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Weighting: Stated for each problem

The following basic predicates can be used when writing Prolog programs:

```
member(H, [H|_]).  
member(H, [_|T]) :- member(H,T).  
  
append([], U, U).  
append([H|T], U, [H|V]) :- append(T, U, V).
```

Here `member(?Elem, ?List)` succeeds if and only if `Elem` can be unified with one of the members of `List` and `append(?List1, ?List2, ?List3)` succeeds if and only if `List3` unifies with the concatenation of `List1` and `List2`.

Standard predicates like `is`, `fail`, `write`, `nl` and `findall` can also be used.

In the following a Prolog program is said to be deterministic if and only if it does not succeed more than once.

Assume available a deterministic predicate `sort(+List, ?Sorted)` that can be used to sort a list. Duplicates are merged as shown in the following example:

```
?- sort([3,1,4,1,2], S).
```

```
S = [1, 2, 3, 4]
```

Yes

Assume also available a predicate `length(+List, ?Integer)` that can be used to calculate the number of elements in a list.

Problem 1 (50%)

In the following a semicolon (;) is used to separate the solutions to a query. This corresponds to the common use of the semicolon in an interactive Prolog session.

Question 1.1

State the remaining solutions to the following query:

```
?- append(L,_,[1,2,3]), member(X,L).
```

```
L = [1]  
X = 1 ;
```

```
L = [1, 2]  
X = 1 ;
```

```
L = [1, 2]  
X = 2 ;
```

```
...
```

Question 1.2

Consider the following Prolog program:

```
r([], []).  
r([H|T],X):- r(T,Y), append(Y,[H],X).
```

State the solutions to the following query:

```
?- member(L,[[],[1],[1,2],[1,2,3]]), r(L,R).
```

Question 1.3

In the following it can be assumed that all elements of the lists are integers.

Consider a Prolog program `cutoff` such that `cutoff(+List1,?List2)` succeeds if and only if `List2` is the longest prefix of `List1` without negative elements.

Sample queries:

```
?- cutoff([1,-2,3],[1]).
```

Yes

```
?- cutoff([1,-2,3],[1,-2,3]).
```

No

Write the Prolog program `cutoff` without using the `cut`- or `if-then-else`-operators.

Write another version of the Prolog program `cutoff` using the `cut`- or `if-then-else`-operators and with as few uses of the arithmetic comparison operators as possible. Call this program `cutoff2` and make sure that it behaves exactly like `cutoff` for the sample queries above.

Problem 2 (25%)

Consider the following fragment of a boxing club database:

```
beat(a,[b,c,d]). beat(b,[]). beat(c,[d]). beat(d,[b]). beat(e,[a]).
```

Hence boxer **a** has beaten **b**, **c** and **d**, whereas **b** has not beaten anyone.

Question 2.1

Write a deterministic Prolog program `fighter(+Boxer)` corresponding to the definition: **X** is a fighter if and only if **X** has been beaten by someone and **X** has beaten someone. So **a**, **c** and **d** are fighters but **b** and **e** are not fighters.

Question 2.2

Write a deterministic Prolog program `count` that prints the number of beaten boxers for each boxer as follows:

```
?- count.
```

```
3 a
```

```
0 b
```

```
1 c
```

```
1 d
```

```
1 e
```

```
Yes
```

Problem 3 (25%)

Consider the following formula: $\exists y \forall x (p(y) \rightarrow p(x))$

Question 3.1

Use refutation and the systematic construction of a semantic tableau. State whether this shows that the formula is valid or not.

Question 3.2

Is the formula logically equivalent to $\exists y p(y) \rightarrow \forall x p(x)$ (explain why/why not)?