

Caching Strategies for Data-Intensive Web Sites

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Outline

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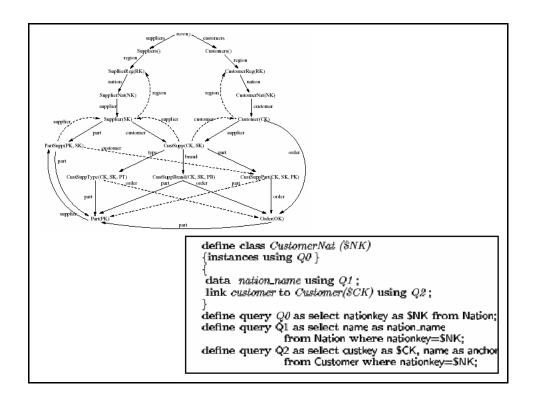
Site Management Systems

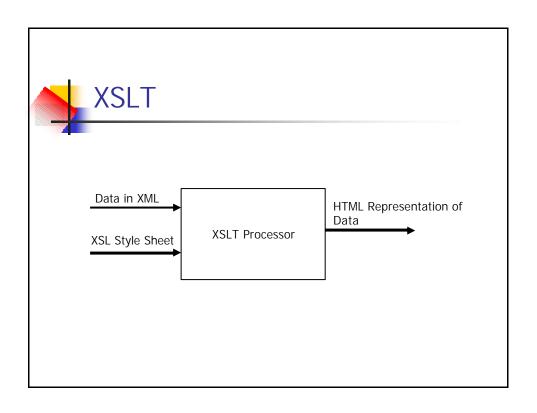
- Traditional Dynamic Web Applications
- Site Management System Approach
 - Idea: separation of structure and content from graphical presentation
 - Benefits
 - Easier development and maintenance
 - Different views over data
 - Explicit site structure, needed by performanceimprovement solutions



Declarative Site Specification in Weave

- A Web site:
 - Description of site structure and content
 - Site schema
 - Site class
 - A set of XSLT programs
 - XSLT = eXtensible Stylesheet Language for Transformations
 - Evaluates, rearranges, and reassembles the information in the XML source document







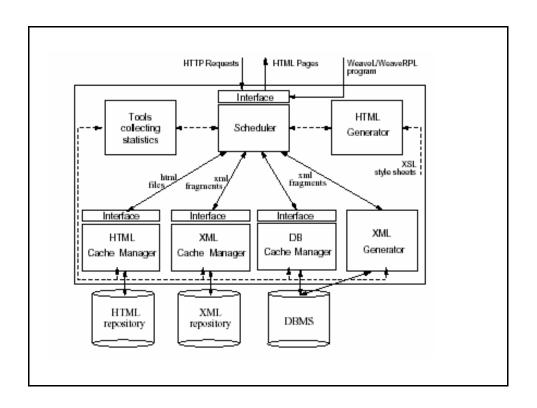
Caching

- Overview
- Materialization Strategies
 - Purely dynamic (no materialization)
 - HTML page materialization
 - XML fragment materialization
 - Query-result materialization
 - Materialized Views
 - Cache Functions
- No universally good strategy



Weave

- A Web site management system with caching capability
- 3-tier customizable cache system
- WeaveRPL and policy files
- Statistics Manager





Conclusion

- A site-management system for easy development and maintenance
- 3-tier caching with complex runtime policies
- Extensible with automatic policy generation
- Support for distribution and replication