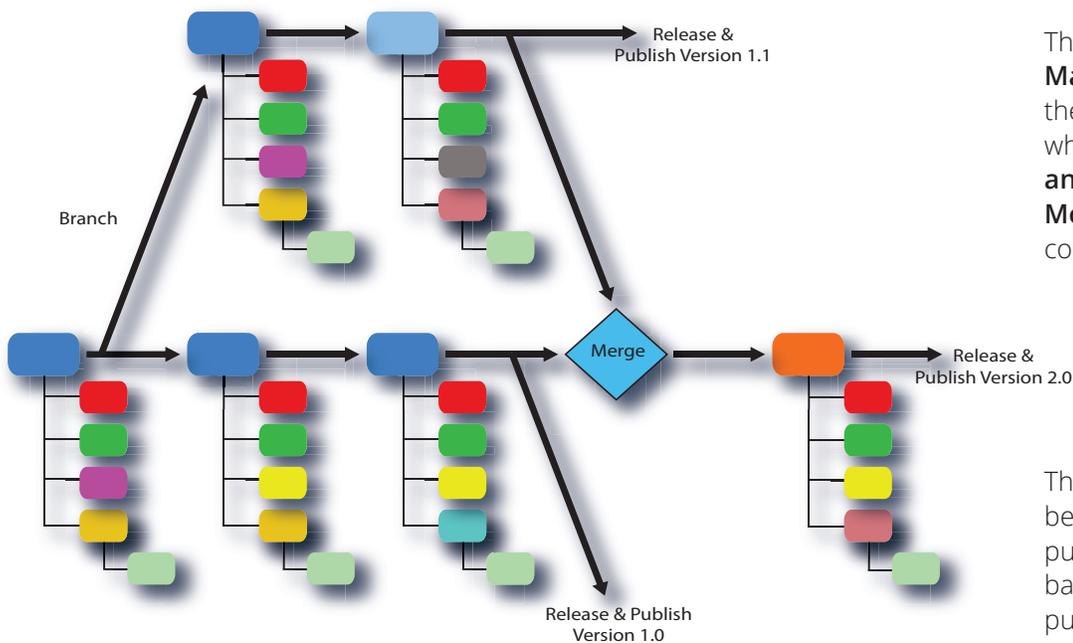


# XDocs™ Branch, Merge & Release Module

seamless agile management of multiple product lines and development cycles with shared and related content

Products cannot ship without the correct documentation. Companies responding to rapid developments in their industry and market demands for product diversification and customization must have powerful and flexible tools within their content creation lifecycle.



The **XDocs Component Content Management System** provides the foundation for this, while the **Branch, Merge and Release Management Module** delivers unprecedented control over your content.

This diagram shows content being branched off, modified and published before being merged back to the trunk for a different publication.

## Release Management

Release management in a CCMS concerns how to manage the content for different releases of one or more products as time progresses. Release management focuses on addressing the challenges that arise when managing content, for example, for parallel versions of a product, where an organization must maintain support and document versions 1.0, 1.2 and 1.3 while simultaneously developing content for version 2.0.

## Time Travel

**XDocs Branch, Merge & Release Management** allows teams to manage content in complex development environments with a level of agility that has never previously been possible. XDocs provides the freedom to 'time travel' in content, to fully access and modify content 'As of' any date and time, while maintaining historical integrity.

Historical integrity means histories cannot be rewritten and the links at any point in history remain intact. Additionally, XDocs also allows you to create and apply labels to mark significant points in the content history.

The XDocs Release Management feature allows you to isolate versions of content at any point in time and register those versions of content on a new branch in the XDocs CCMS. Using the Branch Copy feature, documentation teams can isolate content, so versions of content can be developed in isolation and parallel.

## Branch Copy

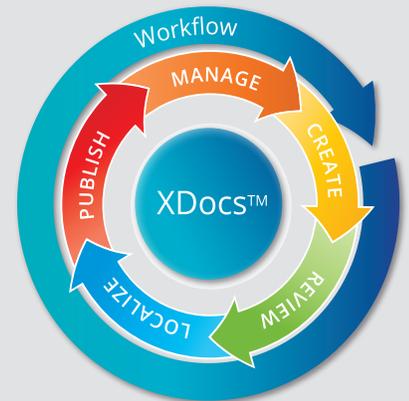
The Branch Copy feature produces reports on the differences in content on branches, and it allows the merging, or consolidation, of branches in either direction. The report provides mechanisms that allow you to perform the following actions at the time of the Branch copy:

- \* Fix link errors
- \* Modify merged and other XML
- \* Skip existing, identical content

## System-wide Integration

The Branch Management feature is integrated system-wide in XDocs. As you move content to and from branches according to your content management strategy, you can bring your documentation projects through automated Workflow processes and Localization cycles, apply Extended Metadata, easily locate content across branches using Browse and Search, and publish your content to your preferred output format, parameters, and filters.

*With XDocs Branch, Merge & Release Management Module you have complete control over the multiple document sets with shared and related content.*



*Control every step of your content lifecycle with unparalleled agility. XDocs provides you with an enterprise end-to-end content solution.*

Find out how XDocs can revolutionize your content.

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