# CPS721: Assignment 1

Due: September 26, 2023, 9pm Total Marks: 100 (worth 4% of course mark) You MUST work in groups of 2 or 3

**Late Policy**: The penalty for submitting even one minute late is 10%. Assignments are not accepted more than 24 hours late.

Clarifications and Questions: Please use the discussion forum on the D2L site to ask questions as they come up. These will be monitored regularly. Clarifications will be made there as needed. A Frequently Asked Questions Page will also be created. You may also email your questions to your instructor, but please check the D2L forum and frequently asked questions first.

Collaboration Policy: You can only discuss this assignment with your group partners or with your CPS721 instructor. By submitting this assignment, you acknowledge that you have read and understood the course policy on collaboration as stated in the CPS721 course management form.

**PROLOG Instructions**: When you write your rules in PROLOG, you are not allowed to use ";" (disjunction), "!" (cut), and "->" (if-then). You are only allowed to use ";" to get additional responses when interacting with PROLOG from the command line. Note that this is equivalent to using the "More" button in the ECLiPSe GUI.

We will be using ECLiPSE Prolog release 6 to mark the assignments. If you run any other version of PROLOG, it is your responsibility to check that it also runs in ECLiPSE Prolog release 6.

Submission Instructions: You should submit ONE zip file called assignment1.zip. I should contain 6 files:

- q1\_albums.pl, q1\_albums\_queries.txt
- q2\_grocery\_bill.pl, q2\_queries.txt
- q3\_intersection.pl, q3\_queries.txt

All these files have been given to you and you should fill them out using the format described. Your submission should not include any other files. If you submit a .rar, .tar, .7zip, or other compression format aside from .zip, you will lose marks. All submissions should be made on D2L. Submissions by email will not be accepted.

As long as you submit your assignment under the name assignment1.zip your group will be able to submit multiple times as it will overwrite an earlier submission. You do not have to inform anyone if you do. The time stamp of the last submission will be used to determine the submission time. Do not submit multiple zip files with different names. If you do, we will use the last submitted one, but you may lose marks.

If you write your code on a Windows machine, make sure the files are saved on plain text and are readable on Linux machines. Ensure your PROLOG code does not contain any extra binary symbols and that they can be compiled by ECLiPSE Prolog release 6.

## 1 A PROLOG Knowledge Base [30 marks]

For this problem, you will be making a knowledge base about songs and then perform queries on it. The knowledge base and rules will be stored in the given file q1\_albums.p1. Your test queries should be added to q1\_albums\_queries.txt in the sections indicated. Finally, a log of your interaction when applying those queries to the knowledge base should be put at the end of the q1\_albums\_queries.txt file.

- a. [10 marks] Create a knowledge base by adding atomic propositions to the file q1\_albums.pl. The atomic propositions should ONLY use the following predicates:
  - albumArtist(AlbumName, ArtistName) an artist of the album.
  - albumLabel(AlbumName, LabelName) the record label (ie. company) that released the album.
  - releaseYear(AlbumName, Year) the year the album was released.

You should add 10-15 sentences per predicate about the albums. The data does not need to be "real", in the sense that you can make up album names, artist names, years, and record labels. The purpose of the knowledge base is to get you practice building a knowledge base. You will also be using it for testing your queries in part b. Thus, you should add facts that allow you to test your queries effectively.

A few additional notes:

- A predicate called year(Y) can also be used, which lists valid years. We have provided atomic statements which use this statement covering the years from 2000 to 2023. For the purposes of this assignment, stick to those years only and do not edit the given list.
- Remember to use lower case for artist names, album names, and record label names. Do not put these in quotes. Words should be separated by the underscores. For example, to refer to the band "Neutral Milk Hotel", use the constant neutral\_milk\_hotel.
- For the purposes of this assignment, ignore accents in names or punctuation in album titles. For example, Ariana Grande's album "Thank U, Next" should appear as thank\_u\_next. Similarly, avoid any album or artist names that use non-alphabetic or numeric symbols (like Ed Sheeran's album ÷).

All atomic propositions should be added to the file question1\_albums.pl in the correct sections. You will lose marks if you do not put propositions in the correct place.

**b.** [20 marks] Create queries for each of the 10 statements below and add them to the file q1\_albums\_queries.pl. Ensure that you put each query under the correct comment as otherwise you may lose marks. You can only use the predicates listed above with variables or constants as arguments, conjunction, and "not" (*ie.* negation) in your queries. You may also use <,>,=<, or >=, which PROLOG uses for less than, more than, etc. Keep in mind that when using a predicate X < Y, both X and Y must be instantiated before the comparison.

You should test all your queries in an interaction with your knowledge base and then submit the text at the end of the q1\_albums\_queries.pl file.

- 1. (1 mark) Did the record label Republic release an album called "Midnights"?
- 2. (1 mark) Who was the artist that released the album "Renaissance"?
- 3. (2 marks) Was there an artist who released albums in both 2010 and 2016, and if so, who was it?

- 4. (2 marks) Was there an album that was released in the year 2012 that was not released by either the record label Columbia or the record label Republic? In your interaction file, list all such albums using the ";" command if you are using the command line or the "More" button if you are using the GUI.
- 5. (2 marks) Did any artist release two different albums, each with a different record label?
- 6. (2 marks) Did any artist release more than one album with the same record label?
- 7. (2 marks) Did the artist who released an album called "30" release any albums in years before that one? In your interaction file, list all such albums using the ";" command if you are using the command line or the "More" button if you are using the GUI.
- 8. (2 marks) Was there a year from 2000 to 2023 (inclusive) that the record label Republic did not release an album?
- 9. (2 marks) Was there an artist that released an album in 3 consecutive years starting in 2018 or later?
- 10. (2 marks) Did any record label release exactly one album in 2015?
- 11. (2 marks) What was the last album released by Drake?

Note that your queries should capture the logic of the given statement, not just return the correct statement for your knowledge base. For example, if we changed the knowledge base, your queries should still return the correct answers for the new knowledge base. Do not worry if your queries return duplicate answers if you request multiple answers. However, you will lose marks if the query ever returns incorrect answers for your KB or a different KB used for testing.

## 2 Arithmetic in PROLOG [30 marks]

This questions involves numerical calculations in PROLOG. The knowledge base and rules will be stored in the given file q2\_estore.pl. Your test queries should be stored in q2\_estore\_queries.txt. Finally, a log of your interaction when applying those queries to the knowledge base should be included at the end of the q2\_estore\_queries.txt file. Both of these files need to be included as part of the submission.

- a. [10 marks] You will be calculating the bill at an e-store on three products: laptop, monitor, and keyboard. For this step, you should create a knowledge base that contains atomic statements that use the following predicates:
  - cost(Product, Cost) defines the cost of the product.
  - numPurchased(Product, Count) indicates the number of that product that has been purchased.
  - shippingCost(Product) indicates that the cost to ship each unit of a given product for regular 7-day shipping.
  - taxRate(Rate) the tax rate.
  - freeRegularShippingMin(Amount) the minimum amount of pre-tax purchases a user must make in order to get free 7 day shipping.
  - freeExpressShippingMin(Amount) the minimum amount of pre-tax purchases a user must make in order to get free express shipping.

All products should have a positive cost and non-negative values for the number purchased. You may set the tax rate to any value greater than 0 but less than 1 (*ie.* the tax rate of 13% would be 0.13). The values for free shipping should be non-negative, but may be anything you choose.

All atomic propositions should be added to the file question2\_estore.pl in the correct sections. You will lose marks if you do not put propositions in the correct place.

#### b. [15 marks] Add rules to q2\_estore.pl that accomplish the following:

- Add a rule subtotal(Sub) which calculates the sum of the costs (Sub) of all three products being purchased, not including tax and shipping. This will depend on the cost of each product and the number of each that is purchased.
- Add a rule calculateBaseShipping(ShippingCost) which calculates the cost of over all products of regular 7-day shipping, but does not account for if the customer has earned free shipping. This rule will be used as a helper below, but should only depend on the shipping cost of each product and the number of each purchased. Note that ShippingCost should only include the cost of shipping, not of the products themselves.
- Add rule calculateShipping(ShippingType, ShippingCost) which takes in a ShippingType which is either regular or express and calculates the cost (ShippingCost) for shipping the current order, depending on the shipping type and whether or not the customer has earned free shipping. The cost of express shipping a product is 1.5 times the cost of shipping it for regular 7-day shipping. You can use your subtotal and calculateBaseShipping predicates. Note that ShippingCost should only include the cost of shipping, not of the products themselves.
- Add a rule totalCost(ShippingType, Cost) that calculates the total cost for all the products including shipping and tax. Note that tax applies to the shipping cost as well.

All rules should be added to the file question2\_estore.pl in the correct sections. You may lose marks if you do not put them in the correct place. We will be testing these rules using a variety of knowledge bases, so make sure they capture the logic of the rule, and do not just work correctly on your particular knowledge base.

c. [5 marks] Create at least 6 queries that test the subtotal, calculateBaseShipping, calculateShipping, and totalCost rules. You should not use the ";" command in these queries. Any queries of your choosing on these rules is allowed, as long as each is tested at least once. You should also add a comment above each query stating what the query checks in plain English.

The queries should be written in the file q2\_estore\_queries.txt . At the end of this file, submit your interaction with the knowledge base as well.

## 3 Recursive Rules [40 marks]

Paul Erdős was a mathematician who was famous for how prolific he was, how much his work crossed different areas of mathematics, and how many other mathematicians he worked with. To this day, mathematicians and computer scientists will refer to their *Erdős* number which calculates how many collaborations a person is away from Paul Erős. This number is calculated as follows<sup>1</sup>:

- Paul Erős has an Erdős number of 0.
- Anyone who wrote an publication with Paul Erős has an Erdős number of 1.
- A person's Erdős number is then given by 1 plus the minimum Erdős number of anyone they wrote an article/publication with.

This concept can be generalized to any pair of scientists/mathematicians such that we can try to find the length of the shortest path of collaborators from one to the other. Below, you will solve a simplified task: given a pair of scientists/mathematicians and a number MaxDist, your rule will answer the question of whether or not there is a collaboration path of length no more than MaxDist between the two.

This question involves writing recursive rules for this problem. You will write a knowledge base and rules which are to be stored in the given file q3\_collab.pl. You are also to write test queries and include the results of your interaction in q3\_collab\_queries.txt. Use the format specified in the file or you will lose marks.

- a. [10 marks] Create a knowledge base containing at least 5 publications and 10 authors. Both the publications and authors may be fictional. The knowledge base should contain atomic statements for the following predicates:
  - articleAuthor(Article, Author) states that Author is one of the authors of the article with name Article. An article may have more than one author. As in Question 1, ignore accents and punctuation and do not put author or article names in quotes (ie. paul\_erdos was an author of on\_sets\_of\_distances\_of\_n\_points).
  - articleTopic(Article, Topic) states that Topic is a topic of the given Article. For example, the topic may be ai or cybersecurity or programming. An article may have more than one topic.

As in the previous questions, this knowledge base will be used for testing your rules in the following parts. All atomic propositions should be added to the file q3\_collab.pl in the correct sections. You may lose marks if you do not put propositions in the correct place.

**b.** [10 marks] Write the rules for the following predicate and add them to the file q3\_collab.pl in the correct sections:

#### collabDist(Author1, Author2, MaxDist)

This query will succeed if and only if there is a path of length at most MaxDist collaboration steps between the two given authors. Notice that your rule does *not* have to compute the minimum distance between the two, just whether there is a path no bigger than the given value.

For example, suppose we have a knowledge base with 3 authors (tom, jennifer, and tina) and two articles (article authored by tom and jennifer, and article2 authored by jennifer and tina). Then collabDist(tom, tina, 2) should succeed, as should collabDist(tom, tina, 3), collabDist(tom, tina, 4), etc.. However, collabDist(tom, tina, 1) would not succeed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The "Bacon number" is a similar concept for movies. That number measures how many "movies" an actor is away from being in a movie with Kevin Bacon. If a mathematician has appeared in a movie, they may even have an "Erdős-Bacon" number, which is the sum of your Erdős and Bacon number (assuming they are both finite)."

### Additional notes for part b:

- In all queries, MaxDist will be a non-negative integer and *not* a variable. Thus, your rules should be able to handle queries of the form collabDist(tom, jennifer, 2) or collabDist(X, tina, 5), but we will *not* test it with queries such as collabDist(tom, jennifer, X).
- Your rules should also succeed if Author1 = Author2 for any MaxDist ≥ 0, provided that that author has written at least one article. For example, collabDist(tom, tom, 2) should succeed in the above example, but collabDist(ron, ron, 2) should fail.
- If multiple answers are requested using ";" or "More" it is ok if your rules return duplicate answers. However, they should never return incorrect answers.
- For the purposes of this assignment, a collaboration path may include the same collaborator multiple times. For example, tom to jennifer to tina to jennifer is a valid path.
- HINT: Due to MaxDist variable, you should not have to worry about infinite paths of the form tom, jennifer, tom, jennifer. ... Think about why that is, but you do not need to submit writeup of your reasoning.
- c. [15 marks] You will now write the following new predicate

#### collabDistWithAI(Author1, Author2, MaxDist, AI)

Just as before, your predicate should determine if there is a collaboration path between Author1 and Author2 that has at most MaxDist steps. The variable AI will then take on value of either none or at\_least\_one. If AI is none, then the query will only succeed if there is a collaboration path from Author1 to Author2 such that none of the papers along the path have the topic of ai. If AI takes on the value at\_least\_one, then at least one of the collaborations along the collaboration path will involve a paper whose topic is ai.

For example, suppose tom wrote article1 with jennifer, and jennifer wrote article2 with tina. Then collabDistWithAI(tom, tina, 2, at\_least\_one) would succeed if at least one of article1 or article2 (but not necessarily both) have a topic of ai. The query collabDistWithAI(tom, tina, 2, none) would succeed if neither article1 or article2 have a topic of ai.

Additional notes for part c:

- The same notes given for collabDist also apply to collabDistWithAI.
- If there are multiple collaboration paths between the authors, then collabDistWithAI may succeed for both none and at\_least\_one. Consider the example above. If both article1 and article2 are not AI articles, then collabDistWithAI(tom, tina, 2, none) will succeed, regardless of what other articles there are. If additionally, article3 is on the topic of AI and was written by both tom and tina, then collabDistWithAI(tom, tina, 2, at\_least\_one) will also succeed.
- A query like collabDistWithAI(tom, tom, 0, none) should only succeed if tom has at least one non-AI article. Similarly, collabDistWithAI(tom, tom, 0, at\_least\_one) should only succeed if tom has at least one AI article.
- If tom has only non-AI articles, it may still be possible for a query such as colabbistWithAI(tom, tom, 3, at\_least\_one) to succeed, but this will depend on what articles tom's collaborators have.
- Be careful about how collabDistWithAI(tom, tom, 0, at\_least\_one) interacts with other rules. For example, if article1 is not an AI article and it is the only article that tom wrote with jennifer, then collabDistWithAI(tom, jennifer, 1, at\_least\_one) should fail even if jennifer has also written an AI article.

- HINT: Get the new predicate rule working for the none case first, and then consider how you need to change it to handle at\_least\_one. You will get part marks if you only get the none case working.
- c. [5 marks] Create at least 10 queries that test collabDist and collabDistWithA. You should not use the ";" command in these queries, though you may use it to get multiple answers. Any queries of your choosing on these rules is allowed, as long as each is tested at least once. You should also add a comment above each query stating what the query checks in plain English.

The queries should be written in the file <code>q3\_queries.txt</code> . At the end of this file, submit your interaction with the knowledge base as well.