# XML schemas, Java Annotations, JAXB & Dozer

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## XSD: XML Schema Definition (1)

- An XML schema describes the structure of an XML document
- An XML Schema is written in XML
- It is an XML-based alternative to DTD (document type definition which is yet another set of markups to learn)
- XML Schema is a W3C Recommendation: <a href="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema</a>

## XSD: XML Schema Definition (1)

- An XML Schema defines:
  - elements that can appear in a document
  - o attributes that can appear in a document
  - o data types for elements and attributes
  - which elements are **child** elements
  - the **order** of child elements
  - whether an element is **empty** or can include **text**
  - **default and fixed values** for elements and attributes

## Example 1: XSD

```
< xsd:schema
    xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
    <xsd:complexType name="personType">
        <xsd:sequence>
            <xsd:element name="firstName" type="xsd:string"/>
            <xsd:element name="lastName" type="xsd:string"/>
            <xsd:element name="birthDate" type="xsd:date"/>
            <xsd:element name="age"</pre>
                                         type="xsd:integer"
                minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
            <xsd:element name="healthProfile" type="healthProfileType"</pre>
                minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
        </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="id" type="xsd:integer"/>
    </xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:complexType name="healthProfileType">
        <xsd:sequence>
            <xsd:element name="weight" type="xsd:decimal"/>
            <xsd:element name="height" type="xsd:decimal"/>
         </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:element name="person" type="personType"/>
</xsd:schema>
```

## Example 1: Validate XML against XSD (1)

- Open and XML/XSD validation tool online: <a href="http://www.utilities-online.info/xsdvalidation/#.U10rkGRvj40">http://www.utilities-online.info/xsdvalidation/#.U10rkGRvj40</a>
- Copy the content <u>Example 1 XML Schema</u> and <u>Example 1 XML instance</u>
- Validate XML againsts XSD

# Example 1: XSD (2)

- xmlns:xsd="..." indicates that the elements and data types used in this schema
  - o come from the <a href="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema</a> namespace
  - should be prefixed with xsd:

## XML Schema built-in data types

- The most common built-in data types are:
  - xsd:string
  - o xsd:decimal
  - xsd:integer
  - o xsd:boolean
  - xsd:date
  - xsd:time
- The complete built-in data type hierarchy
  - http://www.w3.org/TR/xmlschema-2/#built-in-datatypes

## Example 1: XSD (3)

• XML Elements

```
<firstName>George R. R.</firstName>
<lastName>Martin</lastName>
<birthDate>1970-06-21</birthDate>
```

```
<xsd:element name="firstName" type="xsd:string" />
<xsd:element name="lastName" type="xsd:string" />
<xsd:element name="birthDate" type="xsd:date" />
```

## Complex Data Types

- A complex element is an XML element that contains other elements and/or attributes.
- There are four kinds of complex elements:
  - empty elements
  - elements that contain only other elements
  - elements that contain only text (and attributes)
  - elements that contain both other elements and text
- For each kind, there are many ways to write it in a XSD document. We see only one way, that is compatible with JAXB

# Example 1: XSD (4)

## **Empty Elements**

• XML Elements

```
<person id="12345">
...
</person>
```

## Example 1: XSD (5)

#### Elements that contain only Elements

• XML Elements

```
<person>
  <firstName>George R. R.</firstName>
  <lastName>Martin</lastName>
  <birthDate>1970-06-21</birthDate>
</person>
```

## Example 2: XSD (6)

#### Elements that contain only Text and Attributes

• XML Elements

```
<shoesize country="france">35</shoesize>
```

## Example 3: XSD (7)

#### Elements that contain both elements and text

• XML Elements

```
<letter>
Dear Mr.<name>John Smith</name>.
Your order <orderid>1032</orderid>
will be shipped on <shipdate>2001-07-13</shipdate>.
</letter>
```

• Corresponding XSD definitions

• What was new here?

#### **XSD** Indicators

- Order indicators are used to define the order of the elements
  - all, choice, sequence
- Occurrence indicators are used to define how often an element can occur
  - maxOccurs, minOccurs
- Group indicators are used to define related sets of elements.
  - o group name, attributeGroup name

## Example 4: XSD (8)

## Group names

## Example 5: XSD (9)

#### AttributeGroup name

## Exercise 1

- Go to the online validator: <a href="http://www.utilities-online.info/xsdvalidation/#.Ul0rkGRvj40">http://www.utilities-online.info/xsdvalidation/#.Ul0rkGRvj40</a>
- Copy <u>Example 5</u> in the XSD Schema.
- Create an XML instance of this schema that is valid

## Example 6: XSD (10)

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#### • Valid XMLs

```
<customer>
  <name>John Smith</name>
</customer>
```

or

```
<kunde>
  <navn>John Smith</navn>
</kunde>
```

#### Java Annotations

- Annotations provide data about a program that is not part of the program itself.
- They have no direct effect on the operation of the code they annotate.
- Annotations can be applied to a program's declarations of classes, fields, methods, and other program elements.

```
@XmlRootElement // this is a java annotation
@XmlType(name = "", propOrder = { "publisher", "edition", "title", "author" })
public class Catalog {
   private String publisher;
   private String edition;
   private String title;
   private String author;
   ...
   @XmlAttribute
   public String journal;
```

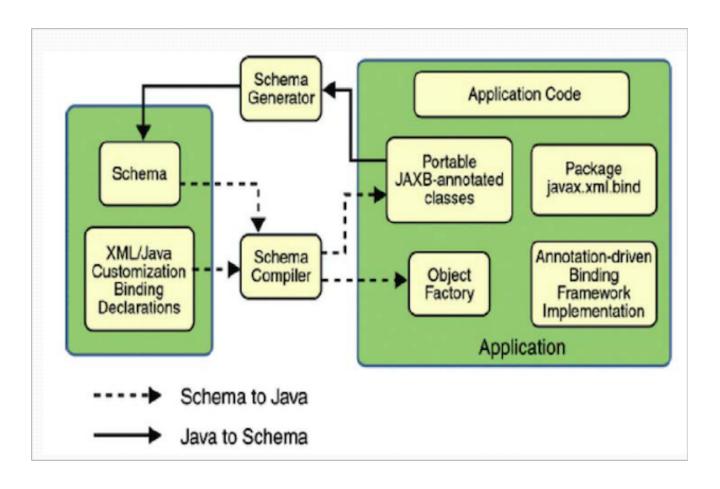
## Java Annotations: Uses

- **Information for the compiler:** Annotations can be used by the compiler to detect errors or suppress warnings.
- Compile-time and deployment-time processing: Software tools can process annotation information to generate code, XML files, and so forth.
- **Runtime processing:** Some annotations are available to be examined at runtime

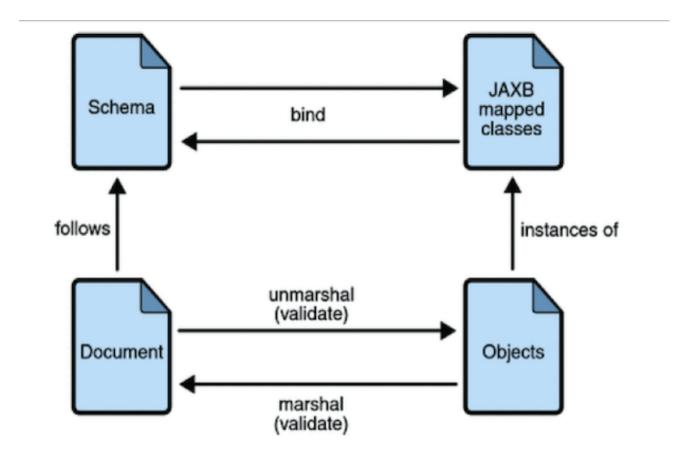
#### Introduction to JAXB

- JAXB = **J**ava **A**rchitecture for **XML B**inding
- Java standard that defines how Java objects are converted **from** and **to** XML.
- As opposed to XPATH, now we can map XML to a set of Java Classes and restrict our Java program to java objects (not a document tree)
- JAXB Provides two main features:
  - the ability to marshal (i.e., convert) Java objects into XML
  - the ability to **un-marshal** XML back into Java objects
- Download from <a href="https://jaxb.java.net/2.2.7/">https://jaxb.java.net/2.2.7/</a>

## JAXB Architecture



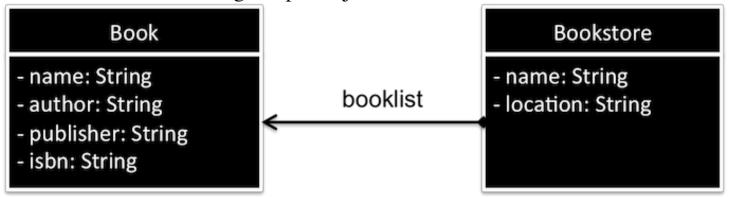
# **JAXB Binding Process**



Source: http://java.sun.com/javaee/5/docs/tutorial/doc/bnazg.html

## XML From/to Object Model

• Think about the following simple object model



#### **JAXB** Annotations

- @XmlRootElement(namespace = "namespace"): defines the root element for an XML tree
- @XmlType(propOrder = { "field2", "field1",...}): allows to define the order in which the fields are written in the XML file
- @XmlElement(name = "neuName"): defines the XML element which will be used. Only need to be used if the neuNeu is different then the JavaBeans Name

## Example 6: JAXB Annotations

• Open <u>Example6-JAXB/src/model/Book.java</u>

```
@XmlRootElement(name = "book")
// If you want you can define the order in which the fields are written
// Optional
@XmlType(propOrder = { "author", "name", "publisher", "isbn" })
public class Book {
private String name;
private String author;
private String publisher;
private String isbn;
//
// If you like the variable name, e.g. "name", you can easily change this
// name for your XML-Output:
@XmlElement(name = "title")
public String getName() {
  return name;
}
```

## Example 6: JAXB Annotations

• Open <u>Example6-JAXB/src/model/Book.java</u>

```
//This statement means that class "Bookstore.java" is the root-element of our example
@XmlRootElement(namespace = "de.vogella.xml.jaxb.model")
public class Bookstore {
    //
    // XmLElementWrapper generates a wrapper element around XML representation
    @XmlElementWrapper(name = "bookList")
    // XmlElement sets the name of the entities
@XmlElement(name = "book")
private ArrayList<Book> bookList;
private String name;
private String location;
```

## Example 6: XML from/to Object Model

• Open <u>Example6-JAXB/src/model/Book.java</u>

```
public class BookMain {
// let's put the final result somewhere
private static final String BOOKSTORE XML = "./bookstore-jaxb.xml";
public static void main(String[] args) throws JAXBException, IOException {
  ArrayList<Book> bookList = new ArrayList<Book>();
  // create books
  Book book1 = new Book();
  book1.setIsbn("978-0060554736");
  book1.setName("The Game");
  book1.setAuthor("Neil Strauss");
  book1.setPublisher("Harpercollins");
  bookList.add(book1);
  //
  Book book2 = new Book();
  book2.setIsbn("978-3832180577");
  book2.setName("Feuchtgebiete");
  book2.setAuthor("Charlotte Roche");
  book2.setPublisher("Dumont Buchverlag");
  bookList.add(book2);
  //
  // create bookstore, assigning book
  Bookstore bookstore = new Bookstore();
  bookstore.setName("Fraport Bookstore");
  bookstore.setLocation("Frankfurt Airport");
  bookstore.setBookList(bookList);
```

# Example 6: XML from Object Model

```
// create JAXB context and instantiate marshaller
JAXBContext context = JAXBContext.newInstance(Bookstore.class);
Marshaller m = context.createMarshaller();
m.setProperty(Marshaller.JAXB_FORMATTED_OUTPUT, Boolean.TRUE);
//
// Write to System.out
m.marshal(bookstore, System.out);
//
// Write to File
m.marshal(bookstore, new File(BOOKSTORE_XML));
//
// get variables from our xml file, created before
System.out.println();
System.out.println("Output from our XML File: ");
...
```

# Example 6: XML to Object Model

## Example 6: XML from/to Object Model

- Enter Example6-JAXB
- Explore the content of BookMain.java, Book.java and Bookstore.java
- Compile and run the code

```
ant init
ant compile
ant execute
```

• What's new in the folder?

## Exercise 2: XML from Object Model

• Create a simple Program that creates an xml from a Person model in the following format

```
<person name="Thomas">
   <age>35</age>
   <address>Via Malpensada 140</address>
</person>
```

# Example 7: more JAXB

- Enter the directory **Example7-JAXB**
- Compile the code and then run

```
javac *.java
java JavaToXML
```

• Explore catalog.xml

java JAXBMarshaller

• Explore catalog.xml

java JAXBUnMarshaller

## Exercise 3

• What should you change in **Example7-JAXB** to add an **element year** within each article of a journal?

#### Dozer

- Domain Objects vs Transfer Objects
- I would like to keep domain objects separate from logics that manage the transformation into XML documents
- I propose to define two different packages:
  - o entity: here we put pure domain objects
  - o transfer: here we put jaxb objects
- We need a mechanism to map domain objects into jaxb objects

#### Dozer basics

- Dozer is a Java Bean to Java Bean mapper that recursively copies data from one object to another
- Dozer supports mapping between attribute names and between types.
- Standard conversions are provided automatically
- You are allowed to specify custom conversions via XML
- With Dozer, your internal domain objects are not exposed to external presentation layers or to external consumers.
- Dozer maps your domain objects to external APIs calls and vice-versa.
- Dozer can works both with XML and JSON

#### Dozer Installation

- Download Dozer and extract the archive: <a href="http://dozer.sourceforge.net/">http://dozer.sourceforge.net/</a>
- Add \${dozer.home}/dist/dozer.jar to your classpath.
- Add required thirdparty runtime jars to your classpath <a href="http://dozer.sourceforge.net/dependencies.html">http://dozer.sourceforge.net/dependencies.html</a>

## Assignment #1

• Replace the HashMap db in the HealthProfile Reader with a xml file as follows

#### • Part 1

- Extend the example above to include at least 20 people (maybe your friends with fake names)
- Use xpath to implement methods like getWeight and getHeight
- Make a function which prints all people in the list with detail
- A function which accepts name as parameter and print that particular person HealthProfile
- A function which accepts weight and an operator (=, > , <) as parameters and prints people that fulfill that condition.

## Assignment #1

#### • Part 2

- Define the XML schema for the example XML document of people.
- Write a java application that does the marshalling and un-marshalling using JAXB.

## Assingment Rules

- Before submission make a zip file that includes only
  - All Java source files
  - All XML and XSD files
- Rename the Zip file to: your full name + assignment\_no. for example: cristhian\_parra\_1.zip
- Submission link: www.dropitto.me/introsde2013
- Password will be given and class and sent to the group
- The assignment is due on 05-Nov (Mid-Night).
- On 06-Nov I'll copy your directory and I use that copy for the evaluation.

#### For next session

- Install Eclipse: <a href="http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/packages/eclipse-standard-431/keplersr1">http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/packages/eclipse-standard-431/keplersr1</a>
- Install Maven (newly added requirement): http://maven.apache.org/download.cgi
- Prepare yourselves for a long session: we will go till 7pm.
- Stay tunned to the list, will send a list of plugins for eclipse to add later in the week.

## References:

- XML Schemas
  - <a href="http://www.w3schools.com/schema/default.asp">http://www.w3schools.com/schema/default.asp</a>
  - <a href="http://www.xfront.com/files/xml-schema.html">http://www.xfront.com/files/xml-schema.html</a>
  - Validators:
    - http://tools.decisionsoft.com/schemaValidate/
    - <a href="http://www.utilities-online.info/xsdvalidation/#.Ul0rkGRvj40">http://www.utilities-online.info/xsdvalidation/#.Ul0rkGRvj40</a>
- JAXB
- Dozer