

# Abbreviation

The **Abbreviation** property enables creation of a DSL element with an abbreviated name. You can enter the default name while specifying the customization element.

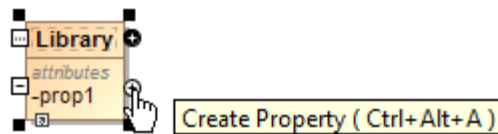
To define an abbreviation

1. In the **Customization Specification window**, click the **Customization Target** property and then select a stereotype or metaclass for which the abbreviation will be used.
2. Click the **Abbreviation** property and then type the text.
3. Reopen the project.

## Case Study

We will demonstrate how to add an abbreviation for the class attribute.

1. Create a [profile diagram](#).
2. Create a customization element named *PropertyAbbreviation*.
3. In the *PropertyAbbreviation* customization [Specification window](#), click the **Customization Target** property and then select the *Property* metaclass.
4. Under the **Naming** category, click the **Abbreviation** property and type a short name for the property, for example, *prop*.
5. Close the Specification window. Reopen the project.
6. [Create a class](#) in the class diagram.
7. Create an attribute in the class. The property with the predefined name (or abbreviation) is created.



Creating an attribute in a class.

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