

Logic Programming

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Summary of Last Lecture

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 nondeterministic programming, efficient programs, complexity

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Example

```
ancestor_of(Ancestor, Descendant) :-
    child_of(Descendant, Ancestor).
ancestor_of(Ancestor, Descendant) :-
    child_of(Person, Ancestor),
    ancestor_of(Person, Descendant).
```

Example

```
ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant) :-
    child_of(Descendant, Ancestor).
ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant) :-
    ancestor_of_2(Person, Descendant),
    child_of(Person, Ancestor).
```

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Reading of Programs

Example (revisited)

```
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```

- Ancestor
- Descendant
- Person

In English

Someone is ancestor of a descendant, if the descendant is his (or her) child, or if he (or she) has a child and this person is the ancestor of the descendant.

binding of logical variables is expressed as references

Declarative Reading

Definition

the declarative reading of a program is its concept as (set of) logical formulas

Analysis

1 specialisation

- if we remove clauses of a defined relation, then this relation becomes smaller; the program is **specialised**
- if the specialisation provides wrong answers, the original program certainly will

2 generalisation

- if we remove goals from the body of a clause, the relation is extended; the program is **generalised**
- if the generalised program cannot derive correct facts, the original can neither

Procedure Reading

Example (multiplication)

logic program

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

ground queries

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

solved

... is Too Complicated

Example (renaming is needed)

logic program

```
plus(0,X3,X3).
plus(s(X2),Y2,s(Z2)) :- plus(X2,Y2,Z2).
times(0,X,0).
times(s(X),Y,Z) :- times(X,Y,U), plus(U,Y,Z).
```

query

```
:- plus(s(s(0)),s(0),X)    X1 ↦ s(0), Y1 ↦ s(0), X ↦ s(Z1)
:- plus(s(0),s(0),Z1)    X2 ↦ 0, Y2 ↦ s(0), Z1 ↦ s(Z2)
:- plus(0,s(0),Z2)       X3 ↦ s(0), Z2 ↦ s(0)
```

solution $X \mapsto s(s(s(0)))$

Definition

- a **type** is a (possible infinite) set of terms
- types are conveniently defined by unary relations

Example

```
male(X). female(X).
```

Definition

- to define complex types, **recursive** logic programs may be necessary
- the latter types are called **recursive types**
- recursive types, defined by unary recursive programs, are called **simple recursive types**
- a program defining a type is a **type definition**; a call to a predicate defining a type is a **type condition**

Simple Recursive Types

Example

```
is_tree(nil).
is_tree(tree(Element,Left,Right)) :-
    is_tree(Left),
    is_tree(Right).
```

Definition

- a type is **complete** if closed under the instance relation
- with every complete type T one associates an **incomplete** type IT which is a set of terms with instances in T and instances not in T

Example

- the type $\{0, s(0), s(s(0)), \dots\}$ is complete
- the type $\{X, 0, s(0), s(s(0)), \dots\}$ is incomplete

Arithmetic

Example

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

Example

```
plus(0,X,X) :- is_number(X)..
plus(s(X),Y,s(Z)) :- plus(X,Y,Z).
times(0,X,0).
times(s(X),Y,Z) :- times(X,Y,U), plus(U,Y,Z).
```

Example

```
factorial(0,s(0)).
factorial(s(N),F) :- factorial(N,F1), times(s(N),F1,F).
```

Example

```
0 ≤ X :- is_number(X).
s(X) ≤ s(Y) :- X ≤ Y.
minimum(N1,N2,N1) :- N1 ≤ N2.
minimum(N1,N2,N2) :- N2 ≤ N1.
```

Example

```
mod(X,Y,Z) :- Z < Y, times(Y,Q,W), plus(W,Z,X).
mod(X,Y,X) :- X < Y.
mod(X,Y,Z) :- plus(X1,Y,X), mod(X1,Y,Z).
```

Example

```
ackermann(0,N,s(N)).
ackermann(s(M),0,Val) :- ackermann(M,s(0),Val).
ackermann(s(M),s(N),Val) :- ackermann(s(M),N,Val1),
    ackermann(M,Val1,Val).
```

Lists

Notation

- $[\]$ empty list
- $[H|T]$ list with head H and tail T
- $[A]$ $[A|[\]]$ list with one element
- $[A,B]$ $[A|[B|[\]]]$ list with two elements
- $[A,B|T]$ $[A|[B|T]]$ list with at least two elements

Example

```
is_list([\ ]). is_list([X|Xs]) :- is_list(Xs).
```

Notation

formal object	cons pair syntax	element syntax
$\cdot(a, [\])$	$[a [\]]$	$[a]$
$\cdot(a, \cdot(b, [\]))$	$[a [b [\]]]$	$[a,b]$

Example

```
member(X, [X|Xs]).
member(X, [_|Xs]) :- member(X, Xs).      :- member(X, [a,b,a]).
```

Example

```
append(Xs, Ys, Zs) :-          append([], Ys, Ys).
    Xs = [],                  append([H|Ts], Ys, [H|Zs]) :-
    Zs = Ys.                   append(Ts, Ys, Zs).

append(Xs, Ys, Zs) :-
    Xs = [H|Ts],
    append(Ts, Ys, Us),
    Zs = [H|Us].
```

Example

```
prefix([], Xs).                suffix(Xs, Xs).
prefix([X|Xs], [X|Ys]) :-      suffix(Xs, [Y|Ys]) :-
    prefix(Xs, Ys).            suffix(Xs, Ys).
```

Example (non termination)

```
:-& infinite.

infinite :- infinite.
```

Example (again, but different)

```
:-& winfinite.

winfinite :- winfinite.
winfinite.
```

Example (non termination yet again)

```
:- hinfinite.
:-& hinfinite, false.

hinfinite.
hinfinite :- hinfinite.
```

Termination Analysis

Fact

- *for termination analysis only recursive calls (cycles in call tree) are essential*
- *let's remove non-recursive rules*

Example (specialised)

```
ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant) :- false,
    child_of(Descendant, Ancestor),
ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant) :-
    ancestor_of_2(Person, Descendant),
    child_of(Person, Ancestor).
```

equivalently

```
ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant) :-
    ancestor_of_2(Person, Descendant),
    child_of(Person, Ancestor).
```

Example

```
ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant) :-
    ancestor_of_2(Person, Descendant),
    child_of(Person, Ancestor).

• Ancestor doesn't occur in first goal (= recursive call)
• no influence on termination behaviour
• Descendant remains unchanged
• last goal has no effect
```

Example (specialised and generalised)

```
:-& ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant).

ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant) :-
    ancestor_of_2(Person, Descendant), false
    child_of(Person, Ancestor).
```

Strong vs Weak Normalisation

Fact

suppose the solution set is infinite, then the query

```
:- Goal, false.
```

cannot terminate

Example (specialised and generalised)

```
:- child_of(X,X).
```

```
:- ancestor_of(Ancestor, Descendant), false.
```

```
ancestor_of(Ancestor, Descendant) :-  
  child_of(Person, Ancestor),  
  ancestor_of(Person, Descendant).
```

Termination queries

Definition

(non) termination queries:

- *:- Goal, false.* goal terminates
- *:-& Goal, false.* goal does not terminate
- *:-\$ Goal, false.* goal terminates, but is expensive

Example (useful termination queries)

```
:- ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant).
```

```
:-& ancestor_of_2(Ancestor, Descendant), false.
```