



Module 6

The eXtensible Markup Language

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OEM

- Object Exchange Model (OEM)
- Model for the exchange semi-structured data (XML,JSON,.csv) between object oriented databases.
- It acts as the basic data model for several projects

OEM

- Each OEM object is encoded with a < symbol, followed by a label, a value, and a terminating >

<Birthday {

<Month "April">

<Day 14>

<Year 2007>

}>

Background for XML

- An Extensible Markup Language (XML) document describes the *structure of data*
- XML and HTML have a similar syntax ... both derived from SGML (Standard Generalized Markup Language)
- An XML document resides in its own file with an **‘.xml’** extension



Quick Comparison

■ HTML

- uses tags and attributes
- content and formatting can be placed together

```
<p><font="Arial">text</font>
```

- tags and attributes are pre-determined and rigid

■ XML

- uses tags and attributes
- content and format are separate; formatting is contained in a stylesheet
- allows user to specify what each tag and attribute means

HTML and XML

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- HTML

- describes web pages
- You don't get error messages about the web pages you visit
- Browsers ignore and/or correct as many HTML errors as they can, so HTML is often sloppy

- XML

- XML describes data
- The rules are strict and errors are not allowed
 - In this way, XML is like a programming language
- Current versions of most browsers can display XML
 - However, browser support of XML is spotty at best

Example of an HTML Document

```
<html>  
  <head><title>Example</title></head>  
  <body>  
    <h1>This is an example of a page.</h1>  
    <h2>Some information goes here.</h2>  
  </body>  
</html>
```

XML Rules

- XML is case sensitive
- All start tags must have end tags
- Tags must be properly nested
 - `<name><email>...</name></email>` is not allowed.
 - `<name><email>...</email><name>` is.
- XML declaration is the first statement
- Every document must contain a root element

XML Rules

- Attribute values must have quotation marks
- Certain characters are reserved for parsing
- Tags are enclosed in angle brackets.
- Tags that do not have end-tags must be terminated by a '/'.
 - `
` is an html example.



The pieces

- There are 3 components for XML content:
 - the XML document
 - DTD (Document Type Declaration)
 - XSD (XML Schema Definition)

XML Comments

- `<!-- -->` comments
 - contents are ignored by the processor
 - cannot come before the XML declaration
 - cannot appear inside an element tag
 - may not include double hyphens

XML Declaration

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```
<?xml  
version="version_number"  
encoding="encoding_declaration"  
standalone="standalone_status"  
?>
```

encoding – the character encoding used in the document

standalone –if an external DTD is required

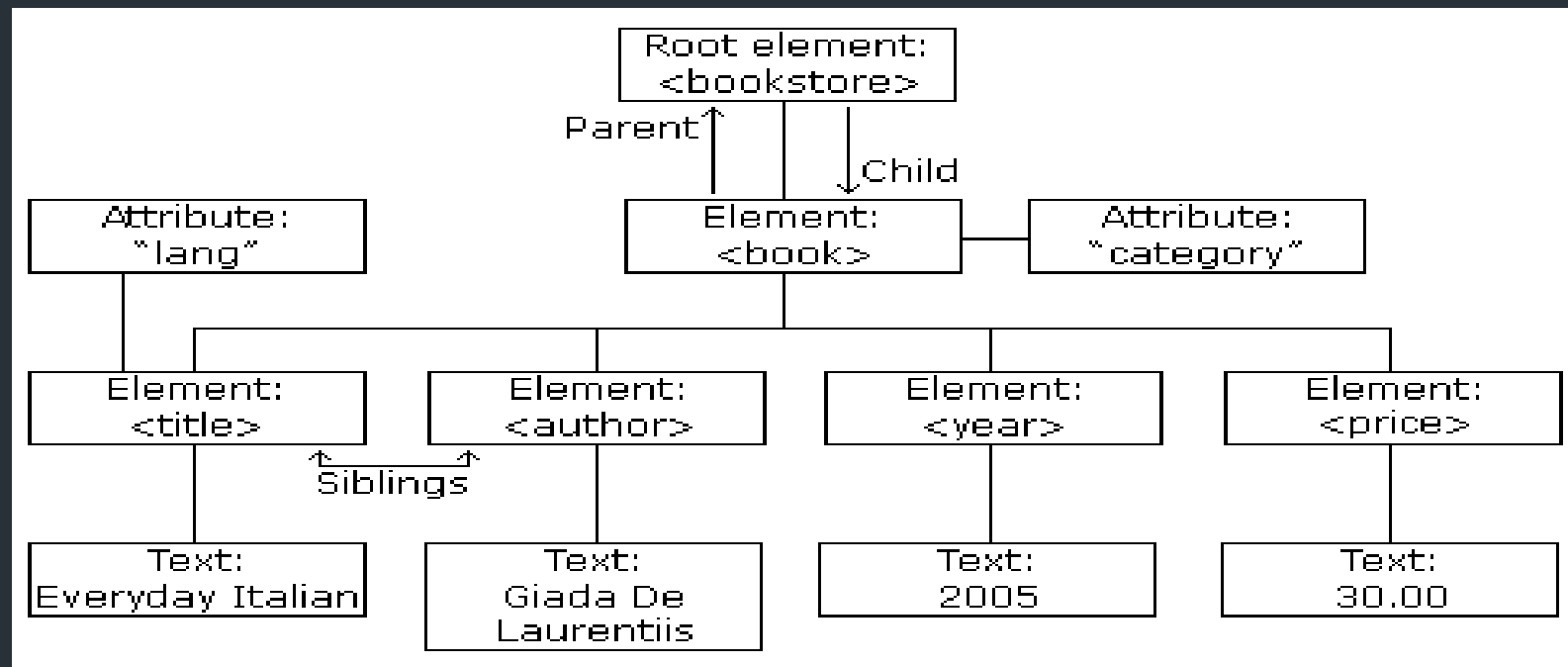
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8">
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" standalone="yes">
```

XML Trees

- An XML document has a single root node.
- The tree is a general ordered tree.
 - A parent node may have any number of children.
 - Child nodes are ordered, and may have siblings.
- Preorder traversals are usually used for getting information out of the tree.

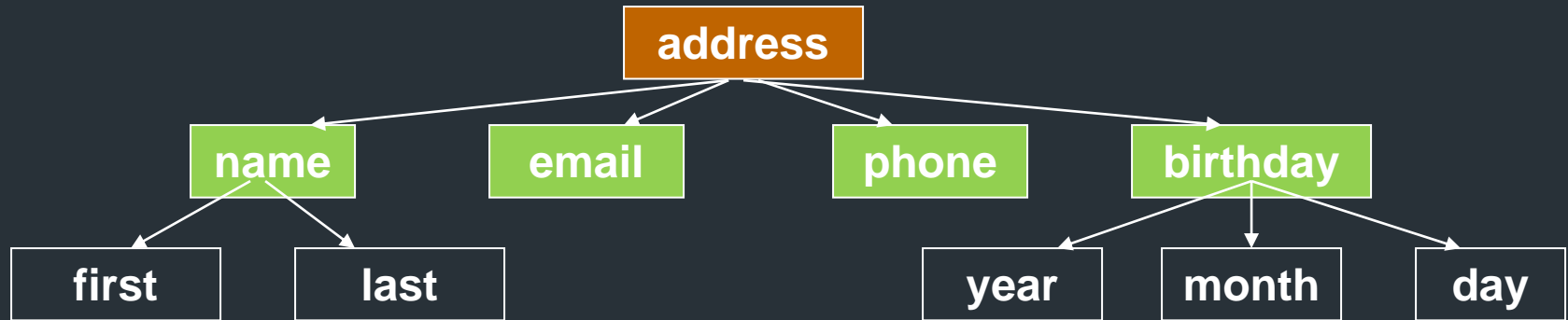
XML Tree Structure



XML Tree Structure

```
<root>  
  <child>  
    <subchild>.....</subchild>  
  </child>  
</root>
```

Address - Tree Representation

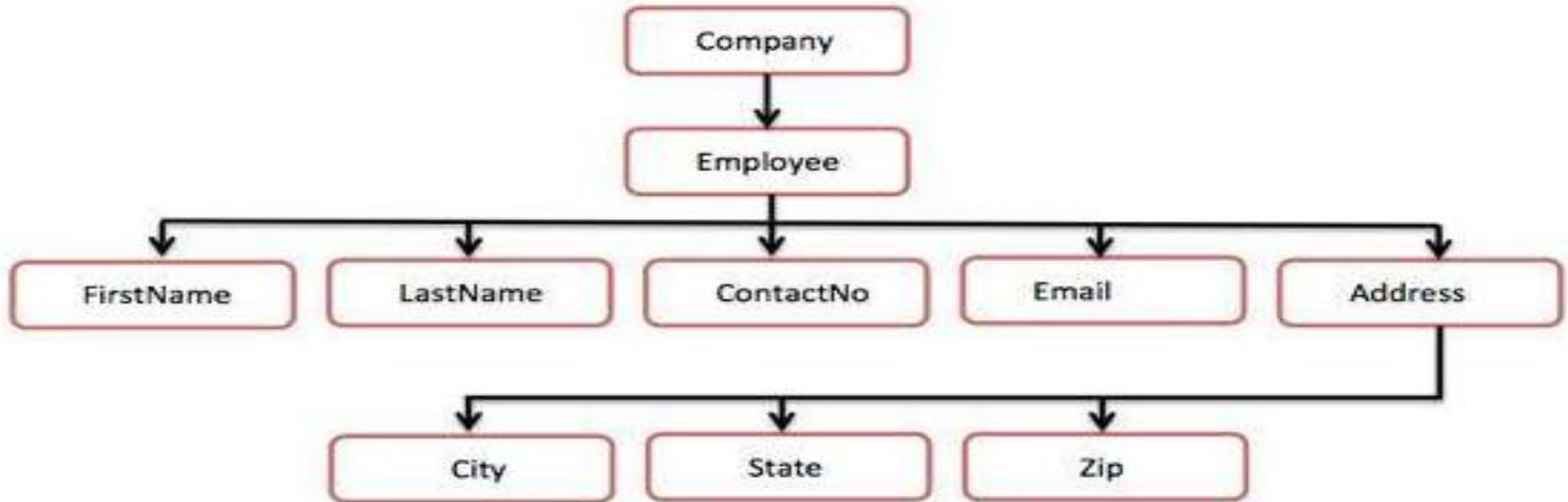


Example 1: XML document for the given tree

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```
<?xml version = "1.0" ?>
<address>
  <name>
    <first>Jafflyn</first>
    <last>Leni</last>
  </name>
  <email>leni@gmail.com</email>
  <phone>+91-91414-14141</phone>
  <birthday>
    <year>2007</year>
    <month>04</month>
    <day>21</day>
  </birthday>
</address>
```

Company - Tree representation



Example 2: XML document for the given tree

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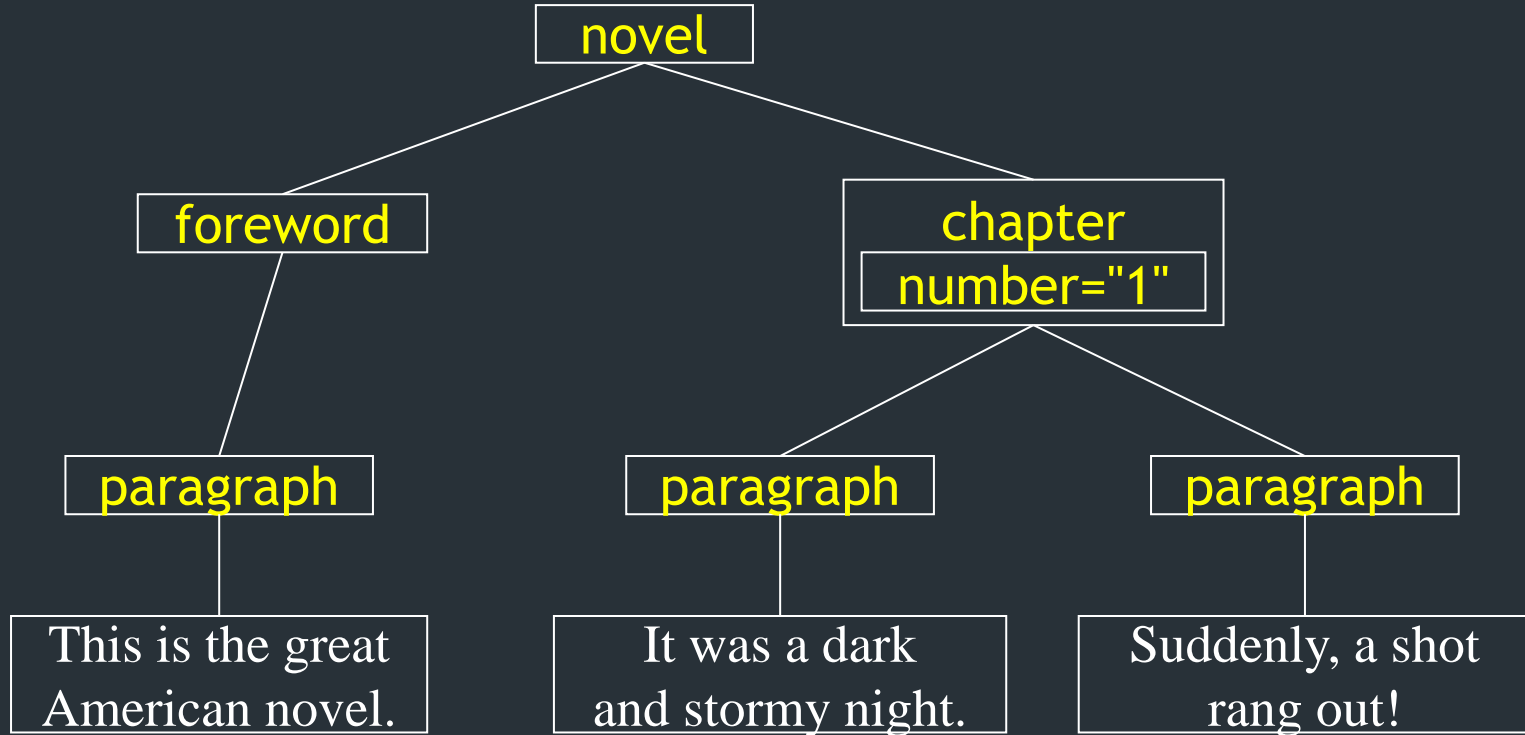
```
<?xml version = "1.0"?>
<Company>
  <Employee>
    <FirstName>Frank</FirstName>
    <LastName>Len</LastName>
    <ContactNo>1234567890</ContactNo>
    <Email>frank@xyz.com</Email>
    <Address>
      <City>Bangalore</City>
      <State>Karnataka</State>
      <Zip>560212</Zip>
    </Address>
  </Employee>
</Company>
```

Example 3: XML document

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<weatherReport>
  <date>7/1/2020</date>
  <city>Chennai</city>
  <state>TN</state>
  <country>India</country>
  High Temp: <high scale="F">103</high>
  Low Temp: <low scale="F">70</low>
  Morning: <morning>Partly cloudy, Foggy</morning>
  Afternoon: <afternoon>Sunny & hot</afternoon>
  Evening: <evening>Clear and Cool</evening>
</weatherReport>
```

XML attribute number="1"

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Example 4: XML Attributes

```
<novel>
  <foreword>
    <paragraph> This is the great American novel.
    </paragraph>
  </foreword>
  <chapter number="1">
    <paragraph>It was a dark and stormy night.
    </paragraph>
    <paragraph>Suddenly, a shot rang out!
    </paragraph>
  </chapter>
</novel>
```

Example 5: XML Attribute

```
<person gender="Female">  
  <firstname>Jafflyn</firstname>  
  <lastname>Leni</lastname>  
</person>
```

```
<person>  
  <gender>Female</gender>  
  <firstname>Jafflyn</firstname>  
  <lastname>Leni</lastname>  
</person>
```

Document Type Definitions (DTD)

- A DTD describes the tree structure of a document and something about its data.
- There are two data types, PCDATA and CDATA.
 - PCDATA is parsed character data.
 - CDATA is character data, not usually parsed.
- A DTD determines how many times a node may appear, and how child nodes are ordered.

PCDATA

- PCDATA is text that will be parsed by a parser. Tags inside the text will be treated as markup and entities will be expanded.
- PCDATA is the only plain text content model.

CDATA

- CDATA is text that will *not* be parsed by a parser. Tags inside the text will *not* be treated as markup and entities will not be expanded.
- The predefined entities such as **<**, **>**, and **&** **quote(')** and **double quote (")** require typing and are generally difficult to read in the markup. In such cases, CDATA section can be used.
- `<![CDATA[characters with markup]]>`

Internal DTD

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="yes" ?>
<!DOCTYPE address [
  <!ELEMENT address (name,company,phone)>
  <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
  <!ELEMENT company (#PCDATA)>
  <!ELEMENT phone (#PCDATA)>
]>
<address>
  <name> Frank</name>
  <company>GE</company>
  <phone>044-333335</phone>
</address>
```

CDATA

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**<!ATTLIST element-name attribute-name attribute-type
"default-value">**

```
<?xml version = "1.0"?>

<!DOCTYPE address [
    <!ELEMENT address ( name )>
    <!ELEMENT name ( #PCDATA )>
    <!ATTLIST name id CDATA "0">
]>

<address>
    <name id = "123">
        Tanmay Patil
    </name>
</address>
```

External DTD

- In external DTD elements are declared outside
- the XML file. They are accessed by specifying the
- system attributes which may be either the
- legal *.dtd file or a valid URL*.

External DTD – Example1

address.dtd

```
<!ELEMENT address (name,company,phone)>
```

```
<!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
```

```
<!ELEMENT company (#PCDATA)>
```

```
<!ELEMENT phone (#PCDATA)>
```

External DTD – E.g. 1 contd..

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no"?>
```

```
<!DOCTYPE address SYSTEM "address.dtd">
```

```
<address>
```

```
  <name> Frank</name>
```

```
  <company>GE</company>
```

```
  <phone>044-333335</phone>
```

```
</address>
```

External DTD for address Example 2

Address.dtd

```
<!ELEMENT address (name, email, phone, birthday)>  
  <!ELEMENT name (first, last)>  
    <!ELEMENT first (#PCDATA)>  
    <!ELEMENT last (#PCDATA)>  
  <!ELEMENT email (#PCDATA)>  
  <!ELEMENT phone (#PCDATA)>  
  <!ELEMENT birthday (year, month, day)>  
    <!ELEMENT year (#PCDATA)>  
    <!ELEMENT month (#PCDATA)>  
    <!ELEMENT day (#PCDATA)>
```


External DTD – E.g. 2 contd..

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```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no" ?>
<!DOCTYPE address SYSTEM "address.dtd">
<?xml version = "1.0" ?>
<address>
    <name>
        <first>Jafflyn</first>
        <last>Leni</last>
    </name>
    <email>leni@gmail.com</email>
    <phone>+91-91414-14141</phone>
    <birthday>
        <year>2007</year>
        <month>04</month>
        <day>21</day>
    </birthday>
</address>
```

XML output in browser

Address.xml

```
<xml>  
<address>  
    <name> Frank</name>  
    <company>GE</company>  
    <phone>044-333335</phone>  
</address>  
</table>  
</xml>
```

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>  
+ <xml>
```

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>  
- <xml>  
  - <address>  
    <name> Frank</name>  
    <company>GE</company>  
    <phone>044-333335</phone>  
  </address>  
</xml>
```

Data Islands

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- XML can be used to store data inside HTML documents. XML data can be stored inside HTML pages as "**Data Islands**".

xmlbind.html

```
<html>
<xml>
<address>
  <name> Frank</name>
  <company>GE</company>
  <phone>044-333335</phone>
</address>
</xml>
</html>
```

Output

Frank GE 044-333335

Data Islands

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xmlbind2.html

```
<html>
<xml><table border=1>
<address>
<tr>
    <td><name> Frank</name></td>
    <td><company>GE</company></td>
    <td><phone>044-333335</phone></td>
</address>
</table>
</xml>
</html>
```

Output:

Frank	GE	044-333335
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CSS Style

Address data

Frank

GE

044-333335

Leni

SMA

044-555557

CSS style

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Steps:

- Create a style document using CSS
- Create an XML document for Address DB

style.css

```
name{ display:block; margin-left:20px;font-size:14pt; color:red; }  
company{ display:block; margin-left:20px;font-size:12pt; color:blue; }  
phone{ display:block; margin-left:20px;font-size:12pt; font-style: italic; }
```

```
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/css" href="style1.css"?>
<!DOCTYPE HTML>
<html>
<head>
Address data
</head>
<body>
<address>
  <name> Frank</name>
  <company>GE</company>
  <phone>044-333335</phone>
</address>
<address>
  <name> Leni</name>
  <company>SMA</company>
  <phone>044-555557</phone>
</address>
</body></html>
```

XML Schema Definition (XSD)

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- Schemas are themselves XML documents.
- They were standardized after DTDs and provide more information about the document.
- They also determine the tree structure and how many children a node may have.
- A XSD file has a .xsd extension

Data Types

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- There are many data types in XSD. Data types are classified into
 - XSD Strings
 - XSD Numeric
 - XSD Date

XSD Strings

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- A String data types contains characters like alphabets, numbers and special characters, line feed, carriage returns and tab spaces

Data Types	Description
string	A string
name	A string which contains a valid name
normalizedString	A string that does not contain line feeds, carriage returns, or tabs

XSD Numeric

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- These data types contains numbers which may be a whole number or decimal number.

Data types	Description
Integer	Contains integer value
Decimal	Contains decimal value
positiveInteger	Contains integer value which is only positive

XSD Date

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- This data type contains date and time values.
- Format of the date is “YYYY-MM-DD”
- All are mandatory

Data types	Description
Date	Defines the date value (YYYY-MM-DD)
Time	Defines the time value (hh:mm:ss)
DateTime	Defines both data and time (yyyy-mm-ddThh:mm:ss)

XML Schema Definition (XSD)

- They divide elements into
 - Simple types and
 - Complex types

Simple Type

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- Syntax –
 - `<xs:element name="xxx" type="yyy"/>`
 - ‘xxx’ is the name of the element and ‘yyy’ is the data type of the element.

`<xs:element name="name" type="xs:string"/>`

`<xs:element name="email" type="xs:string"/>`

`<xs:element name="phone" type="xs:integer"/>`

`<xs:element name="birthday" type="xs:date"/>`

- Simple type with Default value:

`<xs:element name="salary" type="xs:integer" default="5000"/>`

Complex Type

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```
<xs:schema xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
<xs:element name="address">
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element name="name" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element name="email" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element name="phone" type="xs:integer"/>
      <xs:element name="birthday" type="xs:date"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
</xs:schema>
```

Schema and xmlns

- Syntax:

`xs:schema xmlns:xs=uri`

- xs:schema defines a schema
- The Namespace starts with the keyword **xmlns**.
- Uniform Resource Identifiers (URI) associated with this namespace is the Schema language definition, which has the standard value of <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema>

XML Schema(xs) and XML Schema Instance (xsi)

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- URI references identifying namespaces are compared when determining whether a name belongs to a given namespace
- `xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"` indicates that the elements and data types used in the schema come from the `http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema` namespace.
- namespace should be prefixed with **xs**:
- `xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"` tells the XML parser that this document should be validated against a schema.
- `xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="address.xsd"` specifies WHERE the schema resides (here it is in the same folder as "employee.xml")

Associating XML with XSD

- Define an XSD that contains address schema like name, email, phone and birthday.
- XML file to enter data
- `xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation`:
 - ✓ locates the schema for elements that are not in any namespace.

address.xsd

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```
<xs:schema xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
  <xs:element name="address">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element name="name" type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element name="email" type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element name="phone" type="xs:integer"/>
        <xs:element name="birthday" type="xs:date"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
</xs:schema>
```

employee.xml

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```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<address xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="address.xsd">

  <name> Frank </name>
  <email> frank@gmail.com </email>
  <phone> 04422555567 </phone>
  <birthday> 21/Aug/1993 </ birthday >

</address>
```

