

Example

Set Shapes (and KFS) Direction

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description:	Set keyframe shapes direction
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The function that the Effects Editor window uses to change the direction is `Editor.Shapes.SetShapeDirection` however the parameters for this are the ID of the shape and the direction object that should be set. The object is not just a name but an item with various parameters which I'm not sure will be possible to access or create in macros. As a key frame shape is still a shape you should be able to use the standard shape functions to make changes but may mean that the UI does not update properly. You can select key frame shapes in the Shape Menu by pressing Edit followed by Select Shape and then use the Direction options within the shape menu.

functions

- [Editor.Shapes.ProgrammerShapesList](#)
- [Editor.Shapes.SelectAllShapes](#)
- [Editor.Shapes.SetCurrentShapesDirection](#)

affected properties

- [Editor.Shapes.ProgrammerShapes.Empty](#)
- [Editor.Shapes.EditShapesEmpty](#)

control structures

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Code

```
<macro id="Avolites.Macros.ProgrammerShapes.Direction.RightToLeft"
name="Programmer Shapes Right to Left">
  <description>Select all programmer shapes and set the direction to Right
to Left.</description>
  <sequence>
    <step>Editor.Shapes.ProgrammerShapesList()</step>
    <step
condition="!Editor.Shapes.ProgrammerShapes.Empty">Editor.Shapes.SelectAllSha
pes()</step>
    <step
condition="!Editor.Shapes.EditShapesEmpty">Editor.Shapes.SetCurrentShapesDir
```

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ection("RightToLeft")</step>
  </sequence>
</macro>

<macro id="Avolites.Macros.ProgrammerShapes.Direction.LeftToRight"
name="Programmer Shapes Left to Right">
  <description>Select all programmer shapes and set the direction to Left To
Right.</description>
  <sequence>
    <step>Editor.Shapes.ProgrammerShapesList()</step>
    <step
condition="!Editor.Shapes.ProgrammerShapes.Empty">Editor.Shapes.SelectAllSha
pes()</step>
    <step
condition="!Editor.Shapes.EditShapesEmpty">Editor.Shapes.SetCurrentShapesDir
ection("LeftToRight")</step>
  </sequence>
</macro>
```

Explanation

This explains the functional steps within the sequence. For all the other XML details please refer to [Formats and syntax](#)

- `Editor.Shapes.ProgrammerShapesList` gets all the programmer shapes including key frame shapes
- `Editor.Shapes.SelectAllShapes` selects all the programmer shapes if there are any
- `Editor.Shapes.SetCurrentShapesDirection("...")` sets the direction of the selected shapes if there are any

How to use it

Snippet only to explain the use of the functions.

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