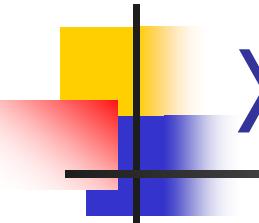


# COMP4317: XML & Database

## Tutorial 8: Streaming Xpath

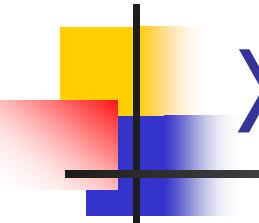
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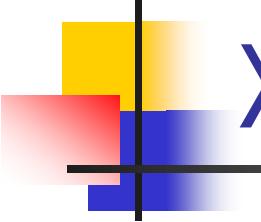
# Xpath Evaluation on Tree

- `void eval(exp, idx, node)`
  - Evaluate filters if any
  - If (`idx1 = slashslash(exp)`)
    - `eval(exp, idx1, node)`
  - If (`exp[idx] == node.tag`)
    - `isEnd(exp, idx)? => return node on result`
    - For any child x of node
      - `eval(exp, idx+1, x)`



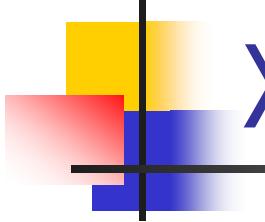
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- KMP/automaton!
- repeated nodes?



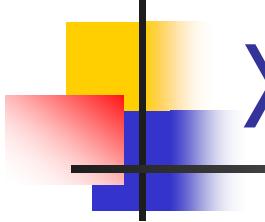
# Xpath Evaluation on Tree (cont.)

- `bool filter_eval(exp, idx, node)`
  - If `exp[idx] == "following-sibling"`
    - `return filter_eval(exp, idx, following(node))`
  - If `(exp[idx] == node.tag)`
    - `isEnd(exp, idx)? => return true`
    - For any child x of node
      - `filter_eval(exp, idx+1, x)`
  - If `(idx1 = slashslash(exp))`
    - `filter_eval(exp, idx1, node)`



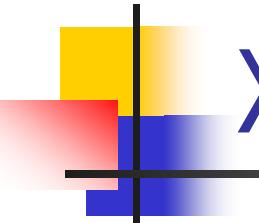
# Xpath Evaluation on Tree

- Travel the tree
  - eval(root)
- Print the result
  - printNodeList
- Disadvantages?
  - Travel a subtree many times
    - (filter, main expression, slashslash expressions)



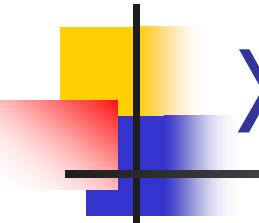
# Xpath Evaluation on Tree

- Multiple recursive function calling
- VS.
- Multiple comparison (on multiple rails)



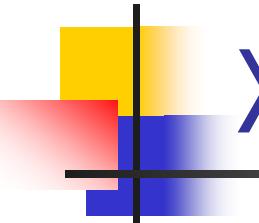
# Xpath Evaluation on Tree

- For each node
  - Evaluate filters if any
  - For each “active” rail r
    - If ( $\text{idx1} = \text{slashslash}(\text{r.exp})$ )
      - Make a new rail  $\text{r1.exp} = \text{r.exp}$ ,  $\text{r1.idx} = \text{idx1}$
    - If ( $\text{r.exp[r.idx]} == \text{node.tag}$ )
      - $\text{isEnd}(\text{r.exp}, \text{r.idx})? \Rightarrow \text{return node on result}$
      - $\text{r.idx}++$



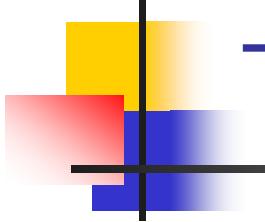
# Xpath Evaluation on Tree

- Active rail?
  - $/a/b \Rightarrow$  level 0 & level 1 only
    - level  $> 1 \Rightarrow$  inactive
  - $//a/b \Rightarrow$  level idx and idx+1 only
    - Rail 1: level 0 and 1
    - Rail 2: level 1 and 2 (dup.)
    - Rail 3: level 2 and 3 (dup. of rail 2)
    - e.t.c.



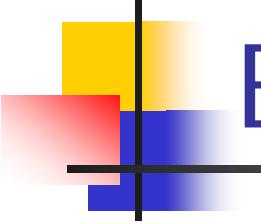
# Xpath Evaluation on Tree

- Filter?
  - Filter rail
    - Stop at the first satisfied filter instance
      - Stop all other instance filter rail for the same subtree root **node**
  - End of a node?
    - All remained filter rails for that node are failed!
      - Remove a node from the candidate result list



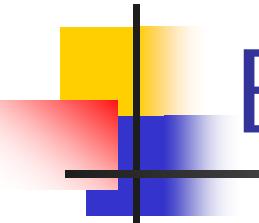
# Streaming Xpath Evaluation – Top-down evaluation

- **startElement**
  - For each active rail r
    - If ( $\text{idx1} = \text{slashslash}(r.\text{exp})$ )
      - Make a new rail  $r1.\text{exp} = r.\text{exp}$ ,  $r1.\text{idx} = \text{idx1}$
    - If ( $r.\text{exp}[r.\text{idx}] == \text{node.tag}$ )
      - $\text{isEnd}(r.\text{exp}, r.\text{idx})? \Rightarrow$  return node on result  
(building subtree from here!)
      - $r.\text{idx}++$



# Streaming Xpath Evaluation – Bottom-up evaluation

- Reverse expression
- endElement
  - All nodes from the root to that node are on the stack (reverse order)
    - If exp is matched back to the root => result
      - Just like a string to other string!

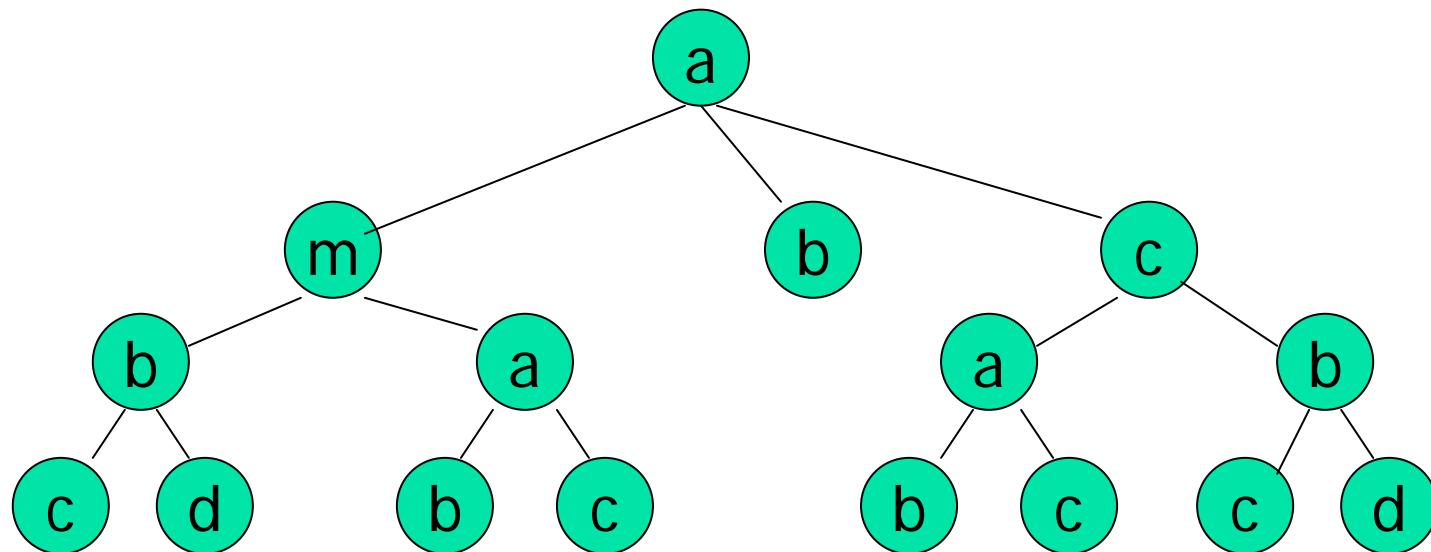


# Example

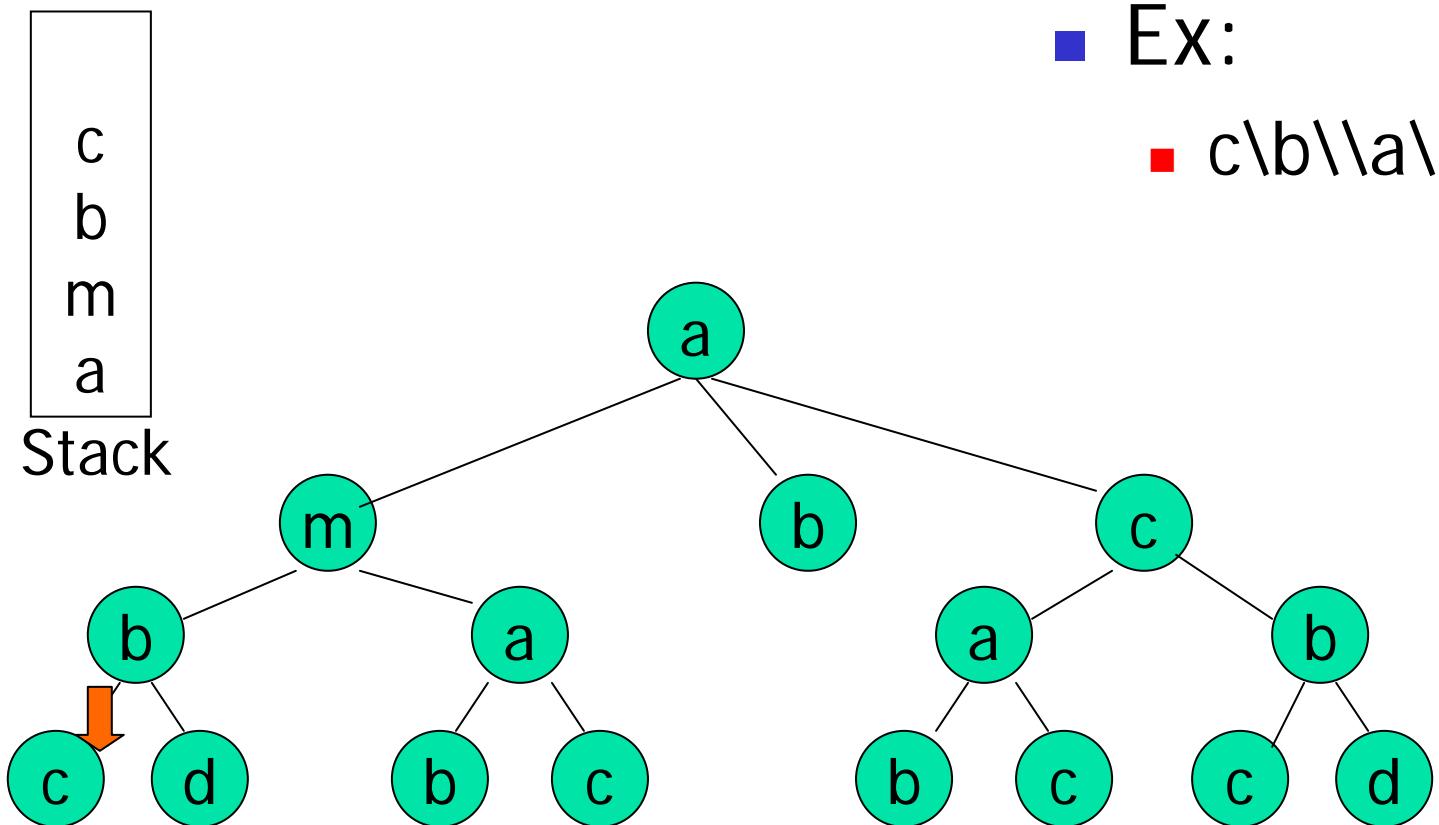
- Expression:
  - /a//b/c
- Reverse:
  - c\b\\a\

# Bottom-up Evaluation

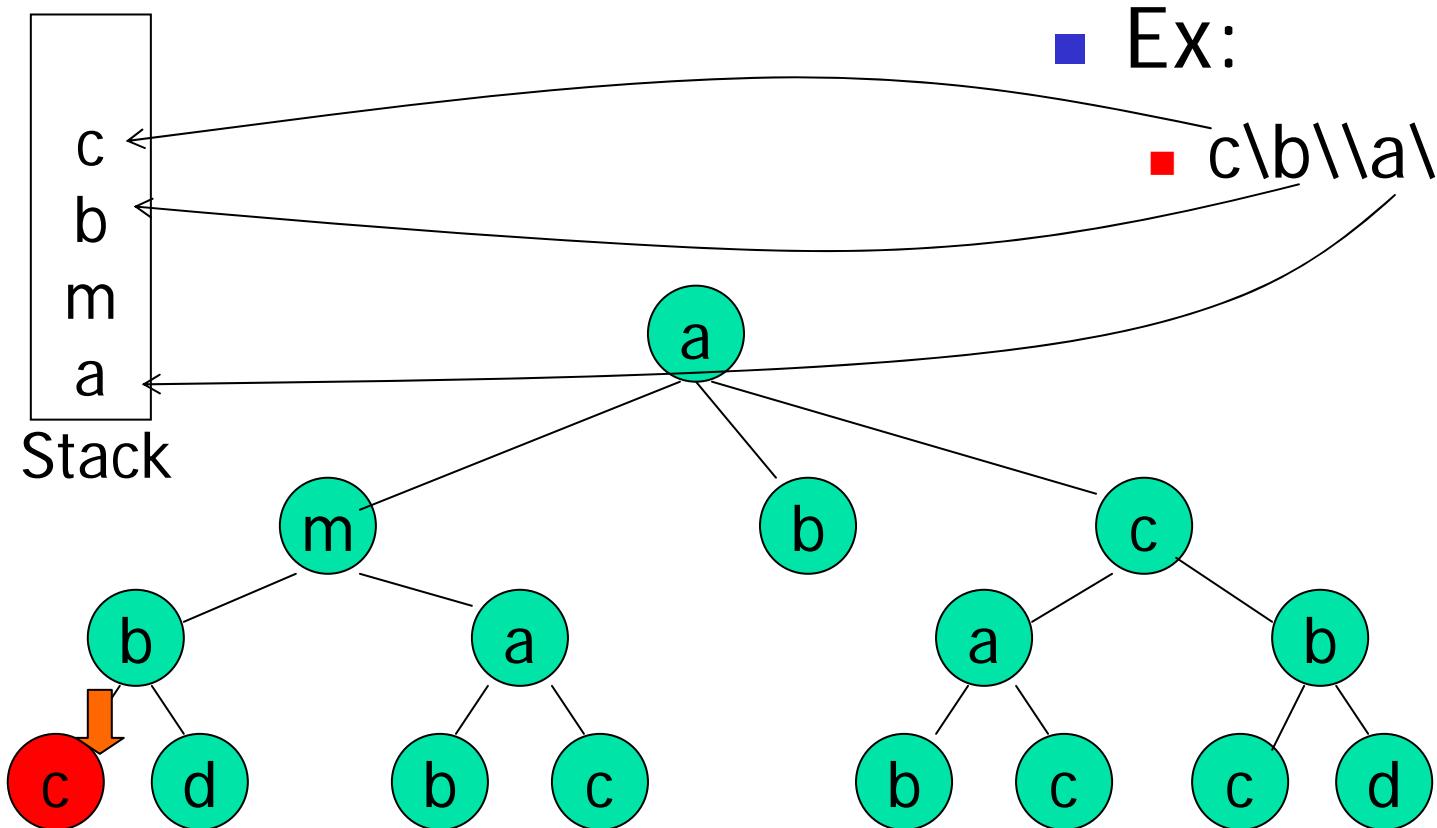
- Ex:
  - c\b\\a\



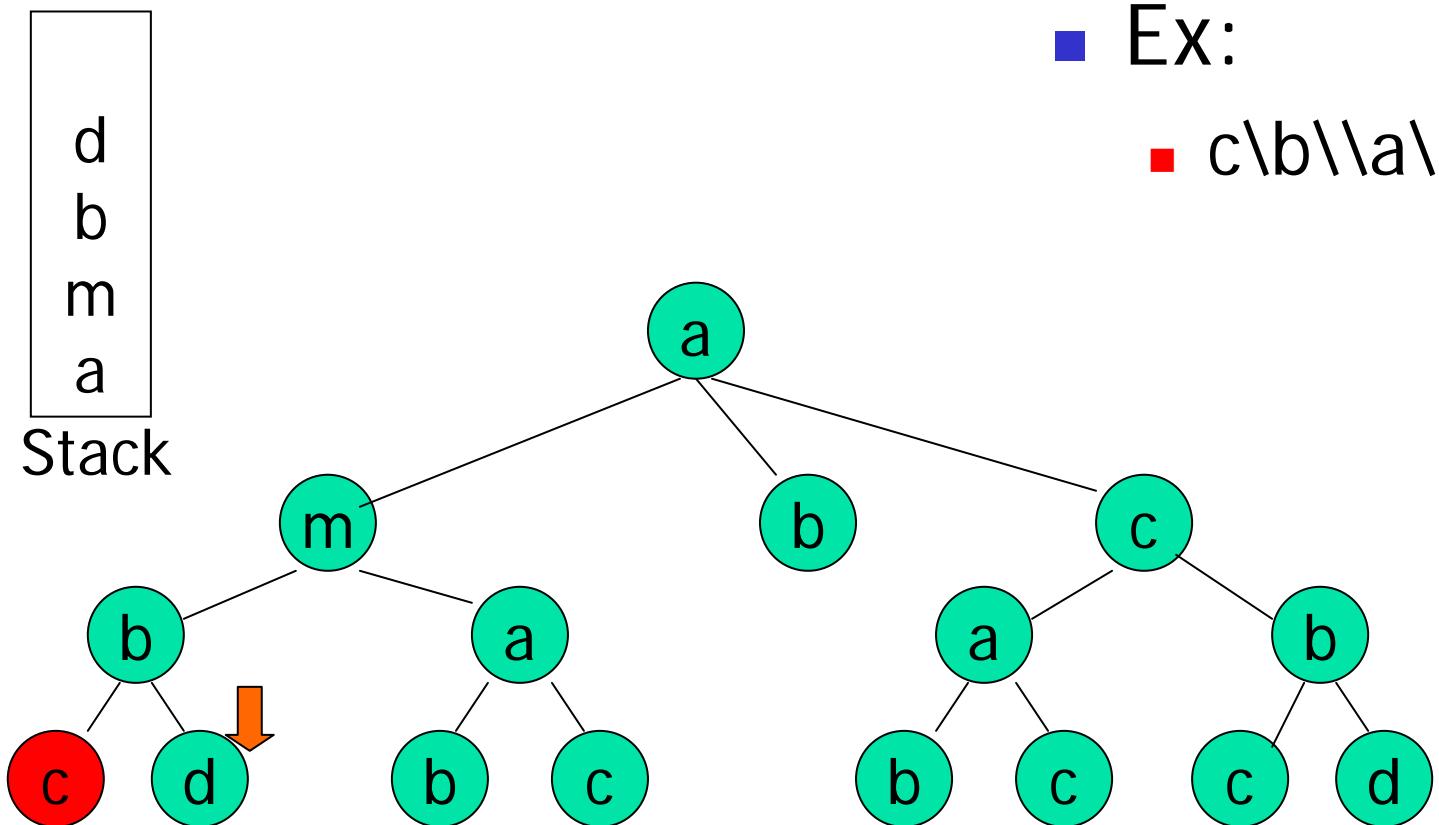
# Bottom-up Evaluation



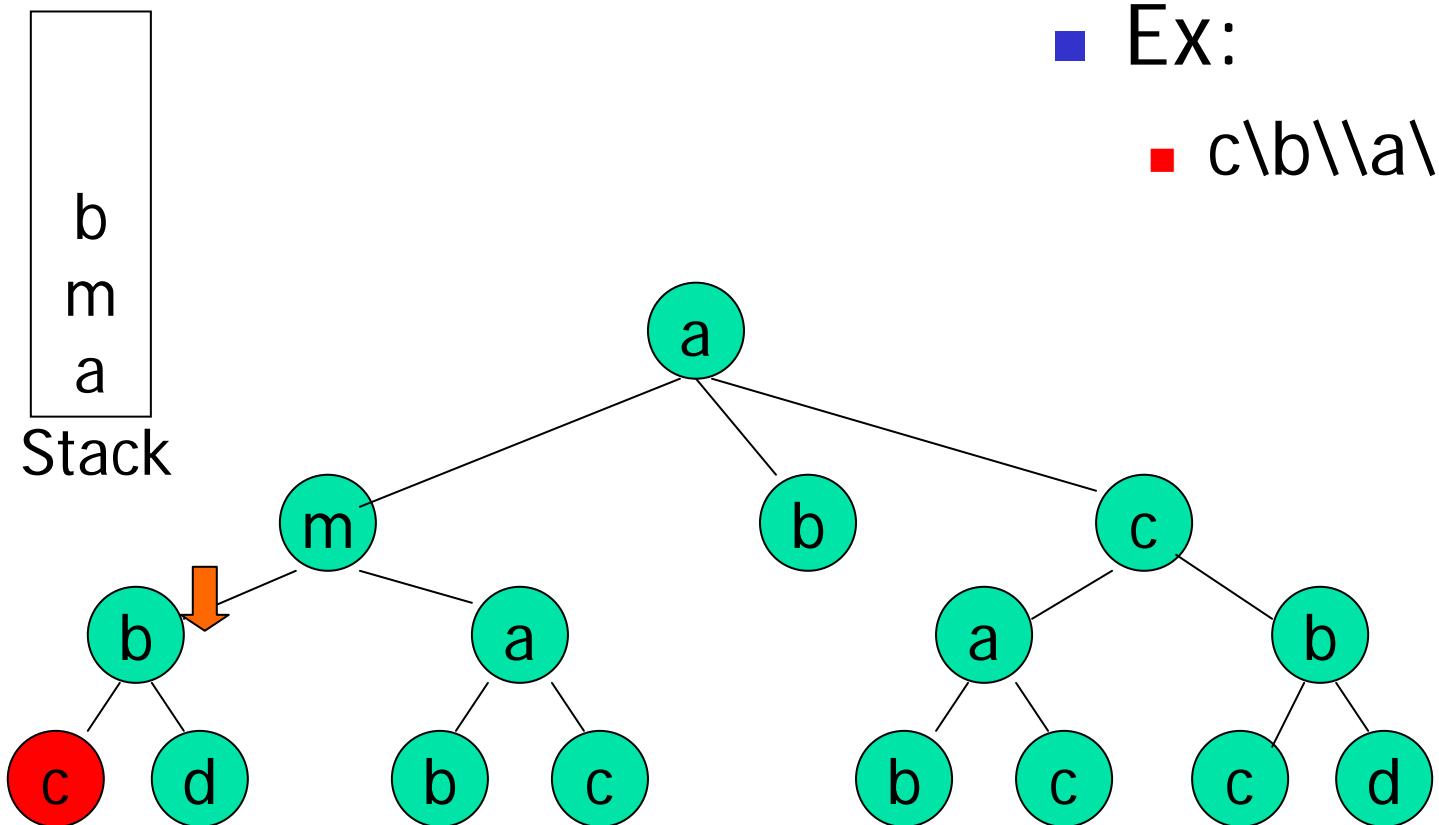
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