

Multiple Responses View Options

The **Multiple Responses** view allows you to specify which responses to use for specific requests. It is available only for Message Responders.

Conditions

Specify the set that must be met for the correlated response to be sent. You can set conditions using one or more of the following methods:

- Specifying XPath condition in the request body
- Specifying URL parameters in the HTTP URL
- Specifying URL paths for RESTful services.

The screenshot shows the 'Multiple Responses' configuration window. At the top, there are tabs for 'Definition', 'Response', 'Transport Header', 'Responder Correlation', 'Data Source Correlation', 'Attachment', and 'Options'. Below the tabs, the 'Input Mode' is set to 'Multiple Responses'. On the left, a list contains 'Condition 1', 'Condition 2', and 'Condition 3'. The right pane shows the configuration for 'Condition 1'. It has a 'Name' field with 'Condition 1'. Below that are tabs for 'Conditions', 'Message', and 'Performance Options'. The 'Conditions' tab is active, showing a section 'If request matches' with a sub-section 'Request Body'. In the 'Request Body' section, the 'Enable correlation' checkbox is checked, and there is an 'XPath' text area. Below this is a note: 'Note: Applies if all the specified XPaths match'. At the bottom of this section are 'Add', 'Remove', and 'Modify' buttons. Below the 'Request Body' section are two collapsed sections: 'HTTP URL Parameters' and 'URL Paths'. At the bottom of the left pane are 'New', 'Up', 'Down', and 'Remove' buttons.

When specifying a URL path, click the link to the desired path segment's name to automatically add the appropriate path index.

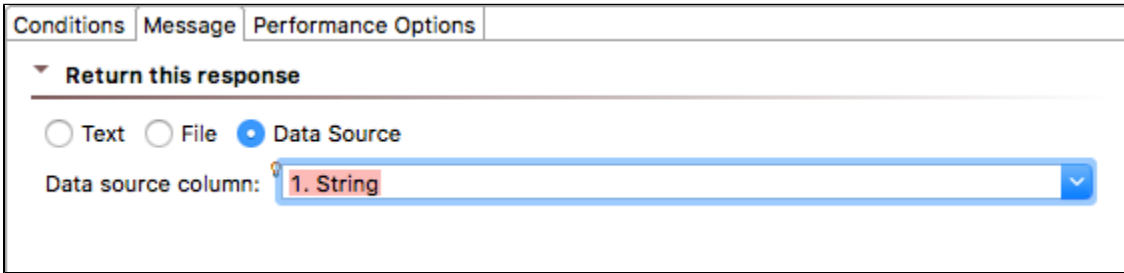
Always Send a Response

By default, the **Enable correlation** option is enabled for response conditions. This option makes the condition required in order to send a response. Add a condition to the end of the list and disable the **Enable correlation** option to always send a final catch-all response regardless of whether the specified conditions are met. You must disable the option for all condition types (Request Body, HTTP URL Parameters, URL Paths) to enable this behavior.

If more than one XPath or URL parameter matches a response, Virtualize will return the first matching response in the list (use the **Up** and **Down** buttons to specify the desired order or responses). If the XPath or URL parameter provided for each response results in a unique match, the order of the responses is irrelevant.

Message

The **Message** tab specifies what response is sent if the conditions are met. You can access data source values (from data sources or data banks) by using the `${}` syntax. For example, use `${title}` to reference the keyword column from a data source or the data bank tool. Use `${books:publisher}` to reference the publisher column from the books sheet of an Excel data source.



The screenshot shows a configuration window with three tabs: 'Conditions', 'Message', and 'Performance Options'. The 'Message' tab is active. Under the heading 'Return this response', there are three radio button options: 'Text', 'File', and 'Data Source'. The 'Data Source' option is selected. Below these options, there is a label 'Data source column:' followed by a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, showing the selected item '1. String' in a red background. A blue checkmark is visible in the bottom right corner of the dropdown menu.

Performance Options

The **Performance Options** tab specifies the additional response delay: the time that Virtualize will wait before returning the corresponding response message. Think time values specified here will be added to any think time specified in the **Service Options tab> Performance Options** page, plus any additional delays specified via performance profiles, which are described in [Working with Performance Profiles](#).

For example, assume you specify 1000 in the Message Responder think time, specify 2000 for one response message in the Multiple Responses area, and leave the other messages at zero additional think time. Virtualize will take 3000 milliseconds (3 seconds) to return the response message for that one message and take 1000 milliseconds (1 second) to return the responses for the other messages.