

# Logical programming

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# Logical programming

- ▶ Another declarative paradigm (,i.e., not imperative).
- ▶ Main rep. =Prolog=, but not the only one.
- ▶ Can be used for domain specific work (e.g.: Semantic web, =Oracle Constraint Definition Language=).

# Basic idea

- ▶ Logic is awesome and can save us!
- ▶ Separate data and functions (again) via fixed reasoning engine (i.e., the logic).
- ▶ The program is basically the data.

## Some Prolog sources

- ▶ SWI Prolog
- ▶ Learn Prolog Now
- ▶ =Metalevel Prolog=
- ▶ =MFF Prolog=
- ▶ =Visual Prolog= Someone?
- ▶ =ISO Prolog=

# Core of Prolog

- ▶ First order predicate logic
- ▶ Horn clauses:
  - ▶ implication form:  $u \leftarrow p \wedge q \wedge \dots \wedge t$
  - ▶ disjunction form:  $u \vee \neg p \vee \neg q \vee \dots \vee \neg t$

# Horn clauses

## Definite clause

**Definite clause** is a Horn clause with only one positive literal.

$$u \leftarrow p \wedge q \wedge \dots \wedge t$$

## Unit clause

**Unit clause** is a Horn clause with no negative literals. Also called **Fact** if  $u$  is not a variable.

$$u$$

## Goal clause

**Goal clause** is a Horn clause without a positive literal.

$$\perp \leftarrow p \wedge q \wedge \dots \wedge t$$

# Selective Linear Definite clause resolution

Given clause  $u \leftarrow p$

Given fact  $p$

Resulting goal  $u$

i.e., to show  $u$ , show  $p$ .

The program becomes just a collection of facts resolved following the above rule.



# Prolog notation

$u \leftarrow p \wedge q \wedge \dots \wedge t$  becomes:

$u :- p, q, \dots, t.$

# Prolog Term

## Term

Basic Prolog data structure of the shape `name(argument,...)`.

Terms can be:

- ▶ atomic
- ▶ variables
- ▶ compound

# Prolog Simple Terms

## Atomic

**Atoms** i.e. strings in quotes or beginning lower-cased, a, 'A',  
aA

**Numbers** e.g., 1

## Variables

Prolog variables can be either beginning with capital letters (A, Aa) or anonymous (\_).

# Prolog Compound Terms

## Compound terms and Functors

If  $T_1, T_2, \dots$  are terms, then  $F(T_1, T_2, \dots)$  is a compound term. There the atom  $F$  is called a functor name (same syntax rules as atoms). We denote also  $F/N$  the principal functor with its arity (e.g., `parent/2`).

# Prolog Clauses

## Rule

Head :- Body.

## Fact or Base Clause

Head.

i.e. the rule: Head :- true.

## Goal Clause

Body of each rule is a Prolog goal.

## Clause

A Prolog clause is either a Prolog fact or a Prolog rule.

# Prolog Predicates

## Predicate

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What is the difference between a predicate and a functor?

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## Predicate

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Predicates are semantics, functors are syntax.

# Prolog basic examples

What are the following?

```
lannister( tyrion ).
```

```
stark( robb ).
```

```
song_of_ice_and_fire .
```



## Prolog basic examples

The Prolog prompt, i.e. inquiry, is denoted ?—.

```
lannister (tyrion ).  
stark (robb ).  
song_of_ice_and_fire .  
?—
```

## Prolog basic examples

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## Prolog basic examples

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stark( robb ).  
song_of_ice_and_fire .  
?- song_of_ice_and_fire .  
yes
```

## Prolog basic examples

```
lannister( tyrion ).  
stark( robb ).  
song_of_ice_and_fire .  
?- game_of_thrones .
```

## Prolog basic examples

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stark( robb ).  
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?- stark( tyrion ).  
no
```

## Prolog basic predicates

Prolog has some predicates already predefined:

```
true/0  
fail/0  
,/2 /* and */  
;/2 /* or */  
:-/2 /* turnstile , if , */  
\+/1 /* negation as failure , optionally not/1 */
```

## Prolog example

```
lannister( tyrion ).  
stark( robb ).  
zakerny( tyrion ): - lannister( tyrion ).  
song_of_ice_and_fire .  
nebezpecny( tyrion ): - zakerny( tyrion ); lannister( tyrion ).  
nebezpecny( robb ) :- stark( robb ).  
nebezpecny( robb ) :- maArmadu( robb ).
```

What are functors, predicates and atoms?



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?-zakerny( tyrion ).
true
```

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?-maArmadu( robb ).
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?-maArmadu( robb ).
fail
```

# Prolog resolution

“Logically, when Prolog answers a query, it tries to find a resolution refutation of the negated query and the set of clauses that constitute the program. When a refutation is found, it means that the query is a logical consequence of the program.” And this is achieved via syntactical unification.

# Prolog unification

## Unification

Denoted  $=/2$ .

1. Any value can be unified with itself. E.g.:  $\text{mother}(\text{john}) = \text{mother}(\text{john})$ .
2. A var with another var. Variable names then reference the same variable. E.g.:  $X = Y, X = 2$ .  $Y$  is 2 also.
3. A var with any Prolog value (instantiation of the var, full if no variables remain). E.g.:  $X = \text{foo}(\text{bar}, [1, 2, 3])$ .
4. Two expressions unify if their constituents can be unified to the same value. E.g.:  $\text{mother}(\text{mary}, X) = \text{mother}(Y, \text{father}(Z))$ . Because unifies  $\text{mary}=Y$  and  $X=\text{father}(Z)$ .
5. It is legal to unify a variable recursively, so carefully! E.g.:  $X = \text{foo}(X, Y)$ .

## Unification examples

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lannister( tyrion ).  
lannister( joffrey ).  
stark( robb ).  
zakerny( tyrion ):– lannister( tyrion ).  
nebezpecny( tyrion ):– zakerny( tyrion ); lannister( tyrion ).  
?– lannister( X ).
```

## Unification examples

```
lannister(tyrion).  
lannister(joffrey).  
stark(rob).  
zakerny(tyrion):-lannister(tyrion).  
nebezpecny(tyrion):-zakerny(tyrion); lannister(tyrion).  
?- lannister(X).  
X=tyrion
```



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stark( Robb ).  
zakerny( Tyrion ) :- lannister( Tyrion ).  
nebezpecny( Tyrion ) :- zakerny( Tyrion ); lannister( Tyrion ).  
?- lannister( X ).  
X = Tyrion ;
```

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?- lannister( X ).  
X=tyrion ;  
X=joffrey
```

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?- lannister( X ).  
X=tyrion ;  
X=joffrey ;  
fail
```

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lannister( Joffrey ).  
stark( Robb ).  
zakerny( Tyrion ):- lannister( Tyrion ).  
nebezpecny( Tyrion ):- zakerny( Tyrion ); lannister( Tyrion ).  
nepratele( X, Y ):- lannister( X ), stark( Y ).  
?- nepratele( X, Y ).
```

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nepratele( X, Y ): - lannister( X ), stark( Y ).
?- nepratele( X, Y ).
X = Tyrion ,
Y = Robb ;
X = Joffrey ,
Y = Robb ;
```

# Reading a Prolog program

## Declarative

Program declares what holds either unconditionally (facts) or under certain conditions (clauses).

## Procedural

Invoking a predicate is similar to calling a function with specifics of Prolog (possibly unbound variables and backtracking). Very complex to read and needs tracing of the program.

For details: =Metalevel=

## Prolog more built-in examples

```
write/1 /* write the provided expression , i.e. prin  
nl/0 /* new line */  
assert/1 /* append to the database */  
asserta/1 /* prepend to the database */  
+/2 /* when evaluated sum of 2 values */  
==/2 /* succeed if X, Y identical */
```

## Prolog recursion

```
primy_pribuzny(X,Y) :- otec(X,Y); matka(X,Y); souroze  
pribuzni(X, Y) :- primy_pribuzny(X, Y).  
pribuzni(X, Y) :- primy_pribuzny(X, Z), pribuzni(Z,  
pribuzni(X, Y) :- pribuzni(Y, X).
```

In general ?



## Prolog recursion

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```

In general:

```
predicate :- terminal.  
predicate :- terminal, predicate.
```

# Datastructures

Logical programming = describe relations between entities.  
I.e. changing datastructures are not welcome. Relate the previous entity with the "resulting" entity.  
See =Metalevel=

# Pairs

## Pair (-)/2

A datastructure composed of two elements. E.g.,  $(a,b)$  or also  $a-b$ .

# NO strings

Basically use atoms instead of strings, if you need strings, then use lists. =Prolog Library=

Except we are so used to strings... SWI etc. have them as separate library.

# List

## List ./2

A datastructure composed of a Head and Tail part. E.g.,  $.(a,b)$  or also  $[a,b]$ .

$[]$  is an empty list atom.

$$[a,b,c]=.(a,.(b,c))=.(a,.(b,.(c,[])))$$

# Prolog List exercises

What is the Head and Tail of the following lists?

- ▶ []
- ▶ [a]
- ▶ [[a, b], c, d]

## Prolog List exercises

What is the Head and Tail of the following lists?

- ▶ `[]`
  - ▶  $H = \text{none}, T = \text{none}$
- ▶ `[a]`
  - ▶  $H = a, T = []$
- ▶ `[[a, b], c, d]`
  - ▶  $H = [a,b], T = [c,d]$

# Pipe operator

## Pipe operator

Separating the head from the tail in a list, i.e.  $.(H,T)$ , can be done by  $[H|T]$ .

Uses unification to find the variables  $H$  and  $T$ .



# Exercise

Recursion, Lists, Pipe operators

Define the predicate *ismember*.

# Exercise

## Recursion, Lists, Pipe operators

Define the predicate *clen*.

```
clen(X, [X|_]).  
clen(X, [_|T]) :- clen(X, T).
```

See also *member/2*.

# Homework

Figure out the following predicates:

- ▶ concatenate a to a list (e.g.,  $[cb] \rightarrow [cba]$ )
- ▶ join two lists (e.g.,  $[ab] + [cd] = [abcd]$ )

## Example of arithmetics

List length via arithmetics in Prolog:

```
len([],0).
```

```
len(_|T,N) :- len(T,X), N is X+1.
```

## Instead of recursion

Use of accumulator instead of recursion:

```
accLen([_ | T], A, L) :- Anew is A+1, accLen(T, Anew, L).  
accLen([], A, A).  
leng(List, Length) :- accLen(List, 0, Length).
```

# Sets

```
sidli(lannister , kingslanding ).  
sidli(lannister , casterlyrock ).  
sidli(stark , winterfell ).  
sidli(frey , twins ).  
sidli(baratheon , dragonstone ).  
?- bagof(X, sidli(Kdo,X), Misto). % all  
?- setof(X, sidli(Kdo,X), Misto). % sorted unique  
?- findall(X, sidli(Kdo,X), Misto). % only Misto
```

## Simple generator

```
veta(Z):- podc(X), pric(Y), append(X,Y,Z).
podc(Z):- pojm(Z).
pric(Z):- s(X), pre(Y), append(X,Y,Z).
pric(Z):- s(Z).
pojm([ tywin ]).
pojm([ jon ]).
s([ je ]).
pre([ vyvrhel ]).
? veta(X)
```

## Exercise

How to add declension?

```
veta(Z):- podc(X), pric(Y), append(X,Y,Z).
podc(Z):- pojm(Z).
pric(Z):- s(X), pre(Y), append(X,Y,Z).
pric(Z):- s(Z).
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pojm([ jon ]).
s([ je ]).
pre([ vyvrhel ]).
? veta(X)
```



# Definite Clause Grammar

`veta(X,Z):- podc(X,Y), pric(Y,Z).`

Grammar with syntactic sugar:

`veta —> podc, pric.`

`podc —> pojm.`

`pric —> s, pre.`

`pric —> s.`

`pojm —> [tywin].`

`pojm —> [jon].`

`s —> [je].`

`pre —> [vyvrhel].`

`? veta(X, []).`

## Exercise

What does this generate?

$ab \longrightarrow []$ .

$ab \longrightarrow l, ab, r$ .

$l \longrightarrow [a]$ .

$r \longrightarrow [b]$ .

# Exercise

$$a^n b^n$$

$$ab \longrightarrow [] .$$

$$ab \longrightarrow l, ab, r .$$

$$l \longrightarrow [a] .$$

$$r \longrightarrow [b] .$$

# Cut

## Cut

!/0 is the cut predicate, always succeeds and prevents the return to previous goals.

```
nepratele(X,Y):- lannister(X),stark(Y).
```

vs.

```
nepratele(X,Y):- lannister(X),!,stark(Y).
```

# Cut

$p: \neg a, b.$

$p: \neg c.$

$$p \iff (a \wedge b) \vee c$$

vs.

$p: \neg a, !, b.$

$p: \neg c.$

$$p \iff (a \wedge b) \vee (\neg a \wedge c)$$

## Prolog workings

`p(1).`

`p(2) :- !.`

`p(3).`

`?- p(X).`

`?- p(X), p(Y).`

`?- p(X), !, p(Y).`

# Logical programming

Logical programming is still relevant!

Main motivation is to replace SQL.

Comes from =Datalog=, i.e. kind of Prolog.

For details: =Google Logica=

See also the =Tutorial=

# Replacing what?

Replacing ... =SQL=.

Language for data manipulation and retrieval with COBOL based natural language-like commands.



## SQL basic

```
SELECT * FROM Customers;
```

```
SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT Country) FROM Customers;
```

```
SELECT * FROM Customers  
ORDER BY Country;
```

```
SELECT MIN(column_name)  
FROM table_name  
WHERE condition;
```

# SQL Joins

=Joins=

```
SELECT Orders.OrderID , Customers.CustomerName  
FROM Orders  
INNER JOIN Customers  
ON Orders.CustomerID = Customers.CustomerID ;
```

## SQL basic

```
MagicNumber(x: 2);  
MagicNumber(x: 3);  
MagicNumber(x: 5);
```

vs.

```
SELECT 2 AS x  
UNION ALL  
SELECT 3 AS x  
UNION ALL  
SELECT 5 AS x;
```

# SQL basic

```
MagicNumber(x:) :-  
  x in [2, 3, 5];
```

# Logical programming

- ▶ Facts aka Tables
- ▶ Rules aka Queries
- ▶ JSON-like structures
- ▶ Conjunction aka Join

See also the =Tutorial=

# Description logic

Non-classical logic for reasoning about properties.

<b>FOL</b>	<b>DL</b>	<b>OWL</b>
constant	individual	individual
unary predicate	concept	class
binary predicate	role	property

# Description logic - language

Symbol	Description
$\top$	top concept
$\perp$	bottom, empty concept
$C \sqcap D$	intersection/conjunction of concepts (and)
$C \sqcup D$	union/disjunction of concepts (or)
$\neg C$	negation of concepts
$\forall R.C$	universal restriction, all R-successors are in C
$\exists R.C$	existential restriction, an R-successors exists in C
$C \sqsubseteq D$	concept inclusion, all C are D
$C \equiv D$	C is equivalent to D
$C \doteq D$	definition, C is defined to be equal to D
$a : C$	a is a C
$(a, b) : R$	a is R-related to b

# DL variants

Many language variants, marked based on their properties.

$\mathcal{ALC}$  “Attribute language”

- ▶ Atomic negation
- ▶ Concept intersection
- ▶ Universal restriction
- ▶ Limited existential quantification
- ▶ Complex concept negation

$\mathcal{FL}$  “Frame based language”

- ▶ Concept intersection
- ▶ Universal restrictions
- ▶ Limited existential quantification
- ▶ Role restrictions



# DL variants

Why so many variants?

# DL variants

Different rules mean different complexity

Different complexity means different decidability

DLs are just fragments of general first order logic

See =ESLLI 2018=

# Elements of a language - Common concepts

Domain specific languages

Boolean constructors (negation, conjunction, disjunction)

Role restrictions (existential and value restriction)

Complex concepts are created from atomic and other complex concepts

Based also on the chosen logic

# Elements of a language - Atomic concepts

## **Atomic concept names**

$C = A_1, \dots, A_n$ , subsets of the domain, i.e., basic classes of the domain

E.g.: student, teacher, admin

Special concepts are: Top  $\top$  (whole domain), Bottom  $\perp$  (empty)

# Elements of a language - Relationships

## **Atomic role names**

$R = r_1, \dots, r_n$ , powersets in the domain, i.e.: basic relations between concepts

E.g.: employedBy, supervisedBy, ...

# Elements of a language - Relationships

## **Individual names**

$I = a_1, \dots, a_n$ , members of the domain, i.e.: names of the objects,  
instantiations from the domain

E.g.: John, Jane, ...

# Knowledge bases

## Intentional knowledge

Definition of concepts, by subsumption statements

“TBox”,  $\mathcal{T}$ , (terminology)

## Extensional knowledge

Instantiation of concepts and roles, the database, by assertions

“ABox”,  $\mathcal{A}$ , (assertion box), i.e. : expressions

## Knowledge base (ontology)

TBox + ABox,  $\langle \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A} \rangle$

## Example

TBox:

- ▶  $Woman \equiv Female \sqcap Person$
- ▶  $Man \equiv Male \sqcap Person$
- ▶  $\top \equiv Woman \sqcup Man$
- ▶  $Parent \equiv \exists hasChild.\top$

ABox:

- ▶  $anne:Woman, pete:Person$
- ▶  $mary:Woman$
- ▶  $(pete, anne): hasChild$
- ▶  $(mary, anne): hasChild$

We can study  $\mathcal{T} \models, \mathcal{A} \models, \langle \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A} \rangle \models$

Visualization is possible through Venn diagrams and graphs.



# Ontology

Ontologia, philosophical term, “nature of being and reality”

Technical ontologies = rigorous description of a domain:

- ▶ its concepts/classes
- ▶ objects/instantiations
- ▶ and their relationships
- ▶ with a shared conceptualisation (i.e. what ideas/concepts are used)

Formal ontologies = captured by a formal system

E.g.: Medical classification, biological taxonomy and gene ontology,...

Basis of the Semantic Web project

Automated reasoning with many tools (e.g., =Protege= or see =list=)

# OWL

=Web Ontology Language=, W3C project for the Semantic Web

Split into sublanguages based on the need/use ( $\text{Lite} \subset \text{DL} \subset \text{Full}$ )

OWL ontology is an Resource Description Framework (RDF) graph

Can be also translated to RDF Schema, metadata models (can be used with query languages as SPARQL) (XML-like annotation)

See tutorial for example =here=, especially =examples=

# Semantic web

=Semantic web=, i.e. a web of data

Idea (was) to annotate data so that inferences are possible

E.g. Google data sheets were based on ontologies/semantic web technology

Some problems:

- ▶ finding appropriate ontologies,
- ▶ annotating data,
- ▶ data usually hand-annotated, i.e. unreliable.

# SUMO

Suggested Upper Merged Ontology

Formal ontology that is free

Any kind of reasoning/domain

E.g.: Ebay to reason about products

# Oracle Configurator Constraint Definition Language

=OCCDL= is an example of an internal tool of automated reasoning

Used for server etc. setups in the Oracle shop

Clients can select their server config

Some configs are not possible (component interactions)

Deciding that by hand would be impossible

The properties of components are modeled in the CDL

A reasoner decides based on the model in the shop if the config is possible

## CDL example

```
CONTRIBUTE Frame.Width - 2*Frame.Border + 2*0.5  
TO Glass.Width;  
CONTRIBUTE Frame.Height - 2*Frame.Border + 2*0.5  
TO Glass.Height;
```