

Homework 1

CS161, Spring 2014

Due: Monday, April 14 by midnight. Submit via CourseWeb.

For this homework you are to implement 5 Lisp functions that will operate on Lisp data structures called *frames*. **The example frames on which you will test your functions appear in the file: MerryWidowMurderer-SentRepres.** By examining these examples of instantiated frames you will see that each *frame* conforms to the following syntax:

$frame \rightarrow (pred \{slot\ filler\}^*) | ()$ where $\{ \}^*$ indicates zero or more of whatever is inside the curly brackets and $|$ indicates an alternative.

$pred \rightarrow atom$

$slot \rightarrow atom$

$filler \rightarrow frame | gap$

$gap \rightarrow atom | variable$

$variable \rightarrow (V atom)$

To improve readability, we will often indent slot-filler pairs and highlight *slot* names with **bold** while giving *gaps* a numeric suffix beginning with 0 (e.g. AG0, OBJ0). **In this homework we will ignore variables.**

Note: The order of the slots should not matter to the functions you will define. For example, your functions should work whether or not Charlotte Newton is represented as:

```
(HUMAN  F-NAME (CHARLOTTE)
        L-NAME (NEWTON)
        GENDER (FEMALE))
```

or

```
(HUMAN  GENDER (FEMALE)
        L-NAME (NEWTON)
        F-NAME (CHARLOTTE))
```

Note: A *gap* is a Lisp atom that can have other atom (or a frame) as its value. For example, instead of:

```
(HUMAN  F-NAME (CHARLOTTE)
        L-NAME (NEWTON))
```

We could have:

```
(HUMAN  F-NAME (CHARLOTTE)
        L-NAME LNM001)
```

where LNM001 = (NEWTON)

See the last example in file MerryWidowMurderer-SentRepres for a frame with gaps in it.

The following lists and describes the functions that you must implement for HW1:

Problem 1: (FILLER slot frame)

Takes a **slot** and a **frame** and returns the *filler* of that slot. Note that **slot** refers to a top-level slot (not one embedded within a subframe). If there is not a top-level **slot** in the **frame**, then NIL is returned.

Examples:

(FILLER 'AGENT CON-SENT1) returns:

```
(HUMAN F-NAME (CHARLOTTE)
      L-NAME (NEWTON)
      GENDER (FEMALE)
      AGE (RANGE FROM (13)
                TO (19)
                UNIT (YEAR)))
```

(FILLER 'TIME CON-SENT2) returns: (FUTURE)

(FILLER 'TIME CON-SENT1) returns: NIL

(FILLER 'OBJECT SENT3-GAPPED) returns: OBJ001

Function Skeleton:

```
(defun FILLER (slot frame)
  ; Your code here
)
```

Problem 2: (PATH-SL slots concept)

Takes a list of slots and uses them to path into a concept (i.e. an instantiated frame) and returns the frame that is being sought. Notice that the preds in the frames are ignored.

Examples:

```
(PATH-SL '(OBJECT OBJECT F-NAME) CON-SENT9)
returns: (SEMANTHA)
```

```
(PATH-SL '(EXP-VIOL OBJECT GENDER) CON-SENT3)
returns: (MALE)
```

```
(PATH-SL '(FAMREL OBJECT) CON-SENT2)
returns: (HUMAN F-NAME (CHARLOTTE)
              L-NAME (NEWTON)
              GENDER (FEMALE))
```

```
(PATH-SL '(EXP-VIOL AGENT F-NAME) SENT3-GAPPED)
returns: (CHARLOTTE)
```

```
(PATH-SL '(EXP-VIOL AGENT) SENT3-GAPPED)
returns: AG002
```

Function Skeleton:

```
(defun PATH-SL (slots concept)
  ; Your code here
)
```

Problem 3: (UNGAP atom)

Takes an atom that has a atom or instantiated frame as its value. UNGAP generates a new frame with all gaps removed. This is done by replacing each gap, recursively, with it whatever frame is its value.

Examples:

(UNGAP 'SENT3-GAP) returns a frame that has the same structure as the value of CON-SENT3.

(UNGAP 'EXPV001)

returns:

```
(SEE AGENT (HUMAN F-NAME (CHARLOTTE)
              L-NAME ( )
              GENDER (FEMALE))
  OBJECT (HUMAN F-NAME (CHARLES)
              L-NAME ( )
              GENDER (MALE)))
```

If a frame has no gaps in it, then UNGAP returns a copy of that frame.

(UNGAP CON-SENT1)

returns :

```
(STATE TYPE (EMOTION SENTIM (POS)
              SCALE (>NORM))
  AGENT (HUMAN F-NAME (CHARLOTTE)
              L-NAME (NEWTON)
              GENDER (FEMALE)
              AGE (RANGE FROM (13)
                        TO (19)
                        UNIT (YEAR))))
```

Function Skeleton:

```
(defun UNGAP (atom)
  ; Your code here
)
```

Problem 4: (ADD-SF slot filler frame)

Adds a top-level **slot** with **filler** to a **frame**. If this **slot** already appears at the top level of the **frame**, then ADD-SF replaces the **slot** with the new **filler**.

Examples:

```
(ADD-SF 'L-NAME '(OAKLEY) AG001)
```

returns:

```
(HUMAN F-NAME (CHARLES)
      L-NAME (OAKLEY)
      GENDER (MALE))
```

```
(ADD-SF 'TIME '(PAST) 'CON004)
```

returns:

```
(SEE AGENT AG002
    OBJECT OBJ002
    TIME (PAST))
```

Function Skeleton:

```
(defun ADD-SF (slot filler frame)
  ; Your code here
)
```

Problem 5: (SAME-SF frame1 frame2)

Returns T if frame1 and frame2 have the same slot-filler structure.

Example:

```
(SAME-SF
  (UNGAP CON004)
  '(SEE OBJECT (HUMAN F-NAME (CHARLES)
                        L-NAME ( )
                        GENDER (MALE)))
    AGENT (HUMAN GENDER (FEMALE)
            F-NAME (CHARLOTTE)
            L-NAME ( )))
```

Returns: T

(because they have the same slot-filler structure. Remember, the order in which the slots appear at a given level is irrelevant.)

Function Skeleton:

```
(defun SAME-SF (frame1 frame2)
  ; Your code here
)
```