

Engenharia de Dados e Conhecimento

XQUERY UPDATE FACILITY



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XQUERY UPDATE FACILITY 3.0



- The XQuery Update Facility 3.0 provides facilities to perform any or all of the following operations on an XML Document Model instance:
 - Insertion of a node. (insert)
 - Deletion of a node. (delete)
 - Modification of a node by changing some of its properties while preserving its node identity. (rename, replace)
 - Creation of a modified copy of a node with a new node identity. (transform)

Rename Syntax

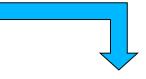
- rename node <N> as <name-expr>
 - N node (element or attribute) to rename
 - name-expr must evaluate as a value of type xsd:QName

Rename elements

```
let $d := doc('books')
for $a in $d//title
return rename node $a as 'SUBJECT'
```

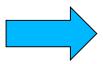
Source:

```
<book category="COOKING">
        <title>Everyday</title>
        <author>Laurentiis</author>
...
</book>
```



Rename attributes

```
let $d := doc('books')
for $a in $d//@*
return rename node $a as upper-case(name($a))
```

Delete Syntax

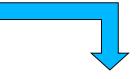
- delete node < N>
 - N node (element or attribute) to delete
- delete nodes < Ns>
 - Ns nodes (elements or attributes) to delete

Delete elements

```
let $d := doc('books')
for $e in $d//price
return delete node $e
```

Source:

```
<book category="COOKING">
    ...
    <year>2005</year>
    <price>30.00</price>
    <isbn>1</isbn>
</book>
```



```
Result:
```

Delete attributes

```
let $d := doc('books')
for $a in $d//@lang
return delete node $a
```

Source:

```
<book category="CHILDREN">
  <title lang="en">Harry Potter</title>
  <year>2005</year>
</book>
```



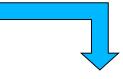
```
<book_category="CHILDREN">
  <title>Harry Potter</title> !
  <year>2005</year>
  </book>
```

Delete selected nodes

```
let $d := doc('books')
for $e in $d//price[contains(../title, 'Potter')]
return delete node $e
```

Source:

```
<book category="CHILDREN">
  <title>Harry Potter</title>
  <author>J K. Rowling</author>
  <year>2005</year>
  <price>29.99</price>
  <isbn>2</isbn>
</book>
```



```
<book category="CHILDREN">
  <title>Harry Potter</title>
  <author>J K. Rowling</author>
  <year>2005</year>
  <isbn>2</isbn>
  </book>
```

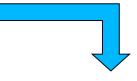
XQUF – Delete

Delete selected nodes text

```
let $d := doc('books')
for $e in $d//price[contains(../title, 'Potter')]
return delete node $e/text()
```

Source:

```
<book category="CHILDREN">
  <title>Harry Potter</title>
  <author>J K. Rowling</author>
  <year>2005</year>
  <price>29.99</price>
  <isbn>2</isbn>
</book>
```



```
<book category="CHILDREN">
    <title>Harry Potter</title>
    <author>J K. Rowling</author>
    <year>2005</year>
    <pri>cprice />
    <isbn>2</isbn>
```

- Insert Syntax
- insert node <A> into
 - node A becomes a new child of node B
- insert node <A> as first into
 - node A becomes the first child of node B
- insert node <A> as last into
 - node A becomes the last child of node B
- insert node <A> before
 - node A becomes the first preceding sibling of node B
- insert node <A> after

XQUF – Insert



Insert elements

```
let $bs := doc('books')//book
for $i in 1 to count($bs)
return insert node element {'number'} {$i} as first into $bs[$i]
```

XQUF – Insert



Insert constant elements

```
let $bs := doc('books')//book
for $b in $bs
return insert node <publisher>Star Publishing</publisher>
before $b/year
```

Source:

```
<book category="CHILDREN">
  <title>Harry Potter</title>
  <author>J K. Rowling</author>
  <year>2005</year>
  <price>29.99</price>
  <isbn>2</isbn>
</book>
```

```
<book category="CHILDREN">
  <title>Harry Potter</title>
  <author>J K. Rowling</author>
  <publisher>Star
  Publishing</publisher>
  <year>2005</year>
  <price>29.99</price>
  <isbn>2</isbn>
  </book>
```



- Insert Nodes Syntax
- insert nodes <As> into
 - nodes As becomes a new child of node B
- insert nodes <As> as first into
 - nodes As becomes the first child of node B
- insert nodes <As> as last into
 - nodes As becomes the last child of node B
- insert nodes < As> before < B>
 - nodes As becomes the first preceding sibling of node B
- insert nodes <As> after

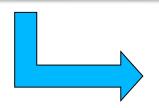
XQUF – Insert Nodes

Insert multiple elements

```
let $bs := doc('books')//book
for $b in $bs
return insert nodes (
<publisher>Star Pubs</publisher>,
library>LoC</library>
) before $b/year
```

Source:

```
<book category="CHILDREN">
  <title>Harry Potter</title>
  <year>2005</year>
  <price>29.99</price>
</book>
```



```
<book category="CHILDREN">
  <title>Harry Potter</title>
  <publisher>Star Pubs</publisher>
  library>LoC</library>
  <year>2005</year>
  <price>29.99</price>
</book>
```

XQUF - Insert Nodes

Insert multiple attributes

```
let $bs := doc('books')//book
for $i in 1 to count($bs)
return insert nodes (
  attribute {'num'} {$i},
  attribute {'odd'} {$i mod 2 != 0}
) into $bs[$i]
```

- Multiple Operations
- It's possible to run several primitive operations on one single instruction

- Example:
 - A kind of Replace = Delete + Insert

Multiple Operations

```
let $bs := doc('books')//book
for $b in $bs
return
  let $name := name($b/@category)
  let $value := data($b/@category)
  return (
    delete node $b/@category,
    insert node element {$name} {$value} as first into $b
)
```

XQUF – Multiple Operations

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Multiple Operations

```
Source:
<book category="Children">
</book>
<book category="Technology">
</book>
                             Result:
                              <book>
                              <category>Children</category>
                              </book>
                              <book>
                               <category>Technology</category>
                              </book>
htz@ua.pt
```



Replace Node Syntax

- replace node <A> with
 - A node (element or attribute) to be replaced
 - B node (element or attribute) which will replace



Replace Text Node

```
let $bs := doc('books')
for $y in $bs//book/year
where $y='2005'
return
  replace node $y/text() with '1995'
```

XQUF – Multiple Operations

Replace Text Node

```
Source:
<book>
 <year>2005
</book>
<book>
                          Result:
 <year>2005
                          <book>
</book>
                          <year>1995</year>
                          <book>
                          <year>1995</year>
                          </book>
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```

Replace Entire Node

```
let $bs := doc('books')
for $ib in $bs//book/isbn
where $ib < '3'
return
  replace node $ib with <DOI>{$ib/text()}</DOI>
```

XQUF – Multiple Operations

Replace Entire Node

```
Source:
<book>
 <isbn>1</isbn>
</book>
<book>
                          Result:
 <isbn>2</isbn>
                          <book>
</book>
                          <book>
                          <DOI>2</DOI>
                          </book>
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```

 Does the following XQuery code create an infinite loop?

```
let $doc := collection('books')
for $t in $doc//book/title
return
  insert node <title>{$t/text()}</title> after $t
```

XQUF - Issue



Infinite Loop??? NO!!!

```
Source:
<book>
 <title>Italian Cuisine</title>
</book>
                             Result:
<book>
                             <book>
 <title>Potter</title>
                              <title>Italian Cuisine</title>
                              <title>Italian Cuisine</title>
</book>
                             </book>
                             <book>
                              <title>Potter</title>
                             <title>Potter</title>
                             </book>
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```

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XQuery updates do not apply during execution.

The query will just return a <u>pending update list</u>.

 XQuery with Updates is a declarative language, so updates are applied at the end all together.

 That's why last code doesn't create an infinite loop.



- Accumulate Pending Updates
- It's a list where XQuery engine saves all update operations for later execution.
- At the end of the query execution, the Pending Updates are applied all at once, and the XML is updated in atomic way.



- Transform
- All the update primitives change the XML they are <u>Updating</u> Expressions.
- Transform does not.
 - It operates on a copy of the XML nodes and updates that copy.
 - Transform is a <u>Non-Updating</u> Expression.
 - The updated copy can then be displayed or used to another purpose.

Transformation Syntax

copy \$var1 := node1, \$var2 := node2, \$var3 := node3

modify update-expressions

return expression

Transform a copy

```
copy $doc := collection('books')
modify (
for $b in $doc//book
return delete node $b/title
)
return $doc
```

- This code deletes all titles in the xml data set and returns the transformation.
- But, it doesn't modify the xml source.