

A tutorial on Constraint Handling Rules (Part 1)

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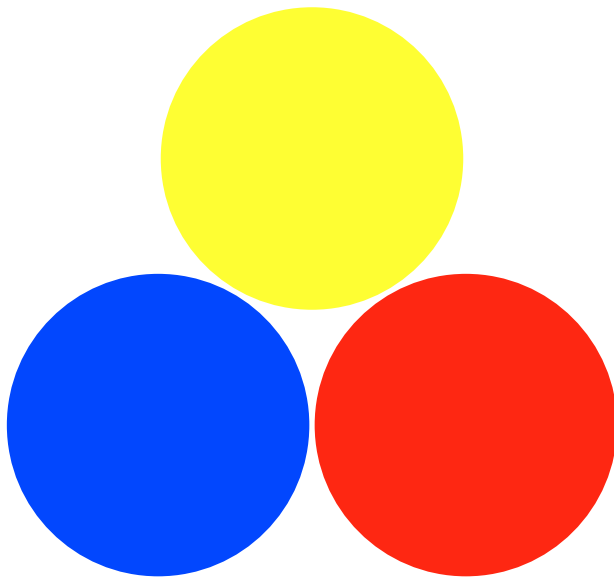
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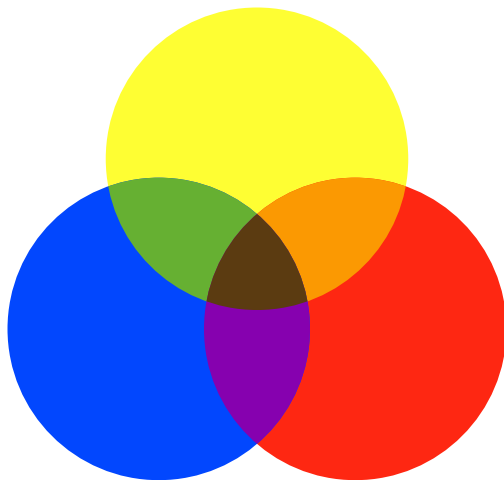
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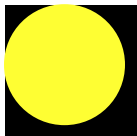
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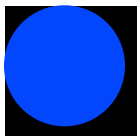
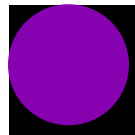
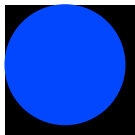
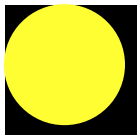
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Mixing color in CHR

mixing color	CHR
paints	(user) constraints
rules	simplification rules
palette	constraints store

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Why not
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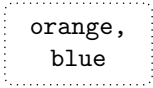
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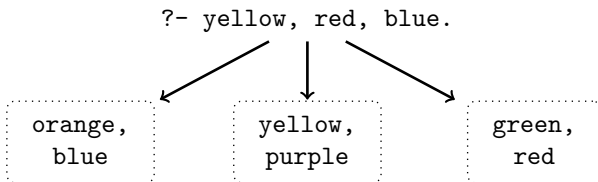
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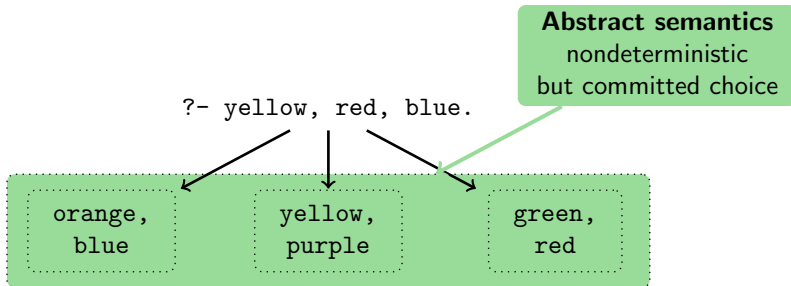
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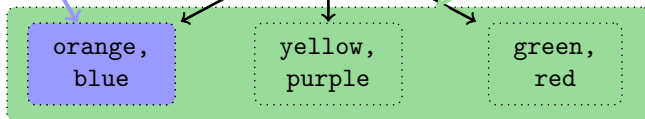
Refined semantics

query: left to right
 rule: top to bottom

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 but committed choice

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Summary

Simplification rule

- head \Leftrightarrow body
- body replaces head.

Two execution levels

- **Abstract semantics** (High-level)
non-deterministic but committed-choice.
- **Refined semantics** (Low-level)
(almost) deterministic and committed-choice.
process queries from left to right and rules from top to bottom.

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- ☞ Constraint stores have a multiset behaviour
i.e. multiplicity of constraint matters.

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Forbidden!

☞ Constraints within rule must be non-variable !

Mixing color with arguments

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```

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CHR an embedded language.

- CHR is embedded in a host language.
Here the host language is Prolog.
- 2-way communication:
 - Prolog calls CHR constraints
e.g. call from the Prolog top-level
 - CHR (bodies) call Prolog
e.g. `K is J + 1`

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Minimum

Problem: remove all non-minimal element from a multiset

?- $\text{min}(8)$, $\text{min}(3)$, $\text{min}(6)$, $\text{min}(7)$.

$\text{min}(3)$

Minimum I

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Matching:

- “inline” matching notation for guard
- equivalent meaning as explicit guard

Meaning of matching

Matching

Guard

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$c(X, X) \langle \Rightarrow \rangle \text{true.}$	$c(X, Y) \langle \Rightarrow \rangle X == Y \mid \text{true.}$
$c(X), d(X) \langle \Rightarrow \rangle \text{true.}$	$c(X), d(Y) \langle \Rightarrow \rangle X == Y \mid \text{true.}$

Summary

Matching

- short-hand for equality-based guards
- one-way unification
 - only instantiates rule heads
 - does not instantiate constraint store.

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value(15)

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```

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```

generate(4)
value(4), generate(3)
value(4), value(3), generate(2)
value(7), generate(2)

```

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```

```

generate(4)
value(4), generate(3)
value(4), value(3), generate(2)
value(7), generate(2)
value(7), value(2), generate(1)

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```

```

generate(4)
value(4), generate(3)
value(4), value(3), generate(2)
value(7), generate(2)
value(7), value(2), generate(1)
value(9), generate(1)

```

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```

```

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value(4), generate(3)
value(4), value(3), generate(2)
value(7), generate(2)
value(7), value(2), generate(1)
value(9), generate(1)
value(9), value(1), generate(0)

```


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```

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value(4), generate(3)
value(4), value(3), generate(2)
value(7), generate(2)
value(7), value(2), generate(1)
value(9), generate(1)
value(9), value(1), generate(0)
value(10), generate(0)

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value(4), generate(3)
value(4), value(3), generate(2)
value(7), generate(2)
value(7), value(2), generate(1)
value(9), generate(1)
value(9), value(1), generate(0)
value(10), generate(0)
value(10)

```

A more complex program II

```
generate(1) <=> true.
```

```
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```

```
value(I) \ value(J) <=> J mod I == 0 | true.
```

?- generate(4)

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generate(9),
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value(10)
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```
generate(8),
```

```
value(9), value(10)
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```

generate(7),

value(8), value(9), value(10)

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```

```
generate(6),  
  
                    value(7),  
value(8), value(9), value(10)
```

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```
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```

```
generate(5),
```

```
    value(6), value(7),
```

```
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```

Summary

Programs

- CHR programs consist of sequence of rules
- Query are traversed form left to right
- Rules are traversed top to bottom
- Rest of constraint waits

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$\text{head}_k \Rightarrow \text{guard} \mid \text{body}.$

- adds body
- if head_k is present and
- guard is true

Propagation 1

$a, b \implies c$

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b,

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b,

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c,

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a,

a,

b,

b,

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c,

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Propagation 2

`generate(N) ==> value(2).`

`generate(N), value(I) ==> I < N | J is I + 1, value(J).`

`value(I) , value(J) <=> J mod I := 0 | value(I).`

Propagation 2

```
generate(N) ==> value(2).
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```
generate(N), value(I) ==> I < N | J is I + 1, value(J).
```

```
value(I) , value(J) <=> J mod I == 0 | value(I).
```

```
?- generate(10).
```

Propagation 2

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?- generate(10).
```

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```
generate(10),  
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generate(10),  
value(2), value(3)
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```

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?- generate(10).
```

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```

generate(10),
value(2), value(3)

```

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```

```
?- generate(10).
```

```
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```
generate(10),  
value(2), value(3), value(4)
```

Propagation 2

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generate(N) ==> value(2).  
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```

```
?- generate(10).
```

```
ERROR: Out of local stack
```

```
generate(10),  
value(2), value(3), value(4),  
value(5), value(6), value(7),  
value(8), value(9), value(10)
```

Propagation 2

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value(I) , value(J) <=> J mod I == 0 | value(I).

```

```
?- generate(10).
```

```
ERROR: Out of local stack
```

```

generate(10),
value(2), value(3), value(4),
value(5), value(6), value(7),
value(8), value(9), value(10)

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```

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value(8), value(9), value(10),
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```

```
?- generate(10).
```

```
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```

```

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value(8), value(9), value(10),
value(2)

```

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```

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```

```
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```

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value(5), value(6), value(7),
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```

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```

```
?- generate(10).
```

```
ERROR: Out of local stack
```

```

generate(10),
value(2), value(3), value(4),
value(5), value(6), value(7),
value(8), value(9), value(10),
value(2), value(3), value(4),
value(5), value(6), value(7),
value(8), value(9), value(10)
value(2), ...

```

Propagation 3

```
generate(N) ==> value(2).
```

```
generate(N), value(I) ==> I < N | J is I + 1, value(J).
```

```
value(I) \ value(J) <=> J mod I := 0 | true.
```

Propagation 3

```
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Propagation 3

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generate(10),  
value(2),  
value(3),  
value(5),  
value(7)
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generate(10),  
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value(7)
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```
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generate(10),  
value(2),  
value(3),  
value(5),  
value(7)
```

generate(10)

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```
?- generate(10).  
generate(10),  
value(2),  
value(3),  
value(5),  
value(7)
```

```
generate(10),  
value(2)
```

Propagation 3

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```

```

?- generate(10).
generate(10),
value(2),
value(3),
value(5),
value(7)

```

```

generate(10),
value(2)

```

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```
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```

```
generate(10),
```

```
value(2),
```

```
value(3),
```

```
value(5),
```

```
value(7)
```

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generate(10),
```

```
value(2), value(3)
```

Propagation 3

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generate(N), value(I) ==> I < N | J is I + 1, value(J).

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```

```

?- generate(10).
generate(10),
value(2),
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value(7)

```

```

generate(10),
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```

```
generate(10),
```

```
value(2),
```

```
value(3),
```

```
value(5),
```

```
value(7)
```

```
generate(10),
```

```
value(2), value(3), value(4)
```

Propagation 3

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```

```
?- generate(10).
```

```

generate(10),
value(2),
value(3),
value(5),
value(7)

```

```

generate(10),
value(2), value(3), value(4),
value(5), value(6), value(7),
value(8), value(9), value(10)

```

Propagation 3

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```

```
?- generate(10).
```

```

generate(10),
value(2),
value(3),
value(5),
value(7)

```

```

generate(10),
value(2), value(3), value(4),
value(5), value(6), value(7),
value(8), value(9), value(10)

```


Propagation 3

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generate(10),
value(2),
value(3),
value(5),
value(7)

```

```

generate(10),
value(2), value(3), value(4),
value(5), value(6), value(7),
value(8), value(9), value(10)

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Propagation 3

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```
?- generate(10).
```

```

generate(10),
value(2),
value(3),
value(5),
value(7)

```

```

generate(10),
value(2), value(3), value(4),
value(5), value(6), value(7),
value(8), value(9), value(10)

```

Summary

Simplification rule : $\text{head} \Leftrightarrow \text{guard} \mid \text{body}$

- replaces head with body
- if guards is true

Simpagation rule : $\text{head}_k \setminus \text{head}_r \Leftrightarrow \text{guard} \mid \text{body}$.

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- if head_k is present and
- guards is true

Propagation rule : $\text{head} \Rightarrow \text{guard} \mid \text{body}$.

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- if head is present and
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☞ simpagation are useful to avoid trivial non-termination problems

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Hello World!

```
c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
c(world) => write(world), nl.
```

Hello World!

```
c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
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```

?- c(hello), c(world).

Hello World!

```
c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
c(world) => write(world), nl.
```

```
?- c(hello), c(world).
```

```
hello
```

```
world
```


Hello World!

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c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
c(world) => write(world), nl.
```

```
?- c(hello), c(world).
```

```
hello
```

```
world
```

```
?- c(X).
```

Hello World!

```
c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
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```

```
?- c(hello), c(world).
```

```
hello
```

```
world
```

```
?- c(X).
```

```
c(X)
```

Hello World!

```
c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
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```

```
?- c(hello), c(world).  
hello  
world  
?- c(X).  
c(X)  
?- c(X), c(world), X=hello.
```

Hello World!

```
c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
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```

```
?- c(hello), c(world).  
hello  
world  
?- c(X).  
c(X)  
?- c(X), c(world), X=hello.  
world  
hello
```

Hello World!

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c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
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```

```
?- c(hello), c(world).  
hello  
world  
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c(X)  
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world  
hello
```

☞ constraints suspend in the store.

Hello World!

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c(hello) <=> write(hello), nl.  
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```

```
?- c(hello), c(world).  
hello  
world  
?- c(X).  
c(X)  
?- c(X), c(world), X=hello.  
world  
hello
```

- ☞ constraints suspend in the store.
- ☞ unification reactivates suspended constraints.

Coroutinings in CHR

In usual prolog systems:

?- freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), X=1, nl.

Coroutinings in CHR

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```
?- freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), X=1, nl.
```

```
21
```


Coroutinings in CHR

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```
?- freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), X=1, nl.  
21
```

In CHR:

```
chr_freeze(X, G) <=> nonvar(X) | call(G).
```

Coroutinings in CHR

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?- freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), X=1, nl.  
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```

In CHR:

```
chr_freeze(X, G) <=> nonvar(X) | call(G).
```

```
?- chr_freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), nl.
```

Coroutinings in CHR

In usual prolog systems:

```
?- freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), X=1, nl.  
21
```

In CHR:

```
chr_freeze(X, G) <=> nonvar(X) | call(G).
```

```
?- chr_freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), nl.  
2  
chr_freeze(X, write(X))
```

Coroutinings in CHR

In usual prolog systems:

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?- freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), X=1, nl.  
21
```

In CHR:

```
chr_freeze(X, G) <=> nonvar(X) | call(G).
```

```
?- chr_freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), nl.  
2
```

```
chr_freeze(X, write(X))
```

```
?- chr_freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), X=1, nl.
```

Coroutinings in CHR

In usual prolog systems:

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```

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```

```
?- chr_freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), nl.  
2
```

```
chr_freeze(X, write(X))
```

```
?- chr_freeze(X, write(X)), write(2), X=1, nl.  
21
```

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
neq(X, X) <=> fail.  
neq(X, Y) <=> X \= Y | true.
```

?- neq(a,a).

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
neq(X, X) <=> fail.  
neq(X, Y) <=> X \= Y | true.
```

```
?- neq(a,a).
```

```
no
```

Inequality Constraints in CHR

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```

?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

Inequality Constraints in CHR

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neq(X, X) <=> fail.  
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?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

yes

Inequality Constraints in CHR

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```

?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
neq(X, X) <=> fail.  
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```

?- neq(a,a).

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?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
neq(X, X) <=> fail.  
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```

?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
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?- neq(a,a).

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?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

Inequality Constraints in CHR

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?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

Inequality Constraints in CHR

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?- neq(a,a).

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yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

Inequality Constraints in CHR

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?- neq(a,a).

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neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

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neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

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neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=b.

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?- neq(a,a).

no

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yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=b.

yes

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
neq(X, X) <=> fail.
neq(X, Y) <=> X \= Y | true.
```

?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=b.

yes

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D).

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
neq(X, X) <=> fail.
neq(X, Y) <=> X \= Y | true.
```

?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=b.

yes

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D).

neq(f(C),f(D))

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
neq(X, X) <=> fail.
neq(X, Y) <=> X \= Y | true.
```

?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=b.

yes

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D).

neq(f(C),f(D))

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D), C=D.

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```

neq(X, X) <=> fail.
neq(X, Y) <=> X \= Y | true.

```

?- neq(a,a).

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yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=b.

yes

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D).

neq(f(C),f(D))

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D), C=D.

no

Inequality Constraints in CHR

```
neq(X, X) <=> fail.
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```

?- neq(a,a).

no

?- neq(a,b).

yes

?- neq(A,B).

neq(A,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=B.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a.

neq(a,B)

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=a.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=a, B=b.

yes

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D).

neq(f(C),f(D))

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D), C=D.

no

?- neq(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(b), C=a.

Inequality Constraints in CHR

$\text{neq}(X, X) \Leftrightarrow \text{fail}.$

$\text{neq}(X, Y) \Leftrightarrow X \neq Y \mid \text{true}.$

?- $\text{neq}(a,a).$

no

?- $\text{neq}(a,b).$

yes

?- $\text{neq}(A,B).$

$\text{neq}(A,B)$

?- $\text{neq}(A,B), A=B.$

no

?- $\text{neq}(A,B), A=a.$

$\text{neq}(a,B)$

?- $\text{neq}(A,B), A=a, B=a.$

no

?- $\text{neq}(A,B), A=a, B=b.$

yes

?- $\text{neq}(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D).$

$\text{neq}(f(C),f(D))$

?- $\text{neq}(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(D), C=D.$

no

?- $\text{neq}(A,B), A=f(C), B=f(b), C=a.$

yes

Finite Domain Solver in CHR

```
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> ground(X) | Min =< X, X =< Max.  
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> Min >= Max | X = Min, X = Max.  
domain(X, Min1, Max1), domain(X, Min2, Max2) <=>  
    max(Min1, Min2, Min), min(Max1, Max2, Max),  
    domain(X, Min, Max).
```

Finite Domain Solver in CHR

```
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> ground(X) | Min =< X, X =< Max.  
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> Min >= Max | X = Min, X = Max.  
domain(X, Min1, Max1), domain(X, Min2, Max2) <=>  
    max(Min1, Min2, Min), min(Max1, Max2, Max),  
    domain(X, Min, Max).
```

?- domain(X, 1, 5)

Finite Domain Solver in CHR

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domain(X, Min, Max) <=> ground(X) | Min =< X, X =< Max.  
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> Min >= Max | X = Min, X = Max.  
domain(X, Min1, Max1), domain(X, Min2, Max2) <=>  
    max(Min1, Min2, Min), min(Max1, Max2, Max),  
    domain(X, Min, Max).
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
domain(X, 1, 5)
```

Finite Domain Solver in CHR

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domain(X, Min, Max) <=> ground(X) | Min =< X, X =< Max.  
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> Min >= Max | X = Min, X = Max.  
domain(X, Min1, Max1), domain(X, Min2, Max2) <=>  
    max(Min1, Min2, Min), min(Max1, Max2, Max),  
    domain(X, Min, Max).
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5), X = 3
```

Finite Domain Solver in CHR

```
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> ground(X) | Min =< X, X =< Max.  
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> Min >= Max | X = Min, X = Max.  
domain(X, Min1, Max1), domain(X, Min2, Max2) <=>  
    max(Min1, Min2, Min), min(Max1, Max2, Max),  
    domain(X, Min, Max).
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5), X = 3
```

```
yes
```

Finite Domain Solver in CHR

```
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> ground(X) | Min =< X, X =< Max.  
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> Min >= Max | X = Min, X = Max.  
domain(X, Min1, Max1), domain(X, Min2, Max2) <=>  
    max(Min1, Min2, Min), min(Max1, Max2, Max),  
    domain(X, Min, Max).
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5), X = 3
```

```
yes
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5), domain(X, 3, 8)
```

Finite Domain Solver in CHR

```
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> ground(X) | Min =< X, X =< Max.  
domain(X, Min, Max) <=> Min >= Max | X = Min, X = Max.  
domain(X, Min1, Max1), domain(X, Min2, Max2) <=>  
    max(Min1, Min2, Min), min(Max1, Max2, Max),  
    domain(X, Min, Max).
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
domain(X, 1, 5)
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5), X = 3
```

```
yes
```

```
?- domain(X, 1, 5), domain(X, 3, 8)
```

```
domain(X, 3, 5)
```

Finite Domain Solver in CHR

```

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Summary

Reactivation

- rules may not fire because of lack of instantiation
- upon instantiation, the rule may now fire
- useful for implementing constraint solvers

Outline

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Summary: CHR vs Prolog

	Prolog	CHR
head	1	≤ 1
rule selection	unification	matching & guard
different rules	backtracking	committed choice
no rule	failure	delay

Backtracking for Labeling

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```

```
label(X) <=> ground(X) | true.
```

```
label(X) domain(X, Min, Max) <=>
    Max_ is (Min + Max) // 2, domain(X, Min, Max_) ;
    Min_ is (Min + Max) // 2 + 1, domain(X, Min_, Max).
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X = 1 ;

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no

Questions ?