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XSLT

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All examples used in this lecture are stored at

http://www.uow.edu.au/~dong/w3/example/XSLT

In Chrome, if you want to view the source of a certain file, right click and select "View page source"

XSL

EXtensible **S**tylesheet **L**anguage (XSL) is a family of languages used to transform and render XML documents:

XSL Transformation (XSLT): a language for transforming XML documents

XML Path Language (XPath): a language for navigating in XML documents

XQuery: a language for querying XML documents

EXtensible **S**tylesheet **L**anguage **T**ransformation (XSLT) is an XML language for transforming XML documents

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file extension is .xsl
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used to transform XML file into other file formats, such as HTML

describes how the XML elements should be displayed.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet
  version="1.0"
  xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform"
  xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
  ... xslt code here ...
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

Have a look at the XML file http://www.uow.edu.au/~dong/w3/example/XSLT/transaction.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<dailyTransaction date="24/02/2015">
  <person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
    <firstName>John</firstName>
    <lastName>Smith</lastName>
    <mobile>0211223344</mobile>
  </person>
  <person staffDbId="-1" operation="add">
    <firstName>Mary</firstName>
    <lastName>Jane/lastName>
    <mobile>0244556677</mobile>
  </person>
</dailyTransaction>
```

Example 1: Now have a look at the XML file http://www.uow.edu.au/~dong/w3/example/XSLT/transaction1.xml



- John Smith, 0211223344, 103, update
- Mary Jane, 0244556677, -1, add
- Matt Brown, 0413273345, 104, remove
- Jack Patel, 0211223344, 105, update
- Frank Jones, 0244556677, -1, add
- James Williams, 0413273345, 106, remove

The content of transaction1.xml is exactly the same as transaction.xml, except that it uses an xml stylesheet: transaction-style1.xsl

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl" href="transaction-style1.xsl"?>
<dailyTransaction date="24/02/2015">
 <person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
   <firstName>John</firstName>
   <lastName>Smith
   <mobile>0211223344/mobile>
 </person>
 <person staffDbId="-1" operation="add">
   <firstName>Mary</firstName>
   <lastName>Jane
   <mobile>0244556677</mobile>
 </person>
</dailyTransaction>
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
 <xsl:output method="xml" indent="yes" encoding="UTF-8"/>
  <xsl:template match="/dailyTransaction">
    < ht.ml >
      <head>
               <title>XSLT example</title>
            </head>
      <body>
        <h1>Daily transaction <xsl:value-of select="@date" /> </h1>
        <u1>
          <xsl:for-each select="person">
            <1i>>
               <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
               <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
               <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
                    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                    <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
                    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                    <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
                    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                    <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
            </xsl:for-each>
        </body>
    </ht.ml>
  </xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

</body>

</xsl:template>

</html>

</xsl:stylesheet>

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
 <xsl:output method="xml" indent="yes" encoding="UTF-8"/>
                                                                      <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF
  <xsl:template match="/dailyTransaction">
                                                                      <?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl" |</pre>
    < ht.ml >
                                                                      <dailyTransaction date="24/02/201</pre>
      <head>
                                                                         <person staffDbId="103" operati</pre>
              <title>XSLT example</title>
                                                                           <firstName>John</firstName>
            </head>
                                                                           <lastName>Smith
      <body>
                                                                           <mobile>0211223344/mobile>
        <h1>Daily transaction <xsl:value-of select="@date" /> </h1> </person>
        <u1>
                                                                         <person staffDbId="-1" operatio</pre>
          <xsl:for-each select="person">
                                                                           <firstName>Mary</firstName>
            <
                                                                           <lastName>Jane
              <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
                                                                           <mobile>0244556677</mobile>
              <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
                                                                        </person>
              <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
                                                      ← → C 🗅 www.uswadi.ay/Friansaction2xml
              <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
              <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
              <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                       Daily transaction 24/02/2015
              <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId"</pre>
              <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
              <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />

    John Smith, 0211223344, 103, update

    Mary Jane, 0244556677, -1, add

          </xsl:for-each>
```

- Matt Brown, 0413273345, 104, remove
- Jack Patel, 0211223344, 105, update
- Frank Jones, 0244556677, -1, add
- James Williams, 0413273345, 106, remove

</xsl:stylesheet>

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
 <xsl:output method="xml" indent="yes" encoding="UTF-8"/>
  <xsl:template match="/dailyTransaction">
    <html>
      <head>
               <title>XSLT example</title>
             </head>
      <body>
        <h1>Daily transaction <xsl:value-of select=1\@date" /> </h1>
        <u1>
           <xsl:for-each select="person">
             <1i>>
               <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
               <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
               <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
                                                                  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                  <dailyTransaction date="24/02/2015">
                     <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
                                                                   <person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                     <firstName>John</firstName>
                                                                     <lastName>Smith
                     <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
                                                                     <mobile>0211223344</mobile>
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                   </person>
                                                                   <person staffDbId="-1" operation="add">
                     <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
                                                                     <firstName>Mary</firstName>
             </1i>
                                                                     <lastName>Jane
                                                                     <mobile>0244556677</mobile>
           </xsl:for-each>
                                                                   </person>
        </dailyTransaction>
      </body>
    </html>
  </xsl:template>
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</xsl:stylesheet>

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
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           <xsl:for-each select="person">
             <1i>>
               <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
               <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
               <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
                                                                  <?xml version="1.0" encoding UTF-8" ?>
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                   <dailyTransaction date="24/02/2015">
                     <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
                                                                    <person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                      <firstName>John</firstName>
                                                                      <lastName>Smith
                     <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
                                                                      <mobile>0211223344</mobile>
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                    </person>
                                                                    <person staffDbId="-1" operation="add">
                     <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
                                                                      <firstName>Mary</firstName>
             </1i>
                                                                      <lastName>Jane
                                                                      <mobile>0244556677</mobile>
           </xsl:for-each>
                                                                    </person>
         </dailyTransaction>
      </body>
    </html>
  </xsl:template>
```

Let's look at the xml stylesheet: transaction-style1.xsl

```
<h1>Daily transaction <xsl:value-of select="@date" /> </h1>
```

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select="@date"
means the attribute
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- John Smith, 0211223344, 103, update
- Mary Jane, 0244556677, -1, add
- Matt Brown, 0413273345, 104, remove
- Jack Patel, 0211223344, 105, update
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- James Williams, 0413273345, 106, remove

</xsl:stylesheet>

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
 <xsl:output method="xml" indent="yes" encoding="UTF-8"/>
  <xsl:template match="/dailyTransaction">
    < ht.ml >
       <head>
               <title>XSLT example</title>
             </head>
      <body>
         <h1>Daily transaction <xsl:value-of select="@date" /> </h1>
         <u1>
           <xsl:for-each select="person">
             <1i>>
                <xsl:value-of select="firstName"</pre>
                <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
                <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
                                                                   <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                    <dailyTransaction date="24/02/2015">
                     <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
                                                                     <person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                       <firstName>John</firstName>
                     <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
                                                                       <lastName>Smith
                                                                       <mobile>0211223344</mobile>
                     <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                     </person>
                     <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
                                                                     <person staffDbId="-1" operation="add">
             </1i>
                                                                       <firstName>Mary</firstName>
                                                                       <lastName>Jane
           </xsl:for-each>
                                                                       <mobile>0244556677</mobile>
                                                                     </person>
         </body>
                                                                   </dailyTransaction>
    </html>
  </xsl:template>
```

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    < ht.ml >
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      <body>
        <h1>Daily transaction <xsl:value-of select="@date" /> </h1>
        <u1>
          <xsl:for-each select="person">
             <1i>>
               <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
               <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
               <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
                                                                 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
                    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                 <dailyTransaction date="24/02/2015">
                                                                  <person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
                    <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
                                                                    <firstName>John</firstName>
                    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                    <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
                                                                    <lastName>Smith
                                                                    <mobile>0211223344</mobile>
                    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
                                                                  </person>
                    <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
                                                                  <person staffDbId="-1" operation="add">
             <firstName>Marv</firstName>
                                                                    <lastName>Jane
          </xsl:for-each>
                                                                    <mobile>0244556677</mobile>
                                                                  </person>
        </dailyTransaction>
      </body>
    </html>
  </xsl:template>
```

```
<111>
 <xsl:for-each select="person">
  <1i>>
    <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
    <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="@staf\fDbId" />
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="@operation"</pre>
   </xsl:for-each>
<person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
                                   <firstName>John</firstName>
                                   <lastName>Smith/lastName>
                                   <mobile>0211223344/mobile>
                                   </person>
```

```
<111>
 <xsl:for-each select="person">
                                                      this is an element
  <1i>>
    <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
    <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
                                                     this is an attribute
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="@operation"</pre>
   </xsl:for-each>
<person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
                                   <firstName>John</firstName>
                                   <lastName>Smith
                                   <mobile>0211223344</mobile>
                                   </person>
```

```
<111>
 <xsl:for-each select="person">
  <1i>>
    <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
    <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
    <xsl:text>, </xsl:text>
    <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
  </xsl:for-each>
```

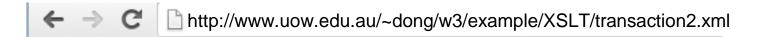
- John Smith, 0211223344, 103, update
- Mary Jane, 0244556677, -1, add

```
<person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
    <firstName>John</firstName>
    <lastName>Smith</lastName>
    <mobile>0211223344</mobile>
</person>
```

Example 2: Now look at transaction2.xml, it uses an xml stylesheet: transaction-style2.xsl

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl" href="transaction-style2.xsl"?>
<dailyTransaction date="24/02/2015">
 <person staffDbId="103" operation="update">
   <firstName>John</firstName>
   <lastName>Smith
   <mobile>0211223344</mobile>
 </person>
 <person staffDbId="-1" operation="add">
   <firstName>Mary</firstName>
   <lastName>Jane
   <mobile>0244556677</mobile>
 </person>
</dailyTransaction>
```

View the source of the xml stylesheet: **transaction-style2.xsl** we can see that it displays a table



Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	remove
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith	0211223344	103	update
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	remove
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith	0211223344	103	update
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Example 3: Compare transaction-style2.xsl With transaction-style3.xsl

```
Name
  Mobile
  Staff Id
  Operation
 <xsl:apply-templates select="person">
  <xsl:sort select="lastName" />
 </xsl:apply-templates>
```

Now compare transaction-style2.xsl with transaction-style3.xsl

```
<xsl:template match="person">
                                           ← → C  www.uow.edu.au/~dong/ISIT206/XSLT/trans
   >
       <xsl:value-of select="firstName" /> Daily transaction 24/02/2
       <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
       <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
     <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
     <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
     <td>>
       <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
     </xsl:template>
```

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	remove
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith	0211223344	103	update
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Example 4: Now look at transaction4.xml



Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	remove
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith	0211223344	103	update
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Now look at transaction-style4.xsl

```
<xsl:choose>
 <xsl:when test="@operation = 'remove'">
   <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
   </xsl:when>
 <xsl:when test="@operation = 'add'">
   <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
   </xsl:when>
 <xsl:otherwise>
   <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
   </xsl:otherwise>
</xsl:choose>
```



Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	remove
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith	0211223344	103	update
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Example 5: Now look at transaction5.xml



Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown		104	remove
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith		103	update
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Now look at transaction-style5.xsl

<xsl:choose>

```
<xsl:when test="mobile = ''">

</xsl:when>
```

<xsl:otherwise>

<xsl:value-of select="mobile" />

</xsl:otherwise>

</xsl:choose>

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown		104	remove
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith		103	update
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Example 6: Now look at transaction6.xml

← → C http://www.uow.edu.au/~dong/w3/example/XSLT/transaction6.xml

Daily transaction 24/02/2015

New records

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add

Updated records

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith	0211223344	103	update

Removed records

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	remove
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Now look at transaction-style6.xsl

```
<xsl:for-each select="person[@operation='add']">
 <xsl:sort select="lastName"/>
 <xsl:value-of select="firstName" />
     <xsl:text> </xsl:text>
     <xsl:value-of select="lastName" />
   <xsl:value-of select="mobile" />
   <t.d>
     <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
   <xsl:value-of select="@operation" />
```



← → C www.uow.edu.au/~dong/ISIT206/XSLT/transacti

New records

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add

Updated records

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith	0211223344	103	update

Removed records

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	remove
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

</xsl:for-each>

Example 7: Now look at transaction7.xml

http://www.uow.edu.au/~dong/w3/example/XSLT/transaction7.xml

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	X
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	+
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	+
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	
John Smith	0211223344	103	
James Williams	0413273345	106	×

Now look at transaction-style7.xsl

```
<xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
<img>
   <xsl:attribute name="src">
     <xsl:text>images/</xsl:text>
     <xsl:value-of select="@operation"/>
     <xsl:text>.png</xsl:text>
   </xsl:attribute>
   <xsl:attribute name="width">
     <xsl:text>30px</xsl:text>
   </xsl:attribute>
 </img>
```

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	×
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	+
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	+
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	
John Smith	0211223344	103	Ø
James Williams	0413273345	106	×

Example 8: Now look at transaction8.xml

http://www.uow.edu.au/~dong/w3/example/XSLT/transaction8.xml

Name	Mobile	Staff Id	Operation
Matt Brown	0413273345	104	remove
Mary Jane	0244556677	-1	add
Frank Jones	0244556677	-1	add
Jack Patel	0211223344	105	update
John Smith	0211223344	103	update
James Williams	0413273345	106	remove

Now look at transaction-style8.xsl

```
John Smith
<xsl:choose>
    <xsl:when test="number(@staffDbId) &lt; 0">
      <span style="color:red">
        <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
      </span>
    </xsl:when>
    <xsl:otherwise>
      <span style="color:green">
        <xsl:value-of select="@staffDbId" />
      </span>
    </xsl:otherwise>
  </xsl:choose>
```

```
Staff Id Operation
    Name
                Mobile
Matt Brown
              0413273345 104
                                 remove
Mary Jane
              0244556677 -1
                                  add
Frank Jones
              0244556677 -1
                                  add
              0211223344 105
Jack Patel
                                 update
              0211223344 103
                                 update
James Williams 0413273345 106
                                 remove
```

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