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Exercise 1: The Smart Phone Rivalry

sumsum, a competitor of appy, developed some nice smart phone technology called galactica-s3, all of which was stolen by stevey, who is a boss of appy. It is unethical for a boss to steal business from rival companies. A competitor is a rival. Smart phone technology is business.

1.1 Translate the natural language statements above describing the dealing within the Smart Phone industry in to First Order Logic (FOL).

Natural Language	First Order Logic (FOL)
sumsum, a competitor of appy	competitor(sumsum, appy)
sumsum developed some nice smart phone technology called galactica-s3	developed(sumsum, galactica-s3)
smart phone technology called galactica-s3	smartphonetech(galactica-s3)
stevey stole galactica-s3	stole(stevey, galactica-s3)
stevey is a boss of appy	boss(stevey, appy)

Rules	First Order Logic (FOL)
A competitor is a rival	$\forall x \forall y (\text{competitor}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{rival}(x, y))$
unethical for a boss to steal business from rival companies	$\forall x \forall y \forall z \forall b ((\text{boss}(x, y) \wedge \text{rival}(z, y) \wedge \text{business}(b) \wedge \text{stole}(x, b) \wedge \text{developed}(z, b)) \rightarrow \text{unethical}(x))$
Smart phone technology is business	$\forall x (\text{smartphonetech}(x) \rightarrow \text{business}(x))$

1.2 Write these FOL statements as Prolog clauses.

```

1  % Facts
2  competitor(sumsum, appy).
3  developed(sumsum, galacticas3).
4  smartphonetech(galacticas3).
5  stole(stevey, galacticas3).
6  boss(stevey, appy).
7
8  % Rules
9  rival(X, Y) :- competitor(X, Y).
10 business(X) :- smartphonetech(X).
11 unethical(X) :- boss(X, Y), rival(Z, Y), business(B), stole(X, B), developed(Z, B).

```

1.3 Using Prolog, prove that Stevey is unethical. Show a trace of your proof.

```

?- trace, unethical(stevey).
Call: (13) unethical(stevey) ? creep
Call: (14) boss(stevey, _26286) ? creep
Exit: (14) boss(stevey, appy) ? creep
Call: (14) rival(_27908, appy) ? creep
Call: (15) competitor(_27908, appy) ? creep
Exit: (15) competitor(sumsum, appy) ? creep
Exit: (14) rival(sumsum, appy) ? creep
Call: (14) business(_31150) ? creep
Call: (15) smartphonetech(_31150) ? creep
Exit: (15) smartphonetech(galacticas3) ? creep
Exit: (14) business(galacticas3) ? creep
Call: (14) stole(stevey, galacticas3) ? creep
Exit: (14) stole(stevey, galacticas3) ? creep
Call: (14) developed(sumsum, galacticas3) ? creep
Exit: (14) developed(sumsum, galacticas3) ? creep
Exit: (13) unethical(stevey) ? creep
true.

```

Exercise 2: The Royal Family

The old Royal succession rule states that the throne is passed down along the male line according to the order of birth before the consideration along the female line – similarly according to the order of birth. [queen elizabeth](#), the monarch of United Kingdom, has four off-springs; namely:- [prince charles](#), [princess ann](#), [prince andrew](#) and [prince edward](#) – listed in the order of birth.

2.1 Define their relations and succession using old rules in a Prolog rule base.

In the old royal succession rule, males are given preference over females. Our Prolog program models this by:

- Defining [male/1](#) and [female/1](#) for gender.
- Using [born/2](#) to capture birth order (lower number = earlier birth).
- Creating rules [male_successor/1](#) and [female_successor/1](#) to identify eligible children of Queen Elizabeth.
- Sorting the males and females separately using [keysort/2](#) based on birth order.
- Finally, using [append/3](#) to combine the male list followed by the female list, giving us the full line of succession.

Full Prolog code (Q2.1):

```
royal_old.pl X
Users > aviral > Downloads > royal_old.pl
1  % Gender facts
2  male(prince_charles).
3  male(prince_andrew).
4  male(prince_edward).
5  female(princess_ann).
6
7  % Birth order (lower number = earlier)
8  born(prince_charles, 1).
9  born(princess_ann, 2).
10 born(prince_andrew, 3).
11 born(prince_edward, 4).
12
13 % Children of Queen Elizabeth
14 child(prince_charles, queen_elizabeth).
15 child(princess_ann, queen_elizabeth).
16 child(prince_andrew, queen_elizabeth).
17 child(prince_edward, queen_elizabeth).
18
19 % Males succeed first
20 male_successor(X) :-
21     male(X),
22     child(X, queen_elizabeth).
23
24 % Females succeed after all males
25 female_successor(X) :-
26     female(X),
27     child(X, queen_elizabeth).
28
29 % Collect full succession list: males first (ordered), then females (ordered)
30 ordered_succession(List) :-
31     findall(B-Male, (male_successor(Male), born(Male, B)), Males),
32     keysort(Males, SortedMales),
33     pairs_values(SortedMales, MaleList),
34
35     findall(B-Female, (female_successor(Female), born(Female, B)), Females),
36     keysort(Females, SortedFemales),
37     pairs_values(SortedFemales, FemaleList),
38
39     append(MaleList, FemaleList, List).
```

The screenshot below shows the result of running:

?- ordered_succession(List).

```
% /Users/aviral/Downloads/royal_old.pl compiled 0.00 sec, 15 clauses
?- ordered_succession(List).

List = [prince_charles, prince_andrew, prince_edward, princess_ann].
```

We also performed a trace using:

trace.

ordered_succession(List).

```
[trace] ?- ordered_succession(List).
^ Call: (12) ordered_succession(_31540) ? creep
Call: (13) findall(_33192-33194, (male_successor(_33194), born(_33194, _33192)), _33212) ? creep
Call: (18) male_successor(_33194) ? creep
Call: (19) male(_33194) ? creep
Exit: (19) male(prince_charles) ? creep
Call: (19) child(prince_charles, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (19) child(prince_charles, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (18) male_successor(prince_charles) ? creep
Call: (18) born(prince_charles, _33192) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(prince_charles, 1) ? creep
Redo: (19) male(_33194) ? creep
Exit: (19) male(prince_andrew) ? creep
Call: (19) child(prince_andrew, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (19) child(prince_andrew, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (18) male_successor(prince_andrew) ? creep
Call: (18) born(prince_andrew, _33192) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(prince_andrew, 3) ? creep
Redo: (19) male(_33194) ? creep
Exit: (19) male(prince_edward) ? creep
Call: (19) child(prince_edward, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (19) child(prince_edward, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (18) male_successor(prince_edward) ? creep
Call: (18) born(prince_edward, _33192) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(prince_edward, 4) ? creep
^ Exit: (13) findall(_33192-33194, user:(male_successor(_33194), born(_33194, _33192)), [1-prince_charles, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward]) ? creep
Call: (13) keysort([1-prince_charles, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], _54930) ? creep
Exit: (13) keysort([1-prince_charles, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], [1-prince_charles, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward]) ? creep
Call: (13) pairs:pairs_values([1-prince_charles, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], _56754) ? creep
Call: (14) pairs:pairs_values([3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], _57674) ? creep
Call: (15) pairs:pairs_values([4-prince_edward], _58594) ? creep
Call: (16) pairs:pairs_values([], _59514) ? creep
Exit: (16) pairs:pairs_values([], []) ? creep
Exit: (15) pairs:pairs_values([4-prince_edward], [prince_edward]) ? creep
Exit: (14) pairs:pairs_values([3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], [prince_andrew, prince_edward]) ? creep
Exit: (13) pairs:pairs_values([1-prince_charles, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], [prince_charles, prince_andrew, prince_edward]) ? creep
^ Call: (13) findall(_33192-64090, (female_successor(_64090), born(_64090, _33192)), _64108) ? creep
Call: (18) female_successor(_64090) ? creep
Call: (19) female(_64090) ? creep
Exit: (19) female(princess_ann) ? creep
Call: (19) child(princess_ann, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (19) child(princess_ann, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (18) female_successor(princess_ann) ? creep
Call: (18) born(princess_ann, _116) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(princess_ann, 2) ? creep
^ Exit: (13) findall(_116-202, user:(female_successor(_202), born(_202, _116)), [2-princess_ann]) ? creep
Call: (13) keysort([2-princess_ann], _5168) ? creep
Exit: (13) keysort([2-princess_ann], [2-princess_ann]) ? creep
Call: (13) pairs:pairs_values([2-princess_ann], _6980) ? creep
Call: (14) pairs:pairs_values([], _7900) ? creep
Exit: (14) pairs:pairs_values([], []) ? creep
Exit: (13) pairs:pairs_values([2-princess_ann], [princess_ann]) ? creep
Call: (13) lists:append([prince_charles, prince_andrew, prince_edward], [princess_ann], _60) ? creep
Exit: (13) lists:append([prince_charles, prince_andrew, prince_edward], [princess_ann], [prince_charles, prince_andrew, prince_edward, princess_ann]) ? creep
Exit: (12) ordered_succession([prince_charles, prince_andrew, prince_edward, princess_ann]) ? creep
List = [prince_charles, prince_andrew, prince_edward, princess_ann].
```

The output confirms that males are prioritized in birth order, followed by the females.

2.2 Define their relations and succession using new rules in a Prolog rule base.

In the updated royal succession rule, **gender is no longer a factor**. Succession is determined **strictly by birth order**, regardless of whether the heir is male or female.

Our Prolog program models this rule as follows:

1. Define Birth Order

Each child of Queen Elizabeth is assigned a birth order using the `born/2` predicate. A lower number indicates earlier birth.

```
% Birth order: smaller number = born earlier
born(prince_charles, 1).
born(princess_ann, 2).
born(prince_andrew, 3).
born(prince_edward, 4).
```

2. Define Parent-Child Relationships

The `child/2` predicate specifies each offspring of Queen Elizabeth.

```
% Children of Queen Elizabeth
child(prince_charles, queen_elizabeth).
child(princess_ann, queen_elizabeth).
child(prince_andrew, queen_elizabeth).
child(prince_edward, queen_elizabeth).
```

3. Generalize the Successor Rule

The `successor/1` rule includes any child of Queen Elizabeth who has a known birth order, regardless of gender.

```
% In the new succession rule, any child of the queen is a valid successor,
% regardless of gender. We also check that the birth order is known.
successor(X) :-
    child(X, queen_elizabeth),
    born(X, _).
```

4. Generate Succession List by Birth Order

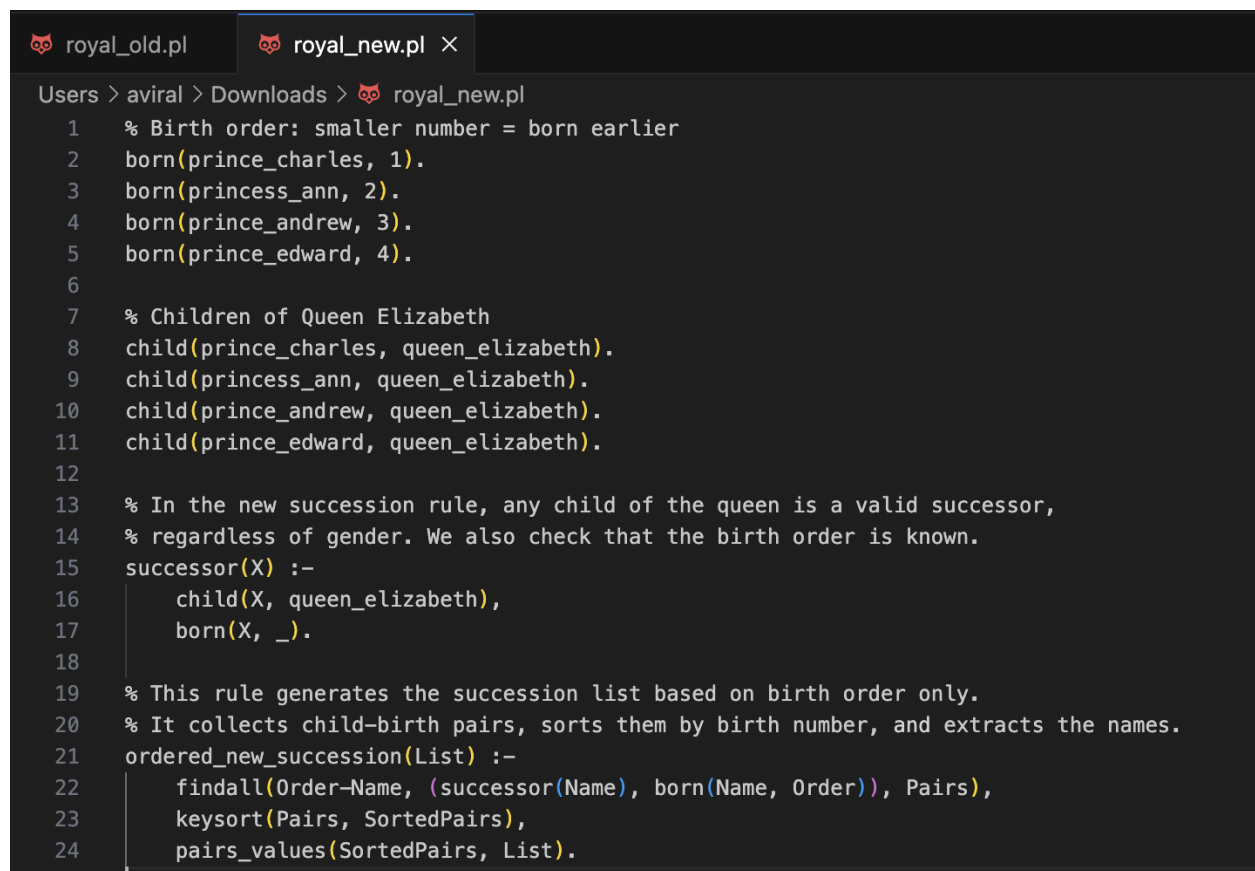
The `ordered_new_succession/1` rule:

- Collects child–birth order pairs using `findall/3`

- Sorts them using `keysort/2`
- Extracts the names in the correct order using `pairs_values/2`

```
% This rule generates the succession list based on birth order only.
% It collects child-birth pairs, sorts them by birth number, and extracts the names.
ordered_new_succession(List) :-
    findall(Order-Name, (successor(Name), born(Name, Order)), Pairs),
    keysort(Pairs, SortedPairs),
    pairs_values(SortedPairs, List).
```

Full Prolog Code (Q2.2):



```
royal_old.pl  royal_new.pl X
Users > aviral > Downloads > royal_new.pl
1  % Birth order: smaller number = born earlier
2  born(prince_charles, 1).
3  born(princess_ann, 2).
4  born(prince_andrew, 3).
5  born(prince_edward, 4).
6
7  % Children of Queen Elizabeth
8  child(prince_charles, queen_elizabeth).
9  child(princess_ann, queen_elizabeth).
10 child(prince_andrew, queen_elizabeth).
11 child(prince_edward, queen_elizabeth).
12
13 % In the new succession rule, any child of the queen is a valid successor,
14 % regardless of gender. We also check that the birth order is known.
15 successor(X) :-
16     child(X, queen_elizabeth),
17     born(X, _).
18
19 % This rule generates the succession list based on birth order only.
20 % It collects child-birth pairs, sorts them by birth number, and extracts the names.
21 ordered_new_succession(List) :-
22     findall(Order-Name, (successor(Name), born(Name, Order)), Pairs),
23     keysort(Pairs, SortedPairs),
24     pairs_values(SortedPairs, List).
```

The screenshot (see below) shows the result of running:

`?- ordered_new_succession(List).`

It returns:

```
List = [prince_charles, princess_ann, prince_andrew, prince_edward].
```

```

% /Users/aviral/Downloads/royal_new.pl compiled 0.00 sec, 10 clauses
?- trace.
true.
[trace] ?- ordered_new_succession(List).
Call: (12) ordered_new_succession(_27382) ? creep
Call: (13) findall(_29034-29036, (successor(_29036), born(_29036, _29034)), _29054) ? creep
Call: (18) successor(_29036) ? creep
Call: (19) child(_29036, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (19) child(prince_charles, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Call: (19) born(prince_charles, _32828) ? creep
Exit: (19) born(prince_charles, 1) ? creep
Exit: (19) successor(prince_charles) ? creep
Call: (18) born(prince_charles, _29034) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(prince_charles, 1) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(prince_charles, 1) ? creep
Redo: (19) child(_29036, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (19) child(princess_ann, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Call: (19) born(princess_ann, _39144) ? creep
Exit: (19) born(princess_ann, 2) ? creep
Exit: (18) successor(princess_ann) ? creep
Call: (18) born(princess_ann, _29034) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(princess_ann, 2) ? creep
Redo: (19) child(_29036, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (19) child(prince_andrew, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Call: (19) born(prince_andrew, _45460) ? creep
Exit: (19) born(prince_andrew, 3) ? creep
Exit: (18) successor(prince_andrew) ? creep
Call: (18) born(prince_andrew, _29034) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(prince_andrew, 3) ? creep
Redo: (19) child(_29036, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Exit: (19) child(prince_edward, queen_elizabeth) ? creep
Call: (19) born(prince_edward, _51776) ? creep
Exit: (19) born(prince_edward, 4) ? creep
Exit: (18) successor(prince_edward) ? creep
Call: (18) born(prince_edward, _29034) ? creep
Exit: (18) born(prince_edward, 4) ? creep
Call: (13) findall(_29034-29036, user:(successor(_29036), born(_29036, _29034)), [1-prince_charles, 2-princess_ann, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward]) ? creep
Call: (13) keysort([1-prince_charles, 2-princess_ann, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], _57124) ? creep
Exit: (13) keysort([1-prince_charles, 2-princess_ann, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], [1-prince_charles, 2-princess_ann, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward]) ? creep
Call: (13) pairs:pairs_values([1-prince_charles, 2-princess_ann, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], _27382) ? creep
Call: (14) pairs:pairs_values([2-princess_ann, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], _61786) ? creep
Call: (15) pairs:pairs_values([3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], _62706) ? creep
Call: (16) pairs:pairs_values([4-prince_edward], _63626) ? creep
Call: (17) pairs:pairs_values([], _64546) ? creep
Exit: (17) pairs:pairs_values([], []) ? creep
Exit: (16) pairs:pairs_values([4-prince_edward], [prince_edward]) ? creep
Exit: (15) pairs:pairs_values([3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], [prince_andrew, prince_edward]) ? creep
Exit: (14) pairs:pairs_values([2-princess_ann, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], [princess_ann, prince_andrew, prince_edward]) ? creep
Exit: (13) pairs:pairs_values([1-prince_charles, 2-princess_ann, 3-prince_andrew, 4-prince_edward], [prince_charles, princess_ann, prince_andrew, prince_edward]) ? creep
Exit: (12) ordered_new_succession([prince_charles, princess_ann, prince_andrew, prince_edward]) ? creep
List = [prince_charles, princess_ann, prince_andrew, prince_edward].

```

The output confirms that all children are ordered purely by birth, regardless of gender, reflecting the new succession rule.

Conclusion

This assignment deepened our understanding of logic programming using Prolog. We modeled real-world scenarios through declarative rules and explored how inference works in knowledge-based systems.

In Exercise 1, we applied logical reasoning to identify unethical behavior. In Exercise 2, we modeled royal succession under both traditional and modern rules, using Prolog to generate and trace ordered successors.

Overall, this lab reinforced key AI concepts like rule-based reasoning, logical inference, and the impact of rule structure on outcomes.