

Declarative programming

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REQUIREMENTS, INFORMATION



Declarative Programming: Information

Homepage, Mailing-list

- Homepage: <<http://dp.iit.bme.hu>>
- Mailing-list: <<http://www.iit.bme.hu/mailman/listinfo/dp-1>>. Mails to the list members have to be sent to <dp-1@www.iit.bme.hu>. Only list members' mail arrives to others without moderator approval.

Lecture Notes

- Szeredi, Péter and Benkő, Tamás: Declarative Programming. Introduction to logic programming (in Hungarian)
- Hanák, D. Péter: Declarative Programming. Introduction to functional programming (in Hungarian)
- Electronic version is available on the homepage (ps, pdf)

Declarative Programming: Information (cont.)

Compiler and Interpreter

- SICStus Prolog — version 3.12 (license may be requested through the ETS)
- Moscow SML (2.0, freeware)
- Both of them are installed on `kempelen.inf.bme.hu`.
- Both of them can be downloaded from the homepage (linux, Win95/98/NT)
- Exercising/tutoring through ETS on the Web (see homepage)
- System manuals in HTML and PDF format
- Other programs: swiProlog, gnuProlog, poly/ML, smlnj
- emacs-wordprocessor has SML and Prolog mode (linux, Win95/98/NT)

Declarative Programming: Requirements during the Semester

Big HomeWork (BHW)

- In both programming language (Prolog, SML)
- Work independently!
- Programs should be efficient (time limit!), well documented (with comments)
- Developer documentation: 5–10 pages, for both programming languages (TXT, TeX/LaTeX, HTML, PDF, PS; BUT NOT DOC or RTF)
- Announced in the 6th week, on the homepage, with downloadable frame-program
- Deadline in the 12th week; submission in electronic format (see homepage)
- The test-cases handed out and the test cases used at scoring are not the same, but of similar difficulty
- The programs which perfectly solve all the test cases, participate in a *ladder competition* (winners get additional points)

Declarative Programming: Requirements during the Semester (cont.)

Big HomeWork (cont.)

- optional, but *very much* recommended!
- Can also be handed in if solved only in one programming language
- Until the deadline homeworks can be handed in several times, only the last one is scored
- Scoring (for both languages):
 - Each of the 10 test cases, which run correctly and within the time limit earns 0.5 points/test case, max 5. points in total, if at least 4 cases are correct
 - for the documentation, the readability of the code and comments max. 2,5 points
 - That means max. 7,5 total points/language
- The weight of the BHW in the final mark: 15% (15 points from 100 points)

Declarative Programming: Requirements during the Semester (cont.)

Small HomeWork (SHW)

- 2-3 exercises from both Prolog and from SML
- Handing in: electronically (see homepage)
- Optional, but *very much* recommended
- Every good solution earns 1 additional point

Using the Web Exercising system

- Optional, but *indispensable* for the successful midterm-test and exam!
- Embedded in the ETS system (see homepage)

Declarative Programming: Requirements during the Semester (cont.)

Midterm-test, Supplementary Midterm-test (MTT, SMTT, SSMTT)

- The midterm-test is mandatory, closed book test!
- Rule of 40% (for the pass, minimum 40%/language has to be obtained).
Exception: those students who have already obtained a signature.
- The MTT is in the 7th-10th week, the SMTT is in the last week of the semester
- A single opportunity for SSMTT (in reasonable case) will be given in the first three weeks of the exam-period
- The material covered by the MTT is the first two blocks (1th-7th week)
- The material covered by the SMTT and. the SSMTT is the same as that of the MTT
- The test weights 15% (15 points from 100 points) in the final mark
- If more tests are written the *highest* score is valid

Declarative Programming: Exam

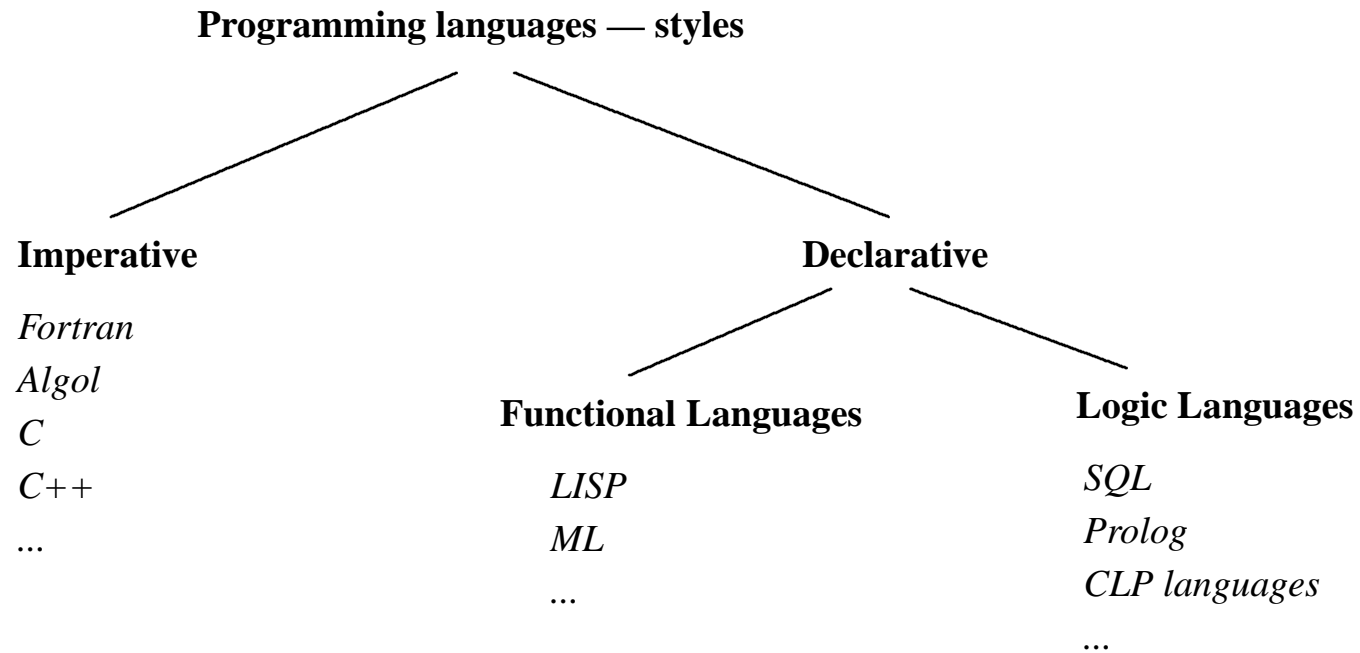
Exam

- Those students can sign in to the exam, who have already got a signature in the given semester, or up to 4 semesters before
- The exam is oral, with preparation in writing
- Prolog, SML: Several smaller tests (program-coding, -analyzing) for 2x35 points
- The final points obtained are the sum of the following: the max. 70 points got in the exam, plus the points got in the **present** semester: for MTT: max. 15 points, for BHW: max. 15 points, plus the additional points (SHW, ladder-competition)
- We do *not* accept points from *earlier* semesters!
- The exam is closed-book exam, but it is possible to ask for some help
- We check the "authenticity" of the BHW and MTT
- Rule of 40% (for the pass minimum 40%/language have to be obtained)
- Earlier exam questions are available on homepage

DECLARATIVE AND IMPERATIVE PROGRAMMING



Classification of Programming Languages



Imperative and Declarative Programming Languages

● Imperative Program

- Imperative style, using commands
- Variables: the value of a variable can be modified
- example in C:

```
int pow(int a, int n) { // pow(a,n) = a ^ n
    int p = 1;          // Let p be 1!
    while (n > 0) {    // Repeat until n>0 :
        n = n-1;      // Decrease n by 1!
        p = p*a;      // Multiply p by a!
    }
    return p;         // Return the value of p
}
```

● Declarative Program

- Declarative style, equations and statements
- Variable: has a single value, unknown at program writing time
- SML example :

```
fun pow(a, n) =
    if n > 0          (* If n > 0 *)
    then a*pow(a,n-1) (* then a^n = a*a^(n-1) *)
    else 1           (* else a^n = 1 *)
```

Declarative Programming in Imperative Language

- It is possible to program in C in a declarative way
 - If we do not use: assignments, loops, jumps, etc.,
 - One can use: (recursive) functions, if-then-else
- The `powd` is a declarative version of the `pow` function:

```
/* powd(a,n) = a^n */ int powd(int a, int n) {  
    if (n > 0)                /* If n > 0 */  
        return a*powd(a,n-1); /* then a^n = a*a^(n-1) */  
    else  
        return 1;             /* else a^n = 1 */  
}
```

- The (above type of) recursion is expensive, requires non-constant memory :- (.

Efficient Declarative Programming

- The recursion can be efficiently implemented under certain conditions

- Example: Decide, if an a natural number is a power of a number b:

```

/* ispow(a,b) = 1 <=> exists i, such that bi = a. Precondition: a,b > 0 */
int ispow(int a, int b) {
    /* again: */
    if (a == 1)          return 1;
    else if (a%b == 0)   return ispow(a/b, b); /* a = a/b; goto again; */
    else                 return 0;
}

```

- Here the recursive call can be implemented as the assignment and jump shown in the comment!
- This can be done, because after the return from the recursive call, we *immediately* exit the function call.
- This kind of function invocation is called **right recursion** or **terminal recursion**
- The Gnu C compiler with a sufficient optimization level (`gcc -O2`) generates the same code from the recursive definition as from the non-recursive one!

Right Recursive Functions

- Is it possible to write a right recursive code for the exponentiation ($\text{pow}(a, n)$) task?
 - The problem is that when "coming out" from the recursion we are not able to do anything more, so the result has to be available inside the last call.
 - The solution: define an auxiliary function, which has an additional argument, a so called accumulator.
- Right recursive implementation of $\text{pow}(a, n)$:

```
/* Auxiliary function: powa(a, n, p) = p*a^n */
int powa(int a, int n, int p) {
    if (n > 0)
        return powa(a, n-1, p*a);
    else
        return p;
}

int powr(int a, int n){
    return powa(a, n, 1);
}
```

Cékla: A Declarative part of the C programming language

- Limitations:
 - Types: only `int`
 - Commands: `if-then-else`, `return`, `block`
 - Condition part: (`<exp>` `<compare-op>` `<exp>`)
 - `<compare-op>`: `<` | `>` | `==` | `\=` | `>=` | `<=`
 - Expressions: built from variables and integers using binary operators and function calls
 - `<arithmetical-op>`: `+` | `-` | `*` | `/` | `%` |
- The Cékla compiler is available on the homepage

The Syntax of the Cékla Language

- the syntax uses the so called. DCG (Definite Clause Grammar) symbol:
 - terminal symbol: [terminal]
 - non-terminal: non_terminal
 - repetition (0, 1, or more repetition, is not in DCG): (to be repeated)...
- The syntax of program

```

program -->          function_definition ... .
function_definition --> head, block.
head -->             type, identifier, ['('], formal_args, [')'].
type -->             [int].
formal_args -->      formal_arg, ([","], formal_arg)... ; [].
formal_arg -->       type, identifier.
block -->            ['{'], declaration..., statement..., ['}'].
declaration -->     type, declaration_elem, declaration_elem..., [';'].
declaration_elem --> identifier, ['='], expression.

```

Syntax of Cékla, Continued

● Syntax of Commands

```

statement -->      [if], test, statement, optional_else_part
                   ; block
                   ; [return], expression, [';']
                   ; [';'].

optional_else_part --> [else], statement ; [].

test -->           ['('], expression, comparison_op, expression, [')'].

```

● Syntax of Expressions

```

expression -->     term, (additive_op, term)... .
term -->          factor, (multiplicative_op, factor)... .
factor -->        identifier
                   ; identifier, ['('], actual_args, [')']
                   ; constant
                   ; ['('], expression, [')'].

constant -->      integer.

actual_args -->   expression, ([',','], expression)... ; [].

comparison_op --> ['<'] ; ['>'] ; ['=='] ; ['\=' ] ; ['>='] ; ['<='].

additive_op -->  ['+'] ; ['-'].

multiplicative_op --> ['*'] ; ['/'] ; ['%'].

```

1st Small Homework

- The sequence of symbols, which is equal to an other sequence of symbols written twice in a row, is called a stutterer. More precisely:
 - a sequence of symbols is a stutterer if its length is even ($2n$) and the first n elements are the same as the last n elements
 - Examples: adogadog, 10311031
- A program is to be written in the Cékla language which solves the following problem:
 - the main function should be: `stutterer(a) = b` meaning: b is the smallest natural number such that the a natural number written in base b is a stutterer.
 - Examples:
 - `stutterer(4) = 3`
 - `stutterer(10) = 2`
 - `stutterer(6) = 5`
 - `stutterer(8) = 3`

A Somewhat More Complicated Cékla Program

- The task: Convert a decimal number *num* — which is between 0 and 1023 — to a 10 digit decimal number containing only digits 0 and 1, so that when this sequence of digits is interpreted as a binary number, its value is *num*. Eg. $\text{bin}(5) = 101$, $\text{bin}(37) = 100101$.
- Solution in (imperative) C and in Cékla:

```
int bin(int num) {
    int bp = 512;
    int dp = 1000000000;
    int bin = 0;
    while (bp > 0) {
        if (num >= bp) {
            num = num-bp;
            bin = bin+dp;
        }
        bp = bp / 2;
        dp = dp / 10;
    }
    if (num > 0)
        return -1;
    else
        return bin;
}
```

```
int bina(int num,
        int bp,
        int dp,
        int bin) {
    if (bp > 0) {
        if (num >= bp)
            return bina(num-bp, bp/2, dp/10, bin+dp);
        else
            return bina(num, bp/2, dp/10, bin);
    }
    if (num > 0)
        return -1;
    else
        return bin;
}

int bind(int num) {
    return bina(num, 512, 1000000000, 0);
}
```

Declarative Programming Languages —Lessons Learned from Cékla

- What have we lost?
 - the mutable variables (variables whose value can be changed),
 - the assignment, loop, etc. statements
 - in general: a changeable state
- How can we handle state in a declarative way?
 - the state can be stored in the parameters of the (auxiliary) functions,
 - the change of the state (or keeping the state unchanged) has to be explicit!
- What have we won?
 - Stateless Semantics: the meaning of a language element does not depend on a state
 - Referential transparency — eg. if $f(x) = x^2$, then $f(a)$ **substitutable** with a^2 .
 - Single assignment — parallel execution made easy.
 - The declarative programs are **decomposable**:
 - The parts of the program can be written, tested and verified **independently**
 - It is easy to make deductions regarding the program eg. proving its correctness.

Declarative Programming Languages —Motto

- WHAT rather than HOW: The program describes the *task to be solved* (WHAT to solve), rather than the *exact steps of solution process* (HOW to solve).
- In practice both aspects have to be taken care of – dual semantics:
 - Declarative semantics — What (what kind of task) does the program solve;
 - Procedural semantics — How does the program solve it.

Declarative Programming —Why do We Teach it?

- New, high-level programming elements
 - recursion
 - pattern matching
 - backtrack
- New style of thinking
 - decomposable programs: parts of a program (relations, functions) have independent meaning
 - verifiable programs: the code and the meaning of a program can be compared.
- New application areas
 - symbolic application
 - tasks requiring deduction
 - high reliability software systems

An Example dialog with a 50-line Prolog program

(Translation from Hungarian.)

?- dialog.	: You are a Prolog program.
: I am a Hungarian lad.	<i>Understood.</i>
<i>Understood.</i>	: Who am I?
: Who am I?	<i>Hungarian lad</i>
<i>Hungarian lad</i>	<i>Happy</i>
:Who is Péter?	: You are clever.
<i>I do not know.</i>	<i>Understood.</i>
: Péter is student.	: You are the center of the world.
<i>Understood.</i>	<i>Understood.</i>
: Péter is smart student.	: Who are You?
<i>Understood.</i>	<i>a Prolog program</i>
: Who is Péter?	<i>Clever</i>
<i>student</i>	<i>the center of the world</i>
<i>smart student</i>	:Really?
: I am happy.	<i>I do not understand.</i>
<i>Understood.</i>	: I am fed up with You .
	<i>So am I.</i>

INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC PROGRAMMING



The Basic Idea of Logic Programming

- Logic Programming (LP):
 - Programming using mathematical logic
 - a logic program is a **set of logic statements**
 - the **execution of a logic program** is a **deductive process**
 - But: the deduction in (first order) logic requires traversing a huge search space
 - Let us restrict the language of the logic
 - Select a simple deduction algorithm, which can be followed by humans
 - The most widespread implementation of LP is the **Prolog** language: **Programming in logic**
 - a severely restricted sublanguage of the first order predicate logic, the so called **definite** or **Horn-clause** language
 - Execution mechanism: **pattern matching** directed procedure invocation with **backtracking** search.

The Outline of the LP Part of the Course

- **Block 1:** The basics of Prolog programming language (6 lectures)
 - Logic background
 - Syntax
 - Execution mechanism
- **Block 2:** Prolog programming methods (6 lectures)
 - The most important built-in procedures
 - More advanced language and system elements
- Outlook: New directions in logic programming (1 lecture)

Short Historical Overview of Prolog/LP

- 60s Early theorem proving programs
- 1970-72 The theoretical basis of logic programming (R A Kowalski)
- 1972 The first Prolog interpreter (A Colmerauer)
- 1975 The second Prolog interpreter (P Szeredi)
- 1977 The first Prolog compiler (D H D Warren)
- 1977–79 Several trial Prolog applications in Hungary
- 1981 The Japanese 5th generation project chooses logic programming
- 1982 The Hungarian MProlog is one of the first commercial Prolog implementations
- 1983 A new compiler model and abstract Prolog machine (WAM) appears (D H D Warren)
- 1986 The beginning of the Prolog standardization
- 1987–89 New logic programming languages (CLP, Gödel stb.)
- 1990–... Prolog appears on parallel computers
 Highly-efficient Prolog compilers

Information about Logic Programming

- Implementations of Prolog:

- SWI Prolog: <http://www.swi-prolog.org/>

- SICStus Prolog: <http://www.sics.se/sicstus>

- GNU Prolog: <http://pauillac.inria.fr/~diaz/gnu-prolog/>

- Network information sources:

- The WWW Virtual Library: Logic Programming:

- <http://www.afm.sbu.ac.uk/logic-prog>

- CMU Prolog Repository:

- (within <http://www.cs.cmu.edu/afs/cs/project/ai-repository/ai/lang/prolog/>)

- Main page: [0.html](#)

- Prolog FAQ: [faq/prolog.faq](#)

- Prolog Resource Guide: [faq/prg_1.faq](#), [faq/prg_2.faq](#)

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English Textbooks on Prolog

- Logic, Programming and Prolog, 2nd Ed., by Ulf Nilsson and Jan Maluszynski, Previously published by John Wiley & Sons Ltd. (1995)
Downloadable as a pdf file from <http://www.ida.liu.se/~ulfni/lpp>
- Prolog Programming for Artificial Intelligence, 3rd Ed., Ivan Bratko, Longman, Paperback - March 2000
- The Art of PROLOG: Advanced Programming Techniques, Leon Sterling, Ehud Shapiro, The MIT Press, Paperback - April 1994
- Programming in PROLOG: Using the ISO Standard, C.S. Mellish, W.F. Clocksin, Springer-Verlag Berlin, Paperback - July 2003

Our first Prolog program: checking if a number is a power of another

- A simple example in Cékla and Prolog:

```

/* ispow(a,b) = 1 <=> exists i, such that bi = a. Precondition: a,b > 0 */

int ispow(int num, int base) {
    if (num == 1)
        return 1;
    else if (num%base == 0)
        return ispow(num/base, base);
    else
        return 0;
}

ispow(Num, Base) :-
    (    Num == 1
    -> true
    ;    Num rem Base == 0,
        Num1 is Num//Base,
        ispow(Num1, Base)
    ).

```

- `ispow` is a Prolog **predicate**, that is a procedure (function) returning a Boolean value.
- The procedure consists of a single clause, of form *Head*:-*Body*.
- The head contains the parameters `Num` and `Base` which are variables (**written in capitals!**)
- The body consists of a single goal which is a **conditional structure**:
`if Cond then ThenCode else ElseCode` \equiv `(Cond -> ThenCode ; ElseCode)`
- The “true”, “A == B” and “A is B” structures are calls of built-in predicates.

Some Built-In Predicates

- **Unification: $X = Y$:** The x és y **symbolic** expressions can be brought to the same form, by instantiating variables (and carries out these instantiations).
- **Arithmetic predicates**
 - $X \text{ is } \text{Exp}$: The **arithmetic** expression Exp is evaluated and its **value** is unified with x .
 - $\text{Exp1} < \text{Exp2}$, $\text{Exp1} = < \text{Exp2}$, $\text{Exp1} > \text{Exp2}$, $\text{Exp1} \geq \text{Exp2}$, $\text{Exp1} ::= \text{Exp2}$, $\text{Exp1} \neq \text{Exp2}$:
The values of arithmetic expressions Exp1 and Exp2 are in the given relation with each other ($::=$ means arithmetic equality, \neq means arithmetic inequality).
 - If any of Exp , Exp1 or Exp2 is not a **ground** (variable-free) arithmetic expressions \Rightarrow error.
 - the most important arithmetic operators $+$, $-$, $*$, $/$, rem , $//$ (integer-div)
- **Output predicates**
 - $\text{write}(X)$: The Prolog expression x is written out (displayed on the screen).
 - nl : A new line is written out.
- **Other predicates**
 - true , fail : Always succeeds vs. always fails.
 - trace , notrace : Turns (exhaustive) tracing on/off.

Built-In Predicates for Program Development

- `consult(File)` or `[File]`: Reads the program from the `File` and stores it in interpreted format. (if `File = user` \Rightarrow read from the terminal)
- `listing` or `listing(Predicate)`: Lists all interpreted predicates, or all interpreted predicates with the given name.
- `compile(File)`: Reads the program from the `File` and compiles it.
- The compiled format is faster, but cannot be listed, and tracing is **slightly less** accurate.
- `halt`: Exit the Prolog system.

```
> sicstus
SICStus 3.11.0 (x86-linux-glibc2.3): Mon Oct 20 15:59:37 CEST 2003
| ?- consult(ispow).
% consulted /home/user/ispow.pl in module user, 0 msec 376 bytes
yes
| ?- ispow(8, 3).
no
| ?- ispow(8, 2).
yes
| ?- listing(ispow).
(...)
yes
| ?- halt.
>
```

Writing General (non Boole-valued) Functions in Prolog

- Example: Calculating the power of a natural number in Cékla and Prolog:

```
/* powd(a,n) = a^n */
int powd(int a, int n) {
    if (n > 0)
        return a*powd(a,n-1);

    else
        return 1;
}
```

```
/* powd(A, N, P): A^N = P. */
powd(A, N, P) :-
    ( N > 0
      -> N1 is N-1,
          powd(A, N1, P1),
          P is A*P1
        ; P = 1
      ).
```

```
| ?- powd(2, 8, P).
P = 256 ?
```

- The predicate `powd` with 3 arguments corresponds to the `powd` function with 2 arguments.
- The two arguments of the function correspond to the first two arguments of the predicate, which are **input** i.e. instantiated arguments.
- The result of the function is the last, **output** argument of the predicate, which is usually an uninstantiated variable.

Predicates with Multiple Clauses

- The conditional structure is not a basic element of the Prolog language (it was not there in the first Prologs)
- Instead a conditional a predicate with two, **mutually exclusive** clauses can be used:

```

/* powd(A, N, P): A^N = P. */ powd(A, N, P) :-
powd2(A, N, P) :-
    (   N > 0
      -> N1 is N-1,
          powd(A, N1, P1),
          P is A*P1
        ;   P = 1
    ).
                                powd2(A, N, 1) :-      N =< 0.

```

- If a predicate has multiple clauses, Prolog tries **all of them** :
 - If the 2nd parameter of `pow2` (`N`) is positive, then the first clause is used,
 - otherwise (i.e. if `N =< 0`) the second one.
- If the second clause of `powd2` is: `powd(A, 0, 1)`, then a call with a negative exponent fails.
- In general the clauses need not be exclusive: a single question can lead to multiple answers:

```

equation_root(A, B, C, X) :- X is (-B + sqrt(B*B-4*A*C))/(2*A).
equation_root(A, B, C, X) :- X is (-B - sqrt(B*B-4*A*C))/(2*A).

```

Predicates with Multiple Answers —Family Relationships

- Data

A child–parent relation, eg. family relations in the family of King Stephen I, the first king of Hungary:

child	parent
Imre	István
Imre	Gizella
István	Géza
István	Sarolta
Gizella	Civakodó Henrik
Gizella	Burgundi Gizella

- The Exercise:

We have to define the grandchild–grandparent relation, i.e. write a program which finds the grandparents of a given person.

The Grandparent Problem —Prolog Solution

```

% parent(C, P):C's parent P.
parent('Imre', 'István').
parent('Imre', 'Gizella').
parent('István', 'Géza').
parent('István', 'Sarolt').
parent('Gizella',
        'Civakodó Henrik').
parent('Gizella',
        'Burgundi Gizella').

% Child's grandparent is Grandparent.
grandparent(Child, Grandparents) :-
    parent(Child, Parents),
    parent(Parents, Grandparents).

```

```

% Who are Imre's grandparents?
| ?- grandparent('Imre', GP).
GP = 'Géza' ? ;
GP = 'Sarolt' ? ;
GP = 'Civakodó Henrik' ? ;
GP = 'Burgundi Gizella' ? ; no
% Who are Géza's grandchilds?
| ?- nagyszuloje(GC, 'Géza').
GC = 'Imre' ? ; no

```

Data Structures in Declarative Languages —Example

- The binary tree data structure is
 - either a node (`node`) which joins two subtrees (`left`, `right`) into a single tree
 - or a leaf (`leaf`) which contains an integer
- Let us define binary tree structures in different languages:

```
% Declaration of a structure in C
enum treetype Node, Leaf; struct tree {
  enum treetype type;
  union {
    struct { struct tree *left;
            struct tree *right;
            } node;
    struct { int value;
            } leaf;
  } u;
};
```

```
% Data type declaration in SML
datatype Tree =
  Node of Tree * Tree
  | Leaf of int

% Data type description in Prolog

:- type tree --->
  node(tree, tree)
  | leaf(int).
```

Calculating the Sum of a Binary Tree

- To calculate the sum of the leaves of a binary tree:
 - if the tree is a node, add the sums of the two subtrees
 - if the tree is a leaf, return the integer in the leaf

```
% C function (declarative)
int sum_tree(struct tree *tree) {
    switch(tree->type) {
        case Leaf:
            return tree->u.leaf.value;
        case Node:
            return
                sum_tree(tree->u.node.left) +
                sum_tree(tree->u.node.right);
    }
}
```

```
% Prolog procedure (predicate)
sum_tree(leaf(Value), Value).
sum_tree(node(Left,Right), S) :-
    sum_tree(Left, S1),
    sum_tree(Right, S2),
    S is S1+S2.
```


Sum of Binary Trees

- Prolog sample run:

```
% sicstus -f
SICStus 3.10.0 (x86-linux-glibc2.1): Tue Dec 17 15:12:52 CET 2002
Licensed to BUTE DP course
| ?- consult(tree).
% consulting /home/szeredi/peldak/tree.pl...
% consulted /home/szeredi/peldak/tree.pl in module user, 0 msec 704 bytes
yes
| ?- sum_tree(node(leaf(5),
                node(leaf(3), leaf(2))), Sum).
Sum = 10 ? ;
no
| ?- sum_tree(Tree, 10).
Tree = leaf(10) ? ;
! Instantiation error in argument 2 of is/2
! goal: 10 is _73+_74
| ?- halt.
%
```

- The cause of the error: the built-in arithmetic is one-way: the `10 is S1+S2` call causes an error!

Peano Arithmetic —Addition

- We can define the addition for natural numbers using Peano axioms if the numbers are built by repeated application of the $s(X)$ „successor” function:

$1 = s(0)$, $2 = s(s(0))$, $3 = s(s(s(0)))$, ... (Peano representation).

```
% plus(X, Y, Z): The sum of X and Y is Z (X,Y,Z are in Peano representation).
plus(0, X, X).                % 0+X = X.
plus(s(X), Y, s(Z)) :-
    plus(X, Y, Z).            % s(X)+Y = s(X+Y).
```

- The `plus` predicate can be used in multiple directions:

```
| ?- plus(s(0), s(s(0)), Z).      Z = s(s(s(0))) ? ; no      % 1+2 = 3
| ?- plus(s(0), Y, s(s(s(0))))).  Y = s(s(0)) ? ; no      % 3-1 = 2
| ?- plus(X, Y, s(s(0))).        X = 0, Y = s(s(0)) ? ;    % 2 = 0+2
                                X = s(0), Y = s(0) ? ;    % 2 = 1+1
                                X = s(s(0)), Y = 0 ? ;    % 2 = 2+0
                                no
| ?-
```

Building Trees with a Given Sum

- Building a tree with a given sum, using Peano arithmetic:

```

sum_tree(leaf(Value), Value).
sum_tree(node(Left, Right), S) :-
    plus(S1, S2, S),
    S1 \= 0, S2 \= 0,           % X \= Y built-in procedure, meaning
                                % X and Y cannot be unified
                                % 0 excluded, to avoid ∞ many solutions.
    sum_tree(Left, S1),
    sum_tree(Right, S2).

```

- the running of the procedure:

```

| ?- sum_tree(Tree, s(s(s(0)))).
Tree = leaf(s(s(s(0))) ? ;           % 3
Tree = node(leaf(s(0)),leaf(s(s(0)))) ? ;           % (1+2)
Tree = node(leaf(s(0)),node(leaf(s(0)),leaf(s(0)))) ? ;           % (1+(1+1))
Tree = node(leaf(s(s(0))),leaf(s(0))) ? ;           % (2+1)
Tree = node(node(leaf(s(0)),leaf(s(0))),leaf(s(0))) ? ;           % ((1+1)+1)
no

```

The Data Structure of Prolog, the Notion of Term

- constant (*atomic*)
 - number: numeric constant (*number*) — integer or float, eg. 1, -2.3, 3.0e10
 - name: symbolic constant (*atom*), eg. 'István', ispow, +, -, <, sum_tree
- compound or structure (*compound*)
 - so called canonical form: $\langle \text{name of structure} \rangle (\langle \text{arg}_1 \rangle, \dots)$
 - the $\langle \text{name of structure} \rangle$ is an atom, the $\langle \text{arg}_i \rangle$ arguments are arbitrary Prolog terms
 - examples: leaf(1), person(william,smith,2003,1,22), <(X,Y), is(X, +(Y,1))
 - syntactical "sweeteners", ie. operators: $X \text{ is } Y+1 \equiv \text{is}(X, +(Y,1))$
- Variable (*var*)
 - eg. X, Parent, X2, _valt, _, _123
 - The variable is initially uninstantiated, ie. it has no value, it can be instantiated to an arbitrary Prolog term (including another variable), in the process of unification (pattern matching)