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## Introduction

This Recommendation | International Standard specifies Version 1 and Version 2 of a mapping from a W3C XML Schema definition (an XSD Schema) into an ASN.1 schema. The mappings can be applied to any XSD Schema. Both mappings specify the generation of one or more ASN.1 modules containing type definitions, together with ASN.1 XER encoding instructions. These are jointly described as an ASN.1 schema for XML documents. This ASN.1 schema (produced by either Version of the mapping), when used with the ASN.1 Extended XML Encoding Rules (EXTENDED-XER), can be used to generate and to validate the same set of W3C XML 1.0 documents as the original XSD Schema. The resulting ASN.1 types and encodings support the same semantic content as the XSD Schema. Thus ASN.1 tools can be used interchangeably with XSD tools for the generation and processing of the specified XML documents.

Other standardized ASN.1 encoding rules, such as the Distinguished Encoding Rules (DER) or the Packed Encoding Rules (PER), can be used in conjunction with this standardized mapping, but produce encodings for Version 2 of the mapping that differ from (and are less verbose than) those produced by Version 1 for XSD constructs involving dates and times or wildcards.

The combination of this Recommendation | International Standard with ASN.1 Encoding Rules provides fully-standardized and vendor-independent compact and canonical binary encodings for data originally defined using an XSD Schema.

The ASN.1 schema provides a clear separation between the specification of the information content of messages (their abstract syntax) and the precise form of the XML document (for example, use of attributes instead of elements). This results in both a clearer and generally a less verbose schema than the original XSD Schema.

Annex A forms an integral part of this Recommendation | International Standard, and is an ASN.1 module containing a set of ASN.1 type assignments that correspond to each of the XSD built-in types for Version 1 of the mapping. Mappings of XSD Schemas into ASN.1 schemas either import the type reference names of those type assignments or include the type definitions in-line.

Annex B also forms an integral part of this Recommendation | International Standard and provides the ASN.1 module for Version 2 of the mapping.

Annex C does not form an integral part of this Recommendation | International Standard, and summarizes the object identifier, OID internationalized resource identifier and object descriptor values assigned in this Recommendation | International Standard. Annex D does not form an integral part of this Recommendation | International Standard, and gives examples of the mapping of XSD Schemas into ASN.1 schemas.

Annex E does not form an integral part of this Recommendation | International Standard, and describes the use of the mapping defined in this Recommendation | International Standard, in conjunction with standardized ASN.1 Encoding Rules, to provide compact and canonical encodings for data defined using an XSD Schema.

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schema definitions into ASN.1****1 Scope**

This Recommendation | International Standard specifies two Versions of a mapping from any XSD Schema into an ASN.1 schema. The ASN.1 schema for both Versions support the same semantics and validate the same set of XML documents.

This Recommendation | International Standard specifies the final XER encoding instructions that are to be applied as part of the defined mapping to ASN.1 types, but does not specify which syntactic form is to be used for the specification of those final XER encoding instructions, or the order or manner of their assignment.

NOTE – Implementers of tools generating these mappings may choose any syntactic form or order of assignment that results in the specified final XER encoding instructions being applied. Examples in this Recommendation | International Standard generally use the type prefix form, but use of an XER Encoding Control Section may be preferred for the mapping of a complete XSD Schema, as a matter of style.

There are different ways (syntactically) of assigning XER encoding instructions for use in EXTENDED-XER encodings (for example, use of ASN.1 type prefix encoding instructions or use of an XER encoding control section). The choice of these syntactic forms is a matter of style and is outside the scope of this Recommendation | International Standard.

**2 Normative references**

The following Recommendations | International Standards and W3C specifications contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Recommendation | International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All Recommendations, International Standards and W3C specifications are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this Recommendation | International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the Recommendations, International Standards and W3C specifications listed below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards. The Telecommunication Standardization Bureau of the ITU maintains a list of currently valid ITU-T Recommendations. The W3C maintains a list of currently valid W3C specifications. The reference to a document within this Recommendation | International Standard does not give it, as a stand-alone document, the status of a Recommendation or International Standard.

NOTE – This Recommendation | International Standard is based on ISO/IEC 10646:2003 and the Unicode standard version 3.2.0:2002. It cannot be applied using later versions of these two standards.

**2.1 Identical Recommendations | International Standards**

NOTE – The complete set of ASN.1 Recommendations | International Standards are listed below, as they can all be applicable in particular uses of this Recommendation | International Standard. Where these are not directly referenced in the body of this Recommendation | International Standard, a † symbol is added to the reference.

- Recommendation ITU-T X.680 (2020) | ISO/IEC 8824-1:2020, *Information technology – Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1): Specification of basic notation.*
- Recommendation ITU-T X.681 (2020) | ISO/IEC 8824-2:2020, *Information technology – Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1): Information object specification.* †
- Recommendation ITU-T X.682 (2020) | ISO/IEC 8824-3:2020, *Information technology – Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1): Constraint specification.*
- Recommendation ITU-T X.683 (2020) | ISO/IEC 8824-4:2020, *Information technology – Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1): Parameterization of ASN.1 specifications.* †
- Recommendation ITU-T X.690 (2020) | ISO/IEC 8825-1:2020, *Information technology – ASN.1 encoding Rules: Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER), Canonical Encoding Rules (CER), and Distinguished Encoding Rules (DER).*
- Recommendation ITU-T X.691 (2020) | ISO/IEC 8825-2:2020, *Information technology – ASN.1 encoding rules: Specification of Packed Encoding Rules (PER).*

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- Recommendation ITU-T X.692 (2020) | ISO/IEC 8825-3:2020, *Information technology – ASN.1 encoding rules: Specification of Encoding Control Notation (ECN)*. †
- Recommendation ITU-T X.693 (2020) | ISO/IEC 8825-4:2020, *Information technology – ASN.1 encoding rules: XML Encoding Rules (XER)*.
- Recommendation ITU-T X.891 (2005) | ISO/IEC 24824-1:2007, *Information technology – Generic Applications of ASN.1: Fast Infoset*.

## 2.2 Additional references

- ISO 8601:2004, *Data elements and interchange formats – Information interchange – Representation of dates and times*.
  - ISO/IEC 10646:2003, *Information technology – Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set (UCS)*.
  - W3C XML 1.0:2000, *Extensible Markup Language (XML) 1.0 (Second Edition)*, W3C Recommendation, Copyright © [6 October 2000] World Wide Web Consortium, (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et en Automatique, Keio University), <http://www.w3.org/TR/2000/REC-xml-20001006>.
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- NOTE – When the reference "W3C XML Schema" is used in this Recommendation | International Standard, it refers to W3C XML Schema Part 1 and W3C XML Schema Part 2.
- IETF RFC 2396 (1998), *Uniform Resource Identifiers (URI): Generic Syntax*.
  - IETF RFC 1766 (1995), *Tags for the Identification of Languages*.

## 3 Definitions

### 3.1 Imported definitions

**3.1.1** This Recommendation | International Standard uses the terms defined in Rec. ITU-T X.680 | ISO/IEC 8824-1 and in Rec. ITU-T X.693 | ISO/IEC 8825-4.

NOTE – In particular, the terms "final XER encoding instructions", "type prefix" and "XER encoding control section" are defined in the above-mentioned Recommendations | International Standards.

**3.1.2** This Recommendation | International Standard also uses the terms defined in W3C XML Schema and W3C XML Information Set.

NOTE 1 – It is believed that these terms do not conflict with the terms referenced in 3.1.1. If such a conflict occurs, the definition of the term in 3.1.1 applies.

NOTE 2 – In particular, the terms "schema component" and "property (of a schema component)" are defined in W3C XML Schema, and the terms "element information item" and "attribute information item" are defined in W3C XML Information Set.

NOTE 3 – The terms "top-level **simple type definition**" and "top-level **complex type definition**" do not include XSD built-in types, when used in this Recommendation | International Standard.



## 3.2 Additional definitions

For the purposes of this Recommendation | International Standard, the following additional definitions apply:

- 3.2.1 XSD namespace:** A namespace with a URI of "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema".
- 3.2.2 XSI namespace:** A namespace with a URI of "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance".
- 3.2.3 XML namespace:** A namespace with a URI of "http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace".

## 4 Abbreviations

For the purposes of this Recommendation | International Standard, the following abbreviations apply:

ASN.1	Abstract Syntax Notation One
BER	(ASN.1) Basic Encoding Rules
DER	(ASN.1) Distinguished Encoding Rules
PER	(ASN.1) Packed Encoding Rules
URI	(IETF) Uniform Resource Identifier
XER	(ASN.1) XML Encoding Rules
XML	(W3C) Extensible Markup Language
XSD	(W3C) XML Schema

## 5 Notation

**5.1** This Recommendation | International Standard references the notation defined by Rec. ITU-T X.680 | ISO/IEC 8824-1, Rec. ITU-T X.682 | ISO/IEC 8824-3, W3C XML 1.0 and W3C XML Schema.

**5.2** When it is necessary in the body of this Recommendation | International Standard to specify, either formally or in examples, the assignment of XER encoding instructions, the type prefix notation is generally used (but see 6.3 and 6.4). In Annex A, an XER encoding control section is used.

**5.3** In this Recommendation | International Standard, **bold Courier** is used for ASN.1 notation and **bold Arial** is used for XSD notation and for XSD terms and concepts.

**5.4** The XSD Schemas used in the examples in this Recommendation | International Standard use the prefix **xsd:** to identify the XSD namespace.

## 6 Purpose and extent of standardization

**6.1** The mapping to ASN.1 that is specified in this Recommendation | International Standard ensures that:

- any resulting ASN.1 modules generated by tools conforming to this Recommendation | International Standard (from the same XSD Schema) define the same (structured) abstract values;
- all BASIC-XER, CXER, EXTENDED-XER, and binary encodings of that resulting ASN.1 specification will produce the same encodings (subject to encoder's options); and
- all XML documents that conform to the source XSD Schema are valid EXTENDED-XER encodings of abstract values of that ASN.1 specification.

**6.2** There are many aspects of an ASN.1 definition (such as the use of white-space, or of encoding control sections or type prefixes) that affect neither the abstract values being defined nor the XER or binary encodings of those values. Such aspects of the ASN.1 definition are generally not standardized in this Recommendation | International Standard.

**6.3** There are many different ways in ASN.1 of assigning an XER encoding instruction to a type, including:

- use of a type prefix for every encoding instruction to be assigned; or
- use of an encoding control section, with a separate encoding instruction for each required assignment; or
- use of an encoding control section, with a single encoding instruction making a global assignment, possibly supplemented by use of a negating encoding instruction for specific types.

**6.4** This Recommendation | International Standard specifies when a final XER encoding instruction shall be present, and uses the syntax of 6.3 a) in most of its examples. However, the use of the different options in 6.3 is not



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standardized, and conforming implementations of the mapping may choose any syntactic form (or a mixture of syntactic forms) for the assignment of final XER encoding instructions.

NOTE – The choice among these options does not affect the final binary or XML encodings.

**6.5** A formal specification of the required mapping is not provided.

**6.6** This Recommendation | International Standard is concerned only with the mapping of XSD Schemas that conform to W3C XML Schema.

NOTE – Such conformance can be either by the provision of one or more W3C XSD schema documents or by other means as specified in W3C XML Schema.

## 7 Mapping XSD Schemas

**7.1** A mapping is based on a source XSD Schema, which is a set of schema components (see W3C XML Schema Part 1, 2.2). No particular representation of schema components or sets of schema components is required or assumed for the mapping, although it is expected that the source XSD Schema will usually be provided as one or more XML schema documents (see W3C XML Schema Part 1, 3.15.2).

NOTE 1 – The schema components represented in multiple XML schema documents become part of the same XSD Schema through the use of the **xsd:include**, **xsd:redefine**, and **xsd:import** element information items.

NOTE 2 – Since the mapping is defined in terms of schema components (and not in terms of their XML representation), it is not affected by details of the XML representation, such as the use of multiple schema documents linked by **xsd:include** and **xsd:redefine** element information items, the placement of element information items in one or another schema documents, the order of **xsd:attribute** element information items within a **xsd:complexType** element information item, and so on.

NOTE 3 – Two sets of schema documents that differ in many aspects but represent the same set of schema components generate the same set of ASN.1 type assignments, with the same final encoding instructions assigned to them and to their components to any depth.

**7.2** The source XSD Schema shall meet all the constraints imposed by the XSD specification. If the source XSD Schema is represented (in part or all) as a set of XML schema documents, each schema document shall be valid according to the XSD Schema for Schemas (see W3C XML Schema Part 1, Appendix A).

**7.3** One or more ASN.1 modules shall be generated for a source XSD Schema. The number of ASN.1 modules generated is an implementation option. Each ASN.1 module shall contain zero or more type assignments corresponding to top-level schema components (see 7.6), and zero or more special ASN.1 type assignments (see clauses 29, 30, and 31). The physical order of type assignments within each ASN.1 module is an implementation option. When multiple ASN.1 modules are generated, the way the generated type assignments are distributed across those ASN.1 modules is also an implementation option.

NOTE 1 – The inclusion in the same ASN.1 module of type assignments generated from XSD schema components with different **target namespaces** is permitted by this subclause but not recommended. The preferred mapping is to generate one ASN.1 module per namespace whenever possible. It is also recommended that each special ASN.1 type assignment be inserted in the same ASN.1 module as its associated ASN.1 type assignment (see 29.5, 30.4, and 31.4).

NOTE 2 – The generation of ASN.1 type assignments (see 7.6 and 10.4) is not affected by the number of ASN.1 modules being generated (except for the possible use of "ExternalTypeReference" as specified in 10.2.2), nor by the way the generated type assignments are distributed across those modules, nor by the physical order of the type assignments within each module. In particular, the type reference names of those type assignments are the same whatever mapping style is used by the implementation.

NOTE 3 – A full description of the relationship between the namespace concept of W3C XML Namespaces and naming in ASN.1 is provided in Rec. ITU-T X.693 | ISO/IEC 8825-4, clause 16. Type reference names and identifiers defined in an ASN.1 module are assigned a namespace by means of a **NAMESPACE** encoding instruction, and otherwise do not have a namespace. The mapping generates **NAMESPACE** encoding instructions where needed.

**7.4** All ASN.1 modules generated by the mapping shall contain (in the XER encoding control section) a **GLOBAL-DEFAULTS MODIFIED-ENCODINGS** encoding instruction and a **GLOBAL-DEFAULTS CONTROL-NAMESPACE** encoding instruction specifying the XSI namespace.

**7.5** A source XSD Schema shall be processed as follows:

- a) for each top-level **element declaration**, an ASN.1 type assignment shall be generated by applying clause 14 to the **element declaration**;
- b) for each top-level **attribute declaration**, an ASN.1 type assignment shall be generated by applying clause 15 to the **attribute declaration**;
- c) for each top-level **simple type definition**, an ASN.1 type assignment shall be generated by applying clause 13 to the **simple type definition**;
- d) for each top-level **complex type definition**, an ASN.1 type assignment shall be generated by applying clause 20 to the **complex type definition**;

- e) for each **model group definition** whose **model group** has a **compositor** of **sequence** or **choice**, an ASN.1 type assignment shall be generated by applying clause 17 to the **model group definition**.

NOTE 1 – The remaining schema components of the source XSD schema will be processed as a result of mapping these schema components.

NOTE 2 – The order in which schema components are to be mapped is specified in 10.4. The order of the items of the list above has no significance for the mapping.

**7.6** Column 1 of Table 1 lists schema components. Column 2 gives the reference to the clause in W3C XML Schema that defines the schema component. Column 3 lists the clause that defines the mapping of those schema components into ASN.1.

**Table 1 – Mapping of XSD schema components**

XSD schema component	W3C XML Schema reference	Mapping defined by
attribute declaration	Part 1, 3.2	Clause 15
element declaration	Part 1, 3.3	Clause 14
complex type definition	Part 1, 3.4	Clause 20
attribute use	Part 1, 3.5	Clause 22
attribute group definition	Part 1, 3.6	<i>not mapped as such</i>
model group definition	Part 1, 3.7	Clause 17
model group	Part 1, 3.8	Clause 18
particle	Part 1, 3.9	Clause 19
wildcard	Part 1, 3.10	Clause 21
identity-constraint definition	Part 1, 3.11	<i>ignored by the mapping</i>
notation declaration	Part 1, 3.12	<i>ignored by the mapping</i>
annotation	Part 1, 3.13	<i>ignored by the mapping</i>
simple type definition	Part 1, 3.14	Clauses 11, 13
schema	Part 1, 3.15	Clause 9
ordered	Part 2, 4.2.2.1	<i>ignored by the mapping</i>
bounded	Part 2, 4.2.3.1	<i>ignored by the mapping</i>
cardinality	Part 2, 4.2.4.1	<i>ignored by the mapping</i>
numeric	Part 2, 4.2.5.1	<i>ignored by the mapping</i>
length	Part 2, 4.3.1.1	Clause 12
minLength	Part 2, 4.3.2.1	Clause 12
maxLength	Part 2, 4.3.3.1	Clause 12
pattern	Part 2, 4.3.4.1	Clause 12
enumeration	Part 2, 4.3.5.1	Clause 12
whiteSpace	Part 2, 4.3.6.1	Clause 12
maxInclusive	Part 2, 4.3.7.1	Clause 12
maxExclusive	Part 2, 4.3.8.1	Clause 12
minExclusive	Part 2, 4.3.9.1	Clause 12
minInclusive	Part 2, 4.3.10.1	Clause 12
totalDigits	Part 2, 4.3.11.1	Clause 12
fractionDigits	Part 2, 4.3.12.1	Clause 12

## 8 Ignored schema components and properties

**8.1** The mapping shall ignore the schema components and properties that are listed in this clause.

**8.2** All **annotations** (see W3C XML Schema Part 1, 3.13) shall be ignored.

NOTE – All attribute information items in a schema document with names qualified with namespaces other than the XSD namespace (see W3C XML Schema Part 1, 3.13.1) are a property of **annotations**, and are ignored.

**8.3** All **identity-constraint definitions** (see W3C XML Schema Part 1, 3.11) shall be ignored.

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NOTE – The **identity-constraint definition** provides mechanisms for specifying referential constraints that can be required in a valid instance. ASN.1 currently has no concept of such constraints, and such constraints cannot be mapped into a formal ASN.1 specification, but they may be included as normative comments that are binding on an application implementation.

- 8.4 All **notation declarations** (see W3C XML Schema Part 1, 3.12) shall be ignored.
- 8.5 All schema components that are the **fundamental facets** (**ordered, bounded, cardinality, numeric**) of **simple type definitions** (see W3C XML Schema Part 2, 4.2) shall be ignored.
- 8.6 The properties **identity-constraint definitions, substitution group exclusions** and **disallowed substitutions** of **element declarations** shall be ignored.
- 8.7 The properties **final, abstract, and prohibited substitutions** of **complex type definitions** shall be ignored.
- 8.8 The property **process contents** of **wildcards** shall be ignored.
- NOTE – There is no support in ASN.1 for any action other than **skip**.
- 8.9 The properties **fundamental facets** and **final** of **simple type definitions** shall be ignored.
- 8.10 All **value constraints** that are present on any **element declarations** or **attribute declarations** whose **type definition** is either **xsd:QName** or a **simple type definition** derived from **xsd:QName** or **xsd:NOTATION** shall be ignored.
- 8.11 All **attribute group definitions** shall be ignored.

NOTE – The **attribute uses** in an **attribute group definition** become part of the **attribute uses** of the **complex type definitions** whose XML representation contains a reference to the **attribute group definition**.

## 9 ASN.1 modules

- 9.1 The mapping of an XSD Schema generates one or more ASN.1 modules (see 7.3).
- 9.2 The ASN.1 "ModuleIdentifier" (see Rec. ITU-T X.680 | ISO/IEC 8824-1, clause 13) to be generated by the mapping is not standardized. Where **IMPORTS** statements are used, the ASN.1 module names and module identifiers in the **IMPORTS** statements shall be those generated for the ASN.1 modules generated by the mapping.
- NOTE – The choice of "ModuleIdentifier" does not affect the encodings in any of the standard encoding rules.
- 9.3 The ASN.1 modules shall have a "TagDefault" of **AUTOMATIC TAGS**.
- 9.4 In each ASN.1 module generated by a Version 1 mapping, there shall be an ASN.1 **IMPORTS** statement importing the ASN.1 type reference names in the module named **XSD {joint-iso-itu-t asn1(1) specification(0) modules(0) xsd-module(2) version1(1)}** specified in Annex A that are referenced in the ASN.1 module.
- 9.5 In each ASN.1 module generated by a Version 2 mapping, there shall be an ASN.1 **IMPORTS** statement importing the ASN.1 type reference names in the module named **XSD {joint-iso-itu-t asn1(1) specification(0) modules(0) xsd-module(2) version2(2)}** specified in Annex B that are referenced in the generated ASN.1 module.
- NOTE – The term "XSD module" in this Recommendation | International Standard refers to the module defined in Annex A (Version 1 mapping) or in Annex B (Version 2 mapping), according to the version of the mapping.
- 9.6 The **IMPORTS** statement shall also import the ASN.1 type reference names of type assignments that have been placed (as a result of the mapping) in other ASN.1 modules but are referenced in this ASN.1 module.
- 9.7 There shall be no **EXPORTS** statement.

NOTE – This means that all ASN.1 type reference names in the ASN.1 module can be imported into other modules.

## 10 Name conversion

### 10.1 General

10.1.1 This Recommendation | International Standard specifies the generation of:

- ASN.1 type reference names corresponding to the **names** of **model group definitions, top-level element declarations, top-level attribute declarations, top-level complex type definitions, and top-level simple type definitions**;
- ASN.1 identifiers corresponding to the **names** of **top-level element declarations, top-level attribute declarations, local element declarations, and local attribute declarations**;

- c) ASN.1 identifiers for the mapping of certain **simple type definitions** with an **enumeration** facet (see 12.4.1 and 12.4.2);
- d) ASN.1 type reference names of special type assignments (see clauses 29, 30, and 31); and
- e) ASN.1 identifiers of certain sequence components introduced by the mapping (see clause 20).

**10.1.2** All of these ASN.1 names are generated by applying 10.3 either to the **name** of the corresponding schema component, or to a member of the **value** of an **enumeration** facet, or to a specified character string, as specified in the relevant clauses of this Recommendation | International Standard.

## 10.2 Generating ASN.1 type definitions that are references to ASN.1 type assignments

**10.2.1** This subclause applies as explicitly invoked by other clauses of this Recommendation | International Standard to generate an ASN.1 type (a "DefinedType") definition that is a reference to an ASN.1 type assignment.

**10.2.2** If a "DefinedType" is to be inserted in an ASN.1 module (M, say) other than the ASN.1 module where the referenced ASN.1 type assignment is being inserted, then the "DefinedType" shall be either a "typereference" or an "ExternalTypeReference" for that type assignment, as an implementation option. Otherwise, it shall be a "typereference" for that type assignment.

NOTE – All ASN.1 "typereference"s created by the mapping are unique for any legal input schema, so a type defined in another ASN.1 module does not need to be an "ExternalTypeReference".

## 10.3 Generating identifiers and type reference names

**10.3.1** This subclause applies as explicitly invoked by other clauses of this Recommendation | International Standard to generate an ASN.1 type reference name or identifier.

**10.3.2** Names of **attribute declarations**, **element declarations**, **model group definitions**, top-level **simple type definitions**, and top-level **complex type definitions** can be identical to ASN.1 reserved words or can contain characters not allowed in ASN.1 identifiers or in ASN.1 type reference names. In addition, there are cases in which ASN.1 names are required to be distinct where the **names** of the corresponding XSD schema components (from which the ASN.1 names are mapped) are allowed to be identical.

**10.3.3** The following transformations shall be applied, in order, to each character string being mapped to an ASN.1 name, where each transformation (except the first) is applied to the result of the previous transformation:

- the characters " " (SPACE), "␣" (FULL STOP), and "␣" (LOW LINE) shall all be replaced by a "-" (HYPHEN-MINUS); and
- any character except "A" to "Z" (LATIN CAPITAL LETTER A to LATIN CAPITAL LETTER Z), "a" to "z" (LATIN SMALL LETTER A to LATIN SMALL LETTER Z), "0" to "9" (DIGIT ZERO to DIGIT NINE), and "-" (HYPHEN-MINUS) shall be removed; and
- a sequence of two or more HYPHEN-MINUS characters shall be replaced with a single HYPHEN-MINUS; and
- HYPHEN-MINUS characters occurring at the beginning or at the end of the name shall be removed; and
- if a character string that is to be used as a type reference name starts with a lower-case letter, the first letter shall be capitalized (converted to upper-case); if it starts with a digit (DIGIT ZERO to DIGIT NINE), it shall be prefixed with an "X" (LATIN CAPITAL LETTER X) character; and
- if a character string that is to be used as an identifier starts with an upper-case letter, the first letter shall be uncapitalized (converted to lower-case); if it starts with a digit (DIGIT ZERO to DIGIT NINE), it shall be prefixed with an "x" (LATIN SMALL LETTER X) character; and
- if a character string that is to be used as a type reference name is empty, it shall be replaced by "X" (LATIN CAPITAL LETTER X); and
- if a character string that is to be used as an identifier is empty, it shall be replaced by "x" (LATIN SMALL LETTER X).

**10.3.4** Depending on the kind of name being generated, one of the three following subclauses applies.

**10.3.4.1** If the name being generated is the type reference name of an ASN.1 type assignment and the character string generated by 10.3.3 is identical to:

- a) the type reference name of another ASN.1 type assignment previously (see 10.4) generated by the mapping (in any ASN.1 module); or
- b) the type reference name of a type assignment in the **XSD** module (see Annex A); or

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- c) one of the reserved words specified in Rec. ITU-T X.680 | ISO/IEC 8824-1, 12.38,

then a suffix shall be appended to the character string generated by 10.3.3. The suffix shall consist of a HYPHEN-MINUS followed by the canonical lexical representation (see W3C XML Schema Part 2, 2.3.1) of an integer. This integer shall be the least positive integer such that the new name is different from the type reference name of any other ASN.1 type assignment previously generated (in any ASN.1 module).

NOTE – As a consequence of this rule, all type reference names defined in an ASN.1 specification generated from a source XSD schema (including the standardized type references defined in the `xsd` module) will be unique within that ASN.1 specification.

This allows maximum flexibility in the way that the generated ASN.1 type assignments are distributed across multiple ASN.1 modules (see 7.3).

**10.3.4.2** If the name being generated is the identifier of a component of a sequence, set, or choice type, and the character string generated by 10.3.3 is identical to the identifier of a previously generated component of the same sequence, set, or choice type, then a suffix shall be appended to the character string generated by 10.3.3. The suffix shall consist of a HYPHEN-MINUS followed by the canonical lexical representation (see W3C XML Schema Part 2, 2.3.1) of an integer. This integer shall be the least positive integer such that the new identifier is different from the identifier of any previously generated component of that sequence, set, or choice type.

**10.3.4.3** If the name being generated is the "identifier" in an "EnumerationItem" of an enumerated type, and the character string generated by 10.3.3 is identical to the "identifier" in another "EnumerationItem" previously generated in the same enumerated type, then a suffix shall be appended to the character string generated by 10.3.3. The suffix shall consist of a HYPHEN-MINUS followed by the canonical lexical representation (see W3C XML Schema Part 2, 2.3.1) of an integer. This integer shall be the least positive integer such that the new identifier is different from the "identifier" in any other "EnumerationItem" already present in that ASN.1 enumerated type.

**10.3.5** For an ASN.1 type reference name (or identifier) that is generated by applying this subclause 10.3 to the **name** of an **element declaration**, **attribute declaration**, top-level **complex type definition** or top-level **simple type definition**, if the type reference name (or identifier) generated is different from the **name**, a final **NAME** encoding instruction shall be assigned to the ASN.1 type assignment with that type reference name (or to the component with that identifier) as specified in the three following subclauses.

**10.3.5.1** If the only difference is the case of the first letter (which is upper case in the type reference name and lower case in the **name**), then the "Keyword" in the **NAME** encoding instruction shall be **UNCAPITALIZED**.

**10.3.5.2** If the only difference is the case of the first letter (which is lower case in the identifier and upper case in the **name**), then the "Keyword" in the **NAME** encoding instruction shall be **CAPITALIZED**.

**10.3.5.3** Otherwise, the "NewName" in the **NAME** encoding instruction shall be the **name**.

EXAMPLE – The top-level **complex type definition**:

```
<xsd:complexType name="COMPONENTS">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Elem" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:element name="elem" type="xsd:integer"/>
    <xsd:element name="Elem-1" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:element name="elem-1" type="xsd:integer"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

is mapped to the ASN.1 type assignment:

```
COMPONENTS-1 ::= [NAME AS "COMPONENTS"] SEQUENCE {
  elem      [NAME AS CAPITALIZED] BOOLEAN,
  elem-1    [NAME AS "elem"] INTEGER,
  elem-1-1  [NAME AS "Elem-1"] BOOLEAN,
  elem-1-2  [NAME AS "elem-1"] INTEGER }
```

**10.3.6** For an ASN.1 type reference name (or identifier) that is generated by applying this subclause 10.3 to the **name** of an **element declaration**, **attribute declaration**, top-level **complex type definition** or user-defined top-level **simple type definition**, if the **target namespace** of the schema component is not **absent**, then a final **NAMESPACE** encoding instruction shall be assigned to the ASN.1 type assignment with that type reference name (or to the named type with that identifier) and shall specify the **target namespace** of the schema component.

**10.3.7** For an ASN.1 identifier that is generated by this subclause 10.3 for the mapping of a **simple type definition** with an **enumeration** facet where the identifier generated is different from the corresponding member of the **value** of the **enumeration** facet, a final **TEXT** encoding instruction shall be assigned to the ASN.1 enumerated type, with qualifying information specifying the "identifier" in the "EnumerationItem" of the enumerated type. One of the two following subclauses applies.



**10.3.7.1** If the only difference is the case of the first letter (which is lower case in the identifier and upper case in the member of the **value** of the **enumeration** facet), then the "Keyword" in the **TEXT** encoding instruction shall be **CAPITALIZED**.

**10.3.7.2** Otherwise, the "NewName" in the **TEXT** encoding instruction shall be the member of the **value** of the **enumeration** facet.

## 10.4 Order of the mapping

**10.4.1** An order is imposed on the top-level schema components of the source XSD Schema on which the mapping is performed. This applies to **model group definitions**, top-level **complex type definitions**, top-level **simple type definitions**, top-level **attribute declarations**, and top-level **element declarations**.

NOTE – Other top-level schema components are not mapped to ASN.1, and XSD built-in types are mapped in a special way.

**10.4.2** The order is specified in the three following subclauses.

**10.4.2.1** Top-level schema components shall first be ordered by their **target namespace**, with the **absent** namespace preceding all namespace names specified in the XSD schema in ascending lexicographical order.

**10.4.2.2** Within each target namespace, top-level schema components shall be divided into four sets ordered as follows:

- a) **element declarations**;
- b) **attribute declarations**;
- c) **complex type definitions** and **simple type definitions**;
- d) **model group definitions**.

**10.4.2.3** Within each set (see 10.4.2.2), schema components shall be ordered by **name** in ascending lexicographical order.

**10.4.3** Two sets of ASN.1 type assignments are generated by the mapping:

- a) one set of ASN.1 type assignments (generated by clauses 13, 14, 15, 17, and 20) correspond directly to top-level schema components, and their type reference names are derived from the name of the schema component with no suffix appended;
- b) another set of ASN.1 type assignments (generated by clauses 29, 30 and 31) correspond to special uses of top-level schema components, and their type reference names are generated from the name of the schema component followed by a suffix and (in some cases) by a post-suffix.

NOTE – For each top-level schema component in the source XSD Schema, at most one ASN.1 type assignment in the set in 10.4.3 (a) can be generated, but multiple ASN.1 type assignments in the set in 10.4.3 (b) can be generated.

**10.4.4** ASN.1 type assignments in the set in 10.4.3 a) shall be generated in the order of the corresponding XSD schema components (see 10.4.1), and shall all be generated before any type assignments in 10.4.3 b) are generated.

**10.4.5** ASN.1 type assignments in 10.4.3 b) shall be generated in the following order:

- a) given two top-level schema components SC1 and SC2, where SC1 precedes SC2 in the order specified in 10.4.1, all the ASN.1 type assignments corresponding to SC1 (if any) shall be generated before any type assignments corresponding to SC2 are generated;
- b) within each set of type assignments corresponding to any given schema component, type assignments shall be generated in an order based on the suffix specified in clauses 29 to 31, as follows:
  - 1) suffix "**-nillable**";
  - 2) suffix "**-nillable-default**";
  - 3) suffix "**-nillable-fixed**";
  - 4) suffix "**-derivations**";
  - 5) suffix "**-deriv-default**";
  - 6) suffix "**-deriv-fixed**";
  - 7) suffix "**-deriv-nillable**";
  - 8) suffix "**-deriv-nillable-default**";
  - 9) suffix "**-deriv-nillable-fixed**";
  - 10) suffix "**-group**";

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- c) for items 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, and 9 of (b), within each set of type assignments corresponding to any given schema component and any given suffix, type assignments shall be generated in ascending lexicographical order of the post-suffix specified in clause 29 (if any).

## 11 Mapping uses of XSD built-in types

**11.1** This clause applies as explicitly invoked by other clauses of this Recommendation | International Standard to generate an ASN.1 type definition corresponding to the use of an XSD built-in type.

NOTE – All XSD built-in types are **simple type definitions** with the exception of `xsd:anyType`, which is a **complex type definition**.

**11.2** A use of an XSD built-in type shall be mapped to an ASN.1 type definition in accordance with Table 2. The table gives the ASN.1 type definition to be used. The notation "XSD.Name" indicates that the ASN.1 type definition shall be the ASN.1 type definition (a "DefinedType") generated by applying 10.2 to the corresponding ASN.1 type assignment present in the XSD {joint-iso-itu-t asn1(1) specification(0) modules(0) xsd-module(2) version1(1)} module (Version 1 mapping – see Annex A) or the XSD {joint-iso-itu-t asn1(1) specification(0) modules(0) xsd-module(2) version2(2)} module (Version 2 mapping – see Annex B).

Table 2 – ASN.1 type definitions corresponding to uses of XSD built-in types

XSD built-in type	ASN.1 type definition	XSD built-in type	ASN.1 type definition
anyURI	XSD.AnyURI	Int	XSD.Int
anySimpleType	XSD.AnySimpleType	Integer	INTEGER
anyType	XSD.AnyType or XSD.AnyType-nillable (see 11.3)	language	XSD.Language
base64Binary	[BASE64] OCTET STRING	long	XSD.Long
boolean	BOOLEAN	Name	XSD.Name
byte	INTEGER (–128..127)	NCName	XSD.NCName
date	XSD.Date	negativeInteger	INTEGER (MIN..–1)
dateTime	XSD.DateTime	NMTOKEN	XSD.NMTOKEN
decimal	XSD.Decimal	NMTOKENS	XSD.NMTOKENS
double	XSD.Double	nonNegativeInteger	INTEGER (0..MAX)
duration	XSD.Duration	nonPositiveInteger	INTEGER (MIN..0)
ENTITIES	XSD.ENTITIES	normalizedString	XSD.NormalizedString
ENTITY	XSD.ENTITY	NOTATION	XSD.NOTATION
float	XSD.Float	positiveInteger	INTEGER (1..MAX)
gDay	XSD.GDay	QName	XSD.QName
gMonth	XSD.GMonth	short	XSD.Short
gMonthDay	XSD.GMonthDay	string	XSD.String
gYear	XSD.GYear	time	XSD.Time
gYearMonth	XSD.GYearMonth	token	XSD.Token
hexBinary	OCTET STRING	unsignedByte	INTEGER (0..255)
ID	XSD.ID	unsignedInt	XSD.UnsignedInt
IDREF	XSD.IDREF	unsignedLong	XSD.UnsignedLong
IDREFS	XSD.IDREFS	unsignedShort	XSD.UnsignedShort

**11.3** A use of `xsd:anyType` as the **type definition** of an **element declaration** that is not **nillable** shall be mapped to `XSD.AnyType`. A use of `xsd:anyType` as the **type definition** of an **element declaration** that is **nillable** shall be mapped to `XSD.AnyType-nillable`.

## 12 Mapping facets

This clause applies as explicitly invoked by other clauses of this Recommendation | International Standard to map a **facet** of a **simple type definition**. A **facet** of a **simple type definition** STD is mapped to an ASN.1 constraint applied to the ASN.1 type definition corresponding to the STD, unless the STD has an **enumeration** facet that is being mapped to an