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| **XML/JSON Data Processing** |
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| This document explains how to process XML/JSON data …………………………. |

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# Question 1: Use JavaScript/Ajax to process XML data

(Describe the major steps for designing the JavaScript function(s), how you test this program, add some screenshots of the output )

The first step is to get the data from the xml file. For this we used the .ajax() function of jQuery.

After we get the xml data from the file in our script, we then need to filter out and grab the only data that we require. In this case we need name of the country, it’s capital, unemployment, and the total GDP.

Before extracting the data, we need to know the structure of the dataset. The country name, unemployment, and the total GDP were on a separate tag, but this was not the case for the capital city. There were multiple cities under the country tag and each city has an id and the id of the capital city is tagged to the capital attribute of the country element.

First, we grabbed all the elements with country tag using the **find()** method and then looped through each of them using the jQuery **$.each()** method.

Then, we extracted the country name, unemployment, and the total GDP using the combination of find() and text() method as:

**$(country).find(‘unemployment’).text();**

For, the country name we used .first() method as well after the find() as there were multiple tags for name tag within a country tag.

**$( country).find(‘name’).first().text();**

And for the capital city, we first grabbed all the elements with city tag and then looped though each of them and checked whether its id matched with the capital id. If the id matches, then we have the capital city and grabbed its name.

Finally, to display the data, inside the loop of countries, we prepared a row for each country’s name, capital, unemployment, and total GDP, accessed the html table using the id selector and pushed the row using the **.append()** method.

With the development of each step, we printed the output in the console to check if we are getting the desired result before proceeding to the next step.

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# Question 2,3,5,6: Use JavaScript/jQuery to process JSON data

(Describe the major steps for designing the JavaScript function(s), how you test this program, add some screenshots of the output)

Question 2

Question 3

The major steps include getting the user data, getting the news from news API and displaying it.

First, we designed the jQuery to handle the click event of the form button using the .**click()** method. Inside this, we grab the input from the user and pass it to another function to fetch the data.

To fetch the data using the API, we first created the URL by appending the country code entered by user. We then passed the URL in the fetch API and received the headlines data in JSON format.

We then designed another function which takes this JSON data as input, extracts the required information, and displays it in the browser window. We first clear the existing news headlines using the .**empty()** method on the wrapper tag element. After that, we grab the only news headlines data from the JSON data and loop through each of them. From each of the news, we extract their source, headlines, URL, image, and published date. After we have all the required data, we prepared the output to be shown and append it to the wrapper element. Some of the news does not have image, so we also checked if the image URL is null or not and display it accordingly.

We tested this program by printing the data in the console on each step, or when the output was not as expected to debug the code and often used debugger.

Graphical user interface, website

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# Question 4 and 7(Bonus) : XSLT and XPath

(Describe the major steps for designing the XSLT. How did you use XPath in the XSLT?

Add screenshot of the XPath testing and the output of XSLT)

Question 4

The layout and design of the output was like that of question 1, the only major step required for this question was to get the correct data using the XPath expressions. To check the XPath expression, we used the XPath test tool from [freeformatter](https://www.freeformatter.com/xpath-tester.html) website. Also, the original xml file was large, so we used a subset of the country data and used it to test the XPath expression in the XPath test tool and to view the output of our XSL file as well.

Extracting country name, unemployment, and total GDP was straight forward, we looped through each of the country tag using <xsl:for-each> and retrieved the required data.

Retrieving the capital city was little tricky though. Some of the cities were directly under the country tag whereas some of them were under the province tag. Likewise, the id of the capital city was present as an attribute of the country tag, and we had to compare the id of each city with this. So, to retrieve the capital city, we first looped through each of the city under the current country. Then we accessed the country tag of that city using the ancestor::parent\_node method. From there we compared the capital attribute of the country with the id of the city using <xsl:if test=”expression”> and displayed the first name of the city as it had multiple names.

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Fig 4-1: XPath testing

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Fig 4-2: XSL output

# Summary

(Describe how did you divide the work, share your feedback about this project like new points that you learn, challenges, …)