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London Underground example

```
connected(bond_street,oxford_circus,central).
connected(oxford_circus,tottenham_court_road,central).
connected(bond_street,green_park,jubilee).
connected(green_park,charing_cross,jubilee).
connected(green_park,piccadilly_circus,piccadilly).
connected(piccadilly_circus,leicester_square,piccadilly).
connected(green_park,oxford_circus,victoria).
connected(oxford_circus,piccadilly_circus,bakerloo).
connected(piccadilly_circus,charing_cross,bakerloo).
connected(tottenham_court_road,leicester_square,northern).
connected(leicester_square,charing_cross,northern).
```

London Underground in Prolog (1)

Two stations are nearby if they are on the same line with at most one other station in between:

```
nearby(bond_street,oxford_circus).
nearby(oxford_circus,tottenham_court_road).
nearby(bond_street,tottenham_court_road).
nearby(bond_street,green_park).
nearby(green_park,charing_cross).
nearby(bond_street,charing_cross).
nearby(green_park,piccadilly_circus).
...
```

or better

```
nearby(X,Y):-connected(X,Y,L).

nearby(X,Y):-connected(X,Z,L),connected(Z,Y,L).
```

London Underground in Prolog (2)

Compare

```
nearby(X,Y):-connected(X,Y,L).

nearby(X,Y):-connected(X,Z,L),connected(Z,Y,L).
```

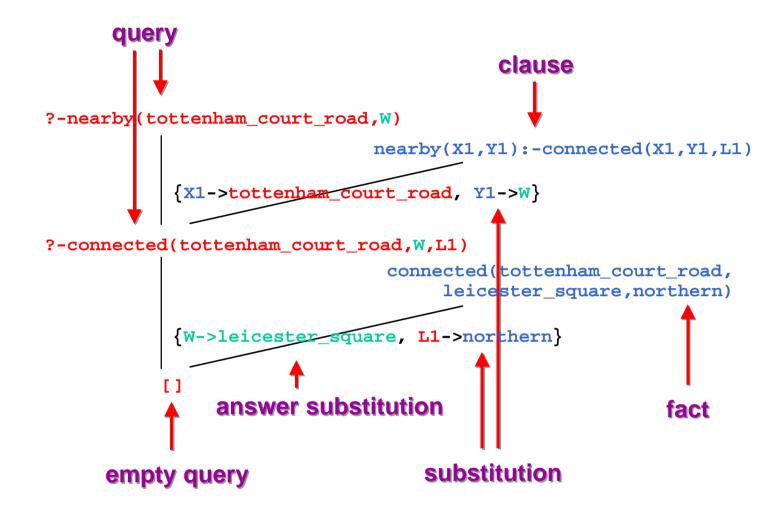
with

```
not_too_far(X,Y):-connected(X,Y,L).
not_too_far(X,Y):-connected(X,Z,L1),connected(Z,Y,L2).
```

This can be rewritten with don't cares:

```
not_too_far(X,Y):-connected(X,Y,_).
not_too_far(X,Y):-connected(X,Z,_),connected(Z,Y,_).
```

Exercise 1.1



```
?-nearby(W,charing cross)
                              nearby(X1,Y1):-connected(X1,Z1,L1),
                                             connected(Z1,Y1,L1)
           {X1->W, Y1->charing cross}
?-connected(W,Z1,L1),
  connected(Z1,charing_cross,L1)
                              connected(bond street, green park, jubilee)
           {W->bond street, Z1->green park, L1->jubilee}
?-connected(green_park,charing_cross,jubilee)
                              connected(green_park,charing_cross,jubilee)
           {}
           []
```

Exercise 1.2

A station is reachable from another if they are on the same line, or with one, two, ... changes:

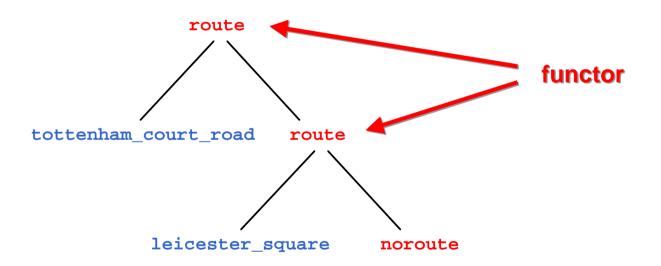
or better

```
reachable(X,Y):-connected(X,Y,L).
reachable(X,Y):-connected(X,Z,L),reachable(Z,Y).
```

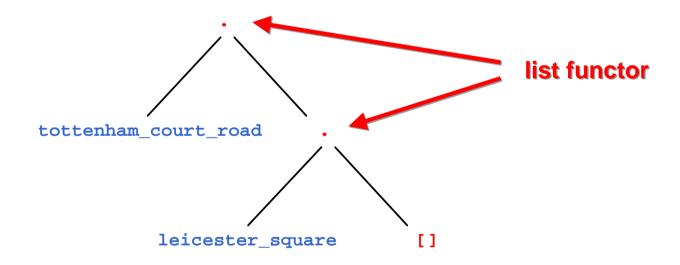
Recursion (1)

```
:-reachable(bond street, W)
                                    reachable(X1,Y1):-connected(X1,Z1,L1),
                                                       reachable(Z1,Y1)
                                {X1->bond street, Y1->W}
                                      connected(bond street,
:-connected(bond street, Z1, L1),
                                               oxford circus,
 reachable(Z1,W)
                                                     central)
                                {Z1->oxford circus, L1->central}
                                    reachable(X2,Y2):-connected(X2,Z2,L2),
:-reachable(oxford circus, W)
                                                       reachable(Z2,Y2)
                                {X2->oxford circus, Y2->W}
                                     connected(oxford circus,
:-connected(oxford circus,Z2,L2),
                                         tottenham court road,
 reachable(Z2,W)
                                                      central)
                                {Z2->tottenham court road, L2->central}
:-reachable(tottenham court road, W)
                                        reachable(X3,Y3):-connected(X3,Y3,L3)
                                {X3->tottenham court road, Y3->W}
:-connected(tottenham_court_road, W,L3) connected(tottenham_court_road,
                                                        leicester square,
                                                                northern)
                                {W->leicester_square, L3->northern}
              []
```

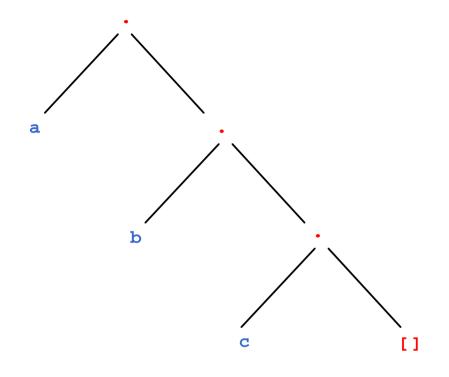
Recursion (2)



Structured terms



Lists



This list can be written in many ways:

```
.(a,.(b,.(c,[])))

[a|[b|[c|[]]]]

[a|[b|[c]]]

[a|[b,c]]

[a,b,c]

[a,b|[c]]
```

...

Lists of arbitrary length:

```
list([]).
list([First|Rest]):-list(Rest).
```

Lists of even length:

```
evenlist([]).
evenlist([First,Second|Rest]):-evenlist(Rest).
```

Lists of odd length:

```
oddlist([One]).
oddlist([First,Second|Rest]):-oddlist(Rest).
```

or alternatively:

```
oddList([First|Rest]):-evenlist(Rest).
```

Exercise 1.4

Prolog has very simple syntax

- ✓ constants, variables, and structured terms refer to objects
 - variables start with uppercase character
 - functors are never evaluated, but are used for naming
- ✓ predicates express relations between objects
- ✓ clauses express true statements
 - each clause independent of other clauses

Queries are answered by matching with head of clause

- ✓ there may be more than one matching clause
 - query answering is search process
- √ query may have 0, 1, or several answers
- ✓ no pre-determined input/output pattern (usually)

Summary