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Semantic Web Layer Cake

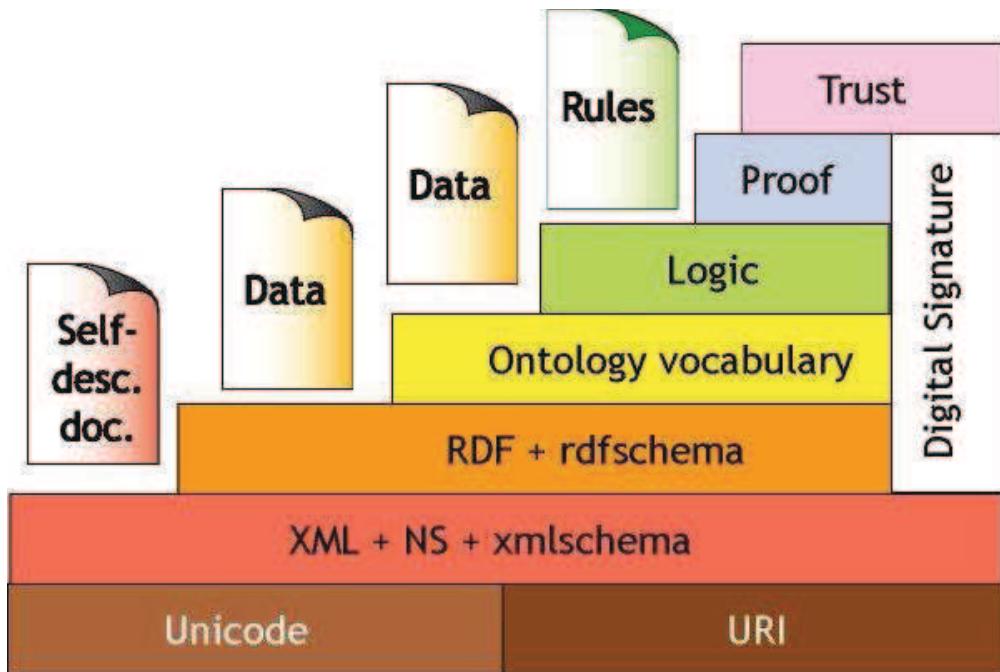


Figure 1: Semantic Web Layers (Berners-Lee).

Coded Character Sets

| name | codes | examples |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| ASCII code | 0–127 | 64 \mapsto A |
| ISO-8859-1, ISO-LATIN-1 | 0–255 | 0–127 as ASCII, 196 \mapsto |
| ISO-8859-7 | 0–255 | 0–127 as ASCII, 225 \mapsto α |
| Unicode | 0–(2 ³² – 1) | 0–255 as ISO-8859-1 |

Unicode is organized in 256 groups à 256 planes à 256 rows à 256 cells.

Plane 0 (codes 0–65535) is called **basis multilingual plane (BMP)**.

Non ISO-8859-1 characters are mapped to higher codes, e.g., 945 \mapsto α .

Assigned characters of the Unicode standard (v5.1.0, 12/2008) can be found at <http://www.unicode.org/charts/>.

Unicode also specifies character classes for each character, as

- letters (capital and small),
- digits,
- punctuation,
- control characters.

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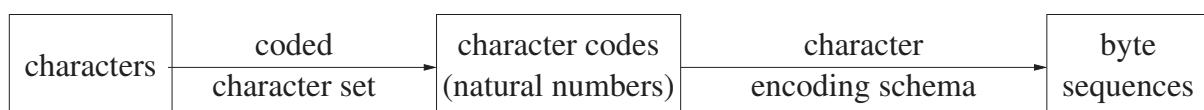
| European Alphabets (see also Comb. Marks) | African Scripts | Indic Scripts | East Asian Scripts | Central Asian Scripts |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Armenian | Ethiopic | Bengali | Han Ideographs | Kharoshthi |
| Armenian | Ethiopic | Devanagari | Unified CJK Ideographs (5MB) | Mongolian |
| <i>Armenian Ligatures</i> | Ethiopic Supplement | Gujarati | CJK Ideographs Ext. A (2MB) | Phags-Pa (5.0) |
| Coptic | Ethiopic Extended | Gurmukhi | CJK Ideographs Ext. B (13MB) | Tibetan |
| Coptic | Other | Kannada | Compatibility Ideographs (.5MB) | |
| <i>Coptic in Greek block</i> | N'Ko (5.0) | Limbu | Compatibility Ideo. Suppl. (.5MB) | |
| Cyrillic | Middle Eastern Scripts | Malayalam | Kanbun | |
| Cyrillic | Arabic | Oriya | (see also Unihan Database) | Ancient Scripts |
| Cyrillic Supplement | Arabic | Sinhala | Radicals and Strokes | Ancient Greek |
| Georgian | Arabic Supplement | Syloti Nagri | CJK Radicals | Ancient Greek Numbers |
| Georgian | Arabic Presentation Forms A | Tamil | CJK Strokes | Ancient Greek Musical |
| Georgian Supplement | Arabic Presentation Forms B | Tagalog | Ideographic Description | Cuneiform |
| Greek | Hebrew | Telugu | Chinese-specific | Cuneiform (5.0) |
| Greek | Hebrew | Buhid | Bopomofo | Cuneiform Numbers (5.0) |
| Greek Extended | <i>Hebrew Presentation Forms</i> | Hanunoo | Japanese-specific | Old Persian |
| (see also <i>Ancient Greek</i>) | Other ME Scripts | Tagalog | Hiragana | Ugaritic |
| Latin | Syriac | Tagbanwa | Katakana | Linear B |
| Basic Latin | American scripts | South East Asian | Katakana Phonetic Ext. | Linear B Syllabary |
| Latin-1 | Canadian Syllabics | Halfwidth Katakana | Other Ancient Scripts | Linear B Ideograms |
| Latin Extended A | Cherokee | Buginese | Aegean Numbers | |
| Latin Extended B | Deseret | Balinese (5.0) | Counting Rod Num. (5.0) | |
| Latin Extended C (5.0) | | Khmer | Cypriot Syllabary | |
| Latin Extended Additional | | Lao | Gothic | |
| <i>Latin Ligatures</i> | Other Scripts | Myanmar | Old Italic | |
| <i>Fullwidth Latin Letters</i> | Shavian | New Tai Lue | Ogham | |
| Small Forms | Osmanya | Tai Le | Runic | |
| (see also <i>Phonetic Symbols</i>) | Glagolitic | Thai | Phoenician (5.0) | |

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| Punctuation | Mathematical Symbols | Symbols | Private Use |
|---|--|--|--------------------------------|
| General Punctuation | Numbers and Digits (see also specific scripts) | Miscellaneous Symbols | Private Use Area |
| ASCII Punctuation | Dingbats | | Suppl. Private Use Area A |
| Latin-1 Punctuation | Miscellaneous Symbols | | Suppl. Private Use Area B |
| General Punctuation | Fullwidth ASCII Digits | Tai Xuan Jing Symbols | Surrogates |
| Supplemental Punctuation | Number Forms | Yijing Hexagrams | High Surrogates |
| CJK Punctuation | Super and Subscripts | Braille Patterns | High Private Use Surrogates |
| CJK Punctuation | Letterlike Symbols | Musical Notation | Low Surrogates |
| Fullwidth ASCII Punctuation | Letterlike Symbols | Ancient Greek Musical... | Noncharacters in Charts |
| Vertical Forms | Math Alphanumeric Symbols | Byzantine Musical Symbols | Reserved range |
| Enclosed and Square | Arrows and Operators | Western Musical Symbols | <i>At End of BMP</i> |
| Enclosed Alphanumerics | Arrows | Currency Symbols | <i>At End of Plane 1</i> |
| CJK Letters and Months | Mathematical Operators (see also Letterlike Symbols) | (see also specific scripts) | <i>At End of Plane 2</i> |
| CJK Compatibility | Suppl. Math Operators | Dollar Sign | <i>At End of Plane 3</i> |
| (see also Letterlike Symbols) | Misc. Math Symbols A | Yen, Pound and Cent | <i>At End of Plane 4</i> |
| Combining Diacritical Marks | Misc. Math Symbols B | Currency Symbols | <i>At End of Plane 5</i> |
| Combining Diacritical Marks | Supplemental Arrows A | Fullwidth Currency Symbols | <i>At End of Plane 6</i> |
| for Symbols | Supplemental Arrows B | Mark and Pfennig (historic) | <i>At End of Plane 7</i> |
| Supplement | Misc. Symbols and Arrows | Rial Sign | <i>At End of Plane 8</i> |
| Combining Half Marks | Geometrical Symbols | Specials | <i>At End of Plane 9</i> |
| Phonetic Symbols | Geometrical Shapes | Controls: C0, C1 | <i>At End of Plane 10</i> |
| IPA Extensions | Box Drawing | Layout Controls | <i>At End of Plane 11</i> |
| Phonetic Extensions | Block Elements | Invisible Operators | <i>At End of Plane 12</i> |
| Phonetic Extensions Supplement | Technical Symbols | Specials | <i>At End of Plane 13</i> |
| Modifier Tone Letters | Control Pictures | Tags | <i>At End of Plane 14</i> |
| Spacing Modifier Letters | Miscellaneous Technical | Variation Selectors | <i>At End of Plane 15</i> |
| (see also Super and Subscript) | OCR | Variation Selectors Supplement | <i>At End of Plane 16</i> |

Character Encoding Schemata



Character Encoding Schemata are trivial for 1-byte coded character sets.

Direct representations of Unicode:

UCS-2: direct representation of codes 0–65535 with 2 bytes.

UCS-4: direct representation of all codes with 4 bytes.

Drawbacks of direct representations:

- bytecode `0x00` occurs (that marks string endings in C), e.g., in UCS-4:

$$A \mapsto 65 \mapsto (0, 0, 0, 65)$$

- uniform blow-up of storage space, but most texts mostly use ASCII or ISO-8859-1.
- error-prone, as if one byte is lost, all following data will be decoded incorrectly.

Unicode Transformation Formats (UTF)

Unicode Transformation Formats (UTF) use a variable number of bytes for coding a character.

UTF-8:

0x00–0x7f (bit sequences 0.....) code ASCII characters directly,

0xc0–0xfd (bit sequences 11.....) mark the start of a multi-byte character representation (and code its length and leading bits of its code),

0x80–0xbf (bit sequences 10.....) code continuations of multi-byte character representations,

0xfe, 0xff (bit sequences 1111111.) are not used.

| <i>bit sequence</i> | <i>bytes</i> | <i>free bits</i> | <i>character codes</i> |
|--|--------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 0..... | 1 | 7 | 0x00– |
| 110.... 10..... | 2 | 5 + 6 = 11 | 0x80– |
| 1110.... 10..... 10..... | 3 | 4 + 2 · 6 = 16 | 0x800– |
| 11110... 10..... 10..... 10..... | 4 | 3 + 3 · 6 = 21 | 0x10000– |
| 111110.. 10..... 10..... 10..... 10..... | 5 | 2 + 4 · 6 = 26 | 0x200000– 0x |
| 1111110. 10..... 10..... 10..... 10..... 10..... | 6 | 1 + 5 · 6 = 31 | 0x4000000–0x |

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Uniform Resource Identifiers (URIs)

URIs are used to identify resources.

Example:

<http://www.ismll.uni-hildesheim.de/lehre/xml-09s/index.html>

URIs are defined in RFC 3986 (01/2005).

Generic URI syntax

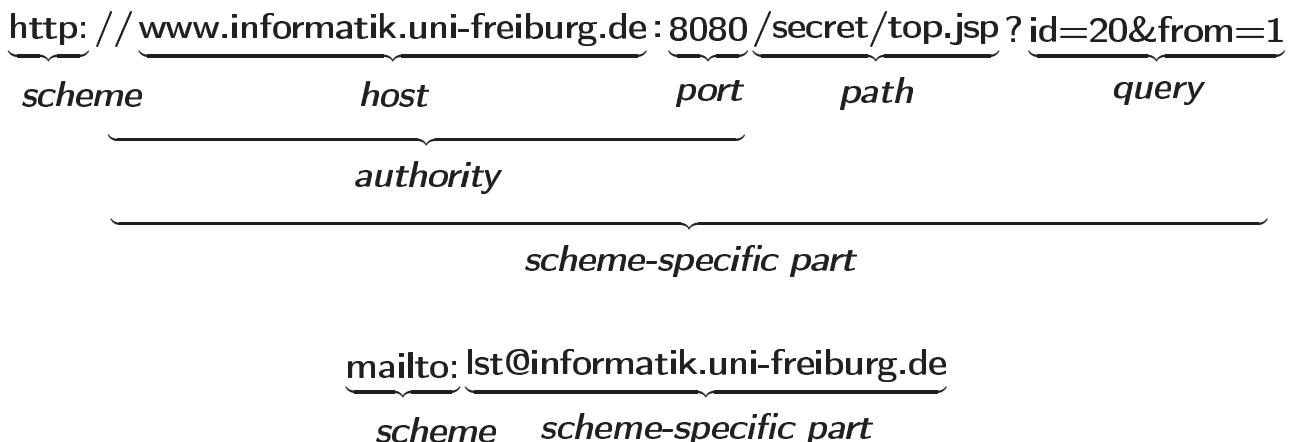


Figure 6: Typical parts of URIs.

Generic URI syntax:

$$\langle \text{URI} \rangle := \langle \text{scheme} \rangle : \langle \text{scheme-specific-part} \rangle$$

Hierarchical URIs

An URI is called **hierarchical** iff
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{scheme-specific-part} \rangle := & (\ //\ \langle \text{authority} \rangle [\ \langle \text{path} \rangle] \\ & | \langle \text{path} \rangle \) [? \langle \text{query} \rangle] [\ # \langle \text{fragment} \rangle] \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \text{path} \rangle := (\ / \langle \text{path-segment} \rangle)^+$$
otherwise its called **opaque**.The path-segments `.` and `..` have special meaning: context path and parent path.A hierarchical URI is called **server-based** iff
$$\langle \text{authority} \rangle := [\langle \text{userinfo} \rangle @] \langle \text{host} \rangle [: \langle \text{port} \rangle]$$
otherwise it is called **registry-based**.

Fragment identifiers

Fragment identifiers are used to identify **parts of the resource** identified by an URI.

Example:

<http://www.informatik.uni-freiburg.de/xml/books.html#R03>

```

1 <html>
2 <body>
3   <li><a name="EE04">Rainer Eckstein, Silke Eckstein:
4     <em>XML und Datenmodellierung</em>, 2004.</a></li>
5   <li><a name="R03">Erik T. Ray:
6     <em>Learning XML</em>, 2003.</a></li>
7 </body>
8 </html>
```

Figure 7: HTML document at <http://www.informatik.uni-freiburg.de/xml/books.html>.

Relative (hierarchical) URIs

A relative URI is defined as:

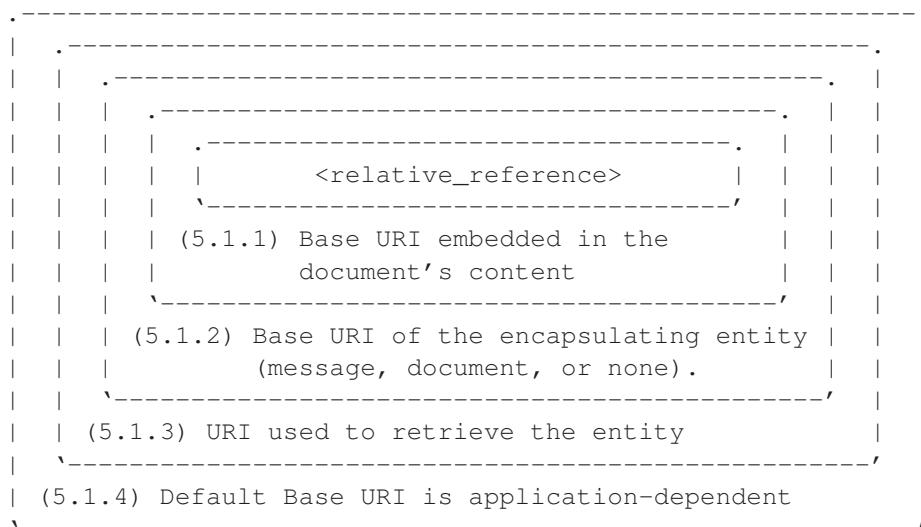
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{relativeURI} \rangle ::= & (\text{ // } \langle \text{authority} \rangle [\langle \text{path} \rangle] \\ & | \langle \text{path} \rangle \\ & | \langle \text{relativePath} \rangle [? \langle \text{query} \rangle]) \\ \langle \text{relativePath} \rangle ::= & \langle \text{path-segment} \rangle (/ \langle \text{path-segment} \rangle)^* \end{aligned}$$


Figure 8: A **Base URI** is the context for resolving relative URIs [RFC 2396].

URI schemes

URI schemes are managed by Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA).

| Scheme Name | Description | Reference | Type |
|-------------|------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| ftp | File Transfer Protocol | RFC 1738 | server-based |
| http | Hypertext Transfer Protocol | RFC 2616 | server-based |
| mailto | Electronic mail address | RFC 2368 | opaque |
| file | Host-specific file names | RFC 1738 | server-based |
| pop | Post Office Protocol v3 | RFC 2384 | server-based |
| dav | dav | RFC 2518 | server-based |
| tel | telephone | RFC 2806 | opaque |
| https | Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure | RFC 2818 | server-based |
| urn | Uniform Resource Names | RFC 2141 | opaque |
| : | : | : | : |

66 URI schemes (as of 2009-04-06; <http://www.iana.org/assignments/uri-schemes.h>)
 URI registrations are regulated by RFC 4396 (2/2006).

Example:

tel:+(49)-761-203-8164

URI types by URI semantics

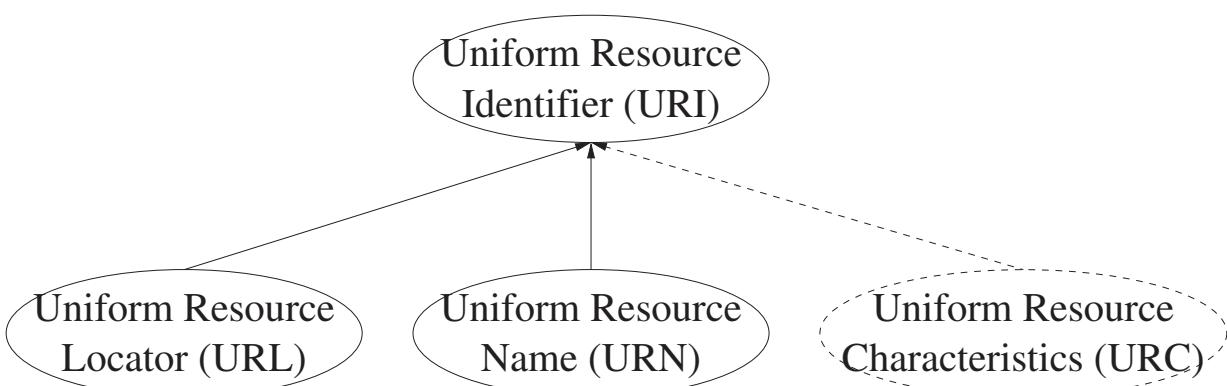


Figure 9: URI types.

Uniform Resource Names (URNs)

URNs are special kinds of URIs that

- map other namespaces into URN-space,
- are required to remain **globally unique and persistent** (even when the resource ceases to exist or becomes unavailable).
- have scheme `urn`.

$\langle \text{URN} \rangle := \text{urn:} \langle \text{namespace} \rangle : \langle \text{namespace-specific-part} \rangle$

Examples:

`urn:isbn:0-395-36341-1`

`urn:newsml:reuters.com:20000206:IIMFFH05643_2000-02-06_17-54-01_L0615`

A book or a news item (identified by an URN) may be retrieved from different locations (URLs).

| URN Namespaces | Value | Reference |
|----------------|-------|-----------|
| ietf | 1 | RFC 2648 |
| pin | 2 | RFC 3043 |
| issn | 3 | RFC 3044 |
| oid | 4 | RFC 3061 |
| newsml | 5 | RFC 3085 |
| oasis | 6 | RFC 3121 |
| xmlorg | 7 | RFC 3120 |
| publicid | 8 | RFC 3151 |
| isbn | 9 | RFC 3187 |
| nbn | 10 | RFC 3188 |
| web3d | 11 | RFC 3541 |
| mpeg | 12 | RFC 3614 |
| mace | 13 | RFC 3613 |
| fipa | 14 | RFC 3616 |
| swift | 15 | RFC 3615 |
| : | : | : |

40 URN namespaces (as of 2008-12-09;
<http://www.iana.org/assignments/urn-namespaces>)

Characters Allowed in URIs

In URIs only some characters may be used literally in non-syntactic parts ("data").

All others have to be escaped using their code (in some character encoding):

$$\langle \text{dataChars} \rangle := \langle \text{alphanum} \rangle | - | _ | . | ! | \sim | * | ' | (|)$$

$$\langle \text{escapedChar} \rangle := \% \langle \text{hexDigit} \rangle \langle \text{hexDigit} \rangle$$

Codes have been interpreted as codes in different character encodings, depending on the URI scheme.

UTF-8 is recommended by RFC 2718 and already used by some schemes (e.g., urn, imap, pop).

Example:

<http://www.informatik.uni-freiburg.de/login.jsp?name=Hans%20Meyer>

Internationalized Resource Identifiers (IRIs)

IRIs allow more characters to be used literally (RFC 3987; 01/2005).

In IRIs only

- data characters that can be misinterpreted as syntactic characters and
- some bidirectional formatting characters

have to be escaped.

All other data characters are used literally
(in some character encoding, e.g., UTF-8).

Example:

<http://www.informatik.uni-freiburg.de/login.jsp?name=Hans%20Müller>

Schemes still are restricted to US ASCII characters.

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W3C development process

W3C specifications are called **Recommendations**.

Stages of W3C recommendations:

| stage | completion date | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| | XML 1.0 | XML 1.1 |
| Working Draft | 1996/11/14 1997/11/17 | 2001/12/13 |
| Last Call Working Draft | | 2002/04/25 |
| Candidate Recommendation | | 2002/10/15 |
| Proposed Recommendation | 1997/12/08 | 2003/11/05 |
| Recommendation | 1998/02/10 | 2004/04/15 |
| Working Draft | 2000/08/14 | |
| Recommendation (2nd edition) | 2000/10/06 | 2006/08/16 |
| Proposed Edited Recommendation | 2003/10/30 | |
| Recommendation (3rd edition) | 2004/02/04 | |
| Recommendation (4th edition) | 2006/08/16 | |
| Recommendation (5th edition) | 2008/11/26 | |

Every XML document consists of a **prolog** and a single element, called **root element**.

$$\langle \text{document} \rangle := \langle \text{prolog} \rangle \langle \text{element} \rangle (\langle \text{Comment} \rangle | \langle \text{PI} \rangle | \langle S \rangle)^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{prolog} \rangle := & \langle ?\text{xml} \rangle \langle S \rangle \text{version} = "1.1" \\ & (\langle S \rangle \text{encoding} = " \langle \text{encoding} \rangle ")? \\ & (\langle S \rangle \text{standalone} = (" \text{yes} " | " \text{no} "))? \\ & \langle S \rangle^* ?> \\ & (\langle \text{Comment} \rangle | \langle \text{PI} \rangle | \langle S \rangle)^* \\ & (\langle \text{DoctypeDecl} \rangle (\langle \text{Comment} \rangle | \langle \text{PI} \rangle | \langle S \rangle)^*)? \end{aligned}$$

In all productions

- matching "`"` can be replaced by '`'`.
- `=` may be surrounded by spaces (i.e., match $\langle S \rangle?$ `=` $\langle S \rangle?$).

$$\langle S \rangle := (\#x20 | \#x9 | \#xD | \#xA)+$$

```
1<?xml version="1.1"?>
2<page/>
```

Figure 10: A minimal XML document with root element "page".

In XML 1.1 the version attribute is mandatory.

If the version attribute is missing, version 1.0 is assumed.

```

<element> := <emptyElementTag>
           | <STag> <content> <ETag>

<emptyElementTag> := < <Name> ( <S> <Name> = " <AttributeValue> " )* <S>? />

<STag> := < <Name> ( <S> <Name> = " <AttributeValue> " )* <S>? >

<ETag> := </ <Name> <S>? >
  
```

*<Name>*s

- start with a unicode letter or _ (: is also allowed, but used for namespaces).
- may contain unicode letters, unicode digits, –, ., or ..

A **wellformed document** requires,

- that start and end tag of each element match,
- that for each tag the same attribute never occurs twice.

```

1  <?xml version="1.1"?>
2  <book>
3    <author><fn>Rainer</fn><sn>Eckstein</sn></author>
4    <author><fn>Silke</fn><sn>Eckstein</sn></author>
5    <title>XML und Datenmodellierung</title>
6    <year>2004</year>
7  </book>
8  <book>
9    <author><fn>Erik T.</fn><sn>Ray</sn></author>
10   <title>Learning XML</title>
11   <year edition="2">2003</year>
12 </book>
  
```

Figure 11:

Not-wellformed Documents (2/2)

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <book>
3   <author><fn>Erik T.</fn><sn>Ray</author></sn>
4   <title>Learning XML</title>
5   <year edition="2">2003</year>
6 </book>

```

Figure 12:

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <book author="Rainer Eckstein" author="Silke Eckstein">
3   <title>XML und Datenmodellierung</title>
4   <year>2004</year>
5 </book>

```

Figure 13:

Element content

The contents of an element can be made up from 6 different things:

1. other elements,
2. Character data,
3. References,
4. CDATA sections,
5. Processing instructions, and
6. comments.

$$\langle \text{content} \rangle := \langle \text{CharData} \rangle ? \\ ((\langle \text{element} \rangle | \langle \text{Reference} \rangle | \langle \text{CDSect} \rangle | \langle \text{PI} \rangle | \langle \text{Comment} \rangle) \\ \langle \text{CharData} \rangle ?)^*$$

<CharData> may contain any characters except

`<, &, or the sequence >]]`

Attribute values may not contain

- " ", if delimited by ",
- ' ', if delimited by ' ',

These characters can be expressed by references.

```
1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <abstract>
3   x^2 = y has no real solution for y < 0.
4   But there are solutions for y = 0 & for y > 0.
5 </abstract>
```

Figure 14: Forbidden characters in character data.

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <abstract>
3   x^2 = y has no real solution for y &lt; 0.
4   But there are solutions for y = 0 &amp; for y > 0.
5 </abstract>

```

Figure 15: Using references in character data.

<Reference> := *<EntityRef>* | *<CharRef>*

<CharRef> := &# [0-9]+ ;
 | &#x [0-9a-fA-F]+ ;

<EntityRef> := & *<Name>* ;

There are five predefined entity references:

| | | | | |
|------|------|-------|--------|--------|
| < | > | & | ' | " |
| < | > | & | , | " |

All other entities known from HTML (as ä) are **not** predefined in XML.

Custom entities can be defined in the document type declaration.

CDATA sections allow the literal usage of all characters (except the sequence `]]>`).

$$\langle CDSect \rangle := < ! [\text{CDATA} [\langle CData \rangle]] >$$

CDATA sections are typically used for longer text containing `<` or `&`.

CDATA sections are flat, i.e., there is no possibility to structure them with elements (as `<` or `&` are interpreted literally).

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <abstract>
3   x^2 = y has no real solution for y &#3c; 0.
4   But there are solutions for y = 0 &#26; for y &#3e; 0.
5 </abstract>

```

Figure 16: Using numeric character references.

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <abstract><![CDATA[
3   x^2 = y has no real solution for y < 0.
4   But there are solutions for y = 0 & for y > 0.
5 ]]></abstract>

```

Figure 17: Using a CDATA-section.

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <book abstract="Discusses meaning of "wellformed"">
3   <author>John Doe</author>
4   <title>About wellformedness</title>
5 </book>

```

Figure 18: Literal usage of attribute delimiter.

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <book abstract='Discusses meaning of "wellformed"'>
3   <author>John Doe</author>
4   <title>About wellformedness</title>
5 </book>

```

Figure 19: Using different attribute delimiters.

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <book abstract="Discusses meaning of "wellformed"">
3   <author>John Doe</author>
4   <title>About wellformedness</title>
5 </book>

```

Figure 20: Using references in attribute values.

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Comments can occur in the prolog, in the contents of elements and after the root element.

Comments are not allowed to contain the character sequence --.

$$\langle \text{Comment} \rangle := <!-- \langle \text{Char} \rangle^* -->$$

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <!-- list is not complete yet ! -->
3 <books>
4   <!-- yet to be ordered -->
5   <book>
6     <author><fn>Rainer</fn><sn>Eckstein</sn></author>
7     <author><fn>Silke</fn><sn>Eckstein</sn></author>
8     <title>XML und Datenmodellierung</title>
9     <year><!-- look up year of publication --></year>
10    </book>
11 </books>
12 <!-- eof -->

```

Figure 21: Comments in the prolog and in the contents of elements.

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <book>
3   <author><fn>Rainer</fn><sn>Eckstein</sn></author>
4   <author><fn>Silke</fn><sn>Eckstein</sn></author>
5   <title>XML und Datenmodellierung</title>
6   <year <!-- edition="1" -->>2004</year>
7 </book>

```

Figure 22: Comments in tags are not allowed.

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <books>
3   <!-- 2004 ----- -->
4   <book>
5     <author><fn>Rainer</fn><sn>Eckstein</sn></author>
6     <author><fn>Silke</fn><sn>Eckstein</sn></author>
7     <title>XML und Datenmodellierung</title>
8     <year>2004</year>
9   </book>
10 </books>

```

Figure 23: -- is not allowed in comments.

Processing instructions (PIs) allow documents to contain instructions for applications.

$$\langle PI \rangle := <? \langle Name \rangle (\langle S \rangle \langle Char \rangle^*)? ?>$$

The name of a PI must be different from `xml`.

Character encoding schemata are specified by the name they are registered with at IANA (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/character-sets>), e.g.,

US-ASCII

ISO-8859-1

ISO-10646-UCS-2 or csUnicode (UCS2)

ISO-10646-UCS-4 or csUCS4 (UCS4)

UTF-8

UTF-16

...

If no encoding is specified in the XML declaration, UTF-8 is assumed.

Character encoding schemata

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <page>
3   Grüß Gott !
4 </page>
```

Figure 24: Non-wellformed document (assumed that the file is ISO-8859-1 coded).

```

1 <?xml version="1.1" encoding="ISO-8859-1" ?>
2 <page>
3   Grüß Gott !
4 </page>
```

Figure 25: XML document coded in ISO-8859-1.

Language and Whitespaces

There are two predefined attributes,

- `xml:lang`

and

- `xml:space`,

that can be used with any element.

`xml:lang` specifies the language of the character contents of elements and attributes with (RFC 3066)

- an ISO language code
(<http://www.loc.gov/standards/iso639-2/langcodes.html>)

or

- an IANA language code
(<http://www.iana.org/assignments/language-tags>).

Example ISO and IANA language codes:

| language code | meaning | source |
|---------------|---------|---------------------------------|
| de | ISO | German |
| de-CH | ISO | German, Swiss variant |
| de-DE | ISO | German, German variant |
| en | ISO | English |
| en-US | ISO | US English |
| en-GB | ISO | Britain English |
| tlh | ISO | Klingon |
| de-1901 | IANA | German, traditional orthography |
| de-1996 | IANA | German, orthography of 1996 |
| : | : | : |

```

1 <?xml version="1.1"?>
2 <page>
3   <p xml:lang="de">Guten <s>Morgen</s>!</p>
4   <p xml:lang="en">Good <s>morning</s>!</p>
5   <table>
6     <tr><td>USD</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>...</td></tr>
7     <tr><td>EUR</td><td>0</td><td>0.839818</td><td>...</td></tr>
8   </table>
9 </page>

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Figure 26: Language attribute.

