

## Logic Programming

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### Summary of Last Lecture

#### Definitions

- **SLD-derivation** of logic program  $P$  and goal clause  $G$  consists of
  - 1 maximal sequence  $G_0, G_1, G_2, \dots$  of goal clauses
  - 2 sequence  $C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots$  of variants of rules in  $P$
  - 3 sequence  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots$  of substitutions
 such that
  - $G_0 = G$
  - $G_{i+1}$  is resolvent of  $G_i$  and  $C_i$  with mgu  $\theta_i$
  - $C_i$  has no variables in common with  $G, C_0, \dots, C_{i-1}$
- **SLD refutation** is finite SLD derivation ending in  $\square$
- **computed answer substitution** of SLD refutation of  $P$  and  $G$  with substitutions  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_m$  is restriction of  $\theta_0\theta_1 \cdots \theta_m$  to variables in  $G$

# Happy New Year!

#### Definition

a **search tree** (aka **SLD tree**) of a goal  $G$  is a tree  $T$  such that

- the root of  $T$  is labelled with  $G$
- the nodes of  $T$  are labelled with conjunctions of goals, where one goal is selected (wrt a selection function)
- $\exists$  edge from node  $N$  for each clause, whose head unifies with the selected goal
- edges are labelled with (partial) answer substitutions
- leaves are **success nodes**, if the empty goal (denoted by  $\square$ ) has been reached or **failure nodes** otherwise

#### Definition

a program  $P$  is called

- **correct** with respect to the intended meaning  $M$ , if the meaning of  $P$  is a subset of  $M$
- **complete** if the intended meaning  $M$  is a subset of the meaning of  $P$

## Outline of the Lecture

### Monotone Logic Programs

introduction, basic constructs, unification, database and recursive programming, termination

### Incomplete Data Structures and Constraints

incomplete data structures, definite clause grammars, constraint logic programming, answer set programming

### Full Prolog

semantics, **correctness proofs**, meta-logical predicates, cuts, complexity, efficient programs

## Example

```
natural_number(0).
natural_number(s(X)) :- natural_number(X).
```

## Lemma

*the program is complete wrt the set of facts*

$$M := \{\text{natural\_number}(s^i(0)) \mid i \geq 0\}$$

## Proof of Completeness.

- 1 let  $N$  be a natural number
- 2 we show that  $\text{natural\_number}(s^N(0))$  is deducible by given a explicit SLD tree
- 3 case distinction on  $N = 0$  and  $N > 0$

## Lemma

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## Proof of Correctness.

- 1 suppose  $\text{natural\_number}(s^m(0))$  is deducible in  $n$  deductions
- 2 we use induction on  $n$
- 3  $n = 1$ : then  $\text{natural\_number}(s^m(0))$  implies  $m = 0$
- 4  $n > 0$ : the goal must be of form  $\text{natural\_number}(s(t))$
- 5 thus  $\text{natural\_number}(t)$  is deducible with  $n - 1$  deductions
- 6  $t = s^{m'}(0)$  for some  $m' \in \mathbb{N}$
- 7  $\text{natural\_number}(s^{m'+1}(0)) \in M$  and  $m = m' + 1$

## Example

is the program is correct wrt the following set?

$$M := \{\text{natural\_number}(s^i(0)) \mid 0 \leq i \leq K\}$$

## Attempted Proof

- 1 suppose  $\text{natural\_number}(s^m(0))$  is deducible in  $n$  deductions
- 2 we use induction on  $n$
- 3  $n = 0$ : then  $\text{natural\_number}(s^m(0))$  implies  $m = 0$
- 4  $n > 0$ : the goal must be of form  $\text{natural\_number}(s(t))$
- 5 thus  $\text{natural\_number}(t)$  is deducible with  $n - 1$  deductions
- 6  $t = s^{m'}(0)$  for some  $0 \leq m' \leq K$  and  $m = m' + 1$
- 7  $\text{natural\_number}(s^m(0)) \in M$  iff  $m \leq K$
- 8 what happens for  $m > K$ ?

## Example

```
natural_number(0).
natural_number(s(X)) :- natural_number(X).

plus(0,X,X) :- natural_number(X).
plus(s(X),Y,s(Z)) :- plus(X,Y,Z).
```

## Lemma

*the program is correct and complete wrt to the definition of addition*

## Proof Sketch.

- 1 completeness: suppose  $X + Y = Z$ ; then we give an SLD tree of `plus(X, Y, Z)`
- 2 correctness: suppose `plus(X, Y, Z)` is deducible; then we prove by induction on the length of this deduction that  $X + Y = Z$

## Rule Order

### Observation

The rule order determines the order in which solutions are found

### Example

```
parent(terach,abraham).      parent(abraham,isaac).
parent(isaac,jakob).         parent(jakob,benjamin).

ancestor(X,Y) :- parent(X,Y).
ancestor(X,Z) :- parent(X,Y), ancestor(Y,Z).
```

### Example

```
append([X|Xs],Ys,[X|Zs]) :-      append([],Ys,Ys).
      append(Xs,Ys,Zs).           append([X|Xs],Ys,[X|Zs]) :-
append([],Ys,Ys).                 append(Xs,Ys,Zs).
```

## Goal Order

### Observation

Goal order determines the SLD tree

### Example

```
grandparent(X,Z) :- parent(X,Y), parent(Y,Z).
grandparent2(X,Z) :- parent(Y,Z), parent(X,Y).
```

### Example

```
reverse([X|Xs],Zs) :- reverse(Xs,Ys), append(Ys,[X],Zs).
reverse([],[]).
```

### Example

```
sublist(Xs,AsXsBs) :-
  append(AsXs,Bs,AsXsBs), append(As,Xs,AsXs).
```

## SWI-Prolog

```
[zid-gpl.uibk.ac.at] swipl
```

```
Welcome to SWI-Prolog (Multi-threaded, 64 bits, Version 5.7.11)
Copyright (c) 1990-2009 University of Amsterdam.
SWI-Prolog comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY. This is free software,
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```

```
For help, use ?- help(Topic). or ?- apropos(Word).
```

```
?-
```

## Emacs Mode

### Bruda's Prolog Mode

- 1 goto [http://bruda.ca/emacs/prolog\\_mode\\_for\\_emacs](http://bruda.ca/emacs/prolog_mode_for_emacs)
- 2 download prolog.el, compile and put into sub-directory site-lisp

- 3 put the following into `.emacs`:

```
(autoload 'run-prolog "prolog"
  "Start a Prolog sub-process." t)
(autoload 'prolog-mode "prolog"
  "Major mode for editing Prolog programs." t)
(setq prolog-system 'swi)
(setq auto-mode-alist
  (cons (cons "\\\\.pl" 'prolog-mode) auto-mode-alist))
```

## Redundant Solutions

### Example

```
minimum(N1,N2,N1) :- N1 ≤ N2.
minimum(N1,N2,N2) :- N2 ≤ N1.
:- minium(2,2,M)
```

### Example

```
minimum(N1,N2,N1) :- N1 ≤ N2.
minimum(N1,N2,N2) :- N2 < N1.
```

### Observation

similar care is necessary with the definition of `partition`, etc.

## Redundant Solutions (part II)

### Example

```
member(X, [X|Xs]).
member(X, [Y|Xs]) :- member(X, Xs).
```

```
?- member(X, [a,b,a]).
```

```
X ↦ a ;
```

```
X ↦ b ;
```

```
X ↦ a ;
```

```
false
```

### Example

```
member_check(X, [X|Xs]).
member_check(X, [Y|Ys]) :- X ≠ Y, member_check(X, Ys).
```

### Fact

some care is necessary in pruning the search tree, as this may change the meaning of a program

### Example

```
select(X, [X|Xs], Xs).
select(X, [Y|Ys], [Y|Zs]) :- select(X, Ys, Zs).
```

### Example

```
select_first(X, [X|Xs], Xs).
select_first(X, [Y|Ys], [Y|Zs]) :- X ≠ Y, select_first(X, Ys, Zs).
```

### Observation

`select(a, [a,b,a,c], [a,b,c])` is in the meaning of the 1st program;  
`select_first(a, [a,b,a,c], [a,b,c])` is **not** in the meaning of the 2nd

## Example

```
members([X|Xs],Ys) :- member(X,Ys), members(Xs,Ys).
members([],Ys).
```

## Example

```
selects([X|Xs],Ys) :- select(X,Ys,Ys1), selects(Xs,Ys1).
selects([],Ys).
```

## Observations

- 1 *members/2* ignores the multiplicity of elements
- 2 *members/2* terminates iff 1st argument is complete
- 3 the first restriction is lifted, the second altered with *selects/2*
- 4 *selects/2* terminates iff 2nd argument is complete

## Example

```
% no_doubles(Xs,Ys) <--
%   Ys is the list obtained by removing duplicate
%   elements from the list Xs
```

## Example

```
non_member(X,[Y|Ys]) :- X \= Y, non_member(X,Ys).
non_member(X,[]).
```

```
no_doubles([X|Xs],Ys) :-
    member(X,Xs), no_doubles(Xs,Ys).
no_doubles([X|Xs],[X|Ys]) :-
    non_member(X,Xs), no_doubles(Xs,Ys).
no_doubles([],[]).
```

## Built-in Predicates for List Manipulation

- *append/3*
- *member/2*
- *last/2*

```
?- last([a,b,c,d],X).
X = d
```

```
?- last(X,a).
X = [a] ;
X = [_G324,a] ;
X = [_G324,_G327,a]
```

- *reverse/2*

```
?- reverse([a,b,c,d],X).
X = [d,c,b,a]
```

- *select/3*

```
?- select(b,[a,b,c,d],X).
X = [a,c,d]
```

```
?- select(b,[a,b,c,b,d],X).
X = [a,c,b,d]
```

- *length/2*

```
?- length([a,b,c,d],X).
X = 4
```