

"Methodology of Programming I"

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XML Processing

XML:

XML (Extensible Markup Language) is a very popular simple text-based language that can be used as a mode of communication between different applications.

It is considered as a standard means to transport and store data.

XML Features:

- XML is a tag based language like HTML.
- You can define your own tags which is why it is called extensible language.
- XML elements are case sensitive.
- The only reserved word you cannot use in XML is XML (All case variations).
- XML names must start with a letter or underscore and cannot contain white spaces.

XML Example:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<class id="11">
     <name lang="eng">Methodology of Programming I</name>
     <students>
           <student>
                <first_name>Tom</first_name>
                <dob>2000-11-20</dob>
                <major>Computer Science</major>
           </student>
           <student>
                <first_name >Sally< first_name>
                <dob>2001-09-01</dob>
                <major>Computer Science</major>
           </student>
     </students>
</class>
```

The Java API for XML Processing (JAXP) is for processing XML data using applications written in the Java programming language.

JAXP allows you to use any XML-compliant parser from within your application.

XML Parser provides a way to access or modify data in an XML document.

Commonly used XML parsers are: DOM, SAX, JDOM, StAX, JAXB.

References:

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