

CS 316 3/17/2014.

Another way to making an argument ^e smaller for recursion:

(cdr el) where el is a surtabley transformed version of e.

Ex ssort on Asn. 5

(ssort L) \Rightarrow a list obtained by sorting the element of L into ascending order.

List of real numbers e

(ssort '(3 7 1 0 8 9 5)) \Rightarrow (0 1 3 5 7 8 9).

In this case, let el = (Min-first e).

= e with the first occurrence of the ~~least~~ ^{least} element moved to the first.

el = (0 3 7 1 8 9 5)
(cdr el)

Sometimes you should use different recursive strategies for different argument values.

Ex Merge-lists on Asn 5 (Asn = Assigned p, Assignment).

(merge-lists L1 L2) \Rightarrow two lists of real members in ascending order

a list of members in ascending order obtained by merging L1 and L2

(merge-lists '(2 7 9 12) '(0 1 8 10 15)) \Rightarrow (0 1 2 7 8 9 10 12 15)
L1 L2

strategy 1: compute (merge-lists L1 L2) from (merge-lists (cdr L1) L2).

strategy 2: compute (merge-lists L1 L2) from (merge-lists L1 (cdr L2)).

strategy 1 is appropriate of (car L1) < (car L2)

strategy 2 is appropriate of (car L1) > (car L2)

Either strategy works of (car L1) = (car L2)

Another Example unrepeated-elts (from Asn. 5)

(unrepeated-elts '(C A D D A B B B A C)) \Rightarrow (C A A A)

~~strategy~~ strategy 1: compute (~~unrepeated~~ L) from (unrepeated elts (cdr L))

strategy 2: --- (unrepeated (cddr H))

$L = (CA DD \dots)$ strategy 1

$L = \theta(AADD \dots)$ strategy 2

$L = (AAA \dots)$ strategy 3

Programming paradigm.

Already discussed:

Imperative programming

object-oriented imperative programming

Functional programming

Another large established paradigm in logic programming

In logic programming we write collecting of facts and inference rules.

A logic program is used by writing queries which the logic programming system will find answers to by deduction from the facts and inference rules.

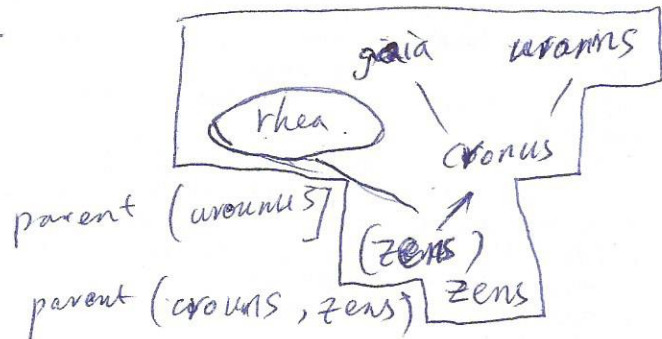
Prolog (developed in the early 1970s by Colmerauer) is the best known logic programming language.

Simple Example:

Facts

parent (gaia, cronus)

parent (rhea, ~~zeph~~ zeus)



inference rule.

~~grandparent~~ (person1, person2),

grandparent (person1, person2)

\leftarrow parent (x, person2)

parent (person1, x).

The above is a very simple logic program (consisting of 4 facts clauses and 1 rule clause).

Question that use their program: ? - parent (gaia, X)

X = Cronus; \rightarrow "try to find another answer"

false = no more answers.

? - parent (X, Zeus)

X = rhea;

X = Cronus;

false;

? - grandparent (Y, Zeus);

Y = gaia;

Y = Uranus;

false;

Syntax of programming languages.

You will receive exercises soon - check email regularly (by Friday).

Syntax = form without regard to meaning.

Semantics = meaning

syntax rules have the property that ^athe compiler can check whether or not they are violated - it is never necessary to execute the program to determine whether a syntax rule is violated.

Analogy with English.

The dog barked loudly.

A valid sentence. = syntactically valid has correct grammatical form & semantically valid ("meaningful")

The night barked loudly.

syntactically valid* — Has the same form/syntax as the above valid sentence

semantically invalid ("meaningless" - because nights cannot bark).

it can be obtained from that sentence by replacing one name with another.

The dog loudly. → syntactically invalid - don't have correct grammatical form as it has no

For a program in a language such as C++ or Java, a syntactically valid program - roughly speaking, a piece of text that can be obtained from some valid program by making changes of the following kinds (zero or more times).

1. Remove a declaration (of a variable, function etc.)
2. Replace one identifier with another
3. Replace a constant in literal (e.g. "dog" or 237) with another literal of the same kind.

Ex.: A syntactically valid C++ program that is not a valid C++ program

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int g()
{
    int x=7;

    return x[3]/((x-7)/(3-3));
}
```

This is syntactically valid because it can be obtained from the following valid program by making changes of the above kinds:

Exercise