

INFO-H-509 : Technologies XML

Project 1 : XML Schema Definition

A bookshop wants to record its information in XML format. The bookshop consists of two departments:

1. A departement "scientific products" offering:
 - *scientific books*. For each scientific book, its title, a list of all authors or a list of editors (but not both), publisher, and year of publication must be mentioned. Optionally, a scientific book can also be specified an abstract, an edition, and ISBN number.
 - *scientific journals*. For each scientific journal, the title, volume, number, lits of editors or list of authors (but not both), and year of publication should be mentioned. Optionally, the publisher and impact factor can be mentioned. If an impact factor is mentioned, it should be accompanied with the year in which the impact factor is valid. In addition, for each journal a table of contents listing all the articles in the journal (with the title, list of authors, and start page, end page) should be mentioned. Optionally, the (start page, end page) pair may be replaced by simply mentioning the article number.
2. A departement "leisure products" containing:
 - *leisure books*. For each leisure book, its title, list of all authors, publisher, year of publication must be mentioned, as well as its genre (possible values for genre are limited to "thriller", "horror", "sci/fi", "romance", and "literature"). Optionally, a leisure book can also be specified by an edition and the number of pages that the book contains.
 - *leisure periodicals*. For each leisure periodical, its title, price, and publisher must be mentioned.

Assignment

Devise a way to represent the above information (including the division in departments) in XML. Define an accompanying XML Schema Definition, taking into account the required/optional fields above. Use the schema specialization where possible. Both the scientific books and the leisure books should be represented by the <book> tag. Define the "genre" field using attributes. Make sure to put all the bookshop-specific elements in a namespace.

This assignment contributes 2/20 to the overall grade (there are two more assignments to follow, each contributing 2/20), and the written exam contributes the remaining 14/20 points.

This assignment is to be made in groups of two persons. You are asked to send, per group, the names of the group members to Mr. Michaël Waumans (mwaumans@ulb.ac.be) by **March 14** at the latest. If you cannot find a partner, please indicate so by sending an email to Mr. Michaël Waumans, who will hook you up with a partner.

You are asked to submit, per group, a small report (in either French or English, at your choice) containing all the hypotheses that you have made during your design, as well as several example XML documents (which all have to be valid with respect to the XSD), and the XSD specification.

This report and all the required documents have to be sent by e-mail to mwaumans@ulb.ac.be **no later than Monday, April 21, 2014**. (Please mention as subject of the email : "INFO-H-509 - Project 1")