

Exercises for the Course
Logic Programming Engineering

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Practical 5

Lists, Recursion IV

Exercise 5.0

Continue exercise 4.3.

Exercise 5.1

Write a program which converts a string of Roman numerals (see exercise 4.3) into a decimal number with the same value.

- a) Assume that the input string of Roman numerals is correct.
- b) Check the correctness of input string by using the predicate *roman*(*N*, *R*) from exercise 4.3. If the input string is incorrect then give answer No.

Examples for incorrect input strings: 'MCMCM', 'IXIV', 'VIII'.

Hints for realization in Prolog:

Define a predicate *arabic*(*R*, *N*) which for a given atom *R* in roman numeral system converts its value into a decimal number *N*. For converting, define an auxiliary predicate *digital*(*R*, *RL*, *NL*, *N*) which converts the atom *R* into the number *N* using a conversion table which is encoded as lists *RL* and *NL* in analogy to exercise 4.3. For atom manipulation use the built-in predicate *atom_concat*.

Example: ? - *arabic*('MCMXCIX', *N*). should yield *N* = 1999
because 'MCMXCIX' = 'M' + 'CM' + 'XC' + 'IX' and 1999 = 1000 + 900 + 90 + 9.

Exercise 5.2

Write a predicate *del1elem*(*Elem*, *L*, *RL*) which deletes the first occurrence of element *Elem* in list *L* and returns reduced list *RL*.

Example: ? - *del1elem*(3, [0, 3, 4, 3, 8], *RL*). yields *RL* = [0, 4, 3, 8].

Exercise 5.3

Write a predicate *convert*(*E*, *EL*, *DL*, *D*) which converts element *E* into *D* with the help of the conversion table which is encoded as lists *EL* and *DL*. *E* is an element of list *EL* and *D* is an element of list *DL*.

Example: ? - *convert*(*b*, [*a*, *b*, *c*], [4, 6, 7], *D*). yields *D* = 6.