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Experiment - 03.

- **Aim:** Design the XML document to store the information of employees of any business organisation and demonstrate use of:
  a) DTD.
  b) XML Schema.
  c) And display the content in (eg. tabular format) by using CSS/XSL.

- **Theory:**

(1) XML:

- XML stands for extensible markup language. It's a markup language much like HTML, but whereas HTML is used to display data, XML is used to store and transport data
- It's a flexible way to create common information formats and share structured data over the internet, making it a common tool in web development, data exchange and various other application Some key points of XML:
  1) Markup language
  2) Extensible.
  3) Platform independent.
  4) Human and machine readable.
  5) Heirarchical structure.
  6) Well defined structure.

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- Basic XML Syntax -

```
<? xml version = "1.0" encoding = "UTF-0-8"?>
<! DOCTYPE root SYSTEM "file. dtd" >
    <root>
        <element attribute = "value" > Content
        <!element>
    <!root>
```

(1)

(2). Structure for employee information -

- Root element : <employee>
- Child element : <employee> (Each employee's data).
- Attributes : <employee> has an 'id' attribute.
- Nested elements: <name>, <department>, <position>, <salary>, <contact>
- Contact information: <email> and <phone>

(3). Document type definition (DTD) -

- DTD is a set of rules that define the structure and allowed elements of an XML document. It ensures that an XML file follows a specific format and maintains consistency.
- Ensures data validity checking whether an XML document follows the specified format.
- Helps applications understand the expected hierarchy and relationships within an XML file.

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- **Types of DTD -**

(1) **Internal:** Defined inside XML document using <! doctype >

Syntax:

```
<? xml version = "1.0" encoding = "UTF-8" ? >
<! DOCTYPE root [
        <! ELEMENT root (child1, child2) >
        <! ELEMENT child1 (#PCDATA) >
]>
<root>
        <child1> Data1 </child1>
        <child2> Data2 </child2>
</root>
```

#PCDATA - Means elements contain text, parsed character data.

<! ELEMENT > - Specifies elements and their content.

(2) **External DTD:**

```
<! DOCTYPE root SYSTEM "example.dtd" >
```

4] **XML Schema -**

- An XML Schema (XSD - XML Schema definition) is a powerful way to define the structure, data types and rules for an XML document.
- Supports datatypes like integers, decimals, dates, etc.
- Allows reusability of data definitions.
- Provides namespace support for XML document.

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- **Basic syntax of XML Schema –**

```
<xs: schema xmlns:xs = "http://w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
    <!-- Define elements -->
</xs: schema>
```

- **XML Schema components –**

1. Element – `<xs: element name = "elementName" type = "DT"/>`
2. Attribute declaration –

```
<xs: attribute name = "attributeName" type = "Datatype"
    use = "required/optional"/>
```

3. **Datatypes in XML Schema –**

Data type.	Description.
xs: string	Text content.
xs: integer.	Whole numbers
xs: decimal.	Decimal numbers
xs: boolean.	true or false.
xs: date.	Date format (YYYY-MM-DD)
xs: time.	Time format (HH:MM:SS).

Eg: `<xs: element name = "salary" type = "xs: decimal"/>`

4. You can also add constraints such as –
   - xs: minLength
   - xs: maxLength.
   - xs: restriction

- Advantages of Schema -

- Supports data types like integer, date, boolean, etc.
- Better validation with contraints like min/max value.
- Reusable components using complex types.
- Supports namespace for handling multiple Schema.
- More readable and scalable than DTD.

5) XSLT : Extensible Stylesheet language Transformations.

- Converts XML to readable formats.

Basic XSLT Syntax:

```
<xsl : stylesheet version = "1.0"  xmlns : xsl = "http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform "/>
    < xsl : template match = "/ " >
        <html>
            <body>
                <table>
                    < xsl : for-each select = "Root Element / ChildElement " >
                    <tr>
                        <td > <xsl : Value of Select = "element" /> </td
                    </tr>
                    </xsl : for each >
                </table>
            </body>
        </html>
    </xsl : template>
</xsl : stylesheet >
```

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* XSLT -

- <xsl: for-each select = "employees / employee ">
  - loops through all <employee> elements
- <td> <xsl: value-of select = "element" /> </td>
  - Extracts all and displays element values inside table cells.

- **Conclusion:** Thus we successfully studied and implemented xml, dtd and XML schema, Stylesheets.

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