

Practical 5

1. In the text we discussed the 3-place predicate `accMax` which returned the maximum of a list of integers. By changing the code slightly, turn this into a 3-place predicate `accMin` which returns the *minimum* of a list of integers.

```
accMin([], Acc, Acc) .  
  
accMin([X|Xs], Acc, Min) :- X < Acc, accMin(Xs, X, Min) .  
  
accMin([X|Xs], Acc, Min) :- X >= Acc, accMin(Xs, Acc, Min) .  
  
min(List, Min) :- List = [X|_], accMin(List, X, Min) .
```

2. In mathematics, an n-dimensional vector is a list of numbers of length n. For example, `[2, 5, 12]` is a 3-dimensional vector, and `[45, 27, 3, -4, 6]` is a 5-dimensional vector. One of the basic operations on vectors is *scalar multiplication*. In this operation, every element of a vector is multiplied by some number. For example, if we scalar multiply the 3-dimensional vector `[2, 7, 4]` by 3 the result is the 3-dimensional vector `[6, 21, 12]`. Write a 3-place predicate `scalarMult` whose first argument is an integer, whose second argument is a list of integers, and whose third argument is the result of scalar multiplying the second argument by the first. For example, the query

```
scalarMult(3, [2, 7, 4], Result) .
```

should yield

```
Result = [6, 21, 12]
```

```
scalarMult(_, [], []) .  
  
scalarMult(N, [X|Xs], [Y|Ys]) :- Y is N*X, scalarMult(N, Xs, Ys) .
```

3. Another fundamental operation on vectors is the *dot product*. This operation combines two vectors of the same dimension and yields a number as a result. The operation is carried out as follows: the corresponding elements of the two vectors are multiplied, and the results added. For example, the dot product of `[2, 5, 6]` and `[3, 4, 1]` is $6+20+6$, that is, 32. Write a 3-place predicate `dot` whose first argument is a list of integers, whose second argument is a list of integers of the same length as the first, and whose third argument is the dot product of the first argument with the second. For example, the query

```
dot([2, 5, 6], [3, 4, 1], Result) .
```

should yield

```
Result = 32
```

```
dot([],[],Acc,Acc).
```

```
dot([X|Xs],[Y|Ys],Acc,Result) :-
```

```
    NewAcc is X*Y+Acc, dot(Xs,Ys,NewAcc,Result).
```

```
dot(List1,List2,Result) :- dot(List1,List2,0,Result).
```