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Subject: Re: dml\_updateSelection

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The reason why this is failing is that when I construct the sql UPDATE statement I put quotes around all the values, so instead of producing "rgt=rgt+2" I get "rgt='rgt+2'", and when you try to put a string into a number MySQL replaces it with zero.

The solution is relatively simple. Go to the updateRecord() method in file 'dml.mysql.class.inc' and where you see

```
// build update string from non-pkey fields
$update = "";
foreach ($fieldarray as $item => $value) {
    // use this item if it IS NOT part of primary key
    if (!in_array($item, $this->primary_key)) {
        if (is_null($value) or strtoupper(trim($value)) == 'NULL') {
            // null entries are set to NULL, not " (there is a difference!)
            $update .= "$item=NULL,";
        } else {
            // change to the new value
            $update .= "$item=" . mysql_real_escape_string($value, $this->dbconnect) . ",";
        } // if
    } // if
} // foreach
```

you should change it to the following:

```
// build update string from non-pkey fields
$update = "";
$pattern = '/(integer|decimal|numeric|float|real)/i'; <*** NEW
foreach ($fieldarray as $item => $value) {
    // use this item if it IS NOT part of primary key
    if (!in_array($item, $this->primary_key)) {
        if (is_null($value) or strtoupper(trim($value)) == 'NULL') {
            // null entries are set to NULL, not " (there is a difference!)
            $update .= "$item=NULL,";
new**> } elseif (preg_match($pattern, $fieldspec[$item]['type'], $match)) {
new**>     // do not enclose numbers in quotes (this also allows 'value=value+1'
new**>     $update .= "$item=$value,";
        } else {
            // change to the new value
            $update .= "$item=" . mysql_real_escape_string($value, $this->dbconnect) . ",";
        } // if
    } // if
} // foreach
```

Check if this works OK for you and I'll include this change in the next release.

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