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Chapter 1

Introduction

SmartSVN is a graphical Subversion (SVN) client. Its target audience are users who need to manage a number of related files in a directory structure, to control access in a multi-user environment and to track changes to the files and directories. Typical areas of application are software projects, documentation projects and website projects.

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Chapter 2

Project Window

The Project Window is the central place when working with SmartSVN. In the center of the window, the main **Directories** and **Files** view show the SVN file system of your currently opened project (working copy). Various SVN commands on these directories and files are provided by the menu bar and the toolbar.

2.1 User Interface

In the bottom left area of the Project Window the **Output** view shows logged output from executed SVN commands. Depending on the command, there can be several SVN operations available for the logged files and directories.

In the bottom right the **Transactions** view (Section 5.2) collects and displays log information from the repository. The **Changes** view (Section 2.6) shows the local modifications of the currently selected file.

Always exactly one of the four views is “active” which is displayed by its highlighted title. We will also refer to the active view as the view which “has the focus”. Menu bar actions (as well as toolbar buttons) are always referring to the currently active view.

At the very bottom of the Project Window the status bar displays various kinds of information. The first and largest section contains information on the currently selected menu item, operation progress or the repository URL of the currently selected file/directory. The second section displays information on your current selection from the **Directories** or the **Files** frame, or no information if neither of these views is active. The third section displays information on the Refresh state (see 2.4.5) of the project and the fourth section is used for progress display during the execution of SVN operations. It may either show a percentual progress of the operation completion or the total amount of sent and received bytes during this operation.

2.2 Perspectives

The layout of the Project Window can be arranged with the mouse by dragging the splitters between the various views. By dragging their titles, they can be undocked from

one position and docked to another position. Views provide toolbar buttons to maximize, minimize and auto-hide them.

A complete layout configuration is called a *Perspective*. There are two perspectives available: the **Main Perspective** and the **Review Perspective**. The **Main Perspective** is primarily intended for giving you an overview of your project and repository state (Transactions). The **Review Perspective** is intended to in more detail review file content changes, e.g. before committing them. Both perspectives can be re-configured to your needs and you may switch between them in the **Window** menu. Use **Reset to Default** to reset the currently selected perspective to its default layout.

2.3 Projects

SmartSVN internally manages your SVN working copies in “SmartSVN projects”, as described in Section 7.

One Project Window shows one project at a time. To work with multiple projects at the same time, you can open multiple Project Windows by clicking **Window|New Project Window**. Already existing projects can be opened in a Project Window by **Open** or closed by **Close**.

2.4 Directory Tree and File Table

The directory tree and the file table show the local directories/files below the project’s root directory. `.svn`-directories and *ignored* directories and files within other ignored directories are not displayed.

2.4.1 Directory States/Directory Tree

The directory tree shows the project’s directories and their SVN states, which are denoted by different icons. The primary directory states are listed in Table 2.1. Every primary state may be combined with additional states listed in Table 2.2. In case of a versioned directory, the corresponding revision number is displayed after the name of the directory. The revision will be omitted if it’s equal to its parent directory revision. If the directory hasn’t been checked out with depth Fully recursive (see 3.14.1), the check out depth will be displayed in parantheses, too. The tooltip shows detailed SVN information for the corresponding directory, similar to the contents of the file table, see below.

To *speed search* the directory tree for a certain directory, click into the tree (so the **Directories** view becomes active) and start typing the directory name. This will make a small popup come up, which displays the characters you have already entered. Wildcard symbols ‘*’ and ‘%’ can be used with the usual meaning.

2.4.2 File States/File Table

The file table shows the project’s files with their SVN states and various additional information. The primary file states are listed in Table 2.5 and Table 2.6. Every primary

state may be combined with additional states listed in Table 2.7. The rest of this section explains configuration options for the file table. They are always related only to the current project and are also stored with the current project.

File Attributes

Tip Certain table columns require to access additional file system files when scanning the file system and therefore slow down scanning. The note within the **View|Table Columns** dialog gives you information on which columns these are.

Name Filters

The toolbar of the file table contains the **Filter** input field, which can be used to restrict the displayed files to a certain file name pattern. By default, simple patterns, including the wildcard symbols '*' and '%' are supported. You can also use '!' at the beginning of a pattern to invert it. For example, "!*.txt" will show all files which don't have .txt extension.

From the attached drop-down menu you can reset the filter with **Show All**, which simply clears the **Filter** field. You can also select **Regular Expressions** instead of simple patterns. For details on the supported regular expression constructs refer to <http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/api/java/util/regex/Pattern.html>. With **Save Pattern** you can save a pattern. Once a pattern is saved it will be displayed in the top of the drop-down menu. It can be used by selecting it and removed again by **Remove Pattern**.

Similar to the directory tree, the speed search is also available for the file table.

2.4.3 State Filters

With the menu items in the **View** menu, you can also set filters to display only files which meet certain criteria. Refer to the View menu (see 2.5.3) for details. By default, these file filters will also be applied on the directories. You can change this behaviour in the Preferences (see 9.3) by **Use View-menu file filters also for directories**.

2.4.4 Double Click

By default, double-clicking a file in the file table, the file will be "opened" in one of various ways, depending on its file state:

- For an *unchanged* file which is *remotely changed* (see Section 3.11), the Compare with HEAD (see 3.9.2) command is invoked.
- An *unchanged*, *unversioned* or *added* file is opened with the file editor, see the **Edit|Open** command (Section 2.5.2) for further details.
- A *conflicting* file is opened with the Conflict Solver (Section 8.5).

- All other files are opened by comparing them (Section 3.9.1).

If, for example, you want to always *open* (Section 2.5.2) the file independent of its state by double-clicking it, assign the `<Enter>`-keystroke accelerator (Section 9.17.1) to the **Query|Open** menu item.

2.4.5 Refresh

The contents of the directory tree and the file table are initialized when a project is opened by reading at least the contents of the root directory into memory. Whether the complete project shall also be read into memory at project startup or not can be configured in the project settings (Section 7.3).

The scanning and refreshing of the project's directories and files is in general performed in the background, so you can immediately start to work after opening a project and you may continue to work while the project is refreshed. If a Refresh is currently in progress, the status bar shows a **Refreshing** text and symbol.

The scanning is performed *breadth-first*, so you will immediately have the complete root directory refreshed. When scanning a large working copy, you can force SmartSVN to give certain subdirectories higher priority in being scanned: Just select the (already scanned) directory in the **Directories** tree you would like to have scanned recursively as soon as possible. SmartSVN will then reorganize its breadth-first strategy accordingly. The same holds true for file selections: SmartSVN will give priority in scanning their common parent directory (and the path up to the root).

When changes to known (i.e. in memory) files or directories occur from within SmartSVN, they are refreshed automatically. In case of external changes, an explicit refresh via **View|Refresh** or by the corresponding toolbar button is required. You can configure the kind of refresh ("depth") within the application preferences (Section 9.7).

Tip	The initial scanning/refresh is in general much slower than subsequent refreshes due to the <i>system disk cache</i> . On Windows, you can enable the Status Cache (see 10.9) to get a first "preview" of your working copy quickly. This preview also allows to perform most of the commands, so you can start certain SVN operations even before the file system has been scanned.
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2.5 Menus

This section summarizes actions which are available from the various Project Window menus.

Note	You may use the Hide Menu Items plugin (see 11.6) to remove certain menu items from the menu.
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2.5.1 Project

- **Check Out**, see Section 3.1.
- **Open Working Copy**, see Section 7.
- **Edit Working Copy**, see Section 7.
- **Remove Working Copy**, see Section 7.
- **Import into Repository**, see Section 3.2.
- **Open**, see Section 7.
- **Close**, see Section 7.
- **Project Manager**, see Section 7.2.
- **Settings**, see Section 7.3.
- **Default Settings**, see Section 7.3.
- **Exit** exits SmartSVN.

2.5.2 Edit

- **Stop** stops the currently running operation. Depending on the type of operation, this action might not be applicable. On the other hand, while an operation is running, most of the other actions are not applicable.
- **Reveal in Finder** (Mac OS only) brings the *Finder* process to front and selects the currently selected file/directory.
- **File Filter** positions the cursor in the file table's filter field.
- **Select Committable Files** selects all committable files in the file table. Because SmartSVN allows to automatically add *unversioned* or remove *missing* files for a commit, such files are also selected.
- **Select Directory** selects the deepest common directory for all selected files in the file table.
- **Select in Project** selects the currently selected files/directories from the Transactions (see 5.2) view or the **Output** area in the file table/directory tree.
- **Copy Name** copies the name of the selected file/directory to the system clipboard. If multiple files are selected, all names will be copied, each on a new line.
- **Copy Path** copies the path of the selected file/directory to the system clipboard. If multiple files are selected, all paths will be copied, each on a new line.

- **Copy Relative Path** copies the path of the selected file/directory relative to the project root directory to the system clipboard. If multiple files are selected, all paths will be copied, each on a new line.
- **Copy URL** copies the repository URL of the selected file/directory to the system clipboard. If multiple files are selected, all URLs will be copied, each on a new line.
- **Copy Message** copies the message of the currently selected revision in the Transactions (see 5.2) view. If multiple revisions are selected, all messages will be copied, each on a new line.
- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators, context menus and the toolbar (see Section 9.17).
- **Preferences** shows the application preferences (see Section 9).

2.5.3 View

- **Table Columns** lets you specify which file attributes will be displayed in the file table, see Table 2.3 and Table 2.4. Also, the order of the table columns can be defined here, alternatively to rearranging them directly in the file table. Select **Make this configuration the default** to have the selected configuration applied to every new project. Use **Reset** to reset the table column layout to the default.
- **Refresh**, see Section 2.4.5.
- **Files From Subdirectories** enables the recursive view showing not only files from the currently selected directory but also those from subdirectories.
- With **Unchanged Files** *unchanged* files are displayed. It is sometimes convenient to hide them, as they don't matter for most of the SVN commands.
- With **Unversioned Files** *unversioned* files (also within unversioned directories) are displayed.

Note	Unversioned Files option does in no way affect the unversioned files itself or their SVN state. Certain operations, which can work on unversioned files, will consider them anyway. Parent directories of unversioned files will continue to display <i>Direct/Indirect Local Changes</i> state. To actually ignore such files on the SVN-level you can use the Ignore command (see 3.4.3).
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- With **Ignored Files** *ignored* files within versioned directories will be displayed. Files from ignored directories are never displayed.
- With **Files Assigned to Change Set** selected, files which are already assigned to a Change Set (see 3.12) will be displayed. Otherwise, those file will not be displayed, to give a better overview on which files are not yet assigned to Change Sets. This option has no effect if the selected directory is a Change Set itself or part of a Change Set.

- With **Remote Changed Files** selected, files will be displayed which are remotely changed (see Table 3.3). Typically, this option has no effect when **Unchanged Files** is selected, because these files are shown anyway. An exception here are files which only exist remotely, i.e. files which are in *Remote* state.
- **Reset Layout** will reset the Project Window layout (docking states).

2.5.4 Modify

- **Update**, see Section 3.3.1.
- **Update More**, see Section 3.3.2.
- **Switch**, see Section 3.3.4.
- **Relocate**, see Section 3.3.5.
- **Merge**, see Section 3.6.1.
- **Merge from 2 Sources**, see Section 3.6.2.
- **Reintegrate Merge**, see Section 3.6.3.
- **Apply Patch**, see Section 3.6.4.
- **Commit**, see Section 3.5.
- **Add**, see Section 3.4.1.
- **Remove**, see Section 3.4.2.
- **Ignore**, see Section 3.4.3.
- **Delete Physically**, see Section 3.4.4.
- **Create Directory**, see Section 3.4.5.
- **Rename**, see Section 3.4.6.
- **Move**, see Section 3.4.7.
- **Detect Moves**, see Section 3.4.8.
- **Copy**, see Section 3.4.9.
- **Copy From Repository**, see Section 3.4.10.
- **Copy To Repository**, see Section 3.4.11.
- **Copy Within Repository**, see Section 3.4.12.
- **Revert**, see Section 3.4.13.

- **Mark Resolved**, see Section 3.4.14.
- **Mark Resolved**, see Section 3.4.15.
- **Clean Up**, see Section 3.4.16.
- **Fix**, see Section 3.4.17.
- **Validate Admin Area**, see Section 3.4.18.

2.5.5 Change Set

- **Move to Change Set**, see Section 3.12.1.
- **Move Up**, see Section 3.12.2.
- **Move Down**, see Section 3.12.3.
- **Delete**, see Section 3.12.4.
- **Edit Properties**, see Section 3.12.5.

2.5.6 Tag+Branch

- **Add Tag**, see Section 3.8.2.
- **Tag Multiple Project Roots**, see Section 3.8.3.
- **Add Branch**, see Section 3.8.4.
- **Tag Browser**, see Section 3.8.5.
- **Configure Layout**, see Section 3.8.6.

2.5.7 Query

- **Open** opens the selected files/directory. If the directory tree has the focus, this action will only work if a **Directory Command** has been configured in the preferences (see Section 9.11). If the file table has the focus the file(s) will be opened in an editor. The editor to be used to open a file can be configured in the **Externals Tools** section of the Preferences (see Section 9.11). If no editor is configured there, the internal File Editor (see 8.1) will be launched. For files, you can specify a limit on the file count beyond which you will be asked before the files are opened at once; for details refer to Section 9.6.
- **Show Changes**, see Section 3.9.1.
- **Compare with HEAD**, see Section 3.9.2.
- **Compare with Previous**, see Section 3.9.3.

- **Compare with Revision**, see Section 3.9.4.
- **Compare 2 Files**, see Section 3.9.5.
- **Compare Repository Directories**, see Section 3.9.6.
- **Log**, see Section 3.9.7.
- **Revision Graph**, see Section 3.9.8.
- **Annotate**, see Section 3.9.9.
- **Create Patch**, see Section 3.9.10.
- **Create Patch between URLs**, see Section 3.9.11.
- **Refresh Remote State**, see Section 3.11.1.
- **Clear Remote State**, see Section 3.11.2.

2.5.8 Properties

- **Edit Properties**, see Section 3.7.1.
- **MIME-Type**, see Section 3.7.3.
- **EOL-Style**, see Section 3.7.4.
- **Keyword Substitution**, see Section 3.7.5.
- **Executable-Property**, see Section 3.7.6.
- **Externals**, see Section 3.7.7.
- **Ignore Patterns**, see Section 3.7.8.
- **Bugtraq-Properties**, see Section 3.7.9.
- **Merge Info**, see Section 3.7.10.

2.5.9 Locks

- **Refresh**, see Section 3.10.1.
- **Lock**, see Section 3.10.2.
- **Unlock**, see Section 3.10.3.
- **Show Info**, see Section 3.10.4.
- **Change 'Needs Lock'**, see Section 3.10.5.

2.5.10 Repository

- Use **Open in Repository Browser** to open the selected directory/file in the Repository Browser (see 4).
- **Manage Profiles**, see Section 6.
- **Change Master Password**, see Section 6.4.
- **Set Up Local repository**, see Section 3.13.3.
- **Manage Log Caches**, see Section 5.3.1.

2.5.11 Tools

- **Export Backup**, see Section 3.13.1.
- **Conflict Solver**, see Section 3.13.2.

2.5.12 Window

- **New Project Window** opens a new Project Window for working on another project.
- **New Repository Browser** opens a new Repository Browser (see 4).
- **Show Transactions** shows the standalone Transactions Frame (see 5.1).
- **Directories** puts the focus in the Directory tree (see 2.4).
- **Files** puts the focus in the File table (see 2.4).
- **Output**, see Section 2.5.12
- **Changes**, see Section 2.5.12
- **Transactions**, see Section 2.5.12

The subsequent content of the **Window** menu depends on which windows are currently open. For each window, there is a menu item to switch to it.

Output

The **Output**-menu contains commands related to the Output view (see 2.1):

- Use **Activate** to display and put the focus to the **Output** window.
- Use **Clear** to clear the **Output** view. If there are multiple command outputs, the latest (topmost) command output will be kept. If there is only one command output, it will be removed. Commands that are currently in progress can't be cleared.

Changes

The **Changes**-menu contains commands related to the Changes view (see [2.1](#)):

- Use **Activate** to display and put the focus to the **Changes** window.
- Use **Reload** to refresh the file contents from the file system and recalculate the differences.
- Use **Previous Change** to navigate to the previous change within the currently selected file. If there is no previous change, SmartSVN will select the last change of the *previous file* (as displayed in the file table).
- Use **Next Change** to navigate to the next change within the currently selected file. If there is no next change, SmartSVN will select the first change of the *next file* (as displayed in the file table).
- For **Ignore Whitespace for Line Comparison**, refer to Section [8.2.2](#).
- For **Ignore Case Change for Line Comparison**, refer to Section [8.2.2](#).
- For **Settings**, refer to Section [8.2.2](#).

Transactions

The **Transactions**-menu contains commands related to the Transactions view (see [5.2](#)).

- Use **Activate** to display and put the focus to the **Transactions** window.
- **Refresh**, see Section [5.1.5](#).
- **Mark as Read**, see Section [5.1.7](#).
- **Mark All as Read**, see Section [5.1.7](#).
- Select **Show Branches and Tags** to display not only the working copy revisions but also revisions of the *trunk*, *branches* and *tags*. Refer to Section [5.1.2](#) for details.
- Select **Show Additional Watched URLs** to display not only the working copy revisions but also revisions which have explicitly been configured to be watched by **Configure Watched URLs**.
- **Ungrouped Revisions**, see Section [5.1.1](#).
- **Grouped by Weeks**, see Section [5.1.1](#).
- **Grouped by Time**, see Section [5.1.1](#).
- **Grouped by Author**, see Section [5.1.1](#).
- **Grouped by Location**, see Section [5.1.1](#).

- Use **Merge** to merge the selected revision to your local working copy. If you want to configure advanced options for the merge, use the default Merge command (see [3.6.1](#)).
- **Rollback**, see Section [8.7.4](#).
- **Change Commit Message**, see Section [8.7.4](#).
- **Configure Watched URLs**, see Section [5.1.2](#).
- **Settings**, see Section [5.2.1](#).

2.5.13 Help

- **Help Topics** shows the online version of SmartSVN's help.
- **Contact Support** opens your email client to send a message to smartsvn.support@wandisco.com. This functionality is provided by the Send Support Email (see [11.5](#)) plugin.
- **Register** switches to the Professional edition.
- **License Information** shows information on your SmartSVN license and the licensing conditions for SmartSVN.
- **Reset Deactivated Warnings** will bring for future actions/operations those warnings again which had been deactivated.
- **Enable Connection Logging** can be used to trace and analyze problems when working with SmartSVN. The dialog will give you further instructions on how to use Connection Logging.
- **Downgrade Working Copy** can be used to downgrade the working copy format of the current project to Subversion 1.5 working copy format. A working copy downgrade should only be necessary if you are forced to continue working with pre-1.6 SVN clients.
- Use **Obfuscate Log Cache** to remove potentially confidential information from a Log Cache so it can be sent to WANdisco inc for debug purposes. Select the **Cache** to obfuscate, the **Output File** where the obfuscated cache should be stored and the **Map File** which contains the mapping between between real repository paths and obfuscated paths.
- **Check for New Version** connects to the SmartSVN website and checks, if there is a new version available for download. By default, this check is also performed when starting SmartSVN. You can configure the checking for new versions within the Preferences (see [9.16](#)).
- **About SmartSVN** shows information on the current SmartSVN version.

2.6 Changes view

The **Changes view** displays local changes of the file currently selected in the file table. More precisely, it displays the differences between the currently selected file, as found in the working copy, and the corresponding pristine copy of that file, as found in the repository.

Tip	The Review perspective (see 2.2) is intended to give enough space to the Changes view, so you can quickly review file content changes in detail.
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Icon	State	Details
	Unchanged	Directory is under version control, not modified and equal to its revision in the repository (i.e. to its pristine copy).
	Unversioned	Directory is not under version control and hence only exists locally.
	Ignored	Directory is not under version control (exists only locally) and is marked to be ignored.
	Modified	Directory itself is modified in its properties (compared to its revision in the repository, i.e. to its pristine copy.)
	Added	Directory is scheduled for addition.
	Removed	Directory is scheduled for removal.
	Replaced	Directory has been scheduled for removal and added again.
	Copied	Directory has been added with history.
	History-Scheduled	A parent directory has been added with history, which implicitly adds this directory with history.
	Missing	Directory is versioned, but does not exist locally.
	Added-Missing	The directory has been scheduled for addition, but is locally missing. Refer to the Fix command (see 3.4.17).
	Conflict	An updating command lead to conflicting changes in directories' properties.
	Incomplete	A previous update was not fully performed. Do an update again.
	Root	Directory is either the project root or an external root.
	Nested Root	Directory is a nested working copy root, but no external. Refer to the Fix command (see 3.4.17).
	Obstructed	A file exists locally, but according to the pristine copy (i.e. the information from the repository) it should be a directory. Please backup the file, then remove it and update the directory from the repository.
	Phantom	The directory does not locally exist nor is versioned anymore, but it is still present in the SVN administrative area. It's probably part of a tree conflict (see 3.4.14).
	Remote	Directory only exists in the repository. This state is only used for the remote state command (see Section 3.11).
	Unscanned	Directory has not been scanned yet (see Section 2.4.5).

Figure 2.1: Primary Directory States








Icon	State	Details
	Switched	Directory is switched (compared to its parent); see Section 3.3.4.
	Locked	Directory is locked <i>locally</i> because an operation has been interrupted before. A Cleanup (see 3.4.16) should fix the problem.
	Direct Local Changes	There are local changes to this directory itself.
	Indirect Local Changes	There are local changes to one of its files or to one of the subdirectories of this directory.
	Direct Remote Changes	There are remote changes to this directory itself, see Section 3.11.
	Indirect Remote Changes	There are remote changes to one of its files or to one of the subdirectories of this directory, see Section 3.11.
	Tree Conflict	The directory is part of a <i>tree-conflict</i> , see Section 3.4.14 for details.

Figure 2.2: Additional Directory States

SmartSVN Name	SVN info	Description
Name	(same)	The file's name
Revision	(same)	Current revision of the file
Local State	Schedule	Textual representation of the local state of the file
Lock	Lock Owner	Lock state of the file (see Section 3.10)
Last Rev.	Last Changed Rev.	Revision, where this file has been committed
Last Changed	Last Changed Date	Time of the last commit of the file
Text Updated	Text Last Updated	Time of the last (local) update of the file's text; this attribute is set when the content of a file has been changed by an SVN command.
Props Updated	Properties Last Updated	Time of the last (local) update of the file's properties; this attribute is set when the properties of a file have been changed by an SVN command.
Last Author	Last Changed Author	Last author, i.e. who performed the last commit on the file
Type	svn:mime-type	The file's type (see Section 3.7.4)
EOL	svn:eol-style	End-Of-Line Type of the file (see Section 3.7.4)
Keyw.	svn:keywords	Keyword substitution options of the file (see Section 3.7.5)
Needs Lock	svn:needs-lock	Whether the file should be locked before working (see Section 3.10.5)
Executable	svn:executable	Whether the file has the Executable-Property set (see Section 3.7.6)
Merge Info	svn:mergeinfo	Whether the file has the Merge Info-Property set (see Section 3.7.10): None for no Merge Info set, Empty for an empty Merge Info or Present for non-empty Merge Info. Provided by the Merge Info Column plugin (see 11.7).
Copy From	Copy From URL/Rev	Location and URL from which this file has been copied (locally). This value is only present if the file is in <i>Copied</i> state

Figure 2.3: File attributes with SVN counterparts

SmartSVN Name	Description
Remote State	Remote state of the file (see Section 3.11)
Ext.	The file's extension
Relative Directory	Parent directory of the file relative to the selected directory
File Time	The local time of the file
Attrs.	Local file attributes: <i>R</i> for read-only and <i>H</i> for hidden
Size	The local size of the file
Branch	The tag/branch to which the file is currently switched (see 3.3.4). For details, refer to Section 3.8.1.
Change Set	The Change Set (see 3.12) to which the file belongs.

Figure 2.4: File attributes without SVN counterparts
















Icon	State	Details
	Unchanged	File is under version control, not modified and equal to its revision in the repository (i.e. to its pristine copy).
	Unversioned	File is not under version control, but only exists locally.
	Ignored	File is not under version control (exists only locally) and is marked to be ignored.
	Modified	File is modified in its content but not properties (compared to its revision in the repository, i.e. to its pristine copy).
	Modified (properties only)	File is modified in its properties but not content (compared to its revision in the repository, i.e. to its pristine copy).
	Modified (properties only)	File is modified in its content and properties (compared to its revision in the repository, i.e. to its pristine copy).
	Missing	File is under version control, but does not exist locally.
	Added	File is scheduled for addition.
	Removed	File is scheduled for removal.
	Replaced	File has been scheduled for removal and added again.
	Copied	File has been added with history.
	History-Scheduled	A parent directory has been added with history, which implicitly adds this file with history.
	Remote	File does not exist locally, but only in the repository. This state is only used for the remote state (see Section 3.11).
	Conflict	An updating command lead to conflicting changes either in content or properties.
	Merged	The file has been merged. Refer to the Merge command (see 3.6.1) for details.

Figure 2.5: Common Primary File States







Icon	State	Details
	Incomplete	A previous update was not fully performed. You should do an update again.
	Name conflict	There exists another file in the repository with the same name, only differing in upper/lower case. Such files can't be checked out on case-insensitive file systems. To fix this problem corresponding files have to be renamed in the repository.
	Obstructed	A directory exists locally, but according to the pristine copy (i.e. the information from the repository) it should be a file. Please backup contents of the directory, then remove it and update the file from the repository.
	Inaccessible	The file's content is not accessible, hence its state (modification) can't be determined. It's probably locked by another application.
	Phantom	The file does not locally exist nor is versioned anymore, but it is still present in the SVN administrative area. It's probably part of a tree conflict (see 3.4.14).
	Case-Changed	The case of the file name has changed on an operating system, which is case-insensitive regarding file names. Refer to the Fix command (see 3.4.17) on how to handle such files.

Figure 2.6: Rare Primary File States






Icon	State	Details
	Switched	File is switched (compared to its parent directory); see Section 3.3.4.
	Locked (Self)	The file is locked in the repository by yourself (or more specifically, it is locked for the current working copy). See Section 3.10.
	Locked (Other)	The file is locked in the repository by some other user, see Section 3.10.
	Lock Necessary	The file needs to be locked before starting to work, see Section 3.10.5.
	Tree Conflict	The file is part of a <i>tree-conflict</i> , see Section 3.4.14 for details.

Figure 2.7: Additional File States

Chapter 3

Commands

SmartSVN provides most of the SVN command line commands in a standalone version, but also combines them into powerful higher-level commands. Common enhancements that are available for several of the following commands are explained in [Section 3.14](#).

3.1 Check Out

Use **Project|Check Out** to create a working copy from a project which is already under SVN control.

Page “Repository”

If you are going to frequently check out from a repository you may perform a **Detailed Checkout**. First you need to select the repository from which you want to check out a project. If you can't find the **Repository Profile**, click the **Manage** button to add it, see [Section 6](#) for details.

The **Quick Checkout** is similar to the command line version of checkout: Simply enter the **URL** of the project you want to check out and specify the **Local Directory** to check out to. The subsequently described steps are skipped, when using the **Quick Checkout**.

Click **Next** to continue.

Page “Location”

After switching to this page, the repository will be scanned. A few moments later you'll see the root content of the repository. Expand the tree nodes to scan into the repository structure. For details refer to [Section 4](#).

Use **Show Revision** to define the revision of your selected directory that you want to check out. Please note that the repository contents might change when changing the revision.

Select the repository directory you want to check out and click **Next**.

When working with *trunk*, *tags* and *branches* it's not recommended to check out the whole project, because due to the increasing number of tags the working copy (not the repository) would be growing quickly, over time accumulating a lot of unneeded files on

your disk. Instead you should check out only *trunk* or a certain tag or branch and if necessary switch (see 3.3.4) to another location. SmartSVN tries to detect whether you are going to check out a whole project instead of a single trunk/branch and will warn you accordingly.

Sometimes you won't need to check out the complete trunk/branch of a project, but only a certain sub-directory. Certain features (such as tags) won't work on sub-directories, hence SmartSVN will ask you whether to check out necessary parent directory non-recursively. Such non-recursive check outs (also called "sparse checkouts") are efficient and recommended in a situation like this.

Page "Local Directory"

At this page you can select the local directory into which the working copy should be checked out. Use the options to define how the directory name should be created. The **Checkout Directory** depends on these options and always shows the final directory into which the checkout will occur (i.e. where the root `.svn-` directory will be created).

When deselecting **Check out recursively**, you will only check out the selected repository directory itself, but no subdirectories. Later you may choose to check out certain subdirectories with Update More (see 3.3.2). Non-recursive checkouts can be useful here, if you wish to skip certain *modules* of a project.

Click **Next** to proceed.

Page "Project"

At this page you can select whether to check out a working copy, i.e. create the necessary `.svn/` structure or to simply **Export** the files from the repository. With **Check out a working copy**, SmartSVN will create a working copy for your check out source. In this case you may select to **Add a new project** for this working copy, specify the project's name and specify an optional group (Project Manager (see 7.2)) to which the project will be added. You may select **Add to current project** to add the working copy to the currently open project (if present). Or you may select **Don't manage as project** to just create a temporary project for this working copy. With **Export only**, SmartSVN will just export the files from repository without creating the `.svn/` subdirectory, meaning you won't be able to perform the usual SVN commands on these exported directories and files. In this case, when selecting **Overwrite locally existing files**, locally existing files will be overwritten if necessary, otherwise the export will be cancelled. You may specify the desired line ending markers with **Use EOL**.

Click **Next** to proceed.

Page "Summary"

Use this page to review your choices. Click **Back** to change them or **Finish** to start the checkout.

3.2 Import into Repository

Use **Project|Import into Repository** to add an unversioned local directory to the repository and to create the corresponding SmartSVN project. Only the specified directory will be put under version control using this command. Use the **Add** (see 3.4.1) and **Commit** (see 3.5) commands to import other files and directories of the project individually into the repository.

Page “Local Directory”

Select the unversioned **Directory** which you want to import into the repository.

Page “Repository”

Choose the **Repository** into which you want to import. If the **Repository Profile** does not exist yet, click the **Manage** button to add it.

Page “Location”

After switching to this page, it takes a few moments until the repository is scanned. You can now scan into the repository by expanding the directory nodes, for more details refer to Section 4. Use the **Create Directory** tool button to create new directories in the repository.

Note	You can create directories recursively in one go, by specifying the directories separated by /. This helps to avoid cluttering up the Log, as only one revision for creating all of these nested directories will show up.
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After you’ve created the necessary directory structure in the repository, select the directory that should be linked with the root of your local project and click **Next**.

Page “Project”

On this page you can configure to which project the imported working copy will be added. You may select to **Add a new project** for this working copy, specify the project’s name and specify an optional group (see Project Manager (see 7.2)) to which the project will be added. You may select **Add to current project** to add the working copy to the currently open project (if present). Or you may select **Don’t manage as project** to just create a temporary project for this working copy.

Page “Summary”

Use this page to review your import settings. Click **Back** to change them or **Import** to start importing.

Configuring the project and doing the final import

The result of this command will be a new project, for which only the local root directory is under SVN control. This gives you many possibilities to configure which files/directories of your local file system should actually be versioned in the repository. From the **Edit** menu you can use **Add** and **Ignore** on files and directories. Furthermore, for files you can adjust properties using the respective commands from the **Properties** menu. After the project has been fully configured, use **Modify|Commit** to do the final import into the repository.

3.3 Updating

Updating from the repository can be done either with a simple update of the working copy or by switching the working copy to another location/revision. The following commands are available from the **Modify** menu.

3.3.1 Update

Use **Modify|Update** to get the latest changes or a specific revision from the repository for the selected files/directory.

Select **HEAD** to get the latest changes. To get a revision, select **Revision** and enter the revision number. Select **Recurse into subdirectories** to perform the update command not only for the current selected directory, but also for all subdirectories.

Advanced options

For *sparse working copies*, the Update will not pull in files/directories of not yet checked out repository subtrees. Select **Set depth to working copy** to get new subtrees as well (according to the **Recurse into subdirectories** option and the selected **Depth**).

When selecting **Allow unversioned obstructions**, SmartSVN will continue to update new files from the repository for which locally unversioned files already exist. Otherwise the update will be cancelled in such situations, giving you the chance to cleanup these locally unversioned files beforehand.

Use **Include Externals** to descend into externals (see [3.7.7](#)).

Use **Rebuild SVN admin area completely** to fetch all pristine copies and property values freshly from the repository. This option should only be used to recover from irreparable working copy defects (like “checksum mismatches”). It will transfer about the same amount of data as a normal Check Out (see [3.1](#)).

3.3.2 Update More

Use **Modify|Update More** to get locally missing directories and files from the repository for a foregoing non-recursive Update or Check Out (see [3.1](#)).

Update More checks for the currently selected directory whether there are not yet checked out subdirectories or files. They are presented in a list and you can select one

or more of them to update. **Recurse into subdirectories** specifies whether the selected entries should be updated or checked out recursively.

To get rid of locally checked out directories, use the *inverse operation* **Exclude from Working Copy** (see 3.3.3).

3.3.3 Update Exclude

Use **Modify|Exclude from Working Copy** on one or more directories to locally exclude them from the working copy. The directory won't be removed from the repository, but simply will be ignored for subsequent Updates (see 3.3.1). To get excluded directories back, use the *inverse operation* **Update More** (see 3.3.2).

3.3.4 Switch

Use **Modify|Switch** to switch the selected directory or file to another repository location.

Select **Trunk** to switch back from a branch or tag to the main trunk. Select **Branch** or **Tag** and enter the branch or tag name to switch to a tag or branch. Select **Other URL** to switch to an arbitrary URL within the same repository.

You can either switch to the selected location **At HEAD** or at a specific **Revision**. Select **Recurse into subdirectories** to perform the switch command not only for the currently selected directory, but also for all subdirectories. Regarding the **Advanced** options, refer to the Update command (see 3.3.1).

3.3.5 Relocate

Use **Modify|Relocate** to change the repository for the selected directory (and subdirectories) of your local working copy. Typically, this command is used when the URL/structure of an SVN server has changed.

Relocate Directory shows the directory, relative to the project's root directory, which will be relocated. **From URL** displays the repository root URL of the selected directory, if this information is available locally. Otherwise it displays the complete repository URL of the directory. With **To URL** you can now specify the replacement string for **From URL**: Relocate will then search within the selected directory and subdirectories for URLs starting with **From URL** and replace the corresponding part by **To URL**.

3.4 Local Modifications

Local commands can be performed without a connection to the repository. They are used to prepare the working copy state for a final commit. The following local commands are available from the **Modify** menu.

3.4.1 Add

Use **Modify|Add** to schedule files or directories for being added to SVN control.

In case of directories you have the option to **Recurse into subdirectories**, which - when selected - causes all subdirectories and files from subdirectories to be added as well.

When a file is added, SmartSVN automatically applies certain properties to the file. Most important is the automatic detection of the file's MIME-Type (see 3.7.3), which can basically be *text* or *binary*. Further property defaults can be specified in the project settings (see 7.3).

Tip Automatic detection can be overridden by the **Binary Files** project settings (see Section 7.3.3).

3.4.2 Remove

Use **Modify|Remove** to schedule the selected files/directory for being removed from SVN control.

Select **Remove from SVN control and delete locally** to schedule the files/directory for removal and to also delete them locally. Select **Just remove from SVN control** to schedule for removal only. After committing the changes, the files/directories will remain as unversioned.

By default, SmartSVN refuses to remove files or directories that have local modifications, as well as directories that contain modified or unversioned files. Select **Force Removal** if you wish to perform the removal of such items anyway.

3.4.3 Ignore

Use **Modify|Ignore** to mark unversioned files or directories as to be ignored “locally”. This is useful for files or directories which should not be put under SVN control. These are usually temporary, intermediate or automatically built files, like C's *.obj* or Java's *.class* files, or directories containing such files.

Local ignore patterns are stored within the working copy (in the *svn:ignore* property of the corresponding parent directories) and will be committed. Therefore, to have a file locally ignored, its parent directory must either be ignored as well, or be versioned, so that the necessary *svn:ignore* property can be stored there. Hence, when trying to ignore a file or directory within another unversioned directory, SmartSVN will ask you to add this parent directory. In addition to *local ignore patterns*, you can configure *global ignored patterns* in the project settings (see 7.3).

You can select **Ignore Explicitly** to add each selected file/directory explicitly to the ignore list. If SmartSVN detects a common pattern for the selected files/directory, it will also allow you to **Ignore As Pattern**.

This command is a shortcut for editing the *svn:ignore* property directly by **Properties|Ignore Patterns**. Refer to Section 3.7.8 for details.

3.4.4 Delete Physically

Use **Modify|Delete Physically** to delete local files, or unversioned or ignored directories.

Warning! Be careful before deleting a file (or directory) as there will be no way to recover unversioned items.

3.4.5 Create Directory

Use **Modify|Create Directory** to locally create a directory within the currently selected directory.

Enter the **Path** of the subdirectory that will be created. The path may consist of multiple directory names, separated by “\” or “/” to create multiple directories at once. Select **Schedule for addition** to schedule the created directory/directories for being added to SVN control, see Section 3.4.1.

3.4.6 Rename

Use **Modify|Rename** to rename a file or directory which is already under SVN control. The file with the old name will be scheduled for removal, the file with the new name for addition. This command will preserve the file’s history.

3.4.7 Move

Use **Modify|Move** to move and/or rename a file or directory which is already under SVN control. The file with the old name will be scheduled for removal, the file with the new name for addition. This command will preserve the history of the moved item.

There is also a special mode of this command that can be used to tell SmartSVN “after the fact” that a file was moved. For this to work, exactly two files must be selected: One that is missing or removed, and another that is unversioned, added or replaced. SmartSVN will then remove the missing file (if necessary), add the unversioned file (if necessary), and connect the history of the added file to that of the removed file.

Tip You can also use Drag-And-Drop to copy or move files and directories.

3.4.8 Detect Moves

Use **Modify|Detect Moves** to convert already performed “manual” moves (including renamings) of files to “SVN” moves. Typically, you will not perform moves within SmartSVN itself, but with system commands, through an IDE, etc. One such external move results in a missing and a new unversioned file. Both files could then be added or removed, and committed, which will result in a correct repository content, but will not preserve the relationship between both files (which is actually one moved file). This especially affects the log of the added file: It will start at the committed revision and won’t include the revisions of the removed file. To preserve the relation (and hence history/log), a “post-move” on both files has to be performed. **Detect Moves** can detect such already performed “manual” moves based on the file content and displays the corresponding suggestions of which files could be “post-moved”.

Invoke **Detect Moves** on a set of missing and unversioned files for which “post-move” should be detected. Depending on the number of selected files, the operation might take a while. The results will be displayed in terms of a list of possible “post-moved” files pairs.

Suggestion displays the detected move in a descriptive manner. If you agree that the corresponding file pair actually represents a move that has happened, keep it selected so the corresponding “post-move” will be performed. **Similarity** can be helpful for this decision. It is entirely based on the comparison of the file contents and denotes the calculated likelihood for the file pair to be an actual move.

For more details, **Target** displays the name of the unversioned (i.e. new) file. **Source** displays the name of the missing (i.e. old) file. If the name of the file has not changed, i.e. **Target** would be equal to **Source**, **Source** is omitted. In the same manner **Target Path** displays the path of the new file and **Source Path** displays the path of the old file. Again, **Source Path** will be omitted if it would be equal to **Target Path**.

There can also be more than one possible **Source** for a specific **Target**. In this case SmartSVN always suggests the best matching **Source**, i.e. the file for which the highest **Similarity** value was calculated, and **Alternatives** shows the number of possible alternative sources. Use **Compare** to compare the currently selected **Source** and **Target** file with the File Compare (see 8.2). Use **Alternatives** to select an alternative source to be used instead of the original suggestion. Finally, if you consider a particular suggestion and all available **Alternatives** incorrect, you may deselect the suggestion so that no “post-move” will be performed for the respective **target**.

Click **OK** to perform the selected “post-moves”.

3.4.9 Copy

Use **Modify|Copy** to create a copy of a file or directory which is already under SVN control. This command will preserve the history of the copied item.

Select the **Target Directory** and the new **File Name** under which the copy of the file/directory shall be created.

There is also a special mode of this command that can be used to tell SmartSVN “after the fact” that a file was copied. For this to work, exactly two files must be selected: One that is versioned, but not added or replaced, and another that is unversioned, added or replaced. SmartSVN will then add the unversioned file (if necessary) and connect the history of the added file to that of the other file.

Tip	You can also use Drag-And-Drop to copy or move files and directories.
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3.4.10 Copy From Repository

With **Modify|Copy From Repository** you can copy a file or directory from the repository to your local working copy. This command can be used for recovering deleted files and directories from earlier revisions.

Repository is the repository of your local working copy, it can't be changed as copies can only be performed within the same repository. For **Copy** enter the file/directory

and its **Source Revision** which shall be copied. Specify the local directory **Into Local** into which the file/directory shall be copied. **With Name** will be the name (i.e., last component of the path) of the restored file/directory.

3.4.11 Copy To Repository

With **Modify|Copy To Repository** you can copy the selected local file/directory to the repository. This operation is useful for creating tags, although SmartSVN provides more convenient functions for this task (see Section 3.8).

Repository is the repository of your local working copy, it can't be changed as copies can only be performed within the same repository. The local file/directory **Copy Local** will be copied to the project's **Repository**. The target directory is **Into Directory**. **With Name** will be the name (i.e. last component of the path) of the resulting file/directory. Because the copy is directly performed into the repository, you have to specify a **Commit Message**.

Use **Externals Revisions** to specify how to handle externals revisions (see 3.7.7). This option is only relevant for externals which have their revisions set to **HEAD**. By default, **Leave as is** will not modify any externals revisions. Choose **Fix all** to have all revisions set to their current values, as present in the working copy. Choose **Fix except below** to have all revisions set to their current values except externals pointing to the specified location or some subdirectory of this location.

Only when fixing externals you can make sure that later checkouts of the copied location will produce exactly the same working copy. Otherwise, externals which have been left at **HEAD** will continue to bring the latest revisions of that externals which are in general not equal to that at the time of creating the copy.

3.4.12 Copy Within Repository

With **Modify|Copy Within Repository** you can perform copy operations that take place entirely within a repository. This is for instance a convenient and fast way to create repository tags/branches.

Select the **Repository** within which the copy should be performed. **Copy From** and the **Source Revision** specify the copy source. For **Copy** you can either select to copy **To** or to copy **Contents Into**. In case of copy **To**, the source will be copied into **Directory** with its name set to **With Name** (last component of the path). For copy **Contents Into**, the contents (files and directories) of the source will be copied directly into the **Directory** with their corresponding names. Because the copy is directly performed in the repository, you have to specify a **Commit Message**.

Note	This copy operation is in fact no local operation, as it requires no working copy. Due to its close relationship with the other copy operations we have nevertheless put it into the chapter “Local Modifications”.
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3.4.13 Revert

Use **Modify|Revert** to revert the local changes of the selected files/directories. In case of directories you have the option to **Recurse into subdirectories**. If deselected, only the properties of the directory itself will be reverted.

- Added and copied files/directories will be unscheduled for addition and return to unversioned state.
- Removed files/directories will be unscheduled for removal and restored with their content and properties taken from the pristine copy.
- Replaced files/directories will be unscheduled for replacement and restored with their content and properties taken from the pristine copy.
- Modified files/directories will be restored with their content and properties taken from the pristine copy (overwriting local changes!).
- Missing files will be restored with their content and properties taken from the pristine copy. Missing directories can't be restored, because the pristine copy is also missing. You have to freshly Update (see 3.3.1) them from the repository.
- Conflicted files/directories will be restored with their content and properties taken from the pristine copy (ignoring local changes which caused the conflict!).
- For Case-changed files their original file names will be restored and modifications in contents/properties will be reverted.

Warning! Be careful before reverting a file or directory as all local modifications will be lost.

3.4.14 Mark Resolved

Use **Modify|Mark Resolved** to mark conflicting files (see Table 2.5) or conflicting directories (see Table 2.1) as resolved. You have to resolve conflicts to be able to commit the files/directories.

In case of directories you have the option to **Resolve files and subdirectories recursively**. If selected, all conflicting files and directories within the selected directory will be resolved. Otherwise only the property conflicts of the directory itself will be resolved.

Regarding the **File Content**, use **Leave as is** to apply no further modifications to resolved files. Use **Take old** to replace the contents of resolved files by the contents of their corresponding pristine copies as they were before the update/merge. Use **Take new** to replace the contents of resolved files by the contents of their corresponding pristine copies as they are now after the update/merge. Use **Take working copy** to replace the contents of resolved files by their contents as they were before the update/merge.

Tree Conflicts

Certain kinds of conflicts are not directly related to the content or properties of a file (or directory) but to conflicting actions on a file/directory. Such conflicts are called *tree-conflicts*.

Tree conflicts are similar to *normal* conflicts as conflicting files/directories can't be committed before they have been resolved. The Local State (see 2.4.2) column for files shows details for a tree conflict, if present. File and directory tooltips display this information as well.

Example

You have modified file `foo.txt` in your working copy. Your co-worker has renamed `foo.txt` to `bar.txt` and has committed this change. When updating from the repository, you will receive `bar.txt` but because of your local modifications to `foo.txt` this file will not be deleted, but re-scheduled as copied from itself (but the revision before the update). Furthermore, `bar.txt` will receive your local modifications of `foo.txt`. This represents a tree conflict. There are different kind of tree-conflicts, for a detailed analysis refer to: <http://svn.collab.net/repos/svn/branches/1.6.x/notes/tree-conflicts/>

3.4.15 Mark Replaced

Use **Modify|Mark Replaced** to mark modified files or a directory as *replaced*, see Table 2.5 for details.

Marking modified files or a directory as *replaced* does not affect the contents of the files or directories, but only the meaning of the commit and the history of the directory/files. This can be useful to express that the content of a directory/files is not related to its previous revision. The Log (see 3.9.7) of such a directory/files will not go beyond the replacement revision, meaning that the directory/files has been created at that revision.

Example

For example, we have a Java interface `Person.java` and one implementing class `PersonImpl.java`. As the result of a refactoring, we are getting rid of the interface `Person.java` and rename the class `PersonImpl.java` to `Person.java`. This results in a *removed* file `PersonImpl.java` and a *modified* file `Person.java`.

When simply committing these changes, this would mean that the class `PersonImpl.java` has been removed and the interface `Person.java` has been changed to a class `Person.java`, with no history except of that one of the interface. Taking a closer look at this situation, it would be better to do a commit meaning that the interface `Person.java` has been removed and the class `PersonImpl.java` has been renamed to `Person.java`. At least that was the intention of our refactoring and it would also mean to preserve the history of `PersonImpl.java` for `Person.java`.

To achieve this, we will use **Mark Replaced** on `Person.java` and then we will use **Move** on `Person.java` and `PersonImpl.java`, performing a “post-move” between both files (for details refer to Section 3.4.7), yielding a *removed* `PersonImpl.java` and a *replaced* `Person.java`, which has its history (**Copy From**) set to `PersonImpl.java`.

3.4.16 Clean Up

Use **Modify|Clean Up** to clean up unfinished SVN operations for the selected directory (and all subdirectories). Cleaning up a working copy is necessary when the working copy becomes “internally” locked (in contrast to file locks, see Section 3.10). A working copy can become locked when certain SVN operations (like commit or update) are aborted. In general, cleaning up a working copy is a safe process.

Note	A clean up may fail for the same reasons for which the preceding SVN operation has failed. This typically happens if certain files or directories can’t be read or written. In such cases, please check whether other running processes might lock the file and whether file permissions have been set adequately.
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3.4.17 Fix

Use **Modify|Fix** to fix (or “repair”) the selected directory/files. This option is only applicable for certain, unusual working copy states:

Case-changed files

SVN repositories and working copies are in general case-sensitive. This can cause problems when working on a case-insensitive operating system, like Microsoft Windows or certain file systems on Apple Mac OS, and changing the file name’s case (upper-case to lower-case, etc.). Because of SVN’s working copy format and the *pristine* copies, it’s technically not possible to handle such a file name case change.

One solution is to avoid this situation by either only performing file name case changes on an operating system which supports case-sensitive file names, or directly in the repository by using the Repository Browser (see 4).

At any rate, a file name case change may happen on a case-insensitive operating system, e.g. because of defect software tools, etc. SmartSVN detects such invalid changes and puts the file into *case-changed* file state, see Table 2.6. **Fix** will now change back the file name case to its original form as found within the pristine copy, resolving this problem.

Nested Roots

A *nested root* (see Table 2.1) is a working copy within another working copy which is not related to this parent working copy. SVN commands ignore such nested roots; they are simply treated as *unversioned* directories.

Nested roots typically result from moving a directory from one location to another without using the proper SVN commands, like Move (see 3.4.7). This leaves a *missing* directory at its original location and introduces a *nested root* at its current location.

Fix offers the following solutions for *nested roots*, depending on their origin:

- **Mark as Copied** will convert the nested root to a *copied* directory, with its copy location being the original repository location. This option is only available if the current location is part of the same repository as the original location.
- **Convert to Unversioned** strips off the SVN admin area (.svn directories) for this directory and all of its children. This will make the directory *unversioned*, so it can be added and committed afterwards. This option is always available but in general should only be used if **Mark as Copied** is not available, as *unversioned* directories can be added afterwards, but their history will be lost.

Added-missing directories

If a directory has been scheduled for addition (see Section 3.4.1) and has been locally deleted afterwards (i.e. the directory and its containing SVN admin area .svn is missing), the directory is in *Added-missing* state (see Table 2.1).

Such directories are actually only a leftover entry in the parent directory's SVN admin area. The resolution is to Revert (see 3.4.13) them, which is what this command will do.

3.4.18 Validate Admin Area

Use **Modify|Validate Admin Area** to check the admin area for possible inconsistencies, and to do some other house-keeping tasks.

3.5 Commit

Use **Modify|Commit** to commit (i.e. send) the changes in the selected files/directory to the repository.

The **Commit** wizard guides you through the commit process, starting with the “Configuration”. Based on the “Configuration”, the working copy will be scanned for changes, which is especially important when performing the **Commit** on a directory. Subsequent pages allow further “customization” of the commit. Their presence depends on the changed files and directories found during the scanning phase.

Before the commit wizard opens, it checks whether you might have forgotten to select some files or directories, and in that case shows a warning. For details, refer to the Preferences (see 9.4). Also, a warning will be issued if you are going to commit switched (see 3.3.4) files or directories. Unless this is actually intended, you should switch back the corresponding entries and re-run the commit.

Page “Configuration”

This page is only present when committing one or more directories.

Select **Recurse into subdirectories** to scan not only changes from the selected local directory, but also from subdirectories. When recursing into subdirectories, select **Descend into externals** to also scan for changes in external working copies (see 3.7.7).

When clicking **Next** the file system of your project will be scanned. This may take some time.

Page “Externals”

This page is only displayed if the option **Descend into externals** on the **Configuration** page has been selected and at least one committable entry within an external working copy has been found. For details on externals, refer to Section 3.7.7.

Every such external working copy is listed with its **Local Path** and its **URL**. The project’s working copy itself is also listed with local path “.”. Every working copy can be individually selected or deselected for the commit by toggling the checkbox in **Path** column (either with the mouse or with <Space>-keystroke).

Working copies pointing to the same repository (the **URL** helps in seeing this) can be committed together, hence SmartSVN will have to perform as many commits as different repositories are involved in the overall commit process.

Warning! When committing to multiple repositories, every commit will create its own revision in the corresponding repository. Hence, atomicity of such commits cannot be guaranteed. This for example means that the commit to one repository can succeed while the other one fails. While fixing the failing commit another person might already have updated his or her working copy and only have received the successfully committed revision. This might result in (temporary) inconsistencies in his/her overall project.

You can choose whether to commit the selected working copies with **One commit message** or with **Individual commit messages**. If you are committing multiple working copies with different Bugtraq-Properties (see 3.7.9) configurations, it’s required to use **Individual commit messages** to have the Bugtraq-Properties functionality available on the **Files** page.

Page “Detect Moves”

This page is only displayed if the option **Detect moved and renamed files** in the Preferences (see 9.4) has been selected and at least one moved or renamed file pair was detected. Refer to Section 3.4.8 for details. With **Differences** you can toggle the integrated compare view. This will show the differences for the currently selected file in the lower part of the **Commit** dialog. The change display behaves similarly to the Changes view (see 2.6).

Page “Files”

This pages shows a list of all files and directories which were found to be committable according to the selected options from the **Configuration** page, and from the configuration in the Preferences (see 9.4). To exclude a file/directory from the commit, deselect the corresponding checkbox (either with the mouse or by pressing <Space>-keystroke).

Note	SmartSVN also displays certain kinds of files which are not commit-table (e.g. conflicted files, refer to Table 2.5). This is a precaution to not forget to resolve these files' problems and commit them as well (if necessary).
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You may review your changes by expanding the dialog with the **Differences** button. This will show the differences for the currently selected file in the lower part of the **Commit** dialog. The change display behaves similarly to the Changes view (see 2.6). Alternatively, you can also double-click a file to open a File Compare (see 8.2) frame.

For the **Commit Message** you can either enter a new message or select an older message from the message popup on the top right of the text field. The popup menu will show recently entered commit messages, and you can clear this message history with **Clear Message History** or use **Get from Log** to fetch an older commit message from the log. With `<Ctrl>+<Space>`-keystroke you can trigger a file name completion, based on all of the files that have been selected for the commit.

Depending on how Bugtraq-Properties (see 3.7.9) are configured for the current working copy, there may be an additional “issue ID” input field. The name of this field can vary, depending on the Bugtraq-Properties. Its content will be appended/prepended to entered commit message afterwards, forming the final commit message.

If the spell check (see 9.13) has been configured, SmartSVN will check the entered **Commit Message** for basic spelling mistakes. The spell check ignores file paths, i.e. strings containing a “/”, and “issue IDs” which are part of the commit message and which can be recognized by the Bugtraq-Properties. For details regarding the spell check's popup menu, refer to Section 9.13.

Tip	Commit messages will be displayed in various kinds of logs. Hence, a descriptive commit message will help you and your team later on if you need to go through your past changes for some reason, e.g. tracking down a bug.
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By default, SmartSVN will warn you in case of an empty commit message. You can disable this warning in the Preferences (see 9.4).

Tip	You may configure a <i>template message</i> using the <code>tsvn:logtemplate</code> property which has to be set on the project root. For details refer to Section 11.9.
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If **Descend into externals** has been selected and multiple working copies on the **Externals** page have been selected for committing, there will also be a topmost **Working Copy** selector. All other items on this page are always related to the selected working copy. In particular it will be necessary to enter a **Commit Message** for each working copy.

Page “Locks”

This page will only be displayed if the files/directories selected for the commit have been found (during the scanning) to contain locked files.

Select **Keep locks for committed files** to keep the files locked even after having them committed. Select **Unlock committed files** to unlock them after the commit. In the latter case you can additionally select unchanged but locked files which had been detected during the scan and which should be unlocked upon a successful commit as well.

Tip	You can configure whether Keep locks for committed files or Unlock committed files should be selected by default in the Project Settings (see 7.3.3).
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Click **Finish** to finally start the commit.

3.6 Merging

Merging is used to incorporate changes from one “development line” into another.

Note	Subversion’s merging has been significantly improved with version 1.5 and its “merge tracking” support. Most merging features require a Subversion 1.5 server to work. Subsequent explanations assume that you are performing the commands against a Subversion 1.5 server.
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Two very common use cases of merging are *release branches* and *feature branches*:

- A *release branch* is typically forked off from the main development line (*trunk*) after the “release” of a new version (of the software project, of the website, etc). With the “release” the corresponding version typically goes into “production use” and has to gain on stability while the development continues on the *trunk*. Therefore a release branch will only receive problem fixes (bug fixes) from *trunk* by merging them to the branch.
- A *feature branch* is a parallel development to the *trunk*, for the purpose of developing a new “feature” which shall finally be brought back to the *trunk*. A *feature branch* is frequently merged from *trunk* to stay up to date and once the implementation of the “feature” has been finished, all relevant changes are merged back to the *trunk*.

For a more indepth information on these use cases, examples and general information, refer to <http://svnbook.red-bean.com/>.

Warning! As merging can become a rather sophisticated task, there are certain recommendations. The most important ones are:

- Do only recursive merges and try to always merge on the same “merge root”, preferably *trunk* itself or the root of a branch.
- Avoid merging into a working copy which contains mixed revisions. Therefore do an Update (see 3.3.1), preferably to **HEAD**, before.
- Avoid merging into non-recursively (or incompletely) checked out working copies. Therefore do an Update More (see 3.3.2) on your merge root, selecting all files and directories and the **Recurse into subdirectories** option.

3.6.1 Merge

Use **Modify|Merge** to merge changes from another source branch to the selected file/directory.

Select **Trunk** to merge from the main trunk. Select **Branch** or **Tag** and enter the branch or tag name to merge changes from a branch or tag. Select **Other URL** to merge from an arbitrary URL, specifying the corresponding repository and **Path**.

Alternatively, you may select a merge source from the **History** button. It shows a list of previous merge sources you have used as well as merge sources extracted from the `svn:mergeinfo` (see 3.7.10) property of your merge target.

Use **All Revisions** to merge all those revisions which have not yet been merged from the selected location. SmartSVN will detect them based on the present *merge tracking* information.

Example

You will typically use this option when working with a *feature branch* to keep it in sync with the *trunk*.

Warning! **All Revisions** does not work with *pre-1.5* servers (e.g. 1.4 servers).

Use **Revision Range** to manually specify multiple (ranges of) revisions to be merged from the selected location. SmartSVN will detect whether certain revisions of the specified ranges have already been merged and avoid to repeatedly merge them. Single revisions are just specified by their revision number while ranges starting at **start** (inclusive) and ending at **end** (inclusive) are specified by **start-end**. Multiple revisions (ranges) can be specified by separating them by a colon (,). Certain revisions may be excluded by prefixing them with an exclamation mark (!).

Instead of entering the revisions manually, you can choose them from the revision browser (see 3.14.2). The revision browser will display those revisions which have not been merged by a green arrow (“merge candidates”). From the **Options**-button you can select **Show only mergable revision** to restrict the revision list to those merge candidates. By default, **Show all revisions** will include also revisions which have already been merged.

Example

You will typically use this option when working with a *release branch* to get only bugfix revisions from the *trunk* to this branch.

Select **Reverse merge** to reverse the changes between the selected revisions. Internally, this is achieved by swapping the start and end revisions.

Advanced options

By default, merging takes the ancestry into account. This means, that merging does not simply calculate (and merge) the difference between two files which have the same path, but also checks if both files are actually related. For the typical merging use cases, this behaviour leads to the expected results and it is also required for the merge tracking to work. You can switch this behaviour off by selecting **Ignore ancestry**, however this option is not recommended unless you have a good reason to use it.

Regarding **Ignore changes in EOL-style** and **For whitespaces** handling, refer to Create Patch (see 3.9.10).

Deselect **Recurse into subdirectories** to merge only changes to the selected directory/file itself but not it's contained files, etc. In general it's recommended to keep **Recurse into subdirectories** selected.

With **Record only** no files will be touched during the merge, but only the Mergeinfo (see 3.7.10), will be adjusted correspondingly, so the core merge tracking mechanisms consider the revisions as merged. This option can be useful to “block” certain revisions from being actually merged.

By default merging will stop when it's required to delete locally modified files, because they have been removed in the merge source. You can switch off this safety check by selecting **Force deletion of locally modified files, if necessary**.

Close the dialog with **Merge** to immediately perform the merge to the selected directory/file of the current working copy. Alternatively you may choose to **Preview** the changes which the merge will bring, for details refer to the Merge Preview (see 8.10).

Tip	You can choose to keep the auxiliary merge files even for non-conflicting files in the Project Settings (see 7.3.3).
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3.6.2 Merge from 2 Sources

Use **Modify|Merge from 2 Sources** to merge changes between two different merge sources (URLs) to the selected file/directory.

Changes are merged from one **Repository** between **From** and **To** to the local **Destination**. The last 10 merge sources will be stored and can be set using the drop-down button beside the **Repository** selector. For details regarding the **Advanced** options, refer to Section 3.6.1.

Note	Most merging use cases are covered by Merge (see 3.6.1) and Reintegrate Merge (see 3.6.3) and if possible these commands should be used.
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3.6.3 Reintegrate Merge

Use **Modify|Reintegrate Merge** to “reintegrate” changes from another URL to the selected file/directory.

Reintegrate merging is different from the “normal” merging: It carefully replicates only those changes unique to the source **Merge From** compared to the local working copy.

Example

You will typically use **Reintegrate Merge** after the work of a *feature branch* has been finished and the “feature” shall be reintegrated into the *trunk*. Here it’s important that all the previous merges from *trunk* to the *feature branch* are filtered out to avoid unnecessary merge conflicts, etc. That is – in short – what reintegrate does. For a detailed explanation, refer to <http://svn.haxx.se/users/archive-2008-05/0808.shtml>.

For details regarding the **Advanced** options, refer to Section 3.6.1.

3.6.4 Apply Patch

Use **Modify|Apply Patch** to apply a *patch file* to your working copy. Currently supported patch file formats are *unidiff* patches. See Section 3.9.10 on how to create patches with SmartSVN.

For the **Select Patch File** dialog, select the patch file which you want to apply. Typically, patch files have *.patch* or *.diff* extensions. Based on the file paths contained in the patch file, SmartSVN will try to detect the correct base directory to which the patch should be applied. It will fail, if at least one file to patch has not been found in the working copy.

The resulting window is similar to the Merge Preview (see 8.10) window, refer to this section regarding the available commands. The **Files** area allows to deselect certain files from the patch. You can finally perform the patching by **Patch|Apply Patch**.

Unpatchable files

In case the patch could not be applied to certain files, an **Unpatchable files** area will be displayed in the top of the window. The table contains the **Path** of the file and a description of the **Problem**. The tooltip text of the **Problem** column contains more details in case expected and actual lines did not match when trying to apply the patch to the file.

3.7 Properties

Both, files and directories can have properties attached to them. There exists a set of predefined properties, which are used by SVN itself to manage the working copy. All other properties are “user-defined” properties. Following commands are related to properties and are available from the **Properties** menu.

3.7.1 Edit Properties

Use **Properties|Edit Properties** to display and edit properties of the selected file/directory. For details refer to Section 8.3.

Note Internal SVN properties are displayed with grey font. It's not recommended to modify SVN properties directly by this dialog but better use the special commands which SmartSVN offers from the **Properties** menu.

You can **Add**, **Edit** and **Remove** individual properties. Use **Revert** on one or more properties to reset their **Current Value** to their **Base Value**.

3.7.2 Set or Delete Property

Use **Properties|Set or Delete property** to change a property for multiple files/directories at once.

Enter the name of the **Property**; the drop-down button offers the SVN internal properties for selection. To set a property value, either select **Set Value To** and enter the new property value, or, in case of boolean SVN-properties, select **Set boolean property**. To remove the property, select **Delete Property**.

For directories, choose to **Recurse into subdirectories** and optionally to **Include this directory**. Choose **Force** to skip a couple of checks which are performed for certain property (values).

Example

To get rid of all *explicit mergeinfo* from your project except from the project root, select `svn:mergeinfo` for **Property**, choose **Delete Property** and **Recurse into subdirectories** and deselect **Include this directory**.

3.7.3 MIME-Type

Use **Properties|MIME-Type** to change the *SVN MIME-type* of the selected files. The MIME-type can be either a default **Text**, a default **Binary** or a **Custom** type. In case of a **Custom** type, you have to specify the corresponding MIME-type here. E.g. “text/html”, “application/pdf” or “image/jpeg”.

MIME-types can't be arbitrary strings but must be *well-formed*. For instance, a MIME-type must contain a “/”. By default, SmartSVN checks whether MIME-types are well-formed. Use **Force** to disable this check.

The MIME-types are relevant for some SVN operations, for instance updating, where in case of *text* types the line endings, etc. can be replaced. By default, when adding files (see Section 3.4.1), the coarse MIME-type (either *text* or *binary*) is automatically determined by SmartSVN. In general this detection is correct, but in certain cases you may want to explicitly change the MIME-type of the file with this command.

Within the project settings (see 7.3.3) you can define file name patterns which should always be treated as *binary*.

3.7.4 EOL-Style

Use **Properties|EOL-Style** to change the *EOL-Style* (line separator) of the selected files. The EOL-style is used when updating or checking out a text file and results in a corresponding conversion of its line endings:

- **Platform-dependent** converts to the platform's native line separators.
- **LF, CR, CR+LF** converts to the corresponding line separators, regardless of the current platform.
- **As is** performs no conversion.

In the project settings (see 7.3.3), the default EOL-style which will be applied to every added file can be specified. By default, this will be **Platform-dependent**.

When changing the EOL-style of a file, SmartSVN checks whether the file has consistent line endings. If this is not the case, it will reject to change the EOL-style (other behaviors can be configured in the project settings). To skip this check, use **Force**.

3.7.5 Keyword Substitution

Use **Properties|Keyword Substitution** to select the keywords for the selected files, which shall be substituted (expanded) locally. Keyword substitution only works for text files.

For each keyword you have the option to **Set** or **Reset** it. Select **Don't change** to keep the current substitution for the keyword.

3.7.6 Executable-Property

Use **Properties|Executable-Property** to change the “Executable-Property” of the selected files. The “Executable-Property” is a versioned property, but is only used on Unix(-like) platforms, where it defines whether the “Executable Flag” should be set to a file or not.

Choose **Executable** if the “Executable-Property” should be assigned to the file or **Non-Executable** to remove the property from the selected files.

3.7.7 Externals

Use **Properties|Externals** to define or change externals. An *external* (officially also referred to as *externals definition*) is a mapping of a **Local Path** to an **URL** (and possibly a particular **Revision**) of a versioned resource.

In general, externals are specified by complete URLs, but there are also shorter representations which can be more flexible. The **URL** input field allows to switch between the available representations for a given URL. For a detailed description of externals and valid URL formats, refer to <http://svnbook.red-bean.com/nightly/en/svn.advanced.externals.html>.

Example

To include the external `http://server/svn/foo` as directory `bar/bazz` at revision 4711 into your project, select directory `bar` and invoke **Properties|Externals**. Click **Add**, enter `bazz` into the **Local Path** input field, `http://server/svn/foo` into the **URL** input field, 4711 to the **Revision** input field and confirm by **OK**: After committing your property change, an update on `bar` will create the subdirectory `bar/bazz` with the content from `http://server/svn/foo` at revision 4711.

Tip	It is safer to always set a Revision to externals. In this way you can always be sure about which actual version you are working with. When you decide to use a more recent revision of the external, you can evaluate it before and if you are satisfied, increase the Revision number of the external definition.
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Note	Externals may refer to directories as well as to files. In case of files, the referred URL must be part of the same repository to which its local parent directory (i.e. the directory to which the <code>svn:externals</code> property belongs) belongs.
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3.7.8 Ignore Patterns

Use **Properties|Ignore Patterns** to add, change or delete *local ignore patterns* for a directory. *Local ignore patterns* define file and directory patterns to be ignored within the directory.

Local ignore patterns are stored within the working copy (in the `svn:ignore` property of the directory) and will be committed. Therefore ignore patterns can only be applied to versioned directories.

By default, the **Patterns** are only set to the selected directory. You may also choose to set the patterns to all subdirectories by **Recurse into subdirectories**. In case of recursive ignore patterns, you may alternatively consider to specify *global ignore patterns* within the project settings (see 7.3.3).

To add an ignore pattern, you can also use the **Modify|Ignore** command.

3.7.9 Bugtraq-Properties

Use **Properties|Bugtraq-Properties** to configure the *Bugtraq-Properties* for the current working copy. Bugtraq-Properties are a technique for integrating Subversion with issue tracking systems.

A detailed specification for the *Bugtraq-Properties* can be found at: <http://tortoisesvn.tigris.org/svn/tortoisesvn/trunk/doc/issuetrackers.txt>, username is `guest` with empty password. SmartSVN implements this specification with following mapping from UI elements to core `bugtraq:-properties` as shown in Table 3.1.

bugtraq-Property	UI Element
bugtraq:url	URL
bugtraq:warnifnoissue	Remind me to enter a Bug-ID
bugtraq:label	Message Label
bugtraq:message	Message Pattern
bugtraq:number	is true exactly if Bug-ID is set to Numeric
bugtraq:append	is true exactly if Append message to set to Top
bugtraq:logregex	For the version with one regular expression this corresponds to Bug-ID expression . For the version with two regular expressions, Message-Part Expr. corresponds to the first line and Bug-ID expression corresponds to the second line.

Figure 3.1: Mapping from core bugtraq:properties to SmartSVN UI elements

Example

Your commit messages look like: Ticket: 5 Some message or ticket #5: Some message and you want the 5 show up as a link to your issue tracker. In this case, set **Bug-ID expression** to [Tt]icket:? #?(\d+) and leave **Message-Part Expr.** empty.

If you want the whole Ticket #5 part show up as a link, use the same **Bug-ID expression** and also set **Message-Part Expr.** to this value.

Example

Let's say your commit messages look like this: CF-11: Some message, or ET-12: Some message. Then, if you want the 11 and 12 to show up as links to your issue tracker, set **Bug-ID expression** to \d+ and the **Message-Part Expr.** to (CF|ET)-(\d+).

If you want the whole CF-11 or ET-12 part to show up as a link, set **Bug-ID expression** to (CF-\d+|ET-\d+) and leave **Message-Part Expr.** empty.

3.7.10 Merge Info

Use **Properties|Merge Info** to change the svn:mergeinfo property for the selected files/directory.

Warning! The svn:mergeinfo is a core part of Subversion's *merge-tracking* mechanisms and is automatically managed by **Modify|Merge** and related commands. If you want to “block” certain revisions manually from being merged, you should use **Modify|Merge** with the **Record only** option set.

3.8 Tags and Branches

SmartSVN simplifies the handling of “Tags” and “Branches”. Both “Tags” and “Branches” are no native SVN concepts, but can easily be handled by the help of Copy To Reposi-

tory (see 3.4.11) and Copy Within Repository (see 3.4.12). SmartSVN provides special support for managing tags and branches, which are based upon these copy commands.

Commands related to the management of tags and branches are available from the **Tag+Branch** menu. Various other commands support tags and branches alternatively for entering raw URLs.

3.8.1 Tag-Branch-Layout

The *Tag-Branch-Layout* defines the project's root URL (within the repository) and where the *trunk*, *tags* and *branches* of the project are stored. It affects the presentation of and the working with URLs for various commands. When invoking a tag/branch-aware command on a directory for which no layout can be found, SmartSVN will prompt you to configure a corresponding layout in the **Configure Tag-Branch-Layout** dialog.

A Tag-Branch-Layout is always linked with a corresponding **Project Root**. A **Project Root** is simply the URL of the top-most directory of a *project*. Any directory can be defined as a *project root* as the definition of what a *project* is, is completely up to you.

The first decision for a **Project Root** is whether to enable or disable Tag-Branch-Layouts for it. Many SVN projects are organized using tags and branches. In this case choose **Use following layout** to configure the layout. If the corresponding project is not organized by tags and branches, choose **Do not work with tags and branches for this project root** to switch Tag-Branch-Layouts off.

Trunk specifies the root directory of the project's trunk. **Branches** and **Tags** specify the directory patterns of the branch and tag root directories, respectively. All paths are relative to the **Project Root** and when using values `trunk`, `branches/*` and `tags/*` here, you will be compatible with the suggested SVN standard layout.

Example

The Subversion project itself is located at <http://svn.collab.net/repos/svn/>. Hence for the corresponding SmartSVN project, **Project Root** must be set to <http://svn.collab.net/repos/svn/>. Subversion's Trunk URL is <http://svn.collab.net/repos/svn/trunk>, i.e. `trunk` is the relative path and must be set for **Trunk**. Branches are located in <http://svn.collab.net/repos/svn/branches>, e.g. <http://svn.collab.net/repos/svn/branches/1.5.x> is the root of the "1.5.x" branch. I.e. **Branches** must be set to `branches/*`. This is similar for **Tags**.

It's also possible to use multiple branch or tag patterns. In this case, when entering e.g. a branch, you have to specify not only the branch name, but the relative path to the common root of all branches.

Example

A project may also contain *shelves* which can be interpreted as “personal branches”. For instance, the **Project Root** is located at `svn://server/svn/proj`. The “normal” branches are located in `svn://server/svn/proj/branches` and the shelves are located in `svn://server/svn/proj/shelves/[username]`, e.g. `svn://server/svn/proj/shelves/bob/my-shelve`. Hence, for **Branches** following patterns should be used: `branches/*`, `shelves/*/*`.

Now, when e.g. creating a branch “b1” with **Tag+Branch|Add Branch**, you have to enter `branches/b1`, so SmartSVN knows that the branch should be created in the `branches` directory.

When e.g. switching to Bob’s “my-shelve” with **Modify|Switch**, you have to enter `shelves/bob/my-shelve`, so SmartSVN knows that it should switch to a branch within the `shelves/bob` directory.

SmartSVN uses the proposed standard layout for new projects. If you want configure another default layout, open one project which contains the wanted layout, select **Tag+Branch|Configure Layout** and use **Make this configuration the default** here.

3.8.2 Add Tag

Use **Tag+Branch|Add Tag** to create a copy (“Tag”) of your local working-copy in the `tags` directory of your repository. **Name** will be the name of the tag and **Location** shows the corresponding location. You can create two kinds of tags:

- **Working Copy** tags are a snapshot of your current working copy. Such a tag will contain local changes, if present unless **Skip local changes** has been selected. It will also reflect mixed local revisions and switched directories.
- **Repository Revision** tags are “server-side” tags which represent a snapshot of the repository at a given revision.

Tip	Repository Revision tags can be useful if your working copy contains local changes but you don’t want them to be part of the tag. However, in this case you should make sure that your working copy actually corresponds to the revision which you plan to tag, i.e. you should do an update (see 3.3.1) to that revision before and make sure that there are no switched directories.
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By default, SmartSVN will fail if the specified tag already exists. Select **Overwrite existing tag, if necessary** to create the tag anyway, replacing the already existing tag.

Use **Externals Revisions** to specify how to handle externals revisions (see 3.7.7). For details refer to Section 3.4.11.

Note	This command is similar to Modify Copy Local to Repository (see Section 3.4.11), but simplifies the special task of “Tagging”.
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3.8.3 Tag Multiple Project Roots

Use **Tag+Branch|Tag Multiple Project Roots** on one or more project roots (working copy roots) to create a tag for all of these roots.

Enter the **Tag Name** and **Commit Message** which will be used for the creation of the tag. Select **Fix external revisions** to have all revisions of externals set to their current values, as present in the working copy.

This functionality is provided by the Tag Multiple Project Roots plugin (see 11.8).

3.8.4 Add Branch

Use **Tag+Branch|Add Branch** to create a copy (“Branch”) of your local working-copy in the **branches** directory of your repository. This command is similar to **Tag+Branch|Add Tag**, refer to Section 3.8.2 for details.

3.8.5 Tag Browser

Use **Tag+Branch|Tag Browser** to display all tags and branches of your project in a hierarchical structure. The hierarchy denotes which tags/branches have been derived (i.e. copied) from other branches.

Tags and **Branches** display the tags or branches location as specified with the **Configure Layout** (see 3.8.6) command. The subsequent table will contain tags and branches found herein. A tag or branch has a **Name**, a **Revision** at which it had been created and possibly a **Removed At** revision at which it had been removed.

The tag browser is built upon information from the Log Cache (see 5.3). With **Refresh** you can refresh the cache and rebuild the tag/branch-structure.

Tags/branches can be deleted by **Remove** which will remove the corresponding directory from the repository.

From the **Options**-button you can select to show both **Branches and Tags**, **Branches only** or **Tags only**. **Recursive View** specifies whether the table shall also display tags/branches which have been *indirectly* derived from the currently selected branch in the tree. Select **Removed Tags/Branches** to also display tags/branches which have been deleted within the Repository. The corresponding items will contain a red minus within their icon to denote the deletion.

The **Branch** drop-down button allows to sort the branches either **by Name** or **by Revision**.

Tip	You can invoke the Tag Browser also from tag or branch name input fields by clicking the ellipsis button to the right (...) or using <Ctrl>+<Space> -keystroke.
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3.8.6 Configure Layout

Use **Tag+Branch|Configure Layout** to configure the *Tag-Branch-Layout* for the currently selected directory. This command is only available on the working copy root directory and externals roots (see 3.7.7). For details refer to Section 3.8.1.

Select **Make this configuration the default** to have this layout applied to all new projects.

3.9 Queries

SmartSVN offers following non-modifying commands – some of them work locally, others by querying the repository – from the **Query** menu.

3.9.1 Show Changes

Use **Query|Show Changes** to compare the selected files or directory against their pristine copies. **Show Changes** will correspondingly open one or more File Compare (see 8.2) frames or the Properties Compare (see 8.3) for a directory. For details, regarding the warning limit on the number of files to compare at once, refer to Section 9.6. No connection to the repository is required.

3.9.2 Compare with HEAD

Use **Query|Compare with HEAD** to compare a single, local file with the HEAD revision in the repository. If you want to compare against an arbitrary revision or some other repository file, use Compare with Revision (see 3.9.4).

3.9.3 Compare with HEAD

Use **Query|Compare with Previous** to compare a single, local file with the next-to-last revision in the repository (i.e. the revision before HEAD). If you want to compare against the HEAD revision itself, use Compare with HEAD (see 3.9.2). If you want to compare against an arbitrary revision or some other repository file, use Compare with Revision (see 3.9.4).

3.9.4 Compare with Revision

Use **Query|Compare with Revision** to compare a single, local file with another revision of the same file or even another file. Select either to **Compare** the **Working Copy** or the **Pristine Copy**. Select to compare **With** the **Trunk** or a specific **Branch** or **Tag** or an arbitrary **Other URL**. Select whether to retrieve the repository file **At** the repository **HEAD** or at a another **Revision**. The result will be a File Compare (see 8.2) frame.

Tip	Use Compare with HEAD (see 3.9.2) if you want to quickly compare a file against the latest repository revision.
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3.9.5 Compare 2 Files

Use **Query|Compare 2 Files** to compare two local files with each other. No connection to the repository is required.

When having one or more *missing* files selected, their pristine copies will be used for the comparison instead.

3.9.6 Compare Repository Directories

Use **Query|Compare Repository Directories** to compare two different repository directories for changes (either added, removed or changed files and directories). This command gives you similar information like Create Patch between URLs (see 3.9.11), but in a more convenient representation. The result will be a Compare Repository Directories (see 8.4) frame.

The comparison is performed for one **Repository** between directories **From** and **To**.

Select **Recurse into subdirectories** to compare not only the directory and its immediate files itself, but also descend into subdirectories. Regarding **Ignore Ancestry**, refer to Section 3.9.11.

3.9.7 Log

Use **Query|Log** to display the change history of the selected file/directory. On the **Configuration** page you can specify, how far back in history the changes should be displayed.

Select **Stop logging on copied locations**, to make SmartSVN not trace further changes after it has encountered a revision where the file/directory has been copied from another location.

Select **Include merged revisions** to also fetch the originating revisions for revisions which have been merged. This option recursively descends into merged revisions and depending on the number of merges that have affected the file/directory this may result in a large or even huge number of reported revisions.

On the **Advanced** page, you can configure the usage of the Log Cache (see 5.3). By default, the Log Cache is **Enabled with updating**, which will speed up logging. You can also choose **Enabled without updating** to skip updating the cache from the repository, before it is queried. With this option you can perform logs without requiring any connection to the repository. However new revisions from the repository won't be displayed. With **Disabled** the log command will be performed directly against the repository. This can be helpful if your Log Cache is obsolete due to changes in the repository of already cached log data, see Section 5.3 for details.

Note	When using Include merged revisions with the Log Cache being Enabled , it will still be necessary to perform the Log directly against the repository. The Log may also be performed directly against the repository if the corresponding Log Cache is currently updating a large number of revisions from the repository. The reason is that instead of waiting for the Cache update to be finished it will in general be faster to perform the Log directly.
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When **Log HEAD instead of working revision** is selected, the Log will be performed against the selected directory's/file's URL at HEAD. This will report even revisions for the URL which are newer than the corresponding working copy revision. The disadvantage of this option is that the Log might fail, because the URL does no longer exist within the repository at HEAD.

After you have configured the command, click **OK** to proceed. Depending on the configuration the upcoming **Log** frame will show the resulting log as a directory/file tree or as a list of single file revisions. For details refer to Section 8.7.

3.9.8 Revision Graph

Use **Query|Revision Graph** to display the complete “family tree” for the selected file or directory. The Revision Graph shows all entries (files/directories) within all revisions which are related to the selected file/directory, either by subsequent changes or by *copies*, in both directions future and past. Hence, the Revision Graph of an entry also contains the complete Log (see 3.9.7) of that entry upto its origin.

On the **Configuration** page, you can configure the **Log Scope** of the Revision Graph: The Revision Graph is based on the complete log of a subset of the repository (not only the file/directory itself), what is necessary to trace *copies*. Unfortunately, logging the complete repository can require significant computational effort, even if the Log Cache (see 5.3) is used. On the other hand, entries are typically not copied across the whole repository, but only across a certain part of it. This is e.g. the case, when creating a branch, or moving one file from one directory to another. Using this knowledge, you can limit the computational effort by only logging the **Project Root** of your current project or even a specific **Path** instead of the whole **Repository Root**. For the latter two options, the *origin* of the entry, i.e. where it had been added, might not be found, because the corresponding path is not below the **Log Scope**. In this case, SmartSVN will automatically extend the **Log Scope** to the **Repository Root** and re-run the search for the origin.

When creating a Revision Graph for a directory, you can also choose to **Report Children**. This will not only show revisions, where the directory itself has been modified (properties), but also all revisions, where one of its (in)direct children has been modified. Revisions, where children have been modified are considered as simple “modifications” of the directory, independent of whether children have been modified/added/removed or copied.

Warning! Be careful, when using **Report Children**, because – depending on the selected directory and the size of your repository – this can result in really huge revision graphs and a correspondingly large memory consumption.

On the **Advanced** page, you can configure the usage of the Log Cache (see 5.3), see the Log command (Section 3.9.7) for details.

After performing this command, the **Revision Graph** window of the selected file/directory will come up. For details, refer to Section 8.8.

3.9.9 Annotate

Use **Query|Annotate** to view the “history” of the selected file on a per-line basis.

Similar to the Log command (see Section 3.9.7), you can configure the period of time for which the annotated view shall be calculated.

On the **Advanced** page, select **Track content of all revisions** to have the file contents of all revisions present for the subsequent **Annotate** window. Otherwise you will only be able to see the content of the latest revision for the selected file.

Use **Treat even binary revisions as text** to continue the Annotate even when it encounters one or more binary revisions of the file. This option can be necessary if the MIME-Type (see 3.7.3) of a file had been corrected e.g. from *binary* to *text* in some earlier revision, although the file had *text* content since ever. In case the file actually had binary content in some earlier revision, parts of the annotate output might be trash.

After performing this command, the **Annotate** window for the selected file will come up. For details refer to Section 8.9.

3.9.10 Create Patch

Use **Query|Create Patch** to create a “Unidiff” patch for the selected files/directory. A patch shows the changes in your working copy on a per-line basis, which can for instance be sent to other developers. See Section 3.6.4 on how to apply patches with SmartSVN.

The patch will be written to the local **Output File**. In case of creating a patch for a directory, you can select **Recurse into subdirectories** on the **Advanced** page to create the patch recursively for all files within the selected directory.

On the **Advanced** page, select **Ignore change in EOL-Style** to not output line changes for which only the line ending differs. This can be useful after having the line endings of a local file changed temporarily, but only “relevant” changes should be part of the patch.

With **For Whitespaces** you can configure to not output certain changes which are only affecting whitespaces. Use **No special handing** to do not ignore any changes regarding whitespaces. Use **Ignore changes in the amount** to ignore those lines for which only blocks with one or more whitespace characters have been replaced by blocks with one or more other whitespace characters. Use **Ignore them completely** to output only lines where anything else but whitespaces has changed.

3.9.11 Create Patch between URLs

Use **Query|Create Patch between URLs** to create a “Unidiff” patch between two arbitrary URLs. See Section 3.9.10 for more details on patches. Compare Repository Directories (see 3.9.6) is the more *visual* and convenient version of this command.

The patch is generated from one **Repository** and contains the difference between **From** and **To**. The patch will be written to the local **Output File**.

By default, this command takes the ancestry into account. This means, that it does not simply calculate (and print out) the difference between two files which have the same path, but also checks if both files are actually related. You can decide to switch this behaviour off by selecting **Ignore ancestry** on the **Advanced** page. For details regarding the other **Advanced** options, refer to Section 3.9.10.

3.10 Locks

Since Subversion 1.2, explicit file locking is supported. File locking is especially useful when working with binary files, for which merging is not possible.

For each file, its lock state is displayed in the file table column **Lock** and additionally the **Name** icon can contain corresponding overlay icons, as shown in Table 2.7. For the list of possible lock states, refer to Table 3.2.

Name	Meaning
(Empty)	The file is not locked.
Self	The file is locked for the local working copy.
Stolen	The file was locked for the local working copy but in the meanwhile it has been stolen by someone other in the repository.
Broken	The file was locked for the local working copy, but in the meanwhile it has been unlocked (by someone other) in the repository.
(Username)	The file is currently locked by the named user.

Figure 3.2: Lock States

The “Self” state can be filled by SmartSVN when scanning the local working copy. Please note, that this state can change, when scanning the repository (see Section 3.10.1), as the lock might actually be “Stolen” or “Broken”.

3.10.1 Scan Repository

With **Locks|Scan Repository** SmartSVN will scan the selected files or all files within the selected directory in the repository for locks. The result is displayed in the file table column **Lock**. This column is automatically made visible, if necessary.

You can combine scanning the repository for locks with refreshing the Remote State (see 3.11) in the Preferences (see 9.7). You can also schedule a recurrent refresh of the repository lock information in the Project Settings (see 7.3.3).

3.10.2 Lock

With **Locks|Lock** you can lock the selected files in the repository. You can enter a **Comment**, why you are locking these files.

The option **Steal locks if necessary** will lock the requested files regardless of their current lock state (in the repository). In this way it can happen that you “steal” the lock from another user, what can lead to confusion, when the other user continues working on the locked file. Hence you should use this option only if necessary (e.g. if someone is on holiday and has forgotten to unlock important files).

Keep **Update to HEAD before** selected to perform an update to HEAD. Only the latest revision of a file can be locked.

3.10.3 Unlock

With **Locks|Unlock** you can unlock the selected files, or all files within the selected directory (recursively) in the repository.

The option **Break locks** will unlock the requested files even if they are not locked locally. In this way it can happen that you “break” the lock from another users, what can lead to confusion, when the other user continues working on the locked file.

3.10.4 Show Info

Locks|Show Info shows information on the lock state (in repository) of the selected file.

State shows the current lock state (see Table 3.2). **Token ID** is the SVN Lock Token ID, which is normally not relevant for the user. **Owner** is the name of the user, who currently owns the lock. **Created At** is the time, when the lock has been set. **Expires At** is the time, when the lock will expire. **Needs Lock** indicates, whether this file needs locking, i.e. the “Needs Lock” property is set (see Section 3.10.5). **Comment** is the lock comment, as entered by the user at the time of locking.

3.10.5 Change ‘Needs Lock’

With **Locks|Change ‘Needs Lock’** files can be marked/unmarked to require locking. This is useful to indicate users, that they should lock the file before working with it. One aspect of this indication is, that SmartSVN will set files which require locking (due to this property) to read-only when checking out or updating.

3.11 Remote State

The remote state shows the files’ repositories states compared to the local working copy. It can also be interpreted as the action that would happen when updating the working copy to HEAD (see Section 3.3.1). The remote state of files is displayed in the file table column **Remote State**, the remote state of directories is displayed in the tooltip for a directory. See Table 3.3 for the list of possible remote states of files and directories.

Name	Meaning
Unchanged	The local entry is equal to the latest revision of this entry in the repository. An update on this entry will bring no changes.
Modified	For the local entry there exists a newer revision in the repository. An update will bring the corresponding changes for this entry.
Removed	The local entry has been removed in the repository. An update will remove the entry locally.
Added	This entry does not exist locally, currently in a versioned state. An update will add this entry.
Obstructed	For the local entry the latest repository revision contains another entry for being added. An update will fail here.

Figure 3.3: Remote State Types

To display the complete remote state information, especially the “Will be added” state, it may be necessary to add directories and files that do not exist locally to the directory tree or the file table. To such directories and files the special local state “Remote” is assigned, see Table 2.5 and Table 2.1.

3.11.1 Refresh Remote State

With **Query|Refresh Remote State** SmartSVN will query the repository and compare the latest repository revision with your local working copy. In this way, to each file and directory the corresponding remote state is assigned and displayed in the **Remote State** column; it will be made visible, if necessary.

Refresh Remote State can be combined with the local Refresh and the scanning for locks (see 3.10.1) in the Preferences (see 9.7) to have the Remote State automatically be refreshed.

If problems during the Remote State refresh are encountered, the status bar (see 2.1) will display an **Error** in the *Refresh* area. The tooltip for this area will show more details regarding the encountered problem.

3.11.2 Clear Remote State

Use **Query|Clear Remote State** to clear and hide the remote state. This will remove all directories and files which have the local state “Remote” (see Table 2.5 and Table 2.1) and hide the **Remote State** file table column.

3.12 Change Sets

A Change Set is a group of committable files and directories, with a message assigned. Subversion itself supports *Changelists* which currently can contain only files. SmartSVN automatically synchronizes the files of a Change Set with the corresponding SVN changelist. Change Sets are also known as “prepared commit” in other version control systems.

Change Sets are displayed in the Directory Tree (see 2.4) below the normal project directory structure. Table 3.4 shows the icons which are used for Change Set directories.




Icon	Description
	Change Set root node
	Change Set root node, which contains the modified project root directory
	A <i>virtual</i> Change Set directory, which does not represent an actual project directory, but is necessary to display child directories and files.
(various)	A Change Set directory which represents (or is equal to) the corresponding project directory, see Table 2.1.

Figure 3.4: Change Set icons

You can create a Change Set by selecting the files/directory to assign to the Change Set and invoking **Change Set|Move to Change Set** (Section 3.12.1). You can use the same menu item to add more committable files/directories to the Change Set, to move the selected files/directories to a different Change Set or to remove files/directories from a Change Set. When you are ready to commit, you can simply select the Change Set in the directory structure and invoke **Modify|Commit** (Section 3.5).

When the project directory structure is selected (as opposed to a Change Set), deactivating **View|Files Assigned to Change Set** (Section 2.4) will give a better overview of changed files not already assigned to a Change Set.

Note A file/directory can only be assigned to one Change Set.

3.12.1 Move to Change Set

Use **Change Set|Move to Change Set** to change the assigned Change Set (see 3.12) of selected, committable files/directories.

To move the selected files/directory to a new Change Set, select **New Change Set** and enter the **Message** of the new Change Set. Select **Remove this Change Set once it gets empty** to automatically remove this Change Set once it gets empty. Select **Allow only committable entries** to automatically remove *unchanged* and other non-committable entries from Change Sets.

Example

When having **Remove this Change Set once it gets empty** and **Allow only committable entries** selected, the Change Set will be automatically removed after committing it because

- the committed files will turn their state into *unchanged* after the commit and hence will be removed from the Change Set and
- the Change Set will be empty and hence will be removed itself.

To move the selected files/directory to another, already existing Change Set, select **Existing Change Set** and choose the **Target Change Set**.

To remove the selected files/directory from their currently assigned Change Set, select **Remove from Change Set**.

Tip You can use Drag-and-Drop to move files to a Change Set.

3.12.2 Move Up

Use **Change Set|Move Up** to move the selected Change Set (see 3.12) one position up (when having multiple Change Sets).

3.12.3 Move Down

Use **Change Set|Move Down** to move the selected Change Set (see 3.12) one position down (when having multiple Change Sets).

3.12.4 Delete

Use **Change Set|Delete** to delete the selected Change Set (see 3.12). This will only affect the Change Set assignment, not the files nor their SVN state.

3.12.5 Edit Properties

Use **Change Set|Edit Properties** to change the **Message** and other properties of the selected Change Set (see 3.12). For details, refer to Section 3.12.1.

3.13 Tools

The **Tools** menu offers several tools/utilities which can be useful when working with SVN projects.

3.13.1 Export Backup

Use **Tools|Export Backup** to export a backup of the selected files/directory.

Export displays what will be exported. **Relative To** displays the common root of all files to be exported and the exported file's paths will be relative to this directory. Depending on the selection of files/directory this will either be the number of files being exported or **All files and directories**.

You can either export **Into zip-file** or **Into directory**. In both cases, specify the target zip file or directory, and optionally choose to **Wipe directory before copying**.

Select **Include Ignored Files** or **Include Ignored Directories** if you want to include the respective ignored items (and their contents) as well.

3.13.2 Conflict Solver

Use **Tools|Conflict Solver** to start a *Three-Way-Merge*, which can be invoked on *conflicting* files (see Table 2.5). For details, refer to Section 8.5.

When invoking this command on a binary file, it will bring the Mark Resolved (see 3.4.14) dialog.

3.13.3 Set Up Local Repository

Use **Repository|Set Up Local Repository** to set up a new local SVN repository and optionally *svnserve* to access this repository.

To use this command you need to have a local installation of the *Subversion command line binaries*. You can download them from <http://subversion.tigris.org>. It's recommended to have these binaries and the necessary libraries on your operating system *path*. Enter the full path to **svnadmin** and **svnserve**.

Note	When proceeding with Next SmartSVN will perform some basic correctness checks on the chosen files by executing svnadmin --version and svnserve --version , respectively. Later on SmartSVN needs to be able to execute svnadmin create [repository] and svnserve -d -r [repository-root] , respectively.
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On the **Repository** page, enter the **New Repository Location** where the repository will be created.

On the **Username** page, enter a **Username** and **Password** which will have *write*-access to the newly created repository; anonymous access will be restricted to *read-only*.

Note	SmartSVN will configure the file conf/svnserve.conf (in the selected repository directory) to use the password file conf/passwd . Later on you can add users and change usernames and passwords in this file.
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After the repository has been created and configured successfully, you may choose to **Start 'svnserve' automatically when accessing the repository**. Refer to Section 6.1.1 for details. Select **Proceed with importing files into the repository** to continue with the Import into Repository wizard (see 3.2).

3.14 Common Features

SmartSVN includes a set of common features and UI elements that are shared by various commands.

3.14.1 Recursive/Depth options

In directory mode, most commands can work in *recursive* or *non-recursive*. By default, SmartSVN offers a basic option **Recurse into subdirectories** (or a similar name) which let's you either only operate on the directory itself or on all contained files and subdirectories, recursively.

Alternatively, you can switch to *advanced* recursion options in the Preferences (see 9.3). In this mode SmartSVN offers the Subversion *depth* levels:

- **Only this directory** only operates on the directory/file itself.
- **Only file children** operates on the directory and its directly contained files.
- **Immediate Children (files and directories)** operates on the directory, its directly contained files and subdirectories, but not on files or directories within these subdirectories.
- **Fully recursive** operates on the directory, contained files and subdirectories recursively.

Hence, having **Recurse into subdirectories** selected is equivalent to depth **Infinity** while having **Recurse into subdirectories** deselected is equivalent to depth **empty**.

3.14.2 Revision input fields

Most input fields, for which you can enter a revision number, support a *browse* function, which can be accessed by the **Select** or by hitting `<Ctrl>+<Space>`-keystroke.

A dialog displaying all revisions for the selected file/directory will come up. It shows all revisions, for which the directory has actually been affected and additionally all revisions which correspond to a specific tag, see Section 3.8 for further details. The **Revision** column shows the revision number or the corresponding tag. The other columns display the revision's **Time**, **Commit Message** and **Author**, respectively. The **Path** column shows the revisions's root location.

The displayed revisions are taken from the Log Cache (Section 5.3), so recent revisions might not be contained in the list. In this case you can use **Refresh** to update the Log Cache (and implicitly the displayed revisions) from the repository.

Browse Revisions at specifies the *peg* revision for the location to browse. In general **HEAD** should be sufficient for *alive* locations. Otherwise, you may select the corresponding **Peg Revision**.

From the **Options** button you can deselect **Stop on copy** to list revisions for the selected location even beyond copy-points.

Example

When merging (see 3.6.1) revisions from *replaced* (and hence *dead*) branches, it will be necessary to enter the correct **Peg Revision** to identify the branch.

3.14.3 Repository path input fields

Most input fields, for which you can enter a repository path, support a *browse* function, which can be accessed by the **Browse** or by hitting `<Ctrl>+<Space>`-keystroke.

The Repository Browser (Section 4) will come up as a dialog. Depending on the command from which the browser has been invoked, you can either select a repository file and/or a repository directory.

For certain commands – where necessary – *peg*-revisions are supported. Peg-revisions specify the **URL** of a repository path. This can be helpful when working with paths which do not exist anymore in the repository. In SmartSVN, you can append a peg-revision to a path by prefixing it with a “@”.

Example

To specify a path “/project/path” at revision 91, enter `/project/path@91`.

3.14.4 Tag input fields

Input fields, for which you can enter a tag, like when using Switch (Section 3.3.4), support a *browse* function, which can be accessed by the **Browse** button or by hitting `<Ctrl>+<Space>`-keystroke.

The Tag Browser (Section 3.8.5) will come up to let you select a branch or tag.

For certain commands – where necessary – *peg*-revisions are supported. For details refer to Section 3.14.3.

Example

To specify a tag “my-tag” at revision 91, enter `my-tag@91`.

3.14.5 File/directory input fields

Input fields, for which you can enter a path to a file or directory, support a *browse* function, which can be accessed by selecting the **Choose** button or by hitting `<Ctrl>+<Space>`-keystroke.

Chapter 4

Repository Browser

The Repository Browser offers a direct view into the repository and basic commands to manipulate repository contents directly. The Repository Browser comes as a stand-alone frame. It can be invoked from within the Project Window (see 2) by **Repository|Open in Repository Browser** or by **Window|New Repository Browser**. If a tray icon (see 10.8) is present the Repository Browser frame can be invoked by **New Repository Browser**. The Repository Browser can also be invoked from Project Window (see 2) commands via Repository path input fields (see 3.14.3) and commands like Check Out (see 3.1) or Import into Repository (see 3.2) provide inbound Repository Browsers.

The Repository Browser displays the repository content with a **Directory** tree and a **File** table, similar to the Project Window (see 2). For details on the **File Filter**, refer to Section 2.4.2.

The repository file system is only scanned on demand. This happens when currently unscanned directories are expanded. The Tag-Branch-Layouts (see 3.8.1) will be used to display directory icons. Table 4.1 shows the possible directory states.

4.1 Repository menu

- Use **Open** to change the currently browsed repository. Either select an already define **Repository Profile** or directly enter a **Repository URL** to browse. It's recommended (though not necessary) to enter repository root URLs.
- Use **Show Revision** to change the currently displayed revision.
- Use **Check Out** to check out the currently selected directory. This will bring up a simplified **Check Out** wizard, for details refer to Section 3.1.
- Use **Manage Profiles** to create a new Repository Profile (see 6) if necessary.
- **Change Master Password**, see Section 6.4.
- **Manage Log Caches**, see Section 5.3.1.
- Use **Close** to close the frame.
- Use **Exit** to exit SmartSVN.








Icon	State	Details
	Default	An already scanned repository directory without special meaning.
	Unscanned	A not yet scanned repository directory.
	Root	A project root, according to some Tag-Branch-Layout (see 3.8.1).
	Trunk/Branch	A <i>trunk</i> or <i>branch</i> , according to some Tag-Branch-Layout (see 3.8.1).
	Tag	A <i>tag</i> according to some Tag-Branch-Layout (see 3.8.1).
	Intermediate	An intermediate directory according to some Tag-Branch-Layout (see 3.8.1). For instance the parent directory (container) of the <i>branches</i> .
	Error	An error has occurred while scanning the repository, only displayed for the root directory.

Figure 4.1: Directory States

4.2 Edit menu

- Use **Stop** to cancel the currently processing operation. This action might not be applicable for certain operations.
- Use **File Filter** to put the focus into the **File Filter** field.
- Use **Configure Layout** to configure the Tag-Branch-Layout (see 3.8.1) for the currently selected directory.
- Use **Dismiss Layout** to dismiss the Tag-Branch-Layout for the currently selected directory. This can be useful to get rid of a “deeper” layout in favor of its parent layout.
- Use **Copy Name** to copy the name of the selected file/directory to the system clipboard. If multiple files are selected, all names will be copied, each on a new line.
- Use **Copy URL** to copy the URLs of the selected file/directory to the system clipboard. If multiple files are selected, all URLs will be copied, each on a new line.
- Use **Set Encoding** to configure the encoding which will be used when displaying file contents for the various **Query**-commands. Refer to Section 7.3.1 for details on when encodings will be applied. The encoding will be stored in the corresponding Repository Profile (see 6).
- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).
- Use **Preferences** to show the application preferences (see Section 9).

4.3 View

- Use **Refresh** to explicitly refresh the contents of the **Directory** tree and the **File** table from the repository.
- Select **Files from Subdirectories** to also view files from within subdirectories of the currently selected directory.

4.4 Modify

- **Create Directory**, see Section 4.4.1.
- **Remove**, see Section 4.4.2.
- **Copy**, see Section 4.4.3.
- **Move**, see Section 4.4.3.

4.4.1 Create Directory

Use **Modify|Create Directory** to create a new directory in the currently selected directory. Enter the **Directory Name** which may contain slashes (“/”) to create multiple directories at once.

Select **Create default project structure for trunk, branches and tags** to also create sub-directories **trunk**, **branches** and **tags** in the created directory.

Enter the corresponding **Commit Message** which is automatically suggested, as long as you don’t have manually modified it.

4.4.2 Remove

Use **Modify|Remove** to remove the currently selected directory(ies) or files from the repository. Enter a corresponding **Commit Message**, which is automatically suggested based on the selected directory/files.

4.4.3 Copy/Move

Use **Modify|Copy** or **Modify|Move** to copy or move the selected files/directory to another location. Select **Copy** to only copy the files/directory or **Move** to additionally remove the copy sources afterwards.

Use **To** to copy the copy sources itself to the selected location. When having selected one file/directory the entered destination location must not yet exist. The last part of the destination path will be the new name of the copied file/directory. When having multiple files selected, the files will be copied into the destination path.

Use **Contents Into** to copy the contents of the copy source into the selected location. This option is only available for copying directories. In either case, necessary parent directories will be created automatically.

Enter the corresponding **Commit Message** which is automatically suggested, as long as you don't have manually modified it. Select **After command execution show repository at HEAD revision** to reset the Repository Browser's revision to HEAD after having performed the copy or move command. This option is only available if the current revision not set to HEAD and it is convenient to immediately see the copy results (in HEAD).

Tip	You can also use Drag-And-Drop to copy or move files and directories. This will open the same dialog with the corresponding paths pre-filled.
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4.5 Query menu

- Use **Open** to open the currently selected file. SmartSVN will check out the file to a temporary location and open it in the specified editor. For details refer to the corresponding Open (see 2.5.7) command in the Project Window (see 2).
- Use **Compare** on a selection of two files or two directories to compare their contents. For details refer to Section 3.9.1 and Section 3.9.6, respectively.
- Use **Log** to display the log for the currently selected directory or file. For details refer to Section 3.9.7.
- Use **Revision Graph** to display the revision graph for the currently selected directory or file. For details refer to Section 3.9.8.
- Use **Annotate** to display an annotated view of the currently selected file's content. For details refer to Section 3.9.9.
- Use **Save As** to save the contents of the selected file to a local file. Enter the **Target Path** and select whether to **Expands keywords** or leave them unexpanded (as they are in the repository).
- Use **Show Properties** to display the properties of the currently selected file or directory.

4.6 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

4.7 Help menu

Refer to Section 2.5.13 for more details.

Chapter 5

Transactions

The *Transactions* are a direct view into a repositories' *Log* which is continuously updated. The Transactions are primarily designed to keep you up-to-date on what has happened within repositories you are interested, but also to allow similar powerful queries as the Log command (see 3.9.7) itself. The Transactions are integrated into the Project Window (see 5.2) and they come as a stand-alone Transactions frame (see 5.1).

5.1 Transactions frame

The Transactions frame can be invoked from within the Project Window (see 2) or from within the Repository Browser (see 4) by **Window|Show Transactions**. If a tray icon (see 10.8) is present the Transactions frame can be invoked by **Show Transactions**.

The Transactions frame can be used to observe multiple repositories at the same time. Every revision of every repository is represented by one line in the transactions tree which can be expanded to see which files/directories have been affected by the corresponding revision.

Note	For repositories in an older format than Subversion 1.6, the received log data does not contain information on whether a changed entry is of file or directory type. Hence, all entries modified in a revision will be displayed using file icons (even they might be directories).
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A revision line primarily shows the commit message of the corresponding revision and has a prefix which shows various properties of that revision:

- **Root:** displays to which repository the revision belongs. This column is only present if multiple repositories are observed, refer to Section 5.1.2 for details. The column may also contain the “project name”, appended after a colon (“:”). The “project name” is the last path component of the project root of the corresponding Tag-Branch-Layout (see 3.8.1).
- **Revision Number:** Displays the revision number.
- **Time:** Displays date and time of the revision. The used format can be changed in the Preferences (see 9.3).

- **Trunk/Branch/Tag:** displays the corresponding *trunk*, *branch* or *tag* to which the revision belongs, refer to Section 3.8.1 for details. This column is only present if at least one of the displayed revisions actually belongs to a *trunk*, *branch* or *tag*.
- **Author:** Displays the revision's author.
- **File count:** Displays the number of modified files/directories the revision contains.

The changed files/directories for a revision are displayed relative to the corresponding **Trunk/Branch/Tag** of the revision, or relative to the **Root**'s URL in case no Tag-Branch-Layout is used. If a Tag-Branch-Layout is used, but a file path does not fit into the Tag-Branch-Layout, it will be prefixed by a “/” to denote that it is given relative to the **Root**.

5.1.1 Grouping of revisions

Use the **View** to group the revisions by different categories:

- Ungrouped
- Weeks
- Time
- Authors
- Location (repository)

5.1.2 Watched URLs

Use **Edit|Configure Watched URLs** to configure the observed URLs (i.e. repositories). Every entry must have a **Name** which will be displayed in the “Root” column of the revision line prefix to distinguish revisions from different repositories. All revisions below the **Root URL** will be observed.

Select to **Display revisions for the last** entered **days**. You can further limit the number of displayed revisions by **But at**.

- Choose **Least** to have at least the specified number of **Revisions** reported. If there have been less revisions within the last **days** the display period will be extended so that at least the specified number of revisions are displayed. If there have been more revisions within the last **days**, this option won't affect the display.
- Choose **Most** to have at most the specified number of **Revisions** reported. If there have been less revisions within the last **days**, this option won't affect the display. If there have been more revisions within the last **days** the display period will be shrunk so that at most the specified number of revisions are displayed.

Note	For large and/or highly active projects, using a large value for Display period without a reasonable Most restriction can require significant memory usage and computational resources.
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The watched URLs can be refreshed manually by **Transaction|Refresh** and they will be refreshed recurrently for the interval specified in the Preferences (see 9.12).




Icon	State	Details
	Default (read)	A (<i>read</i>) revision.
	Unread	An <i>unread</i> revision.
	Remote	A working copy revision which contains at least one file which will be updated when updating to <i>HEAD</i> .

Figure 5.1: Revision states

5.1.3 Read/Unread revisions

SmartSVN internally manages for every repository a list of which revisions are *Unread* and which revisions have already been *Read*. This mechanism is similar to email clients: Newly fetched revisions are considered as *Unread* and hence are displayed with a blue color. In addition they will have a different icon, for details refer to Table 5.1. Use **View|Mark as Read** or **View|Mark All as Read** to mark revisions as *read*.

The read/unread state of revisions is not related to a single Transactions view, but shared by all views. For instance, multiple Project Window transactions (see 5.2) and the Transactions frame itself may show the same repositories. Marking a revision as read/unread will change their state in all of these views.

5.1.4 Display Settings

The layout of the revision line prefix can be configured in the **Display Settings**. Choose whether to show **Time**, **Author**, **File count** and/or **Trunk/Branch/Tag**. Choose whether to have the layout **Compact** or **Aligned in columns**.

5.1.5 Transaction menu

- Use **Refresh** to refresh the log information for the Watched URLs (see 5.1.2).
- Use **Close** to close the frame.
- Use **Exit** to exit SmartSVN.

5.1.6 Edit menu

- Use **Stop** to cancel the currently processing operation. This action might not be applicable for certain operations.
- Use **Open** to open the currently selected file. SmartSVN will check out the file to a temporary location and will open it in the specified editor. For details refer to the corresponding Open (see 2.5.2) command in the Project Window (see 2).
- Use **Copy Message** to copy the commit message of the currently selected revision. If multiple revisions are selected, all messages will be copied, each on a new line.
- Use **Copy Path** to copy the relative paths of the currently selected files. If multiple files are selected, all files will be copied, each on a new line.
- **Configure Watched URLs**, see Section 5.1.2.
- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).
- Use **Preferences** to show the application preferences (see Section 9).

5.1.7 View menu

- **Mark as Read**, see Section 5.1.3.
- **Mark All as Read**, see Section 5.1.3.
- **Ungrouped Revisions**, see Section 5.1.1.
- **Grouped by Weeks**, see Section 5.1.1.
- **Grouped by Time**, see Section 5.1.1.
- **Grouped by Author**, see Section 5.1.1.
- **Grouped by Location**, see Section 5.1.1.
- **Settings**, see Section 5.1.4.

5.1.8 Modify menu

- **Change Commit Message**, see Section 8.7.4.

5.1.9 Query menu

- Use **Show Changes** to display the changes for the selected file or revision. For details refer to Section 3.9.1.
- Use **Log** to display the log for the currently selected revision or file. For details refer to Section 3.9.7.
- Use **Revision Graph** to display the revision graph for the currently selected revision or file. For details refer to Section 3.9.8.
- Use **Annotate** to display an annotated view of the currently selected file's content. For details refer to Section 3.9.9.
- Use **Save As** to save the contents of the selected revision/file to a local file, for details refer to (see 4.5).

5.1.10 Repository menu

- **Manage Profiles**, see Section 6.
- **Change Master Password**, see Section 6.4.
- **Manage Log Caches**, see Section 5.3.1.

5.1.11 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

5.1.12 Help menu

Refer to Section 2.5.13 for more details.

5.2 Project Transactions

The *Project Transactions* are displayed in the **Transaction** view which is by default located in the lower right area of the Project Window (see 2). The Project Transactions view provides virtually all features of the stand-alone Transactions Frame (see 5.1) and extends some of them.

Many commands available in the Project Transactions view are integrated into the various Project Window commands (see 2), for instance Log (see 3.9.7) transparently works on the the project files and directories as well as on Transaction revisions or files. The Transactions-specific commands can be found in the **Window|Transactions** menu, see Section 2.5.12.

The main difference compared to the Transactions frame is that those revisions which are related to the current working copy (called *working copy revisions*) are implicitly

displayed; similar to the Transactions frame further “watched URLs” can be configured by **Transactions|Configure Watched URLs**.

For working copy revisions, their read/unread (see 5.1.3) state is tracked but not displayed in the Project Transactions. Instead, based on the local working copy state, the “remote state” for every revision is evaluated and displayed correspondingly: If a revision has already been updated it’s simply displayed as *read*. If there is at least one file part of the revision which will be updated when updating (see 3.3.1) to *HEAD* the revision is displayed as *read*, containing a *green arrow*, see Table 5.1.

5.2.1 Settings

Select **Transactions|Settings** to configure the Project Transactions.

Select **Repeatedly refresh transactions** to refresh the working copy transactions recurrently, with the same interval as for the Transactions frame. Select **Refresh after loading project** to automatically refresh the working copy transactions after a project has been loaded. Select **Refresh after a command changed the working copy** to automatically refresh after Updates, Commits, etc.

Regarding the basic **Display** options, refer to Section 5.1.4. **Display revisions for the last** and **But at** refer to the working copy revisions; the meaning of these options is identical to the additionally watched URLs, for details refer to Section 5.1.2.

5.3 Log Cache

The Log Cache is the local data storage for the *Transactions*. It is also used by other SmartSVN commands, for instance the Log command (Section 3.9.7) itself. It stores and supplies the raw log information as received from the server and can supply them for various commands later on. This can increase log performance significantly and also leads to reduced network traffic.

When *Log* information is requested for the first time for a certain repository, you can choose which parts of the repository should be indexed by the Log Cache. In general it is recommended to select **Create cache for whole repository at** to let SmartSVN index the whole repository. The reason is that logs of a certain “module” can have links to other modules, because of the way Subversion’s *Copy* mechanism works. Sometimes repositories can be very large and you are interested only in a few modules of the whole repository. In this case it may be more efficient to select **Create cache only for module at** and select the corresponding module. However, this can lead to incomplete logs due to the reasons stated above. For some repositories you might want to use create no Log Cache at all. In this case choose **Skip cache and perform logs directly**.

SmartSVN automatically keeps the Log Cache(s) up-to-date. All log-related commands always query the repository for the latest logs, before querying the Log Cache. In the same way, every manually or automatically triggered refresh of the Transactions will update the corresponding caches.

Log results (for instance used by the Log command) from the Log Cache are in general identical to results obtained when querying the server directly. However there can be

differences for following situations:

- Server-side access restrictions on already cached revisions are changed afterwards. This happens for instance, when using and modifying *AuthzSVNAccessFile* for *HTTP* repositories.
- Log information for already cached revisions are changed on the server afterwards. This happens for instance when changing the repository's database directly or by changing *revision properties*, e.g. when another user has performed Change Commit Message (see 8.7.4).

In such cases, you should rebuild the Log Cache as described in Section 5.3.1.

5.3.1 Manage Log Caches

In the Project Window (see 2) use **Repository|Manage Log Caches** to manage the local Log Caches.

The list shows all known **Root URLs** and the corresponding **Log Type**. For **Log Type** set to **Local Log Cache** there exists a local Log Cache for the **Root URL** against which logs will be performed. Otherwise, for **Direct Logs onto Repository**, the logs will be performed directly against the repository.

Log Caches are created on demand for a new **Root URL** and the choice whether to use a **Local Log Cache** or **Direct Logs onto Repository** has to be done when a log is first requested for that URL. This choice will be remembered and typically doesn't need to be changed afterwards. If necessary anyway, you can use **Delete** for the corresponding **Root URL**. This will discard the **Log Type** choice and get rid of the Log Cache in case of **Local Log Cache** choice. Hence, subsequent log requests for this URL (or child URLs) will bring the Log Cache initialization dialog again.

Select **Rebuild** for a **Local Log Cache** to rebuild it from repository log information. In general it's recommended to rebuild caches completely by selecting **All** unless you know that only log information **Starting with** a certain revision had been changed.

5.3.2 Storage

The Log Cache information is stored in the subdirectory **log-cache** in SmartSVN's settings directory. For every Log Cache, there is a separate subdirectory containing the server name and repository path. This is typically sufficient to quickly locate the cache for a specific repository. In case there are multiple subdirectories with the same name, only differing in the trailing number, you can have a look at the contained **urls** files. They show the exact location for which the Log Cache has been built.

If you encounter problems when rebuilding the cache, or if you need to get rid of the cached information for a certain repository, you can remove the corresponding subdirectory. Alternatively, you can remove the whole **log-cache** in order to get rid of all cached log information. You should never change these files while SmartSVN is running, otherwise the results will be unpredictable.

Chapter 6

Repository Profiles

The *Repository Profiles* contain all settings which are required to establish a connection respectively authenticate to a repository.

SmartSVN automatically creates a new profile, when opening a working copy, which contains a currently unknown repository URL. Typically, such profiles are not fully configured, because there are additional usernames, passwords or certificates required for a successful authentication. When commands are invoked, which are connecting to the repository, SmartSVN will query for this additional information.

Alternatively (and important for checkouts) the Repository Profiles can be configured from the Project Window (see 2) and from the Repository Browser (see 4) by **Repository|Manage Profiles**.

6.1 Profiles

On the **Profiles** page, you can configure the main connection settings (i.e. profiles). The table shows all currently known profiles. You can **Add**, **Copy**, **Edit** or **Delete** a profile.

The profiles are arranged in a specific, customizable order. This order is used for profile selectors, used within various dialogs. It also affects the search for a matching profile, when connecting to a repository; the list is searched from top to bottom. In this way you can create multiple profiles for one repository with different settings, e.g. authenticated access for certain subdirectories and anonymous access for the whole repository. To change the order of the profiles, use **Move Up** and **Move Down**. Use **Sort By** to sort the profiles either based on their given **Name** or on their **Location** (host name); latter option will keep the order between profiles for the same host.

Use **Show Passwords** to add an additional **Password/Passphrase** column which displays the stored plain text passwords for each profile. For details on passwords refer to (see 6.4).

Tip

The column **Last Used At** shows the last time the Profile has been used for authentication against a repository. This time stamp can be helpful to detect obsolete profiles which may be removed after a while.

6.1.1 Add

By **Add** a wizard will come up, which lets you supply all necessary information to create a new profile.

Configuration

On the **Location** page you have to primarily specify which **Protocol** (protocol) shall be used to access the repository. In case of **SVN+SSH**, you can optionally specify whether to **Prepend SSH login name to host**. This option is not important for SmartSVN but may be convenient when also working with the command line.

Further mandatory parameters of a profile are **Server Name**, **Repository Path** and **Server Port**. For the **Server Port** you have the option to use the **Default** port, or use a **Non-Default** port.

Note	The Repository Path is interpreted differently depending on the Protocol . For HTTP , HTTPS it denotes the <i>Location</i> as specified in <i>Apache's httpd.conf</i> (or child configuration files). For SVN it denotes the path relative to the repository root, which <code>svnserve</code> serves; you will typically simply use <code>"/</code> here. For SVN+SSH it denotes the absolute file system path to the repository, i.e. the same path which you would supply for the <code>svnserve -r</code> parameter.
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Instead of typing the values into the various input fields, you can also use **Enter SVN URL** and supply the complete URL for the repository.

Details

Depending on the selected **Protocol**, there are different options which have to be configured on the **Details** page. Most of them are related to *authentication*.

SVN For **SVN** connections, you have to specify the **SVN Login**. This can either be **Anonymous** or by **User Name and Password**. In the latter case you have to supply the **User Name** and **Password**. The **Password** can optionally be stored by **Save password**, see also Section 6.4.

If you are connecting to a local repository, i.e. either `localhost` or `127.0.0.1`, you can choose to **Automatically start 'svnserve'**. In this case, specify the local **Repository Directory** and the path to the **'svnserve'-Executable**. SmartSVN will then always try to start the corresponding `svnserve` process at the specified port before accessing this repository.

Note	For the autostarting of <i>svnserve</i> to work properly, it's necessary that <i>anonymous read access</i> for the corresponding repository has been configured. Before the process is started, SmartSVN checks for already running processes. Only if no running processing (serving the correct repository) has been found, SmartSVN will launch its own <i>svnserve</i> process. These processes will be shutdown automatically with the shutdown of SmartSVN itself. If SmartSVN is not shutdown gracefully, the <i>svnserve</i> processes will remain running and hence have to be shutdown manually.
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HTTP For **HTTP** connections, you have also to specify the **SVN Login** and you can optionally choose **Use Proxy** to connect via the specified proxy server (see Section 6.2 for more details).

HTTPS For **HTTPS** connections, you have to specify the same parameters as for **HTTP** connections. Furthermore you have the option to **Use client authentication** if this is required by your SSL server. In this case choose the required **Certificate File** and enter the corresponding **Certificate Passphrase** which is used to protect your certificate. You can optionally **Save passphrase**, see also Section 6.4.

SVN+SSH For **SVN+SSH** connections, you have to specify a **Login Name** for the SSH login and you have following **Authentication** options:

- For **Password-Authentication**, enter the corresponding password. You can optionally **Save password**, see also Section 6.4.
- For **Public/Private-Key-Authentication**, enter the path to your **Private Key File** and the **Passphrase**, which is used to protect your Private Key. You can optionally **Save passphrase**.
- For **Tunnel**, select the corresponding **Tunnel**. For more details regarding *tunnels*, refer to Section 6.3.

When working over **SVN+SSH**, the username used for commit messages, etc. will default to the **Login Name**. If you prefer to use another name here, choose **Custom** for **SVN User Name** and enter the corresponding name.

Finally and common for all **Protocols** you can choose to **Verify connection when pressing 'Next'**, which is recommended.

Name

The **Name** page shows the final **URL** for the profile to be created.

For displaying on the UI, a name is assigned to every profile. Choose either **Use repository URL as profile name** or **Use following profile name** and enter a corresponding name.

Click **Finish** to create the profile.

6.1.2 Edit

When editing a profile, you can change almost all parameters which also can be entered when creating a new profile.

6.2 Proxies

On the **Proxies** page, you can configure proxy hosts which are used to connect to SVN repositories over *HTTP/HTTPS* protocol. The configured proxies can then be used within a Repository Profile.

For a *proxy configuration* you have to specify the configuration's **Name** and the proxy **Host** and **Port**. For **Login**, select either **Anonymous** if the proxy itself requires no authentication or **User Name and Password**. In the second case, specify the required **Username** and **Password**. You can choose to **Save password**, see also Section 6.4.

6.3 Tunnels

On the **Tunnels** page, you can configure custom *svn+ssh* tunnels. Tunnels are useful when already having a working SSH infrastructure which also handles authentication and communication. The configured tunnels can then be used within a Repository Profile.

A tunnel has a **Name**, a tunnel **Command** and **Parameters** for this command. The **Command** typically is an *ssh* executable, like PuTTY's `plink.exe` on Microsoft Windows or `ssh` on Unix and Apple Mac OS. The tunnel command is always invoked when an *svn+ssh* connection is set up and handles the complete SSH-communication between SmartSVN and the server. The **Parameters** can contain predefined variables which are expanded by concrete values from the corresponding Repository Profile on the tunnel invocation:

- **Host**: The host name of the server
- **Port**: The port number on the server
- **SSH Login Name**: The login name on the server
- **'svnserve' Start Command**: The command to start the `svnserve` process. Either this variable or the actual start command must occur in the **Parameters** definition.

6.4 Passwords

All passwords which are required to access repositories can optionally be stored in a special password store. This password store is located in the `password` file, which can be found in SmartSVN's configuration area (see Section 12).

The password store is protected by a **Master Password** which has to be defined for the very first access of the password store. After relaunching SmartSVN the master password has to be entered when SmartSVN reads the password store the first time. You

may choose to **Don't use a master password**, if you don't want to have the password store protected. However, this option is only recommended if you can make sure that the master password file itself is well protected against unauthorized access.

The master password can be (re)set or changed by **Repository|Change Master Password** from within the Project Window (see 2.5.10). Use either **Change master password** to *change* the current password; this will preserve the stored passwords, but requires that you can supply the **Current Master Password**. Note that you won't need to enter the **Current Master Password**, if you are working without a master password currently. If you have forgotten the master password, select **Set new master password**. In that case all previously stored passwords are lost. Enter the **New Master Password** and **Retype New Master Password**. When leaving both fields blank, you will continue to work without a master password, i.e. like having **Don't use a master password** selected when initially asked to set the master password.

Chapter 7

Projects

SmartSVN internally manages your SVN working copies in “SmartSVN projects”. A SmartSVN project points to one or more SVN working copies (local SVN-controlled directories) and has a name and settings (Section 7.3) attached to it. When working with SmartSVN, you are always working with a project.

Projects can be created in different ways from the **Project** menu. To create a completely new project from a not-yet-version-controlled local directory, use **Import into Repository** (see Section 3.2). This will also create the corresponding directory (module) in the repository. If you want to create a local working copy from a project which already exists in a repository, use **Check Out** (see Section 3.1).

7.1 Managing working copies

To create a project from an already versioned local directory, use **Open Working Copy** and specify the locally **Versioned Directory**. On the **Project** page, you may select to **Open in new project** for this working copy, specify the project’s name and specify an optional group (see Project Manager (see 7.2)) to which the project will be added. You may select **Add to current project** to add the working copy to the currently open project (if present). If there already exists a project which contains this working copy, you may select **Open existing project** to open this project. Or you may select **Don’t manage as project** to just create a temporary project for this working copy.

If the location of a working copy has changed, you may use **Edit Working Copy** to point to the new location. To remove a working copy from the project, use **Remove Working Copy**.

Note	For an advanced configuration of the working copy roots use the project settings (see 7.3).
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One Project Window shows one project at a time. To work with multiple projects at the same time, you can open multiple Project Windows by clicking **Window|New Project Window**. Already existing projects can be opened in a Project Window by **Open** or closed by **Close**.

7.2 Project Manager

With the Project Manager (**Project|Project Manager**) you can manage your existing SmartSVN projects. The set of managed projects is arranged in a tree-structure. This allows you to group related projects under a common group name, etc. The project tree is displayed for the **Project|Open** dialog and the directory tree's pop-up in the Project Window.

Tip	There is one special group Sorted project area which receives all new projects. This group is sorted and hence works like a sorted project-list. If you don't need to group projects, simply leave this group maintaining the project list for you.
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You can **Add** a new project. This button has the same effect as **Project|Open Working Copy**. Select the local SVN-controlled root directory of the working copy for which you want to add a project and specify the corresponding **Project Name**. It's recommended to also choose **Verify repository connection** to make sure that the corresponding repository is still valid and can be accessed.

With **Rename** you can change the **Name** of an already managed project or a group. Choose **Reset** to reset the settings of the selected projects to the default settings (see 7.3.4). Use **Delete** to remove projects from project tree; neither the local directory itself nor any other filesystem content will be affected by this operation.

You can rearrange the project tree directly by Drag-and-Drop which is the most convenient method. Alternatively use **Move Up** and **Move Down** to move single nodes in the hierarchy. If a group is expanded, you can move the currently selected item into this group, otherwise it will be moved across.

Use **Create Group** to wrap the currently selected project in a group. Thereafter you can move other projects into this group. When you **Delete** a group, only this group will be deleted, but not contained projects nor groups.

7.3 Project Settings

The project settings affect the behaviour of various SVN commands. Contrary to the global preferences (see Section 9), the project settings only apply to an individual project. You can edit the settings of the currently opened project by **Project|Settings**.

The top of the dialog shows the **Root Paths** for the current project. Use **Change** to modify these paths, e.g. to either add other root directories or to change a root directory after the corresponding SVN working copy has been moved on your local disk.

7.3.1 Text File Encoding

The text file encoding affects only the presentation of file contents, for instance when comparing a file (see Section 3.9.1) and it will only be used if for the file itself no *charset* has been specified by its MIME-Type property (see 3.7.3). The text file encoding settings are not relevant for SVN operations itself, which generally work only on the *byte*-level.

With **Use system's default encoding**, SmartSVN will automatically use the system's default encoding when displaying files. When changing the system encoding later, the project settings are automatically up-to-date.

Alternatively you can choose a fixed encoding by **Use following encoding**.

7.3.2 Refresh/Scan

The **Initial Scan** settings specifies, whether SmartSVN scans the **Whole project** or the **Root directory only** when opening a project.

We recommend in general to use the **Whole project** option, because features like searching files in the table, etc. are relying on having the whole project structure in memory. Nevertheless, when you are working with *large* projects, it can be necessary to scan the file structure only on demand to avoid a high memory consumption.

7.3.3 Working Copy

The option **(Re)set to Commit-Times after manipulating local files** advises SmartSVN to always set a local file's time to its internal SVN property `commit-time`. Especially in case of an updating command (see Section 3.3), this option is convenient to get the actual change time of a file and not the local update time.

Apply auto-props from SVN 'config' file to added files advises SmartSVN to use the *auto-props* from the SVN 'config' file, which is located in the **Subversion** directory below your home directory. These auto-props will also override other project defaults, like **Default EOL Style**, explained below.

Choose **Keep input files after merging** to always keep the auxiliary files (*left*, *right* and *base*) after a file has been merged by the Merge (see 3.6.1) or by the Merge from 2 sources (see 3.6.2) command. These files will be put into *merged* state (see Table 2.5) which is similar to the *conflict* state however without having actual conflicts. For *merged* files you can use the Conflict Solver (see 8.5) to review merge changes in detail and you can finally use Mark Resolved (see 3.4.14) to mark the file as resolved and to get rid of the auxiliary files.

Global Ignores

The Global Ignores define *global ignore patterns* for files/directories which should in general be ignored within the current project. This is contrary to local ignores (see Section 3.7.8), which are only related to a specific directory. You can completely deactivate Global Ignores by **Deactivated**. With **Use from SVN 'config' file**, the same ignore patterns will be used as by the command line client. To be independent of the command line client, you can enter your own patterns by **Use following patterns**. The **Patterns** are file name patterns, where "*" and "?" are wildcard symbols, interpreted in the usual way.

Binary Files

Choose **Use MIME-type registry from SVN 'config' file** to use the corresponding file which is also used by the command line client. Choose **Use following patterns** to specify

custom **Patterns**, for which matching files will always be added (see 3.4.1) with *binary* MIME-type (see 3.7.3). The wildcard symbols “*” and “?” can be used in the usual way.

EOL Style

This option specifies the EOL style default, which is used when adding a file (Section 3.4.1). For more details refer to Section 3.7.4.

Use **In case of inconsistent EOLs** to configure the behavior when adding a file with inconsistent EOLs (line endings). **Add 'As Is'** will automatically add the file with EOL style “As Is”. **Add as Binary** will automatically set the file’s type to “Binary”, see also Section 3.7.3. **Report Error** will report an error.

EOL Style – Native

Usually text files are stored with ‘native’ EOL-Style (see 3.7.4) in the SVN repository. As a result after performing SVN operations on these files your platform’s native line separator will be used (‘Platform’). Under certain circumstances it can be convenient to redefine what ‘native’ means, e.g. when a project is operated on Windows OS, but frequently uploaded to a Unix server. This redefinition can be done here by choosing the desired **Native EOL-Style**.

Locks

Use **Set 'Needs Lock' for** to specify for which files the Needs Lock (see 3.10.5) should be set when they are added. With **No file**, the ‘Needs Lock’ property will be set to no file. With **Binary files** the property will only be set to files, which have been detected to have binary content. With **Every file** the property will be set to every file.

When committing (see 3.5) files or directories, SmartSVN will scan for locked files. Choose here whether to suggest to **Release Locks** or to **Keep Locks** for those files on the “Locks” page of the commit wizard.

Enable **Automatically scan for locks** and enter the corresponding interval in **minutes** to recurrently refresh the files’ lock states. Refer to Section 3.10.1 for details.

Keyword Subst.

This option specifies the Keyword Substitution default, which is used when adding a file (Section 3.4.1). For more details refer to Section 3.7.5.

Conflicts

By default, conflicting files will receive new extensions like “mine” or “.r4711”. Here you can specify extensions which should be preserved in case of conflicts. Choose either **Use from SVN 'config' file** or **Use following extensions** and enter the file name **Extensions** which should be preserved.

7.3.4 Default Settings

Projects are created by various commands. For reasons of simplicity, in most of these cases, there is no configuration possibility for the corresponding project settings. Therefore you can specify default project settings (template settings), which will be applied to every newly created project. With **Project|Default Settings** you can configure the same properties as for a concrete project.

Chapter 8

Subwindows

Many commands are resulting in stand-alone sub-windows with their own functionality and purpose.

8.1 Text Editor

The Text Editor window shows the contents of a text file and allows modifications of the file. The Text Editor is typically invoked by **Edit|Open** from the Project Window (unless an external editor has been specified in the Preferences (see [9.11](#))).

8.1.1 Settings

The **Tab Size** specifies the width (number of characters) which is used to display a TAB character. With **Show whitespaces** whitespace characters will be displayed. With **Show line numbers** a line number gutter will be prepended.

Select **Make default** to have the selected options apply to all File Compare frames.

For basic settings regarding text components, refer to [Section 9.9](#).

8.1.2 File menu

- Use **Save** to save the file.
- Use **Save As** to save the file under a new name.
- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.1.3 Edit menu

Contains common functions to alter the file contents and to find a certain text within the contents.

- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see [Section 9.17](#)).

8.1.4 View menu

- **Settings**, refer to Section 8.1.1 and Section 9.9.

8.1.5 Go To menu

- Use **Go to Line** to go to the specified **Line Number**.

8.1.6 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

8.2 File Compare

The *File Compare* window shows the contents of two files, one in the left and one in the right area of the window. A File Compare is typically invoked by **Query|Show Changes** from the Project Window (see 2) but there are various other ways/windows to invoke a File Compare in SmartSVN. Together with a File Compare, a Properties Compare (see 8.3) can be invoked, if properties of the files to compare are different as well.

Note	Depending on your File Comparator settings (see 9.10), performing a file comparison can also invoke an external file compare tool. This section refers only to the built-in <i>File Compare</i> of SmartSVN.
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Depending on the source of the compared files (local working copy, repository), none, only the right, or both contents may be editable. Depending on the invoking command, when a *copied* file is compared and the copy source file is *removed*, the pristine copy of the source file will be used for the comparison – if its contents are available.

Tip	If the file compare refuses to compare a file because it's <i>binary</i> , check the corresponding MIME-Type (see 3.7.3) property. Regarding the used encoding, refer to Section 7.3.1. You can also configure to the set MIME-Type and auto-detect the type in the File Comparator settings (see 9.10).
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8.2.1 Comparison

The file contents are compared line-by-line, where the underlying algorithm finds the minimum number of changed lines between the left and the right content. The differences between left and right content is highlighted by colored regions within the text views, which are linked together in the center *Link Component*. The Link Component allows to take over changes from one side to the other, depending on which side is editable.

Tip	When the mouse is positioned over the Link Component, you can use the mouse wheel to jump from difference to difference.
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Depending on the Preferences (see 9.9), not only complete lines, but also the content within lines is compared if they are not too different. These comparison results in *inner-line* changes. You can take over such changes from left to right or vice versa with **Apply Left** and **Apply Right**, respectively, from the popup menu (invoked on the change itself).

Regarding the following menus, many of the available operations are working on the *active* view, i.e. the view which has the focus and/or displays the cursor.

8.2.2 Settings

Regarding the **General** settings, refer to Section 8.1.1. For basic settings regarding text components, refer to Section 9.9.

If **Ignore whitespace for line comparison** is selected, two lines are treated as equal, if they only differ in the number, but not in the position of whitespaces.

If **Ignore Case Change for line comparison** is selected, uppercase and lowercase characters are treated as equal.

The **Inner Line Comparison** specifies the “tokenizing” algorithm of the lines, for which the individual tokens within two lines will be compared against each other. **Alphanumeric words** results in tokens, which form alphanumeric words, i.e. words, which are consisting only of letters and digits and which are starting with a letter. All other characters are considered as tokens on their own. **Character-based** treats every character as a single token. This is the most fine-grained comparison option. **C identifiers** and **Java identifiers** are similar to **Alphanumeric words**, but in addition to letters and digits certain other characters are allowed to be part of a single token. **Off** completely disables the inner line comparison, i.e. every line is considered as single token.

With **Trim equal start/end of Inner-Line changes** selected and two tokens being different, the equal starting and ending characters within both tokens won’t be displayed. For instance, for the tokens `foobar` and `foupar` the difference will only display as `up`.

Select **Make default** to have the selected options apply to all File Compare frames.

8.2.3 File menu

- Use **Save** to save changes to (both) file(s).
- Use **Export as HTML-File** to export the comparison to an HTML-file.
- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.2.4 Edit menu

Contains common functions to alter the file contents and to find a certain text within the contents. Additionally:

- Use **Take Left Block** to take over the complete block below the cursor position from left to right. This may also remove or insert blocks in the right view.
- Use **Take Right Block** to take over the complete block below the cursor position from right to left. This may also remove or insert blocks in the left view.

- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).

8.2.5 View menu

- Use **Refresh** to refresh the contents of the files from disk. This command is not applicable if both file contents are read-only.
- Use **Left Beside Right** to display left and right files side-by-side, which is the default.
- Use **Left Above Right** to display the left file above the right file. This can be convenient when having files with long lines.
- **Ignore Whitespace for Line Comparison**, refer to Section 9.9.
- **Settings**, refer to Section 8.2.2.

8.2.6 Go To menu

- Use **Previous Difference** to scroll to the previous difference within the active view, relative to the current cursor location.
- Use **Next Difference** to scroll to the next difference within the active view, relative to the current cursor location.
- Use **Go to Line** to go to the specified **Line Number** within the active view.

8.2.7 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

8.3 Properties Compare

The *Properties Compare* window shows the properties of two files or directories, one in the left and one in the right area of the window. A Properties Compare is typically invoked together with a File Compare (see 8.2), e.g. by **Query|Show Changes** from the Project Window (see 2).

The table displays all properties of both files/directories with their **Name**, **State**, **Old Value** and **New Value**. **Old Value** corresponds to the value of the first file/directory and a **New Value** corresponds to the value of the second file/directory. When the properties compare has been invoked for a versioned file or directory, *old* refers to the pristine copy of the file/directory and *new* refers to the working copy file/directory. The **State** column shows the property's state, either **Modified**, **Added**, **Removed** or **Unchanged**. The **Name** column renders the property's state by using different colors, similar to the File Compare (see 8.2).

The lower area of the dialog shows the differences between **Old Value** and **New Value** for the currently selected property, similar to the File Compare (see 8.2).

8.3.1 File menu

- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.3.2 Edit menu

- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).

8.3.3 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

8.4 Compare Repository Directories

The *Compare Repository Directories* frame is the result of a Compare Repository Directories command (see 3.9.6) invoked from the Project Window (see 2). It shows the **Directories/Files** differences between two repository directories, a *From* directory and a *To* directory.

For every file, the table shows the corresponding **Name**. The **Name** column also shows the “state” icon of the file (the same for directories). Possible states are: **Added**, **Modified**, **Modified (properties only)**, **Modified (content and properties)**, **Removed** and **Unchanged**; they are always referring to the *modification* from *From* to *To* directory. The corresponding icons can be found in Table 2.5 and Table 2.6.

While the state displayed in the **Name** is a combination of file content and properties, the **Content** column refers only to the state of the content. The **Properties** column refers only to the state of the properties; valid states for properties are **Modified** and **Unchanged**. The **Relative Directory** displays the file’s path relative to the compare directory.

8.4.1 Compare menu

- Use **Show Changes** to open a File Compare (see 8.2) which shows the differences for the currently selected file between *From* and *To* directory.
- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.4.2 Edit menu

- Use **File Filter** to position the cursor in the file table’s filter field.
- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).

8.4.3 View menu

- Select **Files From Subdirectories** to toggle the display of files from subdirectories of the currently selected directory.

8.4.4 Window menu

Refer to Section [2.5.12](#) for more details.

8.5 Conflict Solver

The Conflict Solver is a kind of *Three-Way-Merge*. The content of the current file (which contains the conflicts) is displayed in the center text area (“merge view”). The left and right text areas show the contents of the two files, which have been forked from the common base. The common base itself is not displayed, but regarded by the UI for highlighting changes and conflicts. All file contents are directly taken from the files, which SVN produces in case of conflicting changes. The Conflict Solver is invoked by **Tools|Conflict Solver** from the Project Window (see [2](#)).

Note	Depending on your Conflict Solver settings (see 9.5), performing a conflict solver can also invoke an external three-way-merge tool. This section refers only to the built-in <i>Conflict Solver</i> of SmartSVN.
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The Conflict Solver works similar to the File Compare (see [8.2](#)), see also Section [8.2.1](#) for details.

8.5.1 File menu

- Use **Save** to save changes to the merged file. SmartSVN will detect, whether all conflicts have been resolved and in this case also automatically mark the file as resolved (see Section [3.4.14](#)).
- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.5.2 Edit menu

Refer to Section [8.2](#).

8.5.3 View menu

- Use **All** to display all three file contents side-by-side.
- Use **Left and Merge** to display the left view beside the merge view.
- Use **Merge and Right** to display the merge view beside the right view.
- Use **Left and Right Above Merge** to display the merge view below the left and right view.
- Use **Left Above Right** to display the left file above the right file. This can be convenient when having files with long lines.

- **Ignore Whitespace for Line Comparison**, refer to Section 8.1.1.
- **Settings**, refer to Section 8.2.2. In addition, on the **Compare** page, **Compare with Base** can be selected. With this option selected, the content of the center component will not only be compared against the left and the right content, but also against the (invisible) content of the base file: Lines in the left, center and right content which are not equal are also compared to the corresponding lines of the base file and the highlighting depends on the result of this comparison.

8.5.4 Go To menu

In the addition to the **Go To** found in the File Compare (see 8.2.1), following commands are available:

- Use **Previous Conflict** to scroll to the previous conflicting difference within the active view, relative to the current cursor location.
- Use **Next Conflict** to scroll to the next conflicting difference within the active view, relative to the current cursor location.

8.5.5 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

8.6 Revision Compare

The Revision Compare is an optimized “multi-file” compare. It gives a detailed overview of changes within a set of files. A Revision Compare is for instance invoked by **Query|Show Changes** from the Log (see 8.7) when having a revision selected. There are various other ways/windows to invoke a Revision Compare in SmartSVN.

The core component of the Revision Compare is a read-only File Compare (see 8.2) view; for details regarding the usage, refer to Section 8.2.1. The upper part of the Revision Compare frame consists of a directory tree and a file table, which displays the files being part of the Revision Compare.

8.6.1 File menu

- Use **Compare** to open a File Compare (see 8.2) for the selected file.

8.6.2 Edit menu

- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).

Refer to Section 8.2 for details.

8.6.3 View menu

- Select **Files From Subdirectories** to also display files from subdirectories of the currently selected directory. This works as for the Project Window, see Section 2.4.
- Use **Refresh** to refresh the file contents and re-perform the comparison.
- **Ignore Whitespace for Line Comparison**, refer to Section 8.1.1.
- **Ignore Case Change for Line Comparison**, refer to Section 8.1.1.
- **Settings**, refer to Section 8.2.2.

8.6.4 Go To menu

Refer to Section 8.2.1 for details.

8.6.5 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

8.7 Log

The **Log** window shows the history of a versioned file or directory (“entry”). A Log is typically invoked by **Query|Log** from the Project Window (see 2), but there are various other ways/windows to invoke a Log in SmartSVN.

The central component of the **Log** window is the **Revisions** table, which shows the found revisions with their attributes. You can filter out certain revisions by using **Search Author and Commit Message**. To the right of the **Revisions** table, the detailed **Revision Info** of the currently selected revision is displayed.

The lower part of the window shows the **Directories/Files** view for the selected revision. The displayed structure is restricted to those files and directories, which are children of the *log context root*; all other files/directories which have been modified within this revision are skipped.

The *log context root* depends on the context from which the log has been invoked. For example, the log context root for logs performed by **Query|Log** from the Project Window (see 2) is either the corresponding project root directory, or the Externals (see 3.7.7) root directory. The context root can be enlarged to the corresponding Project Root (see 3.8.1) if necessary.

Note	For repositories in Subversion 1.6 format, the received log data contains information on whether a changed entry is of file or directory type. Unfortunately this information is not present for older servers, hence SmartSVN tries to detect the entry types itself. The more log information is present, the better are the results of this detection. However, without complete log information SmartSVN may still be wrong. In this case, the entry is assumed to be a file (although it might actually be a directory).
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When *merged* revisions have been requested (see Section 3.9.7), they are added in a tree-like manner to their parent revision which can then be *expanded* or *collapsed*. Because merged revisions have no direct link to the logged revisions themselves various commands subsequently listed will not be applicable for these revisions. The context root for merged revisions is the corresponding repository root.

Always exactly one of the four views is “active” which is displayed by its highlighted title. Menu bar actions (as well as toolbar buttons) are always referring to the currently active view.

8.7.1 Log menu

- Use **Show More** to extend the displayed log range.
- Use **Export to File** to export the log information to a file. Refer to Section 8.7.7 for details.
- Use **Load Properties** to fetch all properties for all displayed revisions from the repository. The **Revisions** table will be extended by corresponding table columns, one for each property. This command is only available for file Logs. The upper limit of columns to be added can be configured by the system properties (see 13.6).
- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.7.2 Edit menu

- Use **Stop** to cancel the currently running operation.
- Use **Open** to open the selected revision/file/directory, for details refer to Section 2.5.2. This command will only be applicable for revisions of file Logs.
- Use **Copy Message** to copy the commit message of the selected revision.
- Use **Copy Name** to copy the name of the selected file. If multiple files are selected, all names will be copied, each on a new line.
- Use **Copy Path** to copy the path of the selected file relative to the log context root. If multiple files are selected, all paths will be copied, each on a new line.
- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).

8.7.3 View menu

- Select **Skip Unchanged Revisions** to skip revisions for which the logged entry has not actually been changed, but has only been reported due to a copy operation of one of its parents. E.g. when creating a Tag (see 3.8) of the project root, the log for every entry of that tag will contain this tag-revision.
- Select **Revision Files/Directories** to toggle the **Directories/Files** view in the lower part of the frame.
- Select **Show Only Entries Below Selected Directory** to restrict the **Directories/Files** view to only those directories and files which are actually children of the logged directory.

8.7.4 Modify menu

- Use **Change Commit Message** to change the commit message of the currently selected revision. Enter the new **Commit Message** and wait until SmartSVN has rebuilt the corresponding Log Cache (see 5.3), if necessary.
- Use **Merge Revision** to merge the selected revision/file/directory to your local working copy. If you want to configure advanced options for the merge, use the default Merge command (see 3.6.1).
- Use **Rollback Revision** to roll back the selected revision/file/directory locally, i.e. in your local working copy. You may then review the rolled back changes and, if acceptable, commit them (see 3.5). This command will only be applicable for logs which have a link to a local working copy.

8.7.5 Query menu

- Use **Show Changes** to compare the selected revision/file/directory against its preceding revision or to compare two selected revisions/files/directories against each other. Depending on whether two files or directories are compared, either the File Compare (see 8.2) or the Properties Compare (see 8.3) will come up. When invoking **Show Changes** on a revision, the Revision Compare (see 8.6) will come up.
- Use **Compare with Working Copy** to compare the selected revision/file against the file's working copy within your project. This command will only be applicable for revisions of file Logs.
- Use **Log** to perform another Log for the selected file/directory. This command will not be applicable for revisions as it would result in the same log as already present.
- Use **Revision Graph** to create a Revision Graph (see 8.8) for the selected revision/file/directory.
- Use **Annotate** to Annotate (see 8.9) the selected revision/file. This command will only be applicable for revisions of file Logs.

- Use **Save As** to save the contents of the selected revision/file to a local file, for details refer to (see 4.5). This command will only be applicable for revisions of file Logs.

8.7.6 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

8.7.7 File Export

You can export log data in various formats to a file using **Log|Export to File**.

Select either to export **All revisions**, independent of the selection or only the **Selected revisions**. Specify the **Output file** to which the log information will be written. If **Include changed paths** is selected, not only the main revision information but also the details on which files/directories have been changed will be exported.

Specify the file **Format** which shall be used for the export. **XML** will export in raw XML format, as used by `svn log --xml`. **HTML** will give a basic *HTML* output. **Plain text** will give a simply formatted plain text file. **Custom** maybe used to export in an arbitrary format, by performing a style sheet transformation on the raw XML data. In this case, enter the path of the stylesheet for **XSTL-File**.

8.8 Revision Graph

The **Revision Graph** window shows all entries (files/directories) within all revisions which are related to a specific repository entry (file/directory) at a specific revision. A Revision Graph is typically invoked by **Query|Revision Graph** from the Project Window (see 2), but there are various other ways/windows to invoke a Revision Graph in SmartSVN.

The central component of the **Revision Graph** window is the **Revisions** graph, which displays the complete graph for the selected entry. The graph consists of *nodes*, *branches* and *links*.

A node represents a specific entry (file/directory) at a specific revision in the repository. Every graph has a unique root node, which is displayed in the upper left corner of the graph. A node which is directly derived from another *ancestor* node, i.e. which has the same URL, but at a higher revision number, is displayed directly below its ancestor in the same *branch*. A node, which is derived from another ancestor node by *copying*, is displayed right below its ancestor in a separate branch. A node shows its revision number, author and date. It can also show *inlined* tags and branches in the lower part of the node's area. Tags and branches are copies of the revision graph entry which have happened in a specific revision, hence in general they would be represented by separate nodes on their own. They will be inlined however, if the revision graph entry itself has not been changed in the tag/branch copy revision and no further commits to the copied location have happened. To detect tags and branches, the Tag-Branch-Layout (see 3.8.1) must be configured properly.

A branch is a collection of linked nodes (which are directly derived from each other), at the same URL. The head of the branch displays this URL, divided into trunk/tag/branch,

path and name of the node. The division of the URL depends on the Tag-Branch-Layout (see 3.8.1) and certain parts (like the name, or the path) may be omitted if they have not changed compared to the ancestor node.

You can navigate through the graph either with the mouse or with the keyboard (cursor keys) and select certain nodes by clicking with the mouse or using *<Space>*-keystroke.

The overall layout of the window is similar to the Log (see 8.7) window. The **Revision Info** component displays detailed information for the currently selected revision. The lower **Directories/Files** area shows all files/directories for the currently selected revision which are located below the **Log Scope** (see Section 3.9.8); other entries of the revision are skipped.

Always exactly one of the four views is “active” which is displayed by its highlighted title. Menu bar actions (as well as toolbar buttons) are always referring to the currently active view.

8.8.1 Merge Information

The Revision Graph can display information on which revisions have been merged from other revisions in various ways. Depending on the selected visualization method, it may be necessary to fetch SVN’s *mergeinfo* for every displayed revision from the repository, what may take a while. SmartSVN will cache this *mergeinfo* for the current graph, so subsequent invocations of mergeinfo-related queries are performed much faster.

Merge Arrows

Use **Query|Show Merge Arrows** to display *merge arrows* pointing from merge source to merge target revisions. In case the merge source is a range of revisions, the corresponding revisions will be surrounded by a bracket.

Merge Sources

Use **Query|Show Merge Sources** to display which revisions have been merged into the currently selected *target* revision(s). In this way every revision is classified into one of the following categories:

- **Merge Target:** The revision itself has been selected as target.
- **Merged Now:** The revision has been merged directly at and to one of the selected targets.
- **Merged:** The revision has been merged into at least one of the selected targets, but not at the target’s revision itself.
- **Not Yet Merged:** The revision has not yet been merged into any of the selected targets.
- **Not mergable (normal revision):** The revision is in the ancestor line of all targets and hence can’t be merged.

The classification is displayed by color-coding the revisions; the colors can be specified in the Revision Graph settings (see 9.8).

Merge Targets

Use **Query|Show Merge Targets** to display to which revisions the currently selected *target* revision(s) have been merged. In this way every revision is classified into one of the following categories:

- **Merge Source:** The revision itself has been selected as source.
- **Merged Now:** At least one of the selected sources has been merged directly into this revision.
- **Merged:** At least one of the selected sources has been merged into this revision, but not at this revision itself.
- **Not merged (normal revision):** None of the selected sources has been merged into this revision.

The classification is displayed by color-coding the revisions; the colors can be specified in the Revision Graph settings (see 9.8).

8.8.2 Search

Use **Edit|Search** to search for certain revisions. Enter the **Search For** term and select in which parts of the displayed information to **Search In**. With **Branch Name** selected, the search will include the assigned branch of the revision; this may either be the containing branch or an assigned *tag* displayed inlined for the revision. **Revision Number**, **Author** and **Commit Message** will include the corresponding revision properties.

The search results will be displayed in the revision table. You may select a certain revision and jump to it in the graph by clicking **Select**. Alternatively, you may keep the dialog open in foreground and automatically jump to the selected revision by having **Directly select revision in graph** selected.

8.8.3 Branch Filter

Use **View|Branch Filter** to filter the display for certain branches. Select **Show all branches** to reset the filter and show all branches. Select **Filter branches matching following regular expression** and enter the **Regular Expression** filter criterion to restrict the display to the corresponding branches. The last entered **Regular Expression** pattern will be stored in SmartSVN's project settings.

Note	For details on the supported regular expression constructs refer to http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/api/java/util/regex/Pattern.html . In addition to the regular expression syntax you may prefix the whole expression by ! to negate the expression, i.e. to hide instead of show the matching branches and vice versa.
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The tables in the bottom of the dialog will give a preview of the filter results, denoting the **Shown Branches** and **Hidden Branches**. Click **OK** to apply the branch filter to the graph.

8.8.4 Graph menu

- Use **Export as Image** to export the complete **Revisions** graph to an image file.
- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.8.5 Edit menu

- **Search**, see Section [8.8.2](#).
- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section [9.17](#)).

Refer to Section [8.7.2](#) for more details.

8.8.6 View menu

- Use **Zoom In** to increase the zoom level of the graph.
- Use **Zoom Out** to decrease the zoom level of the graph.
- Select **Show Dates** to toggle the display of the nodes' revision date.
- Select **Show Copy Source** to toggle the display of the nodes' copy source, if present.
- Select **Show Tags** to toggle the display of the nodes' inlined tags.
- Select **Show Dead Revisions** to also display revisions for which the entry has been deleted. If deselected, a simple **Died at** information will be inserted for the last alive revision.
- Select **Show Dead Tags and Branches** to toggle the display of tags and branches which are not present anymore in the repository's *HEAD* revision.
- Select **Join Same Locations** to display revisions having the same URL in the same branch (column). Having locations joint gives a better impression of which different URLs are used and can result in a more compact graph. Depending on the number of branch replacements, it can also make branches lengthy and the graph more complex. Disabling this option gives best results in combination with disabling **Show Dead Tags and Branches**.
- **Branch Filter**, refer to Section [8.8.3](#).
- Select **Revision Files/Directories** to toggle the **Directories/Files** view in the lower part of the frame.

Tip	You can also use <i>Ctrl</i> -key in combination with the mouse-wheel to zoom in/out the graph.
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8.8.7 Modify menu

Refer to Section 8.7.4 for details.

8.8.8 Query menu

- **Show Merge Arrows**, see Section 8.8.1.
- **Show Merge Targets**, see Section 8.8.1.
- **Show Merge Sources**, see Section 8.8.1.

Use **Clear Merge Information** to clear the currently displayed merge information (and the cached revision mergeinfo).

Refer to Section 8.7.5 for details.

8.8.9 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

8.9 Annotate

The **Annotate** window shows the contents of a file with each line prefixed by the line number and by information to the *last* revision at which this line has been introduced or changed. The **Annotate** window is typically invoked by **Query|Annotate** from the Project Window (see 2), but there are other ways/windows to invoke an **Annotate** window in SmartSVN.

The **Revision** selector displays all revisions for which the corresponding file contents are available. These will be all revisions of the file, if for the corresponding Annotate command (see 3.9.9) **Track content of all revisions** had been selected. Otherwise, only the annotated revision of the file itself will be displayed and the selector won't be applicable. So using this selector you can navigate through all contents of the file.

Change **Color By** to change the line coloring:

- Choose **Revision** to have two colors and a threshold revision **Newer Or Equal**. Lines which have been introduced before this threshold revision will receive the default background color, while lines introduced at or after the threshold revision will receive another background color.
- Choose **Age** to change the coloring scheme so that the colors of the lines reflect their "Age": The youngest and oldest line will be determined, receiving two distinct colors. For all other lines, the color will be linearly interpolated based on their relative age compared to the youngest and oldest line. The interpolation itself can either be based on the **Revision** number or on the revision's commit **Time**.
- Choose **Author** to have lines of the same author displayed with the same background color and lines of different authors displayed with different background colors.

8.9.1 Annotate menu

- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.9.2 Edit menu

Contains common functions to alter the file contents and to find a certain text within the contents.

- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).

8.9.3 View menu

- **Settings**, refer to Section 8.1.1.

8.9.4 Revision menu

- Use **Show File Changes** to invoke a File Compare (see 8.2) between the currently selected **Revision** and the previous revision.
- Use **Show Revision Changes** to invoke a Revision Compare (see 8.6) containing all changed files between the currently selected **Revision** and the previous revision.
- Use **Go To First Revision** to select the first **Revision**.
- Use **Go To Last Revision** to select the last **Revision**.
- Use **Go To Next Revision** to select the next **Revision**.
- Use **Go To Previous Revision** to select the previous **Revision**.
- Use **Go To Preceding Revision** to select the preceding **Revision** for the currently selected line – to see what the content of the line has been before.

8.9.5 Go To menu

Refer to Section 8.2.6 for details.

8.9.6 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

8.10 Merge Preview

The *Merge Preview* is the result of a Merge command (see 3.6.1) invoked from the Project Window (see 2). It shows a **Directories/Files** structure of which files and directories will be affected by the merge.

For every file, the table shows the corresponding **Name** and its **Relative Directory**, according to the merge root. **State** shows the merge state for the file, either *Modified*, *Added*, *Removed*, *Unchanged* or *Skipped* For *Modified* files, both the **Content** and the **Properties** can be either *Conflicting*, *Modified* or *Unchanged*. *Skipped* files can't be processed by the merge, e.g. because they have been renamed or moved in the merge source, i.e. the local working copy.

8.10.1 Merge menu

- Use **Show Changes** to show the File Compare (see 8.2) between the current *local* file and the merge *Result* for the selected file. This command will only be applicable for *Modified* and for *Conflicting* files.
- Use **Show 3-Way-Merge Changes** to show the Conflict Solver (see 8.5) for the selected file, previewing the detailed changes and conflicts which can be expected when actually performing the merge.
- Use **Perform Merge** to actually perform the merge exactly as it has been previewed here. If you had initially selected a merge revision range containing *HEAD*, these ranges will have been adjusted. This prevents the final merge from including any new revisions which had been committed after previewing the merge.
- Use **Close** to close the frame.

8.10.2 Edit menu

- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).

8.10.3 View menu

- Select **Files From Subdirectories** to toggle the display of files from subdirectories of the currently selected directory.

8.10.4 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

Chapter 9

Preferences

The application preferences define the global behaviour of SmartSVN, regarding UI, SVN commands, etc. Contrary to the project settings (see Section 7.3), these preferences apply to all projects.

Tip	Most preferences are stored in the <code>settings.xml</code> file in SmartSVN's settings directory. Refer to Section 12 for details.
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9.1 On Start-Up

These settings configure the startup behaviour of SmartSVN.

You can either choose to **Open last project**, **Show Welcome Dialog** or **Do Nothing**, i.e. start with an empty main frame.

Select **Remove obsolete projects** to check for every project on start-up whether the corresponding root directory still exists. In case that the root paths of certain projects is not valid anymore, you will be asked whether to remove these projects from the project tree (see Section 7.2).

9.2 Project

For **Open Project** you can specify the behavior when opening a project. Projects can be opened **In current window** (unless there are SVN operations active for the currently opened project) or **In new window**. By default, **Ask** is selected to let you choose individually.

With **Confirm closing** selected, you will always be asked before a project is closed.

9.3 User Interface

These settings affect certain aspects of the user interface of SmartSVN.

Select whether to use **Basic** or **Advanced** recursion options, for details refer to Section 3.14.1.

Select **Use View-menu file filters also for directories** to have the filters from the **View-menu** within the Project Window (see 2) not only applied to files but also to directories. For details on refer to Section 2.5.3.

Select **Show file and directory tooltips** to toggle the display of tooltips for the **Directories** tree and the **Files** table within the Project Window (see 2).

For **File Name Matches** you can choose how file name search/filter functions in SmartSVN will work:

- **Exact Case:** Requires the search pattern and file name to match in case.
- **Ignore Case:** Ignores the case for matching search pattern and file name.
- **Smart upper case:** Lower case characters in the search pattern can match upper- and lower-case characters in the file name. But upper-case characters in the search pattern match only upper-case characters in the file name. Examples: **SMF** will match **SuMainFrame**, but not **SuMainContentFrame**. **fileS** will match **FileSignature**, but not **Files**.

Select **Nest in System Tray** to have SmartSVN show a *System Tray* icon. This option is not available for all operating systems. For details refer to Section 10.8.

Configure the **Date Format** and **Time Format** to be used by SmartSVN when displaying dates and times, respectively, and combinations of both. These formats have no effect on SVN operations. It's recommended to restart the application after having changed these formats.

9.4 Commit

Here you can configure global commit (see 3.5) options.

Select **Skip Change Set entries** to ignore found changed files or directories which have already been assigned to a Change Set (see 3.12).

Select **Detect moved and renamed files** if you want SmartSVN to detect files which are most likely renamed or moved. These files will not simply be added and removed, but marked as copied. For details, refer to Section 3.4.8.

Except from those files which have been selected and which are in a committable SVN state, SmartSVN can **Suggest To** commit further files: Select **Add unversioned files and directories** to also report unversioned (most likely new) files and directories. Select **Remove missing files and directories** to also report missing (most likely obsolete) files and directories.

Select **Remove removed parent directories** to make SmartSVN also scan parent directories of the files/directory which have been selected for the commit. If such a parent directory is scheduled for removal, it will also be suggested for the commit. With **Also remove empty parent directories**, all resulting empty parent directories will also be suggested for the commit.

Tip	To clean up all empty directories within your project, you can use Tools Remove Empty Directories , see Section 11.2.
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Select **Remind me to enter a commit message** to make SmartSVN warn you when trying to commit without a message. Select **Trim whitespaces from commit message** to trim leading and trailing whitespaces from the commit message directly before committing. Select **Warn for case-changed files** to make SmartSVN warn you before trying to commit case-changed files; even when warned, you will still be able to continue with the commit.

Specify to **Remember up to** a specific amount of **entered commit messages** for each project.

Choose for **For File Commits** if you want to be warned for potentially missed files when performing a commit:

- Select **Do not warn for potentially missed files or directories** to switch all warnings off.
- Select **Warn for potentially missed directories, just up the root** to receive a warning if you have selected *all visible committable* files and any of their parent directories is modified (containing properties changes).
- Select **Warn for any potentially missed directories** to receive a warning if you have selected *all visible committable* files and there are any more modified directories in the project.
- Select **Warn for any potentially missed directories and files** to receive a warning if you have selected *all visible committable* files and there are any more modified directories or committable files.

9.5 Conflict Solver

Here you can configure external tools which should be used instead of the built-in Conflict Solver (see 8.5).

You can either choose to use the **Built-in Conflict Solver** or an **External Conflict Solver**. An external conflict solver is defined by the operating system **Command** to be executed, and its **Arguments**.

Arguments are passed to the **Command** as it would occur from the OS command line. The place holder `${leftFile}`, `${rightFile}`, `${mergedFile}` and `${baseFile}` can be used, which will be substituted by the absolute file path of the left, right and merged (resulting) file, respectively. Furthermore, the place holder `${encoding}` can be used which will be substituted by the file's used encoding. Refer to Section 7.3.1 for details.

9.6 Open

With **Don't open or compare more than X files at once**, you can specify an upper limit beyond which you will be asked before the set of files is opened at once. It is recommended to set this value not too high, because accidentally opening a large amount of files can overextend the system.

9.7 Refresh

These settings configure the behaviour of refreshing the file system.

Choose **Recursively scan unversioned directories** to make SmartSVN descend into unversioned directories and display the complete unversioned sub-tree. Otherwise, only the unversioned root directory itself will be scanned and displayed.

Choose **Perform 'cleanup' if necessary** to automatically cleanup after a manual Refresh. See Section 3.4.16 for details.

By **Manual Refresh** you can configure how the manual Refresh by **View|Refresh** (see Section 2.4) behaves. All options take into account the scanned/unscanned state of the working copy, see Section 7.3.2.

- You have the option to refresh **Always root directory**. In this case the directory selection in the tree does not matter, but always the whole project is refreshed. This option requires the most effort, but will guarantee that after changing the selection in the tree, displayed data is still up to date (relative to the last refresh time).
- You can also choose to refresh only the **Selected directory recursively**. This option can be useful, if you know, that you are only working a specific part of your whole SVN project.
- The option **Selected directory (recursively if set for view)** also refreshes only the selected directory. Whether this refresh is recursive or not, depends on **View|Files From Subdirectories**. This option is the fastest way of refreshing as it is most selective, but it requires you to be always aware of which directories you have refreshed and hence which information displayed in directory tree and file table are actually up to date.

SmartSVN can also automatically perform a refresh of the project after it gets the focus back, if configured by **Refresh on frame activation**.

- In general, the automatic refresh behaves the same way as configured for the **Manual Refresh** option. Furthermore, you have either the option to disable automatic refresh by **Never**, have an immediate refresh by **Immediately** or have only a refresh, if SmartSVN has been inactive for at least 5 seconds by **After more than 5 seconds of deactivation**. This option is useful, if you typically switch to other applications for a short period of time and do not want to trigger automatic refresh.
- On Windows, the native *File Monitor* provides a more efficient way to find out necessary directories to refresh. Hence, **After more than 5 seconds of deactivation** is not available here and regardless of the selected **Manual Refresh** option, every directory below your project root will be refreshed, if necessary.

Note	Using Refresh on frame activation is for instance convenient if you are working some time on your project (e.g. in an IDE), then decide to check and commit your changes and hence get back to SmartSVN.
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To automatically perform a Remote State Refresh with every local Refresh, you can select **Refresh Remote State with local Refresh**. You may choose to **Include externals** and you may choose to **Scan locks** for a remote state refresh. For details regarding the *Remote State*, refer to Section 3.11.

Note	Due to optimized Refresh behavior on Windows, only a subset of your project directories might be refreshed when switching back from another application and Refresh on frame activation has been enabled. Hence, also the Remote State for only this subset of directories will be refreshed.
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9.8 Revision Graph

Here you can configure global Revision Graph (see 8.8) options.

The **Colors** are used to colorize the **Branches** and **Revisions** of a Revision Graph. You can specify colors for both **Normal** (unselected) and **Selected** mode. Use **Reset to Defaults** to reset the colors to SmartSVN's default values.

9.9 Built-in Text Editors

These settings are used as a default for all text-displaying and editing views of SmartSVN, like the Text Editor (see 8.1), the File Compare (see 8.2), the Conflict Solver (see 8.5), the Annotate (see 8.9) and the Changes view (see 2.6).

For the **Font** page, choose the **Font Family** and the **Font Size** to be used by SmartSVN's text components. Optionally you may choose to have a **Smooth text display**, also known as "antialiasing".

For the **Colors** page choose the various colors, used by SmartSVN's text components. You can use **Reset to Defaults** to restore the "factory defaults" for this page.

For the **Behavior** page you can configure various aspects of the text editing functions.

9.10 File Comparators

Here you can configure external file compare tools which can be used instead of the built-in File Compare (see 8.2).

You can link a specific **File Pattern** to a file comparator. You can either choose to use the **Built-in text file comparator**, an **External comparator** or an **External viewer**.

9.10.1 External Comparators

An external comparator is defined by the operating system **Command** to be executed, and its **Arguments**. **Arguments** are passed to the **Command** as it would occur from the OS command line. The optional place holders `${leftFile}` and `${rightFile}` will be substituted by the absolute file path of the left and right file to compare, respectively. In cases, where SVN-internal files like the *pristine copy* is used for comparison, the content of

this file is copied to a temporary location and this temporary file is passed as parameter. The optional place holders `${leftTitle}` and `${rightTitle}` will be substituted by the left and right file title, respectively, which SmartSVN would use when displaying its internal file comparator.

Furthermore, the place holders `${leftEncoding}` and `${rightEncoding}` will, if used, be substituted by the encoding of the left and right file, respectively. Refer to Section 7.3.1 for details.

With **In case of svn:mime-type is binary, try to detect whether actually text type** you can override binary `svn:mime-types`. In this case, SmartSVN will detect the content type `text/binary` itself by inspecting the file. This is the same as if `svn:mime-type` has not been set at all.

9.10.2 External Viewers

An external viewer is defined by the operating system **Command** to be executed, and its **Arguments**. It's executed two times, once for the left and once for the right file to "compare". **Arguments** are passed to the **Command** as it would occur from the OS command line. The optional place holders `${file}` will be substituted by the absolute file path of the left and right file to view, respectively.

9.11 External Tools

These settings configure external tools, which can be invoked by **Edit|Open**.

You can link a specific **File Pattern** to an external tool. A tool is defined by the operating system **Command** to be executed, its **Arguments** and **Run In**. **Arguments** are passed to the **Command** as it would occur from the OS command line. Additionally the place holder `${filePath}` can be used, which is substituted by the absolute file path of the file (from the file table), on which the command is invoked. **Run In** specifies to run the command either in **SmartSVN's working directory** or in the **File's directory**.

The **File Pattern** typically contains wild-card symbols (`?` and `*`) and may also consist of multiple patterns, separated by comma.

When running SmartSVN with *Java 6* (or above), you can also choose to invoke the **System Edit Command** or **System Open Command** instead of the self-defined command specified by **Following Application**.

Example

To configure Acrobat Reader (TM) as the default editor (viewer) for PDF-files, enter `*.pdf` for **File Pattern**, the path of Acrobat Reader Executable (e.g. on Microsoft Windows `acrord32.exe`) for **Command** and keep `${filePath}` for **Arguments**.

9.11.1 Directory Command

The **Edit|Open** command can also be performed on directories. For this case a **Directory Command** can be configured.

To be able to use **Edit|Open** on a directory, you have to select **Use following command to open a directory**. As for files you can configure the **Command** which shall be executed and the **Arguments** to be passed. The directory command will always be executed in the selected directory.

Example

On Microsoft Windows, to open the command shell for a selected directory, enter `cmd.exe` for **Command** and `/c start cmd.exe` for **Arguments**.

9.12 Transactions

These settings configure global Transactions (see 5) settings.

For **Refresh every** select the interval in **minutes** for which all active Transactions views shall be refreshed.

To distinguish transactions of a project from those of additional URLs which are watched, project transactions will be labeled by a **Project Identifier**.

Refer to the system properties (see 13.4) for further configuration options which are seldom used.

9.13 Spell Checker

These settings configure the spell check support which is used primarily for the Commit command (see 3.5).

You can define multiple *Dictionaries*. Every dictionary has a **Name** which is used in the spell checker popup menu and a **Dictionary File**. In addition, there is also one optional **File for My Own Words** which can be extended by SmartSVN.

Note	The Dictionary File has to be in <i>MySpell</i> format, however <i>Hunspell</i> files are in general working well too. The File for My Own Words is a simple list of words.
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Warning!	Depending on the number and size of the dictionary files, the memory consumption of SmartSVN can increase significantly.
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If you have configured multiple dictionaries, text fields for which spell-checking is supported offer in their popup menu a **Language**-menu from which you can select the intended dictionary by its **Name**. Alternatively, you can choose whether to **Use Best Matching** or **Use All** dictionaries. **Use All** is useful to combine multiple dictionaries of the same language, e.g. one file with general expressions and one with domain-specific expressions. **Use Best Matching** is useful to build a super-dictionary containing multiple languages and have SmartSVN detect which dictionary fits better for a given text to check.

Example

When you are frequently writing *English* as well as *German* commit messages, you can specify one English and one German dictionary and select **Use Best Matching**. Now, when writing an English commit message, SmartSVN will detect after a few words that the English dictionary fits better and hence will check the complete commit message only with the English dictionary (as if you had manually selected the English dictionary).

On the other hand, when writing a German commit message, SmartSVN will detect to use the German dictionary and only check for German spelling correctness.

9.14 Shell Integration (Windows)

These settings configure the Shell Integration (see 10.6) of SmartSVN.

Select for which drive types and in which range of functions the shell integration shall be applicable. For every drive type you can choose whether to show **Icon Overlays** (and the context menu) or only the **Context Menu** or have the shell integration be completely **Disabled**.

If necessary, specify further **Paths** for which the shell integration will only be applicable with a limited range of functions, either only the **Context Menu** or completely **Disabled**. Use only plain paths, like `c:\temp` or `n:`, but no patterns here.

Note	In general it's recommended to have Icon Overlays only present for Fixed Drives because the display of the overlays requires a rather good performance for the when accessing the <i>SVN admin area</i> . When having working copies located on fast network shares, Icon Overlays should work here well, too. In case you have a mixture of fast network shares and e.g. slow VPN-tunneled shares, you may exclude the latter ones by the Paths input field.
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9.14.1 Status Cache

Use **Configure Status Cache** to configure the Status Cache (see 10.9). This requires the *Status Cache service* running.

In the dialog you can configure the **Cache Roots** which will be served by the Status Cache. Enter every root directory on a new line, wildcards are *not allowed* here.

Optionally you can reset the Status Cache by **Clear all cached status information**. Selecting this option is only recommended if you definitely want to get rid of cached status information for a certain root directory as cached information is not discarded by simply removing this root directory from the **Cache Roots** list.

9.15 Shell Integration (Mac OS)

These settings configure the Shell Integration (see 10.7) integration of SmartSVN.

Select whether to enable the shell integration by **Integrate in Finder** or not. If necessary, specify further **Paths** for which the shell integration shall be completely disabled. Use only plain paths, like `/Volumes`, but no patterns here.

9.16 Check for Update

These settings configure the *New Version Check* mechanism of SmartSVN (Section 2.5.13).

Select **Automatically check for new program version** to make SmartSVN check for program updates after it has been started. Choose either **Daily**, **Weekly** or **Monthly**; the recommended option is **Weekly**.

Note	For beta versions the interval is fixed to Daily .
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The version check reads a small file from <http://www.smartsvn.com>. If necessary, you can specify to use a proxy server by **Use a proxy server to connect to the internet**. In this case specify **Host** and **Port** for the proxy server and optionally **Username** and **Password** to access the proxy server.

9.17 Customize

For every frame in SmartSVN you can configure accelerators, sometimes also context menus and the tool bar (if present). Use **Edit|Customize** to open the configuration dialog.

9.17.1 Accelerators

Use this page to customize the accelerators (shortcuts).

To set or change an accelerator, select the corresponding menu item, go to the **Accelerator** field, press the key combination and click **Assign**. To remove existing accelerators, select the corresponding menu items and click **Clear**. To reset accelerators to their default, select the corresponding menu items and click **Reset**.

Tip	You can double click a menu item to directly jump to the Accelerator field. You can assign/change multiple accelerators at the same time, if they each belong to a different Window .
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9.17.2 Context Menus (not always available)

Use this page to customize the context menus.

First select the **Context Menu** to change. Then you will find all available menu items on the left and the current context menu structure on the right. You can either use Drag-and-Drop to arrange the context menu or use the corresponding buttons: Use the **Add** button to add a selected menu item from the left side before the selected item on the right side. You also can use **Add Separator** or **Add Menu** to add the corresponding item

before the selected item on the right side. Each (sub)menu contains a gray placeholder at the end to allow adding items to the end of that (sub)menu. Use the **Remove** button to remove a selected menu item, a separator or a submenu on the right side. Use **Reset to Defaults** to restore the default context menu layout for the selected **Context Menu**.

Tip	If you haven't changed the context menus (significantly) it's recommended to use Reset to Defaults after having upgraded SmartSVN to a new <i>major</i> version as new menu entries might have been added.
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9.17.3 Toolbar (not always available)

Use this page to customize the toolbar.

Use **Add** to add one or more **Available** buttons to the toolbar, and **Remove** to remove one or more **Selected** buttons from the toolbar. From the **Add** drop down, use **Fixed Separator** to add a separator before the currently selected button. Use **Stretching Separator** to add a stretching space before the currently selected button. The remaining horizontal space is subdivided and assigned to the stretching separators. Use **Move Up** and **Move Down** to re-arrange the order of the buttons.

Note	All operations can be performed by Drag-and-Drop, too.
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Chapter 10

Shell Integration

SmartSVN offers a *shell integration* to have the SVN functionality of SmartSVN also present in certain parts of *GUI* shells, like in *file dialogs*. The shell integration is currently present on *Microsoft Windows* and *Apple Mac OS X*. It is only available when SmartSVN is running (except the one on Mac OS X 10.6).

10.1 Commands (Windows and OS X 10.5)

From the shell's context menu, there are the most important SVN commands available for locally versioned files and directories. Performing commands from the shell's context menu results in the same dialogs and windows as if performing the commands from the Project Window (see 2). For details regarding the commands refer to Section 3.

For commands performed from the shell, the same environmental settings are used as when performing them from the Project Window. This especially implies the Project Settings (see 7.3), if for the current working copy directory a corresponding project exists. If no matching Project (see 7) can be found, SmartSVN will use the Default Settings (see 7.3.4).

From the context menu, use **Open Project** (or **Open SmartSVN** if no file/directory is selected) to launch the Project Window (see 2) and open the corresponding project.

Tip	For the command icons, the icon files within <code>lib/icons</code> in the installation directory of SmartSVN are used. The names are corresponding to the command names. For every command, there is a default icon and a <i>grayed</i> version, which has an additional <code>-g</code> in its name. If you prefer, you can replace these icons.
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10.2 Commands (OS X 10.6)

Unfortunately, Apple has dropped the Finder integration API with OS X 10.6. Hence, SmartSVN only can provide a very simple alternative using so-called services. From the Finder's context menu three commands are available if files or directories are selected: **Update from SVN**, **Commit to SVN** and **Open in SmartSVN**. Note, that because of

the limited services API these commands are available independent of the SVN state of these files or directories. They are even available for items which are not SVN-controlled. In contrast with the shell integration on Windows and OS X 10.5, SmartSVN does not need to be running to be able to invoke the commands. If necessary, SmartSVN will start automatically.

10.3 Output Window

All commands invoked from the shell integration will be executed in a special *output* window. You may select **Close automatically on success** to have the window closed automatically after all currently running operations have been completed successfully.

10.3.1 File menu

- Use **Show Changes** on a selected file/directory to see what has been changed locally by executing the command.
- Use **Log** on a selected file/directory to see the corresponding Log (see 8.7).
- Use **Close** to close the frame.

10.3.2 Edit menu

- Use **Stop** on one or more selected commands to cancel them. If no command has been selected, you will be asked whether to cancel all currently running commands.
- Use **Customize** to customize accelerators (see Section 9.17).

10.3.3 Window menu

Refer to Section 2.5.12 for more details.

10.4 Overlay Icons

The *overlay icons* show the *SVN states* for the corresponding files and directories. Currently, overlay icons are only present on *Windows*. Because the number of possible overlay icons is limited by the operating system, only the most important SVN states have a special overlay icon, see Table 10.1 for details. Versioned, but unchanged files and directories do not have a special overlay icon. For all other SVN states, the *modified* icon is used.

Tip	For the <i>overlay icons</i> , the icon files within <code>lib/icons</code> in the installation directory of SmartSVN are used. The names are corresponding to the <i>States</i> used in Table 10.1. If you prefer, you can replace these icons.
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Icon	State	Details
	Modified	File/directory is modified in contents/properties.
	Modified recursively	Directory itself of some file/subdirectory is modified (requires the Status Cache service (see 10.9) running).
	Added	File/directory is scheduled for addition.
	Removed	File/directory is scheduled for removal.
	Ignored	File/directory is not under version control (exists only locally) and is marked to be ignored.
	Conflicted	An updating command lead to conflicting changes either in content or properties.
	Unversioned	File/directory is not under version control, but only exists locally.
	Root	Directory is a working root and is not modified.

Figure 10.1: Overlay Icons

The availability of overlay icons as well as commands can be configured in the Preferences (see 9.14).

Note On Windows, for technical reasons no icon overlays for files within your profile directory %USERPROFILE% are shown (except of subdirectory My Documents).

10.5 Server Mode

To provide the *shell integration* without requiring SmartSVN actually being *open*, SmartSVN can be started with the `--server-mode` argument, for details refer to Section 12.4.

10.6 Windows Shell Integration

The shell integration adds *overlay icons* to directory and file views of Windows and SVN commands to the context menu for directories and files. You will especially see them for the *Windows Explorer*, but also for other software which e.g. uses the native file dialogs of Windows.

Installation

You can choose to enable the shell integration for the installation of SmartSVN, when using the *MSI* installers. It's also recommended to have SmartSVN automatically be started with the system startup, so the shell integration is available immediately. The installers offer a corresponding option which will add SmartSVN to the *Autostart* section, starting SmartSVN in server mode (see 10.5).

Uninstallation

The shell integration will be uninstalled together with SmartSVN. You can also uninstall the shell integration independently from the *Control Panel, Software*, using *Repair* there.

10.7 Mac OS X Finder integration

The Finder integration lets you perform SVN commands in the Finder using the context menu.

Installation

On the first start, SmartSVN asks whether to install the Finder integration. If you choose to install it, SmartSVN will create a symbolic link `~/Library/Contextual Menu Items/SmartSVN CM.plugin`. If you choose not to install, you can install it later by selecting the option **Integrate in Finder** on the **Shell Integration** page of the Preferences (see 9.15).

If the installation by SmartSVN itself fails for some reason, you can install the Finder integration yourself. If the folder `~/Library/Contextual Menu Items` does not exist yet, create it. Right click the SmartSVN application in the Finder and select **Show Package Contents**. Copy the `SmartSVN CM.plugin` from within the SmartSVN application to the folder `~/Library/Contextual Menu Items`. Log out and relogin again.

Uninstallation

Unselect the option **Integrate in Finder** on the **Finder Integration** page of the **Preferences**.

To manually uninstall the Finder integration, just delete `~/Library/Contextual Menu Items/SmartSVN CM.plugin` and log out and relogin again.

Automatic start at login

The Finder integration will only work when SmartSVN is running. The easiest way to do that automatically, is to let SmartSVN be launched at login. Just right click the SmartSVN dock icon and select **Open at Login**. Alternatively, you can use the **Accounts** panel in the **System Preferences** to define SmartSVN as Login Item. Note, that the **Hide** option has no effect. If SmartSVN is defined as Login Item, it will be started in server mode (see 10.5).

10.8 Tray Icon

By default, SmartSVN keeps running even when all frames have been closed. To have SmartSVN still accessible, a *tray icon* is used. It's available for *Microsoft Windows*, most *Linux* desktop managers and other operating systems for which tray icons are supported.

From the context menu of the tray icon, use **New Project Window** to open a new Project Window (see 2), **New Repository Browser** to open a new Repository Browser (see 4) or **Show Transactions** to open the Transactions frame (see 5.1). Open the **Preferences** or information **About SmartSVN**. To exit SmartSVN, use **Exit SmartSVN**.

Note	On Mac OS SmartSVN is permanently available when SmartSVN is running, even when all frames are closed. In this case it has a reduced menu bar, including the Window menu.
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The tray icon shows the progress of currently processing SVN operations which have been invoked from the shell extensions. It also shows the presence of *new* revisions for the Transactions (see 5.1) frame; the tooltip gives more information on which repositories have new transactions.

You can disable the tray icon in the Preferences (see 9.3) by deselecting **Nest in System Tray**. In this case, SmartSVN will exit once the last frame has been closed.

Note	The Nest in System Tray option is not regarded when starting SmartSVN in server mode (see 10.5).
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10.9 Status Cache

The Status Cache is an optional *Windows service* which manages *SVN status* information for your working copies. It's primarily used to displayed the *recursively modified* state for directories, which is denoting that some files/subdirectories are modified. Also, the initial scanning/refresh (see 2.4.5) accesses Status Cache information to quickly give a preview of the working copy.

To avoid unnecessary system load, the root directories which will be served by the Status Cache have to be explicitly configured. SmartSVN will ask you to do so for the first command which you perform through the Shell Integration. The Status Cache can be reconfigured any time in the Preferences (see 9.14.1).

Performance considerations

You should carefully determine which root directories should be served by the Status Cache, as the Status Cache will introduce a certain overhead to your system's load. This overhead comes more apparent the slower the file system to cache is. In general you should:

- Only configure to cache local haddisks
- Avoid caching of possible temporary directories which might receive temporary working copies
- Don't create a too detailed list of individual directories to cache

So for instance, if all of your working copies are located at a separate drive D:, it will be perfect to have the Status Cache configured for this single root directory D: and nothing else.

Uninstallation

If you are only rarely working with the Shell Integration and additional *recursively modified* state is not important to you, you may completely uninstall the service. This can be done via the *Control Panel/Add or Remove Programs*, selecting the *SmartSVN* installer, **Change** and within the installer using **Change** again.

Chapter 11

Plugins

SmartSVN comes with a couple of pre-installed plugins, based on SmartSVN's *Plugin-API*. The functionality contributed by plugins may be beneficial to certain users, but is usually either not required for normal usage, or not primarily concerned with SVN.

Plugins are deployed as separate JAR files which are located in the `plugins` sub-directory in SmartSVN's installation directory. A plugin can be disabled simply by removing the corresponding JAR file from this directory.

11.1 JIRA Plugin

The *JIRA Plugin* provides a basic issue tracker integration for the *JIRA* issue tracker from *Atlassian*, see <http://www.atlassian.com/software/jira>.

The plugin adds a **Get from JIRA** entry to the drop-down menu of commit message text fields (see Section 3.5). For the **Commit** wizard itself, it will also parse the commit message for potential JIRA issue IDs and ask whether to resolve these issues on successful commit.

11.1.1 Workflow

Before connecting to JIRA, SmartSVN will ask you for your **Username** and **Password** which may be optionally stored by **Store password**. If you are connecting to an SSL-secured JIRA server, you will have to confirm the validity of SSL-certificate fingerprints. In case SSL client authentication is required, enter the path to the **Certificate** file and its **Passphrase** which may optionally be stored by **Store passphrase**.

Warning! Passwords and passphrases will be stored in plain-text in the `settings.xml` file (see Section 12).

On the **Files** page of the **Commit** wizard, use **Get from JIRA** to display a list of JIRA issues, including their **Key**, **Summary** and **Status**. For reasons of clarity, the list will only contain issues which are assigned to your username and which are either

- in **in-progress** state or are

- contained in the next three unreleased versions (the number of unreleased versions can be changed by the system property `smartsvn.plugin.jira.unreleased-versions-to-display` for details refer to Section 13). If there are no unreleased versions, assigned issues for all versions will be loaded.

You can select one or more issues here which will then be set for the **Commit Message**. Using **Refresh** can be useful to reload issues from JIRA.

When proceeding the **Files** page with **Next**, the plugin will check the **Commit Message** for JIRA issue IDs. For every issue found, you will be prompted with a **Resolve JIRA Issue** dialog for which you can either select to **Mark as resolved in revision** and select the resolution revision. This will contact JIRA and resolve the issue correspondingly. **Don't mark as resolved** will leave the issue as it is.

11.1.2 Requirements

The availability of the plugin functionality for a certain working copy depends on whether bugtraq-properties (see 3.7.9) for the working copy root directory have been configured and whether the `bugtraq:url` is pointing to a JIRA Issues page. Following types of URLs are recognized:

- `http(s)://host:port/prefix/browse/ProjectKey-IssueID`
- `http(s)://host:port/prefix/ViewIssue.jspa?key=ProjectKey-IssueID`

The plugin only works for recent JIRA versions which provide a *SOAP interface*. The *SOAP interface* has to be enabled for your JIRA server (what can typically only be done by the administrator). For details on how to enable the interface, refer to <http://confluence.atlassian.com/display/JIRA/Creating+a+SOAP+Client>.

Note	Certain aspects of the plug-in can be customized by system properties (see 13.5).
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11.2 Remove Empty Directories

This plugin adds the **Remove Empty Directories** menu item to the **Tools** menu. It schedules all empty, versioned directories below the currently selected directory for removal. Thereafter you can commit the selected directory to actually remove the directories from the repository.

11.3 Quick Update

This plugin adds an **Update** category to the Preferences (see 9). Here you can configure whether to **Show Update configuration dialog** or not. In case of no configuration dialog, Update (see 3.3.1) will start immediately on invocation and update the selected directory (or file) recursively to *HEAD*. If you need to update to another revision, you may either enable the configuration dialog again or use the Switch (see 3.3.4) command.

11.4 Plugin-API

SmartSVN's *Plugin-API* can be used to customize various aspects of SmartSVN by creating corresponding plugins. The Plugin-API currently covers following functionality:

- Modify the menu structure of the Project Window (see 2.5).
- Add custom *SVN operations* to arbitrary menus.
- Add custom file table columns (see 2.4), e.g. to show custom SVN properties.
- Customize various aspects of the Commit workflow (see 3.5).
- Customize various aspects of the Update workflow (see 3.3.1).
- Store custom Preferences (see 9) or project settings (see 7.3).

For more details refer to <http://www.smartsvn.com/techarticles.html?page=pluginapi>.

11.5 Send Support Email

This plugin adds a **Contact Support** menu item to the **Help** menu to open your email client to send a message to smartsvn.support@wandisco.com.

11.6 Hide Menu Items

You can use this plugin to remove menu items from the main menu bar of the project window (see 2). The configuration of the plugin is performed by the `menuItemsToHide.config` in SmartSVN's settings directory (see 12.1). If this file does not exist, the plugin will create it and pre-fill with all available menu items IDs, by default commented out. By un-commenting a line, the corresponding menu item will not be present anymore for the next start of SmartSVN.

11.7 Merge Info Column

This plugin adds the **Merge Info** column to the File Table (see 2.4).

11.8 Tag Multiple

This plugin adds the Tag Multiple Project Roots (see 3.8.3) functionality to the Project window (see 2).

11.9 Commit Message Templates

This plugin adds support for the `tsvn:logtemplate` property which can be used to define a default commit message which will be displayed in the Commit wizard (see 3.5). For details refer to http://tortoisesvn.net/docs/nightly/TortoiseSVN_en/ch05s15.html.

Chapter 12

Installation and Files

SmartSVN stores its configuration files per-user. The root directory of SmartSVN's configuration area contains subdirectories for every major SmartSVN version, so you can use multiple versions concurrently. The location of the configuration root directory depends on the operating system.

12.1 Location of SmartSVN's settings directory

- **Windows::** The configuration files are located below `%APPDATA%\wandisco\SmartSVN`.
Note: Before version 5, configurations files have been stored below `%USERPROFILE%\smartsvn`.
- **Mac OS::** The configuration files are located below `~/Library/Preferences/SmartSVN`.
- **Unix/Other::** The configuration files are located below `~/.smartsvn`.

Tip	You can change the directory where the configuration files are stored by the system property <code>smartsvn.home</code> (see 13.1).
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12.2 Notable configuration files

- `accelerators.xml` stores the accelerators (see [9.17.1](#)) configuration.
- `license` stores your SmartSVN's *license key*.
- `log.txt` contains debug log information. It's configured via `log4j.xml`.
- `passwords` is an encrypted file and stores the passwords (see [6.4](#)) used throughout SmartSVN.
- `project-defaults.xml` stores the default project settings (see [7.3.4](#)).
- `projects.xml` stores all configured projects (see [7](#)), including their settings.
- `repositories.xml` stores the Repository Profiles (see [6](#)), except the corresponding passwords.

- `settings.xml` stores the application-wide Preferences (see 9) of SmartSVN.
- `tag-branch-layouts.xml` stores the configured Tag-Branch-Layouts (see 3.8.1).
- `transactionsFrame.xml` stores the configuration of the Transactions frame (see 5.1).
- `uiSettings.xml` stores the context menu (see 9.17.2) configuration.

12.3 Company-wide installation

For company-wide installations, the administrator can install SmartSVN on a network share. To make deployment and initial configuration for the users easier, certain configuration files can be prepared and put into the subdirectory `default` (within SmartSVN's installation directory).

When a user starts SmartSVN for the first time, following files will be copied from the `default` directory to his private configuration area:

- `accelerators.xml`
- `project-defaults.xml`
- `repositories.xml`
- `settings.xml`
- `tag-branch-layouts.xml`
- `transactionsFrame.xml`
- `uiSettings.xml`

The `license` file (only for *Enterprise* licenses and 10+ users *Professional* licenses) can also be placed into the `default` directory. In this case, SmartSVN will prefill the **License** field in the **Set Up** wizard when a user starts SmartSVN for the first time. When upgrading SmartSVN, this `license` file will also be used, so users won't be prompted with an "license expired" message, but can continue working seamlessly.

Note	Typically, you will receive license files from us wrapped into a <i>ZIP</i> archive. In this case you have to unzip the contained <code>license</code> file into the <code>default</code> directory.
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12.4 Command line arguments

SmartSVN supports a couple of command line arguments.

- `--server-mode` will just start up the core process and bring up the tray icon (see [10.8](#)), if present. This startup mode is used for the Shell Integration (see [10](#)).
- `--exit` will try to detect a running *SmartSVN* process and force this process to exit. This allows to stop SmartSVN programmatically.
- `--transactions` will bring up the Transactions Frame (see [5.1](#)) instead of the Project Window (see [2](#)) on startup.
- `--repository-browser` will bring up the Repository Browser (see [4](#)) instead of the Project Window (see [2](#)) on startup.
- *project-path* will bring up the Project Window (see [2](#)) and load the project containing the specified *project-path*.

12.5 JRE search order (Windows)

On Windows, the `smartsvn.exe` launcher will search for an appropriate JRE in the following order (from top to bottom):

- Environment variable SMARTSVN_JAVA_HOME
- Sub-directory `jre` within SmartSVN's installation directory
- Environment variable JAVA_HOME
- Environment variable JDK_HOME
- Registry key HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\JavaSoft\Java Runtime Environment

Chapter 13

System properties/VM options

Some very fundamental options, which have to be known early at startup time or which typically need not to be changed are specified by Java VM options instead of SmartSVN preferences.

Options supplied to the VM are either actual *standard* or *non-standard* options, like `-Xmx` to set the maximum memory limit, or *system properties*, typically prefixed by `-D`. This chapter is mainly about SmartSVN-specific system properties.

13.1 General properties

Following general purpose properties are supported by SmartSVN.

smartsvn.home

This property specifies the directory into which SmartSVN will put its configuration files; refer to Section 12 for details. The value of `smartsvn.home` may also contain other default Java system properties, like `user.home`. It may also contain the special `smartsvn.installation` property, which refers to the installation directory of SmartSVN.

Example

To store all settings into the subdirectory `.settings` of SmartSVN's installation directory, you can set `smartsvn.home=${smartsvn.installation}\.settings`.

13.2 SVN properties

Following properties are related to the core SVN functions.

svnkit.admindir

This property specifies the name of the directory into which Subversion's administrative files are stored. By default, this is the `.svn` directory.

Example

ASP.NET does not allow directories to start with a “.”, as “.svn” does. Therefore, to use *ASP.NET* in combination with SmartSVN, you can change the administrative directory name e.g. to `_svn` by `svnkit.admindir=_svn`

smartsvn.tcp.connect-timeout

This property specifies the *CONNECT* timeout for repository connections. By default, this timeout is set to 60 seconds.

Example

With `smartsvn.tcp.connect-timeout=10` you can set the *CONNECT* timeout to 10 seconds.

smartsvn.tcp.read-timeout

This property specifies the *READ* timeout for repository connections. By default, this timeout is set to one hour, which gives the server enough time to respond to time-expensive requests. On the other hand, if a server is not responding at all, SmartSVN may block for one hour, until it reports the problem. This may be annoying under certain circumstances and hence can be changed by this property. The timeout value is specified in seconds.

Example

With `smartsvn.tcp.read-timeout=60` you can set the *READ* timeout to 60 seconds.

smartsvn.default-connection-logging

With this property you can enable the connection logging (see 2.5.13) by default for all commands. This can be useful when searching for connection-related problems, which occur only rarely. By default, this property is not enabled.

Example

Use `smartsvn.default-connection-logging=true` to enable connection logging by default.

Note The `connection.log` file is freshly created on every start-up of SmartSVN. So immediately after the problem has occurred make a backup of this file, only then stop/restart SmartSVN (if necessary).

smartsvn.http-spool-directory

With this property you can define a “spool” directory into which HTTP connection data is temporarily spooled. Spooling is the process in which server response is completely (fully) read first and only then processed. This approach may result in a certain initial delay (notifications usually displayed for certain operation will only be displayed after all data is fetched), but may be necessary in case the server uses to close connection when data it provides is not completely read in a prompt manner.

In general spooling does not result in a slow down, as file system access is much faster compared to network access; the main drawback of spooling is that no events are generated while data is spooled, so you may perceive that the operation is significantly slower than with spooling turned off.

Example

Use `smartsvn.http-spool-directory=c:/temp/smartsvn` on Windows or `smartsvn.http-spool-directory=/tmp/smartsvn` on Unix or Mac OS to enable HTTP connection spooling.

smartsvn.commit.disallowed-filename-characters

With this property you can configure which filename characters should be disallowed for committing. This property defaults to `<>:"/\|?*,` representing those characters which are either reserved on *Windows*, *Unix* or *Mac OS*. The purpose of this check is to ensure that committed files can be checked out on every platform.

Example

Use `smartsvn.commit.disallowed-filename-characters=` to disable the check for disallowed characters completely.

svnkit.wccopy.nomergeinfo

With this property you can configure *svn:mergeinfo* creation/modification on local copy (see 3.4.9) operations.

Example

Use `svnkit.wccopy.nomergeinfo=true` to skip *svn:mergeinfo* creation/modification.

Warning! When setting this property to `true`, SmartSVN's behaviour is not fully compatible with Subversion 1.5 merge tracking.

13.3 User interface properties

Following properties are related to the user interface of SmartSVN.

smartsvn.lookAndFeel.usePlatformIndependent

This property switches to SmartSVN's own, *platform-independent* Look'n'Feel.

Example

To use SmartSVN's platform independent Look'n'Feel, set `smartsvn.lookAndFeel.usePlatformIndependent=true`

smartsvn.lookandfeel

This property specifies the Look'n'Feel of SmartSVN. The value must be the fully qualified class name of a valid Look'n'Feel on your system.

Example

To use the Plastic Look'n'Feel from JGoodies Looks, put the `looks*.jar` into the `lib` directory (for non-Windows systems, you need to modify the launcher script, too) and set the following option `smartsvn.lookandfeel=com.jgoodies.looks.plastic.PlasticLookAndFeel`

Note SmartSVN's standard Look'n'Feels have been optimized for SmartSVN. Changing the Look'n'Feel may result in the GUI less nice looking.

smartsvn.ui.font

This property specifies the font family which is used for SmartSVN's own Look'n'Feel. The value must be a valid Java font name.

Example

To change the font family to *Dialog*, you may use `smartsvn.ui.font=Dialog`

smartsvn.ui.fontsize

This property specifies the font size which is used for the platform independent Look'n'Feel (property `smartsvn.lookAndFeel.usePlatformIndependent` needs to be set, too, on Windows). The value specifies the *point size* of the font, which defaults to 12.

smartsvn.ui.brightness

This property specifies the brightness of menu bars, toolbar, dialog backgrounds, etc. Valid values are in the range of 0.0 to 1.0. This property is only applicable, if SmartSVN's own Look'n'Feel is used, i.e. `smartsvn.lookandfeel` has not been changed.

smartsvn.ui.window-background-brightness

This property specifies the brightness of the "White" of window backgrounds, like the file table. Valid values are in the range of 0.0 to 1.0. This property is only applicable, if SmartSVN's own Look'n'Feel is used, i.e. `smartsvn.lookandfeel` has not been changed.

smartsvn.lookAndFeel.tooltipDisplayDuration

This property specifies the duration in seconds for displaying a tooltip.

smartsvn.splashScreen.show

This property specifies whether to show the splash screen on startup or not. It defaults to `true`.

Example

Use `smartsvn.splashScreen.show=false` to disable the splash screen.

smartsvn.toolbar.textBelowIcon

This property specifies whether to show toolbar icon texts or not.

Example

Use `smartsvn.toolbar.textBelowIcon=false` to switch off toolbar icon texts.

q.lookAndFeel.treeStriped

This property specifies whether to show trees striped (alternating white/gray columns) or not.

Example

Use `q.lookAndFeel.treeStriped=false` to switch striping off.

13.4 Transaction-related properties

There are following VM properties related to the Transactions (see [5](#)) views.

smartsvn.transaction.message-length

This property specifies the maximum commit message length which will be displayed for Transactions. Longer commit messages will be truncated to save memory usage. The default value is set to 256.

smartsvn.transaction.maximum-file-count

This property specifies the maximum file/directory count per revision which will be displayed for Transactions. If a revision contains more changed files/directories, it will be truncated and SmartSVN will add a note “[File display limited]” to the commit message. The default value is set to 1000.

smartsvn.transactions.connect-timeout

This property specifies the *CONNECT* timeout for repository connections established by the Transactions. The default value is set to 10 seconds. For details refer to `smartsvn.tcp.connect-timeout` (see [13.2](#)).

smartsvn.transactions.read-timeout

This property specifies the *READ* timeout for repository connections established by the Transactions (except of cache updates, which require a *log* command to be executed). The default value is set to 60 seconds. For details refer to `smartsvn.tcp.read-timeout` (see [13.2](#)).

smartsvn.transactions.update-timeout

This property specifies the *READ* timeout during cache updates (which require a *log* command that may take significant time until response). The default value is identical to `smartsvn.tcp.read-timeout` (see [13.2](#)).

smartsvn.logcache.refresh-chill-out-cycle

This property specifies the *chill out cycle* (in counts of revisions) for building the Log Cache (see [5.3](#)). It can be used to alleviate the server in perspective that many clients will be building the cache at the same time. The default value is set to 0 revisions, meaning no chill out cycle.

Warning! Use this property only if necessary; it can slow down the build process of a Log Cache significantly, making it even unusable.

smartsvn.logcache.refresh-chill-out-seconds

This property specifies the maximum number of seconds to *sleep* during a *chill out cycle* for building the Log Cache (see [5.3](#)). This property is only used in combination with `smartsvn.logcache.refresh-chill-out-cycle`. The default value is set to 10 seconds.

Example

Use `smartsvn.logcache.refresh-chill-out-cycle=1000` and `smartsvn.logcache.refresh-chill-out-seconds=60` to have SmartSVN sleeping 60 seconds after every 1000 received revisions.

smartsvn.logcache.maximum-message-length

This property specifies the maximum length (in characters) of a commit message to be stored. Commit messages which exceed this limit will be truncated, ending with a special note that this truncation happened. The default value is set to 16384 characters.

Example

Use `smartsvn.logcache.maximum-message-length=1024` to set the limit to 1024 characters.

13.5 JIRA plugin properties

Following system properties are related to the JIRA plugin (see [11.1](#)).

smartsvn.plugin.jira.unreleased-versions-to-display

With this property you can configure the number of unreleased versions for which *in-progress* and *open* issues will be loaded (the default value is 3).

Example

Set `smartsvn.plugin.jira.unreleased-versions-to-display=5` to increase to 5 unreleased versions.

smartsvn.plugin.jira.resolved-constant

If you are using custom workflows, it may be necessary to reconfigure the constant which is sent when you select to resolve an issue (the default value of the constant is “5”).

Example

Set `smartsvn.plugin.jira.resolved-constant=31` to send “31” for resolving issues.

smartsvn.plugin.jira.load-all-issues

Use this property to load all issues (instead of only *in-progress* and *open* issues). This may require transferring of large amounts of data and is in general not recommended.

Example

Set `smartsvn.plugin.jira.load-all-issues=true` to have this property enabled.

13.6 Other properties

There are following other VM properties available.

smartsvn.logcache.useURLasUUID

The Log Cache (see 5.3) uses *repository UUIDs* to distinguish between different repositories, i.e. to detect whether two repositories are equal even when different URLs are used to access them. This for instance happens when using different protocols, like *ssh://* and *https://*.

Although not recommended, sometimes a repository has been created from another repository just by copying the raw files. In this case both repositories will have the same *UUID* what will confuse the Log Cache. For such cases the distinction between repositories has to be based on their URLs.

Example

Set `smartsvn.logcache.useURLasUUID=true` to have this property enabled.

smartsvn.log.maximum-custom-properties

This property specifies the maximum number of *custom* property columns displayed within the Log frame (see 8.7) after having invoked **Log|Load Properties**. The default value is set to 10.

smartsvn.check-for-new-version

With this property the automatic/manual Check for New Version (see 2.5.13) can be disabled.

Example

Set `smartsvn.check-for-new-version=false` to disable the check.

smartsvn.output.maximum-file-count

With this property you can change the maximum number of files/directories which will be displayed in the **Output** area for each command.

Example

Set `smartsvn.output.maximum-file-count=500` to display at most 500 files.

smartsvn.revision-graph.show-raw-mergeinfo

With this property the display of the raw `svn:mergeinfo` information in the Revision Graph (see 3.9.8) can be enabled.

Example

Set `smartsvn.revision-graph.show-raw-mergeinfo=true` to display raw `svn:mergeinfo` information.

13.7 Specifying VM options and system properties

Depending on your operating system, VM options and system properties are specified in different ways.

smartsvn.properties file

The `smartsvn.properties` file is present on all operating systems. It's located in SmartSVN's *settings directory*; refer to Section 13.1 for details. All *system properties* can be specified in this file.

Note	<i>System properties</i> are VM options which would be specified by the <code>-D</code> prefix when directly providing them with the start of the <code>java</code> process. All options listed in this chapter are <i>system properties</i> and hence can be specified in the <code>smartsvn.properties</code> file.
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Every option is specified on a new line, with its name followed by a “=” and the corresponding value.

Example Add

```
smartsvn.http.timeout=60
```

to set the HTTP-timeout to 60 seconds.

Microsoft Windows

VM options are specified in `bin/smartsvn.vmoptions` within the installation directory of SmartSVN. You can also specify system properties by adding a new line with the property name, prefixed by `-D`, and appending `=` and the corresponding property value.

Example Add the line

```
-Dsmartsvn.http.timeout=60
```

to set the HTTP-timeout to 60 seconds.

Apple Mac OS X

System properties are specified in the SmartSVN launcher script. Right click the `SmartSVN.app` in the Finder and select **Show Package Contents**, open the `Contents/MacOS` directory and there you will find the `SmartSVN` file. Open it in a text editor of your choice. You can specify a property by adding the property name, prefixed by `-D` and appending `=` and the corresponding property value to the `VM_OPTIONS` environment variable. Multiple properties are simply separated by a whitespace; make sure to use quotes when specifying several properties.

Example Add

```
VM_OPTIONS="{VM_OPTIONS} -Dsmartsvn.http.timeout=60"
```

before the `/usr/libexec/java_home` call to set the HTTP-timeout to 60 seconds.

Unix

System properties are specified e.g. in `bin/smartsvn.sh` within the installation directory of SmartSVN. You can specify a property by adding the property name, prefixed by `-D` and appending `=` and the corresponding property value to the `_VM_PROPERTIES` environment variable. Multiple properties are simply separated by a whitespace; make sure to use quotes when specifying several properties.

Example Add

```
_VM_PROPERTIES="{_VM_PROPERTIES} -Dsmartsvn.http.timeout=60"
```

before the `_JAVA_EXEC` call to set the HTTP-timeout to 60 seconds.

Chapter 14

xMerge add-on

The xMerge (“cross-merge”) add-on helps to automate merging of moved and renamed files for single-source merges (see [3.6.1](#)).

14.1 Introduction

The default merge implementation provided by Subversion lacks “true rename” support. The most recent stable version (SVN 1.6.x) currently is able only to raise a tree conflict for a file which was copied or moved at some certain moment in history, if that copy breaks somehow normal merge process on that file. The user then has to manually fix that kind of conflict by running sub-merges or reverting modified files.

xMerge inherits the default merge implementation. This means, that xMerge behaves the way default merge implementation does in case a file can be processed properly. In addition, xMerge also overrides the default merge behavior to process those files which are *skipped* by the default merge implementation.

14.2 A sample use-case

Diagram [14.1](#) illustrates a basic use-case of xMerge when working with a “release branch”. The release branch **branch** has been forked off the **trunk**. The **branch** should only receive the minimal amount of changes which are required to fix a bug. In terms of revisions this means that only those revisions should be merged from **trunk** which are actually bug-fixes. Now, a common problem is that restructuring/refactoring in **trunk** may result in file moves/renames and hence fixes to those files can’t be merged back to the **trunk** using default SVN merge implementation anymore. The older a branch is the more pressing this problem can get.

With default SVN merge, the solution is either to manually merge the bug-fix revision by selecting the file in the **branch** and merging from the corresponding **trunk** file. This can be cumbersome for a larger amount of files and is error-prone. Or one could merge the necessary structurings/refactorings to the **branch**, too, but this contradicts the requirement of “minimal amount of changes required”.

This is where xMerge comes into play. xMerge will be able to identify the corresponding file(s) in the **branch**. It will display an overview of the planned merge showing which files from the merge source will be merged to which files in the local working copy and on confirmation, properly perform that merge.

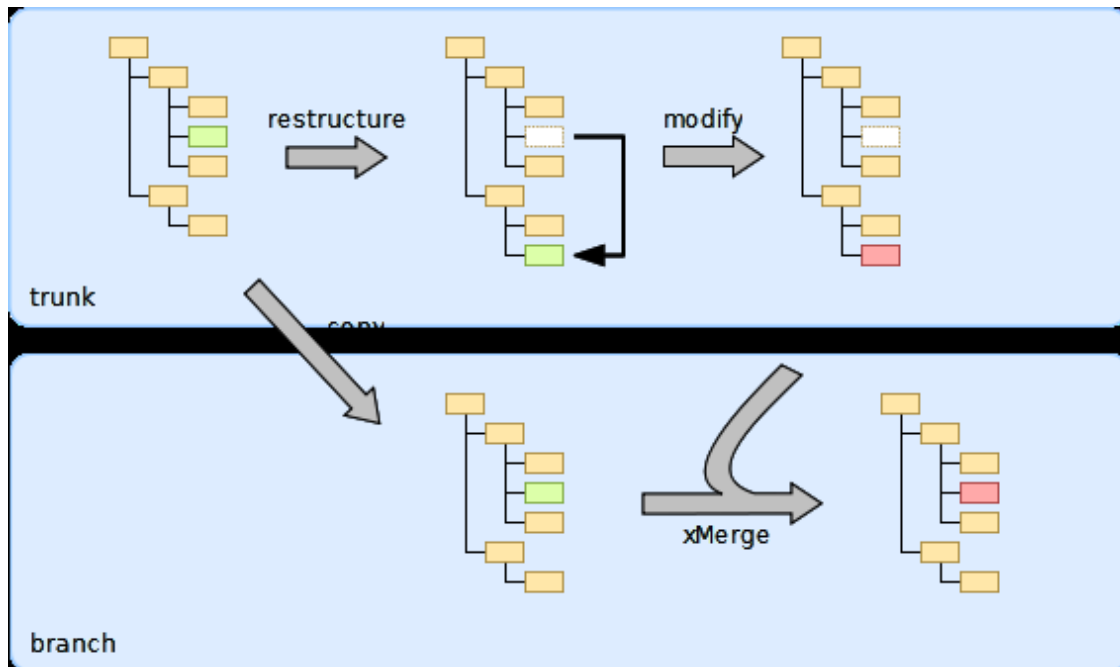


Figure 14.1: xMerge diagram

14.3 User Interface

To enable xMerge, select **Enable xMerge for merging renamed/moved files** in the Merge dialog (see 3.6.1). Optionally, select **For xMerge, ignore simple copies** on the **Advanced** page.

When performing **Merge**, SmartSVN will now start a *dry-merge run* to collect information on what will happen during the merge. xMerge requires the working copy to be at a clean revision. It will ask you to update to the maximum revision found in your working copy, in case you have mixed revisions. This usually is a safe operation, however note that by the update missing files might be re-fetched, so it's recommended to schedule such files for removal before performing the merge.

If during this dry-run phase, files which will be *skipped* by SVN's default merge will be encountered or – if option **For xMerge, ignore simple copies** had been de-selected – will be encountered, the Merge Preview (see 8.10) will come up, containing the **xMerge Resolutions** control in the upper area.

The **xMerge Resolutions** control shows all files which are processible by xMerge. For every file, the table displays the merge **Source** path, the selected **Resolution**, the **Target** path in the local working copy and the adjusted **Copy From** information. The resolution can be adjusted by the radio controls below the table which will also affect **Target** and

Copy From. Resolutions can also be adjusted for multiple files at once by selecting those files and using the radio controls.

Depending on the selected resolutions, the **Directories/Files** preview will show the overall planned merge result. Use **Merge|Perform Merge** to finally perform the merge as previewed.

Process by default SVN merge

Use this option to let SVN's default merge implementation process the file. This option will only be available, if the file is actually processible, i.e. if it wouldn't be *skipped*. This is typically the case for copied files, if option **For xMerge, ignore simple copies** had been selected in the Merge dialog.

Skip file

Use this option to not process the file by the merge. This option is available, if the file is not processible by SVN's default merge implementation, i.e. if the file would be *skipped*.

Apply source changes to

Use this option to apply the changes of the selected file (in the selected revisions) onto an existing working copy file. This option will be available, if xMerge could associate the source file with an existing file in the working copy.

Copy source file to

Use this option to copy the source file as it is to a new file in the local working copy. Optionally you may select **and set 'copy-from' to** to adjust the history-information of the newly added file in the working copy:

By default, SVN will link the added file's history to that of the source file. For example, if `branch/dir/oldfile` will be merged to `trunk/dir/newfile`, `trunk/dir/newfile` will be linked with `branch/dir/oldfile`. In most cases, it will be more appropriate to link `trunk/dir/newfile` to `trunk/dir/oldfile`, if that file exists. The history link is adjusted this way when **and set 'copy-from' to** has been selected.

Copy source file to will be available for added, copied or moved/renamed source files. **and set 'copy-from' to** will only be available for copied or moved/renamed source files for which the copy-source in the merge source could be associated with a corresponding file in the working copy.

Merge source changes with

Use this option to apply the changes of the selected file (in the selected revisions) onto the content of an existing working copy file, but store the merge result as a new file in the working copy. The history of the new file ('copy-from') will be linked to the existing working copy file.

This option is a kind of combination of **Apply source changes to** and **Copy source file to** and will be available if the source file has been moved/renamed in the selected source revisions and xMerge could associate this file with an existing file in the working copy.

14.4 Known Limitations

- xMerge requires that files and directories have been moved or copied through proper SVN actions, so that the history links are correct.
- Content-related actions, like **Merge|Show Changes** are *currently* not working on preview files which are processed by xMerge, because the corresponding file contents have not been received during the underlying merge protocol.
- xMerge currently processes only files, hence for directories, *Skipped*-warnings may still be reported during the merge.