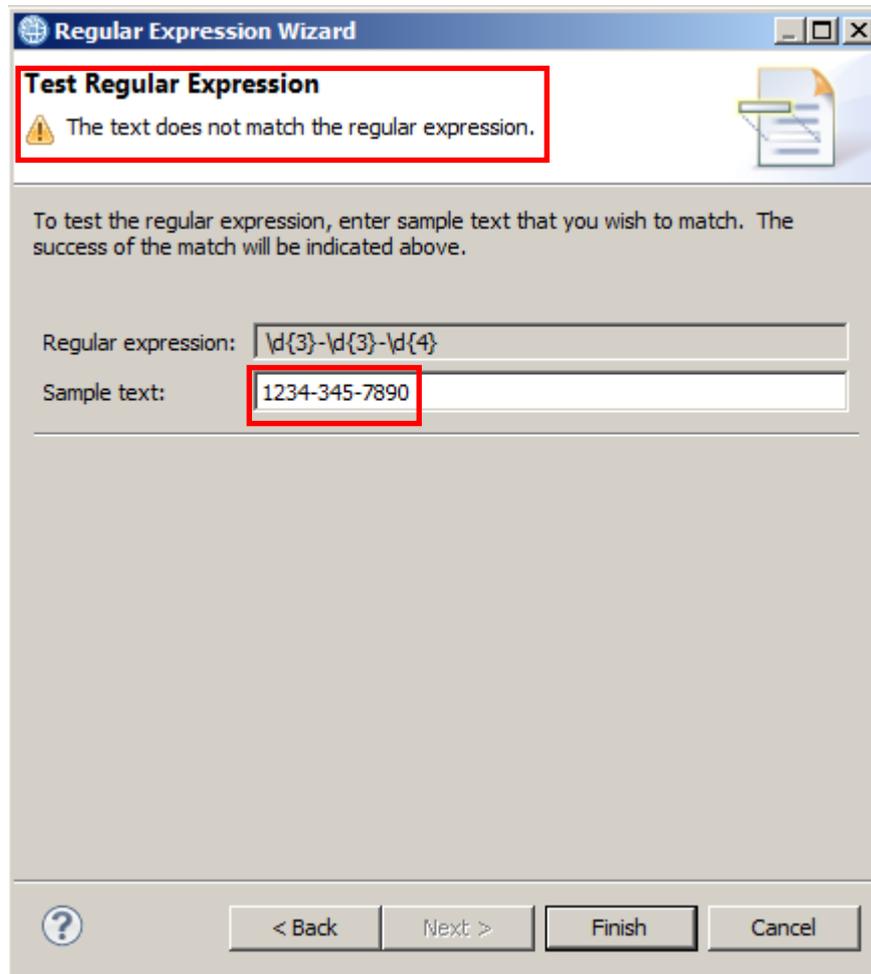
Repeat

Range to

Current regular expression:

26. The Regular Expression Wizard has a testing feature that lets you validate the regular expression you've just built.

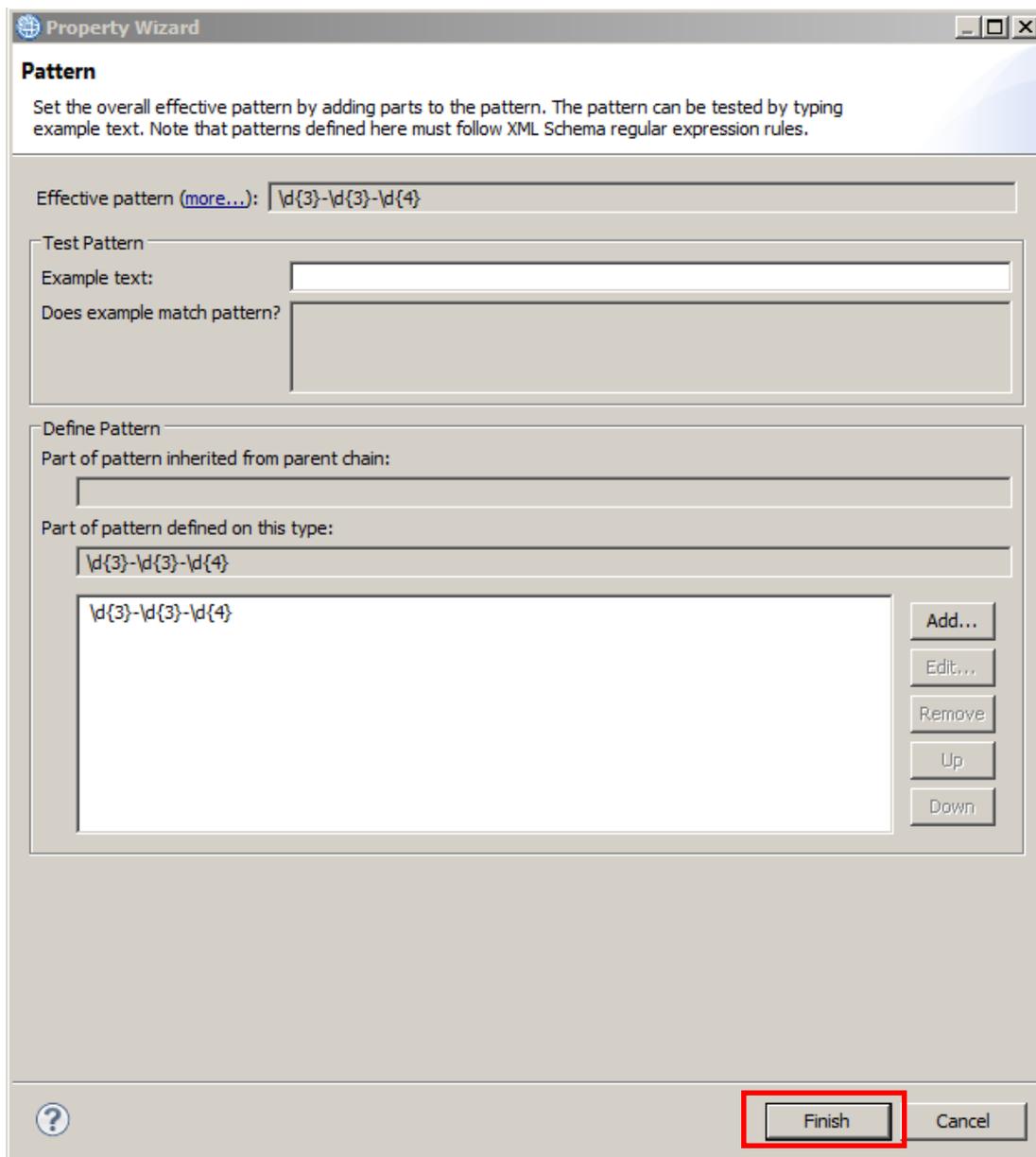
Enter different strings to test the regular expression, and check that the only valid format is: "3 digits - 3 digits - 4 digits".



Then click the Finish button.

27. The Property Wizard is a powerful tool that allows you to build complex regular expressions. In this case you've added just one, but you could create a more complex one by adding several expressions.

Click the Finish button.



The screenshot shows the 'Property Wizard' dialog box with the 'Pattern' tab selected. The dialog is titled 'Property Wizard' and has a subtitle 'Pattern'. Below the subtitle, there is a text box for the 'Effective pattern (more...)' containing the regular expression `\d{3}-\d{3}-\d{4}`. Below this is a 'Test Pattern' section with an 'Example text' input field and a 'Does example match pattern?' checkbox. The 'Define Pattern' section is divided into two parts: 'Part of pattern inherited from parent chain:' and 'Part of pattern defined on this type:'. The latter part contains a list box with the regular expression `\d{3}-\d{3}-\d{4}` and a vertical stack of buttons: 'Add...', 'Edit...', 'Remove', 'Up', and 'Down'. At the bottom right, the 'Finish' button is highlighted with a red rectangle, and the 'Cancel' button is also visible.

28. Notice that the "Tel" element's type has changed from "string" to "<string>", an anonymous local restriction of xs:string, in order to carry the pattern facet.

▼ Messages 

A message is a global element that models an entire document of data.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
[-] e Company			
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ e CompanyName	string	1	1
⋮ [-] e Employee		1	unbounded
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ e EmpNo	integer	1	1
⋮ e Dept	integer	1	1
⋮ e EmpName	string	1	1
⋮ [-] e Address		1	1
[-] ... sequence		1	1
⋮ e StreetName	string	1	1
⋮ e City	string	1	1
⋮ e ZipCode	string	1	1
⋮ e Tel	<string>	1	1
⋮ e Salary	decimal	1	1

[Add a Local Element](#)

29. Change the "Default Value" of the "Tel" element to a pattern complying value by double-clicking on the "Default Value" row in the Representation Properties (for example: 999-999-9999).

Representation Properties (x) Variables Asserts and Discriminators

Tel (Element)

e filter text>

Property	Value	
Comment 		...
General		
Data Format Reference	<default format>	...
Encoding (code page)	<dynamically set>	...
Byte Order	bigEndian	...
Ignore Case	no	
Fill Byte	0	
Content	string	
Representation	text	
Length Kind	delimited	...
Nilable 	false	
Default Value 	999-999-9999	
Fixed Value 	<unset>	
Text Content		
String Justification	left	
String Pad Character	%SP;	
Truncate Specified Length String	no	
Pad Kind	none	
Trim Kind	padChar	

30. Now highlight the "Salary" element and look for the "Text Content" section in the Representation Properties of the DFDL Editor.

Expand "Number Representation".

Click on the button (three dots) next to "Number Pattern".

The screenshot shows the IBM DFDL Editor interface. On the left, a tree view displays the XML schema structure for 'Company.xsd'. The 'Salary' element is selected. The right pane shows the 'Representation Properties' for the 'Salary' element. The 'Text Content' section is expanded, and the 'Number Representation' sub-section is also expanded. The 'Number Pattern' property is highlighted with a red box, showing its value as '#0,###'. Other properties like 'Number Base', 'Number Check Policy', 'Grouping Separator', 'Decimal Separator', 'Exponent Representation', 'Zero Representation', and 'Rounding' are also visible.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Company			
Sequence		1	1
CompanyName	string	1	1
Employee		1	unbounded
Sequence		1	1
EmpNo	integer	1	1
Dept	integer	1	1
EmpName	string	1	1
Address		1	1
Sequence		1	1
StreetName	string	1	1
City	string	1	1
ZipCode	string	1	1
Tel	<string>	1	1
Salary	decimal	1	1

Property	Value
Fill Byte	0
Content	decimal
Representation	text
Length Kind	delimited
Nilable	false
Default Value	<unset>
Fixed Value	<unset>
Text Content	
Number Representation	standard
Number Base	10
Number Check Policy	tax
Number Pattern	#0,###
Grouping Separator	,
Decimal Separator	.
Exponent Representation	E
Zero Representation	
Rounding	pattern

31. In the Number Pattern Property Wizard, change the Pattern to "#0.##" (delete the final #).

Enter "1234.1234" in the "Number" field in the Text Format section. Click on the "Apply Pattern" button to test the Number Pattern. Notice that the number was changed from "1234.1234" to "1234.12" to comply with the defined number pattern.

Property Wizard

Number Pattern

Set and test values for the number pattern properties.

Pattern describes the format of the text number. Click [here](#) to see symbols and meanings.

Pattern: #0.##

Text Format

Number Type: decimal

Number: 1234.1234 **Apply Pattern**

Formatted: 1234.12 **Extract Pattern**

Standard number A number is represented as characters in the 'encoding' code page. [More...](#)

Number base: 10

Number check policy: lax

Grouping separator: ,

Decimal separator: .

Exponent character: E

Infinity representation character: Inf

NaN representation character: NaN

Zero representation:

Number rounding: pattern

Number rounding increment:

Number rounding mode: roundUp

Finish **Cancel**

Click Finish.

32. Next you will define the Initiators, Terminators and Separators for the Message Model.

Click on the "Company" element (message root) and look at the "Delimiters" section in the Representation properties view in the DFDL Editor.

The screenshot shows the IBM DFDL Editor interface. On the left, the 'Messages' tree displays the 'Company' element and its sub-elements: 'sequence', 'CompanyName', 'Employee', 'EmpNo', 'Dept', 'EmpName', 'Address', 'StreetName', 'City', 'ZipCode', 'Tel', and 'Salary'. The 'Representation Properties' view on the right shows the configuration for the 'Company' element. The 'Delimiters' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following properties:

Property	Value
Initiator	<no initiator>
Terminator	<no terminator>
Empty Value Delimiter Policy	initiator
Output New Line	%CR;%LF;

33. Enter "Company[" as the Initiator, and "]%CR;%LF;" as the terminator. (Do not include the quotation marks).

Hint: after you have entered the "]", you can use Ctrl-Space to use the Toolkit Content Assist editor, and select the CR and LF values.

This definition implies that the record starts with a "Company[" tag and ends with a "]%CR;%LF;" tag.

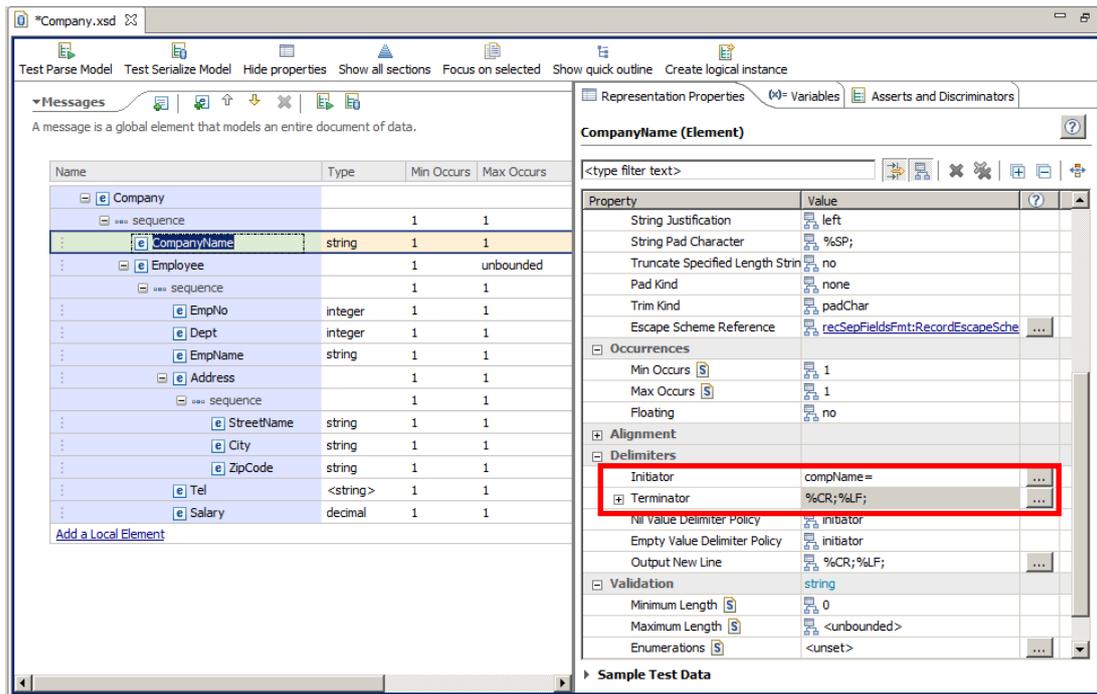
Representation Properties

Company (Element)

<type filter text>

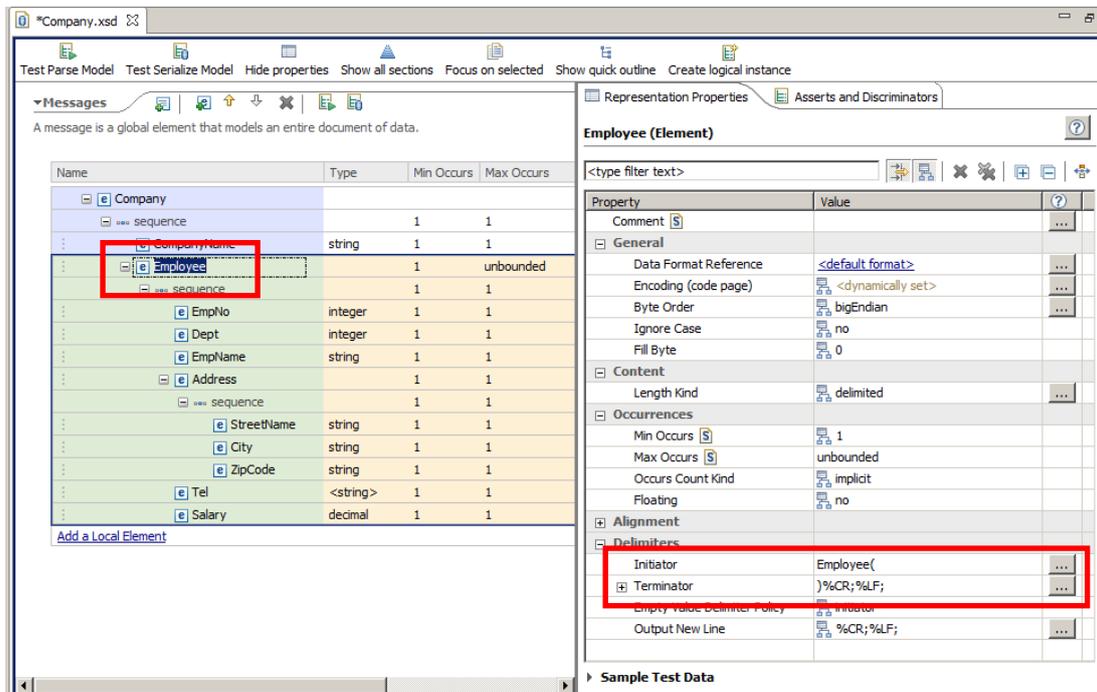
Property	Value	
Comment <input type="text" value="S"/>		...
General		
Data Format Reference	<default format>	...
Encoding (code page)	<dynamically set>	...
Byte Order	bigEndian	...
Ignore Case	no	
Fill Byte	0	
Content		
Length Kind	delimited	...
Occurrences		
Min Occurs <input type="text" value="S"/>	1	
Max Occurs <input type="text" value="S"/>	1	
Alignment		
Delimiters		
Initiator	Company[...
Terminator]%CR;%LF;	...
Empty Value Delimiter Policy	initiator	
Output New Line	%CR;%LF;	...

- Click on the "CompanyName" element, and in the "Delimiter" section of the Representation properties view , enter "compName=" as the Initiator and "%CR;%LF;" as the Terminator:

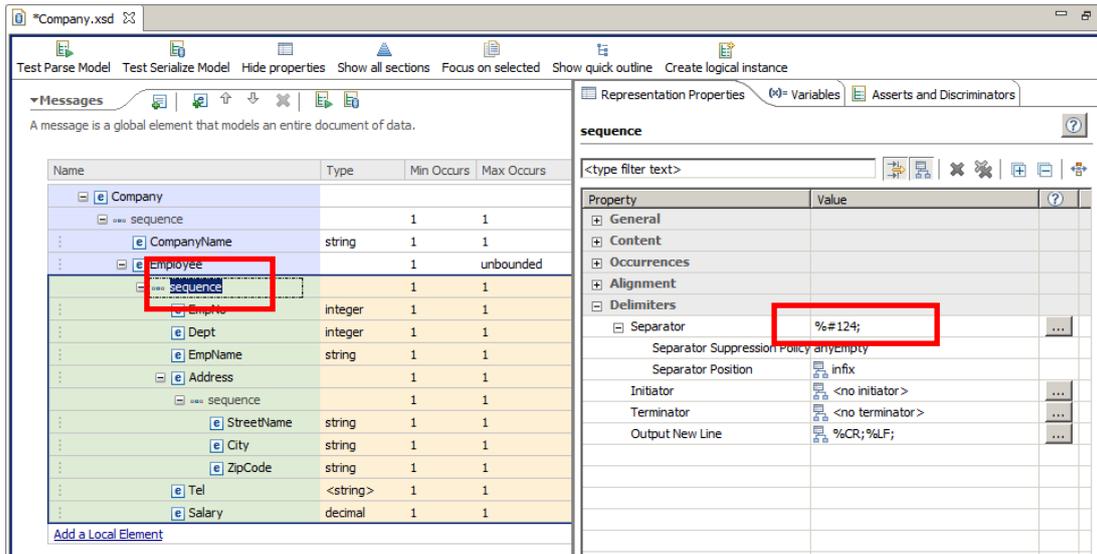


- Click on the "Employee" element, and in the "Delimiter" section of the Representation properties view, set the Terminator value to ")%CR;%LF;". Make sure you don't miss the “)” at the start of the terminator string.

Make sure the initiator is set to "Employee(", it should have been completed automatically by the wizard at the beginning.



- Now click on the <sequence> content of the Employee element and in the Representation Properties view, check that the Separator is set to "%#124;" (the wizard should have completed it).

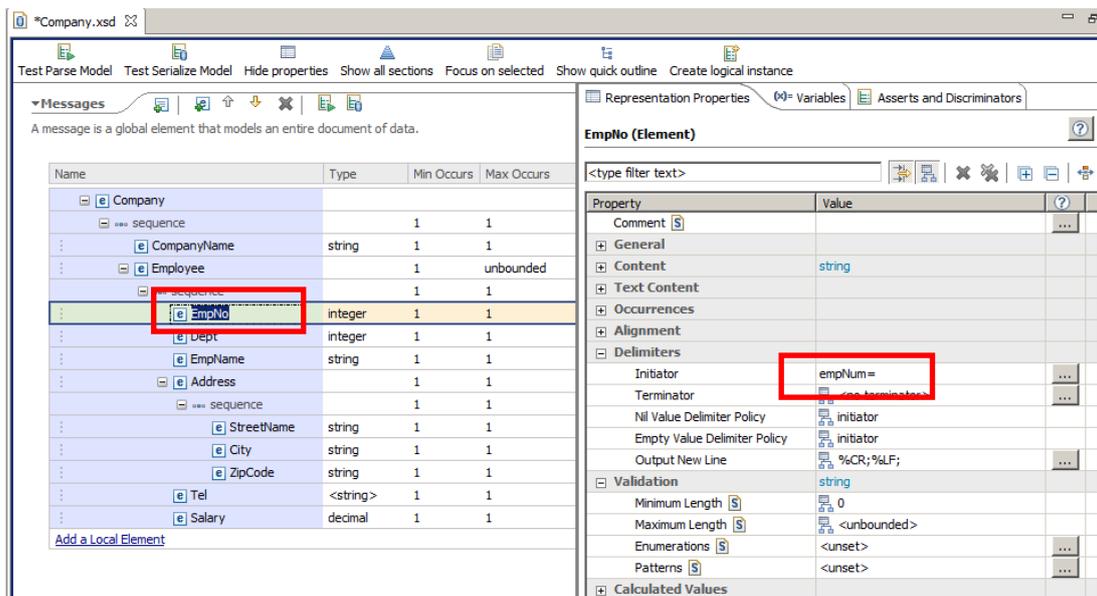


This Separator defines that all the fields inside the "Employee" structure are separated by the "|" character.

- For the fields in the Employee structure, change the Initiator of each one to the following:

Element	Initiator
EmpNo	empNum=
Dept	dept=
EmpName	empName=
Address	Addr:
Tel	tel=
Salary	sal=

Note the Address initiator uses a colon, not an "equals".



38. Save your DFDL Schema by pressing Ctrl+S or File->Save. When saved, the DFDL Schema is validated and if any errors (or warnings) are found, they will appear in the Problems view.

Make sure there are no errors in the Problems view.

4. Testing the Message Model

Now that the message model is complete, you can test parse it against a sample data file.

Click on the "Test Parse Model".

The screenshot shows the IBM Integration Bus V10 interface. The 'Test Parse Model' button is highlighted with a red box. Below it, the 'Messages' section is expanded, showing a table of message elements for 'Company.xsd'. The table has columns for Name, Type, Min Occurs, Max Occurs, Default Value, and Sample Value.

Name	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs	Default Value	Sample Value
[-] Company					
[-] sequence		1	1		
⋮					
[e] CompanyName	string	1	1		a
⋮					
[-] Employee		1	unbounded		
[-] sequence		1	1		
⋮					
[e] EmpNo	integer	1	1		1
⋮					
[e] Dept	integer	1	1		1
⋮					
[e] EmpName	string	1	1		a
⋮					
[+] Address		1	1		
⋮					
[e] Tel	<string>	1	1	999-999-9999	body_value5
⋮					
[e] Salary	decimal	1	1		1.0

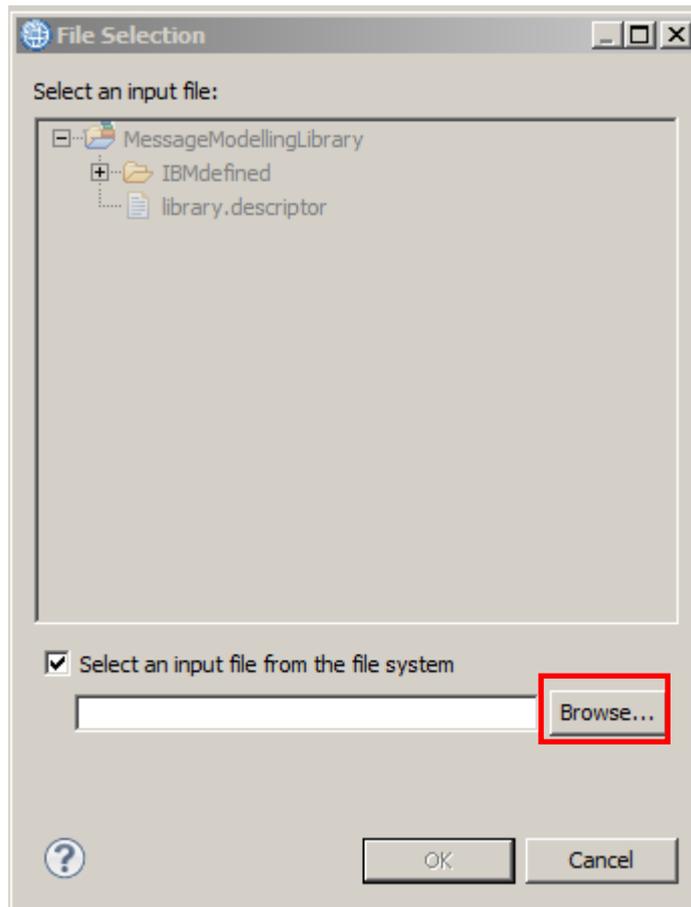
Add a Local Element

2. Select the "Content from a data file" option. Click the Browse button.

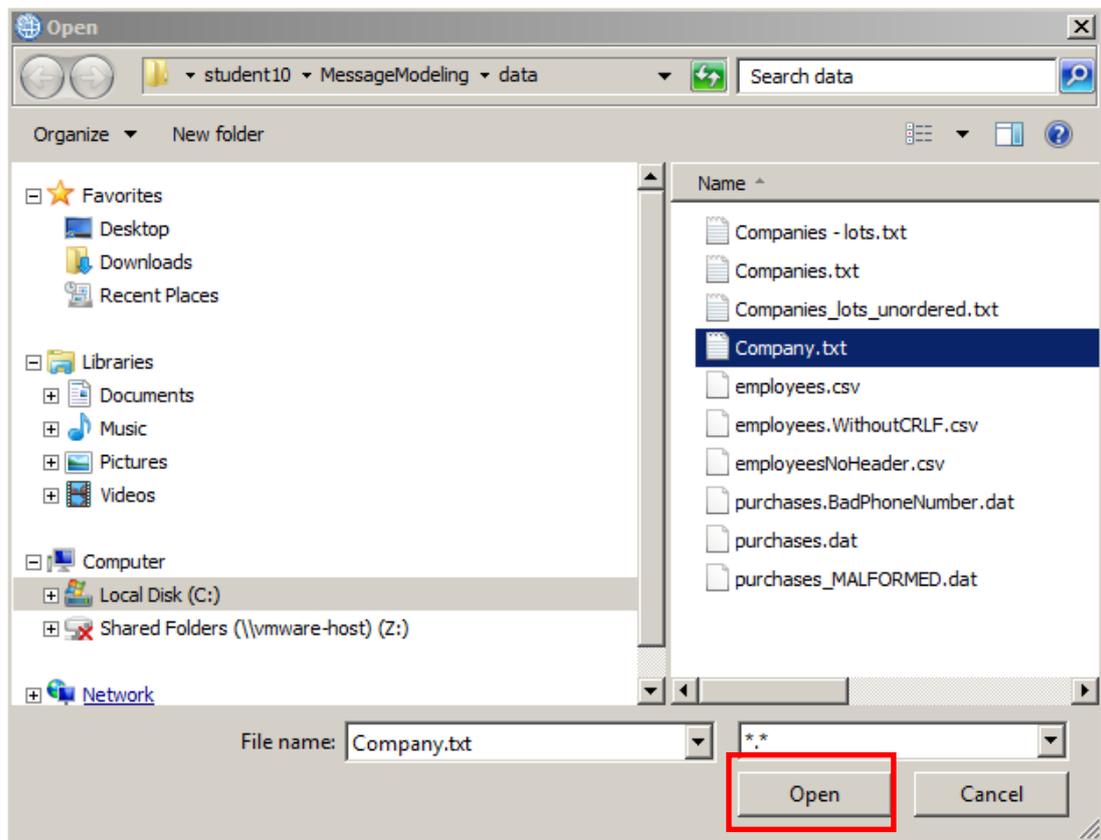
The screenshot shows the 'Test Parse Model' dialog box with the following sections:

- Message:** Select message for testing. [More...](#)
Message name: * Company
- Parser Input:** Select content to be parsed against schema.
 - Content from 'DFDL Test - Serialize' view
 - Content from a data fileInput file name: *
- Specify runtime configuration:**
 - Runtime encoding options:** Provide runtime values for properties which have been configured in the model to be dynamically set. [More...](#)
 - Encoding (code page): UTF-8
 - Floating point format: IEEE Non-Extended
 - Byte order: Little endian Big endian
 - Runtime validation:**
 - Validate data against schema [More...](#)
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3. Check the "Select an input from the file system" checkbox, and click the Browse button.



4. Browse to the "C:\student10\MessageModeling\data" directory and select "Company.txt". Click Open, and then OK.



5. Check "Validate against schema" to enable validation (to test the telephone pattern you defined for validation of the "Tel" field).

Click OK.

Test Parse Model

Message
Select message for testing. [More...](#)
Message name: * Company

Parser Input
Select content to be parsed against schema.
 Content from 'DFDL Test - Serialize' view
 Content from a data file
Input file name: * C:\student10\MessageModeling\data\Company.txt [Browse...](#)

Specify runtime configuration.

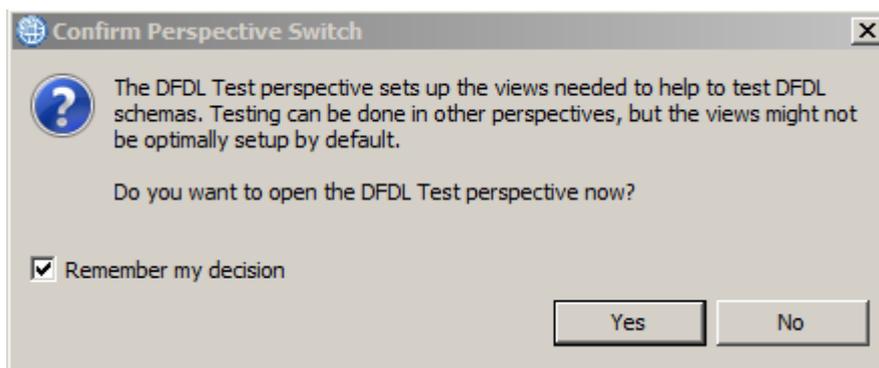
Runtime encoding options
Provide runtime values for properties which have been configured in the model to be dynamically set. [More...](#)
Encoding (code page): UTF-8
Floating point format: IEEE Non-Extended
Byte order: Little endian Big endian

Runtime validation
 Validate data against schema [More...](#)

[Restore Defaults](#)

[OK](#) [Cancel](#)

6. If the "Confirm Perspective Switch" window appears, check the "Remember my decision" checkbox and click Yes.



7. In the "DFDL Test" perspective, "DFDL Test - Parse" view, a message bubble appears indicating the parsing was successful.

Data source: <From 'DFDL Test - Parse' view>
Message: Company (/Users/jbadmin/IBM/IIBT10/workspace/MessageMk)

Name	Type	Value
Company		
CompanyName	xs:string	My Company
Employee		

Tips:

- Selecting an element in the DFDL editor will cause the parsed input to focus only on data pertaining to the selected element.
- The view menu on the view toolbar provides options to control how the data is displayed in the view. Click the arrow icon on the toolbar or [here](#) to open the menu.
- To view the logical instance that was created by the DFDL parser, click the Open DFDL Logical Instance View toolbar button, or click [here](#).
- To view the trace captured while running the DFDL parser, click the Open DFDL Trace View toolbar button, or click [here](#).

Do not display this message again

Parsed Input

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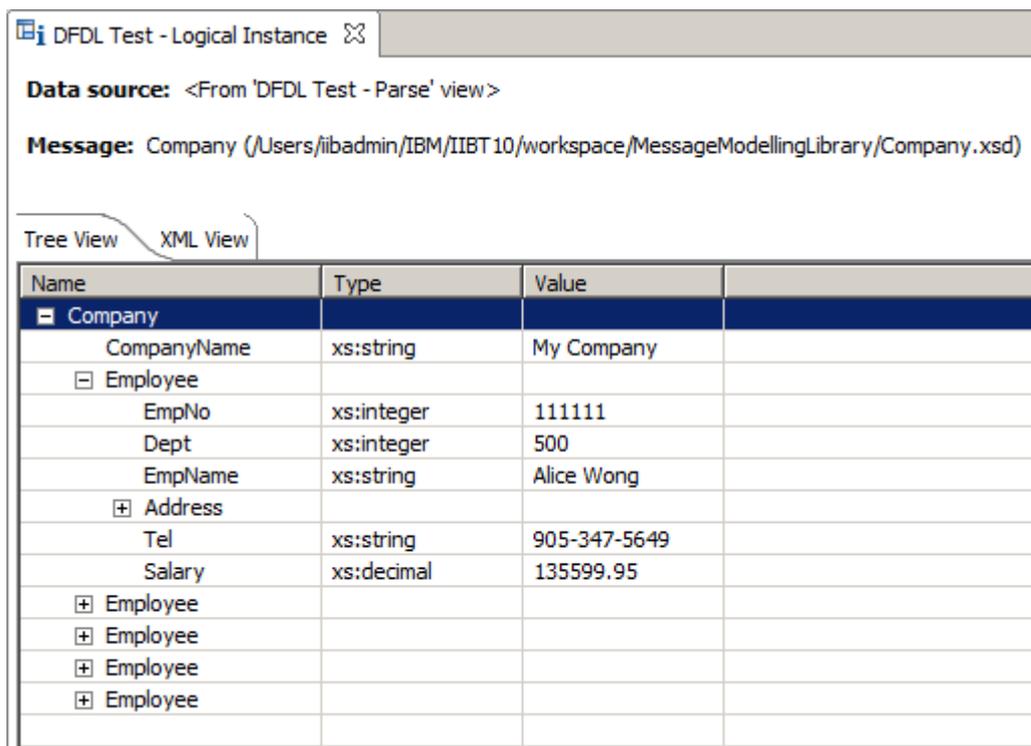
1 Company [compName=My Company
2 Employee (empNum=111111|dept=500|empName=Alice Wong|Addr:8200 Warden Ave,"Markham, Ont","L3G 1H7|tel=90
3 Employee (empNum=222222|dept=500|empName=James May|Addr:23 The Cuttings,Chatham,CH2 2PR|tel=208-203-13

```

Selection in DFDL Editor
Selected: Company : <Anonymous> (complex) | Repeating index: 1 | Range in parsed input: 0 - 669 | Character Selection In Input: Row: 0 | Column: 0 | Byte Selection In Input: Offset: 0 | Length: 0

Close the message by clicking on the "X".

8. Go to the "DFDL Test - Logical Instance" view, and take a look at the parsed message tree and check if it is correct.



Data source: <From 'DFDL Test - Parse' view>

Message: Company (/Users/iibadmin/IBM/IIBT10/workspace/MessageModellingLibrary/Company.xsd)

Tree View XML View

Name	Type	Value	
[-] Company			
CompanyName	xs:string	My Company	
[-] Employee			
EmpNo	xs:integer	111111	
Dept	xs:integer	500	
EmpName	xs:string	Alice Wong	
[+] Address			
Tel	xs:string	905-347-5649	
Salary	xs:decimal	135599.95	
[+] Employee			

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