Comp 336/436 - Markup Languages

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XML - XPath details - functions - mathematics

- also include simple arithmetic operations with our expressions
- allow us to test for more complicated conditions
 - or to output calculated values...
- e.g to multiply, divide, add, or subtract,
 - add first operand
 - o e.g. numerical constant 12 or a node set
 - add mathematical operator
 - * (for multiplication)
 - div (for division, since / is reserved)
 - + (for addition)
 - ∘ − (for subtraction)
 - add second operand
- multiplication and division are performed before addition and subtraction
 - e.g. 4+5*3 = 19 and not 27
 - use parentheses to override the default, e.g. (4+5)*3 = 27
- modulus operator may also be used
 - e.g. 20 mod 4 = 0 (since 4 divides evenly into 20)
 - but 20 mod 3 = 2 since 20/3 is 6 with a remainder of 2

XML - working example - ancient sites - mathematics

XML

```
<history>
  <period>New Kingdom</period>
  <dynasty>18</dynasty>
  <year range="start" era="BC">1346</year>
  <year range="end" era="BC">1332</year>
</history>
```

XSL

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XML - XPath & XSLT tests - functions - mathematics

Exercise - part 9

- update your XSL stylesheet
 - add an option to calculate a given value from the data in your XML
 - o add new values to XML, if necessary, to perform calculations
 - add output to rendered document
- test stylesheet with XML file
- ~ 10 minutes

XML - XPath details - functions - count nodes

- count() function
 - count total nodes in a given node set
 - e.g. count images in an image set...
- use the count () function as follows,
 - add count (
 - add the path to the node set count
 - add) to complete the function

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Exercise - part 10

- update your XSL stylesheet
 - add an option to count nodes in a given node set
 - o add new values to XML, if necessary, to perform count
 - add output to rendered document
- test stylesheet with XML file
- ~ 10 minutes

Demos

- Ancient Sites comparison part 7
- Ancient Sites mathematics 8
- Ancient Sites count part 9

References

- XPath Version 1.0 functions
- XPath Version 2 functions