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Unit 4: Recursive Query Processing

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# Goals for this Unit

 Study recursive query processing using Datalog

There are other data languages with recursion: QBE, G-Whiz, SQL:1999, LDL

- Models of a Datalog program
- Evaluation methods
- Negation and recursion
- (If time) Datalog and Streams

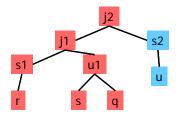
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# **Example Recursive Program**

Three predicates, that talk about a distributed algebra expression:

- Op1(Id, In, Loc): unary operation Id with input In is performed at location Loc
- Op2(Id, In1, In2, Loc): binary operation Id with inputs In1 and In2 is performed at location Loc
- Local(Id, Loc): expression with root Id can be evaluated completely at location Loc



Node 1

Node 2

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## Clauses



# Facts versus Rules

It will be useful if we can separate predicates into

- Extensional: defined by facts
- Intensional: defined by rules

Notice that in our program the Local predicate has both facts and rules.

How could we modify the program to get this separation?

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## Conventions

- Assume predicates are extensional or intensional
- If I write just the intensional rules, we will assume that predicates without rules are extensional predicates.

Can think of them as the database

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# **Computed Predicates**

# Bancilhon and Ramakrishnan allow for computed predicates

```
Sum(X, Y, Z): true if X + Y = Z as integers
Can think of Sum as an infinite extensional
  predicate:
```

```
Sum(1,1,2), Sum(1,2,3), Sum(1,3,4), ... Sum(2,1,3), Sum(2,2,4), Sum(2,3,5), ... Sum(3,1,4), ...
```

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# Safety and Computed Predicates

Uses of computed predicates have required binding patterns so we get finite answers

```
Sum(1,7,8)
```

Sum(2,7,10)

Sum(2,7,Z)

Sum(X,7,9)

Sum(2,Y,9)

Sum(X,7,Z)

Sum(X,Y,Z)

Note that other literals in a rule body can provide these bindings

Each computed predicate has a *natural interpretation* 

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# **Example with Computed Predicate**

Local(Id, Loc, Num): expression with root
Id has Num elements and can be evaluated
completely at location Loc

```
Local(Id, Loc, 1) :- Local0(Id, Loc).

Local(Id, Loc, K) :- Op1(Id, In, Loc),
    Local(In, Loc, M), Sum(M, 1, K).

Local(Id, Loc, K) :- Op2(Id, In1, In2, Loc),
    Local(In1, Loc, M), Local(In2, Loc, N),
    Sum(M, N, J), Sum(J, 1, K).

:- Local(j1, L, C).
```

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## Ground Instance of a Clause

Given a Datalog clause C, we get a *ground* instance of C by replacing all variables with constants from the program.

#### Clause:

```
Local(Id, Loc, K) :- Opl(Id, In, Loc),
Local(In, Loc, M), Sum(M, 1, K).
```

#### Ground instances:

```
Local(s2, node2, 2) :- Op1(s2, u, node2),
  Local(u, node2, 1), Sum(1, 1, 2).
Local(s2, node2, 2) :- Op1(s2, r, node2),
  Local(r, node2, 1), Sum(1, 1, 2).
```

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# Model of a Datalog Program

A database (aka interpretation) M for a program P is a set of facts over the predicates in P.

A database M is a model for program P if

- 1. It assigns each computable predicate its natural interpretation
- For any ground instance of a clause
  H:- L1, L2, ..., Ln.
  if {L1, L2, ..., Ln} ⊂ M then H ∈ M.

Note that all facts of P must be in M.

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# A Program Can Have Many Models

```
Model 1
           Program
                                            Local(r, node1, 1).
Local(Id, Loc, 1) :- Local0(Id, Loc)
                                            Local(r, node2, 1).
Local(Id, Loc, K) :- Opl(Id, In, Loc),
                                            Local(s, node1, 1).
  Local(In, Loc, M), Sum(M, 1, K).
                                            Local(q, node1, 1).
Local(In1, Loc, M), Local(In2, Loc, N),
                                            Local(s1, node1, 2).
   Sum(M, N, J), Sum(J, 1, K).
                                            Local(u1, node1, 3).
Local0(r, node1).
                                            Local(j1, node1, 6).
Local0(s, node1).
                                            Local(s2, node2, 2).
Local0(q, node1).
                                            Local0(r, node1).
Local0(u, node2).
                                            Local0(r, node2).
Op1(s1, r, node1).
                                            Local0(s, node1).
Op1(s2, u, node2).
                                            Local0(q, node1).
Op2(j1, s1, u1, node1).
                                            Local0(u, node2).
Op2(u1, s, q, node1).
                                            Opl(s1, r, nodel).
Op2(j2, j1, s2, node1).
                                            Op1(s2, u, node2).
                                            Op2(j1, s1, u1, node1).
                                            Op2(u1, s, q, node1).
                                            Op2(j2, j1, s2, node1).
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#### A Second Model Model 2 Program Local(r, nodel, 1). Local(s, node1, 1). I(Id, Loc, 1) :- Local0(Id, Loc)Local(Id, Loc, K) :- Opl(Id, In, Loc), Local(q, node1, 1). Local(In, Loc, M), Sum(M, 1, K). Local(u, node2, 1). Local(Id, Loc, K) :- Op2(Id, In1, In2, Loc), Local(s1, node1, 2). Local(In1, Loc, M), Local(In2, Loc, N), Local(u1, node1, 3). Sum(M, N, J), Sum(J, 1, K).Local(j1, node1, 6). Local0(r, node1). Local(s2, node2, 2). Local0(s, node1). Local(j2, node2, 9). Local0(q, node1). Local0(r, node1). Local0(u, node2). Local0(s, node1). Op1(s1, r, node1). Local0(q, node1). Op1(s2, u, node2). Local0(u, node2). Op2(j1, s1, u1, node1). Opl(s1, r, nodel). Op2(u1, s, q, node1). Op1(s2, u, node2). Op2(j2, j1, s2, node1). Op2(j1, s1, u1, node1). Op2(u1, s, q, node1).Op2(j2, j1, s2, node1). CS 589 Princ of DB Systems, Spring 2016, ©Lois Delcambre, David Maier 13

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## Closure Under Intersection

Lemma: If M1 and M2 are both models for Datalog program P, then so is M1  $\cap$  M2.

Proof: Let  $M = M1 \cap M2$ . Both M1 and M2 give any computed predicate its natural interpretation, so part 1. of model definition is covered.

How could M fail to be a model of P?

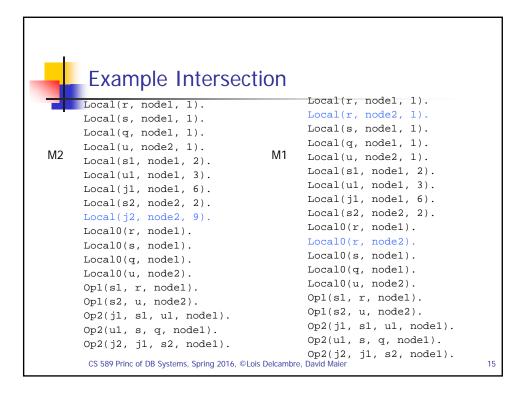
Must have a ground instance of a clause:

H:- L1, L2, ..., Ln.

Where  $\{L1, L2, ..., Ln\} \subseteq M$  but  $H \notin M$ .

So  ${\tt H}$  must be missing from M1 or M2 (or both).

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### Minimal Model

A model M for program P is *minimal* if no proper subset of M is also a model.

Every Datalog program P (without negation) has a unique minimal model.

Consider two different minimal models N1 and N2 for P. Then  $N = N1 \cap N2$  is also a model, and is a proper subset of at least one of them.

Minimum model of P: Unique minimal model.

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## Minimum Model and Queries

When we answer queries against Datalog program P, we want to answer them against the minimal model. (*Closed-World Assumption*)

:- Local(j1, L, C).

We want all Local facts in the minimum model where the first component is j1.

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# **Evaluation Methods**

- Oblivious: Compute the minimum model, then look up query answers.
- Directed: Use information from the query to reduce the portion of the minimum model computed to answer the query.

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# Naïve Evaluation of P

A "bottom-up" or "right-to-left" method.

Have a current set of facts f (a partial model).

Use clauses in P in a right-to-left manner to
derive additional facts that must also be in a
minimum model for P.

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# **Example Right-to-Left Derivation**

#### Consider:

```
Local(Id, Loc, K) :- Op1(Id, In, Loc),
Local(In, Loc, M), Sum(M, 1, K).
```

# Suppose we have in f:

```
Op1(a6, p5, node2). Local(p5, node2, 2). Op1(s4, u3, node1). Local(u2, node2, 3). Op1(a7, r, node1). Local(r, node1, 1). Op1(s9, a7, node1). ...
```

Can derive:

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# Immediate Consequence Operator

If P is a Datalog program, the *immediate* consequence operator I<sub>P</sub>(f) computes all facts derivable from the set of facts f by a single application of the clauses in P.

Note: If f is a subset of the minimum model of P, then so is  $I_p(f)$ ,  $I_p(I_p(f))$ ,  $I_p(I_p(f))$ , ...

So start the process with  $f = \emptyset$ , because we know we have a subset of the minimum model.

*Inflationary semantics* of program P: Start with empty set of facts, apply I<sub>P</sub> until no change.

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# Naïve Evaluation

Naïve(P, q)  

$$f_{old} = \emptyset$$

$$f = I_{P}(f_{old})$$
while  $f \neq f_{old}$  do  

$$f_{old} = f$$

$$f = I_{P}(f)$$
return match(q, f)

Naïve always halts on programs that don't use computed predicates, with f as the minimum model.

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