

EXPERIMENT 8

AIM: WAP to implement factorial, Fibonacci of a given number in PROLOG.

THEORY :

Factorial In Prolog : The factorial of a number N is the product of all positive integers from 1 to N , and is denoted as $N!$. In Prolog, this is implemented using recursion with a base case `factorial(0, 1)` which returns 1, since $0!$ is defined as 1. The recursive rule states that the factorial of N is N multiplied by the factorial of $N-1$, allowing Prolog to compute the result by breaking down the problem into smaller subproblems until the base case is reached.

Fibonacci in Prolog : The Fibonacci sequence is a series of numbers where each term is the sum of the two preceding ones, starting from 0 and 1. In Prolog, this is defined using two base cases: `fibonacci(0, 0)` and `fibonacci(1, 1)`, which represent the first two terms of the sequence. For values greater than 1, the recursive rule computes the Fibonacci number by summing the results of `fibonacci(N-1)` and `fibonacci(N-2)`, building up the sequence until the desired position is reached.

CODE :

Factorial in Prolog :

% Base case: factorial of 0 is 1

`factorial(0, 1).`

% Recursive case: factorial of N is $N * \text{factorial of } (N-1)$

`factorial(N, F) :-`

`N > 0,`

`N1 is N - 1,`

`factorial(N1, F1),`

`F is N * F1.`

OUTPUT :

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?- factorial(5, F).  
F = 120.
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Fibonacci in Prolog :

% Base case: Fibonacci of 0 is 0, Fibonacci of 1 is 1

fibonacci(0, 0).

fibonacci(1, 1).

% Recursive case: Fibonacci of N is Fibonacci(N-1) + Fibonacci(N-2)

fibonacci(N, F) :-

N > 1,

N1 is N - 1,

N2 is N - 2,

fibonacci(N1, F1),

fibonacci(N2, F2),

F is F1 + F2.

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?- fibonacci(5, F).  
F = 5.
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