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# Programming in Logic

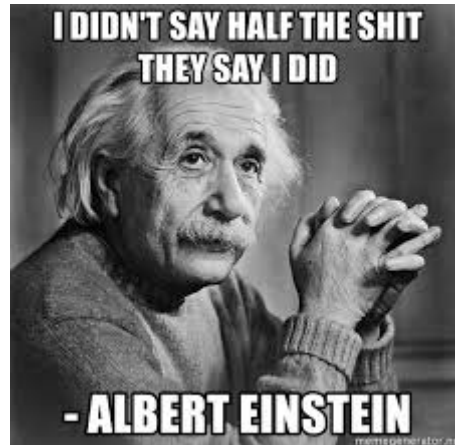
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# Einstein's Riddle

(allegedly)



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# Prolog

*Programmation en logique*

*"The offspring of a successful marriage  
between natural language processing  
and automated theorem-proving."*

# 1971

The result of french research into machine natural language processing.

*"The idea of using a natural language like French to reason and communicate directly with a computer seemed like a crazy idea"*

# Formal logic

# The mathematical discipline of formal logic in 4 easy steps

1. Distill problem to notation
2. Apply rules of inference
3. ???
4. ~~Profit~~ Proof!

**C+**

*If it is raining, then it's cloudy.*

$$P \implies Q$$



*It is raining.*

*P*

*Therefore, it's cloudy.*

$\therefore Q$

Intuitively, we understand this **argument is valid**

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**Predicate logic** introduces a few more important concepts

# Universal Quantification

*For all  $x$*

$\forall x$

# Existential Quantification

*There exists some  $x$*

$\exists x$

# Predicates

*x is Cool*

$Cx$

*x is Adjacent to y*

$Axy$



Notice the prefix notation

Using these constructs of predicate logic we can start to model the real world in logic

The englishman *Lives in the red*  
*house*

*Ler*

Finally, we can also combine **quantifiers** and **predicates**

*There exists some  $x$  such that  $x$  Lives  
in the red house*

$$\exists x Lxr$$

We are ready to write our first prolog program!

# Prolog

Programs consist of  
**facts and rules**

Generically, these are referred to as **clauses**

## Our first fact

```
human(simon).
```

*simon is Human*

*HS*

## Our first query

- **queries** start with **?-**
- evaluated as **True**, or **False**

```
?-human(simon).  
True
```



## Using variables in our queries

```
?-human(X).
```

*Does there exist some  $x$  such that  $x$  is  
 $Human$ ?*

$\exists x Hx$

Prolog look through **facts** it knows about for one that  
makes the query **True**

Yes!

```
?-human(X).  
X=simon
```

*simon is Human*

*HS*

# Family trees

*The FizzBuzz of Prolog*

```
father(jamie, tommen).  
father(jamie, myrcella).  
father(jamie, joffrey).
```

```
mother(cersei, tommen).  
mother(cersei, myrcella).  
mother(cersei, joffrey).
```

```
?-father(X, tommen)  
X=Jamie
```

```
?-father(jamie, Y)
```

```
Y=tommen
```

```
Y=myrcella
```

```
Y=joffrey
```

```
?-father(X, Y)
```

```
X=jamie, Y=tommen
```

```
X=jamie, Y=myrcella
```

```
X=jamie, Y=joffrey
```



We could go further and define some sibling facts

```
sibling(tommen, myrcella).  
sibling(tommen, joffrey).  
sibling(joffrey, myrcella).
```

Neither elegant nor scalable.

$$R = \left(\frac{n^2}{2}\right) - n$$

There has to be a better way..

# Rules

Specify relationships between facts

*X and Y are siblings if X and Y  
share a mother or a father*

```
sibling(X, Y) :-  
    mother(Z, X),  
    mother(Z, Y),  
    X \== Y.
```

```
sibling(X, Y) :-  
    father(Z, X),  
    father(Z, Y),  
    X \== Y.
```

```
?- sibling(X, Y).  
X = tommen, Y = myrcella  
X = tommen, Y = joffrey  
X = myrcella, Y = tommen
```

## More relations...

```
uncle_or_aunt(X, Y) :-  
    mother(M, Y),  
    sibling(M, X).
```

```
uncle_or_aunt(X, Y) :-  
    father(M, Y),  
    sibling(X, M).
```

```
father(tywin, jamie).  
father(tywin, cersei).  
father(tywin, tyrion).
```

```
?- uncle_or_aunt(X ,Y).  
X = jamie, Y = tommen  
X = tyrion, Y = tommen  
X = jamie, Y = myrcella  
X = tyrion, Y = myrcella  
X = jamie, Y = joffrey  
X = tyrion, Y = joffrey  
X = cersei, Y = tommen  
X = tyrion, Y = tommen  
X = cersei, Y = myrcella  
X = tyrion, Y = myrcella  
X = cersei, Y = joffrey  
X = tyrion, Y = joffrey
```

# Lists and some operations

[1, 2, 3]

[one, two , three]



# Referencing items in lists

[ F | R ]

*The first part of the list, and the rest of  
the list*

$[a, b, c]$

Then  $[ F \mid R ]$  equates to

$F=a, R=[b, c]$

## The append clause

Prolog has a useful clause for appending to a list.

`append(A, B, C)`

```
?-append([1], [2, 3], C)  
C=[1, 2, 3]
```

append is nothing more than a clause

*Succeeds if  $C$  is the result of appending  
 $B$  to  $A$*

Prolog is working out the value(s) for C which make the  
append() clause **True**

But, because this is prolog,  
we can do this

```
?-append([1], B, [1, 2, 3]).  
B=[2,3]
```

and this

```
?-append(A, B, [1, 2, 3]).  
A = [],          B = [1, 2, 3]  
A = [1],        B = [2, 3]  
A = [1, 2],     B = [3]  
A = [1, 2, 3],  B = []
```

# The "Don't care" variable

–

*Used like a variable but it tells prolog  
we **don't care** what its value is.*



[a, b, c]

Then [F | \_] equates to

**F = a, we don't care about the rest**

# **Solving Einstein's Riddle**

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For each house there are 5 factors to consider

- The nationality of the **Owner**
- The **Pet**
- The **Cigarret** brand
- The **Drink**
- The **Color**

## A fact for houses

```
house(Owner, Pet, Cigarette, Drink, Color)
```

# The houses rule

Succeeds when  $H$  is a list of 5 facts which, collectively, satisfy requirements 2 - 15

```
houses(H) :-  
    % There are 5 houses,  
    % The Englishman lives in the red house,  
    % The Spaniard owns the dog,
```

We can start building up facts about the houses piece  
by piece

We'll use the **don't care** variable where information is  
not provided

*there are 5 houses*

```
houses(H) :-  
    length(H, 5),  
    ...
```

Succeeds if  $|H| = 5$



*The Englishman lives in the red  
house.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    member(house(englishman,_,_,_,red), H),  
    ...
```

*The Spaniard owns the dog.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    member( house( spaniard, dog, _, _, _ ), H ),  
    ...
```

*Coffee is drunk in the green house.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    member(house( _,_,_,coffee,green), H),  
    ...
```

## *The Ukrainian drinks tea*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    member(house(ukrainian,_,_,tea,_), H),  
    ...
```

*The **green** house is immediately to the right of the **ivory** house.*

We need a **rule** to determine which houses are next to one another

# The `next(A, B)` clause

Houses  $A$  and  $B$  are next to each other if

$A$  is next to  $B$

```
next(A, B, L) :-  
append(_, [A,B|_], L).
```

Or if  $B$  is next to  $A$

```
next(A, B, L) :-  
append(_, [B,A|_], L).
```

The *green* house is immediately to the right of the *ivory* house.

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    next( house( _, _, _, _, ivory ), house( _, _, _, _, green ), H ),  
    ...
```

*The Old Gold smoker owns snails.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    member(house(_,snails,gold,_,_), H),  
    ...
```



*Kools are smoked in the yellow house.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    member(house(_,_,kools,_,yellow), H),  
    ...
```

*Milk is drunk in the middle house.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    H = [_,_ ,house(_,_ ,_,milk,_),_ ,_],  
    ...
```

*The Norwegian lives in the first house.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    H = [house(norwegian,_,_,_,_)|_],  
    ...
```

*The man who smokes **Chesterfields**  
lives in the house next to the man with  
the **fox**.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    next( house( _, fox, _, _, _ ), house( _, _, chesterfield, _, _ ), H ),  
    ...
```

***Kools** are smoked in the house next to  
the house where the **horse** is kept.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    next( house( _, _, kools, _, _ ), house( _, horse, _, _, _ ), H ),  
    ...
```

*The **Lucky Strike** smoker drinks  
orange juice.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    member(house(_,_,lucky,juice,_), H),  
    ...
```

## *The Japanese smokes **Parliaments**.*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    member(house(japanese,_,parliaments,_,_), H),  
    ...
```

*The norwegian lives next to the **blue**  
house*

```
houses(H) :-  
    ...  
    next(house(norwegian,_,_,_,_), house(_,_,_,_,blue), H).  
    ...
```



# The Zebra Owner Rule

Succeeds when some list  $H$  meets all of the 15 criteria and, contains a house with a zebra.

```
zebra_owner(0) :-  
    houses(H),  
    member(house(0,zebra,_,_,_), H).
```

No facts explicitly match **Zebra**

But this rule will also match any facts with no pet value.

There was only one

```
?-zebra_owner(0).  
0=japanese
```

*The Japanese man owns the Zebra*

# The Water Drinker rule

Succeeds when some list  $H$  meets all of the 15 criteria and, contains a house where water is drunk.

```
water_drinker(D) :-  
    houses(H),  
    member(house(D,_,_,water,_), H).
```

Like the Zebra rule, this rule will match any facts with no **Drink** value.

There was only one

```
?-water_drinker(D).  
D=norwegian
```

*The **Norwegian** man drinks the **Water***

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# Resources

- 4 Programming Paradigms in 40 minutes

<https://youtu.be/cgVVZMfLjEI?t=1185>

- The Birth of Prolog

<http://web.archive.org/web/20070703003934/www.lirmm.fr/~colmer/ArchivesPublications/HistoireProlog/>

- <https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Prolog>
- <http://www.cs.trincoll.edu/~ram/cpsc352/notes/prolog/>
- <http://infolab.stanford.edu/~ullman/focs/ch12.pdf>

# Online Compilers

- <https://swish.swi-prolog.org/>
- [https://www.tutorialspoint.com/execute\\_prolog\\_online](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/execute_prolog_online)