

Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence and Knowledge Representation
Mod. 2

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Exam B

- 1) Define a predicate `split/3` that receives as input a list of terms `id/2`. The predicate returns in output (by means of the second and third parameters) two lists `First` and `Second`. In particular, `First` will contain the first argument of the `id/2` terms; `Second` will contain the second argument of the `id/2` terms. Unfortunately, the list given in input contains repetitions (the whole term `id/2` is repeated): the candidate is expected to not insert repetitions in the output; it is not necessary to respect the order of the input list. To avoid repetition, the candidate must define and use a `member/2` predicate that returns `True` if a term is present in a list.

For example, for the query:

```
% split/3: split(InputList, First, Second)
?- split( [id(12,alice), id(18,bob), id(23,charlie), id(12,alice)],
First, Second).
```

The expected answer is:

```
Yes, First = [ 18, 23, 12 ]
      Second = [ bob, charlie, alice ]
```

- 2) The candidate is invited to illustrate the “Vanilla” Prolog meta-interpreter, having care of explaining each clause. The candidate should also briefly mention how to change the meta-interpreter in order to achieve a right-to-left evaluation of conjunction of goals.
- 3) The candidate is invited to represent, using the EC approach, the following situation:
A car has a single button that controls front and rear heating fans.
- Initially both the fans are off;
 - when the button is pressed the first time, only rear fan goes on;
 - when the button is pressed a second time, front fan goes on as well;
 - when the button is pressed a third time, rear fan goes off;
 - when the button is pressed a fourth time, front fan goes off as well; the system then is again in the initial situation.

For simplicity, the candidate is asked to model only the behaviour of fluents `front_on` and `rear_on`.

- 4) The candidate is invited to briefly illustrate the difference between Open World Assumption and Close World Assumption, providing a very short example of formalisms adopting the two different approaches.