

XML and Databases: *Latest Fad or New Disruptive Technology?*

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Nature of Complex Data

- **Structured Data**
 - Highly regular, homogeneous structures
- **Semi-structured Data**
 - Heterogeneous structure
 - Sparse Occurrences of data
- **Unstructured Data**
 - Documents/Content markup

XML Scenarios

- **Data Exchange and Heterogeneous Information Integration**
 - B2B, B2C, "A2A"
 - XML is ubiquitous, extensible, platform independent transport format
 - **Content Management**
 - Documents
 - Mail Messages
 - Data/view separation
Documents, style sheets, transforms
 - **Messaging**
 - SOAP
 - Audit Logs
- **Transport, Store and Query XML data**

XML Database Market

- Expenditure on XML Storage solutions will grow from \$75 million in 2000 to over \$4.1 Billion (US) in 2005
- XML-enabled RDBMS vendors consumed only 15% of that market in 2000, but will consume over 65% of the total expenditure by 2005.
- Native XML Data Store (NXD) vendors will realize around \$1.6 Billion in revenue by 2005

(numbers based on ZapThink report)

Panelists

- Don Deutsch, Oracle
- Andrew Eisenberg, IBM
- Dana Florescu, XQRL
- Paul Cotton, Microsoft
- Mary Fernandez, AT&T Research