

Principles of Programming Language (CS302)

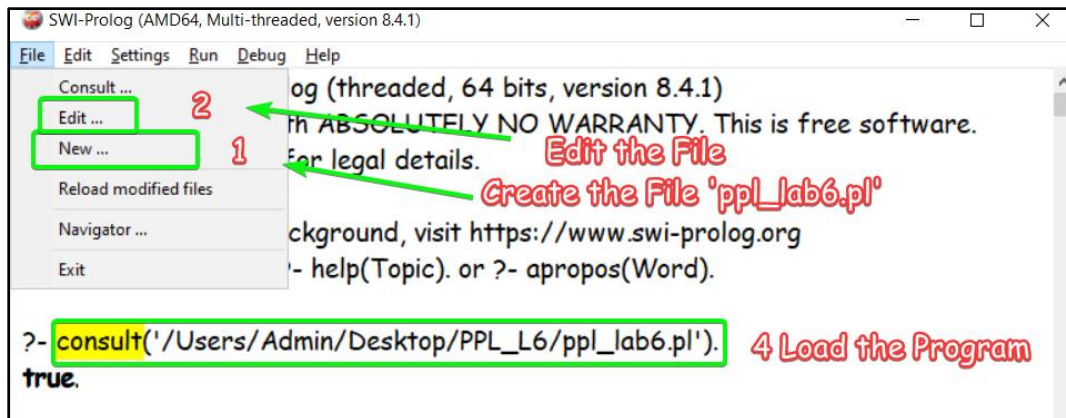
Assignment - 6

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1.) Write a Program in Prolog that uses following Built-in Predicates

(a) File Loading

consult(F) -> Loads program from the file F.



(b) Input predicates

read(X) -> Read one clause from the current input and unify it with X. If there is no further input, X is unified with `end_of_file`.

```
ppl_lab6.pl
main :-
    write('Enter the PPL Assignment No - '),
    nl,
    read(Number),
    printit(Number).

printit(Number) :-
    write('You have Entered '),
    write(Number),
    write(' As Assignment Number!'),
    nl.
```

```
?- main.
Enter the PPL Assignment No -
|: 6.
You have Entered 6 As Assignment Number!
true.
```

(c) Output predicates

write(X) -> Write the single value X to the current output file.

nl -> Write a newline to the current output file.

```
?- write('Prolog in PPL'), nl, write('By Bhagya Rana').  
Prolog in PPL  
By Bhagya Rana  
true.
```

(d) Utility Functions

halt -> causes the Prolog system to terminate

```
?- halt.  Window Closes after Running the Command.
```

statistics -> prints system statistics.

```
?- statistics.  
% Started at Mon Feb 28 01:32:48 2022  
% 0.219 seconds cpu time for 258,428 inferences  
% 6,107 atoms, 4,472 functors, 3,085 predicates, 43 modules, 123,477 VM-codes  
%  
%          Limit  Allocated  In use  
% Local stack:    -    20 Kb  2,224 b  
% Global stack:   -   124 Kb   67 Kb  
% Trail stack:    -   30 Kb  1,408 b  
%   Total: 1,024 Mb   174 Kb   71 Kb  
%  
% 2 garbage collections gained 166,800 bytes in 0.000 seconds.  
% 4 atom garbage collections gained 729 atoms in 0.000 seconds.  
% 7 clause garbage collections gained 149 clauses in 0.000 seconds.  
% Stack shifts: 2 local, 1 global, 2 trail in 0.000 seconds  
% 2 threads, 0 finished threads used 0.000 seconds  
true.
```

2.) Try to answer the following questions first "by hand" and then verify your answers using a Prolog interpreter.

(a) Which of the following are valid Prolog atoms?

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atom

An atom, in Prolog, means a single data item. It may be of one of four types:

- a **string atom** like 'This is a string' or
- a symbol, like **likes, john, and pizza**, in `likes(john, pizza)`. Atoms of this type must start with a **lower case letter**. They can include digits (after the initial lower-case letter) and the underscore character (`_`).
- the empty list `[]`. This is a strange one: other lists are not atoms. If you think of an atom as something that is not divisible into parts (the original meaning of the word *atom*, though subverted by subatomic physics) then `[]` being an atom is less surprising, since it is certainly not divisible into parts.
- **strings of special characters**, like `<-->`, `...`, `==>`. When using atoms of this type, some care is needed to avoid using strings of special characters with a predefined meaning, like the **neck** symbol `:-` the **cut** symbol `!`, and various **arithmetic** and **comparison** operators.

The available special characters for constructing this class of atom are: `+, -, *, /, <, >, =, :, ., &, _`, and `~`.

Numbers, in Prolog, are not considered to be atoms.

Atom	Valid	Reason
f	✓	Not Beginning with a Capital Letter
likes(john,mary)	✗	Clauses are not Atomic.
Mary	✗	Should Start with Small Case Letter
_c1	✗	Since it is Variable
'Hello'	✓	String Atom
this_is_it	✓	Starts with Lower Case Letter

```
?- atom(f).  
true.  
  
?- atom(likes(john,mary)).  
false.  
  
?- atom(Mary).  
false.  
  
?- atom(_c1).  
false.  
  
?- atom('Hello').  
true.  
  
?- atom(this_is_it).  
true.
```

(b) Which of the following are valid names for Prolog variables?

A variable is written as a sequence of letters and digits, beginning with a capital letter. The **underscore** (`_`) is considered to be a **capital letter**.

Variable	Valid	Reason
a	✗	Not Beginning with a Capital Letter
A	✓	
Paul	✓	
'Hello'	✗	Not Beginning with a Capital Letter
a_123	✗	Not Beginning with a Capital Letter
_abc	✓	
x2	✗	Not Beginning with a Capital Letter

(c) What would a Prolog interpreter reply given the following query?

```
?- f(a, b) = f(X, Y).  
X = a,  
Y = b.
```

```
| ?- foo(a,b) = foo(X,Y).  
X=a  
Y=b  
yes  
| ?- foo(a,Y) = foo(X,b).  
Y=b  
X=a  
yes  
| ?- foo(a,b) = foo(X,X).  
no
```

**** Two complex terms unify if they are **
** of the same arity, have the same principal **
** functor and their arguments unify ****

**** Instantiation of variables may occur **
** in either of the terms to be unified ****

**** In this case there is no unification **
** because foo(X,X) must have the same **
** 1st and 2nd arguments ****

(d) Would the following query succeed? `?- loves(mary, john) = loves(John, Mary).` - **YES**

```
?- loves(mary, john) = loves(John, Mary).  
John = mary,  
Mary = john.
```

Why? Since **John** is Variable that is Unified with Value `mary` and **Mary** unifies with Value `john`.

(e) Assume a program consisting only of the fact `a(B, B).` has been consulted by Prolog. How will the system react to the following query?

?- `a(1, X), a(X, Y), a(Y, Z), a(Z, 100).` - **false**

?- `a(1,X).`

`X = 1.`

?- `a(1,X), a(X,Y).`

`X = Y, Y = 1.`

?- `a(1,X), a(X,Y), a(Y,Z).`

`X = Y, Y = Z, Z = 1.`

?- `a(1,X), a(X,Y), a(Y,Z), a(Z,100).`

false.

Why?

- Since `1 = X = Y = Z` & `Z = 100` are contradictory.

It is important to note that the same variable has to be instantiated with the same value throughout an expression.

The only exception to this rule is the anonymous variable `_`, which is considered to be unique whenever it occurs.

3.) Read the section on matching again and try to understand what's happening when you submit the following queries to Prolog.

- ✓ Two terms are said to **match** if they are either identical or if they can be made identical by means of variable instantiation.
- ✓ Instantiating a variable **means** assigning it a fixed value.
- ✓ Two free variables also match, because they could be instantiated with the same ground term.

(a) ?- myFunctor(1, 2) = X, X = myFunctor(Y, Y).

The Function 'myFunctor' used is same and matched to same variable 'X' [Fixed].

However, myFunctor(Y, Y) suggest that both the parameters be same, but that is not the case with myFunctor(1,2).

Therefore the Goal is not achieved and **false** is returned.

```
?- myFunctor(1, 2) = X, X = myFunctor(Y, Y).  
false.
```

(b) ?- f(a, _, c, d) = f(a, X, Y, _).

Matching would take Place as Follows - [a → a], [_ → X], [c → Y] & [d → _]

Therefore, Y = c.

```
?- f(a, _, c, d) = f(a, X, Y, _).  
Y = c.
```

[Note that both '_' {Anonymous Variables} are Different. Therefore, _ = d & _ = X doesn't implies X = d]

(c) ?- write('One '), X = write('Two ').

Here, write('One') writes to the Console and is true statement.

It being followed by a comma ',' -> **AND** operator which is followed by another correct statement, hence written within the console too.

```
?- write('One '), X = write('Two ').  
One  
X = write('Two ').
```

4.) Draw the family tree corresponding to the following Prolog program:

PROLOG Code

```
/* Facts */

female(mary).
female(sandra).
female(juliet).
female(lisa).

male(peter).
male(paul).
male(dick).
male(bob).
male(harry).

parent(bob, lisa).
parent(bob, paul).
parent(bob, mary).
parent(juliet, lisa).
parent(juliet, paul).
parent(juliet, mary).
parent(peter, harry).
parent(lisa, harry).
parent(mary, dick).
parent(mary, sandra).

/* Rules */

% Father
father(X, Y):-
    male(X),
    parent(X, Y).

% Mother
mother(X, Y):-
    female(X),
    parent(X, Y).

% Sister
sister(X, Y):-
    female(X),
    father(F, X),
    father(F, Y),
    X \= Y.

sister(X, Y):-
    female(X),
    mother(M, X),
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mother(M, Y),
X \= Y.

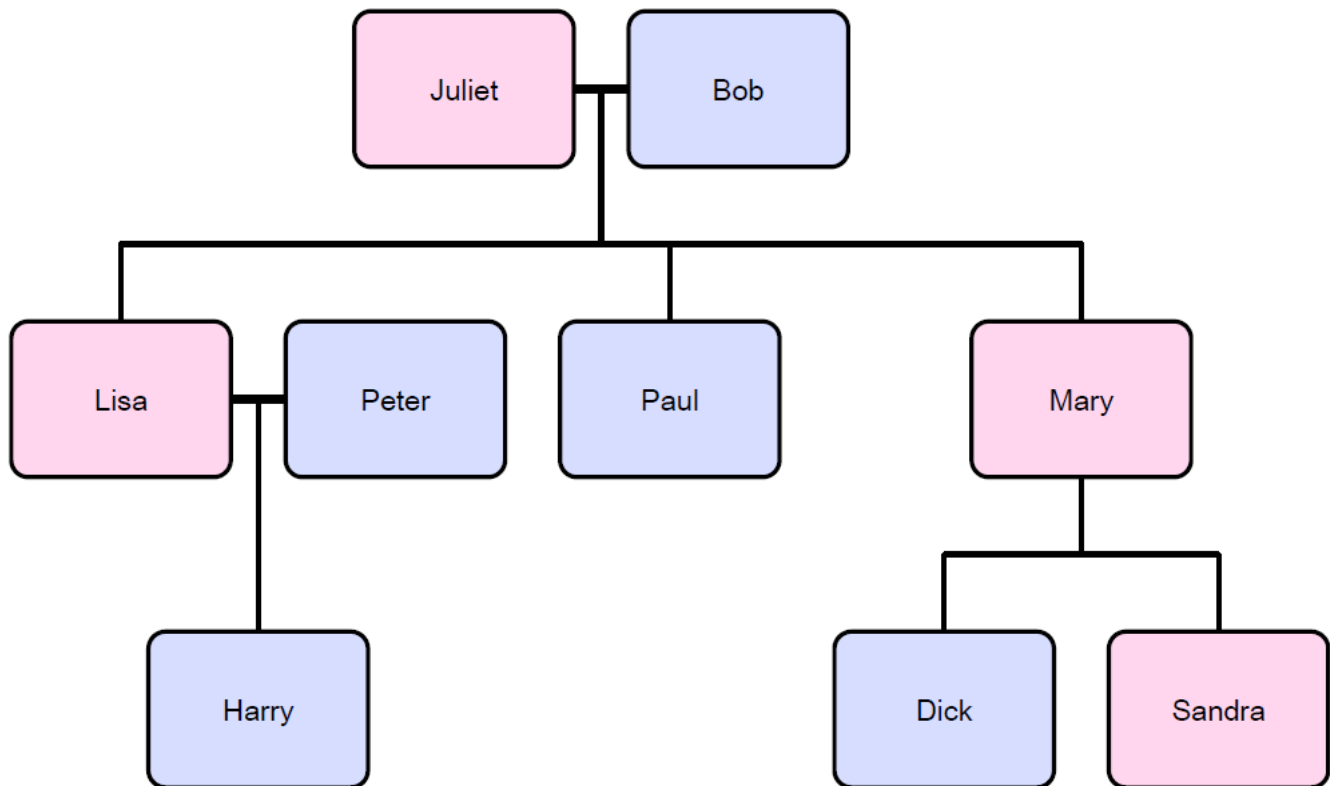
% Grandmother
grandmother(X, Y):-
    female(X),
    parent(X, Z),
    parent(Z, Y).

% Cousin
sibling(X, Y):-
    father(Z, X),
    father(Z, Y),
    X \= Y.

cousin(X, Y):-
    mother(Z, X),
    mother(W, Y),
    sibling(Z, W).

```

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After having copied the given program, define new predicates (in terms of rules using male/1, female/1 and parent/2) for the following family relations:

(a) father

```
% Father
father(X, Y):-
    male(X),
    parent(X, Y).

% Mother
mother(X, Y):-
    female(X),
    parent(X, Y).
```

```
?- father(bob,lisa).
true .

?- father(bob,paul).
true .

?- father(bob,mary).
true .

?- father(peter,harry).
true .
```

(b) sister

```
% Sister
sister(X, Y):-
    female(X),
    father(F, X),
    father(F, Y),
    X \= Y.

sister(X, Y):-
    female(X),
    mother(M, X),
    mother(M, Y),
    X \= Y.
```

Second Definition is needed for that Fourth Test Case as shown below.

?- sister(lisa,paul).


true .

?- sister(lisa,mary).

true .

?- sister(mary,paul).

true .

?- sister(sandra,dick).  **Important**

true .

(c) grandmother

```
% Grandmother
grandmother(X, Y):-
    female(X),
    parent(X, Z),
    parent(Z, Y).
```

?- grandmother(juliet,dick).

true.

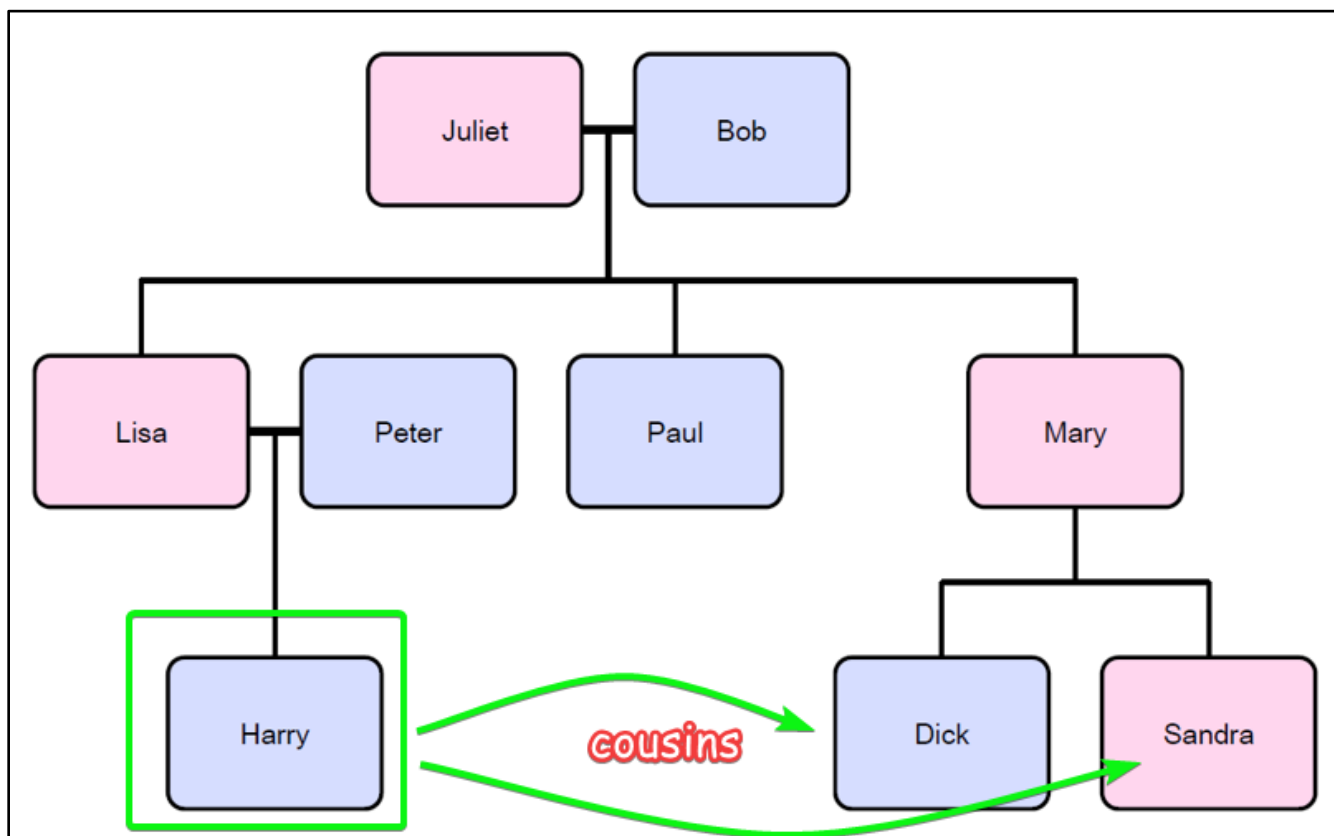
?- grandmother(juliet,harry).

true .

(d) cousin

```
% Cousin
sibling(X, Y):-
    father(Z, X),
    father(Z, Y),
    X \= Y.

cousin(X, Y):-
    mother(Z, X),
    mother(W, Y),
    sibling(Z, W).
```



```
?- cousin(harry,dick).  
true .
```

```
?- cousin(harry,sandra).  
true .
```

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