Constructive Logic (15-317), Spring 2022 Recitation 9: Prolog Part 2 (3-23-2022) clogic staff

1 Warming up w/ Prolog!

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Task 1. Implement a prolog program, mymerge/3 which merges two sorted lists.

2 Getting hotter w/ Prolog!

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Task 2. Implement a merge sorting procedure for lists, mysort/2, with mode (+, -) that takes in a list and merge sorts it.

Hints:

- Use a helper procedure, split/3, that has mode (+, -, -), that takes in a list and splits it in half into two output lists.
- There are two base cases to consider....

3 Now we're spicy w/ Prolog!

There are 4 men with last names Smith, Carpenter, Baker and Tailor. Very confusingly, their lastname does NOT correspond to their profession (either a tailor, baker, carpenter or smith). They each have a son. These sons have the same last name as their fathers, and even more confusingly, their professions do not correspond to their last names either. For example, Smith is not a smith, and SmithSon is also not a smith.

You also know:

- 1. No son has the same profession as his father.
- 2. Baker has the same profession as Carpenter's son.
- 3. Smith's son is a baker.

Task 3. Find the professions of the fathers and the sons using a Prolog program.

Hints:

- Use a variable for each profession you are trying to find.
- It might be useful to encode the professions in a list.
- List membership may also be useful. Recall that the following rules define list membership:

member(X, [X|_]).
member(X, [H|T]) :- member(X, T).

• You can say that A is not B. Example:

 $A \ge B$

Are there multiple solutions? If so, what constraints could you add to make it so there is only one solution?