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Technical Overview of XBRL – Including XBRL vs. XML







Agenda



- XBRL Taxonomies
- XBRL Instance Documents
- Comparison of XBRL versus XML

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Taxonomies



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\$6,191, respectively	173,245	141,945
Other receivables	31,504	25,495
Deferred income taxes	58,710	51,751
Prepaid expenses and other assets	44,285	18,617
Total current assets	2,008,578	1,551,029
Property and equipment, net	103,549	99,675
Goodwill	118,683	110,287
Purchased and other intangibles, net	16,477	15,513
Investment in lease receivable	126,800	126,800
Other assets	66,228	55,328
	\$ 2,440,315	\$ 1,958,632

Taxonomy



Defines the concepts to be reported

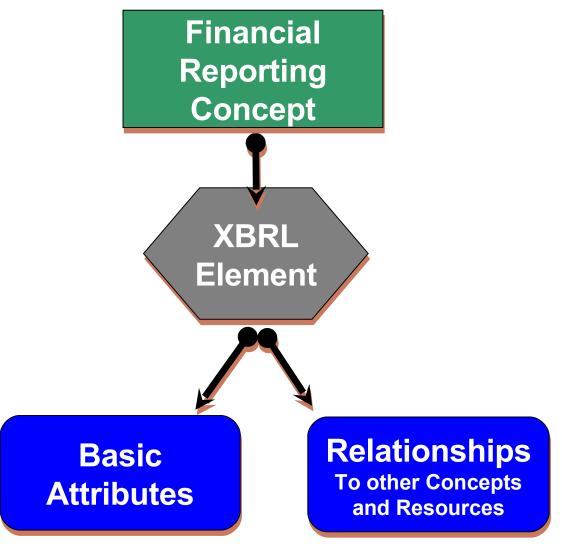
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- Concepts are defined as XBRL elements
 - Basic attributes
 - Relationships
- A taxonomy is a metadata repository. XBRL provides a model designed for financial reporting

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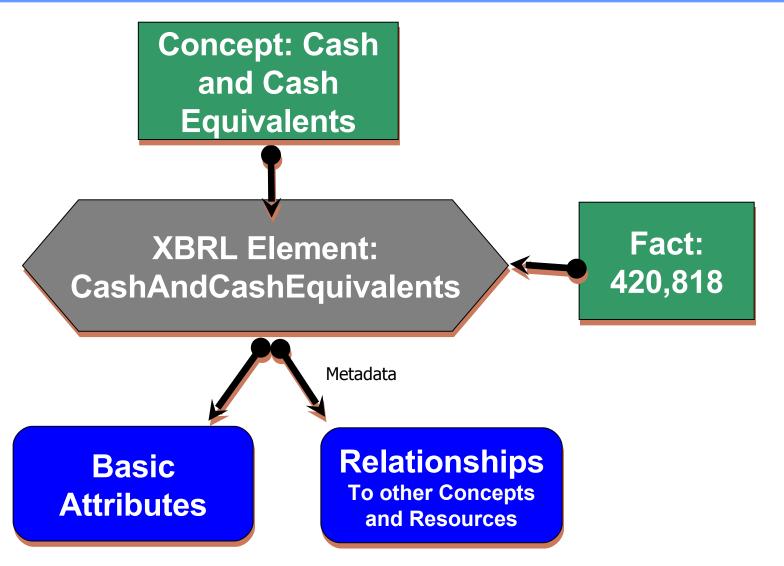
Taxonomy





Taxonomy





Simplest XBRL Taxonomy

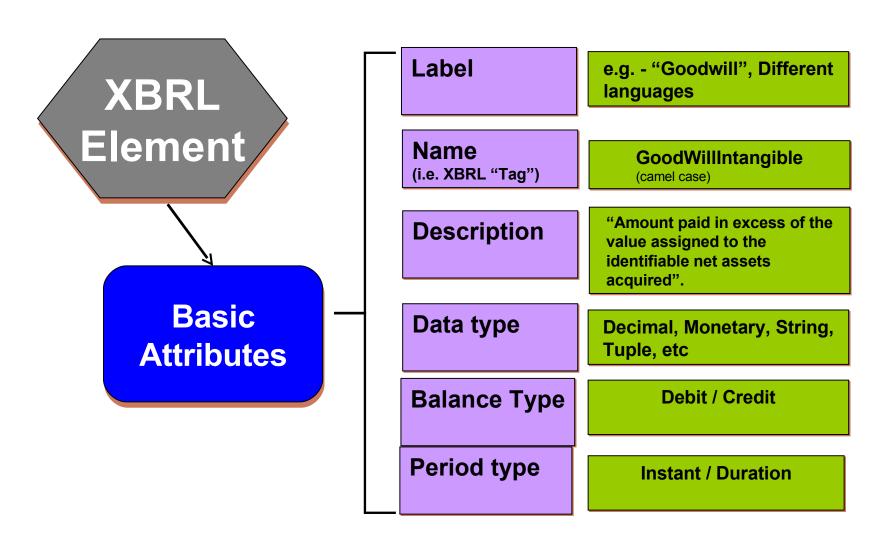


- Consists of taxonomy "schema"
 - Schema contains definitions of concepts, and links to additional taxonomy resources (if any)
 - Have the .XSD file extension
 - A concept definition with some of its basic attributes looks like this:

```
<xsd:element
  name="CashAndCashEquivalents"
  id="adobe_2004_ CashAndCashEquivalents"
  type="xbrli:monetaryItemType"
  substitutionGroup="xbrli:item"
  nillable="true"
  xbrli:periodType="duration" />
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Anatomy of a Taxonomy Element

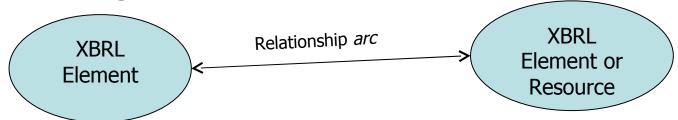




"Richer" Taxonomy



XBRL metadata model provides for the modelling of relationships

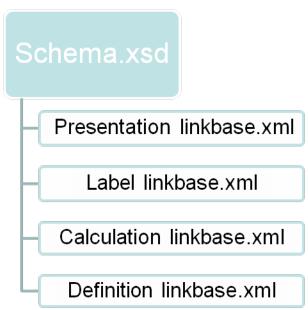


- Connects an element to another element or to a resource
 - Connect elements that have a summation relationship
 - Connect an element to a resource such as a label or documentation
- XBRL refers to this declaration as an arc

Linkbases



- Linkbases are repositories of arcs, that is, repositories of declared relationships.
 - Linkbases have the .XML file extension
 - Linkbase types: presentation, definition, label, calculation
 - File relationships:



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Relationships



- Label provides human readable labels for the element names.
 Instructions and captions are label linkbases
 - Can be in multiple languages
- Reference provides the means to link the element to "additional information", including authoritative references
- Presentation describes the hierarchical order of the elements in a report
- Definition describes how the elements relate to each other.
 Describes the parent child relationship. The accounting concept relationships
- Dimensions data cube view, like a Pivot Table in Excel
- Calculation defines calculations between two or more elements

Formula – business rules and complex computations

Common Relationships





Relate a concept to...

Label

"Cash", "Open Cash Balance", "Closing Cash Balance", "Total Cash"

"Instructions: To complete this section of the report please refer policy number FDI349 Part 29"

Relationships To other Florents

To other Elements or Resources

Presentation

Assets

Cash & cash equivalents
Property plant & equipment
Goodwill
Total Assets

Calculation

Net Goodwill =
Goodwill - Accumulated
Amortization

Other Relationship





Relate a reporting concept to a resource (documentation)

Reference

Publisher : FASB

Name : Statement of Financial Accounting

Stand.

Number : 142 Paragraph : 23 URI :

http:/www.fasb.org/pdf/fas142.pdf

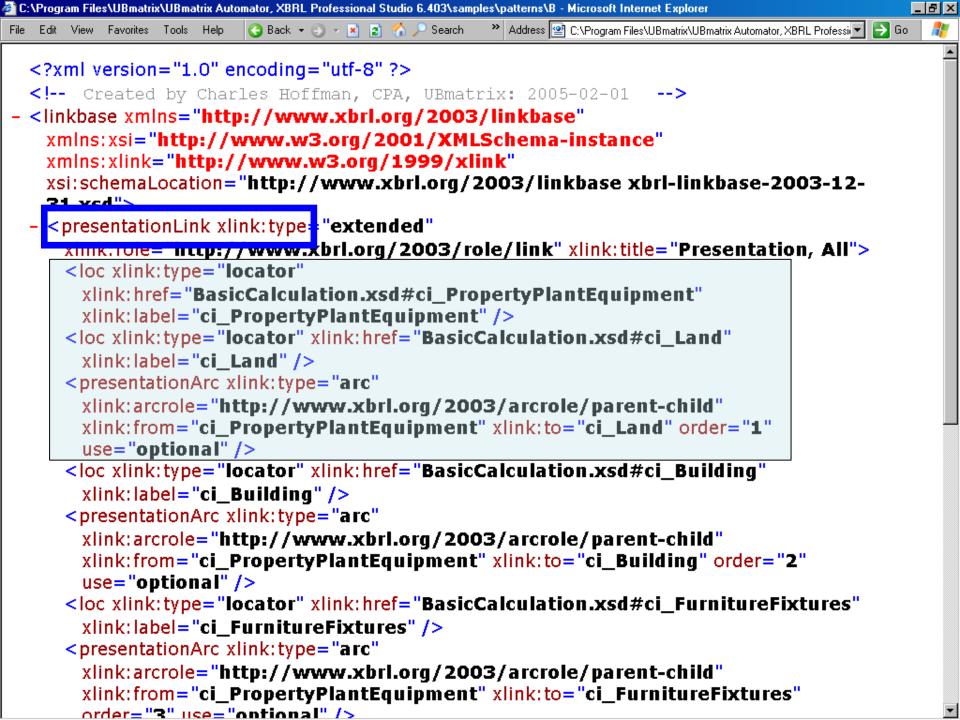
URIDate : 2005-08-01

Relationships
To other Elements &

Information (Linkbases)

Definition

"Total All Regions" is the total of all regions, and the region breakdown includes "US and Canada", "Europe", "Asia", and "Other".



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Instance Document

XBRL Instance Document



Contains the facts

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- Reporting context (e.g., December 2, 2005)
- Link to the taxonomy

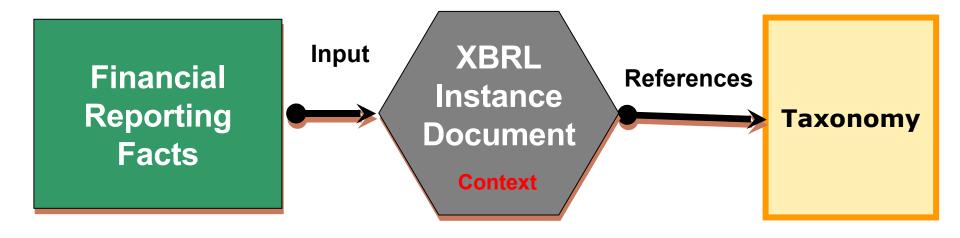
Relationship to Taxonomy



- The facts are constrained by the taxonomy
- Subject to robust internal checking by a validation process via an XBRL Processing Engine

Instance Document



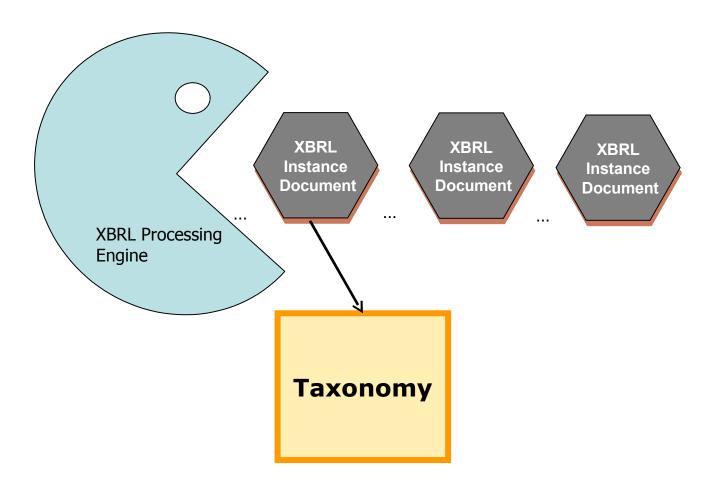


<adobe-2004-balance:TotalCurrentAssets contextRef="I2005-Consolidated" unitRef="units-monetary" decimals="0">2008578 </adobe-2004-balance:TotalCurrentAssets >

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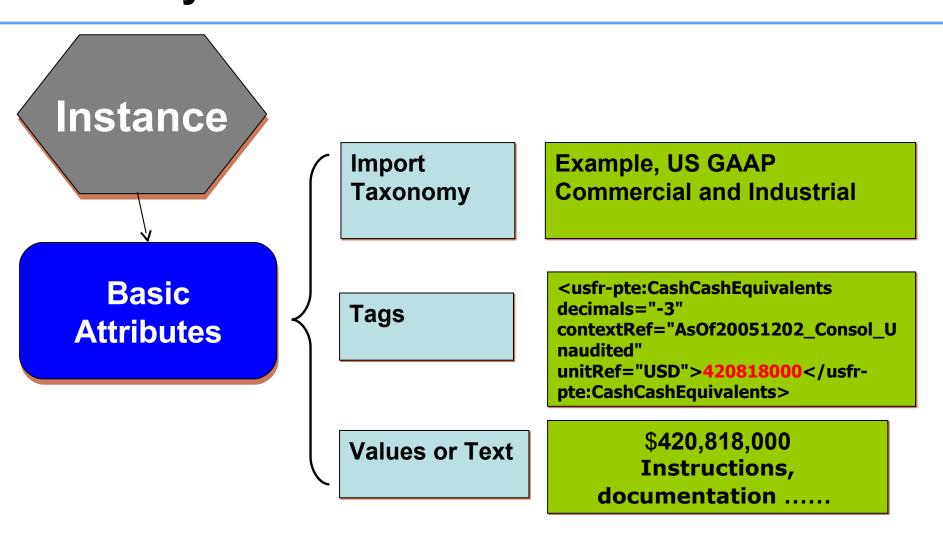
Instance Document Validation





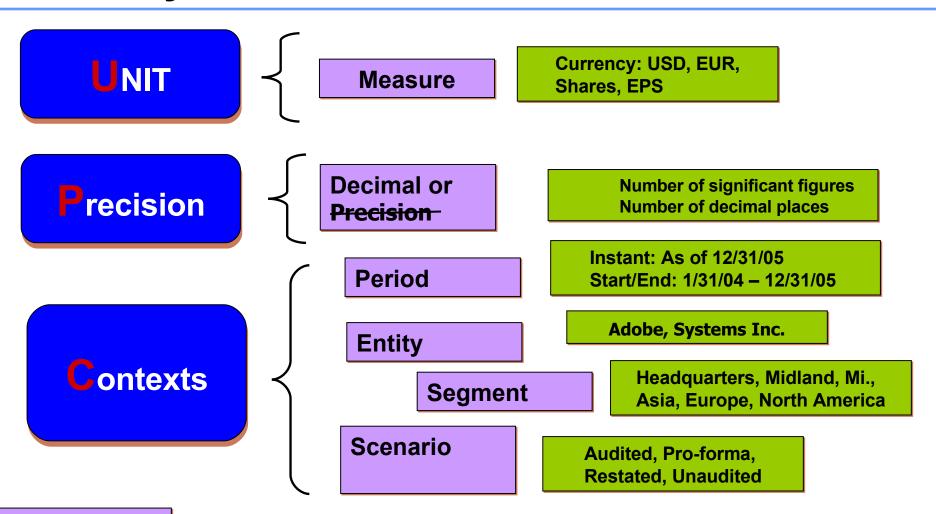
Anatomy of a Instance Document







Anatomy of an Fact



Footnotes

(2) In 2005, gain on sale of building \$2.7 million, net of taxes \$0.9 million.

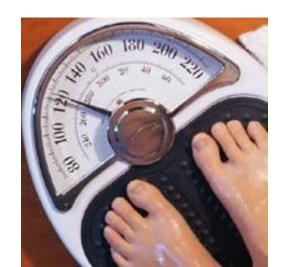
Financial Facts



Financial Reporting Facts

- Two types of financial facts (concepts):
 - Items, which represent individual facts
 - Tuples, which group items
- Items must
 - State their precision, if numeric
 - Refer to a unit of measure, if numeric
 - Refer to a context

Scale is a presentation issue and is not defined in an instance document



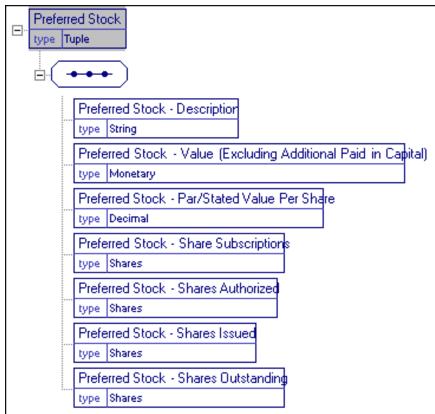
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Financial Facts - Tuples



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BASED ON ADOBE's Financial Statement

- What would be in schema document and what is its file extension?
- What parts of the statement are attributed to UPC?
- What is UPC?
- Of these linkbases label, presentation, calculation, reference, definition which would you except for the Adobe financial statement?
- What parts make up a context for Adobe?
- Do you see any tuples in that part of the financial statement?
- What is a tuple?
- What is scale and how is defined and where?
- How are entities identified?



Professor X. Barrel wants to know?

- What is a XBRL taxonomy?
- Why are people working hard to use XBRL taxonomies and instance documents?
- What does Nillable and IsNil mean?

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Why does XML not meet the need of business reporting?





XBRL is based on XML

XBRL is an XML-based markup language for defining business report structure and authoring business information.

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Markup languages: XML

The purpose of XML is:

- To provide a means to communicate the content of a "page" in a system independent manner.
- To provide a means to locate and retrieve information in XML pages

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XML Schema and Instance documents



- For an application to locate certain information
- Needs to know first if information is contained in a particular type (e.g. a financial statement based on the USGAAP) of XML document.
 - The content structure is declared by the document definition
 - The technology used for this is the DDML (<u>Document Definition</u> <u>Markup Language, formerly XSchema</u>)
- For an application to retrieve information from a XML document an instance document must use the tags defined in the DDML document that goes with it.





Why only XBRL fits the bill?

- There are two big problems with regular XML XSchema and Instance documents from a reporting perspective:
 - 1. XSchema document structures are fixed. You cannot add "your own" tags to the document structure.
 - 2. XSchema only provides syntactic validation
- XBRL specification enables creating and extending document structures while providing syntactic validation.
- The XBRL specification enables declaration of semantics and business rules validation.

XML provides the right basis but is insufficient as an end-to-end solution platform

Why does a markup language need to be flexible UBMATRIX from a business reporting point of view?



- The XML language defines its document structures by means of the XSchema standard which defines these structure implicitly both with respect to the content and the "hierarchy".
- If we take the financial statements as a reporting example:

-	2005 € '000	2004 € '000	-	_	2005 € '000	2004 € '000
Land	5,347	1,147	Land		5,347	1,147
Buildings	244,508	366,375	Buildings		244,508	366,375
Furnitures and Fixtures	34,457	34,457	Furnitures and Fixtures		34,457	34,457
Computers and Equipment •••	04,40 <i>1</i>	54,457	Computers		2,069	3,113
			► Equipment		2,100	2,200
Other	6,702	6,149	Other		6,702	6,149
Tota	295,183	413,441		Total	295,183	413,441

Same "information but different representation of the information"

Regular XML XSchema DOES NOT ALLOW THIS flexibility

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Same "information but with more detal

Regular XML XSchema DOES NOT ALLOW THIS flexibility



Examples of XML syntax validation.

- The structure is validated in the first example where the order of two lines is switched. This would render the document invalid
- The format of the reported value is invalid for Furniture... in the second example
- The Computers breakdown items are not part of the Universe of Discourse and can't be reported about.

		2005	2004
		€ '000	€ '000
Land		5,347	1,147
Buildings		244,508	366,375
Computers and Equipment		4,169	5,313
Furnitures and Fixtures		34,457	34,457
Other		6,702	6,149
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Land	5,347	1,147
Buildings	244,508	366,375
		many
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Servers	1,850	1,600
Desktops	216	1,513
Equipment	2,100	2,200
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Tot	al 295,183	#VALUE!

This is not sufficient for automated data exchange What is needed is semantic & business - rule validation



Semantic validation

- The attentive reader will notice that the first column doesn't add up to the reported total.
- The syntax is correct; structure, data types etc are all used correctly but the reported information is "not valid".
- We EXPECTED the rows to add up to the reported total value and it doesn't.

		2005	2004
		€ '000	€ '000
Land		5,347	1,147
Buildings		244,508	366,375
Furnitures and Fixtures		34,457	34,457
Computers and Equipment		5,169	5,313
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	Total	290,836	413,441

This brings up an important question!

Why did we expect the rows to add up to the reported total in the first place?

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How does XBRL solve these problems?



The fundamental difference between XBRL and XML is that XBRL makes the associations between concepts explicit.

Providing Unlimited Extensibility of Semantics
Of the Language Markup

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Questions?



Technologies and integrated solutions enabling automated data exchange, validation & analysis