

10 Lab

First Exercises in Prolog

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Lab 10: Outline

- The 2Prolog integration framework, many versions available
 - ▶ we adopt version 2p-4.0.3, available through `virtuale`
 - ▶ another version (newer, a little less stable) is
 - ▶ <https://github.com/tuProlog/2p-kt/releases/>
 - ▶ just double-click the jar and you are ready (should use JDK 11+)
 - ▶ or: `java -jar *.jar` from the console
- Be sure to let the teacher see each solution you produce, and to ask hints if something does not work or you get stuck!
- The following slides show what you should do
 - ▶ some examples are already implemented
 - ▶ others are for you to implement
- Red font means instructions for you!

Using the tuProlog GUI

- Type a Prolog theory/program in the *theory editor*
 - ▶ You can also type the theory in your favorite text editor and then cut and paste it on the *theory editor*
- Write a query in the *query text field* and press *Enter* (or push the *solve button*)
- The solution (if any) appears on the text area below
- Now you can take two different actions
 - ▶ Accept the obtained solution (push *Stop button*) or...
 - ▶ Search for other solutions (push *Solve button*)
- In case you want to generate all the possible solutions at once:
 - ▶ After typing a query, just push the *solve-all button*
 - ▶ The solutions appear on the same box as before
 - ▶ *Accept* and *Next* buttons are no longer active, as all the solutions have already been generated
- The text area on the bottom also features several tabs, not of interest today

Important Remark

- During this lab you will be asked several times to check whether a predicate is *fully relational* or not
- The meaning is:
 - ▶ Check whether the predicate works by using each argument both as input (with a ground term) and output (with a variable) – in case of predicates with N arguments, try with different combinations of the arguments
 - ▶ A term is said “ground” if it is fully instantiated, i.e., it includes no variable

Part 0a: Intro

Recap resolution, see slides 20-21

Type this theory:

- a.
- a.
- a :- d.
- b.
- c :- a, b.
- c :- c.

Verify that:

- Goal: :- b. gives: yes
- Goal: :- a. gives: yes; yes; no
- Goal: :- c. gives: yes; yes; yes; yes; ...

Anticipate (writing down the resolution tree as in slides) and then verify the output of the following goals' resolutions:

- a, b
- c, d

Part 0b: Intro

Recap resolution and matching

Type this theory:

- $a(1).$
- $a(X) :- b(X), b(X).$
- $b(1).$
- $b(2).$
- $c(X) :- b(X).$
- $c(X) :- b(X), c(X).$

Verify that:

- Goal: $:- b(Y).$ gives: $Y/1; Y/2$
- Goal: $:- a(1).$ gives: $\text{yes}; \text{yes}$
- Goal: $:- a(Y).$ gives: $Y/1; Y/1$
- Goal: $:- a(2).$ gives: no

Anticipate (writing down the resolution tree as in slides) and then verify the output of the following goals' resolutions:

- $c(1)$
- $c(Y)$
- $b(Y), b(Z)$

Part 1: Queries on list

Ex1.1: search

```
1 % search(Elem, List)
2
3 search(X, cons(X, _)).
4 search(X, cons(_, Xs)) :- search(X, Xs).
```

- $X|Xs$ is another usual naming schema for $H|T$
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- The above theory represents the search functionality
 - ▶ also called `element` or `member`
- Read the code as follows:
 - ▶ search is OK if the element x is the head of the list
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Part 1: Queries on list

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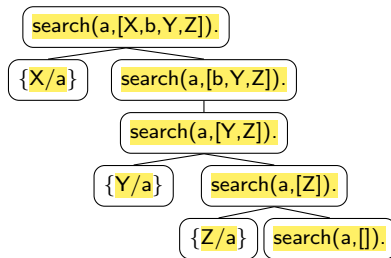
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Part 1: Queries on list

- **One code, many purposes**
- Try the following goals:
 - ▶ Check all the possible solutions!
 - ▶ To this end, use either the solve-all button or the solve button: in the latter case, repeatedly use Next button until all the solutions are found
 - ▶ If you adopt solve-all be careful with infinite branches in the resolution tree
- query:
 - ▶ `search(a, cons(a,cons(b,cons(c,nil)))).`
 - ▶ `search(a, cons(c,cons(d,cons(e,nil)))).`
- iteration:
 - ▶ `search(X, cons(a,cons(b,cons(c,nil)))).`
- generation:
 - ▶ `search(a, X).`
 - ▶ `search(a, cons(X,cons(b,cons(Y,cons(Z,nil))))).`
 - ▶ `search(X, Y).`

Part 1: Resolution Tree of search



- The tree represents the computational behaviour: it is traversed in the so-called depth-first (left-most) strategy
 - ▶ which leads to the order of solutions X/a , Y/a , Z/a
- For pure convenience, we shall write in diagrams and prose e.g.:
 - ▶ `cons(a, cons(b, cons(c, nil)))` by `[a,b,c]`
 - ▶ don't do that in Prolog... for now

Part 1: Queries on list

Ex1.2: search2

```
1 % search2(Elem, List)
2 % looks for two consecutive occurrences of Elem
3
4 search2(X, cons(X, cons(X, _))).
5 search2(X, cons(_, Xs)) :- search2(X, Xs).
```

- First predict and then test the result(s) of:

- ▶ `search2(a, cons(c,cons(a,cons(a,cons(d,cons(a,cons(a,nil)))))))`
`.`
- ▶ `search2(a, cons(c,cons(a,cons(a,cons(a,nil))))).`
- ▶ `search2(a, cons(c,cons(a,cons(a,cons(b,nil))))).`
- ▶ `search2(a, L).`
- ▶ `search2(a, cons(_,cons(a,cons(_,cons(a,cons(_,nil)))))).`

Part 1: Queries on list

Ex1.3: search_two

```
1 % search_two(Elem, List)
2 % looks for two occurrences of Elem with any element in
   between!
```

- Realise it yourself by changing search2, expected results are:
 - ▶ `search_two(a, cons(c,cons(a,cons(a,cons(b,nil)))))`. → no
 - ▶ `search_two(a, cons(c,cons(a,cons(d,cons(a,cons(b,nil)))))`. → yes
- Check if it is fully relational

Part 1: Queries on list

Ex1.4: search_anytwo

```
1 % search_anytwo(Elem, List)
2 % looks for any Elem that occurs two times, anywhere
```

- **Implement it**
- **Suggestion:**
 - ▶ Elem must be on the head and search must be successful on the tail
 - ▶ otherwise proceed on the tail
 - ▶ (search_anytwo should use search)
- **Expected results are:**
 - ▶ `search_anytwo(a, cons(c,cons(a,cons(a,cons(b,nil)))))`. → yes
 - ▶ `search_anytwo(a, cons(c,cons(a,cons(d,cons(a,cons(b,nil)))))`.
→ yes

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex2.1: Peano size of a list

```
1 %%% size(List,Size)
2 % Size will contain the number of elements in List,
  written using notation zero, s(zero), s(s(zero))..
```

- Realise this version yourself!

- ▶ `size(cons(a,cons(b,cons(c,nil))), X).` → `X/s(s(s(zero)))`

- Can it allow for a pure relational behaviour?

- ▶ `size(L, s(s(s(zero))))`. ??

- **Note:** Built-in numbers are extra-relational!!

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex 2.2: sum_list

```
1 % sum_list(List, Sum)
2
3 ?- sum_list(cons(zero, cons(s(s(zero)), cons(s(zero), nil))), X).
4 yes.
5 X/s(s(s(zero)))
```

- Realise this version yourself, using sum of Peano numbers

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex2.3: count (in tail-recursive fashion)

```
1 % count(List, Element, NOccurrences)
2 % it uses count(List, Element, NOccurrencesSoFar, NOccurrences)
3
4 count(List, E, N) :- count(List, E, zero, N).
5 count(nil, E, N, N).
6 count(cons(E, L), E, N, M) :- count(L, E, s(N), M).
7 count(cons(E, L), E2, N, M) :- E \= E2, count(L, E2, N, M).
```

- To realise this we need an “extra variable”
 - ▶ the usual “tail recursion schema”
 - ▶ we create new arguments and call a new predicate, which is count/4
- Check next slides, where we analyse this solution

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex2.3: count (resolution)

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```

- ▶ `count(cons(a,cons(b,cons(c,cons(a,cons(b,nil))))), a, N)`
- ▶ `count(cons(a,cons(b,cons(c,cons(a,cons(b,nil))))), a, zero, N)`
- ▶ `count(cons(b,cons(c,cons(a,cons(b,nil)))) ,a, s(zero), N)`
- ▶ `count(cons(c,cons(a,cons(b,nil))), a, s(zero), N)`
- ▶ `count([a,b], a, s(zero), N)`
- ▶ `count([b], a, s(s(zero)), N)`
- ▶ `count([], a, s(s(zero)), N) → N=s(s(zero))`

- Note: this is a tail recursion!!!

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex2.3: count in Java

```
1 int count(List l, int e){  
2     int count=0;  
3     for (;!l.isEmpty();l=l.getTail()){  
4         if (l.getHead() == e){  
5             count = count+1;  
6         }  
7     }  
8     return count;  
9 }
```

- An iterative solution in Java using a class List with methods isEmpty, getHead, getTail

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex2.3: count in Java (Recursive)

```
1 int count(List l, int e) {  
2     return count(l, e, 0);  
3 }  
4 int count(List l, int e, int count) {  
5     if (l.isEmpty()) {  
6         return count;  
7     }  
8     if (l.getHead() == e) {  
9         count = count + 1;  
10    }  
11    return count(l.getTail(), e, count);  
12 }
```

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex2.3: count in Scala (Recursive)

```
1 def count(list: List[Int], e: Int): Int =  
2   @tailrec  
3   def count(list: List[Double], e: Int, count: Int): Int =  
4     list match  
5       case 'e' :: xs => count(xs, e, count + 1)  
6       case _ :: xs => count(xs, e, count)  
7       case _ => count  
8   count(list, e, 0)
```

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex2.4: max

```
1 % max(List, Max)
2 % Max is the biggest element in List
3 % Suppose the list has at least one element
```

- Realise this yourself!
 - ▶ by properly changing count
- Do you need an extra argument?
 - ▶ first develop: max(List, TempMax, Max)
 - ▶ where TempMax is the maximum found so far (initially it is the first number in the list.)

Part 2: Extracting information from a list

Ex2.5: max and min

```
1 % min-max(List,Min,Max)
2 % Min is the smallest element in List
3 % Max is the biggest element in List
4 % Suppose the list has at least one element
```

- **Realise this yourself!**

- ▶ by properly changing max
- ▶ note you have a predicate with “2 outputs”

Part 3: Compare lists

Ex3.1: same

```
1 % same(List1,List2)
2 % are the two lists exactly the same?
```

- Predict and check relational behaviour!

Ex3.2: all_bigger

```
1 % all_bigger(List1,List2)
2 % all elements in List1 are bigger than those in List2,
  1 by 1
```

- example: `all_bigger(cons(s(s(zero))), cons(s(zero), nil),cons(s(zero),cons(zero, nil)))`.
- Do this yourself!

Part 3: Compare lists

Ex3.3: sublist

```
1 % sublist(List1,List2)
2 % List1 should contain elements all also in List2
```

- Do this yourself!

- Example:

```
sublist(cons(a,cons(b,nil)), cons(c,cons(b,cons(a,nil)))).
```

- ▶ do a recursion on List1, each time just use search of exercise 1.1!

Part 4: Creating lists

Ex4.1: seq

```
1 % seq(N,E,List) --> List is [E,E,...,E] with size N
2 % example: seq(s(s(s(zero))), a, cons(a,cons(a,cons(a,
3           nil)))).
4 seq(zero, _, nil).
5 seq(s(N), E, cons(E,T)) :- seq(N, E, T)
```

- Check this implementation.

► Is it fully relational?

Ex4.2: seqR

```
1 % seqR(N,List)
```

- Realise it yourself!

- example:

```
seqR(s(s(s(zero))), cons(s(s(zero)),cons(s(zero),cons(zero,nil)))).
```

Part 4: Creating lists

Ex4.3: seqR2

```
1 % seqR2(N,List) --> is [0,1,...,N-1]
```

- Realise it yourself!
- example: `seqR2(s(s(s(zero))), cons(zero,cons(s(zero),cons(s(s(zero)),nil))))`.
- Note, you may need to add a predicate “last”
 - ▶ `last(cons(a,cons(b,nil)),c,cons(a,cons(b,cons(c,nil))))`.

Part 5: Port list functions

- Consider few known list functions, how would you port them in Prolog? For each:
 - ▶ Write a small specification as Prolog comment
 - ▶ Implement it
 - ▶ Write as Prolog comment few usages
- Examples inspired by Scala:
 - ▶ (assume `l` is a `List[Int]`)
 - ▶ `l.last`, `l map (_+1)`, `l filter (_>0)`
 - ▶ `l count (_>0)`, `l find (_>0)`
 - ▶ `l dropRight (2)`, `l dropWhile (_>0)`
 - ▶ `l partition (_>0)`, `l.reversed`
 - ▶ `l drop (2)`, `l take (2)`, `l.zip(12)`