

XQuery, Part III
Built-in Functions

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Input and Control Functions

Name, inputs	Output	Effect
<code>collection(xs:string)</code>	<code>node()*</code>	retrieves all docs in given collection
<code>doc(xs:string)</code>	<code>node()</code>	retrieves specified document
<code>doc-available(xs:string)</code>	<code>xs:boolean</code>	checks if document is available
<code>document-uri(node())</code>	<code>xs:anyURI</code>	URI of a document
<code>root(node())</code>	<code>node()?</code>	returns document node of the argument

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<code>deep-equal(item()*, item()*)</code>	<code>xs:boolean</code>	deep equality comparison
<code>distinct-values(xs:anyAtomicType*)</code>	<code>xs:anyAtomicType</code>	sequence of unique atomic values from arg
<code>error(xs:Qname?, item*)</code>	none	stop execution with an error message
<code>index-of(xs:anyAtomicType*, xs:anyAtomicType)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns index of the second arg in the first arg
<code>insert-before(item()*, xs:integer, item()*)</code>	<code>item()*</code>	insert third arg at given position into first arg
<code>matches(xs:string, xs:string, xs:string)</code>	<code>xs:boolean</code>	matches a regular expression
<code>subsequence(item()*, xs:double, xs:double)</code>	<code>item()*</code>	extracts a subsequence
<code>unordered(item()*)</code>	<code>item()*</code>	treat sequence as bag

Arithmetic Functions

Name, inputs	Output	Effect
<code>abs(numeric)</code>	matching numeric	absolute value
<code>ceiling(numeric)</code>	matching numeric	ceiling value
<code>floor(numeric)</code>	matching numeric	floor value
<code>round(numeric)</code>	numeric	rounds the number
<code>round-half-to-even(numeric)</code>	numeric	financial rounding

Aggregate Functions

Name, inputs	Output	Effect
count(item()*)	xs:integer	number of items in sequence
last()	xs:integer	number of items in the current context
max(xs:anyAtomicType*)	xs:anyAtomicType	maximum item in the sequence
min(xs:anyAtomicType*)	xs:anyAtomicType	minimum item in the sequence
sum(xs:anyAtomicType*)	xs:anyAtomicType	total value of items in sequence

String Functions

Name, inputs	Output	Effect
compare(xs:string, xs:string)	-1, 0, 1	-1 if first arg < second arg, 0 if they are the same 1 if first arg > second arg
concat(xs:anyAtomicType,...,xs:anyAtomicType)	xs:string	concatenation
contains(xs:string, xs:string)	xs:boolean	true if second arg is a substring of the first arg
ends-with(xs:string, xs:string)	xs:boolean	checks if first arg ends with the second arg
lower-case(xs:string)	xs:string	convert to lowercase
upper-case(xs:string)	xs:string	convert to uppercase
name(node())	xs:string	returns name of the node
node-name(node())	xs:QName	returns qualified name of node
normalize-space(xs:string)	xs:string	normalizes whitespace
replace(xs:string, xs:string, xs:string)	xs:string	replaces 2nd arg with 3d arg in 1st arg
starts-with(xs:string, xs:string)	xs:boolean	checks if first arg has second arg as prefix
string-join(xs:string*, xs:string)	xs:string	joins strings from first arg, uses 2nd arg between them
string-length(xs:string)	xs:integer	returns length of string
substring(xs:string, xs:double, xs:double)	xs:string	extracts a substring
substring-after(xs:string, xs:string)	xs:string	extracts a substring after the first occurrence of 2nd arg
substring-before(xs:string, xs:string)	xs:string	extracts a substring before the first occurrence of 2nd arg
tokenize(xs:string, xs:string)	xs:string*	breaks input string into tokens
translate(xs:string, xs:string, xs:string)	xs:string	replaces chars of 2nd arg with chars of 3d arg in 1st arg

Conversion Functions

Name, inputs	Output	Effect
data(item()*)	anyAtomicType	extract typed values
number(xs:anyAtomicType)	xs:double	converts input into number
string(item()?)	xs:string	converts input to string

Boolean and sequence Functions

Name, inputs	Output	Effect
boolean(item()*)	xs:boolean	returns effective boolean value.
empty(item()*)	xs:boolean	checks if a sequence is empty
exactly-one(item()*)	xs:boolean	checks if a sequence has exactly one item
one-or-more(item()*)	item()+	returns the argument if it is not empty, otherwise, error
zero-to-one(item()*)	item()?	returns the argument if it is not a compound sequence
position()	xs:integer	position of current context in the context sequence
remove(item()*, xs:integer)	item()*	removes one item from sequence
exists(item()*)	xs:boolean	checks if a sequence is not empty
false()	xs:boolean	returns false
true()	xs:boolean	returns true
not(item()*)	xs:boolean	boolean negation

Effective Boolean Value. Each atomic object in XQuery data model has an effective boolean value. The rules are:

- Empty sequences are false.

- Empty strings are `false`.
- 0 is `false`.
- sequence of more than one item raises an error.
- Non-empty strings are `true`.
- non-zero numbers are `true`.
- nodes (element, attribute) are `true`.
- path expressions are `true` if they evaluate to a nonempty element, `false` if they evaluate to an empty sequence.

Date/Time Functions

Name, inputs	Output	Effect
<code>current-date()</code>	<code>xs:date</code>	returns current date
<code>current-dateTime()</code>	<code>xs:dateTime</code>	returns current date and time
<code>current-time()</code>	<code>xs:time</code>	returns current time
<code>dateTime(xs:date, xs:time)</code>	<code>xs:dateTime</code>	construct date-time value from date and time
<code>day-from-date(xs:date)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns the day portion of the date
<code>day-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns the day portion of the date-time
<code>days-from-duration(xs:duration)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns the number of days from duration
<code>hours-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns hours portion of day-time value
<code>hours-from-duration(xs:duration)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns hours portion of duration value
<code>hours-from-time(xs:time)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns hours portion of time value
<code>minutes-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns minutes portion of dateTime value
<code>minutes-from-duration(xs:duration)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns minutes portion of duration value
<code>minutes-from-time(xs:time)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns minutes portion of time value
<code>months-from-date(xs:date)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns months portion of date value
<code>months-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns months portion of dateTime value
<code>months-from-duration(xs:duration)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns months portion of duration value
<code>seconds-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns seconds portion of dateTime value
<code>seconds-from-duration(xs:duration)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns seconds portion of duration value
<code>seconds-from-time(xs:time)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns seconds portion of time value
<code>year-from-date(xs:date)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns year portion of date value
<code>year-from-dateTime(xs:dateTime)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns year portion of dateTime value
<code>years-from-duration(xs:duration)</code>	<code>xs:integer</code>	returns years portion of duration value

Other Functions

Name, inputs	Output	Effect
<code>id(xs:string*, node())</code>	<code>element()*</code>	converts IDs to elements with these IDs (dereferencing)
<code>idref(xs:string*, node())</code>	<code>node()*</code>	retrieves nodes that contain given IDREFS