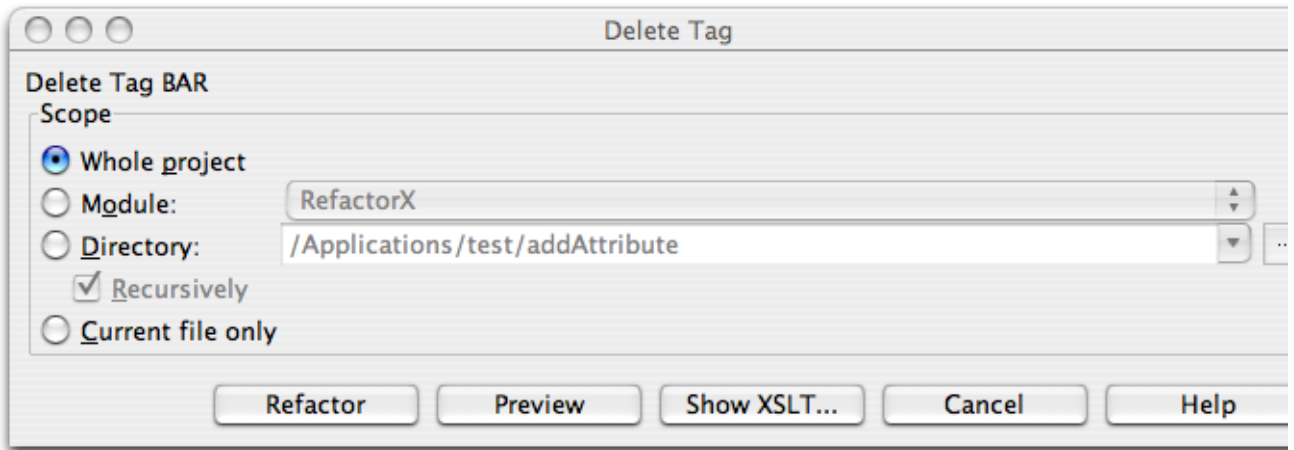


## Delete Tag

The *Delete Tag* refactoring allows you to delete a set of XML tags. If this refactoring is invoked, all tags matching the selected tag name on tags with the selected tag name may be removed. This bulk removal of tags may be useful as XML schemas evolve.

### Deleting tag

1. In the editor, right-click the tag to be deleted, and choose **XML Refactorings | Delete Tag...** on the context menu:



2. Determine the scope of deletion. All tags matching name of the tag selected will be deleted, if they are in scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the **Recursively** check box is selected. If the **Limit to files with DTD:...** check box is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
3. Click **Preview** to make IntelliJ IDEA search for usages of the selected tag.
4. Click **OK** to continue. If you do not select the **Preview** check box, all usages will be changed immediately.

Clicking **Preview** opens the **Refactoring preview** window displaying all found usages of the tags to be removed. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

Pressing **Show XSLT...** opens the **XSLT preview** window displaying an small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

The **Refactoring preview** window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.