



# Augmenting In-house and Vendor-supplied MARC Records

## Automating Batch-Derive of ETD records by XSLT

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# Thesis & Dissertation cataloging at MSU

- ★ Cataloged theses & dissertations in print and microfiche formats only until 2009
  - ★ Subject analysis (LCSH)
  - ★ Authority control of author names
  - ★ Both single and separate approaches

# ETD cataloging at MSU

- ✦ In 2009, started to catalog full-text electronic theses & dissertations available in ProQuest
  - ✦ Separate record approach
  - ✦ Derive from print records
    - Copy and paste permanent URLs from ProQuest
    - For current cataloging only
  - ✦ Not systematic in retrospective

# Recent Task

- ★ To catalog MSU's ETDs (1997 to current) with full-text access in ProQuest
  - Total: ~8300
  - Rationale
    - Access to full-text ETDs originated from CIC institutions (1997 to current)
    - Plan to share ETD MARC records among CIC institutions
  - Deduplication necessary

# Option 1: Manual Derive

## ★ Advantages:

- ★ Established procedure
- ★ Same look & feel compared to existing ETD records
  - Consistency in subject & name access

## ★ Disadvantages:

- ★ Slow & repetitive
  - Copy & paste of permanent URLs one at a time
  - Key in identical & similar information repeatedly
    - Can be mitigated by using constant data
- ★ Coordination required if more than one staff involved

# Option 2: Batch Loading ProQuest MARC Records

## ★ Advantages:

### ★ Data elements

- Permanent URL to individual ETD record page
- Unique identifiers
  - Useful for deduplication for future incremental loads
- Basic description: Title, Author main entry, Degree type, Date, Pagination for the main text
- Abstract by author

### ★ Time-saving

- Batch processing, e.g. adding GMD

# Option 2: Batch Loading ProQuest MARC Records

## ☀ Disadvantages

- ☀ Inconsistent look & feel and/or access between print & electronic
  - No LCSH, only broad descriptors available, e.g. American studies
  - No authority control of names
  - No Dept./Program name in 502
  - Typos in title
  - Title transcription not following AACR2 rules
    - Auto correction of typo instead of using [sic] or [i.e. ...]
    - Inputting special characters, symbols, or superscripts as is
  - Incorrect degree type

# Option 2: Batch Loading ProQuest MARC Records

## ✦ Disadvantages

- ✦ Lacking certain data elements
  - 245\$c → can be added by manipulating 100
  - 006, 007, GMD → can be added in batch
- ✦ 245\$a & 245\$b merged into one 245\$a
  - Can be separated by conditional processing
- ✦ “Junk fields”, e.g. school code, descriptor code
  - Can be removed in batch



=LDR 02323nam 2200325 4500

=001 AAI9734166

=005 20091116134751.5

=008 091116s1997\\|eng\d

=020 \\\$a9780591441529

=035 \\\$a(UMI)AAI9734166

=040 \\\$aUMI\$cUMI

=100 1\\\$aPaino, Troy Dale.

=245 14\$aThe end of nostalgia: A cultural history of Indiana high school basketball during the Progressive Era.

=300 \\\$a220 p.

=500 \\\$aSource: Dissertation Abstracts International, Volume: 58-05, Section: A, page: 1881.

=502 \\\$aThesis (Ph.D.)--Michigan State University, 1997.

=520 \\\$aThe process of negotiation between producers and consumers created a varied and complex set of cultural meanings in the community support for high school basketball in the three Indiana cities ...



=590 \\\$aSchool code: 0128.

=650 \\4\$aAmerican Studies.

=650 \\4\$aHistory, United States.

=650 \\4\$aHistory, Modern.

=690 \\\$a0323

=690 \\\$a0337

=690 \\\$a0582

=710 2\\\$aMichigan State University.

=773 0\\\$tDissertation Abstracts International\$g58-05A.

=790 \\\$a0128

=791 \\\$aPh.D.

=792 \\\$a1997

=856 \\\$u[http://gateway.proquest.com/openurl?url\\_ver=Z39.88-2004&rft\\_val\\_fmt=info:ofi/fmt:kev:mtx:dissertation&res\\_dat=xri:pqdi ss&rft\\_dat=xri:pqdiss:9734166](http://gateway.proquest.com/openurl?url_ver=Z39.88-2004&rft_val_fmt=info:ofi/fmt:kev:mtx:dissertation&res_dat=xri:pqdi ss&rft_dat=xri:pqdiss:9734166)

# Option 3: Matching & Batch-derive

## ★ Advantages

- ★ Consistency in look and feel, and access
  - Deriving from print records
- ★ Efficient
  - Deriving in batch
  - Automatic carry over corresponding permanent URL

## ★ Challenges

- ★ To identify suitable technology
- ★ To find match point(s)

# Technology

- ★ XSLT (Extensible Stylesheet Language Transformation)
  - Within the family of XML
    - Case sensitive
    - Current version: 2.0
  - “Transformation” means:
    - Manipulation of XML documents by creating a new document based on the original document
  - Common usages in library context
    - Web display
      - e.g. converting EAD into HTML for display
    - Metadata crosswalking
      - Data selection and manipulation

# Technology

## ✦ XSLT

- ✦ Multiple inputs and outputs
- ✦ Comparing data from multiple inputs
  - ✦ document ( )
  - ✦ key ( )

# Match Strategy

- ✦ Characteristics of thesis & dissertation records
  - ✦ Identical titles uncommon
  - ✦ Special characters (e.g. scientific notations) not uncommon in title info
  - ✦ Full name in statement of responsibility
  - ✦ Multiple contributions by one author
  - ✦ Affecting uniqueness and reliability of match points

# Match Strategy

## ★ MSU record

- ★ 001 (OCLC & Skyriver no.)
- ★ 100 (Author name)
- ★ 245\$a (Title proper)
- ★ 245\$b (Other title info)
- ★ 245\$c (statement of responsibility)
- ★ 260\$c (Date on t.p.)
- ★ 502 (Degree type, Date of acceptance)

## ★ ProQuest record

- ★ 001 (UMI no.)
- ★ 020 (ISBN)
- ★ 100 (Author name)
- ★ 245\$a (Title proper & other title info)
- ★ 502 (Degree type, Date)
- ★ 791 (Degree type)
- ★ 792 (Date)

# Match Strategy

- ✦ No common unique identifier
- ✦ “Common” data
  - ✦ Author name
    - No Authority control
  - ✦ Title
    - Merged 245\$a & 245\$b
    - Typos and different transcription rule
  - ✦ Date
    - Nature of date uncertain
  - ✦ Degree type



# Match Strategy

## ★ String matching

### ● Matching with single criterion

- Useful for matching unique values
- Possibility of false hit

### ● Matching with multiple criteria

- Useful for matching values that are not unique by themselves but unique when combined, e.g. author name + date
- Possibility of false drop caused by error in data

# Match Strategy

## ★ String matching

### ✿ Exact match

- Pattern specified equals to the string
- Will fail when different in capitalization, punctuation, spacing, etc.
  - Requires pre-match string normalization

### ✿ Fuzzy match

- Existence of certain pattern in any part of a string
- Prone to false hit
  - Requires additional matching

### ✿ Multi-step matching

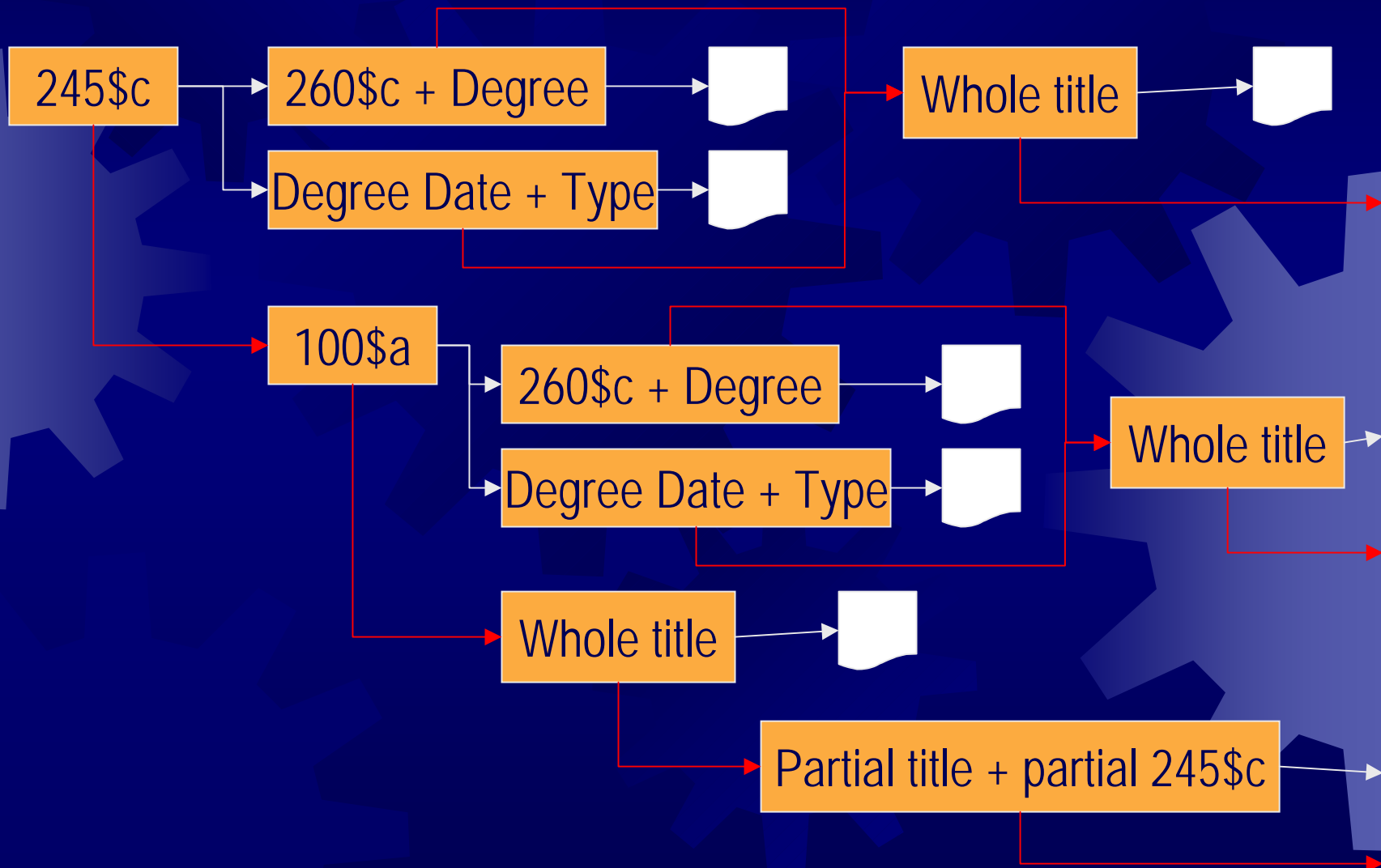
- Serialization of conditional processing, i.e. series of True/False tests and corresponding action(s)

# Match Strategy

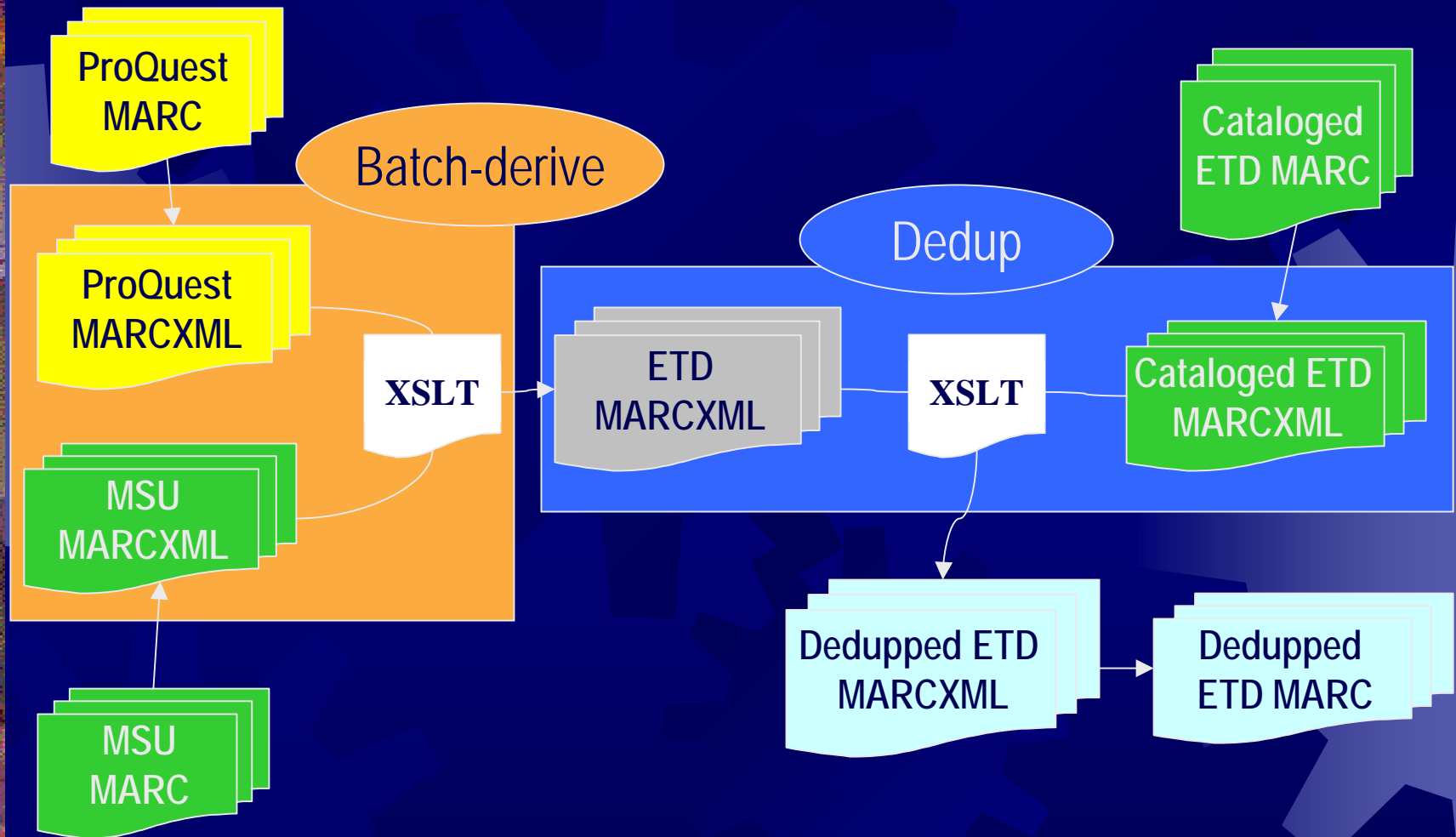
- ☀ Matching criteria implemented

- ☀ Different combinations of Title (complete/partial string), Name (complete/partial string), Date (complete string), Degree type (partial string)
- ☀ Create new matching point from existing data
  - Flip MARC 100 in ProQuest records into direct order → used to compare with 245\$c from MSU print records

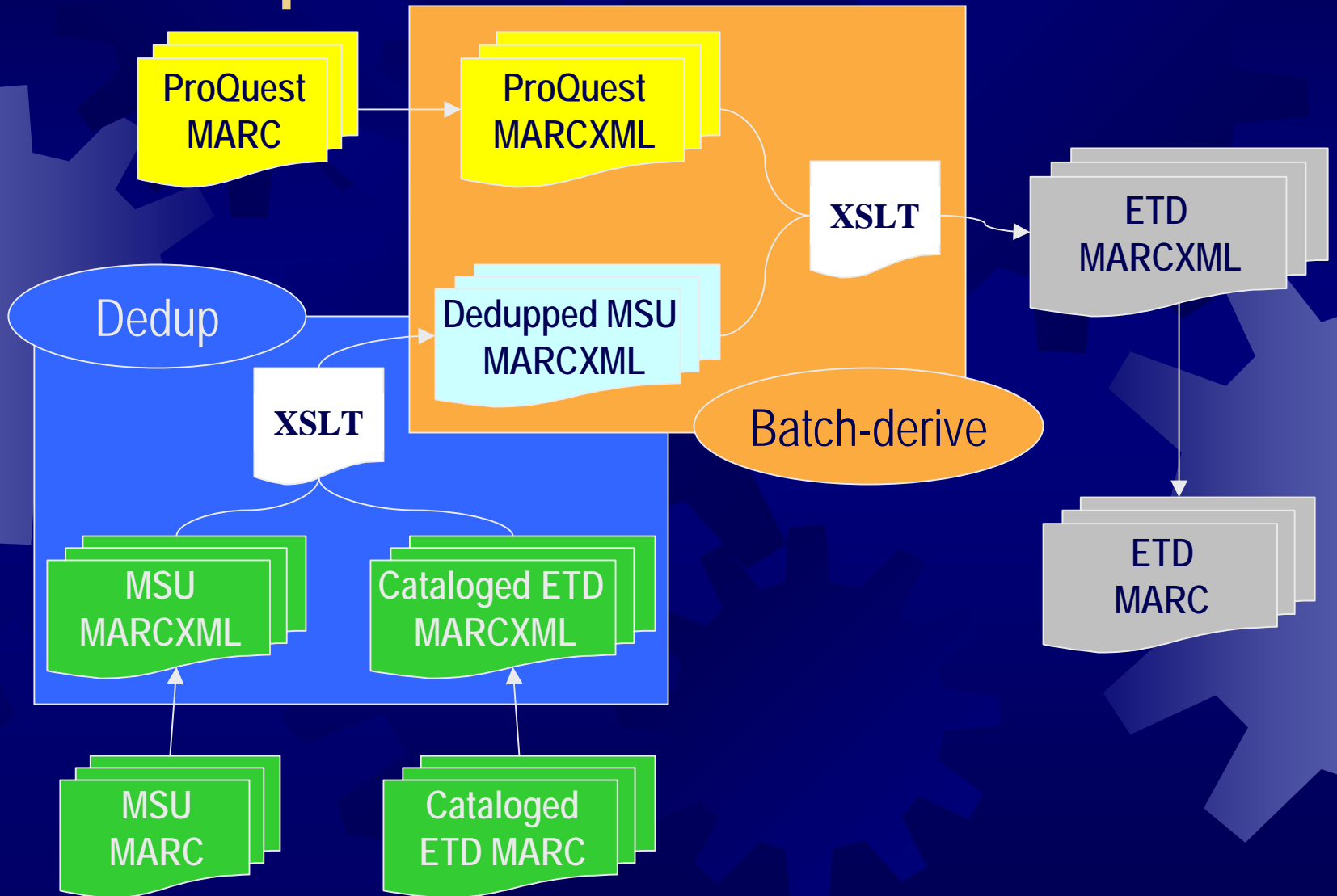
# Match Strategy



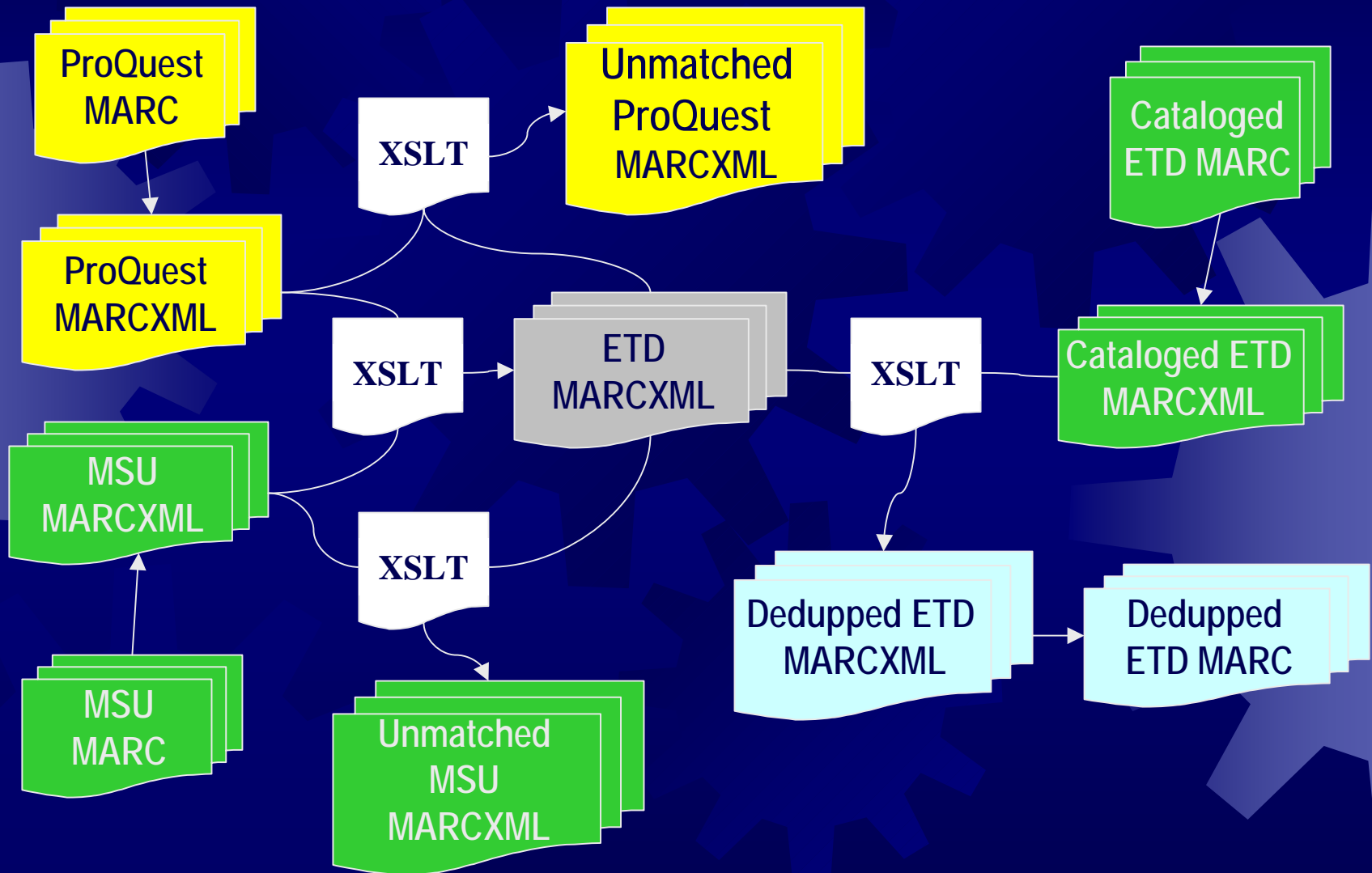
# Batch-derive & Dedup Process



# Alternative Batch-derive & Dedup Process



# Batch-derive & Dedup Process



# XSLT for Batch-derive Action

## ★ Three templates

### ★ Matching template

- To compare data elements between MSU and ProQuest MARCXMLs
- Once matched:
  1. Derive from MSU print MARCXML
  2. Copy data from ProQuest MARCXML

### ★ Derive template

- To derive MARC fields and data from print counterpart (MSU print thesis MARCXML)
- To insert new data into output
- To try correcting data

### ★ Copy template

- To copy data from ProQuest records
  - ISBN, UMI no., Permanent URL



# XSLT for Dedup Action

## ★ Dedup Template

- ★ To compare MARC field 245 between the output “ETD MARCXML” from batch-derive action and “Cataloged ETD MARCXML”
- ★ Output unique titles only

# Matching Template

## ★ Conditional processing

- Specify matching criteria and corresponding action(s)
- XSLT elements: `<xsl:choose>` in combination with `<xsl:when>` & `<xsl:otherwise>`
- XSLT functions:
  - `document( )`
    - Introduce an external XML document into the current context document
    - Need to keep track which the current context document is
  - `contains( )`, `matches( )`, `starts-with( )`, `ends-with( )`
    - Pre-match string manipulation
  - `boolean( )`
    - Existence of a node (i.e. MARC field or subfield)

# Matching Template

```
<xsl:when test="document('MSUprintThesis.xml')/marc:record[normalize-space(substring-after(translate(translate(lower-case(marc:datafield[@tag=245]/marc:subfield[@code='c']),$symbols,$spaces),$apos,' '), 'by '))=$doc1flipped100]">
```

Key in MSU XML

```
<xsl:for-each select="...">
```

Select MSU XML when matched

```
<xsl:choose>
```

```
<xsl:when test="substring(replace(translate(translate(replace(marc:datafield[@tag=260]/marc:subfield[@code='c'],'c',' '),$symbols,$spaces),'[ ]',' '),',' '),1,4)=$doc1Year">
```

```
<xsl:choose>
```

```
<xsl:when test="lower-case(substring(substring-after(marc:datafield[@tag=502]/marc:subfield[@code='a'],' '),1,1))=$doc1Degree">
```

```
<marc:record>
```

```
<xsl:call-template name="print2Electronic"/>
```

```
<xsl:for-each select="$ProQuestPosition">
```

```
<xsl:call-template name="ProQuestElements"/>
```

```
</xsl:for-each>
```

```
</marc:record>
```

...

```
</xsl:when>
```

```
<xsl:otherwise>
```

```
<xsl:choose>
```

```
<xsl:when test="$doc2normalized502Date=$doc1Year">
```

Insert <marc:record>  
and trigger derive &  
copy templates

Select original  
ProQuest XML

Execute tests under  
<xsl:otherwise> when  
<xsl:when> fails

# Derive Template

- ★ Direct copy data from print records

- MARC leader, 041, 043, 100, 260, 546

- <xsl:copy-of>

- <xsl:copy-of select="\*[not(self::marc:controlfield[001 &lt;= @tag and @tag &lt;= 009])][not(self::marc:datafield[010 &lt;= @tag and @tag &lt;= 040])][not(self::marc:datafield[049 &lt;= @tag and @tag &lt;= 099])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=245])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=300])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=500])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=502])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=504])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=530])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=533])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=590])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=856])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=866])][not(self::marc:datafield[@tag=867])][not(self::marc:datafield[900 &lt;= @tag and @tag &lt;= 999])]" />

# Derive Template

- ★ Hard-code (i.e. writing) text into output document
  - =003 SKY
  - =006 m\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\d\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
  - =007 cr\\bn\\a
  - =040 \\\$aEEM\$cEEM
  - =049 \\\$aQEMO\$aEEMT
  - =099 \\\$aMSU ONLINE THESIS
  - =538 \\\$aMode of access: World Wide Web.
  - =500 \\\$aDescription based on print version record.
  - =655 \\0\$aElectronic dissertations.

# Derive Template

- ★ Example:

```
<marc:datafield tag="049" ind1=" " ind2=" " >  
  <marc:subfield code="a">QEMO</marc:subfield>  
  <marc:subfield code="a">EEMT</marc:subfield>  
</marc:datafield>
```

# Derive Template

## ★ Merge new text into existing string

### ● <xsl:value-of>

- Copying data from a node

### ● <xsl:text>

- Hard-coding text into output

### ● Substring( ), substring-before( ), substring-after( )

- Selecting part of a string

### ● Example

#### ● 008

- Insert “s” in byte 23 (Form), “b” in byte 24 (Cont), “m” in byte 25
- =008 010918s2000\\\\xx\\a\\\\sbm\\\\000\\0\\eng\\d

# Derive Template

```
<marc:controlfield tag="008">  
  <xsl:value-of  
select="substring(marc:controlfield[@tag=008],1,23)"/>  
  <xsl:text>sbm</xsl:text>  
  <xsl:value-of  
select="substring(marc:controlfield[@tag=008],27)"/>  
</marc:controlfield>
```



# Derive Template

- ★ Replace existing data with new data

- replace( ), translate( )
  - Useful for data correction

- Example:

- Replace “PH.D.” with “Ph. D.” in 502

```
<xsl:for-each
select="marc:datafield[@tag=502]/marc:subfield[@code='a']">
  <marc:datafield tag="502" ind1=" " ind2=" " >
    <marc:subfield code="a">
      <xsl:value-of select="replace(.,'PH.D.','Ph. D.')" />
    </marc:subfield>
  </marc:datafield>
</xsl:for-each>
```

# Derive Template

## ★ Conditional processing

- Action(s) based on fulfillment of certain condition(s)
- XSLT elements: `<xsl:if>`, `<xsl:choose>` in combination with `<xsl:when>` & `<xsl:otherwise>`
- XSLT functions: `contains( )`, `matches( )`, `starts-with( )`, `ends-with( )`, `boolean( )`

## ★ Example 1

- Inserting 245\$h [electronic resource]
  - Mix of single record and separate record approaches
  - Existence of \$b → punctuation after \$h

# Derive Template

```
<xsl:choose>
  <xsl:when test="marc:subfield[@code='h']">
    ...
  </xsl:when>
  <xsl:otherwise>
    <marc:subfield code='a'><xsl:value-of select="normalize-
      space(substring(normalize-space(marc:subfield[@code='a']),1,string-
        length(marc:subfield[@code='a']-1))"/></marc:subfield>
    <xsl:choose>
      <xsl:when test="marc:subfield[@code='b']">
        <marc:subfield code="h">[electronic resource] :</marc:subfield>
      </xsl:when>
      <xsl:otherwise>
        <marc:subfield code="h">[electronic resource] /</marc:subfield>
      </xsl:otherwise>
    </xsl:choose>
    <xsl:copy-of select="marc:subfield[@code!='a']"/>
  </xsl:otherwise>
</xsl:choose>
```

Existence of \$h

Existence of \$b

# Derive Template

## Example 2

- Insert correct OCLC no. into 776\$w

```
<marc:subfield code='w'>
  <xsl:text>(OCoLC)</xsl:text>
  <xsl:choose>
    <xsl:when test="count(preceding-sibling::marc:controlfield
  <@tag=001>)>2">
      <xsl:for-each select="preceding-sibling::marc:controlfield
  <@tag=001>[contains(lower-case
  <self::marc:controlfield[@tag=001]),'paper']">
        <xsl:value-of select="normalize-space(substring-before(.,'('))"/>
      </xsl:for-each>
    </xsl:when>
    <xsl:otherwise>
      <xsl:value-of select="preceding-sibling::marc:controlfield
  <@tag=001>"/>
    </xsl:otherwise>
  </xsl:choose>
</marc:subfield>
```

Existence of  
Multiple 001

Select 001 tagged  
"paper"

# Copy Template

- ★ Moving data into a different MARC field

- ★ To move UMI no. from 001 to 028

Create a new field

```
<marc:datafield tag="028" ind1="5" ind2="0">  
  <marc:subfield code="a">
```

```
    <xsl:value-of select="substring-after  
      (marc:controlfield[@tag=001],'AAI')"/>
```

```
  </marc:subfield>
```

Copy data from 001

```
  <marc:subfield code="b">UMI</marc:subfield>
```

```
</marc:datafield>
```

# Copy Template

## ★ Create EZProxy link

★ <xsl:value-of>, <xsl:text>

```
<marc:datafield tag="856" ind1="4" ind2="0">
```

```
<marc:subfield code="u">
```

```
<xsl:text>http://ezproxy.msu.edu:2047/login?url=</xsl:text>
```

```
<xsl:value-of
```

```
select="marc:datafield[@tag=856]/marc:subfield[@code='u']"/>
```

```
</marc:subfield>
```

```
<marc:subfield code="z">Connect to online resource - MSU
```

```
authorized users</marc:subfield>
```

```
</marc:datafield>
```

Insert EZProxy  
prefix

Copy link from  
ProQuest record

# Dedup Template

- ✦ Compare MARC 245 between Output from batch-derive action and “Cataloged ETD MARCXML”
- ✦ Output unique titles only

# Dedup Template

```
<xsl:template match="marc:record">
```

Set current context  
as a variable

```
<xsl:variable name="doc1Position" select="self::marc:record"/>
```

```
<xsl:variable name="catalogedETD245"  
select="marc:datafield[@tag=245]/marc:subfield[@code='a']"/>
```

```
<xsl:choose>
```

```
<xsl:when  
test="document('CatalogedETD.xml')//marc:record[marc:datafield  
d[@tag=245]/marc:subfield[@code='a']=$catalogedETD245]"/>
```

```
<xsl:otherwise>
```

```
<xsl:copy-of select="$doc1Position"/>
```

```
</xsl:otherwise>
```

```
</xsl:choose>
```

```
</xsl:template>
```

No action when  
matched

Copy when not  
matched



# Implementation Issues

- ★ Inconsistency in cataloging practice
  - Single vs Separate record approach
    - Need to build in extra steps to account for exceptions
  - Transcription approach in ProQuest records
    1. Auto correction of typo in title
    2. Special characters
    3. Random translation of terms, e.g. U.S. → United States
    - Hard to predict and account for in XSLT
    - Need to rely on other matching criteria, e.g. Name + Date

# Implementation Issues

## ☀ Mistakes in ProQuest data

1. Typos in title
2. Incorrect date info
3. Incorrect degree type, e.g. M.U.P. vs M.U.R.P.
  - Matching by 1<sup>st</sup> character → false hit possible
4. Wrong spacing/ word division
  - Normalize string to take out white space

# Implementation Issues

## ✦ Mistakes in MSU data

- ✦ Missing subfield code, e.g. 245\$c
- ✦ Typos in names
  - e.g. Michael Jay Renner → Michael Jan Renner

## ✦ Mismatch in scope of data

### ✦ ProQuest

- Published in Dissertation & Thesis Abstract & Index between 1997 & 2008
- Full-text only

### ✦ MSU

- 260\$c or Degree date (502)
- Not all print theses between 1997 & 2008 are received and/or cataloged
- ✦ No corresponding targets to match against

# Limitations of XSLT

## ☀ True/False matching

- ✱ Not approximate string matching
- ✱ Zero tolerance to differences between targets
  - No way to set a threshold of how close two matched

## ☀ Case-sensitive

- ✱ Normalization needed
  - Implication on processing time

# Limitations of XSLT

## ☀ Computer processing power

☀ > 60 min.

- Intel Core 2 Duo 2.00GHz, 4 GB RAM, oXygen
- Large XML file sizes
  - 42 MB in XML, but 24 MB in .mrc
  - Open 2 40 MB files and write a new 40 MB file
- Pre-test string manipulation & multi-step string matching
- Should use stand-alone command line XSLT processor?

# Possible adaptations

- ☀ Original ETD cataloging workflow
  1. Batch process ProQuest records
  2. Enhanced and corrected by catalogers
  3. Batch derive records for print and microfiche

# Possible adaptations

## ☀ Batch-derive from print to electronic

### ☀ Hathi Trust records

- Text-delimited file with OCLC no. & “volume identifier” pair
  1. Batch search records of print version by OCLC no. in ILS or Connexion
  2. Batch derive from print records
  3. OCLC no. as match point → plug-in the “volume identifier” in new record
  4. Create URL by appending “volume identifier” to handle prefix (<http://hdl.handle.net/2027/>)

# Reflections

- ★ Unique identifiers vital for matching
  - ★ Copied ISBN and UMI no. from ProQuest records
- ★ Effective matching requires familiarity of source data → normal pattern & exceptions
- ★ Efficiency of perfecting XSLT to cover all exceptions??





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