

# Semi-structured Data

## 6 - XPath (further examples)

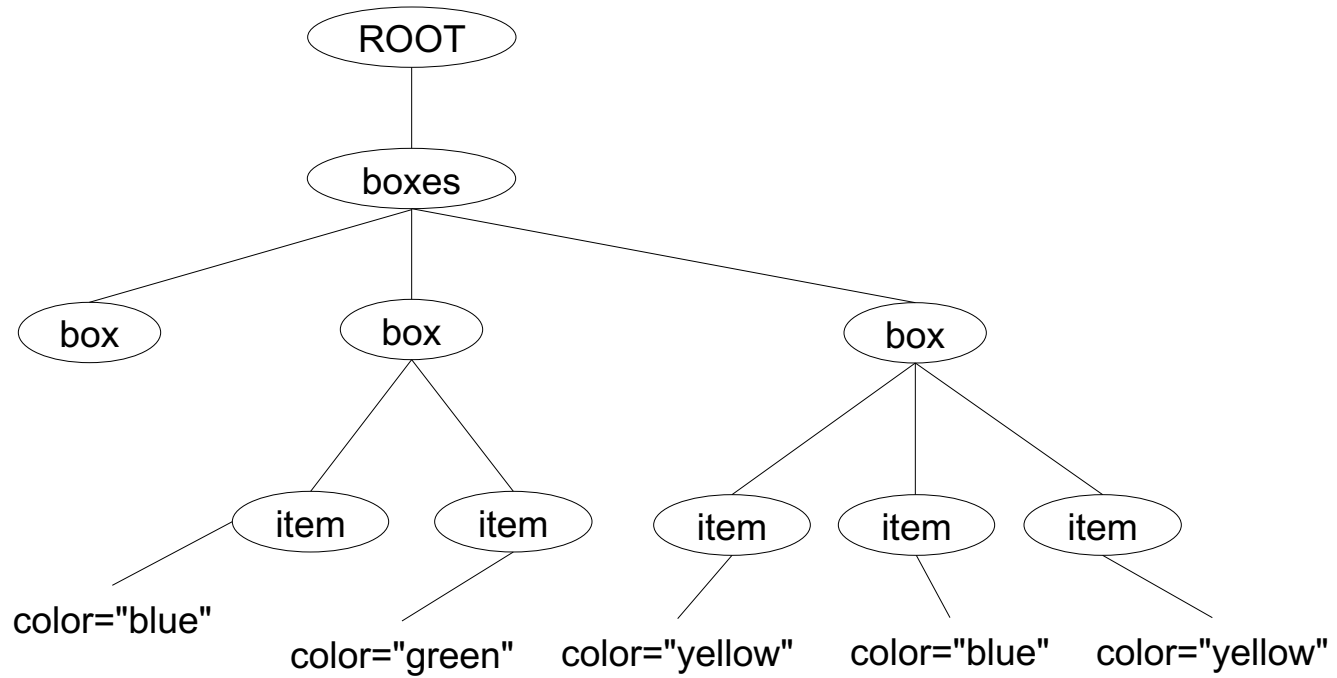
# Tools

- Web-based Tools:
  - PathEnq: <http://www.qutoric.com/xslt/analyser/xpathtool.html>
  - xPath tester: <http://www.xpathtester.com/xpath>
- Example documents: in the TUWEL course

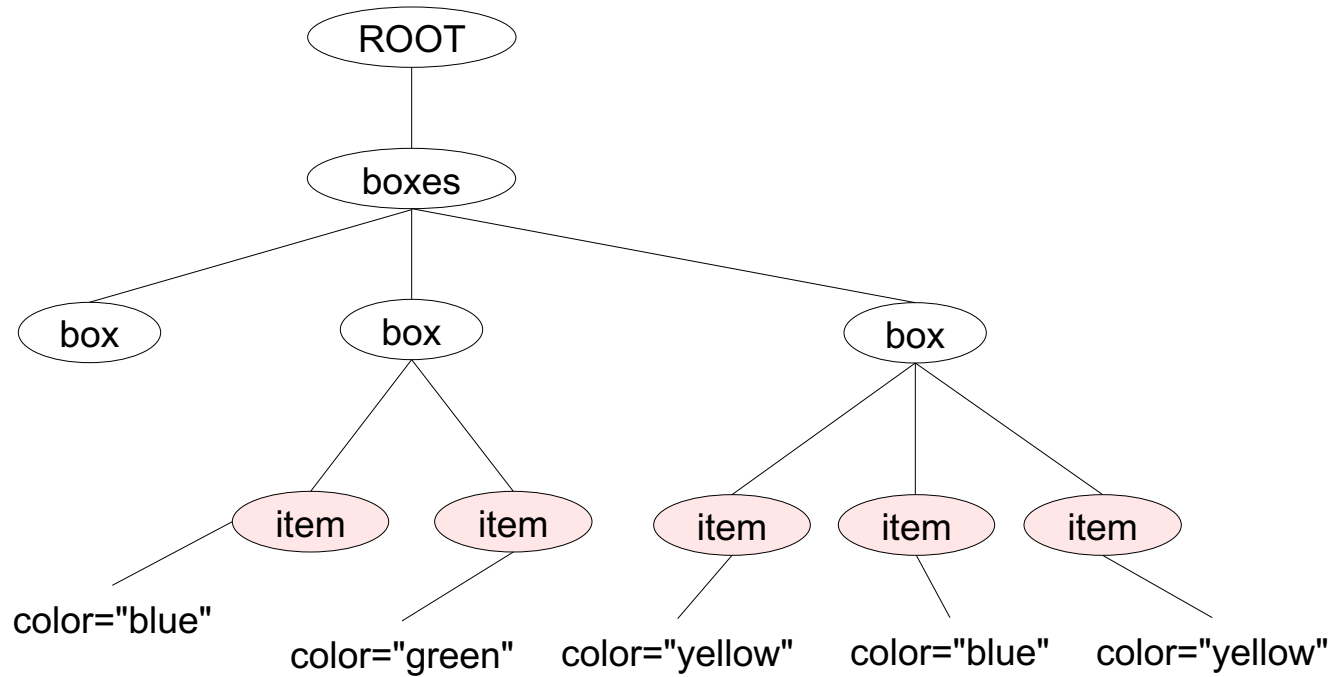
# Further Examples

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<boxes>
  <box/>
  <box>
    <item color="blue"/>
    <item color="green"/>
  </box>
  <box>
    <item color="yellow"/>
    <item color="blue"/>
    <item color="yellow"/>
  </box>
</boxes>
```

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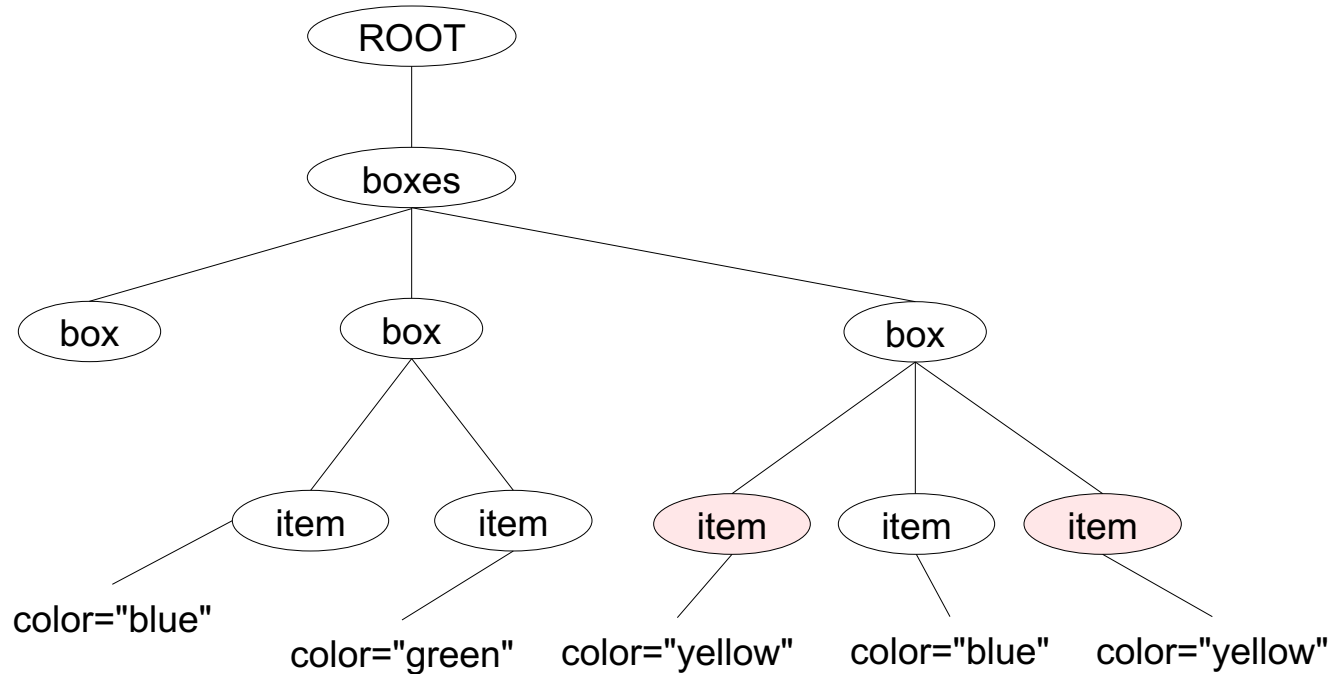
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select all items in a box

`//box/item`

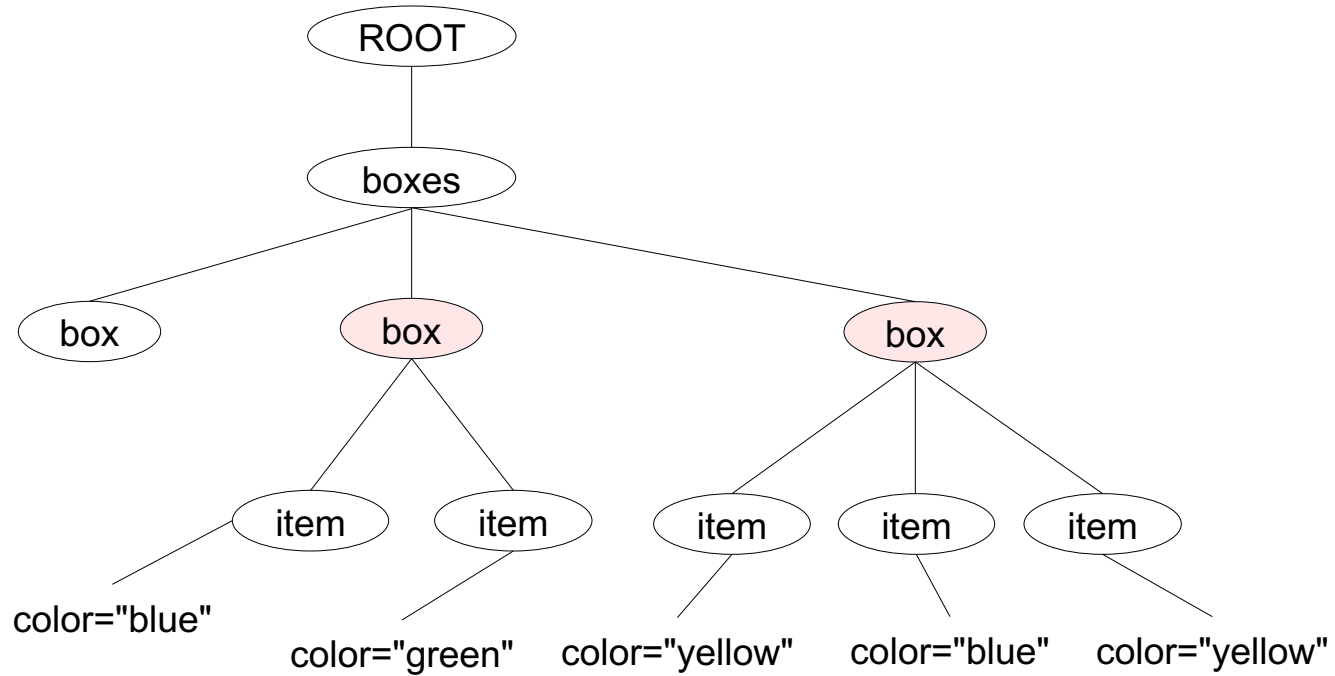
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select yellow items in a box

```
//box/item[@color="yellow"]
```

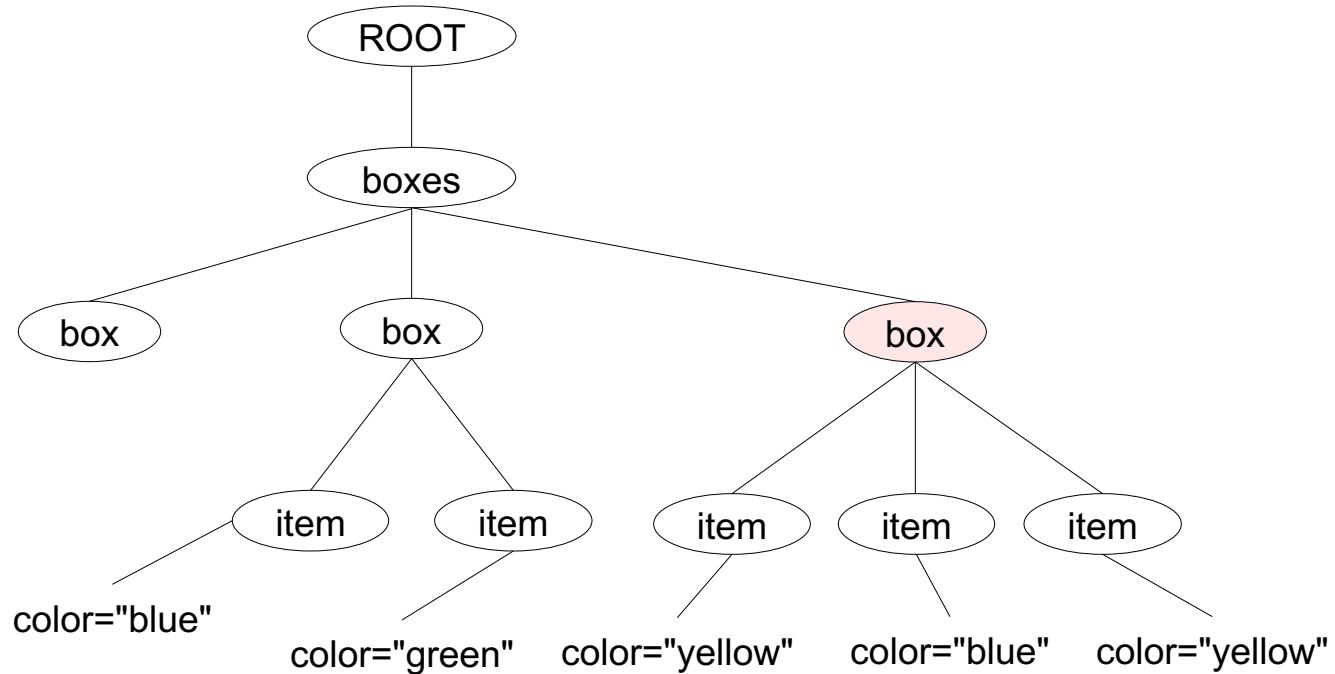
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select all boxes with at least one item

`//box[item]`

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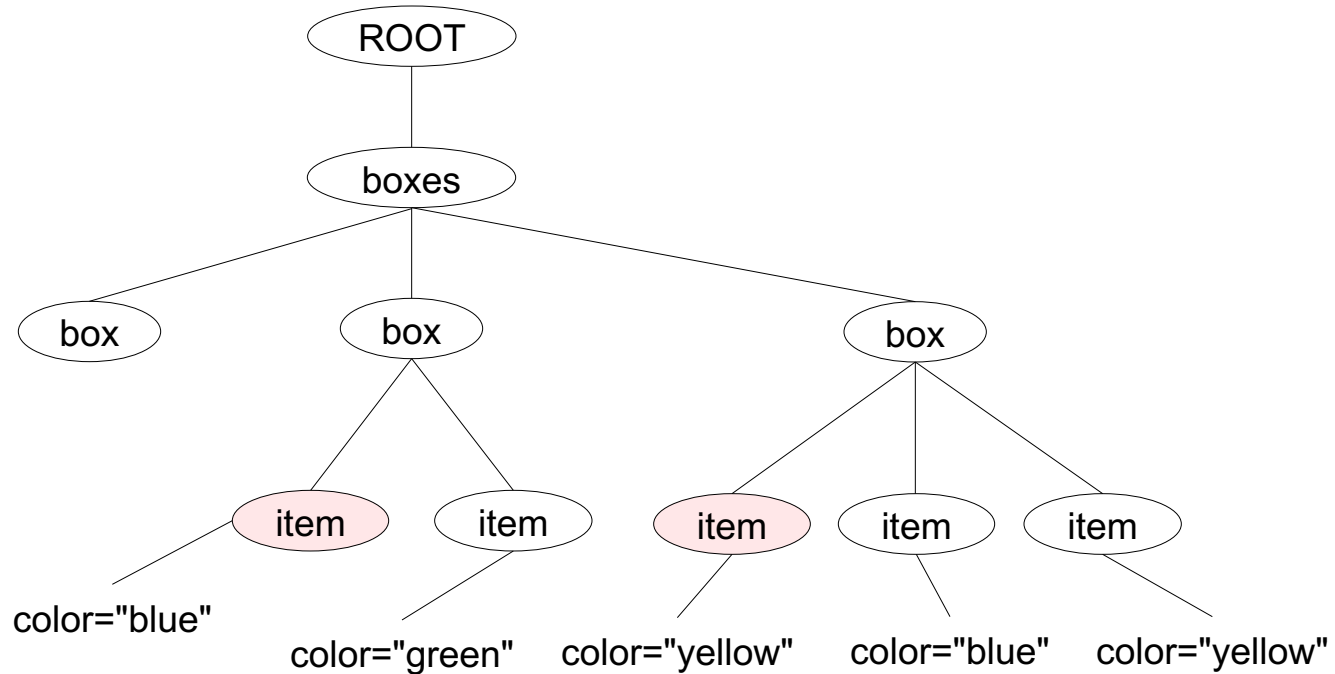


select all boxes with at least one yellow item

```
//box[item[@color="yellow"]]
```



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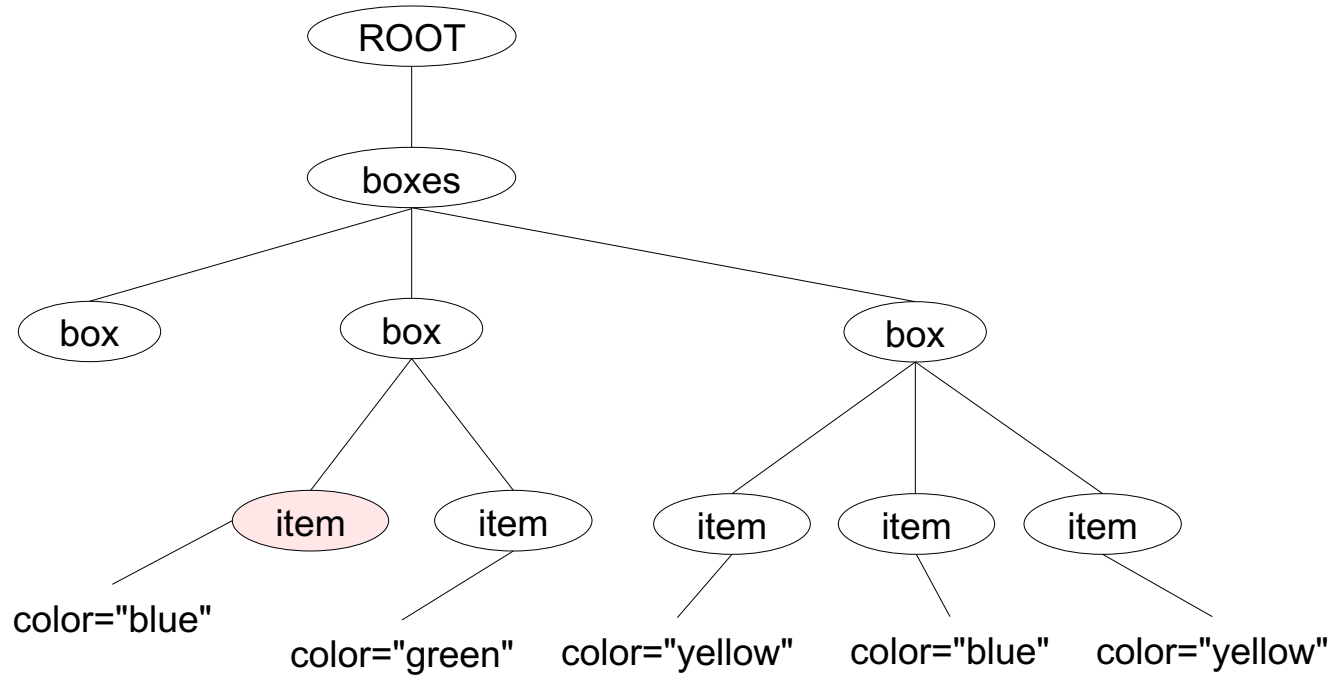


select all items that appear first in a box

```
//item[1]
```

```
/descendant-or-self::node()/item[1]
```

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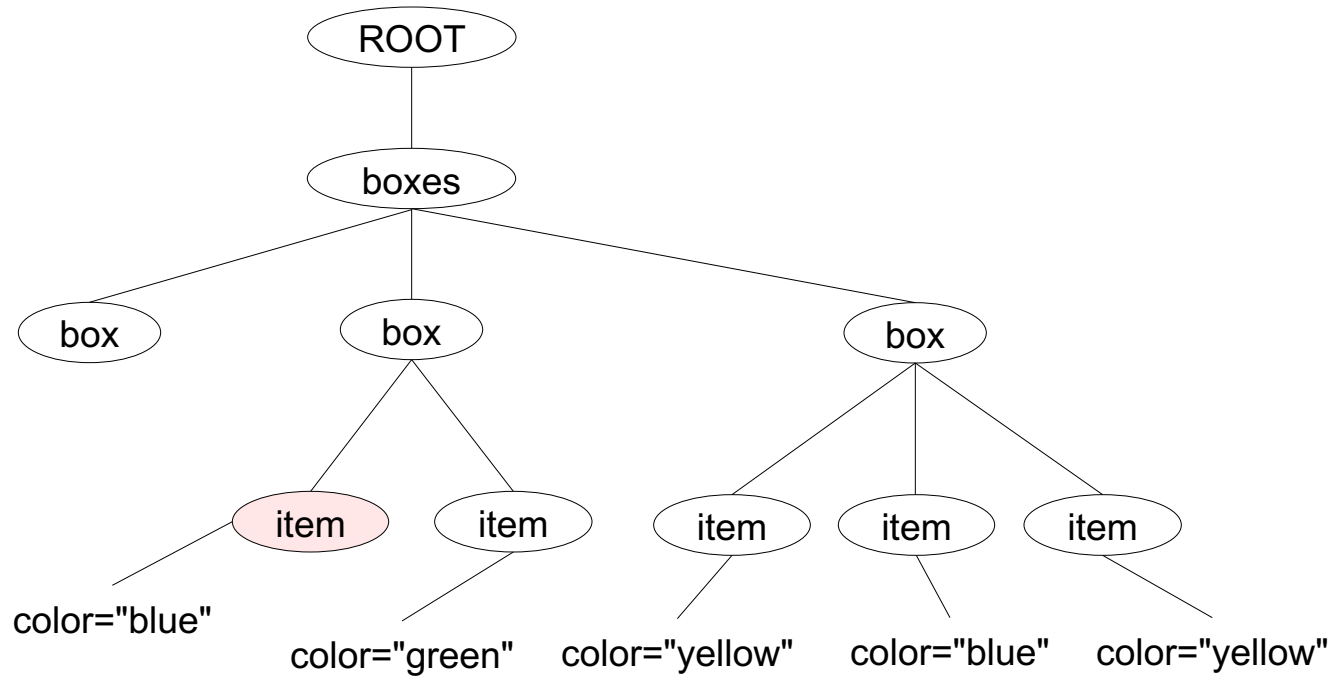


select the first item in the document

`/descendant::item[1]` ✓

`//item[1]` ✗

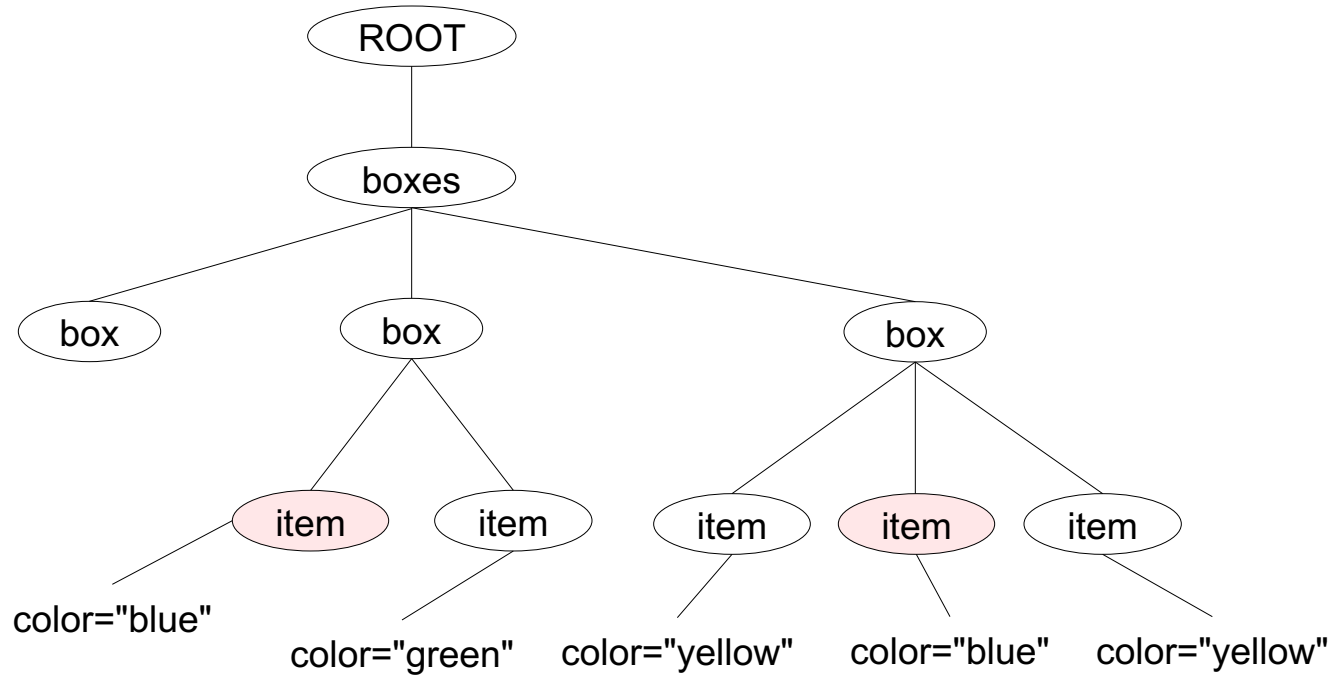
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select all items that appear first in a box and are blue

```
//item[1][@color="blue"]
```

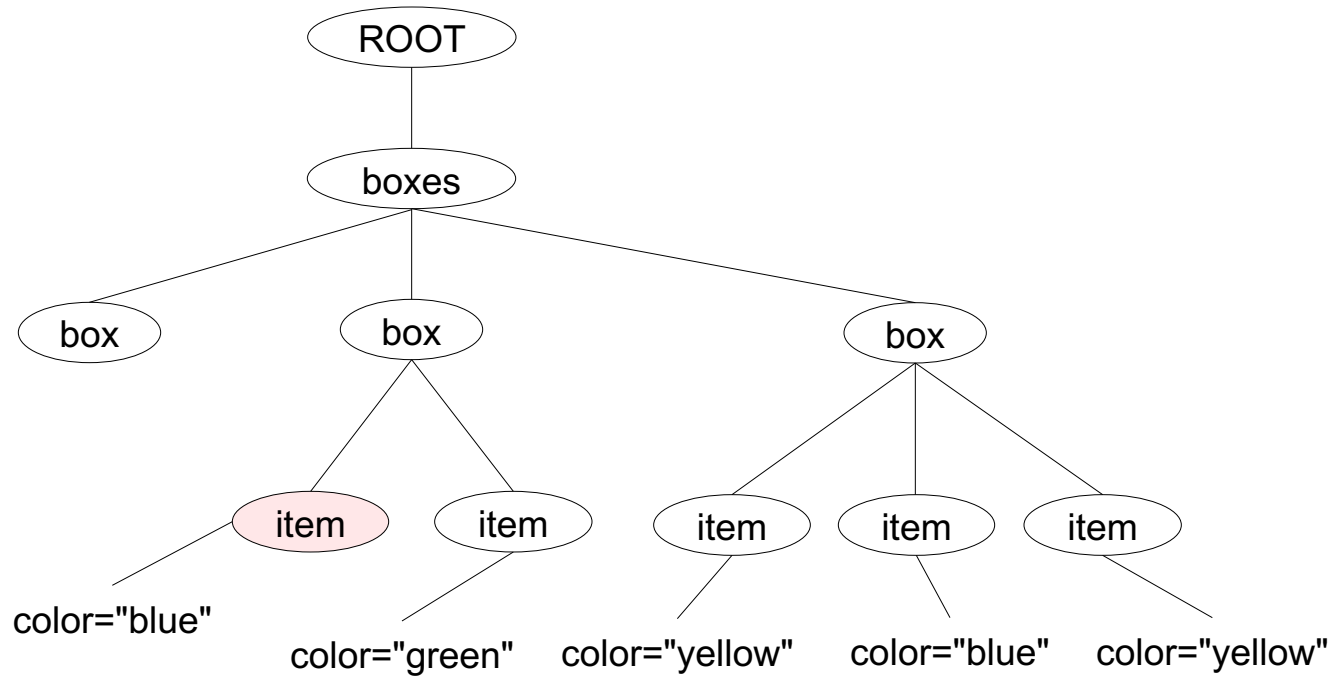
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select the first occurrence of a blue item in a box

```
//item[@color="blue"][1]
```

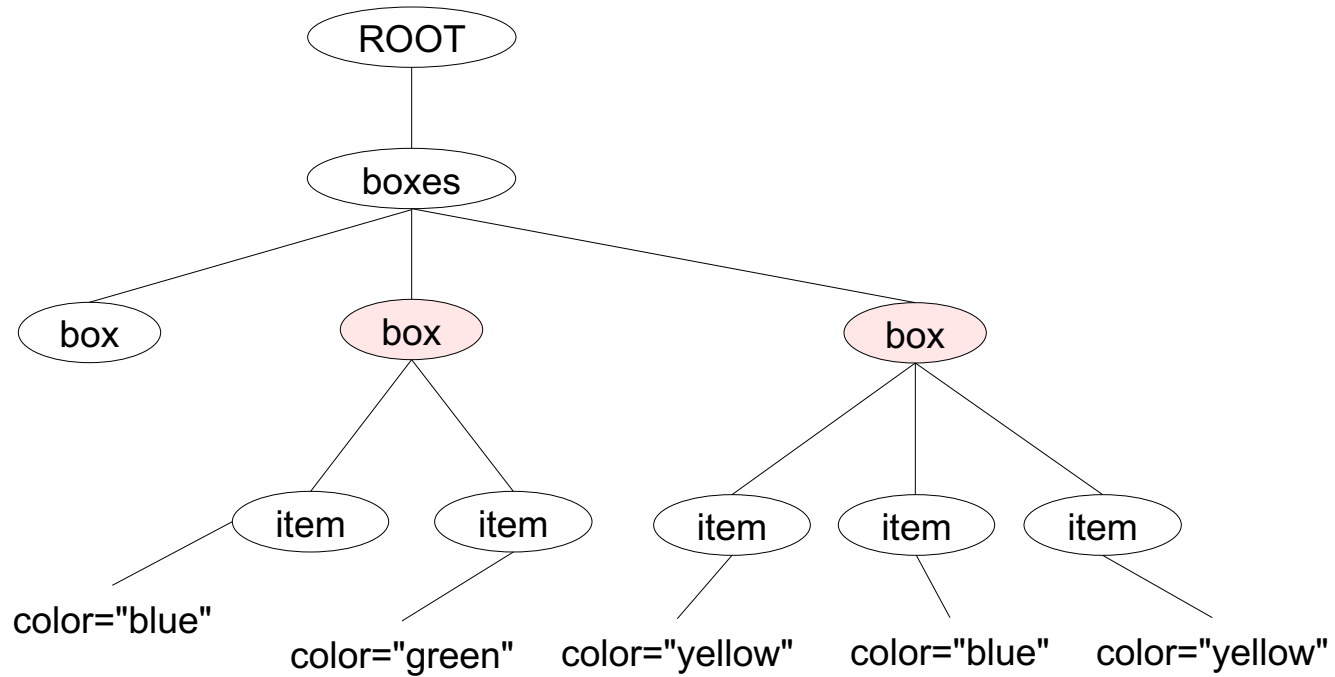
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select the first item of the first non-empty box

```
//box[item][1]/item[1]
```

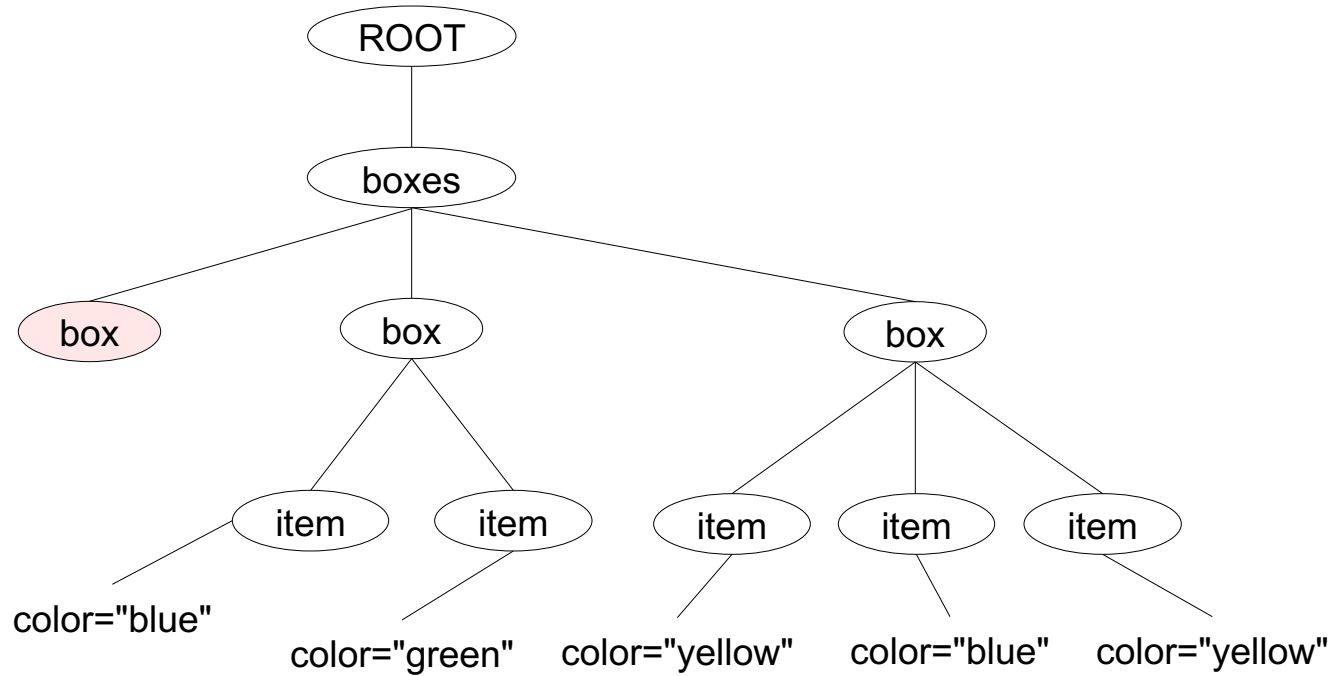
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select all non-empty boxes

`//box[*]`

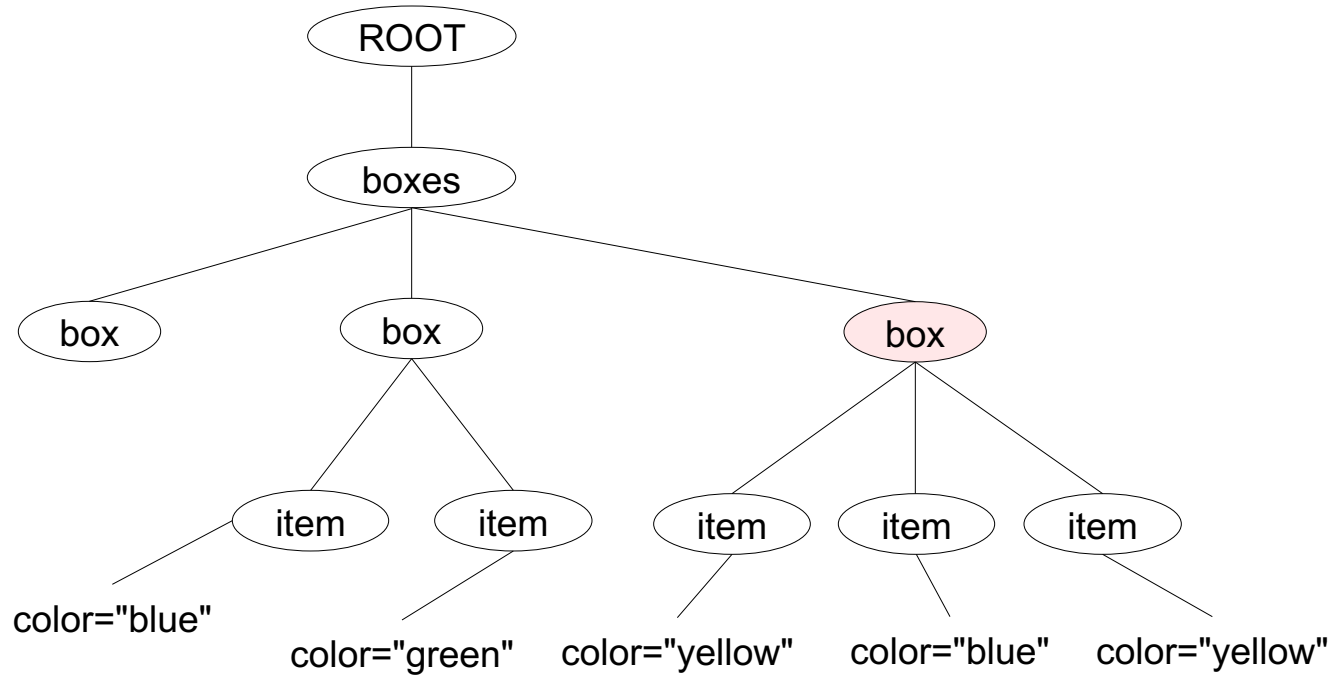
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select all empty boxes

```
//box[not(*)]
```

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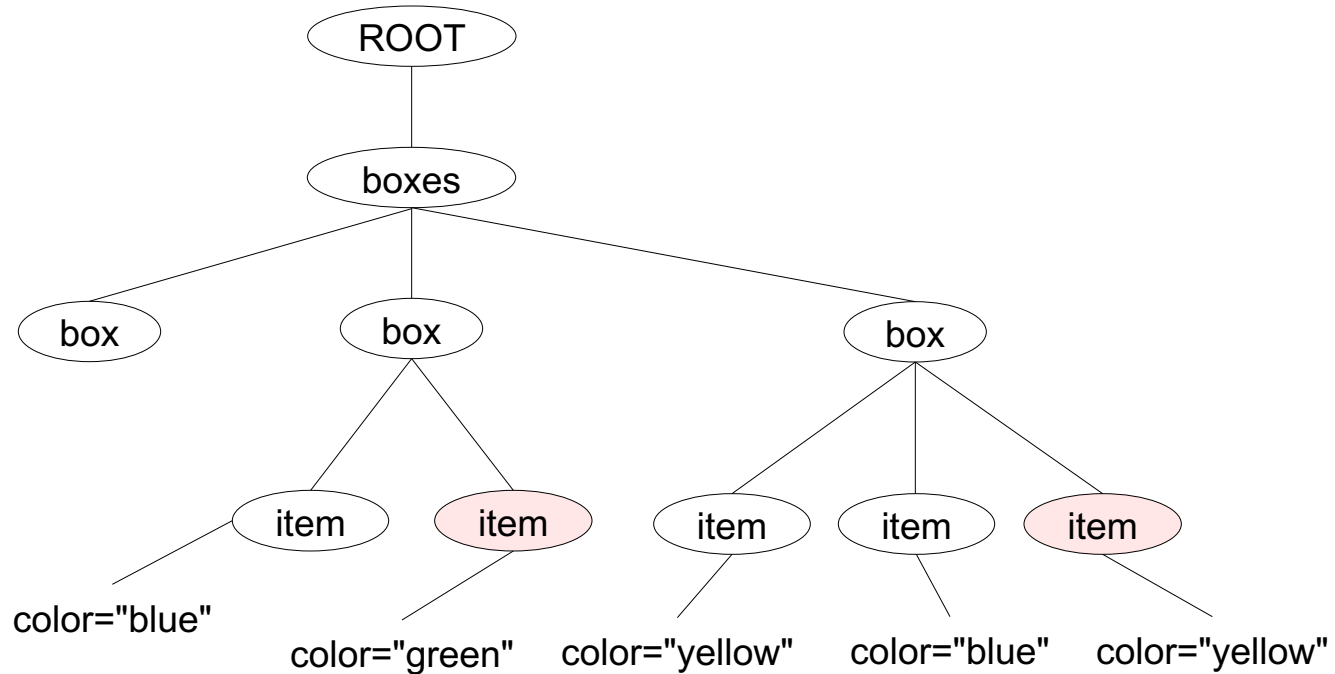


select all boxes with more than two items

```
//box[count(item) > 2]
```



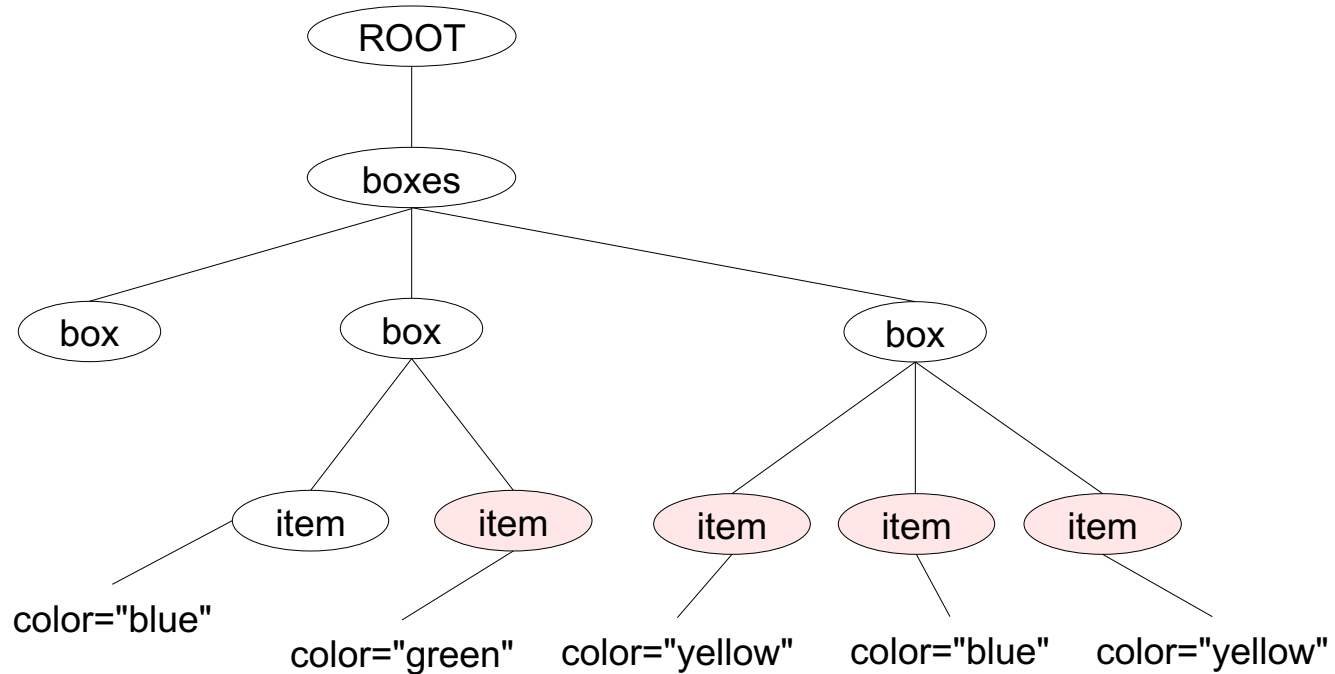
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in each box, select all items that follow a blue item

```
//item[@color="blue"]/following-sibling::item
```

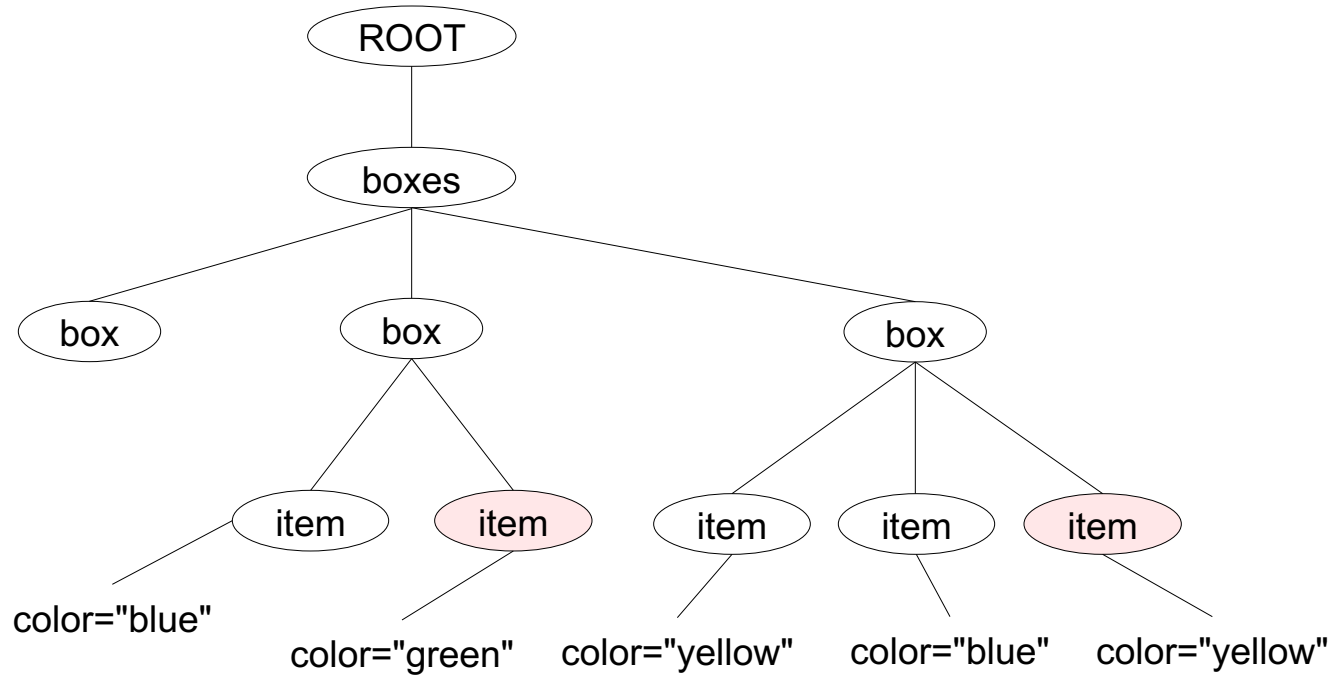
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select all items in the document that appear after a blue item

```
//item[@color="blue"]/following::item
```

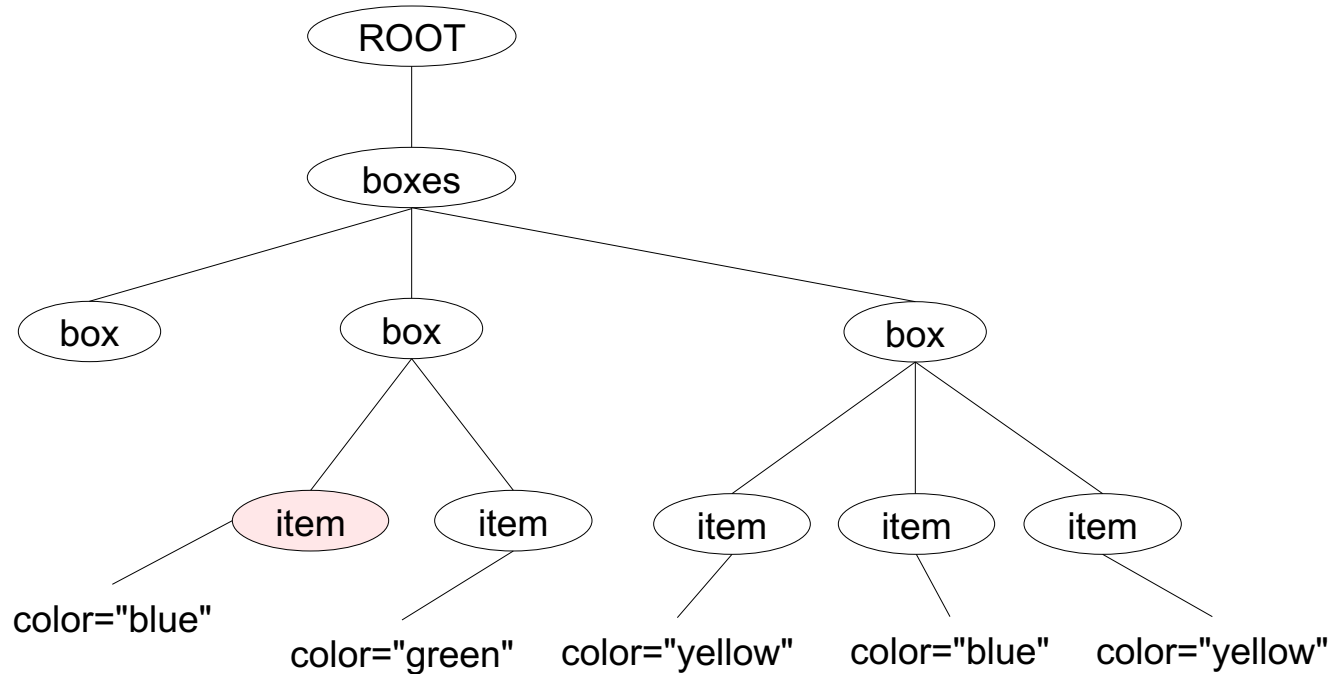
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select the first item that follows a blue item

```
//item[@color="blue"]/following::item[1]
```

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**select the first blue item in the document**

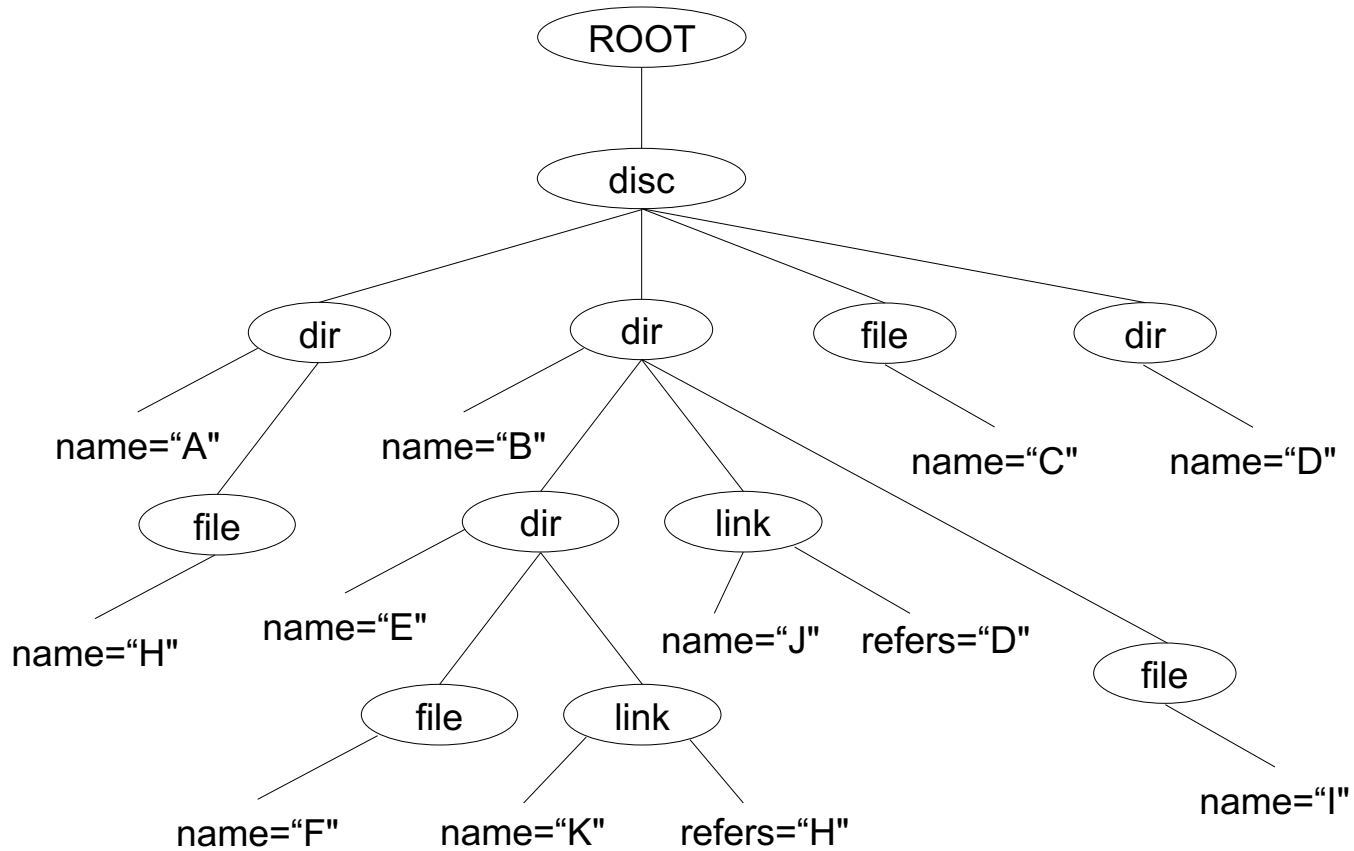
```
//box[item[@color="blue"]][1]/item[@color="blue"][1]
```

```
/descendant::item[@color="blue"][1]
```

# Further Examples

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<disc>
  <dir name="A">
    <file name="H"/>
  </dir>
  <dir name="B">
    <dir name="E">
      <file name="F"/>
      <link name="K" refers="H"/>
    </dir>
    <link name="J" refers="D"/>
    <file name="I"/>
  </dir>
  <file name="C"/>
  <dir name="D"/>
</disc>
```

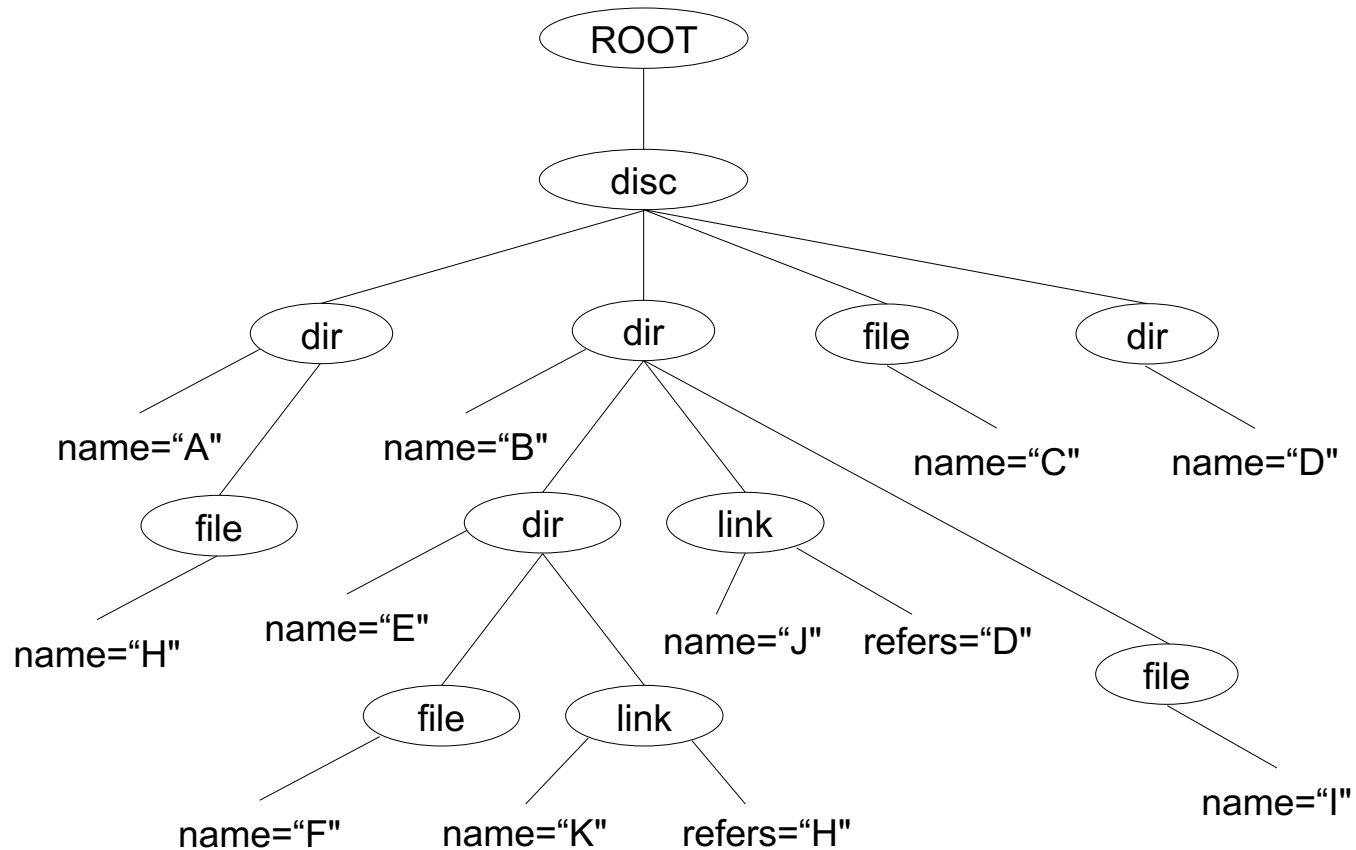
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**select all files under directory B**

`//dir[@name="B"]//file`

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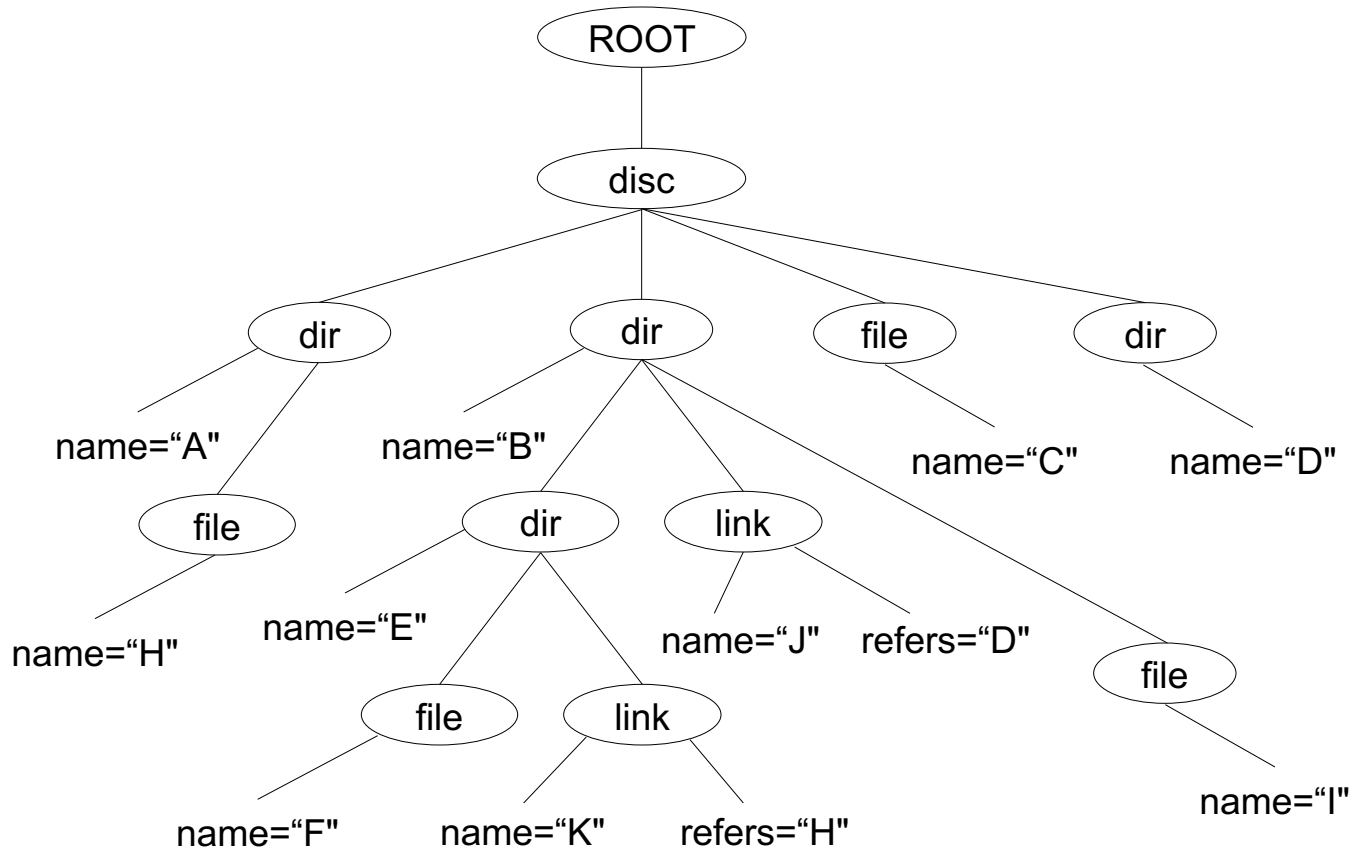


**select all files and directories under directory B**

`//dir[@name="B"]/(file | dir)` (from XPath 2.0)

`//dir[@name="B"]/*[self::file|self::dir]` (XPath 1.0)

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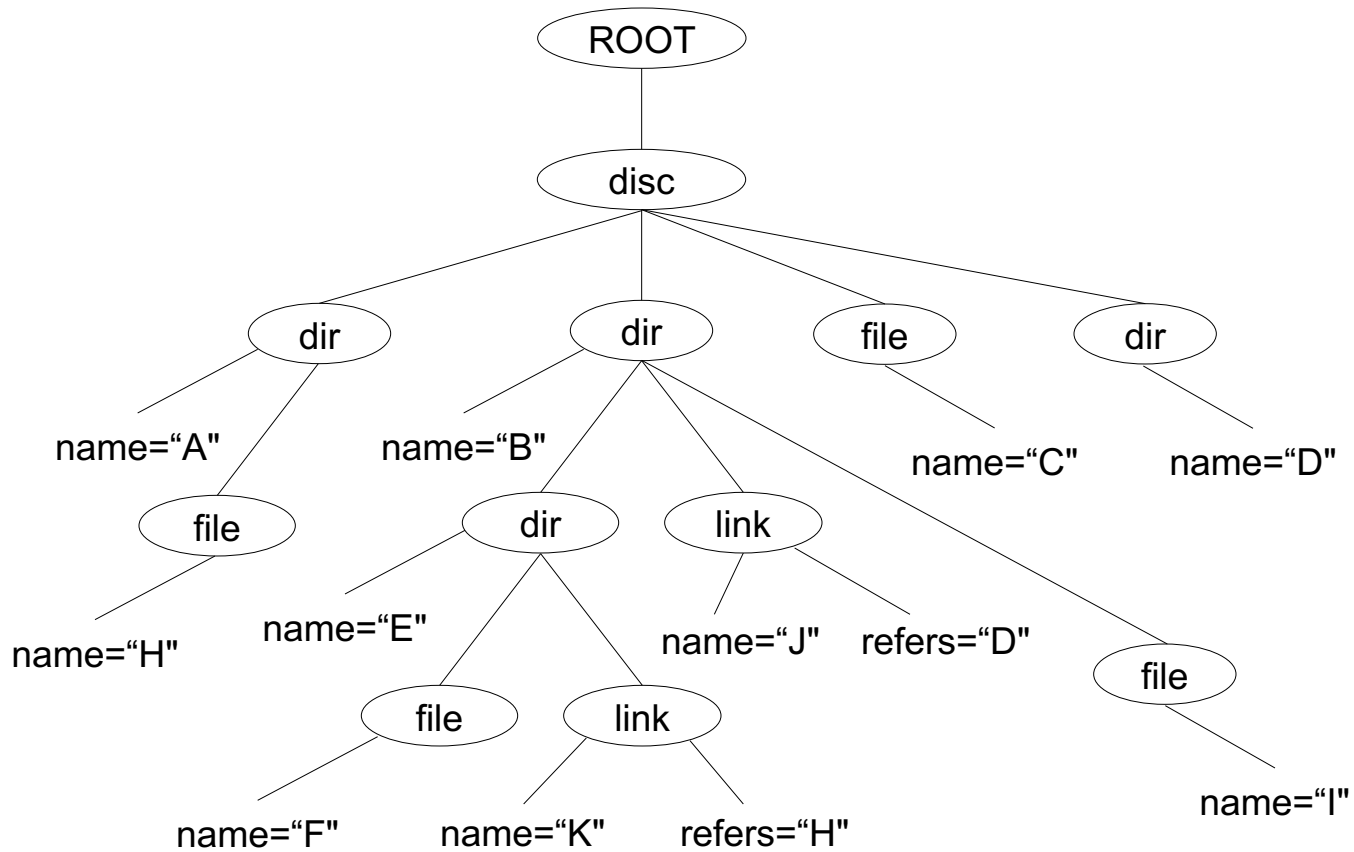


give me the number of files and directories under directory B: **3**

```
count(//dir[@name="B"]/(file | dir))
```



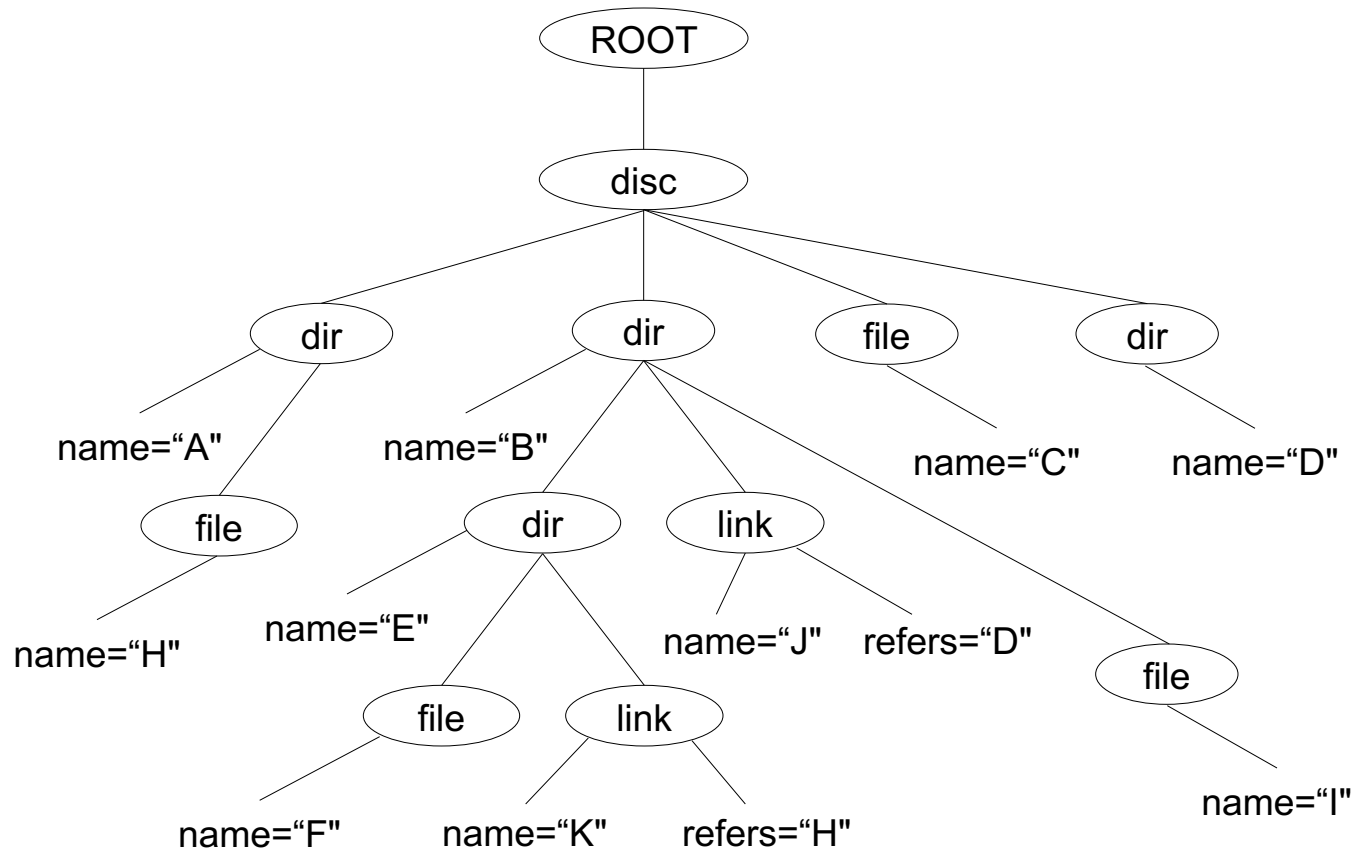
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`//dir[@name=//link/@refers]`

select all directories that are being referred by a link

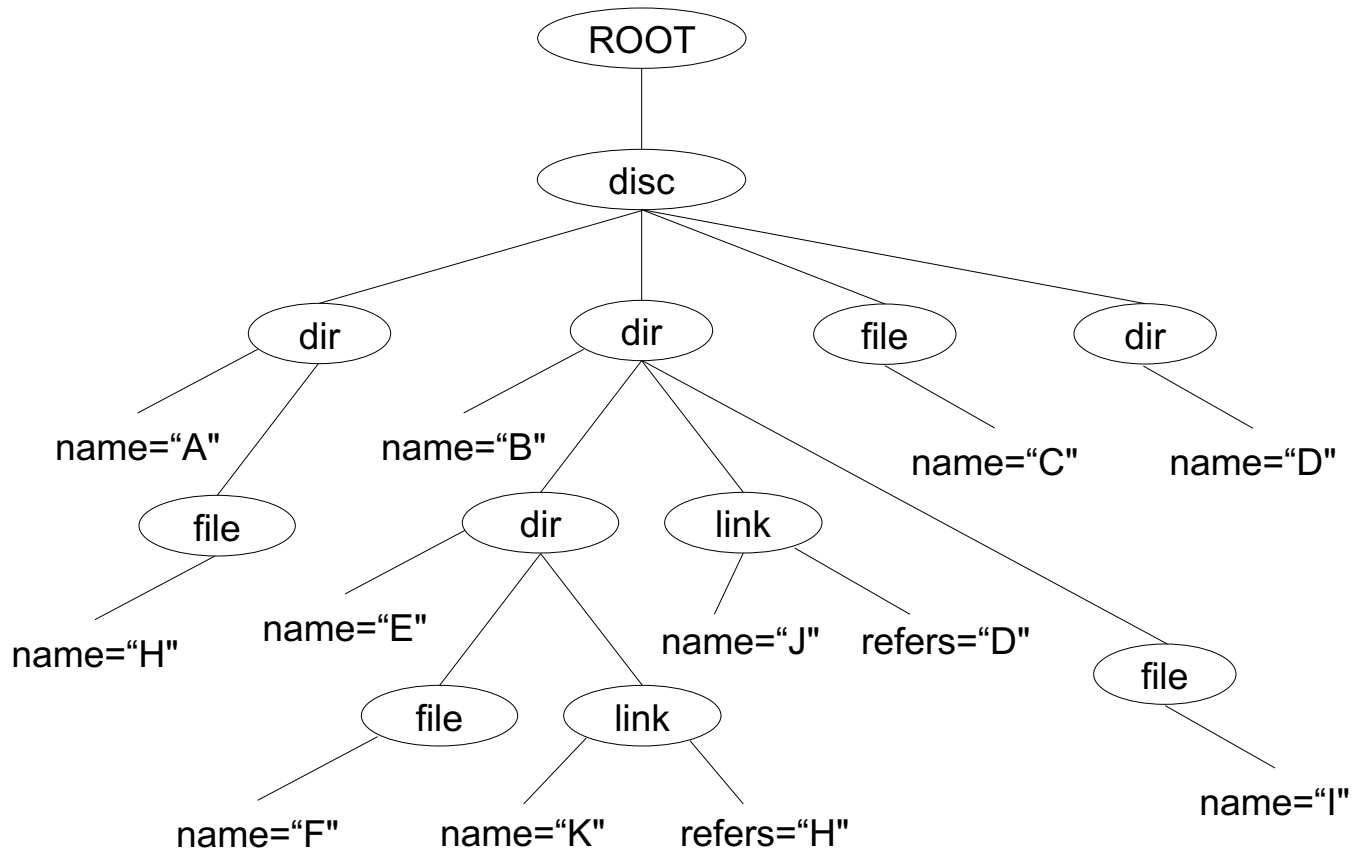
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`//file[@name="C"]/preceding::dir[count(*) >= 2]`

select all directories with more than one child that appear before the file C

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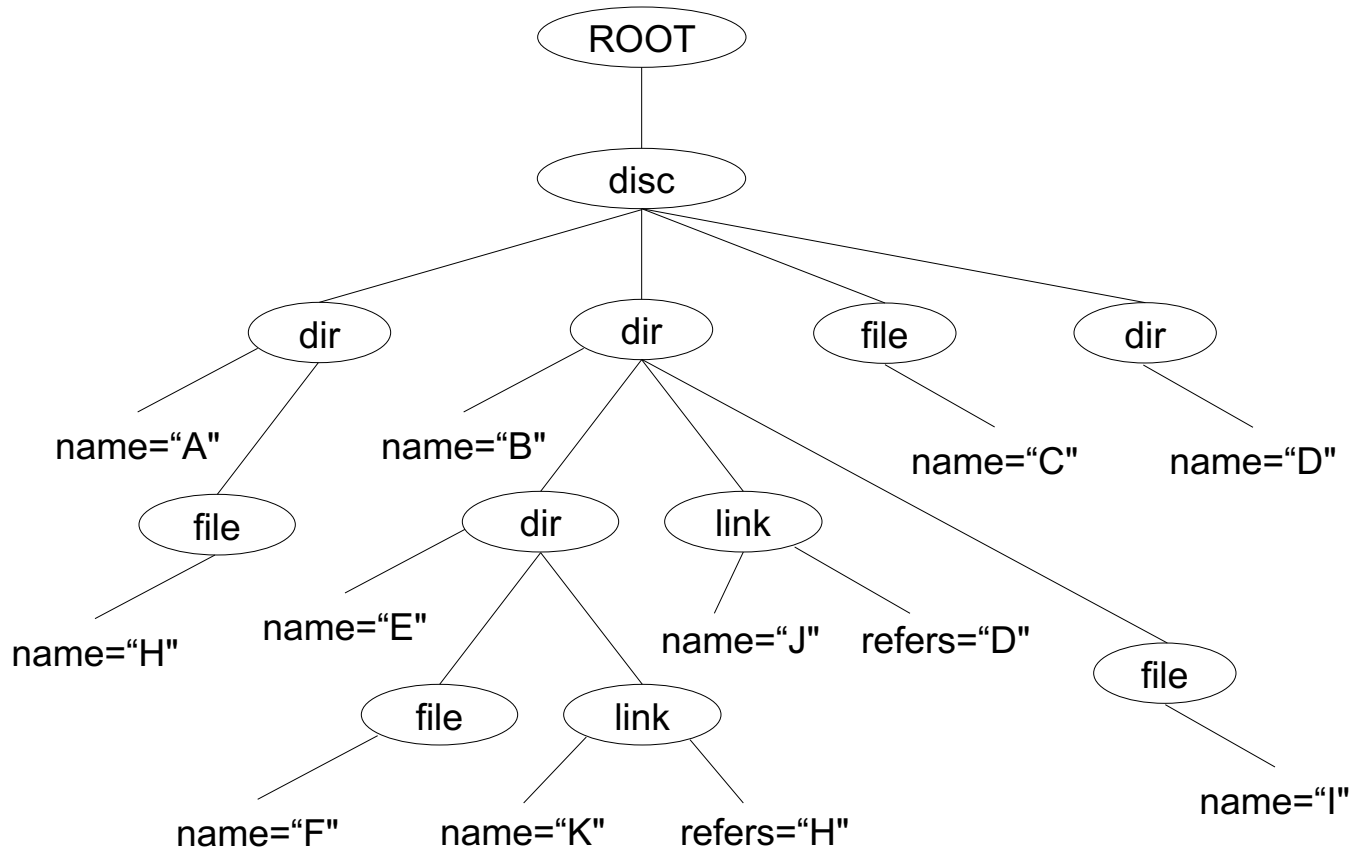


*/\*file*

*select all files under disc*

*/disc/file*

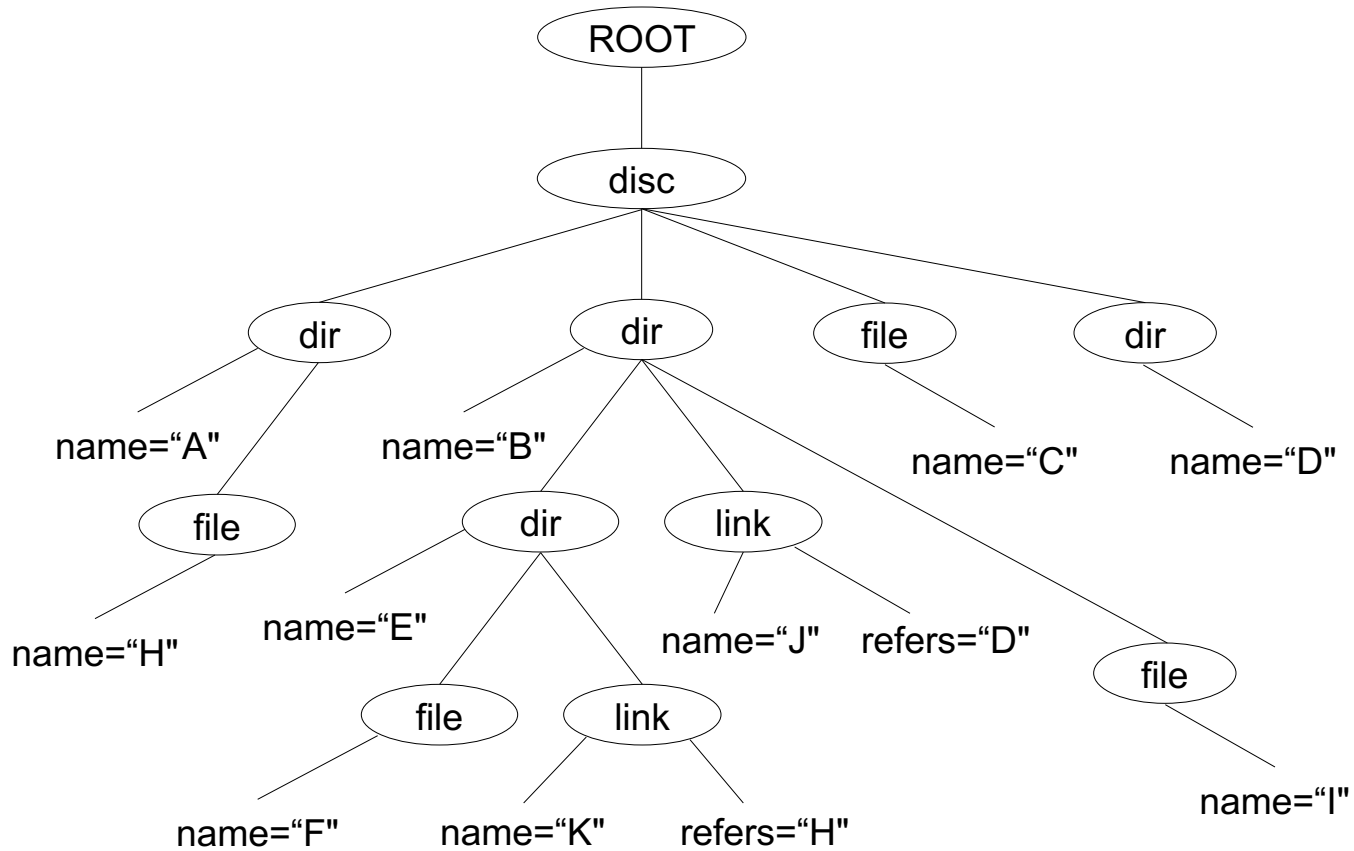
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`//dir[not(link)]`

select all directories without a link

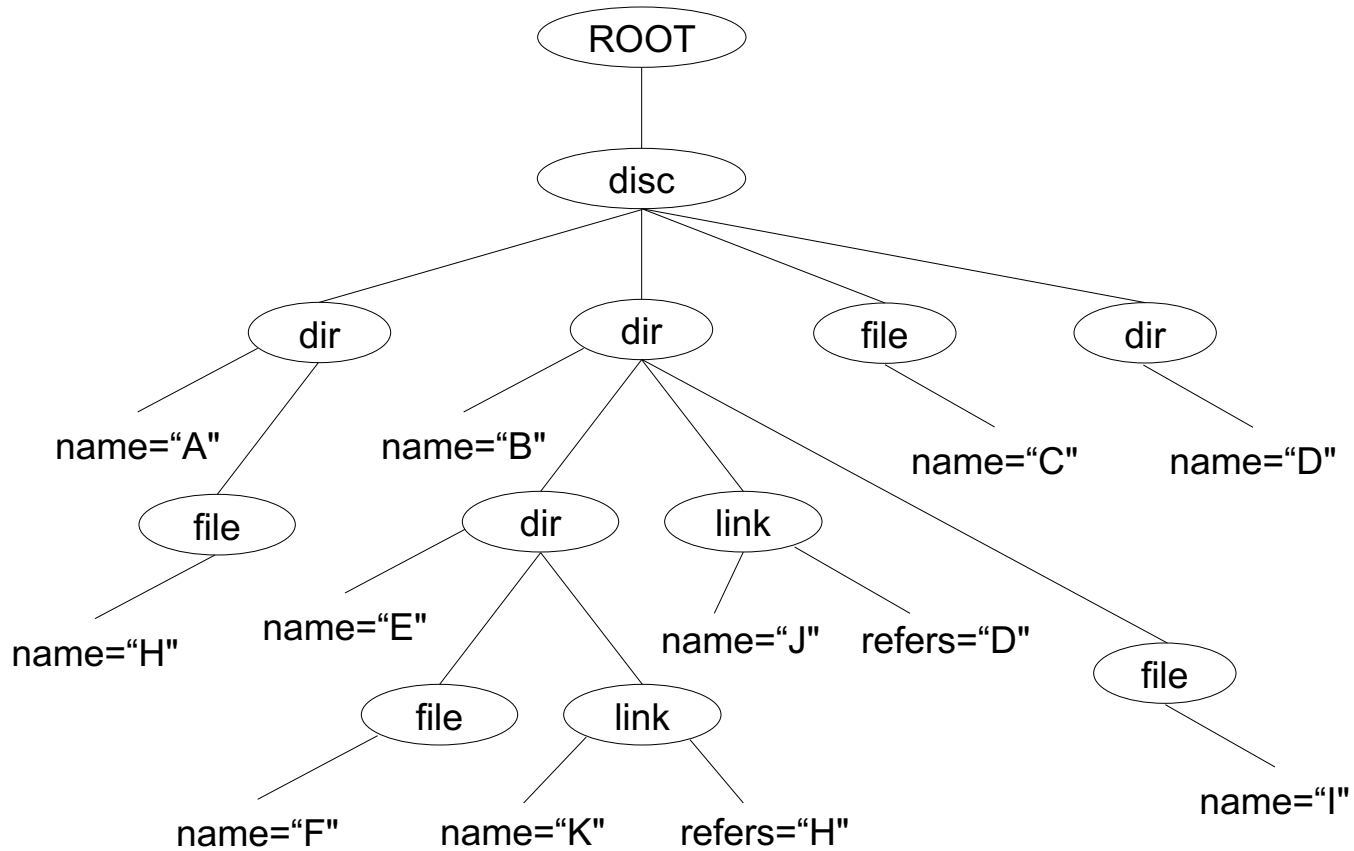
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`//*[@name=//link[@name="K"]/@refers]`

select all elements that are being referred by the link K

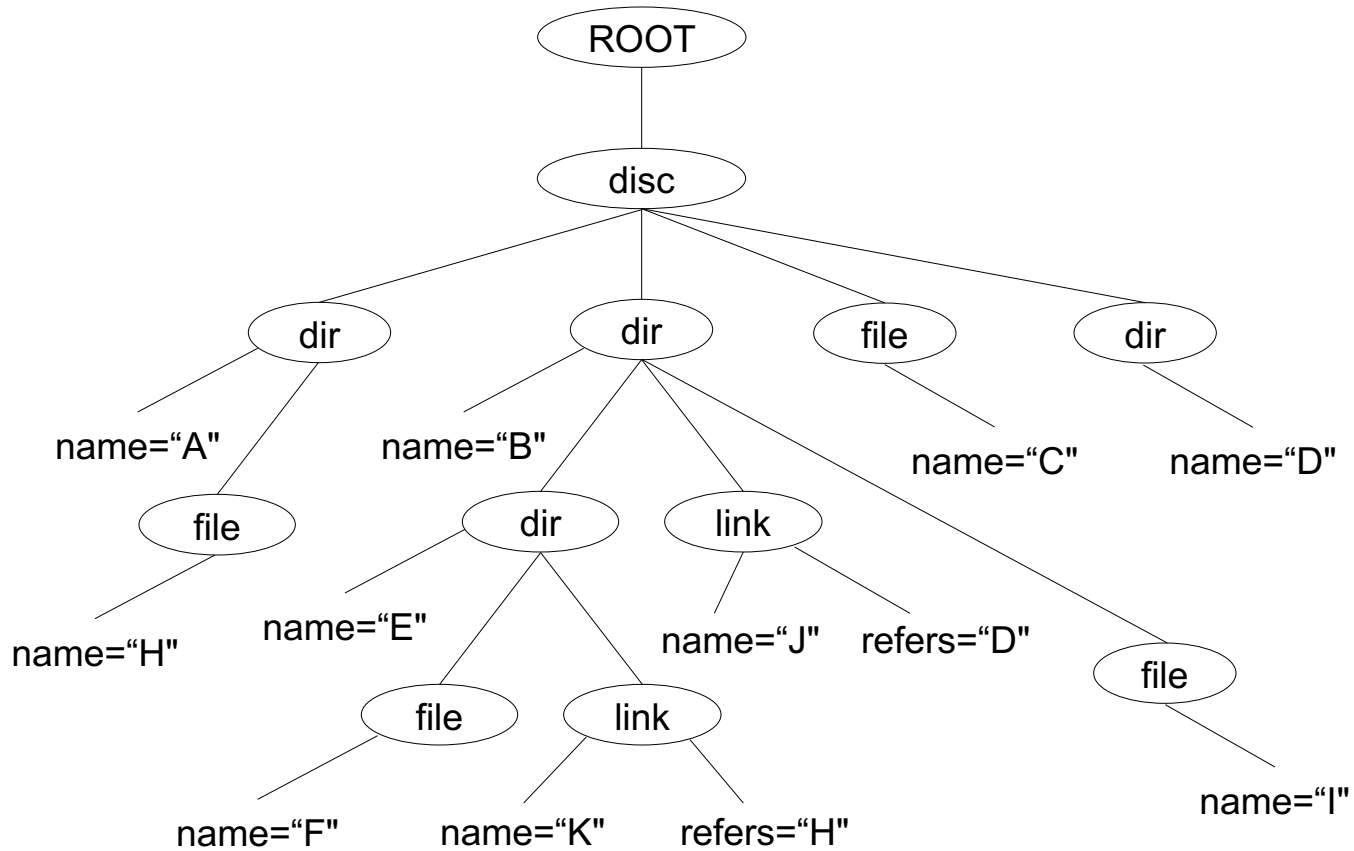
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//file[@name="F"]/../@name

give me the name of the parent of file F

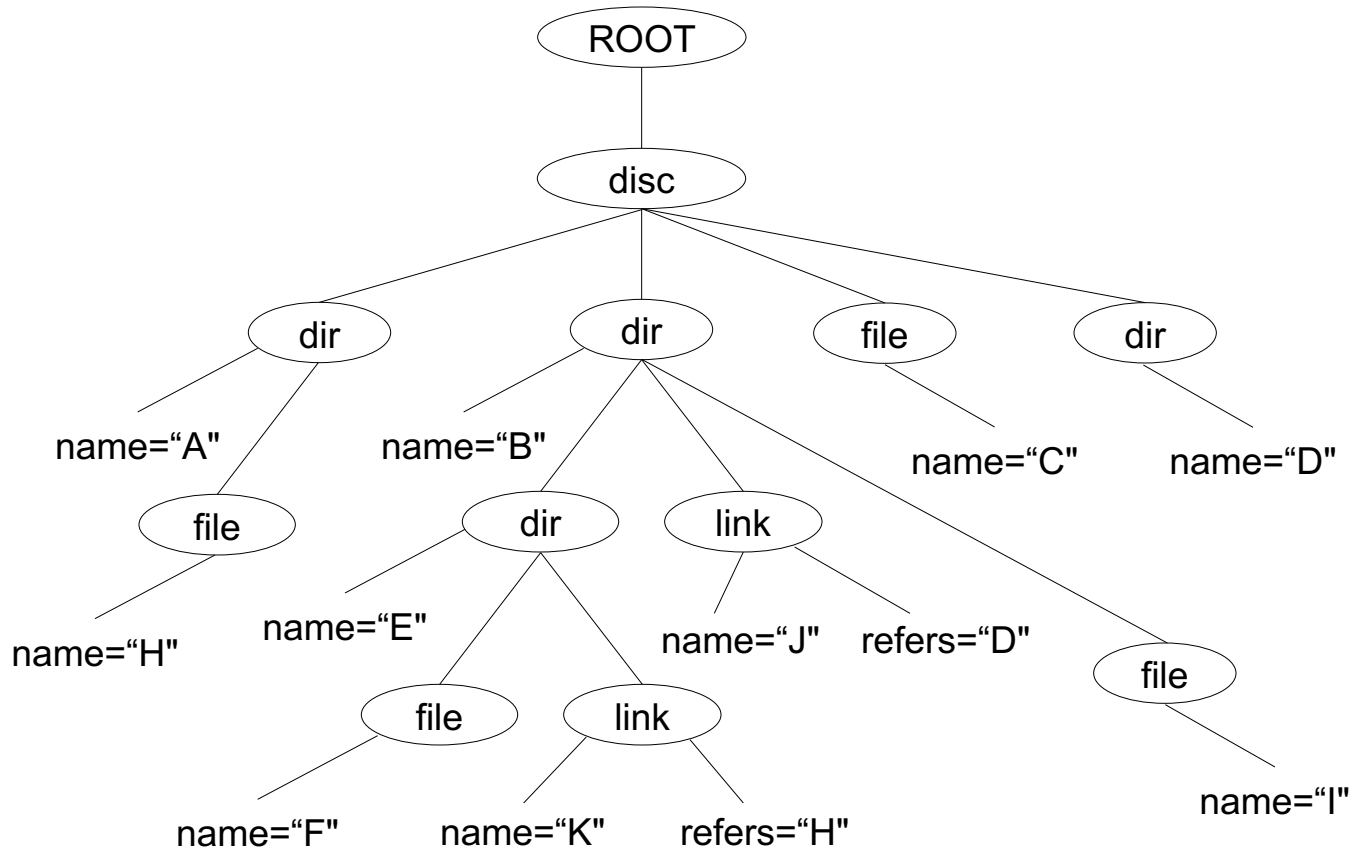
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//file[@name="C"]/../@name **EMPTY**

give me the name of the directory of file C

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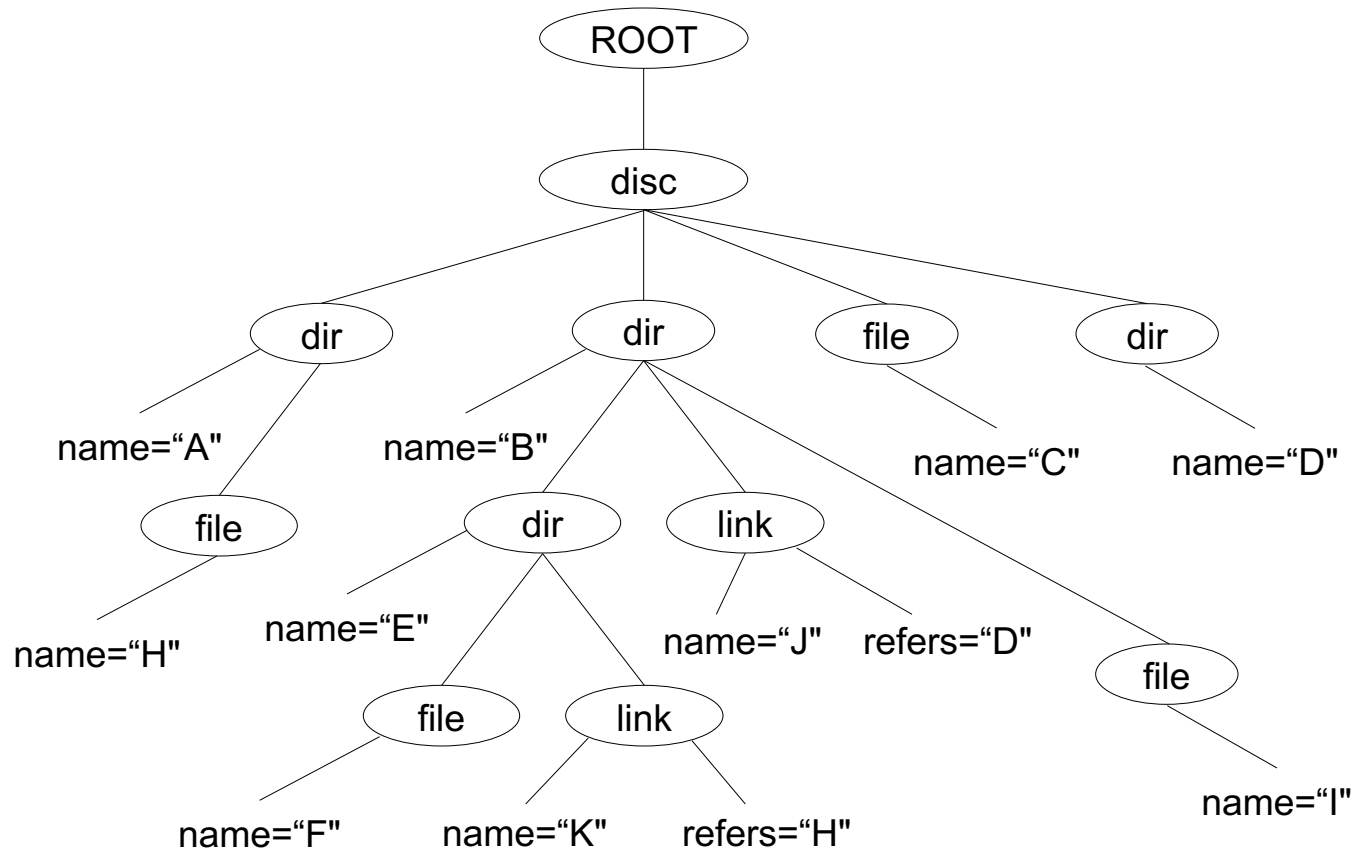


`//file[@name="F"]/ancestor::dir[last()]/@name`

give me the name of the top directory of file F



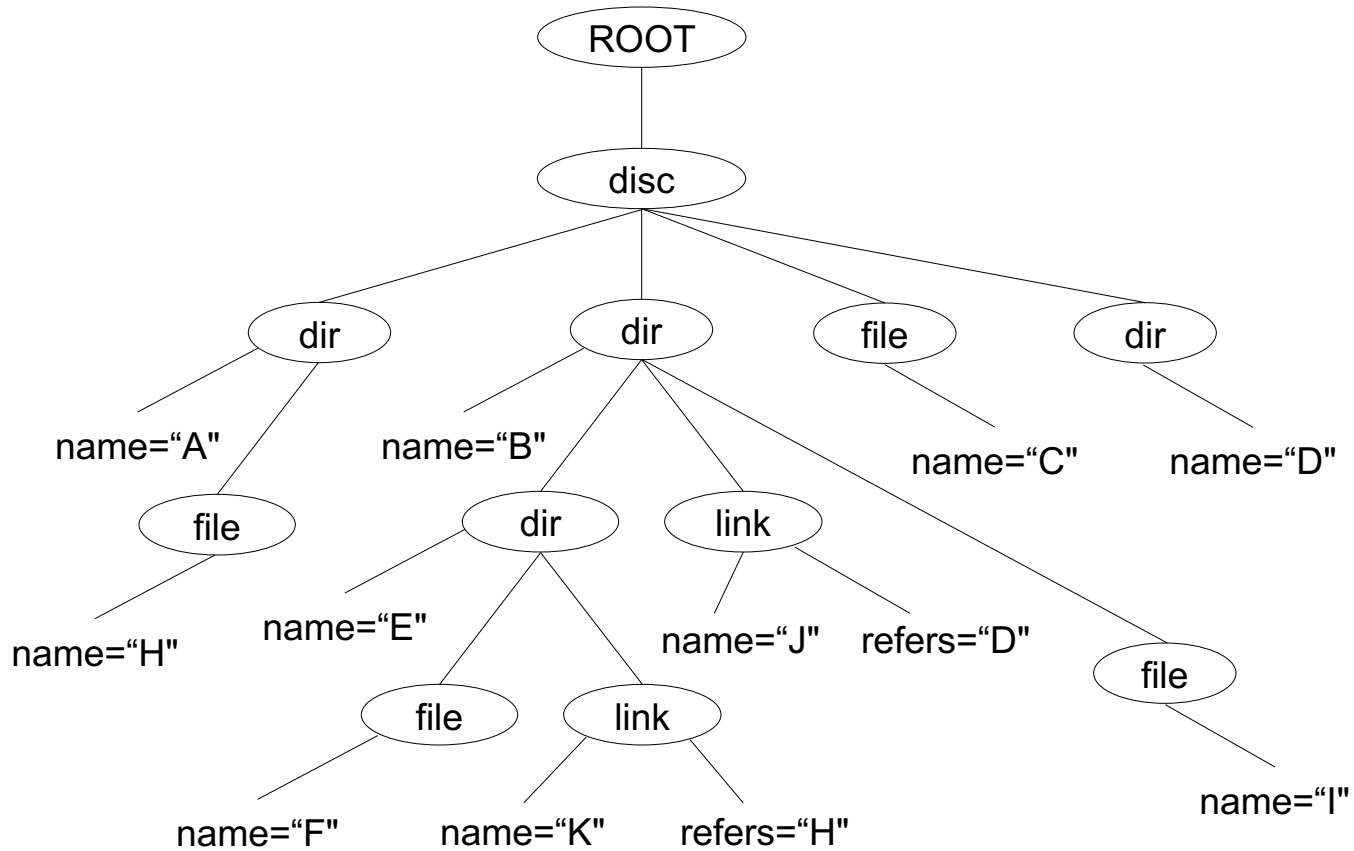
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`//file[@name=//link[@name="K"]/@refers]/ancestor::dir[last()]/@name`

give me the name of the top directory of the file that is being referred by link K

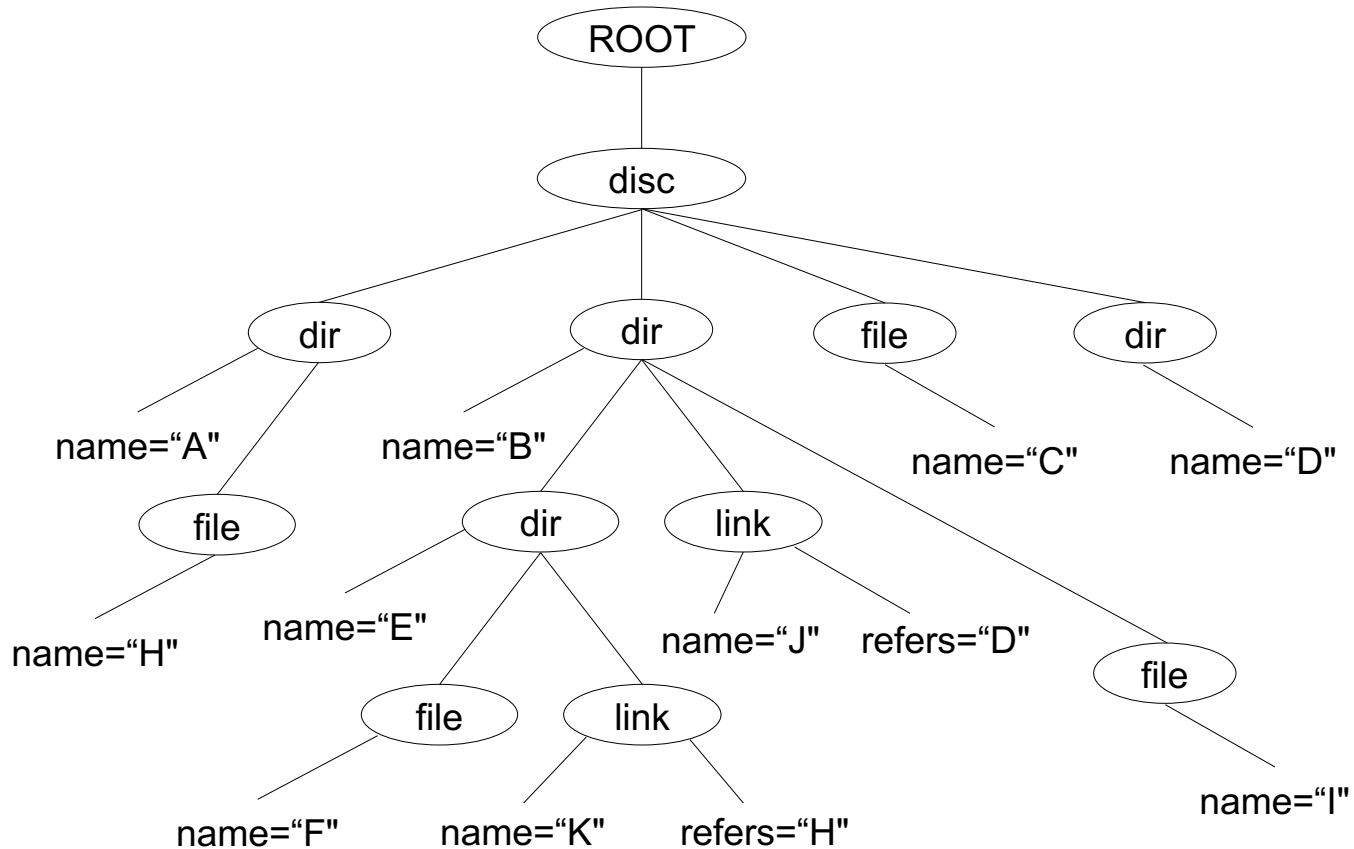
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`//file[@name="H"]/../@name | //file[@name="I"]/../@name`

give me the names of the parent directories of files H and I

# Further Examples



`//file[@name="H" or @name="I"]/../@name`

give me the names of the parent directories of files H and I

# The final Example

```
<code>
  <if cond="x=0">
    <code id="fehler">ausgabe: fehler</code>
    <code id="main">
      ausgabe: ok
      <if cond="x=1">
        <code ref="odd"/>
      </if>
    <code id="even">ausgabe: even number</code>
  </if>
  <code id="odd">ausgabe: odd number</code>
  <code>exit</code>
</if>
<code>exit</code>
<!-- (never) do the loop -->
<code ref="main"/>
</if>
</code>
</if>
</code>
```

//code[2]

Give me the code elements that are the second code element child of some node

**Output:**

```
<code id="main">
...
</code>
<code>exit</code>
<code ref="main"/>
```