## COMP50007.2: Introduction to Prolog

Lab 3: 'Lists' and 'Arithmetic' \*

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Test all the programs that you write for this sheet with representative queries, in each case finding all possible solutions. You could also try tracing the execution of your programs using the debugging tools provided by Sicstus. (See manual.)

Note that Sicstus provides member/2, append/3, length/2 as built-in predicates.

Question ?? is more difficult.

1. Write a program all\_members( +X, +Y) which checks whether all members of a given list X are members of another given list Y. For example:

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?- all_members([a,a,d,e], [a,b,c,d,e]).
   yes
?- all_members([a,a,d,e], [a,b,c,d]).
   no
?- all_members([], []).
   yes
```

The order of the lists, and repetition of members, are irrelevant.

Use the Sicstus built-in predicate member/2.

2. Write a program pairs(+X, ?Y) which, given a list X of numbers, constructs a list Y of the same length such that

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each member of Y is (U,\ V) \, when \, the corresponding member of X is N and U is N-1 and V is N+1.
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e.g., pairs( [1,3,7], Y ) produces as result Y = [(0,2),(2,4),(6,8)].

3. Write a program arbpairs ( +X, ?Y ) which, given a list X of numbers, constructs a list Y of the same length such that

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each member of Y is (N, L) when the corresponding member of X is N and L is either N or 2N.
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e.g., arbpairs ([2,4], Y) produces all of the following as possible solutions:

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Y = [(2,2),(4,4)]

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Y = [(2,2),(4,8)]

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4. Write a program replace\_wrap/2, which replaces every member X of a list with wrap(X):

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?- replace_wrap([a,b,b,c], Res).
Res = [wrap(a),wrap(b),wrap(b),wrap(c)]
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Besides the obvious recursive definition try to define replace\_wrap/2 using findall/3.

5. Write a program even\_members (+X,?Y) which, given a list X constructs the list Y consisting of the  $2^{\rm nd}$ ,  $4^{\rm th}$ ,  $6^{\rm th}$ ,... members of the input list X:

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?- even_members([a,b,c,d,e,f,g], Res).
Res = [b,d,f]
```

6. Generalise the previous question. Write a program odd\_even\_members(+X, ?Y, ?Z) which, given a list X constructs the lists Y and Z consisting of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>,... and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>,... members of the input list X, respectively:

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?- odd_even_members([a,b,c,d,e,f,g], Odds, Evens).
Evens = [b,d,f], Odds = [a,c,e,g]
```

7. For the purposes of this exercise, suppose that an arithmetic term is defined to be

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a number else a term a(X,Y) where X and Y are both arithmetic terms else a term m(X,Y) where X and Y are both arithmetic terms
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where term a(X,Y) represents X + Y, whilst m(X,Y) represents X \* Y.

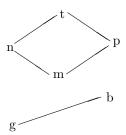
Write a program numval(+A, ?V) which, given the arithmetic term A, computes the numerical value V that it represents.

For example, if A = a(m(3,a(2,5)),a(2,3)) then A represents (3\*(2+5))+(2+3) and so V = 26.

The only predicates that you need are numval/2 itself, number/1 and is/2.

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## 8. More challenging: Given a graph such as:



write a program <code>connected\_parts/1</code> to determine the set of connected components of the graph. A connected component is itself a set of nodes, such that every two distinct nodes in it are connected via some sequence of edges. For example, in the given graph there are two connected components, so you would expect as result <code>[[b, g], [m, n, p, t]]</code>. Note that all sets in the resulting list have their elements sorted.

You will need to decide how to represent the graph in terms of Prolog clauses. Use node/1 facts to represent nodes, and edge/2 facts to represent edges. This allows for isolated nodes in the graph. (In exercise sheet 2, graphs were represented using arc/2 facts. There is no particular reason to pick edge/2 this time.)

Use the following method. Keep an (ordered) list of connected components constructed so far. (Start by putting all the nodes into their own singleton lists. In the example above this would be the list [ [b], [g], [m], [n], [p], [t] ]. These singleton lists are obviously all connected.) Look for any pair of components that can be joined into one. Two components can be joined into one if they have elements with an edge between them. Merge these two components keeping the nodes in sorted order. The procedure terminates when no more merging/joining of components can take place.

The first step is to construct the initial set of singleton lists, one for each node. You can do this using findall. The top level of the connected\_parts/1 is as follows:

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connected_parts(Components) :-
  findall([N], node(N), Initial),
  join_components(Initial, Components).
```

Now write the (recursive) join\_components/2 program.

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