

CLIPS-02

Pattern Matching of CLIPS

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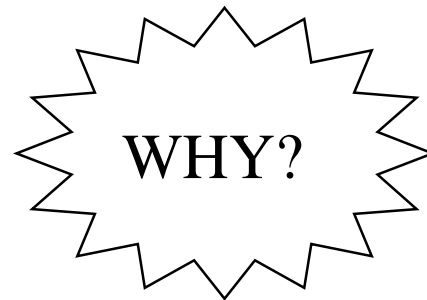
Understanding the concepts of
Expert Systems

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Knowing how to elicit Expertise

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Knowing how to build an
Expert System



Lack of practical concepts and
programming skills.

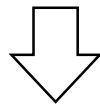
- variable

?speed

?value

No blank between ? and value

IF x is a grandfather
THEN x is a man



```
(defrule grandfather
  (is-a-grandfather ?x)
  =>
  (assert (is-a-man ?x))
)
```

```

(defrule grandfather
  (is-a-grandfather ?name)
  =>
  (assert (is-a-father ?name)
          (is-a-man ?name)
        )
  (printout t ?name "is a grandfather" crlf)
)

```

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terminal
next line

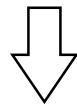
- Facts address and Retraction

```

(defrule modify-grandfather-fact
  (is-a-grandfather ?name)
=>
  (retract ? )
  (assert (has-a-grandson ?name)
          (is-a-man ?name))
)
)

```

f-? ⇔ fact identifier is needed for retraction



```

(defrule modify-grandfather-fact
  ?old < - ( is-a-grandfather ?name)
=>
  (retract ?old)
  (assert (is-a-father ?name)
          (is-a-man ?name))
)
)

```

keep fact identifier

```
(defrule simple-loop
```

```
  ?old-fact <- (loop-fact)
```

```
  =>
```

```
  (printout t "Looping?" crlf)
```

```
  (retract ?old-fact)
```

```
  (assert (loop-fact))
```

```
)
```



Let the rule be put into AGENDA
again and be fired repeatedly

➡ Infinite loop

- Multiple use of variables

```
(defrule test
  (?x ?x)
  =>
  (printout t "ok" crlf)
)
```

(John Mary) → unmatched !
 (John John) → matched !

- Wild cards

```
(defrule find-brown-haired-people
  (person ?name ? brown)
  =>
  (printout t ?name "has brown hair" crlf)
)
```

(person John black brown)

? ← *color of hair*

↓

Don't care his eyes' color

Basic Concepts of applying Expert System Shells:

1. Fact format is user-defined, which should be as easy to read as possible.

John is a employee of IBM.

He is 24 years old.



(employee-of-IBM John 24 male)

or

(John 24 male IBM)

2. Rule format should match fact format.


```
(defrule find-employee-of-IBM
```

```
  (employee-of-IBM ?name ?age ?sex)
```

```
=>
```

```
  (printout t ?name ?age ?sex) )
```


- Multifield wildcards and variables

```
(defrule find-list
  (list $? )
  =>  multifield wildcard
  (printout t "found list" crlf)
)
```

(list a) matched !

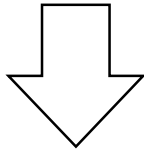
(list b) matched !

(list a b) matched !

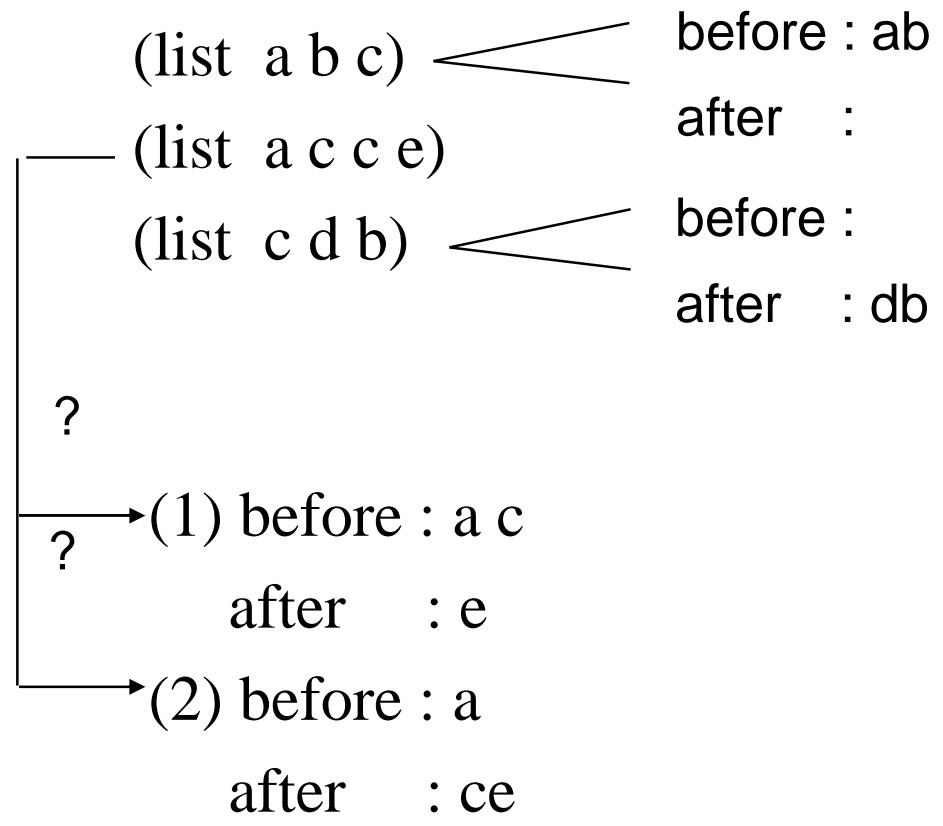
(list a b c d) matched !

Multifield variable

```
(defrule find-list
  (list $?item)
  =>
  (printout t "Found a list:" $?item crlf)
)
```



```
(defrule find-item-C
  (list $?before C $?after)
  =>
  (printout t "items before C:" $?before crlf)
  (printout t "item after C:" $?after crlf)
)
```



```
(defrule find-item-C
  (list $?before C $?after)
=>
  (printout t "before:" $?before crlf)
  (printout t "after:" $?after crlf)
)
```

```
(assert (list a c c b))←┘
(agenda)←┘
```

```
0 : find-item-C : f-1
0 : find-item-C : f-1
```

```
(RUN)←┘
  before : ac
  after  : b
  before : a
  after  : cb
```

```
(defrule combine-match
  (list ? $? C ?)
  =>
  (printout t "found!!" crlf)
)
```

| | |
|----------------|-------------|
| (list c) | unmatched ! |
| (list c d) | unmatched ! |
| (list a c e) | matched ! |
| (list a c b d) | unmatched ! |
| (list a d c b) | matched ! |

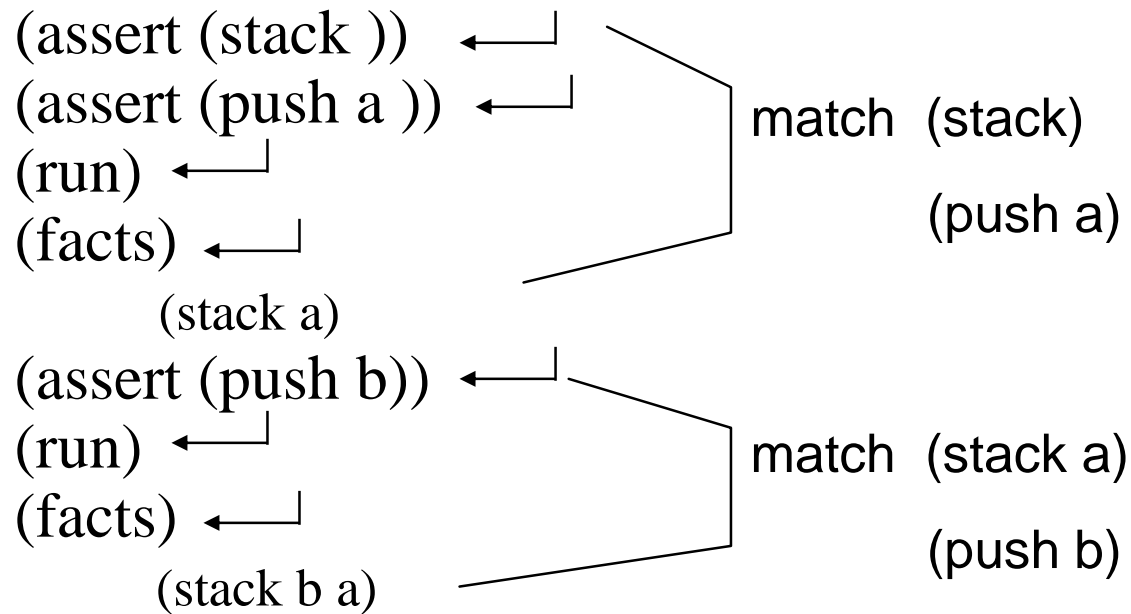
? \$? at least one

\$? zero or more

? exactly one

- Implementing a stack

```
(defrule push-value
  ?push-value < - (push ?value)
  ? stack < - (stack $?rest)
=>
  (retract ?push-value ?stack)
  (assert (stack ?value $?rest))
)
```



```
(defrule pop-value
  ?push-value < - (pop)
  ? stack < - (stack ?first $?rest)
=>
  (retract ?push-value ?stack)
  (assert (stack $?rest))
  (printout t " Element " ?first " is removed from the stack" crlf)
  (printout t " Stack: " $?rest crlf)
)
```

- The **NOT**?field constraint

```
(defrule person-not-brown-hair
```

```
  (person ?name ? ~brown)
```

```
=>
```

```
  (printout t ?name crlf)
```

```
)
```

Not brown

don't care

eyes hair



```
(person John black black)
```

matched !

```
(person Mary black brown)
```

unmatched !

- The **'OR'** field constraint

```
(defrule black-or-brown-hair)
```

```
  (person ?name ? brown|black)
```

```
=>
```

```
  (printout t ?name crlf) )
```

OR

The **AND**?field constraint

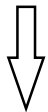
```
(defrule black-or-brown-hair
  (person ?name ? ?color&brown|black)
=>
  (printout t ?name "bus" ?color "hair" crlf)
```

only brown or black can be matched

bound

```
(defrule black-and-brown-hair
  (person ?name ? black&brown)
=>
  (printout t ? crlf)
)
```

The condition will never be matched.



a useless rule

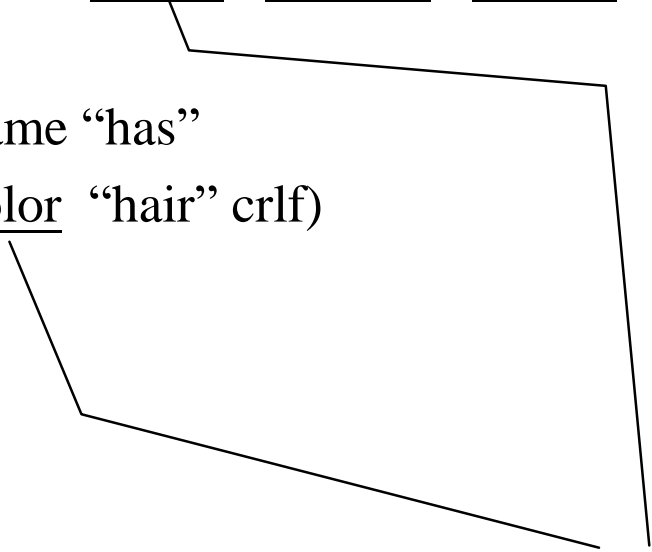
```
(defrule black-or-brown hair
```

```
  (person ?name ? ?color&~brown&~black)
```

```
=>
```

```
  (printout t ?name "has"  
    ?color "hair" crlf)
```

```
)
```



*only the color which is
neither brown nor
black can be matched*

- Math function

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*

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CLIPS> (+ 2 2)

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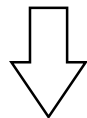
CLIPS> (+ 2 (* 3 5))

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CLIPS> (assert (answer (+ 2 2)))

ERROR !!

CLIPS> (assert (answer =(+ 2 2)))



(answer 4)



'+' is treated as an operator

*nested lists
are not
allowed*

facts :

```

(rect 10 6)
(rect 7 5)
(rect 6 8)
(rect 2 5)
(sum 0)

```

rectangle
height
width

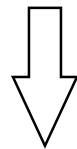
sum of area

```

(defrule sum-rect
  (rect ?h ?w)
  ?sum <- (sum ?total)
=>
  (retract ?sum)
  (assert (sum =(+ ?total (* ?h ?w)))))
)

```

?total = ? total + ?h * ? w



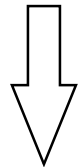
Infinite loop !!



One way :

```
(defrule sum-rect
  ?x <- (rect ?h ?w)
  ?sum <- (sum ?total)
  =>
  (retract ?x ?sum)
  (assert (sum =(+ ?total (* ?h?w))))
)
```

```
(rect 10 6)
(rect 7 5)
(rect 6 8)
(rect 2 5)
(sum 0 )
```



(Run)

```
(sum 153 )
```

Not a good idea
Since the facts (rect ? ?)
should remain the same

An alternative approach:

```
(defrule sum-rect
  (rect ?h ?w)
  =>
  (assert (area =(* ?h ?w)))
)
```

```
(defrule sum-area
  ?sum <- (sum ?total)
  ?new-area <- (area ?area)
  =>
  (retract ?sum ?new-area)
  (assert (sum =(+ total ?area)))
)
```