#### themeElements (Theme Elements)

This element defines the [theme](theme.docx) formatting options for the [theme](theme.docx) and is the workhorse of the theme. This is where the bulk of the shared [theme](theme.docx) information is contained and used by a document. This element contains the color scheme, font scheme, and format scheme elements which define the different formatting aspects of what a [theme](theme.docx) defines.

[Example: Consider the following example of a [theme](theme.docx) elements defined in DrawingML:

<themeElements>
 <[clrScheme](clrScheme.docx) [name](name.docx)="sample">
…
 </[clrScheme](clrScheme.docx)>

 <fontScheme [name](name.docx)="sample">
…
 </fontScheme>

 <fmtScheme name="sample">
 <fillStyleLst>
…
 </fillStyleLst>

 <lnStyleLst>
…
 </lnStyleLst>

 <effectStyleLst>
…
 </effectStyleLst>

 <bgFillStyleLst>
…
 </bgFillStyleLst>
 </fmtScheme>
</themeElements>

In this example, we see the basic structure of how a [theme](theme.docx) elements is defined and have left out the true guts of each individual piece to save room. Each part (color scheme, font scheme, format scheme) is defined elsewhere within DrawingML. [end](end.docx) example]

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| Parent Elements |
| [theme](theme.docx) (§) |

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| Child Elements | Subclause |
| [clrScheme](clrScheme.docx) (Color Scheme) | § |
| [extLst](extLst.docx) (Extension List) | § |
| fmtScheme (Format Scheme) | § |
| fontScheme (Font Scheme) | § |

The following XML Schema fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType [name](name.docx)="CT\_BaseStyles">

 <sequence>

 <element name="[clrScheme](clrScheme.docx)" type="CT\_ColorScheme" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>

 <element name="fontScheme" type="CT\_FontScheme" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>

 <element name="fmtScheme" type="CT\_StyleMatrix" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>

 <element name="[extLst](extLst.docx)" type="CT\_OfficeArtExtensionList" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>

 </sequence>

</complexType>