Frame Systems

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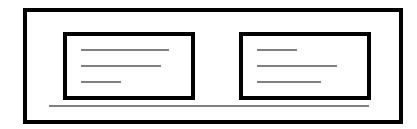


Frame Systems



Frames

- Slot-and-filler mechanism
- Conditions on filling objects for a slot possible
- Filler can be another frame
- Extend record concept with associated functionality (procedural knowledge)
- Predecessor/special case/ more general concept of object-oriented programming
- Conditions and procedural knowledge define semantics











- eXtensible Markup Language
- Subset of SGML
- Originally a method for putting structured data in a text file
- Allows to define own terms and markup
 allows to convey knowledge
- One of the key elements of the Semantic Web (together with Ontologies)



Basic data structures

- tags enclose text <Address> 2500 University Drive NW </Address>
- tags can be nested
 <Address>

<number> 2500 </number> <street> University Drive NW </street> </Address>

Tags may have attributes
 <Address type="North-America"> 2500 University Drive NW </Address>



Semantics

- DTD to validate XML expressions (or XML Schema, Xlink and Xpointer, ...)
- Ontologies to describe meaning of tags
 - Based on concensus between parties on human level
 - Provided to computer by procedures that work on tags



DTD - Document Type Definition (I)

- Part of XML file or described in own file
- Describes logical document structure
- <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>

@ defines tags <name> and </name> and content
between tags has to be parsable character data text

<!ELEMENT Diet (breakfast,lunch)>
 <!ELEMENT breakfast (#PCDATA)>
 <!ELEMENT lunch (#PCDATA)>

Diet consists of entries for breakfast and lunch (in this order)



DTD - Document Type Definition (II)

- <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
- <!ATTLIST name gender (male|female) #REQUIRED>
- General defines attributes for tags
- plus much more syntax
- (list of options separated by |)
- CDATA for character data
- #REQUIRED -> required
- #IMPLIED -> optional



Ontology



Ontology

- File or document that defines relations among terms
- Typically: taxonomy + set of inference rules
- Formal description mechanism: a modal logic
- Practical use:
 - Taxonomy = DTD file (or other validation scheme)
 - Inference rules = procedures that use elements to produce other elements
- Same concept can be expressed by different ontologies
- Same taxonomy can have different inference rules and therefore different semantics
- Still lots of research necessary (and coming up with norms)



How to get knowledge into the representation structure

- With ontology: state your facts in a file using the provided tags
- Without ontology:
 - Define tags and a DTD for it
 - Provide procedures using tags
 - See above



Discussion

- Uses the internet
- Rather pragmatical
- Meta concept, very general
- Easy to read and understand by humans
- Lots of tools and libraries already available
- Semantics via ontologies dangerous: there are many of them for a subject area and Microsoft-like behavior of the humans involved has to be expected
 semantic standards for subject areas needed!



And what about processing data?

 With ontology: run procedures that are provided
 similar to PROLOG (hopefully less problematic with regard to having to know about control)

 Without ontology or if missing certain functionality: write procedure for functionality and run it
 often involves searching through knowledge base



XML Examples









Things -> warehouse, item, location





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<Warehouse>

<ltem>

<Location></Location>

</ltem>





Things -> warehouse, item, location,box

<Warehouse>

<Item instock="true", name="item_name", price="5", manufacturer="ucalgary"> <Location/>

</ltem>





Things -> warehouse, item, location,box

<Warehouse>

<Item instock="true", name="item_name", price="5", manufacturer="ucalgary">

```
<Location row="1", shelf="2" box="3"/>
```

</ltem>





Things -> warehouse, item, location,box

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

<Warehouse>

```
<Item instock="true", name="item_name", price="5", manufacturer="ucalgary">
```

```
<Location row="1", shelf="2" box="3"/>
```

</ltem>





<?xml version="1.0" ?>

<!DOCTYPE Warehouse[

<!ELEMENT Warehouse (Item)> <!ELEMENT Item (Location)> <!ELEMENT Location **EMPTY**> <!ATTLIST Item instock (**true | false**) #REQUIRED> <!ATTLIST Item name CDATA #REQUIRED> <!ATTLIST Item price CDATA #REQUIRED> <!ATTLIST Item manufacturer CDATA #REQUIRED> <!ATTLIST Location row CDATA #REQUIRED> <!ATTLIST Location shelf CDATA #REQUIRED> <!ATTLIST Location box CDATA #IMPLIED> <?xml version="1.0" ?> <Warehouse> <Item instock="**T/F**", name="", price="", manufacturer=""> <Location row="", shelf="" box="**opt**"/> </Item> </Warehouse>



|>



<?xml version="1.0" ?>

<!ATTLIST Item manufacturer CDATA #REQUIRED> <!ATTLIST Location row CDATA #REQUIRED>

- <!ATTLIST Location shelf CDATA #REQUIRED>
- <!ATTLIST Location box CDATA **#IMPLIED**>



Onward to ... Al Summary

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