

Web Interface Plug-In

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Before You Start

The Web Interface Plug-In is an optional plug-in unit for Natural Studio. Therefore, before any action can be taken, the Web Interface Plug-In must be activated in your Plug-In Manager. For detailed information on the activation procedure, see the section Plug-In Manager.

Web Interface Plug-In Interface

Once the Web Interface Plug-In is activated, your Natural Studio interface will be changed in the following way:

- the Tools menu will display the relevant Web Interface Plug-In commands,
- a toolbar will be available for the commands most frequently used.

The commands available depend on your working context.

Invoking Web Interface Plug-In Commands

▶ To invoke Program Generation commands from the main menu

- From the main menu, choose **Tools > Development Tools >  Web Interface Program Generation...**

The available commands are described in detail in the section Program Generation.

▶ To invoke Class Generation commands from the main menu

- From the main menu, choose **Tools > Development Tools >  Web Interface Class Generation...**

The available commands are described in detail in the section Class Generation.

▶ To invoke Test Utility commands from the main menu

- From the main menu, choose **Tools > Development Tools >  Web Interface Test Utility...**

The available commands are described in detail in the section Online Test Utility.

▶ **To invoke Web Interface options from the main menu**

- From the main menu, choose **Tools > Development Tools >  Web Interface Options...**

The available commands are described in detail in the section Options.

▶ **To invoke Web Interface Plug-In commands, use the following toolbar buttons**

1. For the Generation Wizards:



Selects the HTML page that should be used for the generation process.



Starts the external editor for the selected HTML file.

Or:

For the Test Utility:



Starts the editor.

It is disabled as long as you have not executed the program and if you have not changed the subprogram library or name.

You can choose the editor within the Options dialog.



Starts the browser..

It is disabled as long as you have not executed the program and if you have not changed the subprogram library or name.

You can choose the browser in the Options dialog.

Web Interface Plug-In Functions

Program Generation

Note:

The Program Generation Wizard is not applicable to mainframe systems.

This section describes the use of the Program Generation Wizard, a plug-in that enables you to generate basic web Interface programs and programs that use HTML templates with the Natural Web Interface.

The basic generation can be used to generate necessary parts for a subprogram called from the internet with the web interface. Then your specific coding can be added.

The template generation works with ready designed HTML pages. These HTML pages will be loaded from the resource directory. Then specific parts can be replaced with your individual parts. The program generator reads these HTML pages, searches for the parts to be replaced (marked with special characters) and then generates an external subroutine that can be used equal to output only maps.

This section covers the following topics:

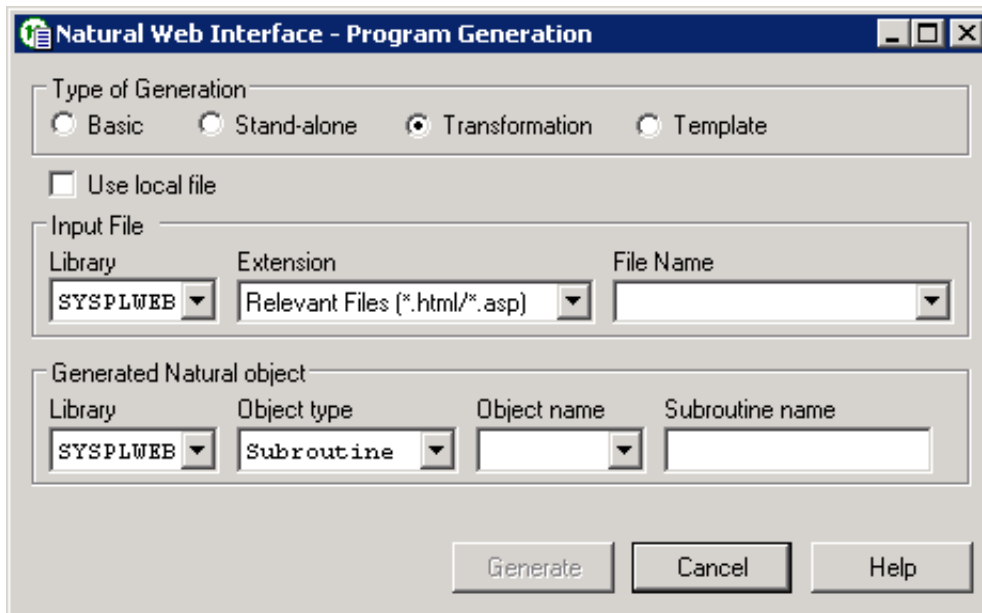
- Using the Conversion Program
- Inserting Replacement Strings
- Options
- View
- Class Generation
- Online Test Utility

Using the Conversion Program

If your basic web pages are designed with editing tools, it takes some effort to include such a page in a Natural subprogram that can be called from the web.

The Web Wizard is a dialog that uses an HTML page as input and generates a Natural subprogram, which can be called by the Natural Web Server Extensions using the Natural Web Interface, or a subroutine which can be called to generate the output.

With the basic generation of the Web Wizard, a standalone Natural subprogram that can be called by the Natural Web Server Extensions using the Natural Web Interface can be produced.



Generating a Basic Subprogram to be Called Directly from the Web

▶ To generate a subprogram/subroutine to be called directly from the Web:

1. Select Type of generation: Basic.
2. Select your Generated Natural object.

3. Start the generation.
4. If you generated this subprogram the first time and you want to call the generated subprogram via DCOM, regenerate the DCOM class (see: Class Generation).
5. After the generation, this page can be called from the internet, but because this page does not set any data, the page will be empty.

Example of a basic generation

Generated Natural subprogram, to be called directly from the internet:

```

0010 * ----- GENERATED BY NATURAL WEB INTERFACE
* Library .....: SYSPLWEB
* Source Name .: BASIC
* -----
DEFINE DATA
PARAMETER USING W3PARM
LOCAL USING W3CONST
* ----- PRIVATE VARIABLES -----
* LOCAL
* 1 W3VALUE          (A250)
END-DEFINE
* ----- ERROR HANDLER -----
ON ERROR
PERFORM W3ERROR ##W3ERROR
PERFORM W3END ##RPC
ESCAPE ROUTINE
END-ERROR
* ----- INITIALISE HTTP API -----
PERFORM W3INIT ##RPC
* --- READ ENVIRONMENT ---
* PERFORM W3READ-ENVIRONMENT-DYNAMIC 'varname' ' ' W3VALUE
* set default value
* IF *length(W3VALUE) = 0 THEN
*   W3VALUE := ??
* END-IF
* ----- HEADER FOR SERVER -----
* PERFORM W3CONTENT-TYPE 'text/html'
*
*
* Add your individual coding using W3* subroutines or
* call your own subroutines.
*
* ----- END HTTP -----
PERFORM W3END ##RPC
* ----- END MAIN PROGRAM -----
*
END

```

Generating a Standalone Subprogram to be Called Directly from the Web

 To generate a subprogram to be called directly from the Web:

1. Select Type of generation: Standalone.

2. Select your Generated Natural object.
3. Start the generation.
4. If you generated this subprogram for the first time and you want to call the generated subprogram via DCOM, regenerate the DCOM class (see: Class Generation).
5. After the generation, you can call the Natural Web Interface to show the page.

Example of a standalone generation

Generated Natural subprogram, to be called directly from the internet:

```
* ----- GENERATED BY NATURAL WEB INTERFACE
* Library .....: SYSPLWEB
* Source Name .: ALONE
* -----
DEFINE DATA
PARAMETER USING W3PARM
LOCAL USING W3CONST
* ----- PRIVATE VARIABLES -----
LOCAL
1 W3VALUE          (A250)
END-DEFINE
* ----- ERROR HANDLER -----
ON ERROR
PERFORM W3ERROR ##W3ERROR
PERFORM W3END ##RPC
  ESCAPE ROUTINE
END-ERROR
* ----- INITIALISE HTTP API -----
PERFORM W3INIT ##RPC
* ----- HEADER FOR SERVER -----
PERFORM W3CONTENT-TYPE 'text/html'
*
* --- READ ENVIRONMENT ---
* PERFORM W3READ-ENVIRONMENT-DYNAMIC 'varname' ' ' W3VALUE
* set default value
* IF *length(W3VALUE) = 0 THEN
*   W3VALUE := ??
* END-IF
* --- WRITE THE HEAD OF THE DOCUMENT ---
PERFORM W3TEXT "<!DOCTYPE 'HTML PUBLIC-//W3C//DTD HTML 3.2//EN'>"-
'<html>' -
'<head>' -
"<meta http-equiv='Content-Type' content='"-
"text/html; charset=iso-8859-1'>"-
'<title>SYSPLWEB/TEST</title>' -
'</head>'
* --- WRITE THE BODY OF THE DOCUMENT ---
PERFORM W3TEXT '<body>' -
'<h2>SYSPLWEB/TEST</h2>' -
'<hr>'
*
PERFORM W3TEXT '<p>This is your output</p>'
*
COMPRESS '<hr>generated:' *DATE *TIME INTO W3VALUE
PERFORM W3TEXT W3VALUE
* --- END THE BODY OF THE DOCUMENT ---
PERFORM W3TEXT '</body>' -
'</html>'
```

```

*
* ----- END HTTP -----
PERFORM W3END ##RPC
* ----- END MAIN PROGRAM -----
*
END

```

Generating a Subprogram/Subroutine using Natural Tags

► **To generate a subprogram/subroutine to be called directly from the Web:**

1. Select Type of generation: Transformation.
2. Select your input file of type HTML.
3. You can view your selected HTML page with an editor/browser.
4. Choose the Natural library you want to generate to.
5. Select the object type you want to generate.
6. Select your Generated Natural object.
7. Start the generation.
8. If you generated this subprogram for the first time and you want to call the generated subprogram via DCOM, regenerate the DCOM class (see: Class Generation).
9. After the generation, you can call the Natural Web Interface to show the page.

Inserting a Natural Tag

It is possible to specify Natural coding directly in the HTML page. After generation, the program needs no additional changes.

The HTML2NAT dialog can recognize a <NATURAL> tag. All lines between <NATURAL> and </NATURAL> will be copied, as they are, to the generated Natural source object.

Appearance

<NATURAL> </NATURAL>

Below is information on:

- Attributes DATA, LDA, GDA, SUB, NOT
- Comment Tag
- ASP-like Script Commands
- Additional Script Directives

- Example of a Simple Generation
- Example of a Simple Generation with a Natural Tag

Attributes DATA, LDA, GDA, SUB, NOT

Listed below are attributes provided to define coding sections that are to be moved within the program or excluded from the program.

Attribute	Explanation
DATA	<NATURAL DATA> or <NATURAL LDA> moves the defined section to the DEFINE DATA LOCAL part of your program.
LDA	
GDA	<NATURAL GDA> moves the defined section to the DEFINE DATA GLOBAL part of your program.
SUB	<NATURAL SUB> moves the defined section to the end of the program. This enables you to specify inline subroutines.
NOT	<NATURAL NOT> excludes the defined section from the program. This enables you to specify the design of part of a page that will be generated by a program.

Comment Tag

Use the comment tag `<!-- -->` to hide the display of defined sections of your coding. If you use the comment tag and `<NATURAL NOT>`, you can display the predefined page with a normal browser. This helps you to specify your page and replace parts of the page dynamically.

ASP-like Script Commands

Not only `<NATURAL>` and `</NATURAL>` can be used, but also ASP-like (Active Server Pages) script commands which are differentiated from the text by using the `<%` and `%>` delimiters.

Additional Script Directives

The following Natural-specific directives must be used when writing a Natural subprogram:

Output directive: `<%= . . . %>`

Short form for `<% PERFORM W3HTML . . . %>` tag

Subprogram directive: `<%SUB . . . %>`

equal to the `<NATURAL SUB> . . . </NATURAL>` tag

Global Data Area directive: `<%GDA . . . %>`

equal to the `<NATURAL GDA> . . . </NATURAL>` tag

directive: `<%LDA . . . %>`

equal to the <NATURAL LDA> ... </NATURAL> tag

Not directive: <%NOT ... %>

equal to the <NATURAL NOT> ... </NATURAL> tag

Processing directive <%@ LANGUAGE=NATURAL %>

indicates that the used language is Natural.

Example 1 of a Simple Generation

HTML document:

```
<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>
Example1 genNat
</TITLE></HEAD><BODY><H2>
Example1 genNat
</H2><HR>
<P>This is for your output
</BODY></HTML>
```

Generated Natural subprogram:

```
* ----- GENERATED BY NATURAL WEB INTERFACE
* File .....:
  E:\SAG\Natural\6.2\Fnat\SYSWEB\RES\example1.html
* Library .....: SYSWEB
* Source Name ...: EXAMPLE1
* Crunch Lines...: 1
* Save Source....: 1
* Line Length....: 128
* Long Constants.: 1
* -----
DEFINE DATA
PARAMETER USING W3PARAM
LOCAL USING W3CONST
LOCAL
* ----- PRIVATE VARIABLES -----
1 W3VALUE (A250)
END-DEFINE
*
* ----- ERROR HANDLER -----
ON ERROR
  PERFORM W3ERROR ##W3ERROR
  PERFORM W3END ##RPC
  ESCAPE ROUTINE
END-ERROR
* ----- INITIALIZE HTTP API -----
PERFORM W3INIT ##RPC
* ----- HEADER FOR SERVER -----
PERFORM W3CONTENT-TYPE 'text/html'
*
* ----- MAIN PROGRAM -----
PERFORM
  W3TEXTLINE '<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE 'Example genNat'
PERFORM
  W3TEXTLINE '</TITLE></HEAD><BODY><H2>'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE 'Example genNat'
```



```

PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '</H2><HR>'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '<P>This is for your output'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '</BODY></HTML> '
* ----- END HTTP API -----
PERFORM W3END ##RPC
* ----- END MAIN PROGRAM -----
*
*
* ----- SUBROUTINES -----
END

```

Example 2 of a Simple Generation with a Natural Tag

HTML document:

```

<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>
Example2 genNat
</TITLE></HEAD><BODY><H2>
Example2 genNat
</H2><HR>
<P>This is for your output
<HR>
<P>generated at:
<NATURAL NOT>
Time/Date
</NATURAL>
<NATURAL><!--
  PERFORM DOTIME
--></NATURAL>
<NATURAL SUB><!--
DEFINE SUBROUTINE DOTIME
  COMPRESS *TIME *DATE INTO #VALUE
  PERFORM W3TEXTLINE #VALUE
END-SUBROUTINE
--></NATURAL>
<NATURAL DATA><!--
1 #VALUE (A30)
--></NATURAL>
</BODY></HTML>

```

Generated Natural subprogram:

```

* ----- GENERATED BY NATURAL WEB INTERFACE
* File .....: E:\SAG\Natural\6.2\Fnat\SYSWEB\RES\example2.html
* Library .....: SYSWEB
* Source Name ...: EXAMPLE2
* Crunch Lines...: 1
* Save Source....: 1
* Line Length....: 128
* Long Constants.: 1
* -----
DEFINE DATA
PARAMETER USING W3PARM
LOCAL USING W3CONST
1 #VALUE (A30)
* ----- PRIVATE VARIABLES -----
1 W3VALUE (A250)
END-DEFINE
*
* ----- ERROR HANDLER -----
ON ERROR
  PERFORM W3ERROR ##W3ERROR

```

```


PERFORM W3END ##RPC
ESCAPE ROUTINE
END-ERROR
* ----- INITIALIZE HTTP API -----
PERFORM W3INIT ##RPC
* ----- HEADER FOR SERVER -----
PERFORM W3CONTENT-TYPE 'text/html'
*
* ----- MAIN PROGRAM -----
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE 'Example2 genNat'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '</TITLE></HEAD><BODY><H2>'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE 'Example2 genNat'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '</H2><HR>'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '<P>This is for your output'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '<HR>'
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '<P>generated at:'
  PERFORM DOTIME
PERFORM W3TEXTLINE '</BODY></HTML>'
* ----- END HTTP API -----
PERFORM W3END ##RPC
* ----- END MAIN PROGRAM -----
*
*
* ----- SUBROUTINES -----
DEFINE SUBROUTINE DOTIME
  COMPRESS *TIME *DATE INTO #VALUE
  PERFORM W3TEXTLINE #VALUE
END-SUBROUTINE
END

```

Note:

The syntax of the Natural program will not be checked during conversion.

Generating a Subprogram/Subroutine using a Template that is Called Directly from the Web

 **To generate a subprogram/subroutine using a template that is called directly from the Web:**

1. Select type of generation: Template.
2. Select your input file of type HTML.
3. You can view your selected HTML page with an editor/browser.
4. Select the object type you want to generate.
5. Select your Generated Natural object.
6. Start the generation.
7. If you generated this subprogram the first time and you want to call the generated subprogram via DCOM, regenerate the DCOM class (see: Class Generation).
8. After generation, you can call the Natural Web Interface to show the page.

Inserting Replacement Strings

It is necessary to specify the replacement strings directly in the HTML page. The replacement strings have to start and end with an specific character, e.g. \$ (see Options). The name (content) of a string has to comply with the Natural rules for variable names. If not, subroutines may not stow.

If the name of the replacement string is prefixed with "HTML", unsaved characters as "<" or ">" will be replaced during replacement at runtime.

The following prefixes for automatic conversion at runtime are implemented:

- HTML
- URL
- XML

For more information, see the documentation of the subroutine W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT.

Example of Template Generation

HTML document:

```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
  <TITLE>Template Processing</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
<H2>
  Template Processing
</H2>
<P>
  <HR>
<TABLE BORDER="0">
<TR><TD>Log-Time:</TD><TD>$log$<TD></TR>
<TR><TD>HTTps Extension:</TD><TD>$html-ext$<TD></TR>
<TR><TD>Web Interface:</TD><TD>$html-ver$<TD></TR>
</TABLE>
<P>
<TABLE BORDER='0' WIDTH='100%' CELLSPACING='0' CELLPADDING=5>
  <TR BGCOLOR='#00cc66'>
    <TD>$prog$ - $log$</TD>
    <TD ALIGN='RIGHT'>Natural</TD>
  </TR>
</TABLE>
</BODY></HTML>
```

Generated Natural subroutine, that has to be called from a subprogram that is called from the internet:

```
* ----- GENERATED BY NATURAL WEB INTERFACE
* File .....: E:\SAG\Natural\6.2\Fnat\SYSWEB\RES\templ.html
* Library .....: SYSWEB
* Source Name .: TEMPL
* Delimiter ...: $
* -----
DEFINE DATA PARAMETER
1 log (A) DYNAMIC BY VALUE
1 html-ext (A) DYNAMIC BY VALUE
1 html-ver (A) DYNAMIC BY VALUE
```

```

1 prog                                (A) DYNAMIC BY VALUE
END-DEFINE
*
*
DEFINE SUBROUTINE e3templm
*
* ----- HEADER FOR SERVER -----
PERFORM W3CLEAR
PERFORM W3CONTENT-TYPE 'text/html'
* ----- MAIN PROGRAM -----
* --- LOAD THE HTML TEMPLATE ---
PERFORM W3LOAD-RESOURCE ' ' 'e3templ.html'
*
* --- REPLACE PLACEHOLDER ---
PERFORM W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT ' ' '$log$' log
PERFORM W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT 'HTML' '$ext$' ext
PERFORM W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT 'HTML' '$ver$' ver
PERFORM W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT ' ' '$prog$' prog
* ----- END MAIN PROGRAM -----
*
END-SUBROUTINE
*
END

```

Generated Natural subprogram, to be called directly from the internet:

```

* ----- GENERATED BY NATURAL WEB INTERFACE
* File .....: E:\SAG\Natural\6.2\Fnat\SYSWEB\RES\templ.html
* Library .....: SYSWEB
* Source Name .: TEMPL
* Delimiter ...: $
* -----
DEFINE DATA
PARAMETER USING W3PARAM
LOCAL USING W3CONST
LOCAL
* ----- PRIVATE VARIABLES -----
1 W3VALUE          (A250)
END-DEFINE
*
* ----- ERROR HANDLER -----
ON ERROR
  PERFORM W3ERROR ##W3ERROR
  PERFORM W3END ##RPC
  ESCAPE ROUTINE
END-ERROR
* ----- INITIALISE HTTP API -----
PERFORM W3INIT ##RPC
* ----- HEADER FOR SERVER -----
PERFORM W3CONTENT-TYPE 'text/html'
*
* ----- MAIN PROGRAM -----
* --- LOAD THE HTML TEMPLATE ---
PERFORM W3LOAD-RESOURCE 'SYSWEB' 'e3templ.html'
*
* --- REPLACE PLACEHOLDER ---
PERFORM W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT ' ' '$log$' 'replace-string-1'
PERFORM W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT 'HTML' '$ext$' 'replace-string-2'
PERFORM W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT 'HTML' '$ver$' 'replace-string-3'
PERFORM W3REPLACE-AT-OUTPUT ' ' '$prog$' 'replace-string-4'
* ----- END HTTP -----

```

```
PERFORM W3END ##RPC
* ----- END MAIN PROGRAM -----
*
END
```

Options

Natural Web Interface - Options - User: HNO

Generation View

HTML File

- Delete unnecessary white space
- Save <NATURAL NOT> ... </NATURAL> at source

Generated Source

- Store after generation
- Use long text constants

Natural line length:

Templates

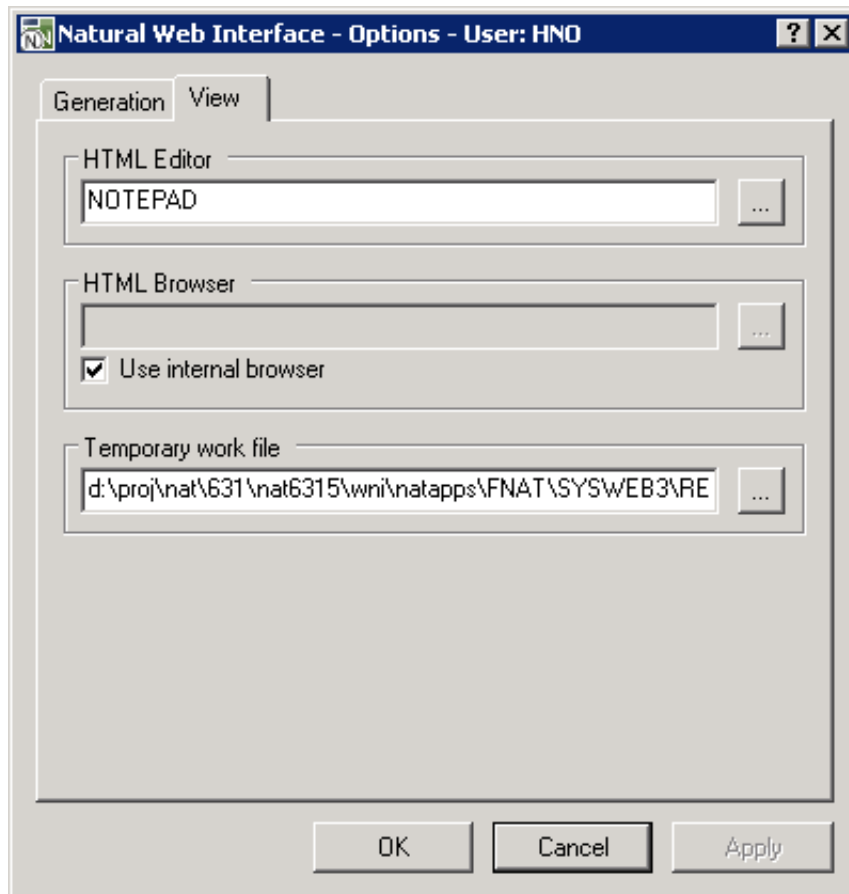
Delimiter:

OK Cancel Apply

Input/Output Fields

Field	Explanation
Delete unnecessary white space	<p>If checked, multiple white-space characters such as blank, new line, tab, will be reduced to a single white space. For special HTML tags such as <PRE> <TEXTAREA> or <SCRIPT>, the white space will not be collapsed.</p> <p>Default value: unchecked</p>
Save <NATURAL NOT> . . . <NATURAL> at source	<p>If checked, the content of <NATURAL NOT> tags will not usually be generated into the Natural source. This option generates the content of <NATURAL NOT> as comment into the Natural source.</p> <p>Default value: unchecked</p>
Stow after generation	<p>If checked, the generated program will be stowed if the generation has been successful.</p> <p>Default value: checked</p>
Use long text constants	<p>Generate text constants longer than 253 characters for better performance.</p> <p>Default value: checked</p>
Natural line length	<p>The length of the generated Natural source lines: the minimum value is 20, the maximum 246.</p> <p>Default value: platform dependant</p>
Delimiter	<p>Delimiter string for replacement strings.</p> <p>Default value: \$</p>

View



Below is information on:

- Input/Output Fields
- Buttons

Input/Output Fields

Field	Explanation
HTML Editor	The external program that is used to edit the source of the HTML page. Default Value: NOTEPAD
HTML Browser	The external program that is used to display the HTML page. Default: Microsoft Web browser ActiveX Control
Use internal browser	The external program that is used to display the HTML page. To select your own browser, uncheck this box. Default value: checked
Temporary work file	The default output file to be used for displaying data in the HTML-browser. Default value: C:\Temp\web-out

Buttons

OK	Leaves the dialog and saves the changes.
Cancel	Leaves the dialog without saving your changes.
Apply	Saves the current input.

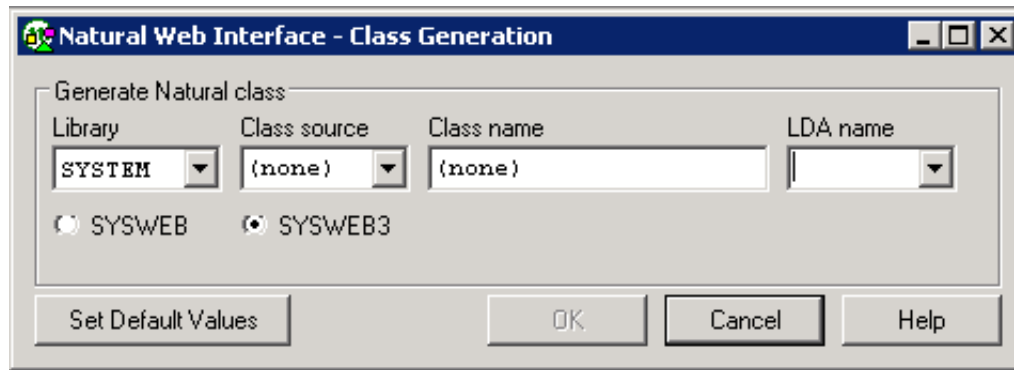
Class Generation

If the Natural Web Interface subprograms should be called using DCOM instead of RPC, a DCOM class is needed. This class contains as methods all relevant Natural subprograms for the Natural Web Interface.

The program HTML to Natural automatically generates the specified class. To stow the generated class, a Local Data Area (LDA) is needed to specify the Global Unique IDs (GUIDs) of the DCOM objects. The name of the LDA starts with L followed by the first seven characters of the Library.

Below is information on:

- Input/Output Fields
- Radio Buttons
- Buttons
- Example for Library SYSWEB
- Example for Library SYSWEB3



Input/Output Fields

Field	Explanation
Library	The name of the library to be scanned.
Class source	The name of the class source. We recommend that the name you choose for Class source is identical to the name of the library.
Class name	The name of the class that can be called later from the Internet. We recommend that the name you choose for Class name is identical to the name of the library for which the class is generated.
LDA name	The name of the LDA containing the GUIDs for the class ID and the Natural Web Interface ID. For the naming conventions that apply, see Example for Library SYSWEB below.

Radio Buttons

Radio Button	Explanation
SYSWEB	Choose this option if you want to generate a class to be used with library SYSWEB.
SYSWEB3	Choose this option if you want to generate a class to be used with library SYSWEB3.

Buttons

Button	Explanation
OK	Generates the class and leaves the dialog.
Cancel	Leaves the dialog without generation.
Set Default Values	This button is enabled if no relevant class is found for the library. The defaults for Class source and Class name are given. The required LDA has to be generated in advance.

Example for Library SYSWEB

The LDA name is LSYSWEB. Name the first GUID CLSID- followed by the library name and the second GUID IID-NATWEB.

		T	Comment				
			*** Top of Data Area ***				
X	U	1	CLSID- SYSWEB		A	36	
X	U	1	IID-NATWEB		A	36	
			*** End of Data Area ***				

**Warning:**

Do not copy and rename or move an LDA in order to get new GUIDs for your classes. If an LDA is copied and renamed or moved, the preset GUID is not changed. This may cause major problems

Example for Library SYSWEB3

The LDA name is LSYSWEB3. Name the first GUID CLSID- followed by the library name and the second GUID IID-NATWEB3.

		T	Comment				
			*** Top of Data Area ***				
X	U	1	CLSID- SYSWEB3		A	36	
X	U	1	IID-NATWEB3		A	36	
			*** End of Data Area ***				

**Warning:**

Do not copy and rename or move an LDA in order to get new GUIDs for your classes. If an LDA is copied and renamed or moved, the preset GUID is not changed. This may cause major problems

Online Test Utility

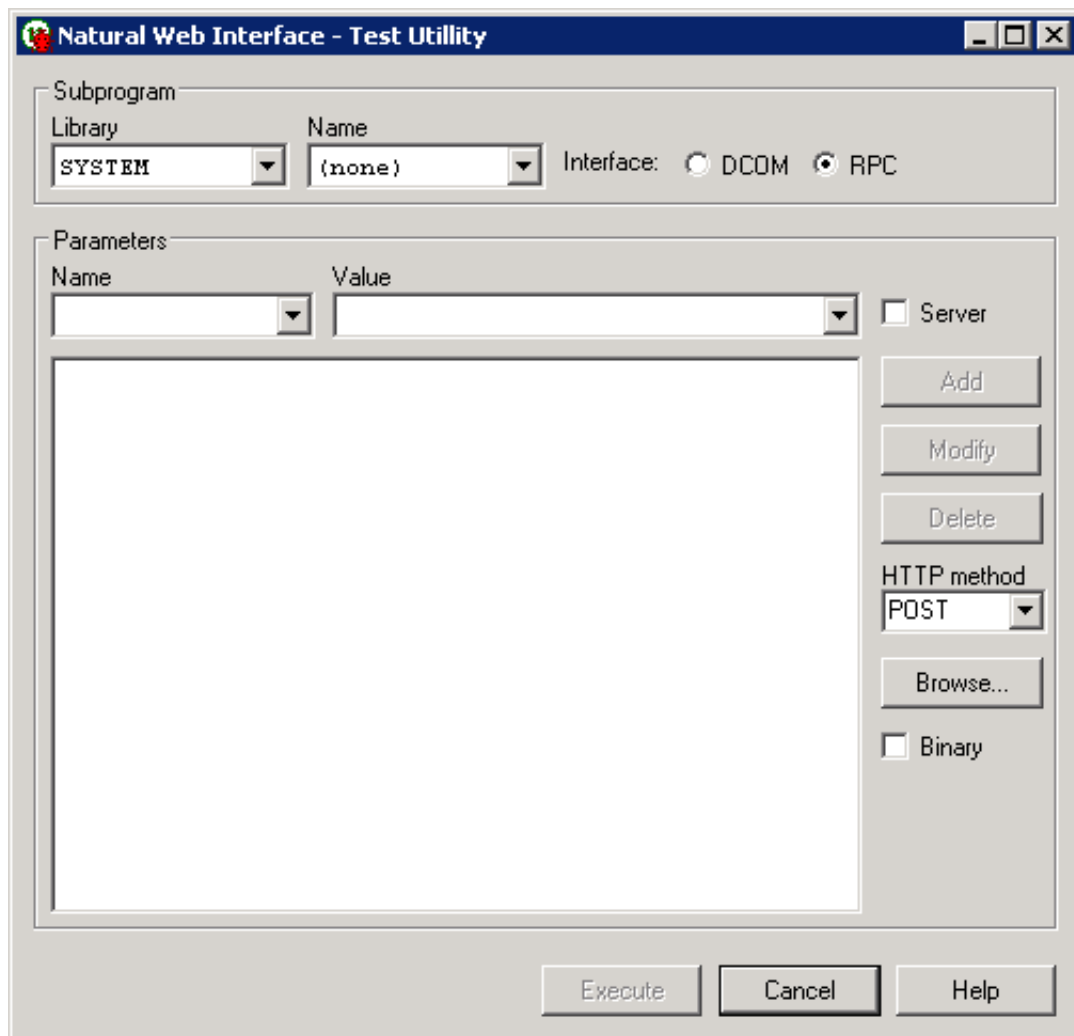
This test utility is a component of the Natural Web Interface. You can check your subprogram locally without involving an HTTP server. The transfer parameters for your web page are transferred into the test utility and are posted directly to the business logic.

As communication platform, you can choose either RPC or DCOM as in real remote communications. The result is either the web page expected or an error message. The web page can be viewed with the browser or a viewer of your choice. If you receive an error message, you can easily debug your business logic locally without writing an extra test routine. No remote debugging is necessary.

Features:

- Local application checking.
- No need for remote debugging.

- Simplified error checking.
- Comfortable operation by user friendly interface.
- No need to write an extra test routine.



Below is information on:

- Prerequisites
- Running the Application
- Supported Content Types
- Input/Output Fields
- Buttons:

Prerequisites

- Web browser which supports different content types, for example, Microsoft Internet Explorer Version 5.0 or higher.

- Any available text editor.

Running the Application

▶ To define path adjustments

1. Start the main dialog.
2. Select a browser and viewer of your choice via **Tools > Development Tools > Web Interface Options...**
3. Set the browser, viewer and work file path.
4. Press the OK button.

▶ To start the application

1. Start the dialog WEB-ONL for SYSWEB or WEB-ONL3 for SYSWEB3.
2. Select a library and subprogram name.
3. Optional: add parameters.
4. Choose RPC or DCOM.
5. Press the Execute button.
6. View the result by pressing either the Result... or the Browse button.

Supported Content Types

The following Content Types are supported by the Test Utility:

Content Type	Extension
"application/rtf"	"rtf"
"application/powerpoint"	"ppt"
"application/msword"	"doc"
"application/excel"	"xls"
"text/html"	"htm"
"text/plain"	"txt"
"text/xml"	"xml"
"text/richtext"	"rtf"




If you need further Content Types, change the subroutine HTML2CONTENT-TYPE (SYSWEB/W3CO2EXT or SYSWEB3/W3CO2EXT) and extend the translation table to suit your own needs.

Input/Output Fields

Field	Explanation
Subprogram: Library Name	Enables you to specify the library and the name of the required subprogram. The available libraries and subprograms are automatically taken from the library workspace and listed in selection boxes.
Interface	Can be selected with either DCOM or RPC as communication form. For DCOM, you have to register your classes first. Default: RPC
Parameters: Name Value Server	<p>Here you can enter the name-value-pairs needed from the subprogram. To take them over into the parameter list, press the Add button. To modify the entries, use the Modify button. You do not have to substitute &, =, %; this will be done by the WEB-ONL program. If you use server parameters, check the Server toggle button before you add the parameter to the parameter list.</p> <p>In the parameter list, all name-value-pairs are displayed. &, =, % are substituted. To delete a pair, select the item and press the Delete button. Every selected item will be inserted into the Name and Value fields. If you wish to modify a pair, select the item, change it in the Name and Value fields and press the Modify button.</p> <p>Server: If any of the name-value-pairs are server variables, you need to check this toggle button. Note that any status will last until you change it again.</p>

Field	Explanation
HTTP Method	<p>In this drop-down list you can select the HTTP request/submit method to be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HEAD Identical to a GET request, but without the response body. This is useful for retrieving meta-information written in response headers, without having to transport the entire content. ● GET Requests a representation of the specified resource. ● POST Submits data from the identified resource. The data is included in the body of the request. You can use this method to submit data with a different content type, for example XML files or binary data (such as graphics). If you specify this method an additional Browse... button and the Binary checkbox are available on the screen. Use the Browse... button to choose a file and the Binary checkbox, if you want to submit binary data. If you specify this method without an input file, the default mime type "application/x-www-form-urlencoded" is set. If you use an input file, the content type of that file will be used, for example with an XML file, the content type will automatically be set to "text/xml". You can specify a different mime type in the input field manually. Note: A mime type which has been set manually will always override the default mime type. ● PUT Uploads a representation of the specified resource. You can use this method to submit data with a different content type, for example XML files or binary data (such as graphics). If you specify this method, an additional Browse... button and the Binary checkbox are available on the screen. Use the Browse... button to choose a file and the Binary checkbox, if you want to submit binary data.

Buttons:

-  Runs the process of receiving the output from the requested subprogram. The status of the process can be seen in the status bar at the bottom of the WEB-ONL or WEB-ONL3 dialog window.
-  Starts the editor. It is disabled as long as you have not executed the program and if you have not changed the subprogram library or name. You can choose the editor with the Options dialog.
-  Starts the browser chosen with the Options dialog. It is disabled as long as you have not executed the program.