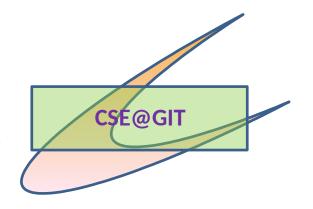
Experiment No. 4

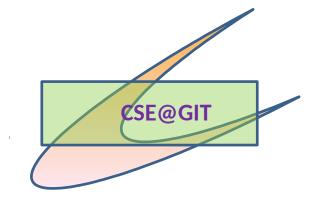
Problem Definition:

- 4. a) Design an XML document to store information about a student in an engineering college affiliated to VTU. The information must include USN, Name, Name of the College, Brach, Year of Joining, and e-mail id. Make up sample data for 3 students. Create a CSS style sheet and use it to display the document.
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Objectives of the Experiment:

- 1. To demonstrate the use of XML, XSLT and CSS
- 2. To develop an understanding of change of structured document from one form to another using XSLT
- 3. To be able to build simple database using XML and query with XSLT



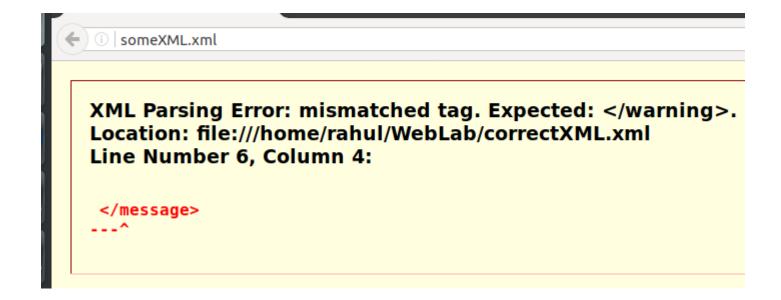
Introduction

- XML Extensible Markup Language (XML)
- Markup language
- XML is markup language similar to HTML
- XML is not predefined so you must define your own tags
- The primary purpose of the language is the sharing of data across different systems, such as the Internet

[Author en:User:Dreftymac] [https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/XML_Introduction]

- Well-formed document
- Conforming to all of XML's syntax rules, and valid
- Example of one of syntax for well formed document : every opening tag has closing tag or is self-closing
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• Valid:



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```
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```

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Rules mentioned as DTD

```
<!-- Parameter Entities -->
<!ENTITY % head.misc "SCRIPT|STYLE|META|LINK|OBJECT" >
                     <!-- repeatable head elements -->
<!ENTITY % heading "H1|H2|H3|H4|H5|H6">
<!ENTITY % list "UL | OL | DIR | MENU">
<!ENTITY % preformatted "PRE">
<!ENTITY % Color "CDATA">
<!-- a color using sRGB: #RRGGBB as Hex values -->
```

```
<!-- To avoid problems with text-only UAs as well as
   to make image content understandable and navigable
   to users of non-visual UAs, you need to provide
   a description with ALT, and avoid server-side image maps -->
<!ELEMENT IMG - 0 EMPTY</pre>
                                           Embedded image -->
<!ATTLIST IMG
  %attrs;
                                         -- %coreattrs, %i18n, %events --
                              #REQUIRED -- URI of image to embed --
              %URI:
  src
                              #REQUIRED -- short description --
  alt
              %Text:
                                        -- link to long description
  longdesc
                              #IMPLIED
              %URI;
                                            (complements alt) --
                                        -- name of image for scripting --
              CDATA
                              #IMPLIED
  name
                                         -- override height --
                              #IMPLIED
  height
              %Length;
                                         -- override width --
  width
              %Length;
                              #IMPLIED
                              #IMPLIED
                                         -- use client-side image map --
              %URI:
  usemap
                                         -- use server-side image map --
              (ismap)
                              #IMPLIED
  ismap
  align
              %IAlign;
                                         -- vertical or horizontal alignment
                              #IMPLIED
  border
              %Pixels;
                                         -- link border width --
                              #IMPLIED
  hspace
              %Pixels:
                              #IMPLIED
                                         -- horizontal gutter --
  vspace
              %Pixels;
                              #IMPLIED
                                         -- vertical gutter --
  >
```

Typical Usage - HTML

- Like HTML, XML also has only one root element
- In HTML root element is html, in XML user defined / follows schema

The URI used as a system identifier with the public identifier allows the user agent to download the DTD and entity sets as needed.

Typical Usage - XML

- First line is optional, know as XML prolog
- Unicode Transformation Format-8 is an encoding standard
- UTF-8 also standard for HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, PHP, SQL

XML namespace

- XML namespace : allows disambiguation of items having the same name by providing containers
- If thought was of namespaces in C++ or Java packages, then good! Same concept

```
using namespace std; // std is the namespace
cout << ""; // or
std::cout << ""; // cout of std namespace</pre>
```

- Duplicates element and attribute names can occur when an XML document contains elements and attributes from two or more different XML schemas (or DTDs)
- Every XML element has a "default namespace"

[https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Namespaces]

XML namespace

- Element type or attribute name in an XML namespace can be uniquely identified by its XML namespace and its "local name"
- Like in C++ namespace **std**, std::cout
- Suppose there are two different textbox element,
- Both have same names, **but** different namespace
- Namespaces must be defined at the top of the XML document in which they are used

```
<someElement
xmlns:xul="http://www.mozilla.org/xulNamespace"
xmlns:foobar="the-foobar-namespace" >
```

XML namespace

```
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    xmlns:xul="http://www.mozilla.org/xulNamespace"
    xmlns:foobar="the-foobar-namespace" >
      <xul:textbox id="foo" value="bar" >
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      </xul:textbox>
      <foobar:textbox favorite-food="pancakes">
       This is textbox element, but foobar namespace.
      </foobar:textbox>
                                  ← ① namespace.xml
 </someElement>
                                 This XML file does not appear to have any style inforr
                                 -<someElement>
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                                  </someElement>
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```
Property Property value

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```

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/Getting started with the web/CSS basics]

XML document to store information about a student in an engineering college affiliated to VTU

• Information including USN, Name, Name of the College, Brach, Year of Joining and e-mail id

```
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/css" href="4a.css" ?>
<studentInformation>
 <student>
    <usn> </usn>
    <name> </name>
    <college> </college>
    <branch> 
    <year> </year>
    <email> </email>
  </student>
</studentInformation>
```

Is this similar to database schema?

XML document to store information about a student in an engineering college affiliated to VTU

To add details of one more student- add new student

```
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element
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             <student>
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               <branch> 
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               <year> </year>
               <email> </email>
             </student>
           </studentInformation>
```

4a. Make up sample data for 3 students

• Consider engineers :

```
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/css" href="4a.css" ?>
<studentInformation>
 <student> <!-- Assume Punjab Engineering College is affiliated -->
   <usn> 2PE80AE035 </usn> <!-- to VTU, located in North region -->
   <name> Kalpana Chawla </name>
   <college> Punjab Engineering College </college>
   <branch> Aeronautical Engineering 
   <year> 1984 </year>
   <email> kalpanachawla@nasa.org </email>
 </student>
 <student>
   <usn> 4JC87IT020 </usn>
   <name> Javagal Srinath </name>
   <college> Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering </college>
   <branch> Instrumentation Technology 
   <year> 1991 </year>
   <email> javagalsrinath@gmail.com </email>
 </student>
```

4a. Make up sample data for 3 students

```
<student>
     <usn> 4RV88ME008 </usn>
     <name> Anil Kumble </name>
        <college> Rashtreeya Vidyalaya College of Engineering </college>
        <brack to branch> Mechanical Engineering </branch>
        <year> 1992 </year>
        <email> anilkumble@live.com </email>
        </student>
</studentInformation>
```

Thoughts on readability, self-describing nature of XML?

4a. CSS style sheet to display XML

 Assume 4a.css /* Define styling properties for each tag of the xml file */ **studentInformation** font-weight:bold; color:grey; student border: solid black 1px; padding:8px; display:block; margin: 10px;

```
Selector

Color: red;

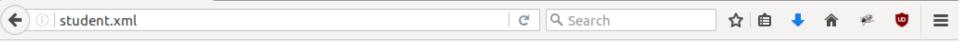
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```

4a. CSS style sheet to display XML

```
usn, name
   color: red;
   font-size:15pt;
college, branch
   color:blue;
   font-size:15pt;
year, email
   color:green;
   font-size:15pt;
```

Displaying XML - using xml-stylesheet



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- Problem not intuitive
- Benift of CSS: can give better display but only for existing content
- Limitation of CSS: new content can not be added on context
- If restricting to only CSS, then to improve understandability of output, add meaning details to XML

Adding semantics to XML

CSS is the same, but changes to XML :

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    <branch> Aeronautical Engineering 
    <year> 1984 </year>
    <email> kalpanachawla@nasa.org </email>
  </student>
  <student>
    Student 2 details:
    <usn> 4JC87IT020 </usn>
```

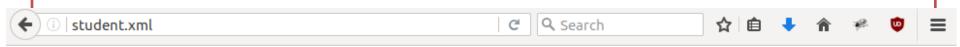
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     Year of joining : <year> 1984 </year>
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 </student>
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```

Is above solution redundant?

4a. Sample Run



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College Branch: Aeronautical Engineering Year of joining: 1984 Email-ID:

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- To style XML output is to specify CSS to apply to the document using the xml-stylesheet processing instruction
- Another way to display XML: the Extensible Stylesheet Language Transformations (XSLT) which can be used to transform XML into other languages such as HTML

<?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl" href="transform.xsl"?>

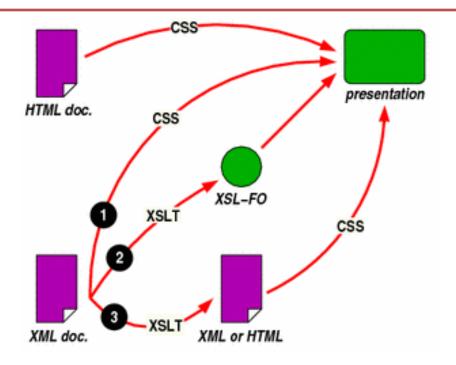
With XSLT, XML becomes incredibly versatile

CSS & XSL

- Use CSS when you can, use XSL when you must
- CSS is much easier to use, easier to learn, easier to maintain
- In general there are more tools for CSS than for XSL
- CSS's simplicity means it has its limitations
- Use XSL when there is need for transformation
- Example, if you have a list and want it displayed in lexicographical order, use XSL

https://www.w3.org/Style/CSS-vs-XSL.en.html]

Role of XSL and CSS



- (1) if the document doesn't have to be transformed, use CSS **else** use
- (2) generate the style properties together with the rearranged text, using a sub-language of XSL called XSL-FO (XSL Formatting Objects)
- (3) generate a new XML or HTML document and provide a CSS style sheet for that new document

XSLT

- b) Create an XSLT style sheet for one student element of the above document and use it to create a display of that element
- Apply XSLT called as 4b.xsl, instead of 4a.css to XML
- Transform from XML to HTML

XSLT

- 4a.xsl is a Extensible Stylesheet Language(XSL)
- XML-based language used, in conjunction with specialized processing software, for the transformation of XML documents: Extensible Stylesheet Language Transformations (XSLT)
- The original document is not changed, new XML document is created based on the content of an existing document
- XSLT allows a stylesheet author to transform a primary XML document in two ways:
 - 1. Manipulating and sorting the content, including a wholesale reordering of it if so desired
 - 2. Transforming the content into a different format (and in the case of Firefox, the focus is on converting it on the fly into HTML which can then be displayed by the browser)

Transforming XML with XSLT

- Separation of content and presentation
- Content stored in XML documents will need to be presented to human readers
- Specific example : Mozilla Firefox : Gecko (the layout engine behind Firefox) supports XML stylesheets



[https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Transforming_XML_with_XSLT , Thierry Caro]

stylesheet

- <xsl:stylesheet> element or equivalent <xsl:transform> element is the outermost element of a stylesheet
- Defines that the document is an XSLT style sheet document (along with the version number and XSLT namespace attributes)
- pseudo-attribute required to identify the document as an XSLT stylesheet, generally xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
- Required outermost element of stylesheet

[https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/XSLT/stylesheet]

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```
<xsl:stylesheet</pre>
       version=NUMBER
       xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
       id="NAME"
       extension-element-prefixes="LIST-OF-NAMES"
       exclude-result-prefixes="LIST-OF-NAMES">
               ENTIRE STYLESHEET
</xsl:stylesheet>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0"</pre>
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" >
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

template

- <xsl:template> element defines an output producing template
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- This element must have either the match attribute or the name attribute set

```
<xsl:template
   match=PATTERN
   name="NAME"
   mode="NAME"
   priority="NUMBER">
   <xsl:param> [optional]

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```

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TEMPLATE

</xsl:template match="/studentInformation">
        </xsl:template>
```

So far

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0"
   xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" >
   <xsl:template match="/studentInformation">
        <!-- match all -->
        </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

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- Matched value can be tested / compared , sorted or presented as html file
- What if multiple nodes/elements have been matched, then guess what has been provided to go through each mathced nodes?

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- for-each can be used to select every XML element of a specified node-set (like node-set is provided by template)
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  <!-- match all -->
     <xsl:for-each select="student" >
           TEMPLATE
     </xsl:for-each>
  </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

value-of

 <xsl:value-of> element evaluates an XPath expression, converts it to a string, and writes that string to the result tree

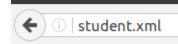
- disable-output-escaping specifies whether special characters are escaped when written to the output
- Example, the character <tt>></tt> is output as >, not as ">"
- This element is used to extract the value of a selected node

```
<xsl:value-of select="usn" />
```

[https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/XSLT/value-of]

```
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  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" >
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     <xsl:for-each select="student" >
        <xsl:value-of select="usn" />
     </xsl:for-each>
 </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

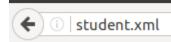
Output



2PE80AE035 4JC87IT020 4RV88ME008

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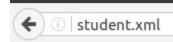
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```
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 xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" >
 <xsl:template match="/studentInformation">
 <html>
   <body>
       <xsl:for-each select="student" >
           <xsl:value-of select="usn" /> 
          </xsl:for-each>
     </body>
 </html>
 </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

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           <tr>
              <xsl:value-of select="usn" /> 
           </xsl:for-each>
                                        student.xml
     </body>
                                    2PE80AE035
 </html>
                                    4JC87IT020
 </xsl:template>
                                    4RV88ME008
</xsl:stylesheet>
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- Could conditional output be generated using CSS?
- What would be available in XSLT for testing values?

if

- <xsl:if> element contains a test attribute and a template
- If the test evaluates to true, the template is processed
- Similar to an if statement in other languages

 For if-then-else statement, use <xsl:choose> element with one <xsl:when> and one <xsl:otherwise> children

[https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/XSLT/if , https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/XSLT/choose

4b. stylesheet

```
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0"</pre>
 xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" >
 <xsl:template match="/studentInformation">
 <html>
   <body>
       <xsl:for-each select="student" >
      <xsl:if test="name[text()=' Anil Kumble</pre>
           <tr>
              <xsl:value-of select="usn" /> 
           </xsl:if>
    </xsl:for-each>
     </body>
 </html>
 </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

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           </xsl:if>
    </xsl:for-each>
                                     ⊕ student.xml
     </body>
                                   4RV88ME008
 </html>
 </xsl:template>
```

</xsl:stylesheet>

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```
<xsl:for-each select="student" >
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     >
        <xsl:value-of select="usn" /> 
        <xsl:value-of select="name" /> 
        <xsl:value-of select="college" /> 
        <xsl:value-of select="branch" /> 
        <xsl:value-of select="year" /> 
        <xsl:value-of select="email" /> 
     </xsl:if>
</xsl:for-each>
```

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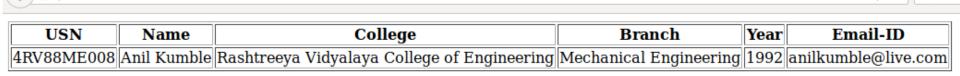
```
USNNameCollegeBranch
YearEmail-ID
```

4b. stylesheet

- Select remaining details of name, college, branch, year, email:
- Use value-of and node/element name
- Add table header

student.xml





Now add heading and title

4b. Sample Run

Student Information

USN	Name	College	Branch	Year	Email-ID
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What do you see ?

XML

- XML is one of the most widely-used formats for sharing structured information today:
 - between programs
 - between people
 - between computers and people
 - both locally and across networks
- Universal Business Language (UBL); of Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) used for home electronics; word processing formats such as ODF and OOXML;
- Graphics formats such as SVG;
- Communication with XMLRPC and Web Services
- Supported by computer programming languages and databases, servers, mobile telephones

[https://www.w3.org/standards/xml/core]

Parsing XML with Javascript

- XML DOM (Document Object Model)
- document.getElementById method
- Node.childNodes properties

Learning Outcomes of the Experiment

At the end of the session, students should be able to:

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