

$add(x, n\phi, x).$

$add(x, y, z) :- inc(x, x1), dec(y, y1), add(x1, y1, z).$

? - $add(n1, n2, x).$

This matches head of rule with $x_1 = n1, y_1 = n2, z_1 = x$

The RHS is then $inc(n1, x1), dec(n2, y1), add(x1, y1, x)$

These are taken L-R as new queries. The first

produces $x1 = n2$. $dec(n2, y1)$ produces (eventually)

$y1 = n1$. The last query is then $add(n2, n1, x)$

This again eventually becomes $add(n3, n\phi, x)$ which now matches the fact with $x_2 = n3, x_2 = x$

The result is $x = n3$.

A query in Prolog is called a goal.

A better way to draw the succession of calls is in a goal tree.

? - $\text{add}(n1, u2, x)$.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = n1 \\ y_1 = u2 \\ z_1 = x \end{cases}$$

$\text{inc}(n1, x1,), \text{dec}(n2, y1,), \text{add}(x1, y1, x)$

$$| x1 = n2$$

$\text{dec}(n2, y1,), \text{add}(n2, y1, x)$

$$\begin{cases} x_2 = n2 \\ y_2 = y1 \end{cases}$$

$\text{inc}(y1, n2), \text{add}(u2, y1, x)$

$$| y1 = n1$$

$\text{add}(n2, n1, x)$

$$\begin{cases} x_3 = n2 \\ y_3 = n1 \\ z_3 = x \end{cases}$$

$\text{inc}(n2, x1_2), \text{dec}(n1, y1_2), \text{add}(x1_2, y1_2, x)$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_{12} = n_3 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{dec}(n_1, \gamma_{12}), \text{add}(n_3, \gamma_{12}, x)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_3 = n_1 \\ \gamma_3 = \gamma_{12} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{inc}(\gamma_{12}, n_1), \text{add}(n_3, \gamma_{12}, x)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma_{12} = n_\emptyset \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{add}(n_3, n_\emptyset, x)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_4 = n_3 \\ x_4 = x \end{array} \right.$$

$$x = n_3$$

This is a program trace. Each goal is either satisfied (or not) and if so, it is replaced by the goal sequence on the RHS of the matching rule.

? - $\text{add}(n3, S, n5)$.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = n3 \\ y_1 = S \\ z_1 = n5 \end{cases}$$

$\text{inc}(n3, x_1), \text{dec}(S, y_1), \text{add}(x_1, y_1, n5)$

$$| x_1 = n4$$

$\text{dec}(S, y_1), \text{add}(n4, y_1, n5)$

$$\begin{cases} x_2 = S \\ y_2 = y_1 \end{cases}$$

choice point $\rightarrow \text{inc}(y_1, S), \text{add}(n4, y_1, n5)$

$$\begin{cases} y_1 = n6 \\ S = n1 \end{cases}$$

$\text{add}(n4, n6, n5)$

⋮

fail

$$\begin{cases} y_1 = n1 \\ S = n2 \end{cases}$$

$\text{add}(n4, n1, n5)$

⋮

yes, $S = n2$

← answer

We can force Prolog to backtrack.

? - inc(X, Y). ← 'or?'

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X = u0, Y = u1 ;

X = u1, Y = u2 ;

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X = u9, Y = u10 ;

u0

This is called resatisfied

? - $add(n_4, n_6, n_5)$.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = n_4 \\ y_1 = n_6 \\ z_1 = n_5 \end{cases}$$

$inc(n_4, x_1), dec(n_6, y_1), add(x_1, y_1, n_5)$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = n_5 \end{cases}$$

$dec(n_6, y_1), add(n_5, y_1, n_5)$

$$\begin{cases} x_2 = n_6 \\ y_2 = y_1 \end{cases}$$

$inc(y_1, n_6), add(n_5, y_1, n_5)$

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fail, no

? - $\text{add}(X, Y, n3).$

$X = n3, Y = n\phi;$

$X = n\phi, Y = n3;$

$X = n1, Y = n2;$

$X = n2, Y = n1;$

$n\phi$

? - $\text{add}(X, n3, Y).$

$X = n\phi, Y = n3;$

$X = n1, Y = n4;$

$X = n2, Y = n5;$

$X = n3, Y = n6;$

$X = n4, Y = n7;$

$X = n5, Y = n8;$

$X = n6, Y = n9;$

$X = n7, Y = n\phi;$

$n\phi$ ← closed world assumption

Procedural semantics of Prolog.

- facts/rules
- unification of terms
- failure and backtracking to a choice point
- and/or [and \wedge , or \vee ;]
- replacement of a goal with goals from the body of a rule.

Now to multiplication:

$mul(x, n1, x).$

$mul(x, y, z) :- dec(y, y1), mul(x, y1, M1),$
 $add(x, M1, z).$

? - mul(n_3, n_2, x).

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = n_3 \\ y_1 = n_2 \\ z_1 = x \end{cases}$$

dec(n_2, y_1), mul($n_3, y_1, M1$), add($n_3, M1, x$)

$$\begin{cases} x_2 = n_2 \\ y_2 = y_1 \end{cases}$$

inc(y_1, n_2), mul($n_3, y_1, M1$), add($n_3, M1, x$)

$$y_1 = n_1$$

mul($n_3, n_1, M1$), add($n_3, M1, x$)

$$\begin{cases} x_3 = n_3 \\ x_3 = M1 \end{cases}$$

add(n_3, n_3, x)

⋮

$$x = n_6$$

Handling zero case:

mul(x, n_0, n_0).

mul(n_0, x, n_0).

? - $\text{mul}(u_2, x, u_6)$.

$$x = u_3$$

? - $\text{mul}(x, u_3, u_6)$.

$$x = u_2$$

? - $\text{mul}(x, y, u_6)$.

$$x = u_1, y = u_6;$$

$$x = u_2, y = u_3;$$

$$x = u_3, y = u_2.$$

$$x = u_6, y = u_1;$$

u_5

Original problem

$$2y = x + 5$$

$$y + z = 2x$$

? - mul (Y, u2, Y2), add (X, u5, Y2),
mul (X, u2, X2), add (Y, u2, X2).

$$X = u3, Y = u4, Y2 = u8, X2 = u6$$