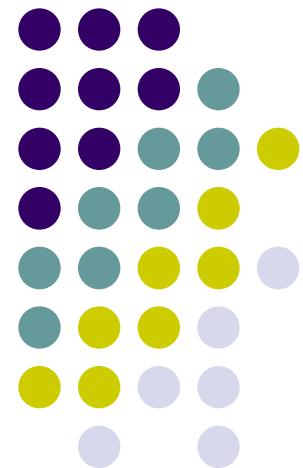


Advanced Aspects and New Trends in XML (and Related) Technologies

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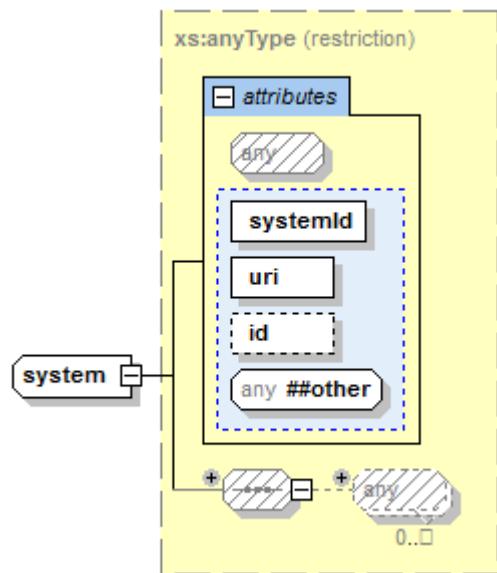
Labs 1. Modelling and generating of XML data





Altova XML Spy

- Installed in labs
- Does not support modelling of XML data, but supports data visualization
- Tab: Schema
 - XML schema visualization
- Menu DTD/Schema/Generate sample XML file...
 - XML data generating





ToXgene

- Toronto XML Server Data Generator
 - <http://www.cs.toronto.edu/tox/toxgene/>
 - http://www.cs.toronto.edu/tox/toxgene/docs/ToXgene_manual.pdf
 - Installation, all constructs
- Annotated "XML schema"
 - Not true XSD
 - `tsl` file
- Root element `tox-template`:

```
<!ELEMENT tox-template
(tox-distribution|
 simpleType|complexType|
 tox-list|
 tox-document) *>
```



tox-distribution

```
<tox-distribution name="age" type="normal"  
    minInclusive="18" maxInclusive="127"  
    mean="30" variance="15">  
</tox-distribution>
```

```
<tox-distribution name="watches" type="exponential"  
    minInclusive="0" maxInclusive="10" mean="4">  
</tox-distribution>
```

```
<tox-distribution name="discount" type="user-defined"  
min="0" max="30">  
    <enumeration value="0" tox-percent="50"/>  
    <enumeration value="5" tox-percent="25"/>  
    <enumeration value="10" tox-percent="15"/>  
    <enumeration value="30" tox-percent="10"/>  
</tox-distribution>
```



simpleType

```
<simpleType name="pick_category">
  <restriction base="nonNegativeInteger">
    <tox-number tox-distribution="c1"/>
  </restriction>
</simpleType>
```

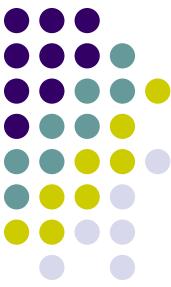
```
<simpleType name="lname">
  <restriction base="string">
    <tox-string type="lname"/>
  </restriction>
</simpleType>
```

```
<simpleType name="year">
  <restriction base="string">
    <tox-value>1942</tox-value>
  </restriction>
</simpleType>
```



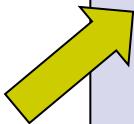
tox-string types

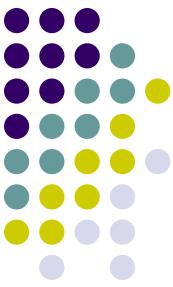
Type	Description
text	A textual string generated according to the TPC-H benchmark [5] rules.
word	A word, extracted from the list of words used in the XMark benchmark [4].
xmrk_text	A textual string generated according to the XMark benchmark rules.
fname	A first name, extracted from the list of first names in the XMark benchmark.
lname	A last name, extracted from the list of last names in the XMark benchmark.
city	A city name, extracted from the list of cities in the XMark benchmark.
province	A province name, extracted from the list of provinces in the XMark benchmark.
country	A country name, extracted from the list of countries in the XMark benchmark.
domain	An internet domain name, extracted from the list of domains in the XMark benchmark.
email	An email address of the form $x.y@z$, where x is an instance of fname, y is an instance of lname and z is an instance of domain.
gibberish	A random string in $\{a, \dots, z, \dots, A, \dots, Z, 0, \dots, 9\} \cup \{\#, ^, *, (,), _, -, =, \$, +, \{, \}, [,], ?, \dots, /, \sim, \}\}$.



complexType

```
<complexType name="PurchaseOrderType">
    <element name="shipTo" type="USAAddress"/>
    <element name="billTo" type="USAAddress"/>
    <element name="comment" type="string"/>
    <element name="items" type="Items"/>
    <attribute name="orderDate">
        <simpleType>
            <restriction base="string">
                <tox-string type="city"/>
            </restriction>
        </simpleType>
    </attribute>
</complexType>
```





tox-document

```
<tox-document name="output/review" copies="1000"
               starting-number="0">
  <element name="purchaseOrder"
           type="PurchaseOrderType"
           minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
</tox-document>
```



tox-list

- to generate correlated content
 - e.g., a catalog of books (identified by ISBNs) and a collection of reader reviews about the books

```
<tox-list name="book_list" unique="book/isbn">
  <element name="book_rec" minOccurs="100"
           maxOccurs="100">
    <complexType>
      <element name="isbn" type="isbn type"/>
      <element name="title">
        <simpleType>
          <restriction base="string">
            <tox-string type="text"/>
          </restriction>
        </simpleType>
      </element>
    </complexType>
  </element>
</tox-list>
```



tox-list

```
<tox-document name="books">
  ...
  <element name="book" minOccurs="100">
    <complexType>
      <tox-scan path="[book_list/book_rec]" name="a">
        <attribute name="isbn" type="isbn type">
          <tox-expr value="[$a/isbn/!]" />
        </attribute>
        <element name="title" type="string">
          <tox-expr value="[$a/title/!]" />
        </element>
        <element name="author" maxOccurs="5" type="string">
          <tox-string type="gibberish" maxLength="30" />
        </element>
      </tox-scan>
    </complexType>
  </element>
  ...
</tox-document>
```

a cursor for a sequential scan over a list of elements

query relative to cursor \$a

! = shorthand for CDATA



Task

- Create a model and an XML Schema expression of a (non-trivial) XSD
 - Using eXolutio (or a similar modeling tool)
- Generate respective XML documents as realistic as possible
 - Using ToXgene (or a similar generating tool)