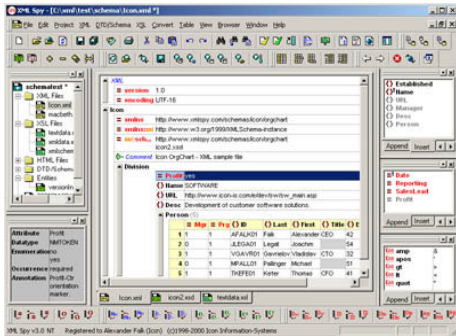


Informal Review of XML / XSL Editors

XML Spy 3.5



XML Spy is a comprehensive set of tools for developer level manipulation of XML documents. It provides a full set of tools for editing and validating XML, XML Schema, and DTD. It also offers the traditional XSL and editing and transformation tools. XML spy seems to be the most thoroughly designed tool on the market.

From the XMLspy.com website

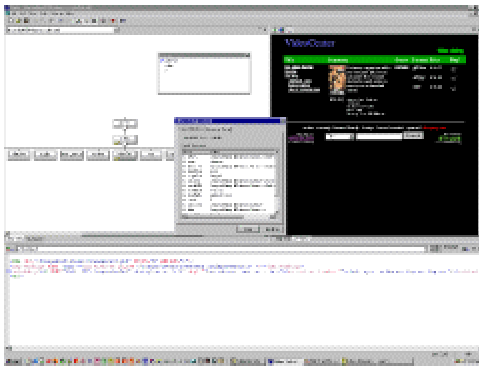
"XML Spy 3.5 offers advanced **repository interfaces** and a scripting environment for building powerful XML solutions tailored to your needs. XML Spy

is now also available as a **B2B server** that enables you to use XML Spy functions from any COM-capable programming language of your choice within your sever applications."

"XML Spy sales have recently passed the **30,000 licenses** mark and the product is now being used at **over 8,000 corporations worldwide**, which makes XML Spy both the biggest and fastest selling XML development environment to date.

XML Spy 3.5 Single-User	\$199
XML Spy 3.5 2-User	\$389
XML Spy 3.5 5 User	\$929
XML Spy 3.5 10 User	\$1,699

EXcelon Stylus Studio



Excelon Stylus Studio is primarily an XSL editing tool. It offers a basic set of XML validating and editing functions. It works with the same metaphors that other XML editor's use, displaying XSL and XML as hierarchical trees. Excelon Stylus was the first visual XSL editor, and provided tools for WYSIWG editing of XSL that would be synonymous with the most basic HTML editors on the market.

The Beta version of this product is a more clear design that offers realistic competition for the industry leader, XML Spy. But, the Beta version will not offer the XSL WYSIWIG editing environment.

According to the developer, the focus of the new Stylus Studio will be to accommodate the needs of XSL professional developers, not beginners.

From the Stylus Studio Website:

"EXcelon Stylus is the first integrated environment for creating, managing and maintaining XSL stylesheets. With Stylus, you can quickly and easily create stylesheets that let you fully leverage all of your corporate information. Stylus speeds initial development with its built-in knowledge of XSL commands, and eases maintenance through its intuitive one-click debugging techniques."

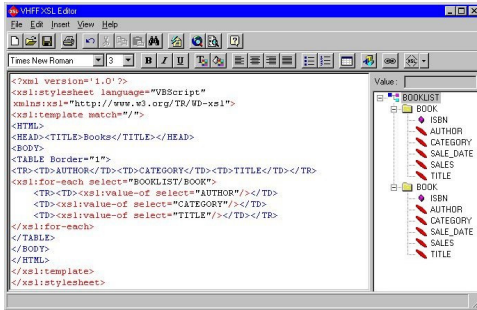
From the Stylus Studio Beta Website:

"Stylus Studio includes all of the components you need to develop your XML-based solutions. Stylus Studio was designed to be the most scalable, flexible, and useful suite of XML tools on the market. Capable of handling XML source files tens of megabytes in size, no other

XML tool can match Stylus Studio in supporting the most demanding XML application development”

- Stylus Studio \$199
- Stylus Studio *Free through "Beta Program"*

VHFF XSL Editor



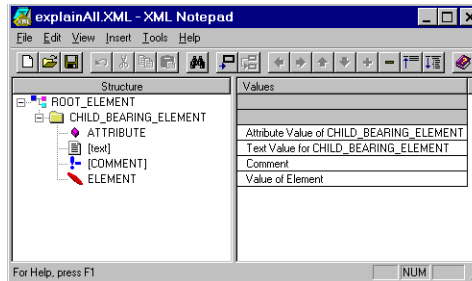
VHFF XSL editor is a poorly developed XSL editor that offers less use than products our developers could create in a day. Any further discussion of this product would be useless.

Price: £60.00

XML Notepad

XML notepad is one of earliest products for XML uses. It is a XML editing tool. It provides only the validating and authoring tools. XML a solid tool for very basic authoring.

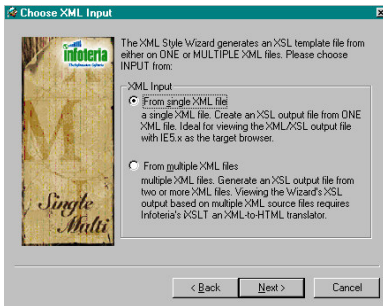
Price: Free from



Microsoft's very basic most simple notepad is

MSDN

Infoteria's XSL Suite



Infoteria's **XSL Style wizard** and **XSLT invoker** are useful, if not robust automatic XSL authoring and transformation tools. XSL style wizard does not support X-path but succeeds in making usable templates. XSLT invoker is a simple application for transforming individual XML documents against and XSL template.

OTHERS...

Ultra XML is a primarily a DTD building tool, with active XSL

support.

Seeberger XSL Styler is barely a programming tool.

Xmetal by SoftQuad, is . . .