

XML INTRO

XML stands for eXtensible Markup Language

XML was designed to store and transport data

XML is a markup language much like HTML

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XML

VS

HTML

Designed to **carry** data

Focus on what data **is**

XML tags are not pre-defined

Designed to **display** data

Focus on how data **looks**

HTML tags are pre-defined

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The use cases for XML are **endless**

e.g. computer manufacturers may agree to describe their computer system (processor, memory size, etc.) with XML code

This would allow a user (like you or me) to send a request to each computer maker's website, gather data in one format (XML here) and make **valid comparisons**

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XML files can be viewed on most browsers

XML files will not display as normal HTML pages