

0301402 INTRODUCTION TO XML

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UNIT -2 XML DTD

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- Why do we need DTDs?
- Types of DTD
- Inserting comments in a DTD
- Element Type Declaration
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Introduction DTD

- XML document that we contain bank account info

`<ACCOUNT>`

`<ACC_NO> 0036895286</ACC_NO>`

`<ACC_NAME> ATUL</ACC_NAME>`

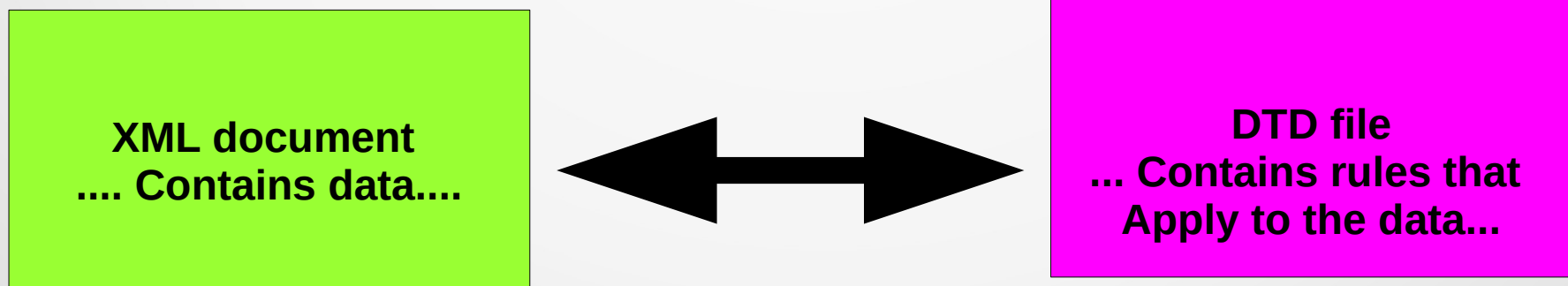
`<ACC_TYPE> SAVING </ACC_TYPE>`

`<BOO_ID> T101Y06 </BOOK_ID>`

`</ACCOUNT>`

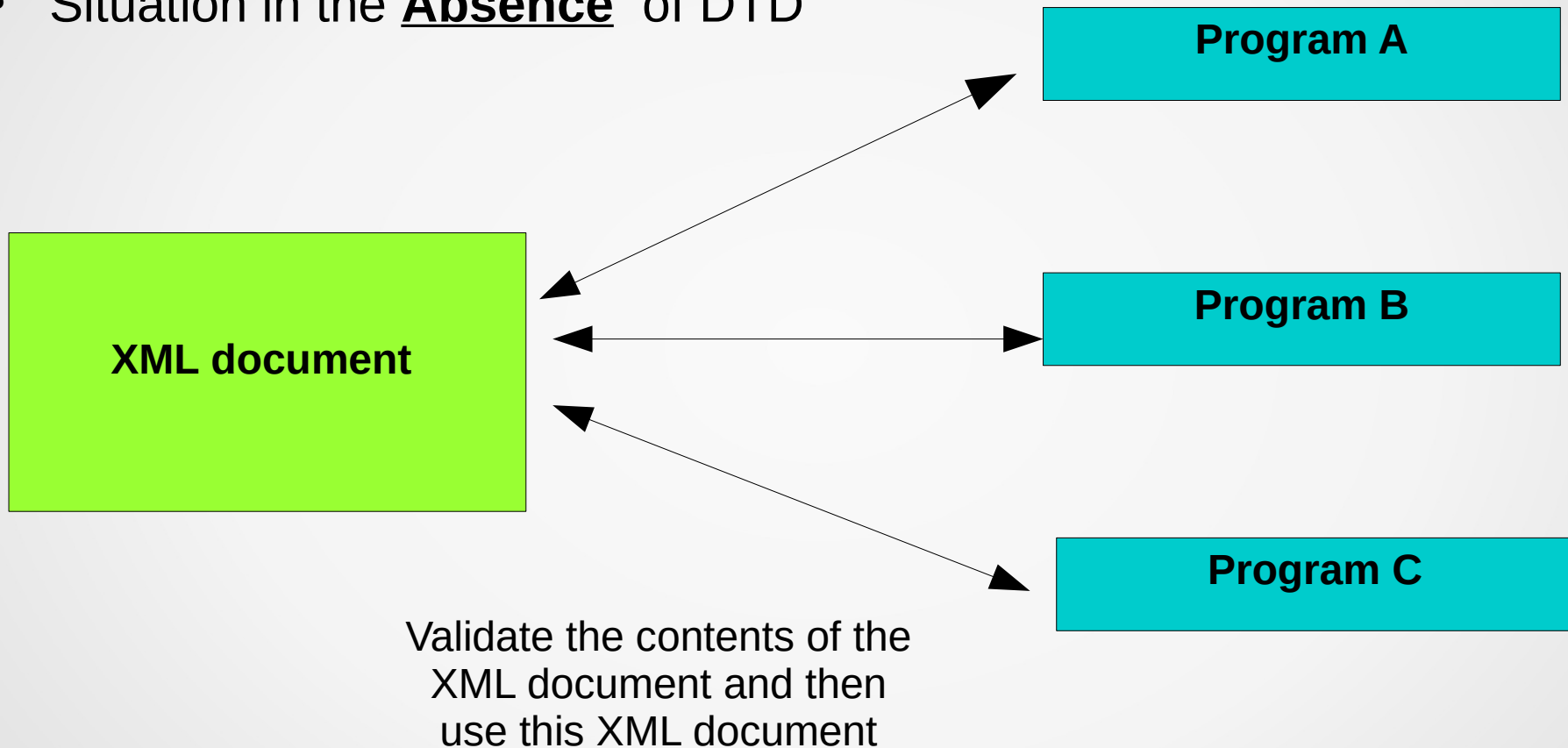
Introduction DTD

- DTD stand for Document Type Definitions
- A DTD allows us to **validate the contents of an XML** document.
- A DTD is usually a file with an **extension of .dtd**
- It contains rules that apply to xml data.



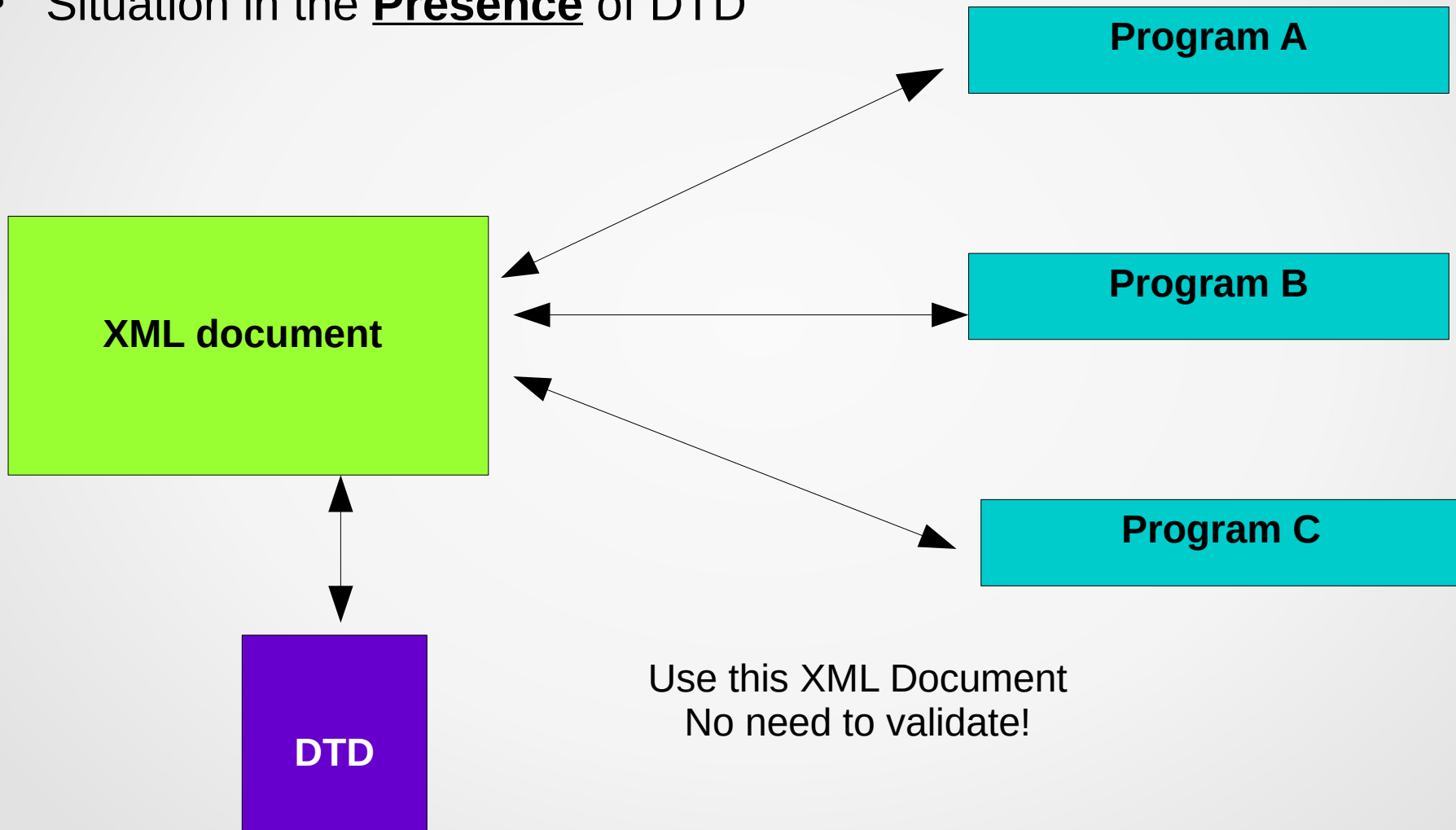
Introduction DTD

- Situation in the Absence of DTD



Introduction DTD

- Situation in the Presence of DTD



Need of DTD

- DTD helps us in specifying the rules for validating the contents of an XML document at one place, thereby allowing the application programs to concentrate on the processing of the XML document.
- Replace the use of reusable pieces of text between 2 XML documents.
- To verify the XML document.
- To meet the constraints.

Types of DTD

- A **DOCTYPE** declaration in an XML document specifies that, xml file include a reference to a DTD file.
- `<!DOCTYPE rootelement "a.dtd">`

test.xml

```
<!DOCTYPE rootelement  
"a.dtd">
```

a.dtd

Rules related to the
XML document
(test.xml) for validation
purposes

Types of DTD

- There are two types of DTDs:
 - Internal DTD
 - External DTD
 - System DTD
 - Public DTD

Types of DTD – Internal DTD

- An internal subset means the contents of the DTD are inside an XML document itself.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
```

```
<!DOCTYPE myBook [
```

```
  <!ELEMENT myBook (book_name) >
```

```
  <!ELEMENT book_name (#PCDATA) >
```

```
]>
```

```
<myBook>
```

```
<book_name> XML </book_name>
```

```
</myBook>
```

– **Demo1.xml**

Types of DTD – External DTD

- External DTD help us in two ways
 - It allow us to define a DTD once, and then refer to it from any number of XML Documents. Means Reusable.
 - It reduce the size of the XML document.

Types of DTD – External DTD

- External DTD - xml document

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
```

```
<!DOCTYPE myBook SYSTEM "mybook.dtd">
```

```
<myBook>
```

```
    <book_name> XML </book_name>
```

```
</myBook>
```

– **Demo2.xml**

Types of DTD – External DTD

- External DTD - dtd document

<!ELEMENT myBook (book_name) >

<!ELEMENT book_name (#PCDATA)>

Types of DTD – External DTD

- **System DTD (Private DTD):**
 - it has existence and relevance only in given text. Available in same computer or same network.
- **Public DTD:**
 - has usage beyond a single XML document. It is located on a different computer accessible via internet as a URL.

Element Type Declaration

- If we want to associate a DTD with an XML document, we need to declare all the elements that we would add in XML document.

<!ELEMENT book_name (#PCDATA)>

- **book_name**: element name is generic identifier
- **#PCDATA** : data type content specification

Element Content Models

- Sequence, Occurrences, Choice
- Empty, Any, Mixed Content

Sequence

<!ELEMENT address(street, region, postal-code)>

<!ELEMENT street (#PCDATA)>

<!ELEMENT region (#PCDATA)>

<!ELEMENT postal-code (#PCDATA)>

– **Demo3.xml**

Choices

- **Specified using pipe(|) character**

<!ELEMENT guest(name, beverage)>

<!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>

<!ELEMENT beverage tea|cofee>

<!ELEMENT tea (#PCDATA) >

<!ELEMENT coffee (#PCDATA) >

- **Demo4.xml**

Occurrences

- The number of occurrences or the frequency, of an element can be specified by either +, *, ?
- **+** : The element can occur one or more times
- ***** : The element can occur zero or more times
- **?** : The element can occur zero or one times
- **Demo5.xml**

Empty

- An empty element is the one that can neither contain any data nor any sub-elements.
- Empty elements
- `<!ELEMENT name EMPTY>`
 `<name></name>`
 `</name>`

Mixed Content

- An element can contain either some text or other sub element.
- Mixed content elements
- `<!ELEMENT name (sub element | #PCDATA)>`
 - `<mybook>possessing book is very rich!`
 - `<book>Operating systems</book>`
 - `</mybook>`
- **Demo6.xml**

ANY Content

- An element declared with ANY type can contain any content, including PCDATA, sub-elements, combinations of the two or empty element.
- **<!ELEMENT mybook ANY>**
- *<mybook>XML related tech*
<book></book>
<book>XML 1 </book>
</mybook>
- ***Demo7.xml***

Attribute Declaration

- Elements describe the markup of an XML document.
- Attribute provide more details about the elements.
- An element can have zero or more attributes.
- **The keyword “ATTLIST” describes the attributes(s) for an element.**
- **Demo_20.xml**

Attribute Declaration – Default Attributes

- There are three type of default values that can specified to attributes.
 - #IMPLIED
 - #REQUIRED
 - #FIXED
- **#IMPLIED** – specifies that if the **attribute does not appear** in the element, the **application using the XML document is free to decide the value** for the attribute.

Attribute Declaration – Default Attributes

- **#REQUIRED** – specifies that the **attribute must appear inside the element**.
- **#FIXED** – specifies that the **attribute value is constant**. That is, the attribute value as defined in the DTD must be exactly the same in the corresponding XML document.
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- DEMO_21.xml

Types of Attributes

- Attributes can be three types
 - String
 - Tokenised
 - ID
 - IDREF
 - ENTITY
 - NMTOKEN
 - Enumerated

Types of Attributes

- **String Type Attribute**

- String attributes are declared by using the CDATA (Character Data) keyword.
- **An string attribute can contain any values except < > & ' “**

Types of Attributes

- **Tokensied Type Attribute**
 - **Tokenised attributes specify certian restictions that get applied to the attribute values.**
 - **ID: it uniquely identifies an element.** This is similar to the concept of a primary key.

ID type attribute in DTD = Primary Key column in tabe

Types of Attributes

- **Tokensied Type Attribute**

- **IDREF**: it refers to elements with a specific ID attribute value. This is similar to the concept of a foreign key.

IDREF type attribute in DTD = Foreign Key column in table

- *When we use **IDREFS**, instead of IDREF, it indicates that for one ID, we want to have multiple references.*
- **DEMO22.xml**

Types of Attributes

- **DEMO22.xml**

Types of Attributes

- **Tokensied Type Attribute**
 - **ENTITY** : it useful in helping us define reusable pieces of text.
 - **DEMO23.xml**

Types of Attributes

- **Tokensied Type Attribute**

- **NMTOKEN** : An NMTOKEN attribute mandates certain restrictions to be followed.
 - NMTOKEN stands for “name token”
 - **It could contian letters, digits, periods, underscores, hyphens, colon.**

<!ATTLIST office phone NMTOKEN #REQUIRED>

<office phone="91-79-268597"></office>

- **DEMO23.xml**

Types of Attributes

- **Enumerated Type Attribute**
 - An enumerated **attribue** allows us to **specify the list or set of possible values** that the attribute can have.
 - DEMO_24.xml
 - DEMO_25.xml

Conditional Sections

- The **condition section** come into picture only if **the specified condition is satisfied**, otherwise, the original DTD is in effect.

```
<![keyword  
    [ conditional DTD declarations ]  
>
```

Conditional Sections

- ***INCLUDE key word***
 - When we specify INCLUDE, the conditional declarations inside this section are considered for validations.
- ***IGNORE Key word***
 - When we specify IGNORE, the conditional declarations inside this section are not considered for validations.

Limitations of DTDs

- *Non XML syntax*
- One DTD per XML
- Weak data typing
- No inheritance
- Overriding a DTD : internal can override external DTD
- No DOM support



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