Chapter 16 - Part 2

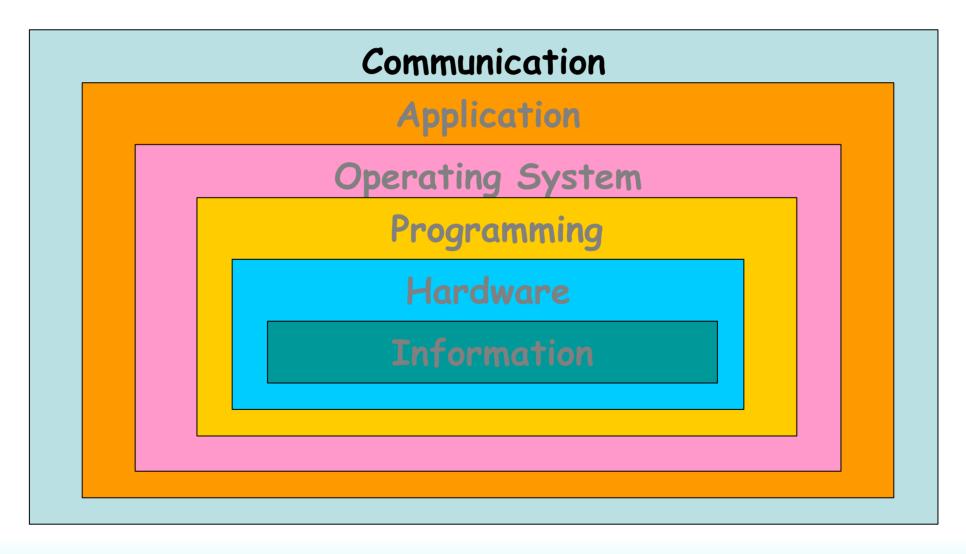
The World Wide Web



"On the Internet, nobody knows you're a dog."

The New Yorker, Peter Steiner, July 5, 1993

Layers of a Computing System



Chapter Goals

- Compare and contrast the Internet and the World Wide Web
- Describe general Web processing
- Write basic HTML documents
- Describe several specific HTML tags and their purposes

Chapter Goals

- Describe the processing of Java applets and Java server pages
- Compare and contrast HTML and XML
- Define basic XML documents and their corresponding DTDs
- Explain how XML documents are viewed
- Hands-On HTML Coding

Web Browser

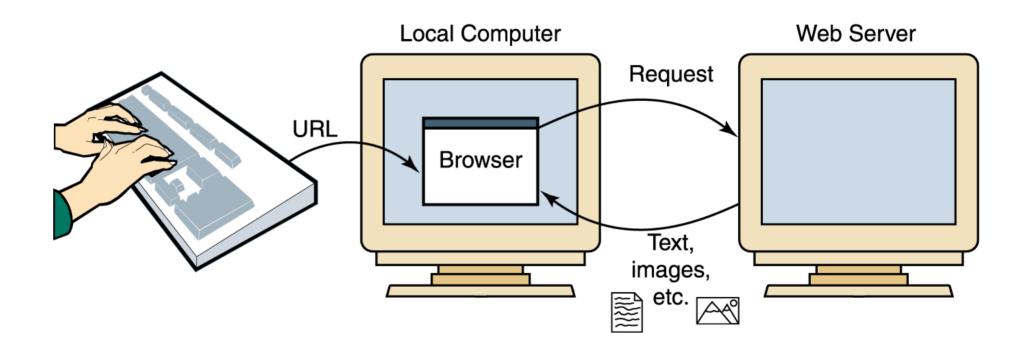


Figure 16.2 A browser retrieving a Web page

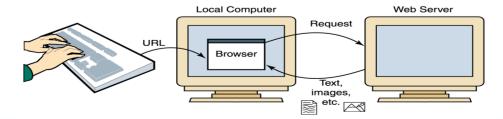
Structure of URIs

http://www.cs.wisc.edu/~dbbook/index.html

- URI has three parts:
 - Naming schema (http)
 - Name of the host computer (www.cs.wisc.edu)
 - Name of the resource (~dbbook/index.html)
- URLs are a subset of URIs

Hypertext Transfer Protocol

- What is a communication protocol?
 - Set of standards that defines the structure of messages
 - Examples: TCP, IP, HTTP
- What happens if you click on www.cs.wisc.edu/~dbbook/index.html?
 - Client (web browser) sends HTTP request to server
 - Server receives request and replies
 - Client receives reply; makes new requests



HTML

- Web pages are created (or built) using a language called the Hypertext Markup Language, or HTML
- The term markup language comes from the fact that the primary elements of the language take the form of tags that we insert into a document to annotate the information stored there

HTML Fundamentals

- <h1>An important heading</h1>
- <h2>A slightly less important heading</h2>
- This is the first paragraph. This is the second paragraph.
- This is a really interesting topic!

HTML Fundamentals

An important heading

A slightly less important heading

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Trees (cont'd)

- Hierarchical structures are called *trees*
- Binary trees
 - Each node has no more than two children
 - The beginning of the tree is a unique starting node called the **root**
 - The node to the left of a node, if it exists, is called its left child
 - The node to the right of a node, if it exists, is its right child
 - If a node in the tree has no children, it is called a leaf node

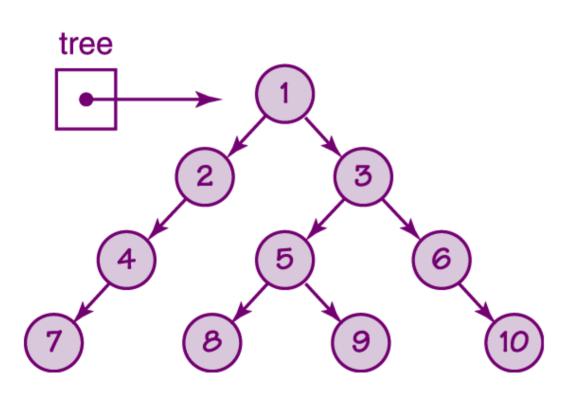
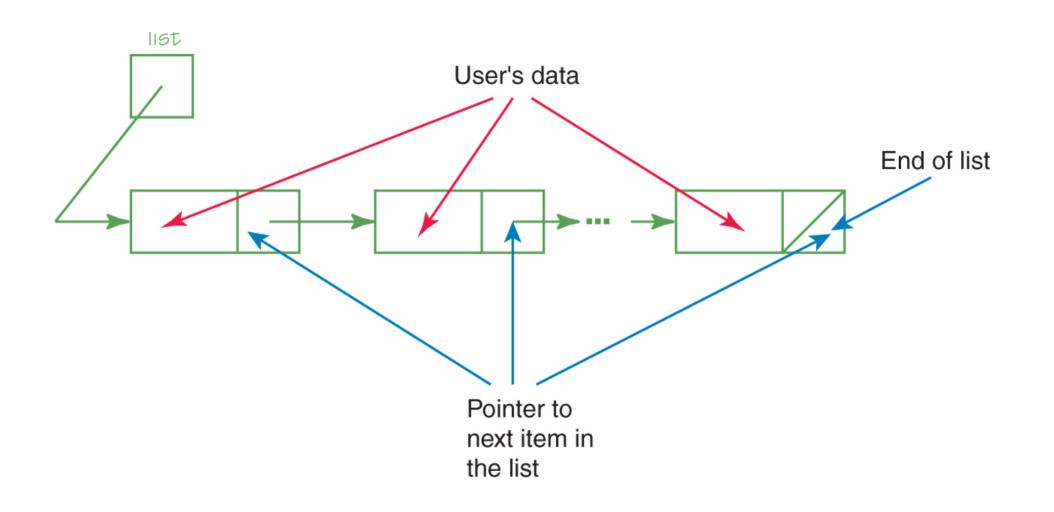


Figure 9.16 A binary tree

Linked Implementation

- Linked implementation An implementation based on the concept of a node
- A node is made up of two pieces of information
 - the item that the user wants in the list, and
 - a pointer to the next node in the list

Linked Implementation



Linked Implementation

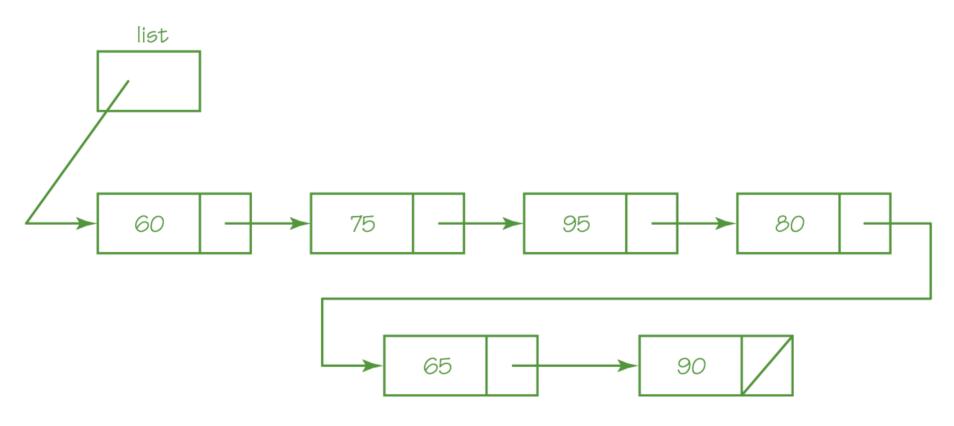


Figure 9.5 An unsorted linked list

Images and Links

- Many tags can contain attributes that indicate additional details about the information or how the enclosed information should be displayed
 - An image can be incorporated into a web page using the IMG element, which takes an attribute that identifies the image file to display
 -

Images and Links (cont.)

- A link is specified using the element A, which stands for anchor
- The tag includes an attribute called HREF that specifies the URL of the destination document.

For example

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Interactive Web Pages

- When HTML was first developed, there was no way to interact with the information and pictures presented in a web page
- As users have clamoured for a more dynamic web, new technologies were developed to accommodate these requests
- Many of the new ideas were offshoots of the newly developed Java programming language

Java Applets

 Java applet A program that is designed to be embedded into an HTML document and transferred over the Web to someone who wants to run the program

An applet is embedded into an HTML document using the APPLET tag

```
<aPPLET code="MyApplet.class" width=250 height=150 ></aPPLET>
```

Java Applets

- A browser has a built-in interpreter that executes the applet, allowing the user to interact with it.
 - Consider the difficulties inherent in this situation
 - How can we execute a program that was written on one type of computer on possibly many other types of computers?

Java Applets

- Java programs are compiled into Bytecode, a low-level representation of a program that is not the machine code for any particular type of CPU
- Java applets are restricted as to what they can do
 - The Java language has a carefully constructed security model
 - An applet, for instance, cannot access any local files or change any system settings

Java Server Pages

- A Java Server Page, or JSP, is a web page that has JSP scriptlets embedded in them
- Scriptlet A small piece of executable code intertwined among regular HTML content
- Also called a Servelet!

Java Server Pages

- A JSP scriptlet is encased in special tags beginning with <% and ending with %>
- Imagine JSP scriptlets as having the expressive power of a full programming language

```
<H3>
<%
out.println ("hello there");
%>
</H3>
```

Java Server Pages

- Note that JSPs are executed on the server side where the web page resides
- By the time it arrives at your computer, all active processing has taken place, producing a static (though dynamically created) web page
- JSPs are particularly good for coordinating the interaction between a web page and an underlying database

- HTML has a predefined set of tags and each tag has its own meaning
- There is nothing about HTML tags that describes the true content of a document
- The Extensible Markup Language, or XML, allows the creator of a document to describe its contents by defining his or her own set of tags

- Metalanguage A language for talking about, or defining, other languages
- XML is a metalanguage

```
<?xm1 version="1.0" ?>
<!DOCTYPE books SYSTEM "books.dtd">
(hooks)
 <book>
<title>The Hobbit</title>
(authors)
  <author>J.R.R. Tolkien
</authors>
\publisher>Ballantine
<pages>287</pages>
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<price currency="USD">24.00</price>
</hook>
</hooks>
```

 Like HTML, an XML document is made up of tagged data

Figure 16.5 An XLML document containing data about books

- Document Type Definition (DTD) A specification of the organization of the document
- The structure of a particular XML document is described by its corresponding DTD document

```
<!ELEMENT books (book*) >
<!ELEMENT book (title, authors, publisher, pages, isbn, price)>
<!ELEMENT authors (author+)>
<!ELEMENT title (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT author (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT publisher (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT pages (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT isbn (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT price (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT price (#PCDATA)>
```

Figure 16.6 The DTD document corresponding to the XML books document

- XML represents a standard format for organizing data without tying it to any particular type of output
- Extensible Stylesheet Language (or XSL) A language for defining transformations from XML documents to other output formats

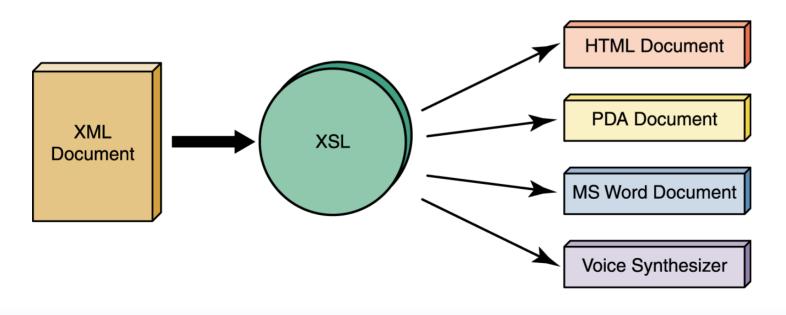


Figure 16.7
An XML document can be transformed into many output formats

AJAX

- Asynchronous JavaScript and XML
- The latest craze in interactive pages
- http://ajaxphp.packtpub.com/ajax/quickstart
- http://labs.google.com/suggest
- Gmail
- http://maps.google.com

The Basics of HTML

- http://www.w3.org/MarkUp/Guide/ Getting started with HTML
- http://www.w3.org/MarkUp/Guide/Advanced.html
 - More advanced features
- http://www.w3.org/MarkUp/Guide/Style.html -Adding a touch of style
- http://www.w3.org/People/Raggett/tidy/ -HTMLTidy
- http://validator.w3.org/ Ensures proper HTML code

Other Useful Websites

- http://www.sitepoint.com/ lots of helpful information and excellent books
- http://www.csszengarden.com/
 – css Zen
 Garden
- http://www.w3.org/XML/ everything you ever wanted to know about XML
- http://www.w3.org/Style/XSL/ definitive source for XSL

http://pages.google.com





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 - papacosta@gmail.com
- When you get an account, send me a message!papacosta@gmail.com
- This becomes our 1st Assignment!

Assignment One

- Create A Simple Home Page 6/10 pts
- Create A Complex Home Page 8/10 pts
 - Links, images, color fonts, multi-column layouts
- Create A Multilevel Site 10/10 pts
 - Tree structure
 - Multiple pages

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Homework

Read Chapter Sixteeen (Again!)



...be careful on the web!