
CSc 372

Comparative Programming Languages

18 : Prolog — Structures

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Prolog Structures

- Aka, **structured** or **compound** objects
- An object with several components.
- Similar to Pascal's **Record**-type, C's **struct**, Haskell's **tuples**.
- Used to group things together.

• $\begin{array}{c} \text{functor} \\ \underbrace{\text{course}} \end{array} \overbrace{(\text{prolog}, \text{chris}, \text{mon}, 11)}^{\text{arguments}}$

- The **arity** of a functor is the number of arguments.

Structures – Courses

- Below is a database of courses and when they meet. Write the following predicates:
 - `lectures(Lecturer, Day)` succeeds if Lecturer has a class on Day.
 - `duration(Course, Length)` computes how many hours Course meets.
 - `occupied(Room, Day, Time)` succeeds if Room is being used on Day at Time.

```
% course(class, meetingtime, prof, hall).
course(c231, time(mon,4,5), cc, plt1).
course(c231, time(wed,10,11), cc, plt1).
course(c231, time(thu,4,5), cc, plt1).
course(c363, time(mon,11,12), cc, slt1).
course(c363, time(thu,11,12), cc, slt1).
```

Structures – Courses...

```
lectures(Lecturer, Day) :-  
    course(Course, time(Day, -, -), Lecturer, -).
```

```
duration(Course, Length) :-  
    course(Course,  
           time(Day, Start, Finish), Lec, Loc),  
    Length is Finish - Start.
```

```
occupied(Room, Day, Time) :-  
    course(Course,  
           time(Day, Start, Finish), Lec, Room),  
    Start =< Time,  
    Time =< Finish.
```

Structures – Courses...

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course(c363, time(mon,11,12), cc, slt1).  
course(c363, time(thu,11,12), cc, slt1).
```

```
?- occupied(slt1, mon, 11).
```

```
yes
```

```
?- lectures(cc, mon).
```

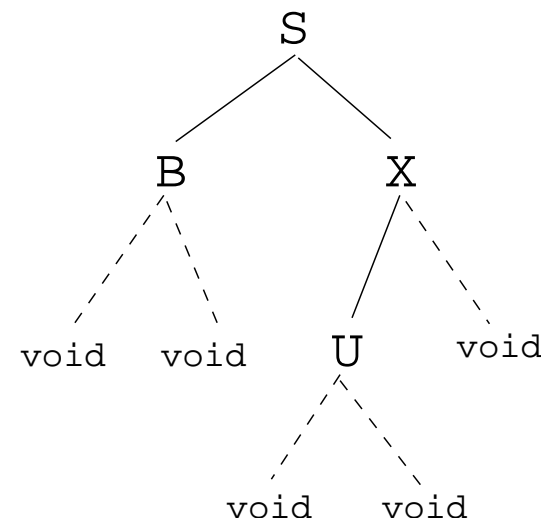
```
yes
```

Binary Trees

- We can represent trees as nested structures:

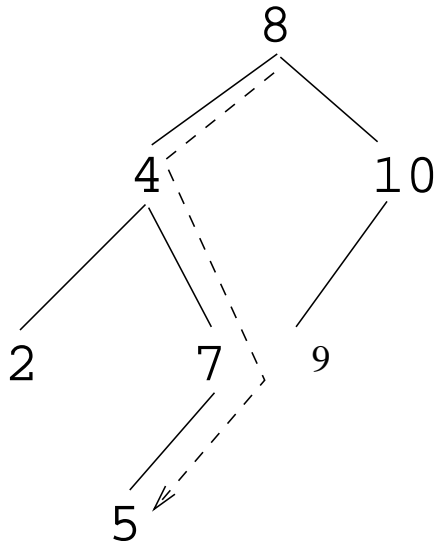
```
tree(Element, Left, Right)
```

```
tree(s,  
    tree(b, void, void),  
    tree(x,  
        tree(u, void, void),  
        void)).
```



Binary Search Trees

- Write a predicate `member(T, x)` that succeeds if `x` is a member of the binary search tree `T`:



```
atree(
    tree(8,
        tree(4,
            tree(2,void,void),
            tree(7,
                tree(5,void,void),
                void)),
        tree(10,
            tree(9,void,void),
            void)))
```

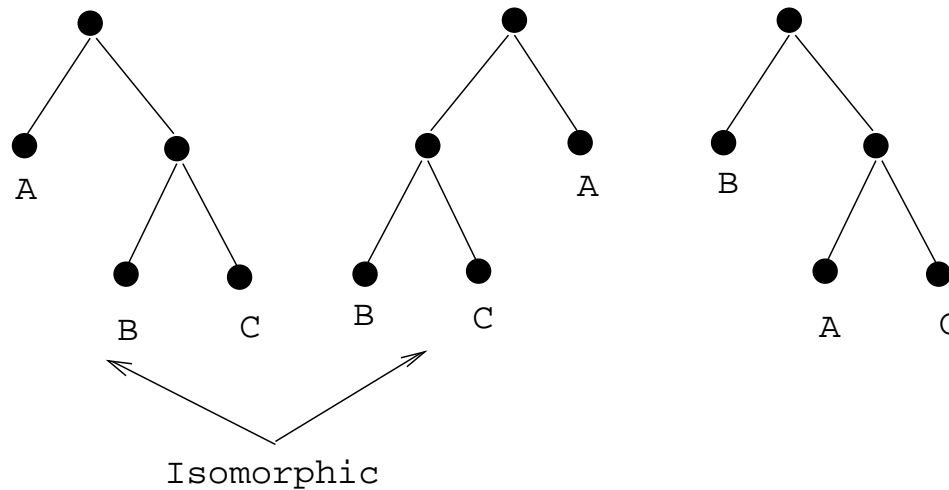
`?- atree(T), tree_member(T, 5).`

Binary Search Trees...

```
tree_member(X, tree(X,_,_)).  
tree_member(X, tree(Y,Left,_)) :-  
    X < Y,  
    tree_member(Y, Left).  
tree_member(X, tree(Y,_,Right)) :-  
    X > Y,  
    tree_member(Y, Right).
```


Binary Trees – Isomorphism

Tree isomorphism:



Two binary trees T_1 and T_2 are **isomorphic** if T_2 can be obtained by reordering the branches of the subtrees of T_1 .

- Write a predicate `tree_iso(T1, T2)` that succeeds if the two trees are isomorphic.

Binary Trees – Isomorphism...

```
tree_iso(void, void).
```

```
tree_iso(tree(X, L1, R1), tree(X, L2, R2)) :-  
    tree_iso(L1, L2), tree_iso(R1, R2).
```

```
tree_iso(tree(X, L1, R1), tree(X, L2, R2)) :-  
    tree_iso(L1, R2), tree_iso(R1, L2).
```

1. Check if the roots of the current subtrees are identical;
2. Check if the subtrees are isomorphic;
3. If they are not, backtrack, swap the subtrees, and again check if they are isomorphic.

Binary Trees – Counting Nodes

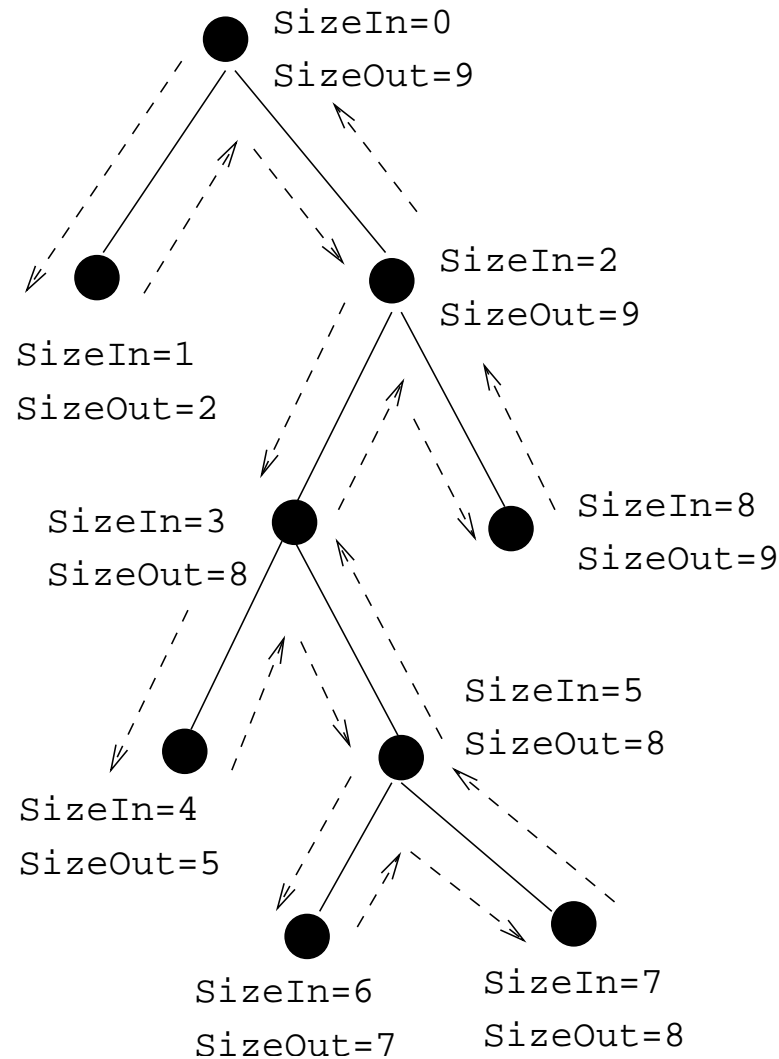
- Write a predicate `size_of_tree(Tree, Size)` which computes the number of nodes in a tree.

```
size_of_tree(Tree, Size) :-  
    size_of_tree(Tree, 0, Size).
```

```
size_of_tree(void, Size, Size).  
size_of_tree(tree(_, L, R), SizeIn, SizeOut) :-  
    Size1 is SizeIn + 1,  
    size_of_tree(L, Size1, Size2),  
    size_of_tree(R, Size2, SizeOut).
```

- We use a so-called **accumulator pair** to pass around the current size of the tree.

Binary Trees – Counting Nodes...

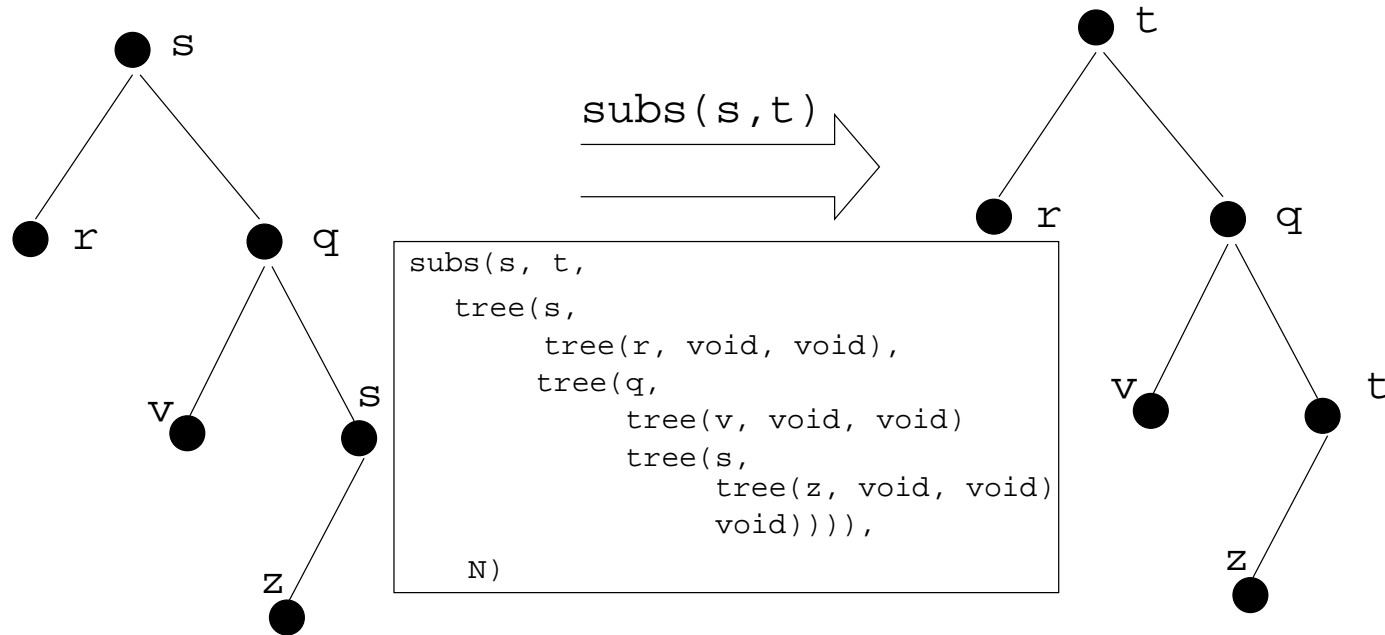


Binary Trees – Tree Substitution

- Write a predicate `subs(T1, T2, Old, New)` which replaces all occurrences of `Old` with `New` in tree `T1`:

```
subs(X, Y, void, void).
subs(X, Y, tree(X, L1, R1), tree(Y, L2, R2)) :-
    subs(X, Y, L1, L2),
    subs(X, Y, R1, R2).
subs(X, Y, tree(Z, L1, R1), tree(Z, L2, R2)) :-
    X \= Y, subs(X, Y, L1, L2),
    subs(X, Y, R1, R2).
```

Binary Trees – Tree Substitution...



Symbolic Differentiation

$$\frac{dc}{dx} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dx}{dx} = 1 \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{d(U^c)}{dx} = cU^{c-1} \frac{dU}{dx} \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{d(-U)}{dx} = -\frac{dU}{dx} \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{d(U + V)}{dx} = \frac{dU}{dx} + \frac{dV}{dx} \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{d(U - V)}{dx} = \frac{dU}{dx} - \frac{dV}{dx} \quad (6)$$

Symbolic Differentiation...

$$\frac{d(cU)}{dx} = c \frac{dU}{dx} \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{d(UV)}{dx} = U \frac{dV}{dx} + V \frac{dU}{dx} \quad (8)$$

$$\frac{d(\frac{U}{V})}{dx} = \frac{V \frac{dU}{dx} - U \frac{dV}{dx}}{V^2} \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{d(\ln U)}{dx} = U^{-1} \frac{dU}{dx} \quad (10)$$

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```
deriv(C, X, 0) :- number(C).
```

```
deriv(X, X, 1).
```

```
deriv(U ^C, X, C * U ^L * DU) :-  
    number(C), L is C - 1, deriv(U, X, DU).
```

Symbolic Differentiation...

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$$\frac{d(U + V)}{dx} = \frac{dU}{dx} + \frac{dV}{dx} \quad (5)$$

```
deriv(-U, X, -DU) :-  
  deriv(U, X, DU).
```

```
deriv(U+V, X, DU + DV) :-  
  deriv(U, X, DU),  
  deriv(V, X, DV).
```

Symbolic Differentiation...

$$\frac{d(U - V)}{dx} = \frac{dU}{dx} - \frac{dV}{dx} \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{d(cU)}{dx} = c \frac{dU}{dx} \quad (7)$$

`deriv(U-V, X, _____) :-`
`<left as an exercise>`

`deriv(C*U, X, _____) :-`
`<left as an exercise>`

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`deriv(U/V, X, _____) :-`
`<left as an exercise>`

Symbolic Differentiation...

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`deriv(log(U), X, _____) :- <left as an exercise>`

`deriv(sin(U), X, _____) :- <left as an exercise>`

`deriv(cos(U), X, _____) :- <left as an exercise>`

Symbolic Differentiation...

```
?- deriv(x, x, D).
```

```
D = 1
```

```
?- deriv(sin(x), x, D).
```

```
D = 1*cos(x)
```

```
?- deriv(sin(x) + cos(x), x, D).
```

```
D = 1*cos(x) + (-1*sin(x))
```

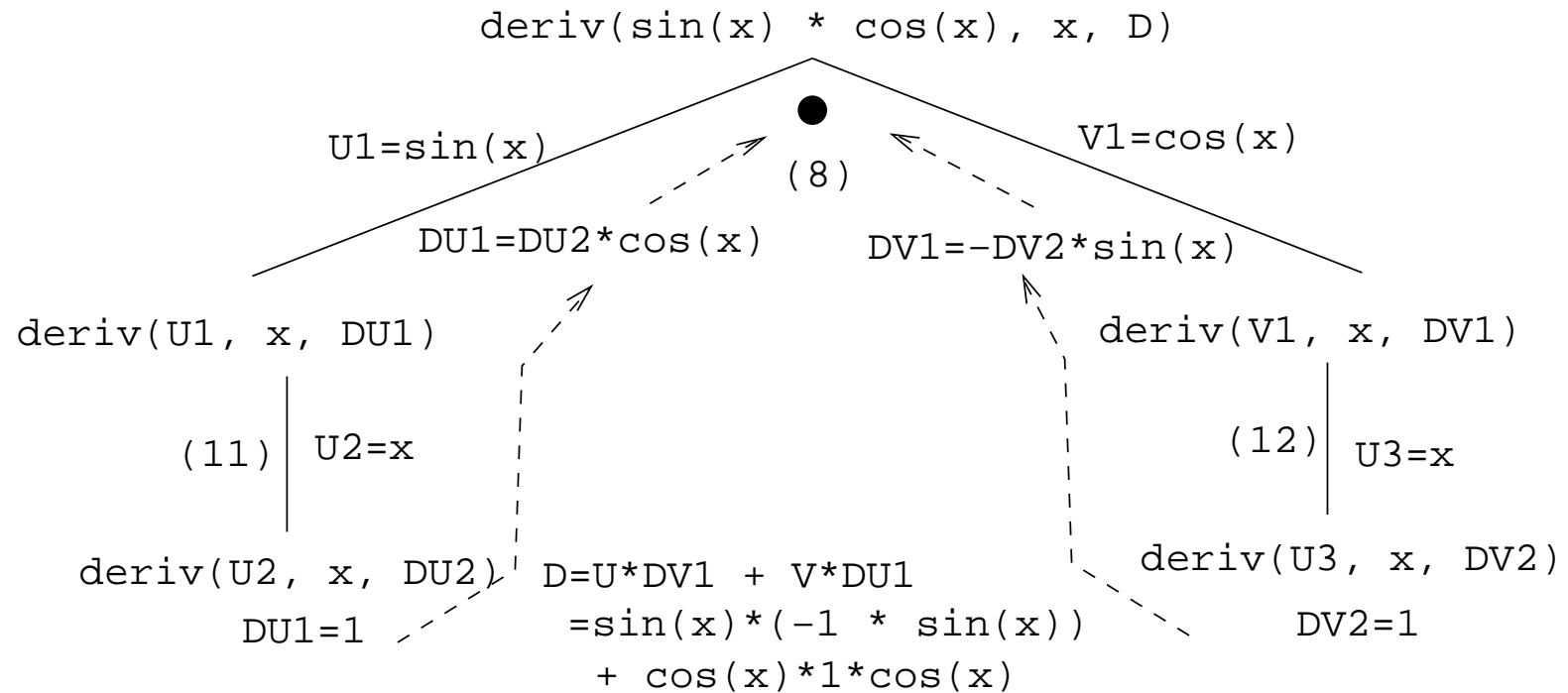
```
?- deriv(sin(x) * cos(x), x, D).
```

```
D = sin(x) * (-1*sin(x)) + cos(x) * (1*cos(x))
```

```
?- deriv(1 / x, x, D).
```

```
D = (x*0-1*1) / (x*x)
```

Symbolic Differentiation...



Symbolic Differentiation...

?- deriv(1/sin(x), x, D).

D = (sin(x)*0-1* (1*cos(x)))+(sin(x)*sin(x))

?- deriv(x ^3, x, D).

D = 1*3*x^2

?- deriv(x^3 + x^2 + 1, x, D).

D = 1*3*x^2+1*2*x^1+0

?- deriv(3 * x ^3, x, D).

D = 3* (1*3*x^2)+x^3*0

?- deriv(4* x ^3 + 4 * x^2 + x - 1, x, D).

D = 4* (1*3*x^2)+x^3*0+(4* (1*2*x^1)+x^2*0)+1-0

Readings and References

- Read Clocksin-Mellish, Sections 2.1.3, 3.1.

Prolog So Far...

● Prolog **terms**:

- atoms (`a`, `1`, `3.14`)

- structures

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● Infix expressions are abbreviations of “normal” Prolog terms:

infix	prefix
<code>a + b</code>	<code>+(a, b)</code>
<code>a + b* c</code>	<code>+(a, *(b, c))</code>