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Assignment: Assignment 07

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Complete the following written problems:

NOTE: A programming language that uses Forward Chaining and can be embedded into C++:

[C Language Integrated Production System (CLIPS)](http://clipsrules.sourceforge.net/)

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[SWI Prolog](http://www.swi-prolog.org/)

NOTE: On linprog4.cs.fsu.edu, SWI Prolog is available using the pl command.

1. Unification (100 Points). State whether the following pairs of atomic sentences can be unified. If they can be unified, write the most general unifier (i.e. the most general substitution that unifies them). If they cannot be unified, write: "No unifier".

a. (20 Points)  and 

b. (40 Points)  and 

c. (40 Points)  and 

Use the following pseudo code for the written problems that follow:

Backward Chaining with Diagrams

by [Dr. Chris Darken](http://faculty.nps.edu/cjdarken/)

Requirements:

- Each time a sentence from the Knowledge Base (KB) is used, the variables will be given unique names by applying a numeric subscript

- Substitutions will be consistently applied across the entire diagram

- P1, P2, … are atoms

Backward-Chaining-With-Diagram ( P1, P2, … ):

Start diagram by drawing a box for P1, P2, ….

Initialize our subscript counter, *N*, to 1 (i.e. ).

Backward-Chain-The-Newest-Box().

Backward-Chain-The-Newest-Box:

If all boxes have substitutions or child boxes under them, then exit (The proof has

successfully completed).

**Choose** an unfinished box to work on (i.e. a box with no substitution or child boxes under it).

For this unfinished box, **choose** either Match-Atom or Match-Rule (as applicable).

Match-Atom:

**Choose** a sentence from the knowledge base that unifies with the box.

If there isn't a sentence that unifies with the box, then start the diagram over making different

choices.

Write **A**-*AtomID*-*N* under the box.

Write the (possibly empty) substitution under the box.

Increment our subscript counter, *N*, by one (i.e. ).

Backward-Chain-The-Newest-Box().

Match-Rule:

**Choose** a rule whose conclusion on the right-hand-side unifies with the box.

If there isn't a rule that unifies with the box, then start the diagram over making different

choices.

Write **R**-*RuleID*-*N* under the box.

Write the (possibly empty) substitution under the box.

Draw child boxes for each premise.

Increment our subscript counter, *N*, by one (i.e. ).

Backward-Chain-The-Newest-Box().

Since this is just slightly more rigorous than the what Dr. Dusgupta presented, let's look at an example … esp. since we will be doing this on the Final Exam:

Given the following  example:

Rules:

1) 

2) 

3) 

4) 

Knowledge Base:

1) 

2) 

3) 

4) 

5) 

6) 

Simulate Backward-Chaining-With-Diagram(  )













R-1-1



A-1-2





R-3-3



A-6-4



A-2-5





R-4-6



A-3-7







R-2-8



A-5-9



A-6-10



When you instantiate a rule, then for each variable used in the rule, you need to use a name that doesn't already exist in the knowledge base. For simplicity, we just use the variable names used in the rule and append the current value of the subscript counter, . Note: As you instantiate the rules, the these names (i.e., , , …) are temporarily added to the knowledge base until that line of reasoning/instantiation is complete.

For example, if we have , our subscript counter is currently at , and the following rule exists:



Then we can instantiate that rule ... but we need to use a name for the  that doesn't already exist in the knowledge base ... so we choose  … because  was used in the rule and our subscript counter was  at that point.

Now, you can think of  as now existing in the knowledge base and our  has something to bind with during backward chaining (using ) so that we can come up with .

2. Backward Chaining (200 Points). Consider the following set of rules and knowledge base that represents parsing sentences and various sentence fragments from a sentence represented as a list of words:

Rules:

1) 

2) 

3) 

Knowledge Base:

1) 

2) 

3) 

Note: Only , , and  are variables.

a. (50 Points) Simulate Backward-Chaining-With-Diagram(  )

b. (50 Points) Simulate the following:

Backward-Chaining-With-Diagram(  )

c. (100 Points) Simulate Backward-Chaining-With-Diagram(  )

3. Backward Chaining (150 Points). Consider the following rules and Knowledge Base describing Integers and Rationals:

Rules:

1) 

2) 

3) 

Knowledge Base:

1) 

2) 

Note: Only , , and  are variables.

a. (50 Points) Simulate Backward-Chaining-With-Diagram(  )

b. (100 Points) Simulate the following:

Backward-Chaining-With-Diagram(  )

Draw one diagram per valid binding of .

4. [Research Project](http://www.cs.fsu.edu/~cop4601p/project/) (50 Points).

a. Write no more than five sentences summarizing one of the five (or more) references you are using in your [research project](http://www.cs.fsu.edu/~cop4601p/project/). (25 Points)

b. Write no more than five sentences summarizing another one of the five (or more) references you are using in your [research project](http://www.cs.fsu.edu/~cop4601p/project/). (25 Points)

This assignment has no programming problems.

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