

Practical 7

1. The formal language $aEven$ is very simple: it consists of all strings containing an even number of a s, and nothing else. Note that the empty string ϵ belongs to $aEven$. Write a DCG that generates $aEven$.

```
s --> [] .
```

```
s --> a, a, s .
```

```
a --> [a] .
```

2. The formal language $a^n b^{2m} c^{2m} d^n$ consists of all strings of the following form: an unbroken block of a s followed by an unbroken block of b s followed by an unbroken block of c s followed by an unbroken block of d s, such that the a and d blocks are exactly the same length, and the c and ab blocks are also exactly the same length and furthermore consist of an even number of c s and ab s respectively. For example, ϵ , $abbccd$, and $aaabbbbccccddd$ all belong to $a^n b^{2m} c^{2m} d^n$. Write a DCG that generates this language.

```
s --> x .
```

```
s --> a, s, d .
```

```
x --> [] .
```

```
x --> b, b, x, c, c .
```

```
a --> [a] .
```

```
b --> [b] .
```

```
c --> [c] .
```

```
d --> [d] .
```

3. The language that logicians call ‘propositional logic over the propositional symbols p , q , and r ’ can be defined by the following context free grammar:

```
prop -> p
```

```
prop -> q
```

```
prop -> r
```

```
prop -> ¬ prop
```

```
prop -> (prop  $\wedge$  prop)
```

```
prop -> (prop  $\vee$  prop)
```

```
prop -> (prop  $\rightarrow$  prop)
```

Write a DCG that generates this language. Actually, because we don't know about Prolog operators yet, you will have to make a few rather clumsy looking compromises. For example, instead of getting it to recognize

```
 $\neg$  (p  $\rightarrow$  q)
```

you will have to get it recognize things like

```
[not, '(', p, implies, q, ')']
```

instead. But we will learn later how to make the output nicer, so write the DCG that accepts a clumsy looking version of this language. Use `or` for \vee , and `and` for \wedge .

```
prop --> [p].
```

```
prop --> [q].
```

```
prop --> [r].
```

```
prop --> not, prop.
```

```
prop --> lparen, prop, and, prop, rparen.
```

```
prop --> lparen, prop, or, prop, rparen.
```

```
prop --> lparen, prop, implies, prop, rparen.
```

```
not --> [not].
```

```
lparen --> ['('].
```

```
rparen --> [')'].
```

```
and --> [and].
```

```
or --> [or].
```

```
implies --> [implies].
```