

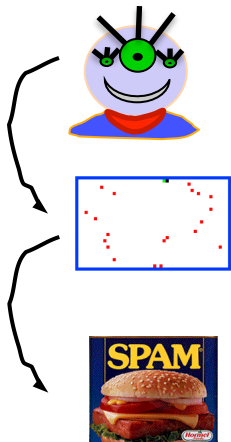
Puzzles!

Assignment 11: four prolog puzzles...

Posted after the exam

Due after Thanksgiving (but not too far after)

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Keeping the CS 42 ecosystem balanced...

Problem #3:
Towers of Hanoi

Problem #1:
logic puzzle



The new generation of logical thinkers...



Problem #2: 24



Problem #4: the island of knights and knaves...

Where we're headed...

This week:	Nov 17...22	Exam 2
HW 11:	Due Nov 29 ...	Prolog Puzzles!
HW 12	Due Dec 5...	"Theocomp" ~ formal models of computation DFA, NFA, Regexes,
HW 13:	Due Dec 9(12)...	More on DFA, NFA, Regular expressions, also Turing Machines, reduction-style uncomputability

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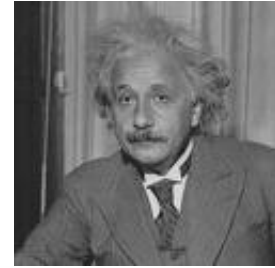
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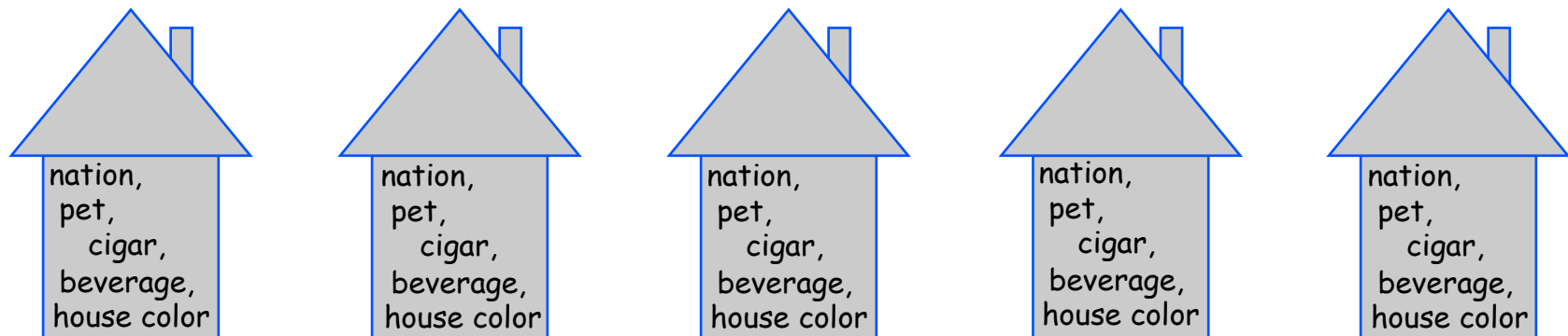
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(plus fourteen more constraints)

Who owns the zebra?

Einstein's Zebra puzzle:
a **logic** challenge

~ 1900



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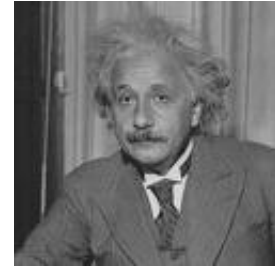
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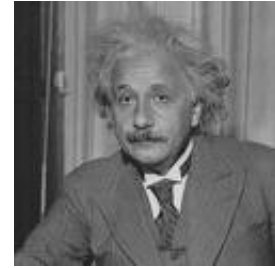
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We know that

- 1) The Norwegian lives in the first house.
- 2) The person who lives in the middle house drinks milk.
- 3) The Brit lives in the house next to the person who owns the zebra.
- 4) The Swede owns the dog.
- 5) The Dane drinks tea.
- 6) The Green house is next to the white house.
- 7) The owner of the yellow house drinks coffee.
- 8) The person who lives in the house next to the blue house smokes rothmans.
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Einstein's Zebra puzzle:
a logic challenge

Zebra Puzzle

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The **Zebra Puzzle** is a well-known [logic puzzle](#).

It is often called "Einstein's Puzzle" or "Einstein's Riddle" because it is said to have been invented by [Albert Einstein](#) as a boy. Some claim that Einstein said "only 2 percent of the world's population can solve it". It is also sometimes attributed to [Lewis Carroll](#). However, there is no known evidence for Einstein's or Carroll's authorship.

There are several versions of this puzzle. The version below is quoted from the [first known publication](#) in [Life International](#) magazine on [December 17, 1962](#). The [March 25, 1963](#), issue contained the solution given below and the names of several hundred solvers from around the world.

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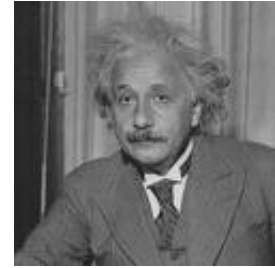
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Einstein's Zebra puzzle:
a logic challenge

**(0) How do we represent
the puzzle state?**

**(1) What relationships
do we need?**

**(2) How do we encode
the constraints?**

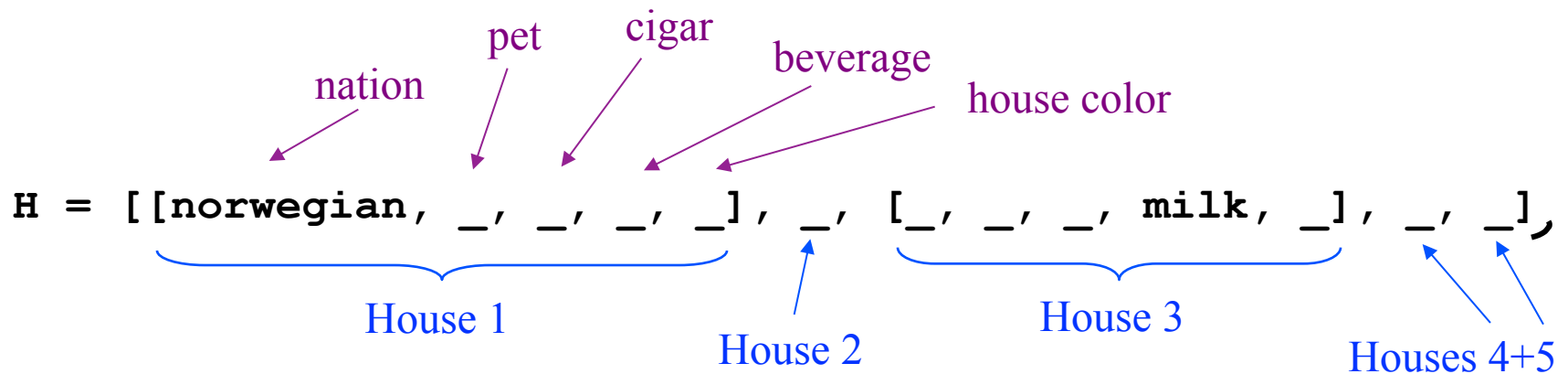
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Zebra-puzzle representation

A list **H** reflecting the houses' spatial order with the five items that each house has...



Try this constraint: **7) The owner of the Green house drinks coffee.**

Hint: use `member` and `H`

Zebra-puzzle constraints

Creating
some
helpers:

```
% What does this say about L and R?  
lr(L, R, [L, R | _ ]).  
lr(L, R, [ _ | Rest]) :- lr(L, R, Rest).  
  
% ... and then X and Y?  
mystery(X, Y, List) :- lr(X, Y, List).  
mystery(X, Y, List) :- lr(Y, X, List).
```

List will be H

What is the best alternate name for the "mystery" predicate?

Zebra-puzzle constraints

Creating some
helpers:

```
% left-to-right adjacency
lr(L, R, [L, R | _ ]).
lr(L, R, [ _ | Rest]) :- lr(L, R, Rest).

% adjacency (unordered)
nextTo(X, Y, List) :- lr(X, Y, List).
nextTo(X, Y, List) :- lr(Y, X, List).

List will be H
```

Try this constraint: **15) The Norwegian does not live by the red house.**

Where should this predicate go?

Zebra-puzzle output

A zero-argument
predicate!

```
solve :-  
    einstein( [ H1, H2, H3, H4, H5 ] ),  
    write( ' first house: '), write(H1), nl,  
    write( 'second house: '), write(H2), nl,  
    write( ' third house: '), write(H3), nl,  
    write( 'fourth house: '), write(H4), nl,  
    write( ' fifth house: '), write(H5), nl.
```

and its output:

```
?- solve.
```

```
first house: [norwegian, cat, dunhill, water, yellow]  
second house: [dane, horse, marlboro, tea, blue]  
third house: [brit, bird, pallmall, milk, red]  
fourth house: [german, zebra, rothmans, coffee, green]  
fifth house: [swede, dog, winfield, beer, white]
```

Yes

The Mystery of the Spamwarts Express

Five "people" are traveling home in adjacent train seats for summer break...



Names = [algird, bruno, collette, dino, edwina].

Each has a different name.

Schools = [pomona, pitzer, hmc, cmc, scripps].

Each is from a different Claremont College.

Snacks = [jots, chocolate, donuts, pez, spam].

Each has brought a different snack.

9 hints are available

- 1) Dino and Bruno sat in the end seats.
- 2) Algird sat next to the student from HMC.
- 3) Collette sat next to friends with chocolate and donuts.
- 4) The HMC student brought spam as a snack and sat in the middle seat.
- 5) Chocolate was immediately to the left of pez.
- 6) Bruno, Dino, and Algird do not go to Scripps.
- 7) The Pomona student sat between the one with jots and the one with spam.
- 8) Dino did not sit next to the person with donuts.
- 9) The CMC student did not sit next to Edwina.

helper rules?

Sorting out Prolog... by sorting *in* Prolog!



Perms can be tough to get right!

- `removeAll (E , L , NewL)`
 - `uniq (L , U)` *uniquifies L*
-
- `perm (L , P)` *generates permutations P of L...*
 - `sort (L , S)` *S is L, sorted*
 - `split (L , S1 , S2)` *where $L = S1 \cup S2$.*

Prolog *is* uniq !

uniq(L, U)

removeAll(E, L, NewL) %% assume E occurs at least once in L

removeOne(E, L, NewL) %% assume E occurs at least once in L

```
removeOne (X, [X|R] , R) .
```

```
removeOne (X, [F|R] , [F|S]) :- removeOne (X,R,S) .
```

```
removeOne(3, X, [h,e,n,r,y]).
```

"Quiz"

Name: _____

sorted(L) Define `sorted(L)`. Assume **L** contains only integers.
You'll want 2 base cases...

Prolog pandemonium!



perm(L, P) Write `perm(L,P)` to generate permutations **P** of a list **L**.
Use `removeOne(E,L,NewL)`

sort(L, S) Write `sort(L,S)`, which "sorts" **L** into **S**.
Use the previous two predicates!

split(L, S1, S2) Write `split(L,S1,S2)` that splits a list **L** into subsets **S1** and **S2**.
so that $L = S1 \cup S2$.

← *not concatenation*

Fun and Games!

$$\begin{array}{rcccccc} & & \mathbf{S} & \mathbf{E} & \mathbf{N} & \mathbf{D} & & \\ + & & \mathbf{M} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{E} & & \\ \hline & & \mathbf{M} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{N} & \mathbf{E} & \mathbf{Y} & \end{array}$$

Goal: Assign a distinct digit (0-9) to each letter to produce a valid sum (M is not 0)

A valid solution?

S =
E =
N =
D =
M =
O =
R =
Y =

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```
digits([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]).
```

```
% element( A, X, Y ) says A is an element of X, residue Y  
% i.e., removeone(X, A, Y) !
```

```
sum( A, B, C, Sum, Carry ) :-
```

```
solution( [S, E, N, D, M, O, R, Y] ) :-  
  digits( Digits ),
```

```
  element( D, Digits, D1 ),          /* D E Y column */  
  element( E, D1, D2 ),  
  sum(D, E, 0, Y, C1 ),  
  element( Y, D2, D3),
```

```
/* N R E column */
```

```
/* E O N column */
```

```
/* S M O column */
```

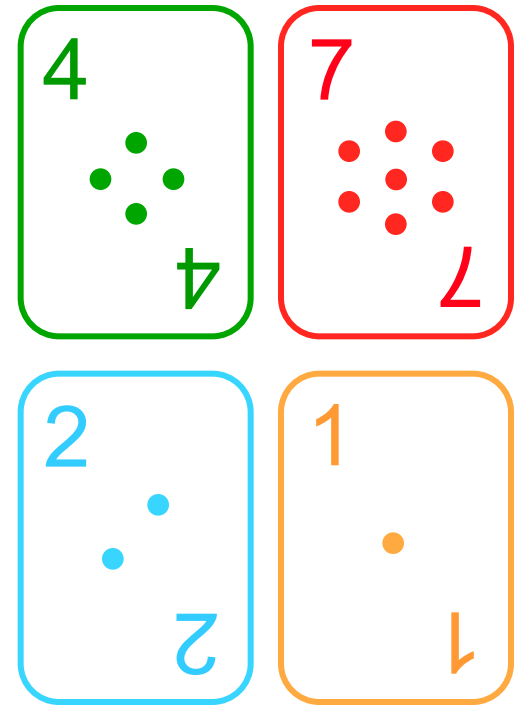
```
/* M != 0 */
```

money.pl by
Robert Keller

24 (Problem #2)

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Each operation may be used any number of times.

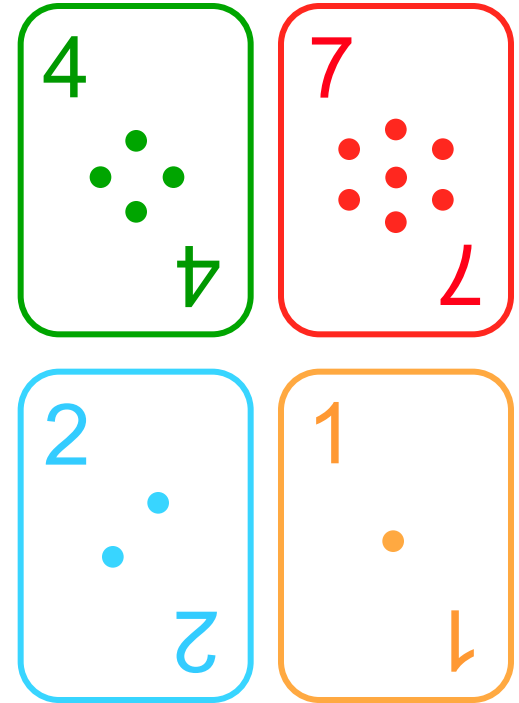


A two-dot card from the "official" 24 game: 24game.com

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```
solve( ['+', '-', '*', '/'], [1, 2, 4, 7], 24, Tree ).
```

operators available:
(use any number of times)

values:
(use each exactly once)

final
answer

arithmetic
tree

```
Tree = [*, [+ , 1, [- , 7, 2]], 4]
```

Searching to the end...

be sure there *is* an end!

```
setof( Tree, solve( ['+', '-', '*', '/'], [1,2,4,7], 24, Tree ) , S) .
```

↑
variable whose
values you want to
collect into a set

predicate that you
would like to satisfy...

↑
the set

```
setof( Tree, solve( ['+', '-', '*', '/'], [5,1,155,11], 24, Tree ) , S) .
```

a much smaller example...

notice the splitting!

[2,8,22,424] ~ 42

[4,4,4,4] ~ 42

```
setof( N, T^solve( ['+', '-', '*', '/'], [4,4,4,4], N, T ) , S) .
```

a surprisingly well-studied problem!

T^ ~ there exists a T

For four 4's ...

Martin Gardner MARTIN GARDNER

$$0 = 4 + 4 - 4 - 4$$

$$1 = 44 / 44$$

$$2 = 4^{4/(4+4)}$$

...

$$8 = \text{sqrt}(\overline{.4}) * (4 + 4 + 4)$$

...

$$19 = ???$$

$$20 = 4! + 4 - 4 - 4$$

Allowed Operations

+ - * /

sqrt . - !

concat power

Ask around...

24 (Hint) (Problem #2)

```
solve( base case ).
solve( Ops, Values, Sol, Tree ) :-
    Tree = [ Op, Left, Right ],
    ... .
```

Why won't this work?

- A. What do you mean? It will work!
- B. You can't unify a variable with a list
- C. You need to use the == operator instead of =
- D. All of Tree, Op, Left and Right may be unbound, which will cause a problem
- E. You need to instead write [Op, Left, Right] = Tree

solve

- What is the base case?
- What is the recursive case?

`solve(Ops, Values, Sol, Tree) :-`

Set up: **Ops** and **Values** will have values; **Sol** and **Tree** may not...

`Tree = [Op, Left, Right] .`

Use **split!**

Other constraints, perhaps...

`solve(['+', '-', '*', '/'], [1,2,4,7], 24, Tree).`

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eval

Tree-evaluation code provided:

Notice the base case!

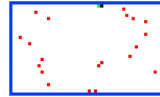
```
eval(R, R) :- number(R).  
eval(['+', A, B], R) :- eval(A, AR), eval(B, BR), R is AR + BR.  
eval(['*', A, B], R) :- eval(A, AR), eval(B, BR), R is AR * BR.  
eval(['-', A, B], R) :- eval(A, AR), eval(B, BR), R is AR - BR.  
eval(['/', A, B], R) :- eval(A, AR), eval(B, BR), BR\==0, R is AR // BR.
```

the tree

It also checks `nonvar(A)` and `nonvar(B)`

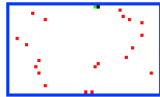
resulting value

The alien, the spampede, and the spam!

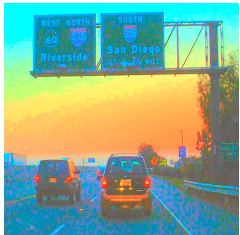
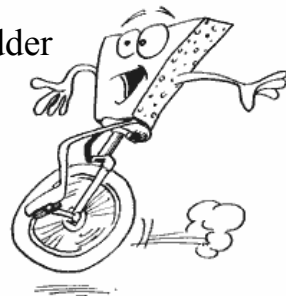


Goal: Get back to the dorms with the spam, the spampede, and the three-eyed alien.

Constraints: Can't carry more than one thing and can't leave two things alone if one would eat the other...

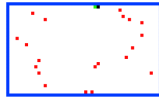


Mudder



West

East



West Side

East Side

1. Mudder takes spampede east
2. Mudder goes west
3. Mudder takes alien east
4. Mudder takes spampede west
5. Mudder takes spam east
6. Mudder goes west
7. Mudder takes spampede east

How to formulate in Prolog?

The BIG Idea

initial configuration

```
[ [mudder, alien, spampede, spam], [] ]
```



Mudder_takes_spampede_east

```
[ [alien, spam], [mudder, spampede] ] ]
```



...



```
[ [], [mudder, alien, spampede, spam] ]
```

final configuration

```
solve( [[mudder,alien,spampede,spam],[]],  
        [mudder_takes_spampede_east,  
        mudder_goes_west, ...] ).
```

yes.

The alien, the spampede, and the spam...

Configuration ~ a list of two *sorted* lists

[[mudder, alien, spampede, spam], []]

West East

one possible configuration

What constraints do we have?

The alien, the spampede, and the spam...

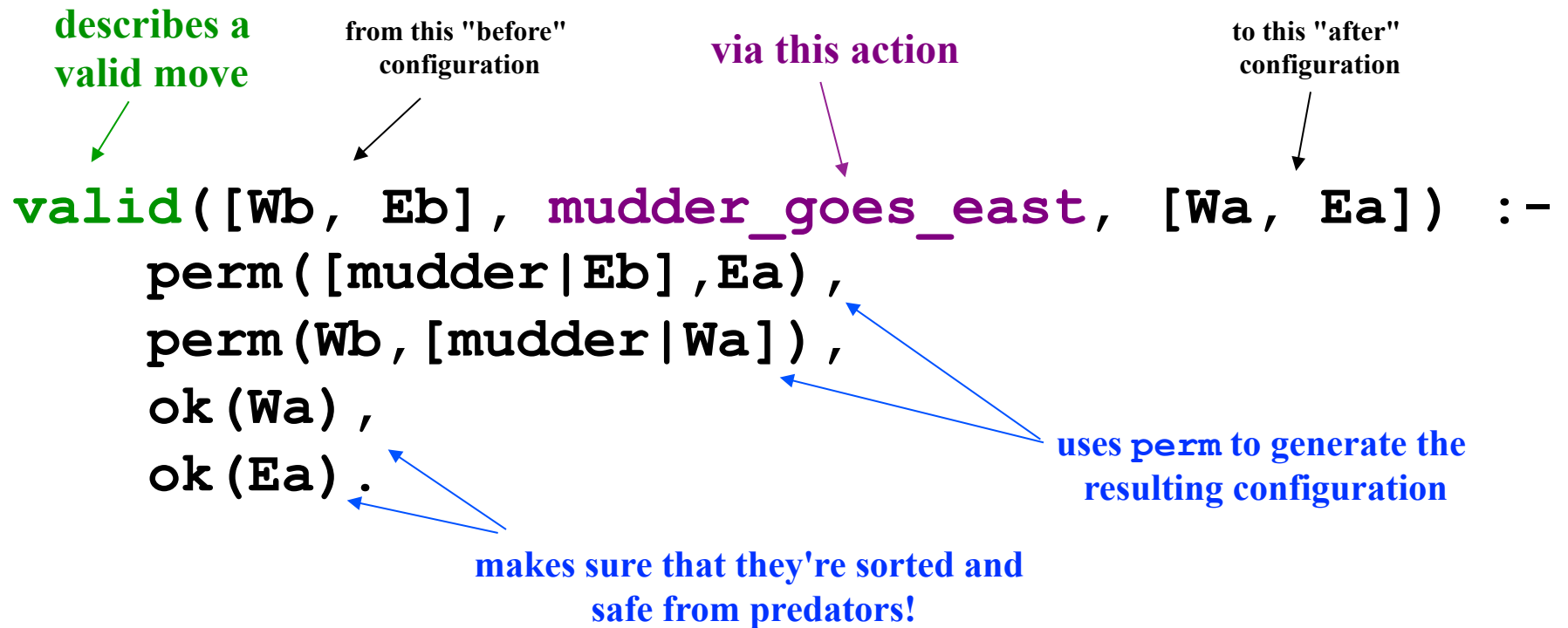
Constraints ~ describe and *select* the moves:



How do we generate **Wa** and **Ea** ?
What constraints do we need to check?

The alien, the spampede, and the spam...

Constraints ~ describe and *select* the moves:



How Muddery different possible moves are there?

The alien, the spampede, and the spam...

solve ~ general-purpose puzzle-solving!

Wasn't there 42-dimensional configuration-space search in CS 5?



configuration-space search!

need to specify a starting configuration

Ask Prolog to generate a list of moves that results in the final configuration...

solve(StartConfig, ListOfMoves)

base case?

The alien, the spampede, and the spam...

solve ~ general-purpose puzzle-solving!

Prolog's configuration-space search:

```
%% what it means for a list of moves to solve the puzzle...
%% C is a configuration.
solve(C, []) :- final(C).      %% Done! (base case)

solve(C, [Move | RoM]) :-      %% Move ~ next move to make
    [W, E] = C,                %% C is the [ West, East ] pair
    ok(W), ok(E),              %% is everything in order?
    valid(C, Move, NewC),      %% selects a valid Move !
    solve(NewC, RoM).          %% solve the rest of the puzzle...
```

Doesn't this solve
ALL problems !?!



How does it do?

The alien, the spampede, and the spam...



solve ~

Aargh!

Prolog's config

```
%% what it
%% C is a c
solve(C, []
```

It doesn't

puzzle...

```
solve(C, [M
[W, E]
ok(W) ,
valid(C
solve(N
```

work!!

make
st] pair
ler?
!
e puzzle...

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How does it do?

dynamic predicates

`:- dynamic marked/1.` declares **marked** to be a *dynamic* rule ~
iy can be changed an the fly...

add

`assert(marked(42)).` places **marked(42)** into the
program's current database of facts.

`marked(X)` will now produce at least one binding: **x = 42**

remove

`retract(marked(42)).` removes **marked(42)** from the
program's current database of facts.

`retractall(marked(_)).` removes all of **marked's** rules
from the program's current facts.

The alien, the spampede, and the spam...

Prolog's configuration-space search, with *dynamic* marking of configurations along the way...

```
:- dynamic marked/1.
```

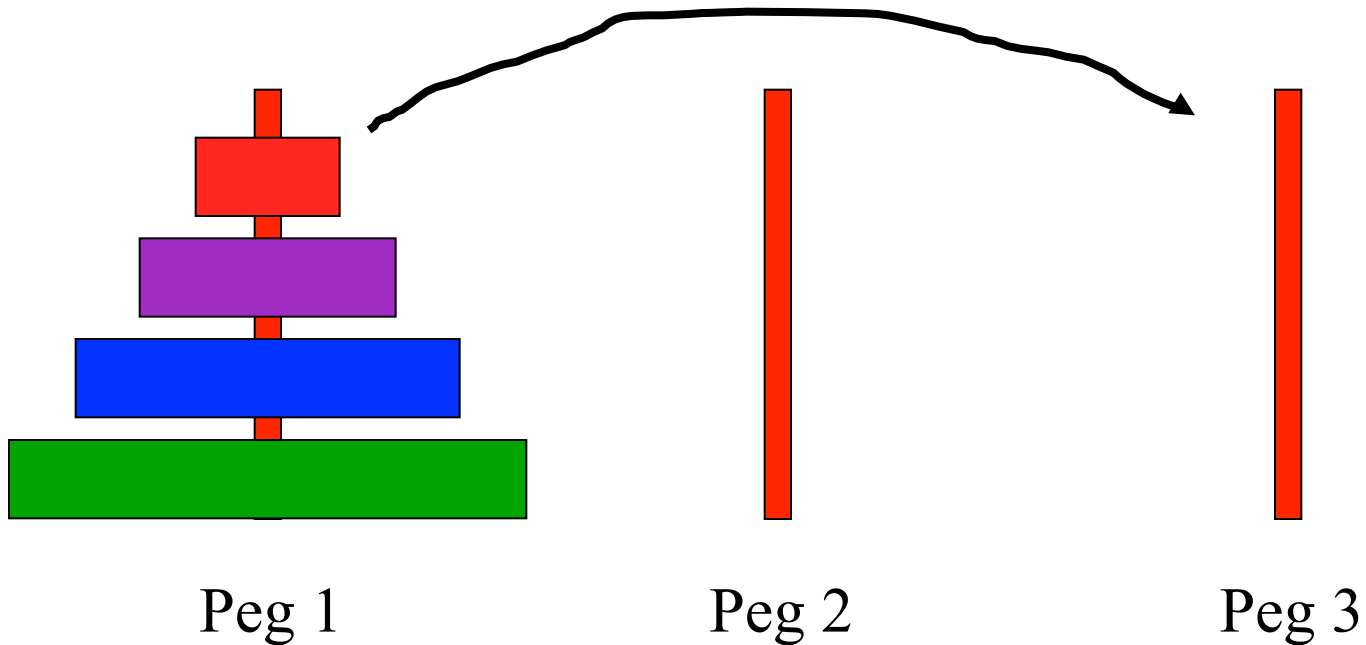
```
solve(C, []) :- final(C),                %% Done!  
              retractall(marked(_)).    %% clean up marks  
solve(C, [Move | RoM]) :-               %% Move ~ next move to make  
  [W, E] = C,                            %% C is the [ West, East ] pair  
  ok(W), ok(E),                          %% is everything in order?  
  \+marked(C),                            %% "if" we haven't visited this C  
  assert(marked(C)),                     %% we mark it  
  valid(C, Move, NewC),                  %% select a valid Move !  
  solve(NewC, RoM).                       %% solve the rest of the puzzle...
```

Let's try it (twice)!



Towers of Hanoi

Goal: Get all of the disks from Peg 1 to Peg 3. **Constraints:** You may not place a smaller disk onto a larger one.



```
solve( [[1,2,3,4], [], []], M ).
```



Use spam.pl as a starting point...