

TUTORIAL 6

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Outline

- SWI-Prolog
 - Setup
 - IDE
- Short Review with Guided Practice
 - Debug
- Programming Exercises

SWI-Prolog

1. Download



- <http://www.swi-prolog.org/download/stable> (Official)
- http://portableapps.com/apps/development/swi-prolog_portable (Portable)

2. After installation, open

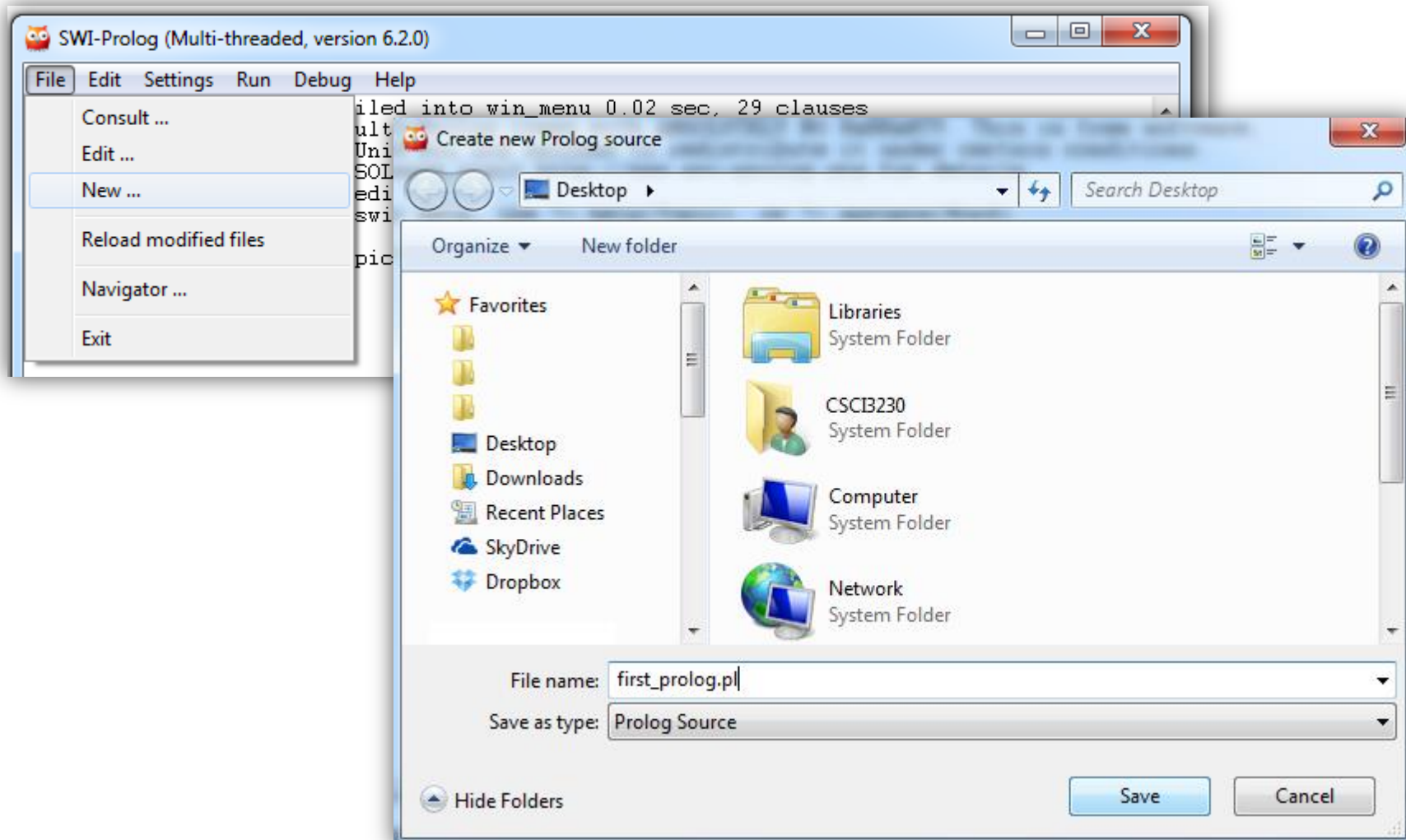
```
SWI-Prolog (Multi-threaded, version 6.2.0)
File Edit Settings Run Debug Help
% library(win_menu) compiled into win_menu 0.02 sec, 29 clauses
Welcome to SWI-Prolog (Multi-threaded, 32 bits, Version 6.2.0)
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For help, use ?- help(Topic). or ?- apropos(Word).

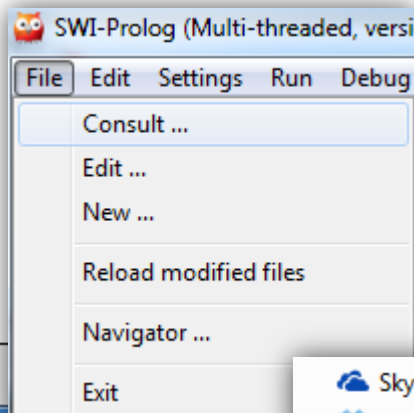
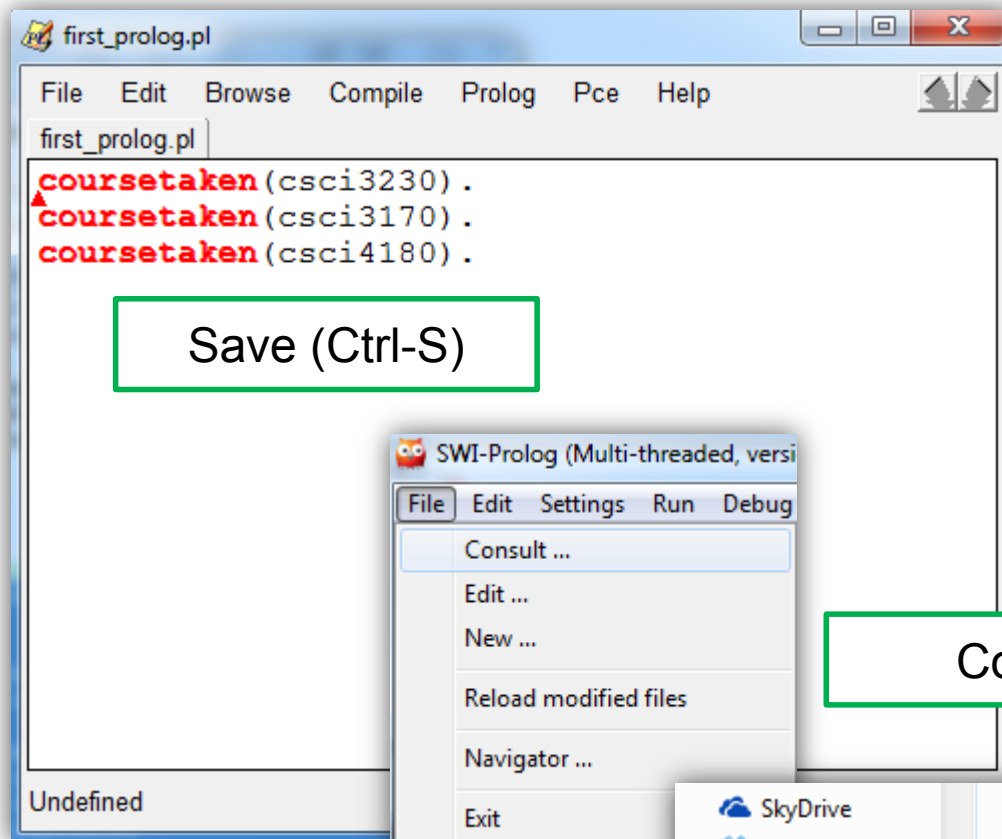
1 ?-
```

User query and interpreter output

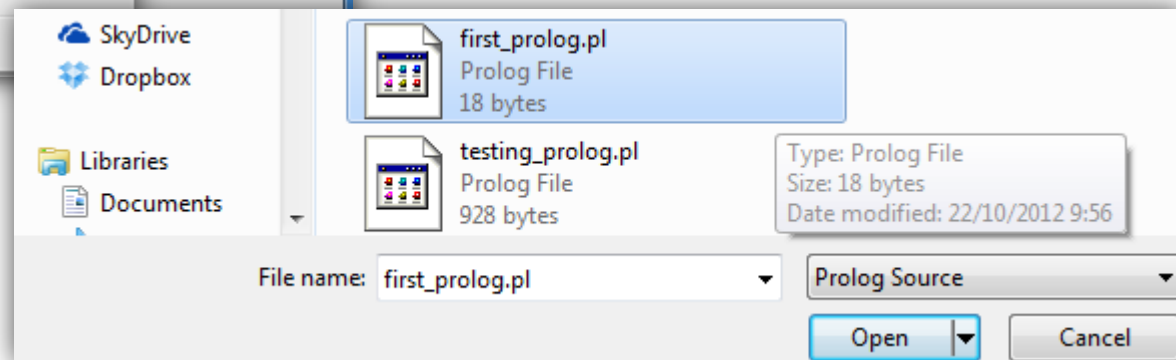
Your First Prolog Program



Create and Consult



Consult



Query

```
first_prolog.pl
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first_prolog.pl
coursetaken(csci3230).
coursetaken(csci3170).
coursetaken(csci4180).
```

```
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1 ?-
% c:/Users/localuser/Desktop/first_prolog.pl compiled
1 ?- coursetaken(csci3230).
true.

2 ?- coursetaken(Course).
Course = csci3230 ;

3 ?- coursetaken(Course).
Course = csci3230 ;
Course = csci3170 ;
Course = csci4180.

4 ?- █
```

Have I taken the course csci3230?

What courses have I taken?

Press . to end the query

Press ; to backtrack

Modify Prolog File

• Editor

- Use **Compile buffer** to consult the whole Prolog file again and update the Prolog database
- Use **Consult selection** to consult the Prolog file partially
- **Highlight** when there is syntax error

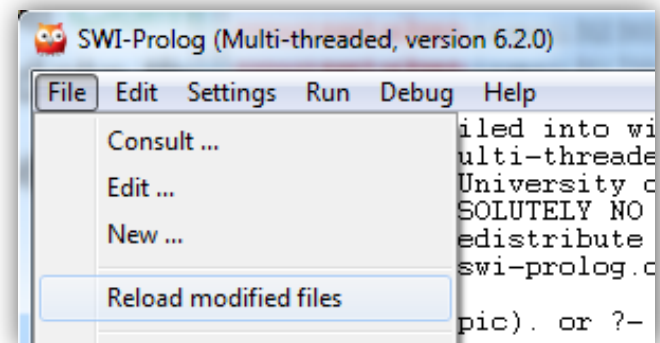
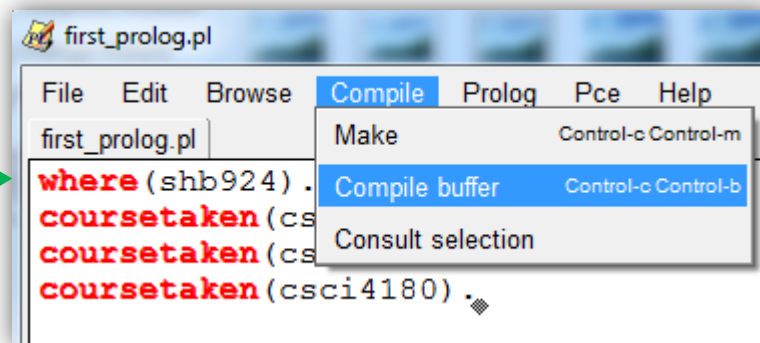
```
p1 :- 1>=2.
p2 :- 1<=2. %Should be 1=<2
```

Syntax error: Operator expected Line: 2

• Query Window

- Use **Reload modified files** to reload the whole Prolog file (useful when you are using other editors)

New fact →

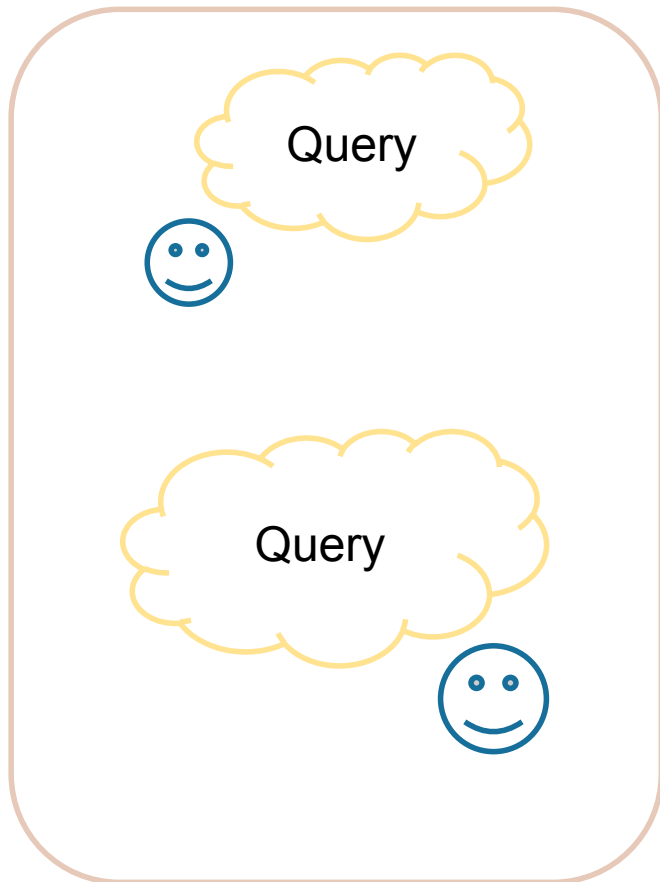


GUIDED PRACTICE

1. Prolog basics
2. Membership function
3. Append two lists
4. Find the maximum number
5. Prime test

1. Prolog Basics

A world governed by **facts** and **rules**



Facts and rules are stored in a **database** (.pl file).

Example 1

```
thinking(i) .                %Fact
```

```
alive(X) :- thinking(X) .    %Rule
```

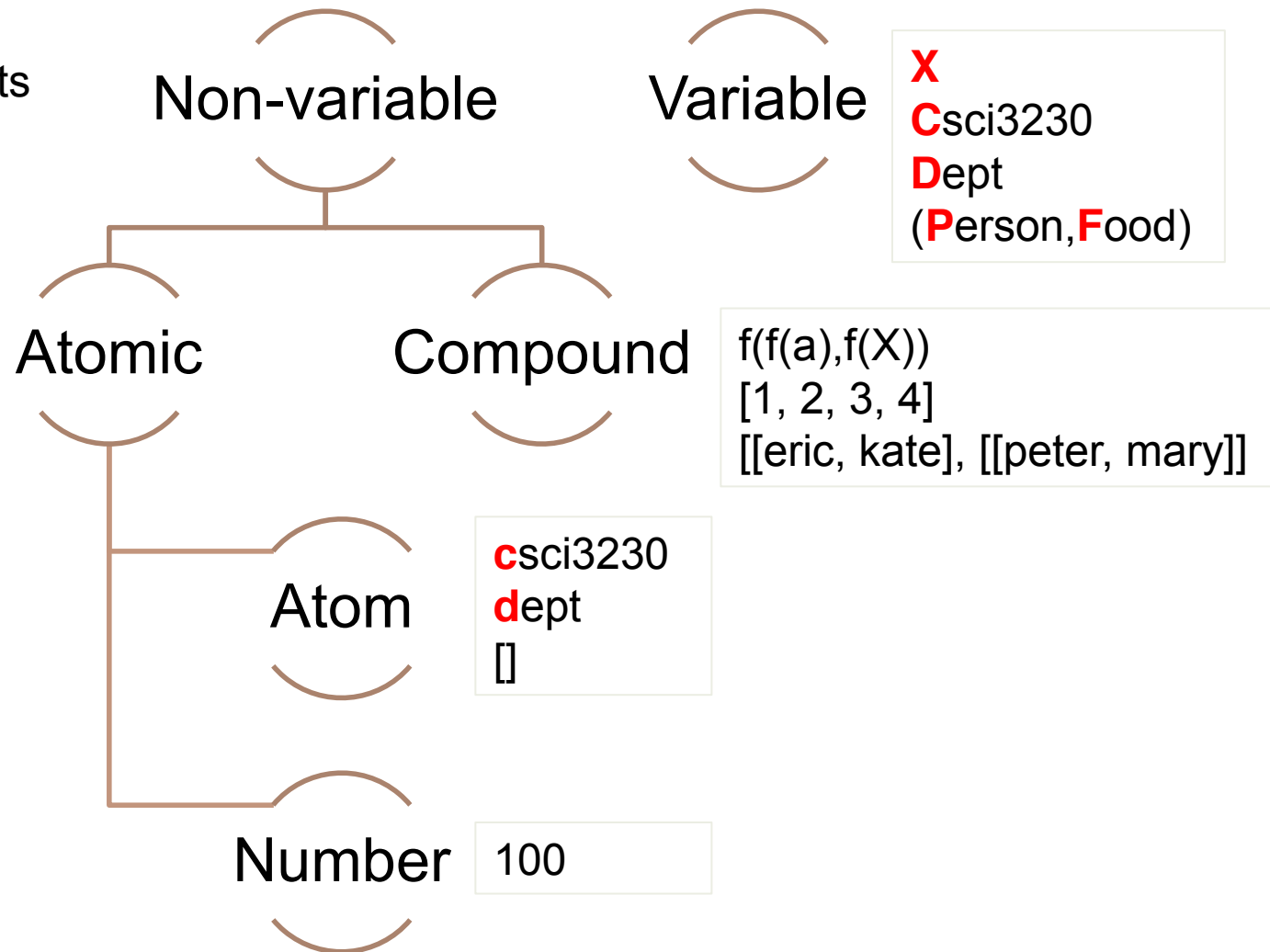
```
?- alive(i) . %query
```

```
true. %fact
```

Ask your question in **query** mode

1. Prolog Basics

Terms: Data Objects



1. Prolog Basics: Fact

Example 1

%Fact

antonio_is_handsome.

%Fact_with_Arguments

handsome(antonio).

?- antonio_is_handsome.

true.

?- antonio_is_not_handsome.

ERROR: Undefined procedure: antonio_is_not_handsome/0

?- handsome(antonio).

true.

?- handsome(tom).

false.

?- handsome(X).

X = antonio.

Statements

- **FACTS** states a predicate **holds** between terms.

Example 3

```
father(harry,james) .      %Fact 1  
mother(harry,lily) .      %Fact 2
```

```
?- father(harry,james) .  
true.
```

1. Prolog Basics: Variable

Example 1

%Fact_with_Arguments_including_atom_and_number

age(antonio, 24) .

age(sun, 24) .

age(peter, 27) .

?- age(antonio, 24) .

true.

?- age(antonio, 16) .

false.

?- age(X, 24) .

X = antonio;

X = sun.

1. Prolog Basics: Variable

Example 1

%Fact_with_Arguments_including_atom_and_number

age(antonio, 24) .

age(sun, 24) .

age(peter, 27) .

?- age(X, Y) .

X = antonio,

Y = 24 ;

X = sun,

Y = 24 ;

X = peter,

Y = 27.

1. Prolog Basics: Rule

%Rules_Examples

```
likes(mary,apple) .  
likes(mary,orange) .  
likes(mary,lemon) .  
likes(tom,X) :-likes(mary,X) .
```

If

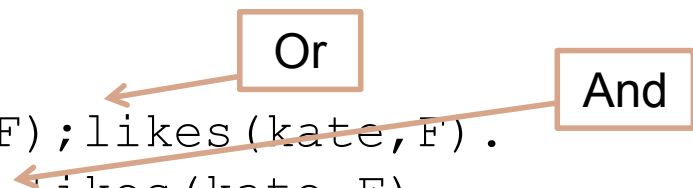


```
?- likes(mary,apple) .  
true.  
?- likes(tom,apple) .  
true.  
?- likes(tom,banana) .  
false.
```

1. Prolog Basics: Rule

%Rules_Examples

```
likes(mary,apple).  
likes(mary,orange).  
likes(mary,lemon).  
likes(tom,X):-likes(mary,X).  
likes(kate,grape).  
likes(kate,orange).  
taste(F):-likes(mary,F);likes(kate,F).  
buy(F):-likes(mary,F),likes(kate,F).
```



?- **taste(apple)** .

true.

?- **buy(apple)** .

false.

?- **buy(orange)** .

true.

1. Prolog Basics: Rule

- **RULES** defines the relationship

$r(\dots)$:- conditions for $r(\dots)$ be true.

Meaning	Predicate Calculus	PROLOG
And	\wedge	,
Or	\vee	;
if	\leftarrow	:-
Not	\neg	not

1. Prolog Basics: Arithmetic

- No arithmetic is carried out until commanded by *is* predicate
- Operators: +, -, *, /

Example

```
plus(X,Y,R):- R is X+Y.
```

```
?- plus(3,4,R) .
```

```
R = 7.
```

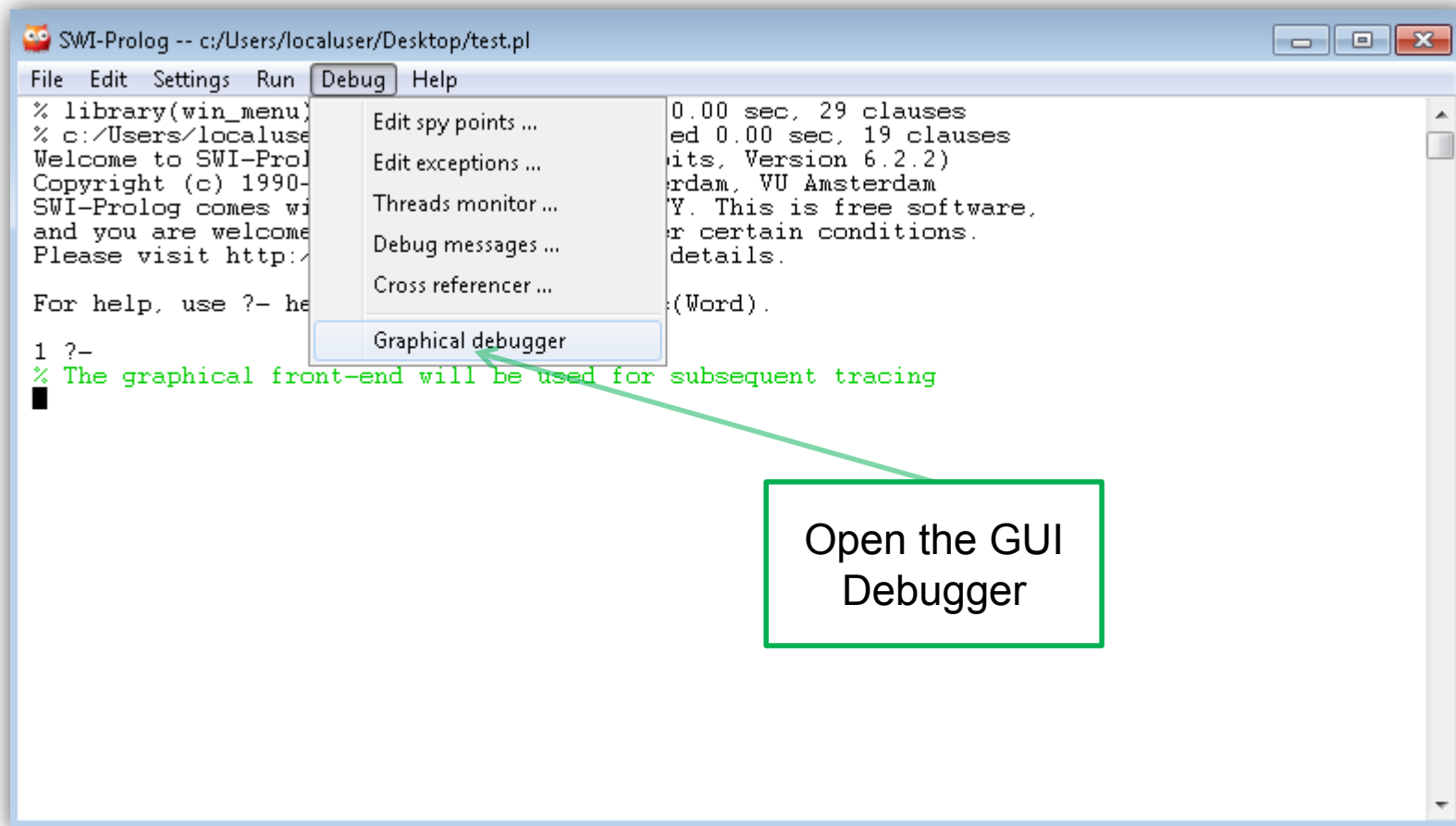
Example

```
minus(X,Y,R):- R is X-Y.
```

```
?- plus(4,3,R) .
```

```
R = 1.
```

Debug Prolog



Debug Prolog

Example

```
likes(mary, apple) .  
likes(mary, orange) .  
likes(mary, lemon) .  
likes(kate, grape) .  
likes(kate, orange) .  
buy(F) :- likes(mary, F), likes(kate, F) .
```

```
?- spy(likes/2) . %Start the Graphical Debugger first  
true.  
[debug] ?- buy(F) .  
%See the Graphical Debugger  
F = orange.  
[trace] ?- notrace. %Exit the trace mode  
true.  
[debug] ?- nodebug. %Exit the debug mode  
true.
```

c:/users/localuser/desktop/first_prolog.pl

Tool Edit View Compile Help

Bindings

F = orange

Unification

Call Stack

Step

Skip this goal

Finish the selected goal

Call stack

6 buy/1

7 likes/2 → likes/2

```

likes(mary,apple).
likes(mary,orange).
likes(mary,lemon).
likes(kate,grape).
likes(kate,orange).
buy(F):-likes(mary,F), likes(kate,F).

```

Green indicates true.
Red indicates false.

Call: likes/2

Compound Term (a.k.a. Structure)

$$f(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$$

- f : functor
- T_i : terms
- Arity : number of sub-terms

Example 1

```
likes(fruit(lemon, who(tom, alex))).%Fact  
likes(fruit(apple, who(ben, fred))).%Fact
```

```
?- likes(fruit(apple, who(ben, fred))).  
true.
```

Compound Term: List

$$f(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$$

- f : functor
- T_i : terms
- Arity : number of sub-terms

Example 2

```
. (a, . (b, . (c, []))) .           %Fact, this creates a list.
```

```
?- [a|[b,c]].
```

```
true. %fact, different representation
```

```
?- [a,b,c].
```

```
true. %fact, different representation
```

1. Prolog Basics: List

Example: a list of programming language

```
[c, cpp, csharp, java, php, python, ruby, lisp, prolog, sql]
```

%List_Examples

```
p([H|T], H, T) .
```

```
o([A,B|T], A, B, T) .
```

```
?- [X|Y] = [c, java, php, python, ruby]
```

```
X = c,
```

```
Y = [java, php, python, ruby]
```

```
?- [X,Y|Z] = [c, java, php, python, ruby]
```

```
X = c,
```

```
Y = java,
```

```
Z = [php, python, ruby]
```

```
?- p([c, java, php, python, ruby], H, T) .
```

```
H = c,
```

```
T = [java, php, python, ruby] .
```


1. Prolog Basics: List

Example: a list of programming language

```
[c, cpp, csharp, java, php, python, ruby, lisp, prolog, sql]
```

%List_Examples

```
p([H|T],H,T).
```

```
o([A,B|T],A,B,T).
```

```
?- p([c],H,T).
```

```
H = c,
```

```
T = [].
```

```
?- p([],H,T).
```

```
false.
```

```
?- o([c,java,php],A,B,C).
```

```
A = c,
```

```
B = java,
```

```
C = [php].
```

```
?- o([c],A,B,C).
```

```
false.
```

2. Membership function

- Given an item and a list, find if there exists a item in the list. E.g. Given 'a' and [a,b,c,d], does 'a' exist in the list?

Code

```
member(H, [H|_]) . %Better version: member(H, [H|_]) .  
member(O, [H|_]) %Better version: member(O, [_|T]) .  
:- member(O, T) .
```

```
?- member(apple, [apple, organge, banana])
```

```
true.
```

```
?- member(pear, [apple, organge, banana])
```

```
false.
```

```
?- member(X, [apple, organge, banana])
```

```
Try this!
```

3. Append two lists

- Given two lists, append them and return the product
- E.g. $[a,b] + [c,d] \rightarrow [a,b,c,d]$

Code

```
append([], Y, Y) .
append([H|T], Y, [H|Z]) :-
    append(T, Y, Z) .
```

```
?- append([], [a,b,c], Z) .
Z = [a,b,c] .
?- append([a,b], [c,d], Z) .
Z = [a,b,c,d] .
?- append(X, Y, [a,b,c,d]) .
```

Try this!

4. Find the maximum number

- Given a list of number, find the maximum one
- E.g. $[-1.1, -0.7, 0, 0.5, 1.1, 2.2] \rightarrow 2.2$

Code

```
max(X, [X]).
max(H, [H|T]) :- max(N, T), H >= N.
max(N, [H|T]) :- max(N, T), N > H.
```

```
?- max(X, [-5, 2, -3, 1.1, 6.7]).
```

```
X = 6.7.
```

```
?- max(X, [2.2, 2.2]).
```

```
X = 2.2.
```

```
?- max(X, []).
```

Try this!

4. Find the maximum number (cont.)

- Given a list of number, find the maximum one
- E.g. $[-1.1, -0.7, 0, 0.5, 1.1, 2.2] \rightarrow 2.2$

Code

```
max(X, [X]).
max(H, [H|T]) :- max(N, T), H >= N.
max(N, [H|T]) :- max(N, T), N > H.
num_list([-1, 2, 3.3]).
num_list([-5, 6, 2, 0.3]).
num_list([0.2, 0.5, -0.1]).
max_list(X, L) :- num_list(L), max(X, L).
```

```
?- findall(X, max_list(X, M), L).
```

```
L = [3.3, 6, 0.5].
```

4. Find the maximum number (cont.)

- Given a list of number, find the maximum one
- E.g. $[-1.1, -0.7, 0, 0.5, 1.1, 2.2] \rightarrow 2.2$

Code

```
max(X, [X]).
max(H, [H|T]) :- max(N, T), H >= N.
max(N, [H|T]) :- max(N, T), N > H.
num_list([-1, 2, 3.3]).
num_list([-5, 6, 2, 0.3]) :- !.
num_list([0.2, 0.5, -0.1]).
max_list(X, L) :- num_list(L), max(X, L).
```

```
?- findall(X, max_list(X, M), L).
```

Try this!

5. Prime Test

- Given an integer, test if it is prime
- E.g. 17 → Prime, 120 → Not Prime

Code

```
notPrime(S,E,N):- S >= 2, S =< E, 0 is N mod S.
notPrime(S,E,N):- S >= 2, S =< E, R is S+1, notPrime(R,E,N).
isPrime(N):- M is N-1, not(notPrime(2,M,N)).
```

```
?- isPrime(17) .
```

```
true.
```

```
?- isPrime(120) .
```

```
false.
```

```
?- isPrime(1274893457) .
```

Try this!

Press "Run" -> "Interrupt" -> Press "h" -> Press "b" to stop.

PROGRAMMING EX

1. Sum of numbers
2. Greatest common divisor
3. Length of list
4. Mean values for each column
5. Towers of Hanoi
6. Traverse a tree
7. Fill in a 3x3 puzzle
8. Propose an interesting question for yourself!

Programming Exercise 1

- Define `sum(N, R)`
- If `N` is a positive number,
 - $R = 1+2+3+4+5+6+\dots+N$
- Else if `N` is a list of number,
 - `R` is the sum of the list of number.

Example

```
?- sum(3, R) .
```

```
R=6 .
```

```
?- sum([1, 5, 7], R) .
```

```
R=13 .
```

Programming Exercise 2

- Define $\text{gcd}(X, Y, Z)$ iff
 - Z (integer) is the Greatest Common Divisor of positive integers X and Y
- X and Y are input, Z is output
- You may review the gcd algorithm in the Hint section

Programming Exercise 3

- Define `listlen(L, N)` to find the length of the list `L`
- You have to use accumulator to store the intermediate result.

Programming Exercise 4

- Given you have a $m \times n$ matrix, e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$
- Define `mean (M, NRow, NCol, R)` to find the mean value of each column in the matrix, where `M`, `NRow` and `NCol` is a list of number, the number of row, and the number column respectively. The result is stored in `R`.

Example

```
?- mean ([1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6], 2, 3, R) .  
R=[2.5, 3.5, 4.5] .
```

Programming Exercise 5

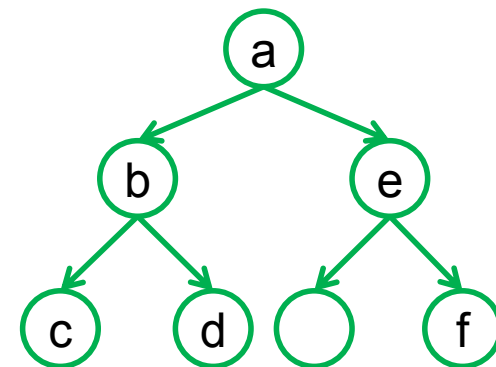
- Tower of Hanoi: Move N disks from the left peg to the right peg using the center peg as an auxiliary holding peg. At no time can a larger disk be placed upon a smaller disk.
- Write `hanoi(N)`, where N is the number of disks on the left peg, to produce a series of instructions, e.g. “move a disk from left to middle”.

Programming Exercise 6

- Binary tree representation:
 - `tree(Q, L, R)`
 - `L` left child
 - `R` right child
 - `Q` is the term on the node
- Leaves:
 - `leaf(Q)`
- Empty subtree:
 - `nil`
- Now want **pre-order** traversal
 - root → left subtree → right subtree
 - print out the terms on the leaves
- Define function `pr_tree(T, X)`

Example

```
?- pr_tree(tree(a, tree(b, leaf(c), leaf(d)),
tree(e, nil, leaf(f))), X).
X=[a, b, c, d, e, f].
```



Programming Exercise 7

- Fill in a 3x3 grid with number from 1-9 with each number appearing once only such that the sum of every row and every column are the same. Write a `puzzle3x3 (Ans)` to find the solution. The answer `Ans` is a list, e.g. [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9].

Hints

1. `sum ([H, T] , R) :- ...`
`sum (N, R) :- ...`
2. `gcd(a,0) = a`
`gcd(a,b) = gcd(b,a mod b)`
3. `listlen (L, N) :- lenacc (L, 0, N) .`
`lenacc ([H|T] , A, N) :- ...`
4. May need to use accumulator
5. http://www.csupomona.edu/~jrfisher/www/prolog_tutorial/2_3.html
6. `ptree (ltree (L) , rtree (R)) :- ...`
7. **Test and Generate Model:** Generate the permutations one by one and test whether such permutation satisfies the requirement. If the test fails, Prolog will perform backtracking.

Reference

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 - <http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~hojjat/384w10/PrologTutorial2.pdf>
- Reference manual of SWI-Prolog
 - <http://www.swi-prolog.org/pldoc/refman/>
- More advanced Prolog
 - The Craft of Prolog by Richard A. O'Keefe