Document Type Definition (DTD)

This article describes what Document Type Definition (DTD) is

A document type definition (DTD) is a set of markup declarations that define a document type for a SGML-family markup language (GML, SGML, XML, HTML). A DTD defines the valid building blocks of an XML document. It defines the document structure with a list of validated elements and attributes. A DTD can be declared inline inside an XML document, or as an external reference