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Using IMS to Manage XML Documents

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Why IMS?

- IMS has been used in industries for at least 4 decades giving IMS a reputation of a reliable, stable, proven technology
- IMS contains large amounts of core business data
- IMS makes use of direct pointers which attributes to high performance
- New and wow is out - we have to be smarter to support our companies in this economy
- IMS can now grow past 40 terabytes (HALDB)
- IMS can now be accessed via X-Query-SQL (XML)
- IMS can be accessed from Java on the web

Some Access Models

- LU2 - 3270 Green Screen
 - Left behind in favor of distributed clients accessing IMS services.
- LU6.2 - APPC/SNA
 - Left behind since TCP/IP is the de-facto standard network protocol.
- IMS-trigger monitor - BMP schedules IMS tran
 - there are Sysplex issues, same RACF ID used for all transactions triggered by the BMP, programs must code explicit MQ put/get calls.
- MQ-IMS Bridge - MQ to OTMA
 - MQ-IMS Bridge allows distributed and mainframe clients to access application services in IMS. Requires special MQ IIH header but **no coding changes to existing programs** – communication is handled via the I/O PCB
- IMS TM Resource Adapter - IMS Connect to OTMA
 - IMS TM Resource Adapter allows distributed and mainframe Java clients to access application services in IMS. Supports “Local Host” no TCP/IP stack if the Java client is running on the same LPAR.
- Stored Proc - ODBA (Open Database Access)
 - Calling to an IMS database from a stored proc

Access Model using Java - XML - SQL

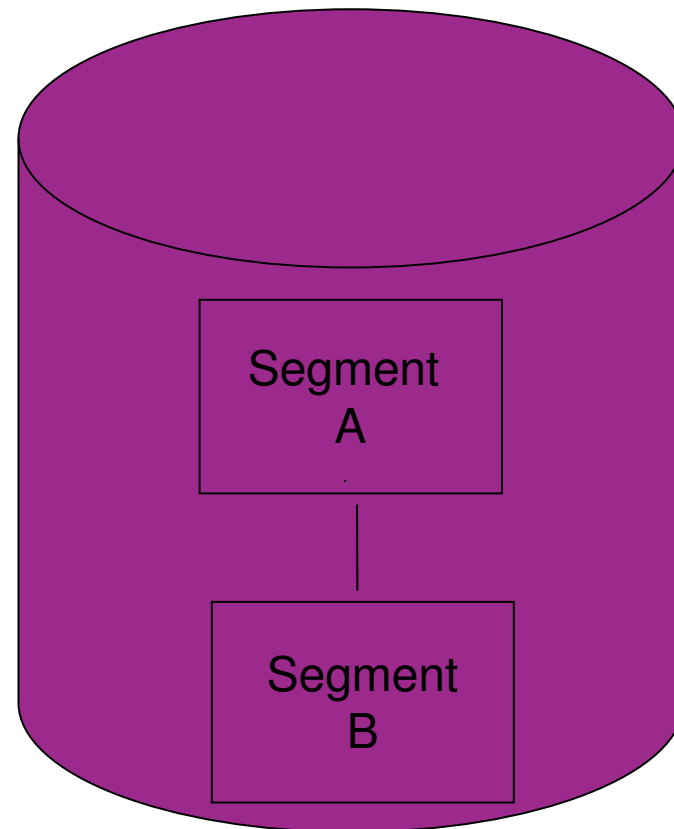
- We now have JBP (Java Batch Processing) and JMP (Java Message Processing) programs.
- We use the IMS/TM to schedule and run JBP and JMP programs.
- The coding language is Java.
- The query language to access the IMS data is X-Query (SQL).
- Data can be stored as an XML document.
- Results can be returned as an XML document or data fields.

IBM's XML Solution

→ XML and IMS databases are both hierarchical, thus IMS is a natural DBMS for managing XML documents.

```
<A>
  <f1>xxxx</f1>
  <f2>xxxx</f2>

  <B>
    <f3>xxxx</f3>
    <f4>xxxx</f4>
  </B>
</A>
```



IBM's XML Solution in IMS V9

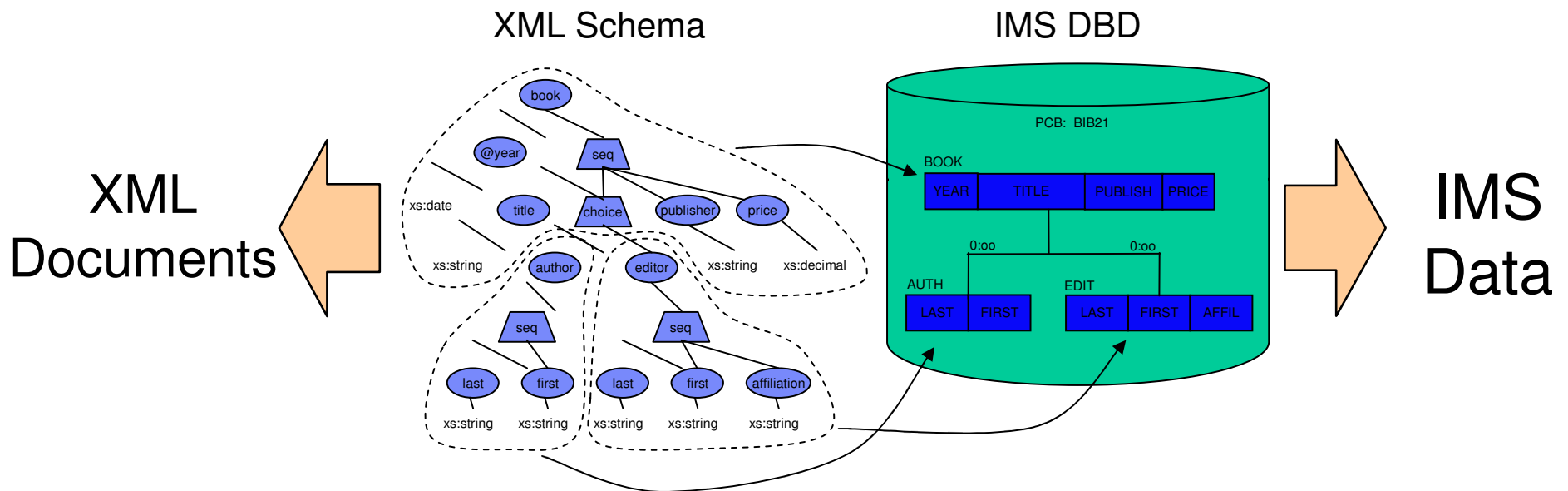
- Store incoming XML documents
 - Use IMS Java JDBC user defined function
 - StoreXML UDF
 - Can store in an IMS database as:
 - Decomposed – normal IMS fields
 - Intact – Tags and all as one field
 - Combination of the above

- Retrieve XML document or data
 - Use IMS Java JDBC user defined function
 - RetrieveXML UDF
 - Use DLI – regular DLI calls

- Compose XML documents from existing IMS databases

IMS v9 XML-DB

- Introduces a way to view/map IMS hierarchical data to *native* XML documents
- Aligns IMS Database (DBD) with XML Schema
- Allows the retrieval and storage of IMS Records as XML documents with ***no change*** to existing IMS databases



IBM's XML Solution in IMS V10

- IMS Version 10 allows you to use XQuery (W3C).
 - Per **Wikipedia** - **XQuery** is a [query language](#) (with some [programming language](#) features) that is designed to query collections of [XML](#) data. It is [semantically similar](#) to [SQL](#).
 - Accessing IMS data is no longer a training issue – it is cutting edge!

- Further aligns IMS with industry direction
 - XML, SOA, Web Services, etc.

- Enables customers to leverage emerging standard skill set

- You can do:
 - Selects with where clauses
 - Updates
 - Write bad SQL just like in DB2

Schema Definition Language

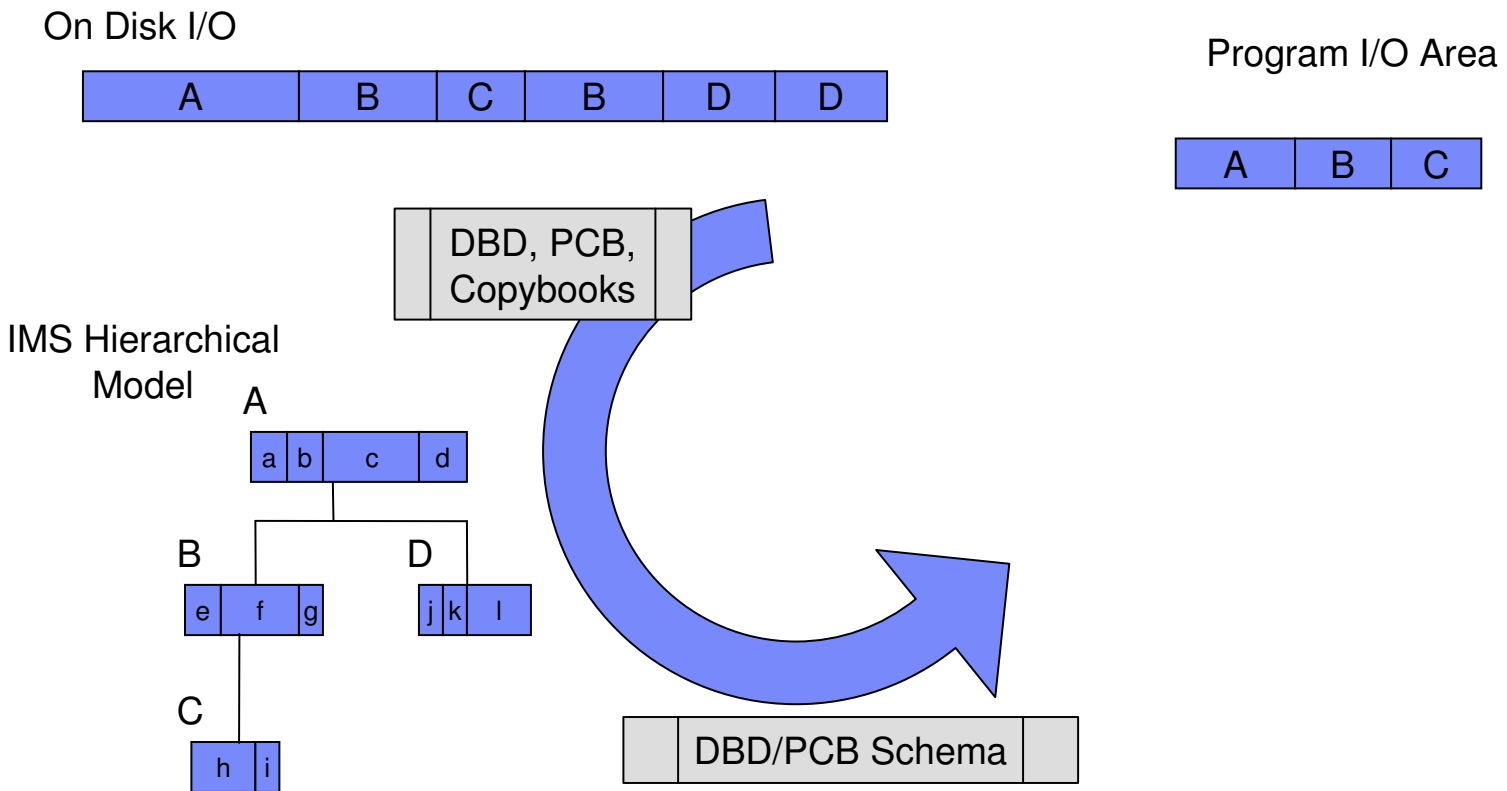
→ An IMS Schema:

- defines database hierarchy
- defines segments and fields in a database
- defines data types for key fields

→ An XML Schema:

- defines document hierarchy
- defines data types for elements and attributes
- defines elements and attributes that can appear in a document

DBD + PSB = IMS DB Schema



IMS Enterprise Suite DLIModel Utility

→ IMS database visualization tool

- Visualize an entire IMS PSB
- Can view each PCB individually
 - Hierarchy, segments, fields, types, etc

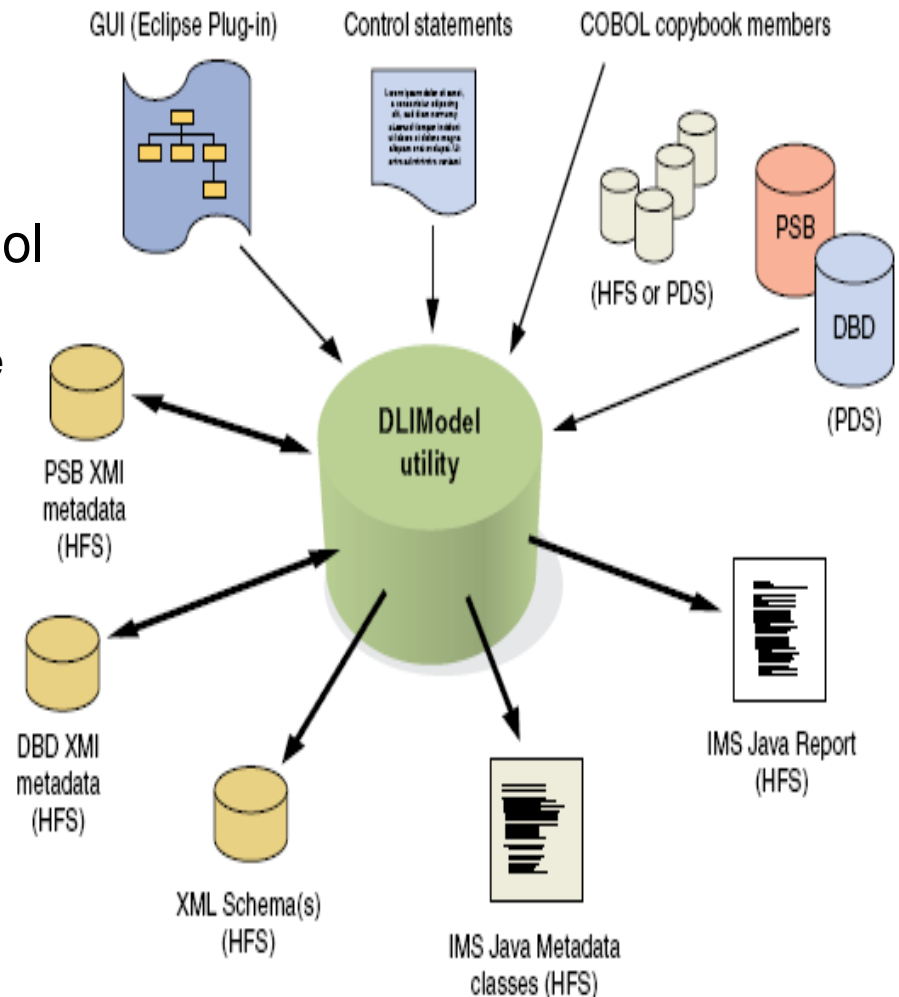
→ IMS database metadata generation tool

- Generates the necessary metadata that is consumed at runtime by IMS DB Resource Adapter, XML-DB support
 - Database metadata
 - XML schema

→ Bottom up tooling approach

- Parses PSB and DBD source
- Optionally COBOL copybook definitions of segments

→ An Eclipse 3.x plug-in



GUI DL/I Model Utility

- Install eclipse Plug-in
- Create new DL/I Utility Model Project

New DLIModel Utility Project

DLIModel Utility Project
Create a new DLIModel utility project.

Project name: XQueryTestSuite

Java package: databases.xqts

Project contents

Use default

Directory: E:\eclipse 3.1.2\XQueryTestSuite

Select optional output files

XML schema

DLIModel utility result report

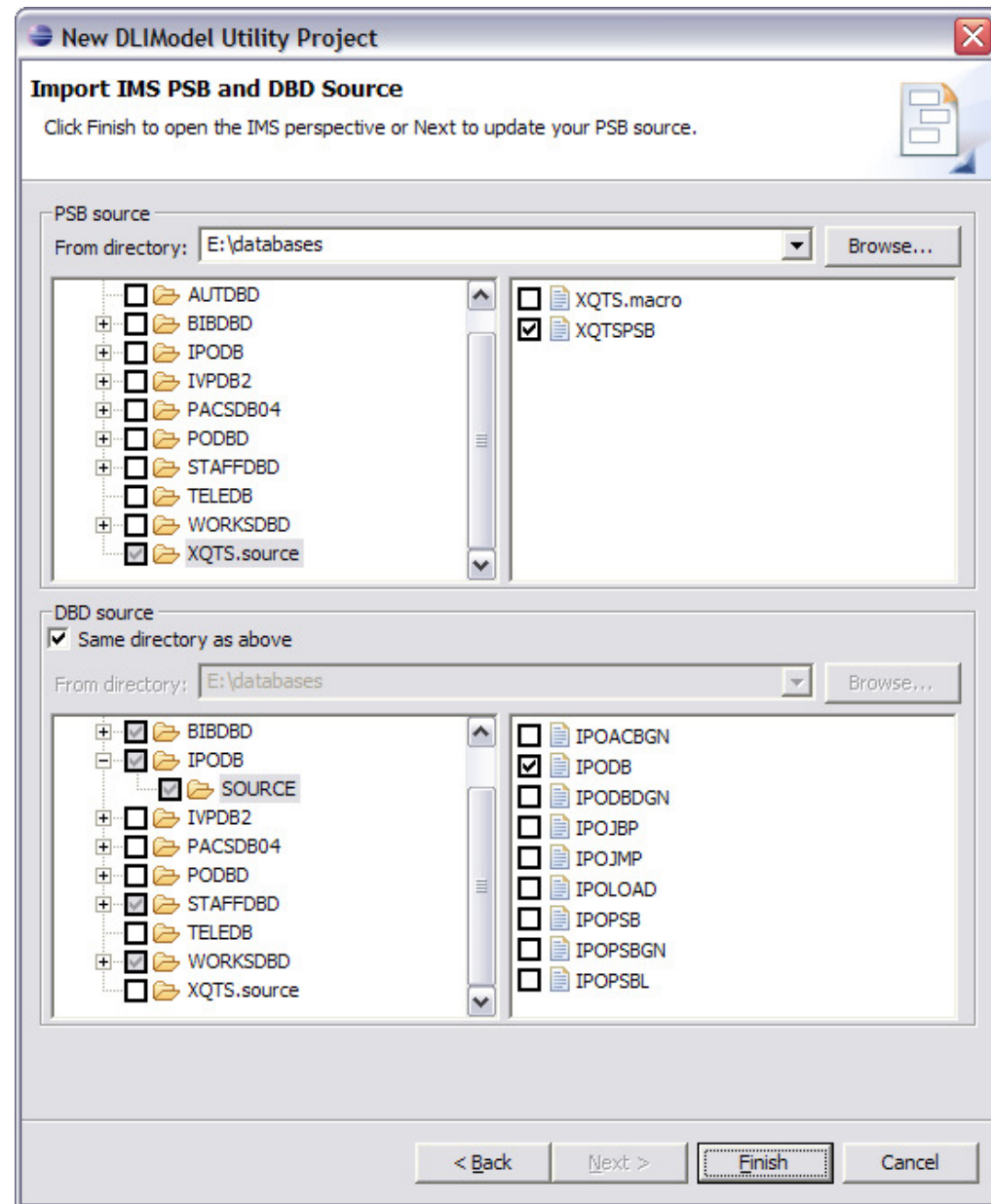
Trace log

Run utility from an IMS control statement [Find out more](#)

Location of control statement file:

GUI DL/I Model Utility

- Select DBDs / PSBs
 - must be FTPed locally
- Source is Parsed
 - any errors are reported
- XMI Metamodel
 - generated
 - opened for editing



GUI DL/I Model Utility

The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE interface for the IMS - XQTSPSB.mdl project. The Package Explorer on the left shows the project structure, including databases, diagrams, and XML schemas. The main editor displays a diagram with two entities: 'purchaseOrder' (Total length: 710) and 'item' (Total length: 506). The 'purchaseOrder' entity has a field 'NUM'. The 'item' entity has fields 'partNum', 'productName', 'quantity', 'USPrice', and 'shipdate'. A line connects the 'NUM' field to the 'partNum' field. The Properties window at the bottom shows details for the selected 'purchaseOrder' entity.

Property	Value
Segment	
.Alias	purchaseOrder
.IMS Name	ORDER
.Length	710
Field0	[101 - 102]
Field10	[221 - 222]
Field11	[201 - 220]
Field12	[223 - 227]
Field13	[23 - 101]

GUI DL/I Model Utility

The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE with the following components:

- Package Explorer:** Shows the project structure with packages like IPODB, IVPDB2, StaffDB, Test, WorksDB, and XQTS. The XQTS package contains a sub-package 'databases.xqts' with the file 'XQTSPSBDatabaseView.java' selected.
- Editor:** Displays the source code for 'XQTSPSBDatabaseView.java'. The code is as follows:

```
package databases.xqts;

import com.ibm.ims.db.*;

public class XQTSPSBDatabaseView extends DLIDatabaseView {

    // This class describes the data view of PSB: XQTSPSB
    // PSB XQTSPSB has database PCBs with 8-char PCBNAME or label:
    //     BIBPCB
    //     STAFFPCB
    //     WORKSPCB
    //     IPOPCB

    // The following describes Segment: BOOK ("BOOK") in PCB: BIBPCB
    static DLTypeInfo[] BIBPCBBOOKArray= {
        new DLTypeInfo("ISBN", DLTypeInfo.CHAR, 1, 13, "ISBN", DL
        new DLTypeInfo("year1", DLTypeInfo.CHAR, 14, 4, "YEAR"),
        new DLTypeInfo("TITLE", DLTypeInfo.CHAR, 18, 80, "TITLE")
        new DLTypeInfo("PUBLISHE", DLTypeInfo.CHAR, 98, 30, "PUBL
        new DLTypeInfo("PRICE", DLTypeInfo.CHAR, 128, 7, "PRICE")
    };
    static DLISegment BIBPCBBOOKSegment= new DLISegment
        ("BOOK", "BOOK", BIBPCBBOOKArray, 164);

    // The following describes Segment: AUTHOR ("AUTHOR") in PCB: B
    static DLTypeInfo[] BIBPCBAUTHORArray= {
        new DLTypeInfo("LAST1", DLTypeInfo.CHAR, 1, 20, "LAST"),
        new DLTypeInfo("FIRST1", DLTypeInfo.CHAR, 21, 20, "FIRST"
    };
};
```
- Outline:** Shows a tree view of the class structure, including 'import declarations' and 'XQTSPSBDatabaseView' with its various static fields and segments.
- Properties:** A table showing the properties of the selected file:

Property	Value
Info	
derived	false
editable	true
last modified	9/12/06 11:02 AM
linked	false
location	E:\eclipse 3.1.2\XQTS\databases\xqts\XQTSPSBDatabaseView.java
name	XQTSPSBDatabaseView.java
path	/XQTS/databases/xqts/XQTSPSBDatabaseView.java
size	7300

GUI DL/I Model Utility

The screenshot displays the Eclipse IDE interface for editing the XSD file XQTSPSB-ipo.xsd. The main editor shows the following XML Schema Definition (XSD) code:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsd:schema xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:ims="http://www.ibm.com/ims"
  xmlns="http://www.ibm.com/ims/XQTSPSB/ipo"
  targetNamespace="http://www.ibm.com/ims/XQTSPSB/"
  elementFormDefault="qualified">

  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:appinfo>
      <ims:DLI version="2.0" mode="store" topLevelElement />
    </xsd:appinfo>
  </xsd:annotation>

  <!-- purchaseOrder -->
  <xsd:element name="purchaseOrder">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:appinfo>
        <ims:segment name="ORDER" alias="purchaseOrder" />
      </xsd:appinfo>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:complexType>
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element name="NUM" >
          <xsd:simpleType>
            <xsd:annotation>
              <xsd:appinfo>
                <ims:field name="NUM" alias="NUM"/>
              </xsd:appinfo>
            </xsd:annotation>
          </xsd:simpleType>
        </xsd:element>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:complexType>
  </xsd:element>
</xsd:schema>
```

The Outline view on the right shows the schema structure:

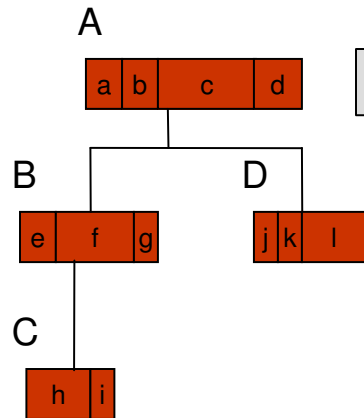
- XQTSPSB-ipo.xsd
 - purchaseOrder
 - purchaseOrder._type
 - sequence
 - NUM
 - DATE
 - BNAME
 - BSTREET
 - BCITY
 - SNAME
 - SSTREET
 - SCITY
 - ITEM
- ITEM
 - ITEM._type

XML Visualization

On Disk I/O



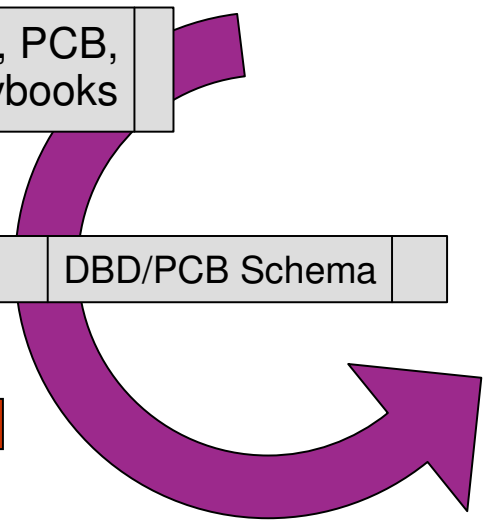
IMS Hierarchical Model



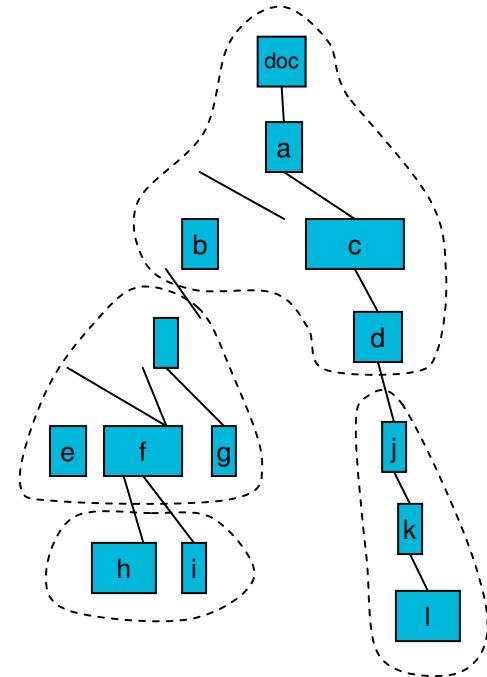
DBD, PCB, Copybooks

DBD/PCB Schema

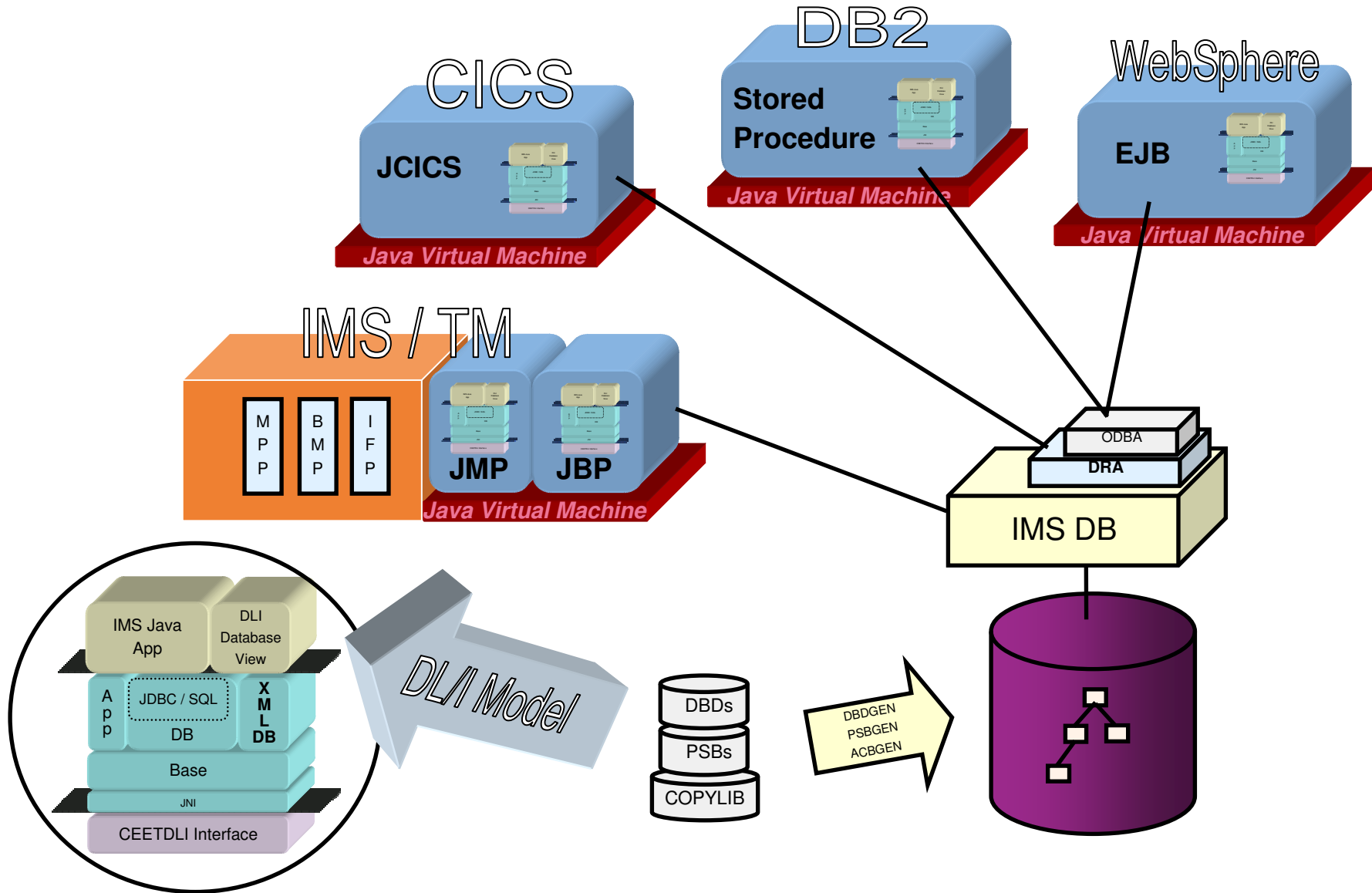
XML Schema



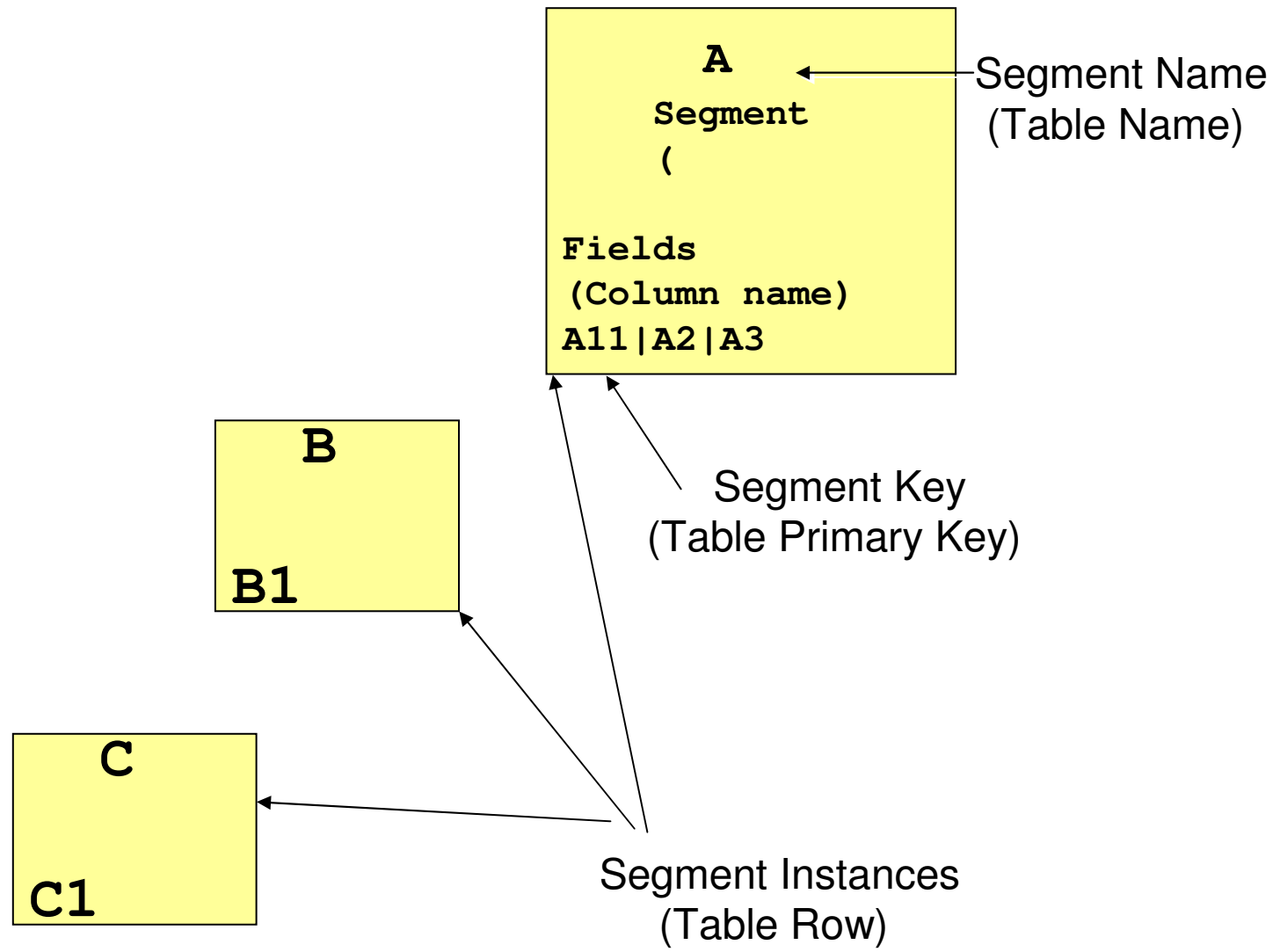
XQuery 1.0 XPath 2.0 Data Model



IMS JDBC Runtime



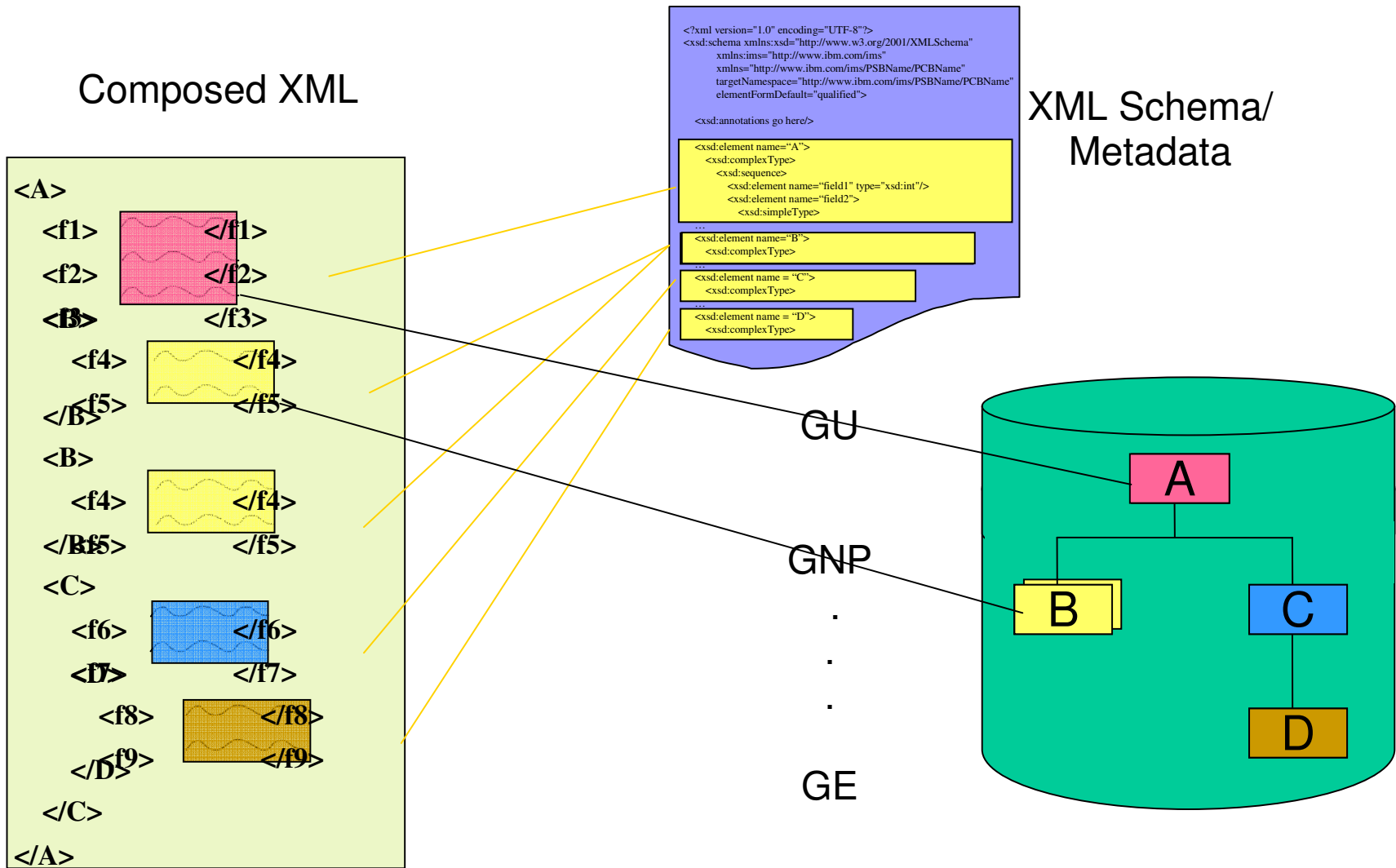
IMS and JDBC SQL Concepts



Decomposed Storage

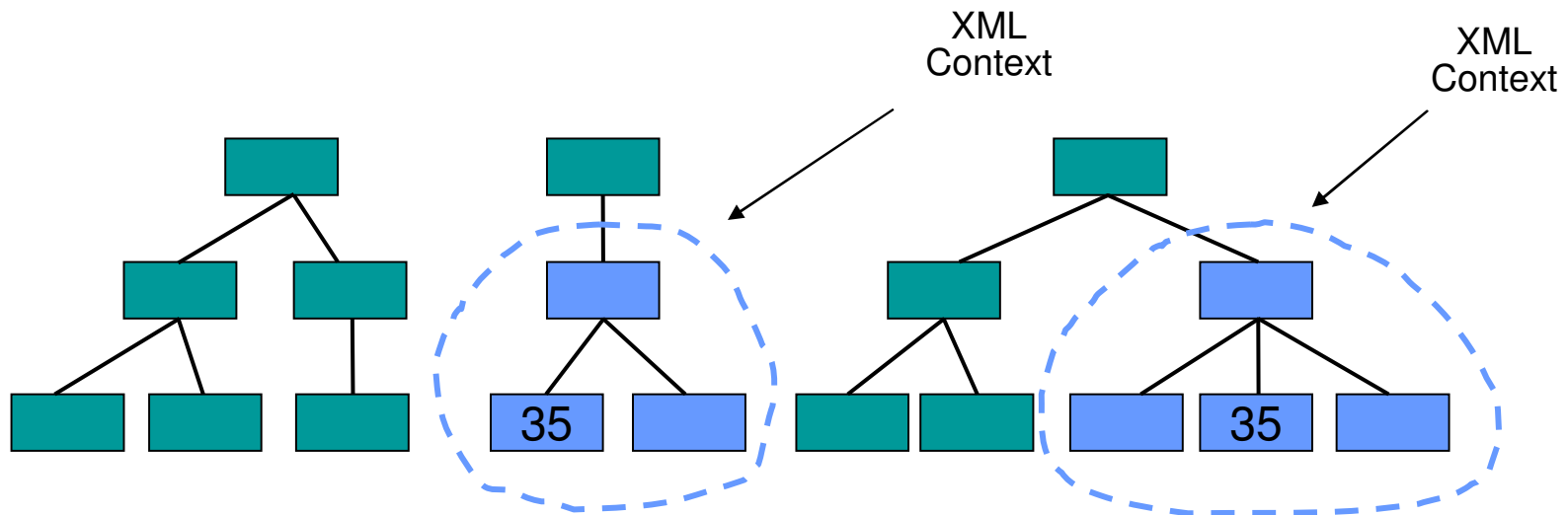
- XML document must be parsed and validated.
- Data is converted to *traditional* IMS types
 - COMP-1, COMP-2, etc.
 - EBCDIC CHAR, Picture Strings
- Stored data is searchable by IMS and transparently accessible by non-XML enabled applications.

Decomposed XML Retrieval in IMS



RetrieveXML() UDF

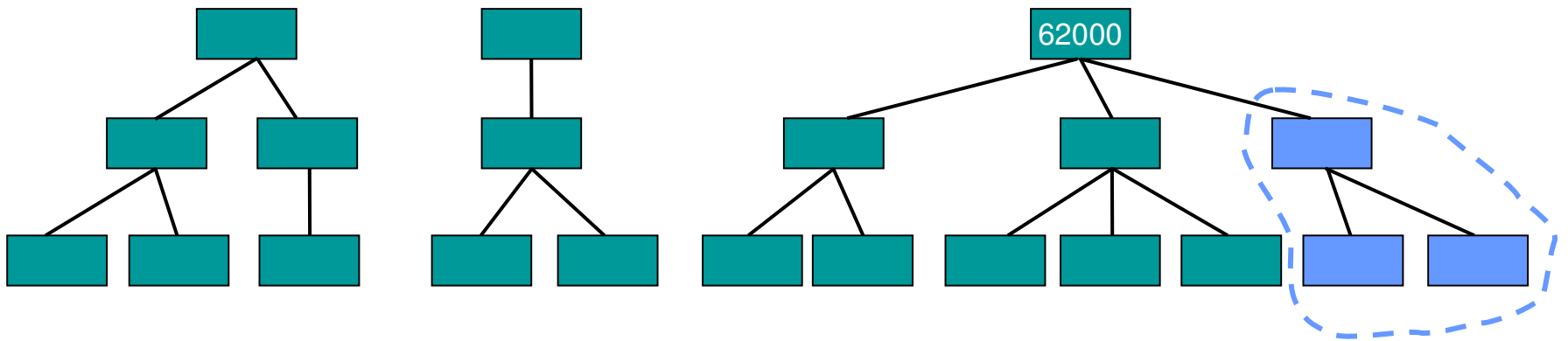
```
SELECT retrieveXML(Dealer)
FROM Order
WHERE Order.Ordernum = '35'
```



**Two Rows of XML CLOBs in the ResultSet*

StoreXML() UDF

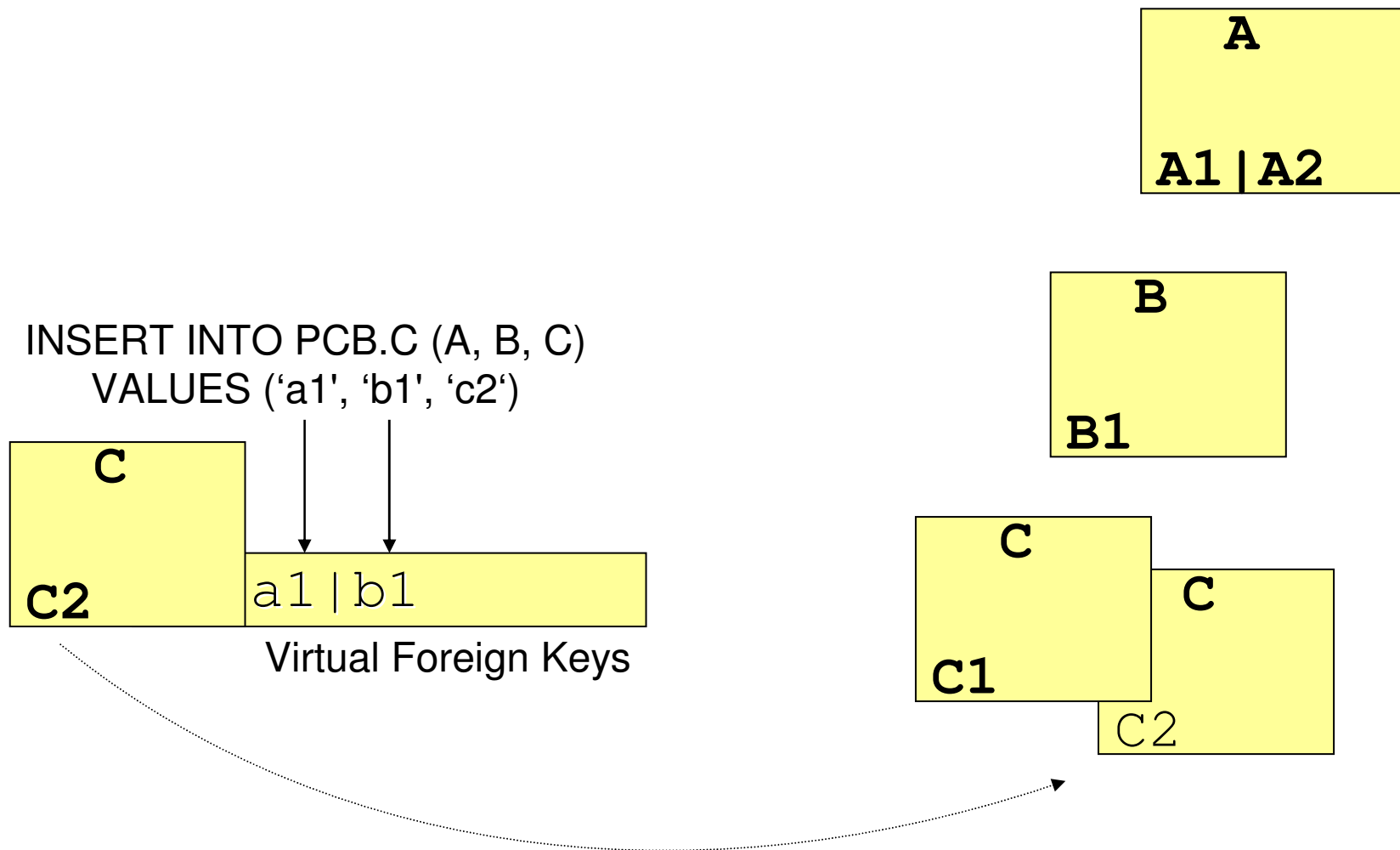
```
INSERT INTO B (storeXML())  
VALUES (?)  
WHERE A.fieldA = '62000'
```



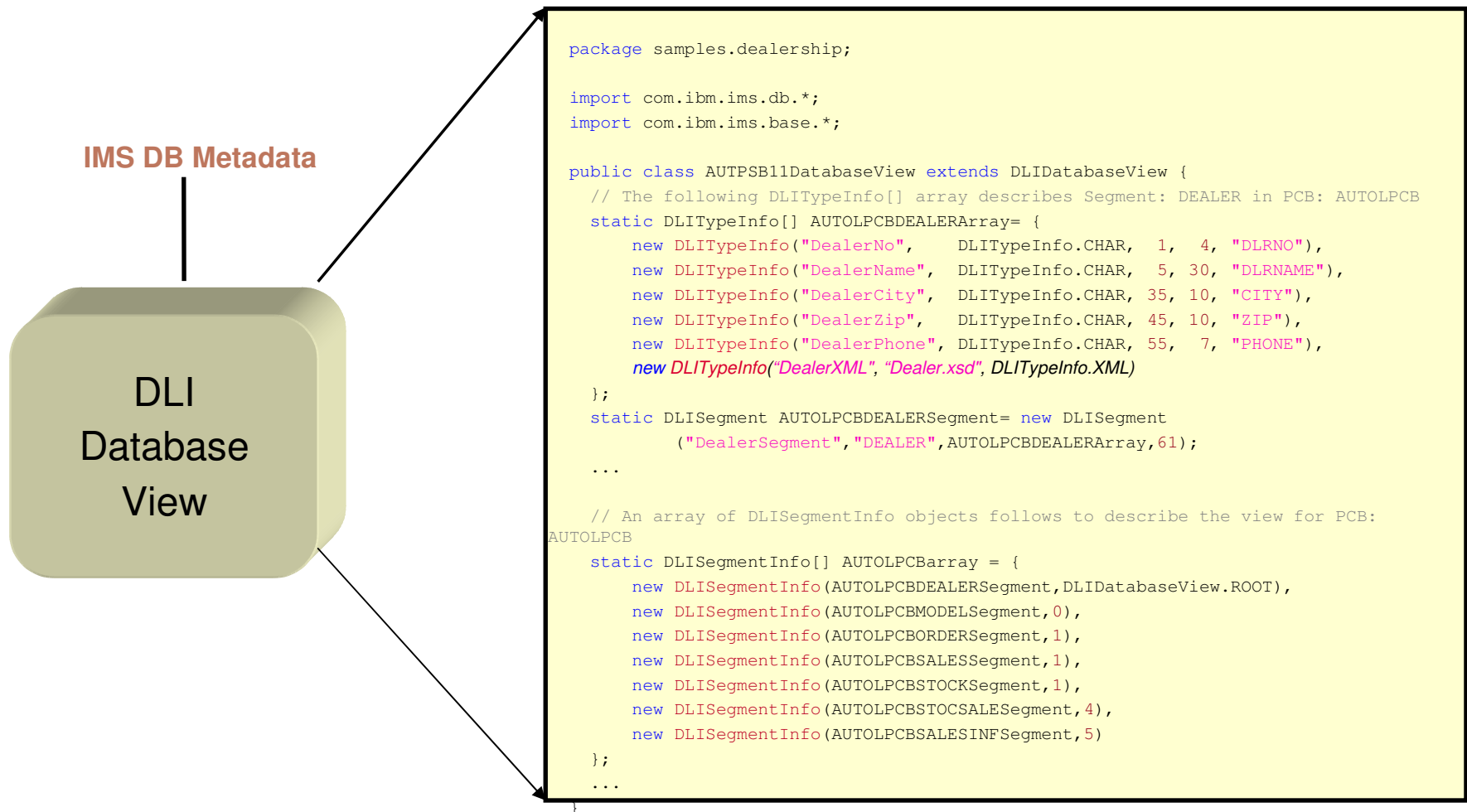
**Insert Statement must be a Prepared Statement*

IMS 11 Virtual Foreign Keys

INSERT Example

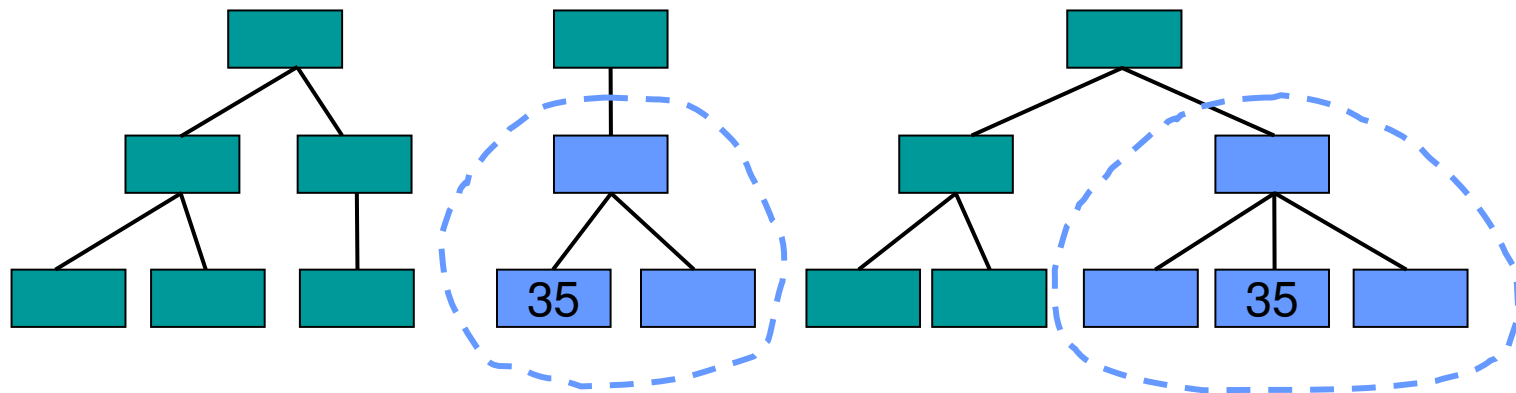


Follow on support DLIDatabaseView with XML datatype



Follow on IMS JDBC syntax for XML retrieval

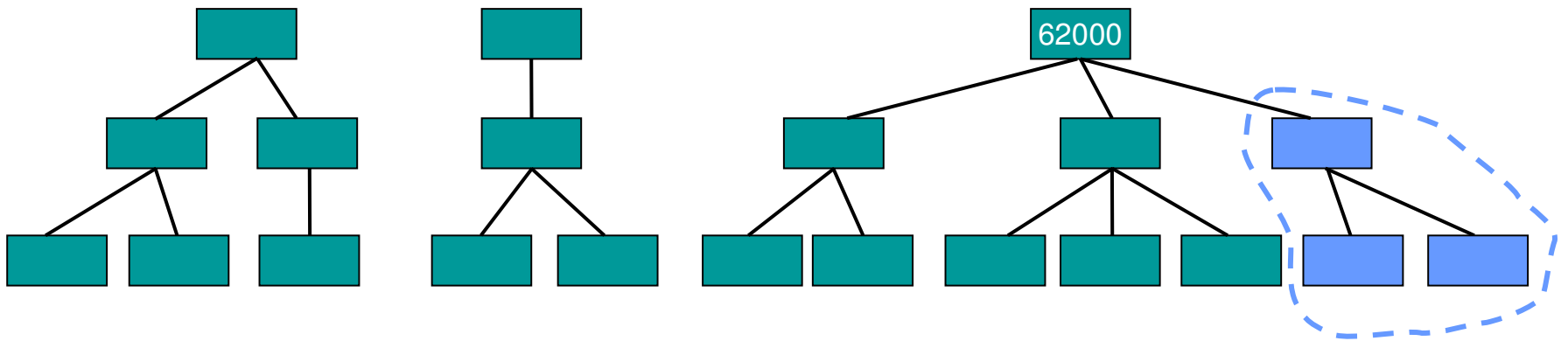
```
SELECT Dealer.DealerXML,  
FROM Dealer, Order  
WHERE Order.Ordernum = '35'
```



**Two Rows of XML CLOBs in the ResultSet*

Follow IMS JDBC syntax for XML insert

```
INSERT INTO B (B.BXML, A_fieldA)  
VALUES (?, "62000")
```

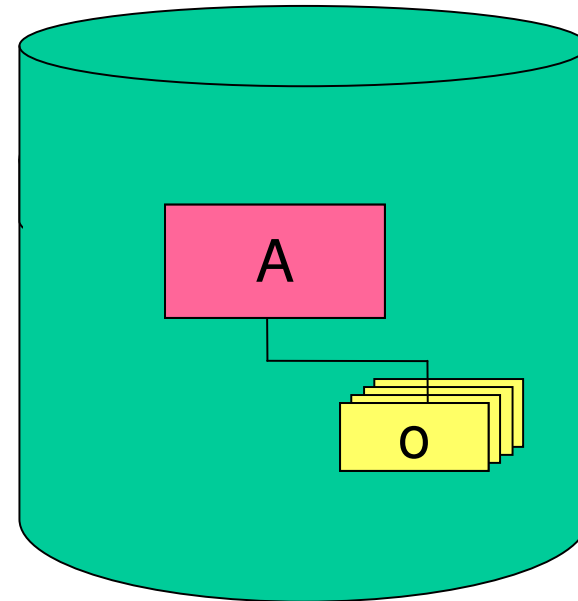
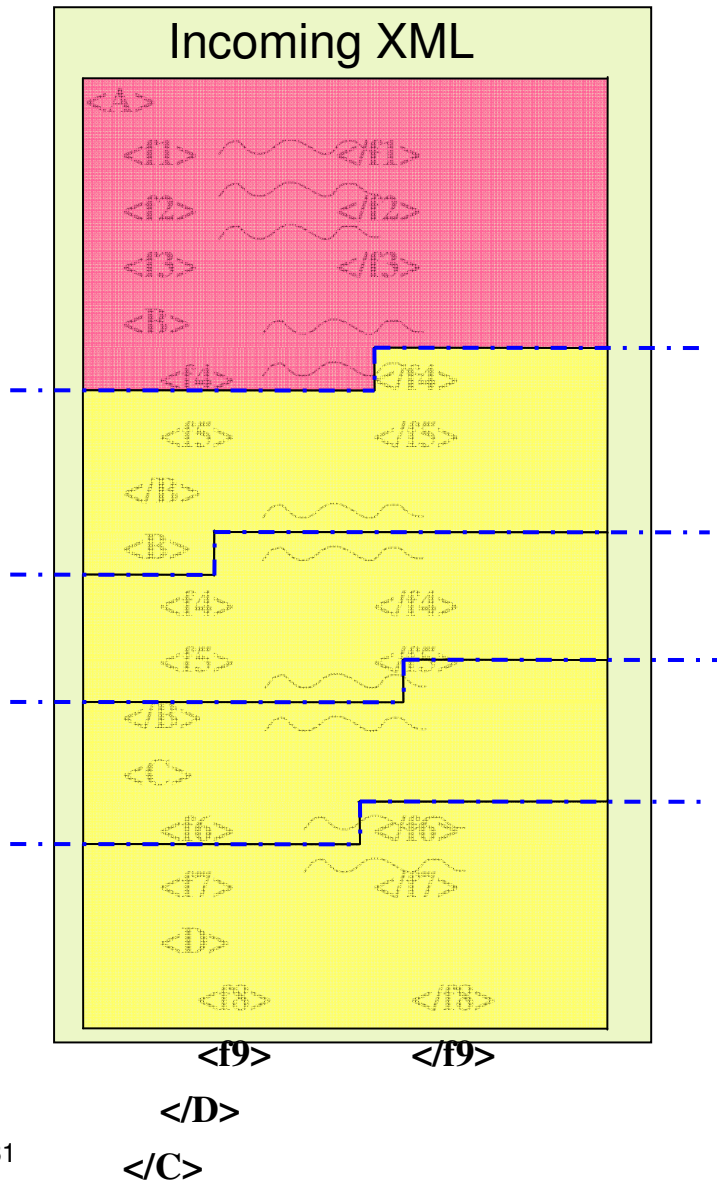


**Insert Statement must be a Prepared Statement*

Intact Storage

- No (or little) XML Parsing or Schema validation
 - Storage and Retrieval Performance
- No (or little) data type conversions
 - Unicode storage
- Stored documents are no longer searchable by IMS and only accessible to XML-enabled applications
 - XPath side segments

Intact XML Storage in IMS



Decomposed vs. Intact Storage

- Decomposed (*data-centric storage*)
 - XML tags are stripped from XML data
 - Identical as current IMS storage
 - Strict data-centric XML Schema validated data
 - EBCDIC encoding
 - Searching on IMS Search Fields

- Intact (*document-centric storage*)
 - Entire XML document is stored (including tags)
 - Relaxed un-validated data
 - Any desired encoding is possible
 - Searching is through XPath specified and generated Secondary Indexed Side Segments

IMS 10 XQuery FLWOR Expressions Virtual XML Garden on IBM alphaWorks

- **FOR**: iterates through a sequence, bind variable to items
- **LET**: binds a variable to a sequence
- **WHERE**: eliminates items of the iteration
- **ORDER BY**: reorders items of the iteration
- **RETURN**: constructs query results



```
<bib> {  
  for $b in /bib/book  
  let $title := $b/title  
  where $b/publisher = "Addison-Wesley"  
  order by $b/@year  
  return  
    <book year="{ $b/@year }">  
      { $title }  
    </book>  
} </bib>
```

```
<bib>  
  <book year="1992">  
    <title>Advanced Programming in the Unix  
  </book>  
  <book year="1994">  
    <title>TCP/IP Illustrated</title>  
  </book>  
</bib>
```

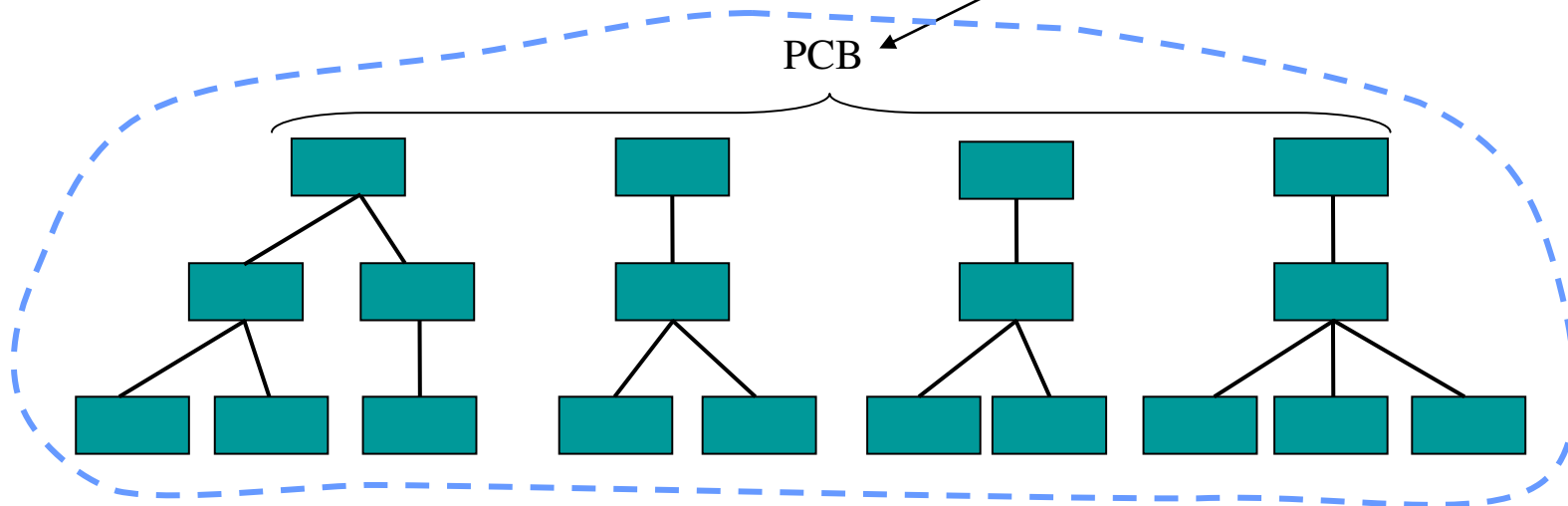
Extended JDBC interface...

SELECT retrieveXML('

```
<bib> {  
  for $b in /bib/book  
  where $b/publisher = 'Addison-Wesley'  
    and $b/@year > 1991  
  return  
    <book year="{ $b/@year }">  
      { $b/title }  
    </book> }  
</bib>
```

FROM PCB

XQuery
Context



Optimizing XQuery for IMS

```
<bib> {  
  for $b in /bib/book  
  where $b/publisher = 'Addison-Wesley'  
    and $b/year > 1991  
  return  
    <book year="{ $b/@year }">  
      { $b/title }  
    </book> }  
</bib>
```

Step through every book and
evaluate if it meets criteria

For each match
return this

Optimizing XQuery for IMS

Optimized using native IMS XQuery functions

Move directly to matching book particles ...

```
<bib> {  
  for $b in ims:gn( ims:particle('/bib/book'),  
    ims:and(  
      ims:eq(ims:particle('/bib/book/publisher'), 'Addison-Wesley'),  
      ims:gt(ims:particle('/bib/book/@year'), 1991)  
    )  
  )  
  return  
    <book year="{ $b/@year }">  
      { $b/title }  
    </book> }  
</bib>
```

...using
these
SSAs

and for each match
return this

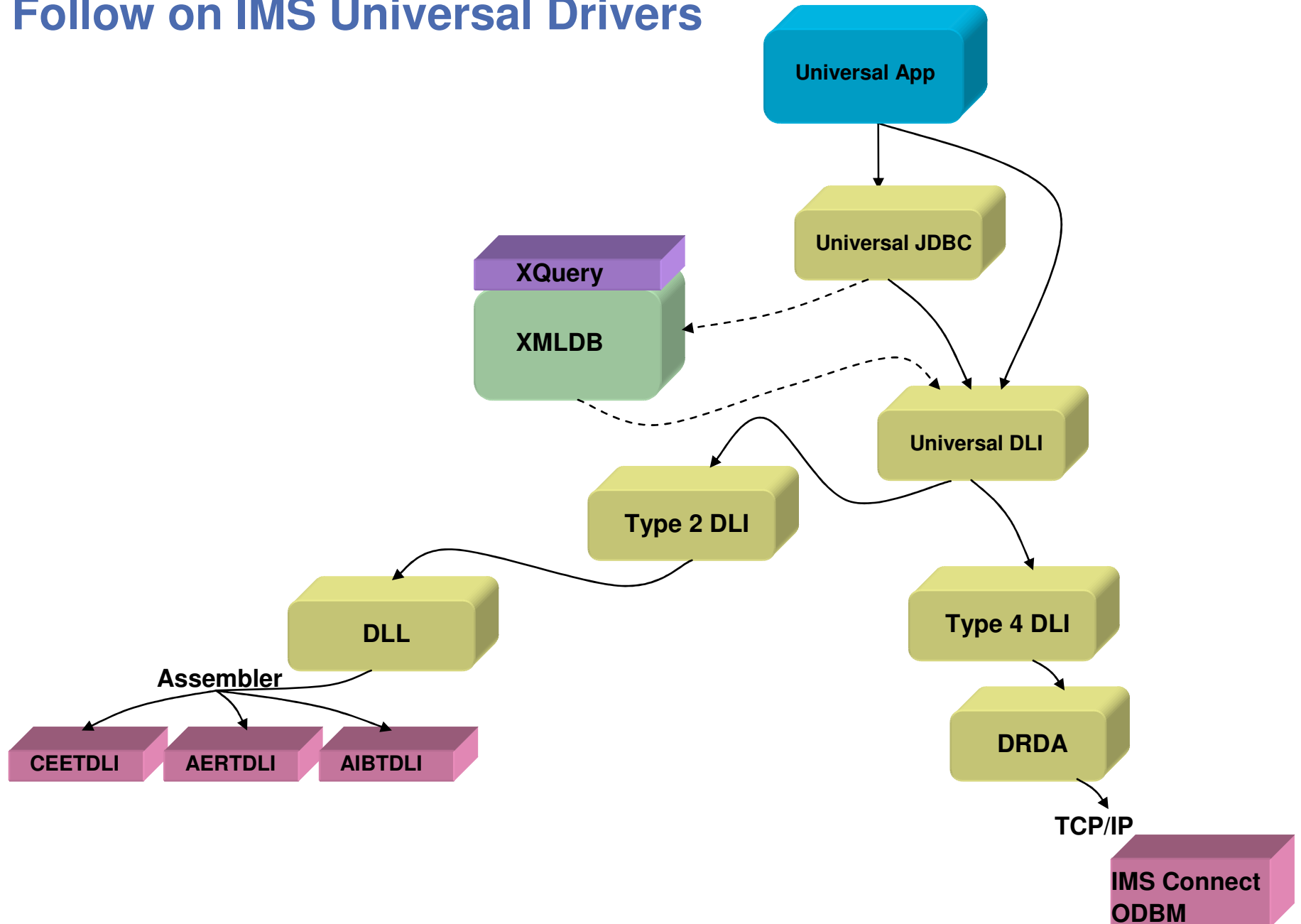
Our IMS V9 POC

- We downloaded the 'XML Garden' demo from the IBM web site.
- We extracted the Java zip file contents and loaded the JAVA jar files, schema, and XML data into the mainframe OMVS environment (Unix).
- We set up the IMS environment: HDAM database, PSBs, transaction definitions, PDS parameter members, and the IMS/TM JBP and JMP regions.
- We executed the JBP JCL on the mainframe and the Java application loaded XML data into the IMS HDAM database.
- We executed the JMP on the mainframe and retrieved the data.

IMS V10 POC plan

- Down load the DLI Model utility from the IBM web site and build an XML schema for an existing popular database.
- Write some Java and SQL to put data into the database and selectively retrieve data.
- Present to application partners to solicit collaboration and project ideas to take advantage of this new tool.
- We still have a problem but then . . . wait for it . . .

Follow on IMS Universal Drivers



IMS 11 Open Database has Type 2 and Type 4 drivers

- Right now we are still limited to running our Java only on the mainframe (OMVS) because there are only classic API drivers available.
- IMS 11 has Universal
 - Type 2 drivers for local access
 - Type 4 drivers that will open up distributed access!

IMS

- IMS is leveraging current and new technology!
 - Access by Java and X-Query.
 - Access via the IMS SOAP gateway.
 - No more space limitations.
 - A reliable DBMS.
 - A fast DBMS.