

Programming Paradigms

Programming Paradigm

A way of conceptualizing what it means to perform computation and how tasks to be carried out on the computer should be structured and organized.

- Imperative : *Machine-model based*
- Functional : *Equations; Expression Evaluation*
- Logical : *First-order Logic Deduction*
- Object-Oriented : *Programming with Data Types*

Imperative vs Non-Imperative

- *Functional/Logic programs* specify *WHAT* is to be computed abstractly, leaving the details of data organization and instruction sequencing to the interpreter.
- In contrast, *Imperative programs* describe the details of *HOW* the results are to be obtained, in terms of the underlying machine model.

Illustrative Example

- Expression (to be computed) : $a + b + c$
- Recipe for Computation:
 - Intermediate Code
 - $T := a + b;$ $T := T + c;$
 - Accumulator Machine
 - Load a; Add b; Add c
 - Stack Machine
 - Push a; Push b; Add; Push c; Add

Imperative vs Non-Imperative

- *Functional/Logic style* clearly separates *WHAT* aspects of a program (programmers' responsibility) from the *HOW* aspects (implementation decisions).
- An *Imperative program* contains both the specification and the implementation details, inseparably inter-twined.

Procedural vs Functional

- Program: a sequence of instructions for a von Neumann m/c.
- Computation by instruction execution.
- Iteration.
- Modifiable or updateable variables.
- Program: a collection of function definitions (m/c independent).
- Computation by term rewriting.
- Recursion.
- *Assign-only-once* variables.

Functional Style : Illustration

- Definition : Equations

$$\text{sum}(0) = 0$$

$$\text{sum}(n) = n + \text{sum}(n-1)$$

- Computation : Substitution and Replacement

$$\text{sum}(2)$$

$$= 2 + \text{sum}(2-1)$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= 3$$

Paradigm vs Language

- Imperative Style

```
i := 0; sum := 0;
while (i < n) do
    i := i + 1;
    sum := sum + i
end;
```

- Storage efficient

- Functional Style

```
func sum(i:int) : int;
    if i = 0
    then 0
    else i + sum(i-1)
end;
```

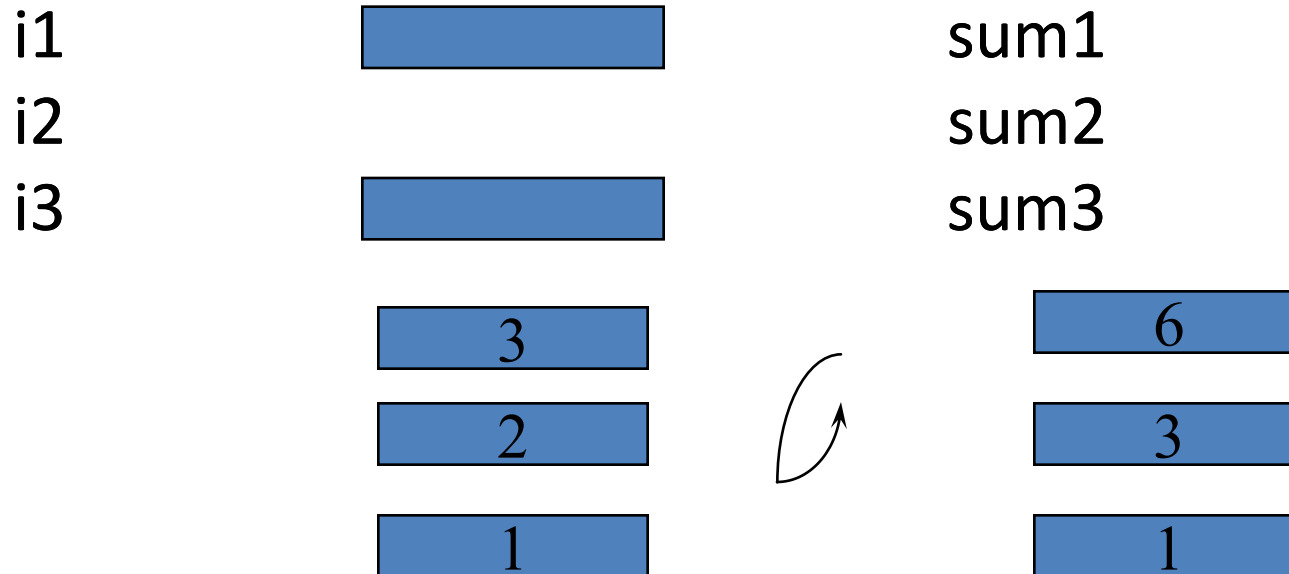
- No Side-effect

Role of Variables

- Imperative (read/write)

i 0 1 2 3 ...
sum 0 1 3 6 ...

- Functional (read only)



Bridging the Gap

- Tail recursive programs can be automatically optimized for space by translating them into equivalent while-loops.

```
func sum(i : int, r : int) : int;  
    if i = 0 then r  
    else sum(i-1, n+r)  
end
```

- Scheme does not have loops.

Analogy: Styles vs Formalisms

- Iteration
- Tail-Recursion
- General Recursion
- Regular Expression
- Regular Grammar
- Context-free Grammar

Logic Programming Paradigm

- Integrates Data and Control Structures

edge(a,b).

edge(a,c).

edge(c,a).

path(X,X).

path(X,Y) :- edge(X,Y).

path(X,Y) :- edge(X,Z), path(Z,Y).

Declarative Programming

- A logic program defines a set of relations.
This “knowledge” can be used in various ways by the interpreter to solve different queries.
- In contrast, the programs in other languages make explicit *HOW* the “declarative knowledge” is used to solve the query.

Append in Prolog

```
append([], L, L).
```

```
append([ H | T ], L, [ H | R ]) :-  
    append(T, L, R).
```

- True statements about append relation.
 - “.” and “:-” are logical connectives that stand for “and” and “if” respectively.
- Uses pattern matching.
 - “[]” and “|” stand for *empty list* and *cons* operation.

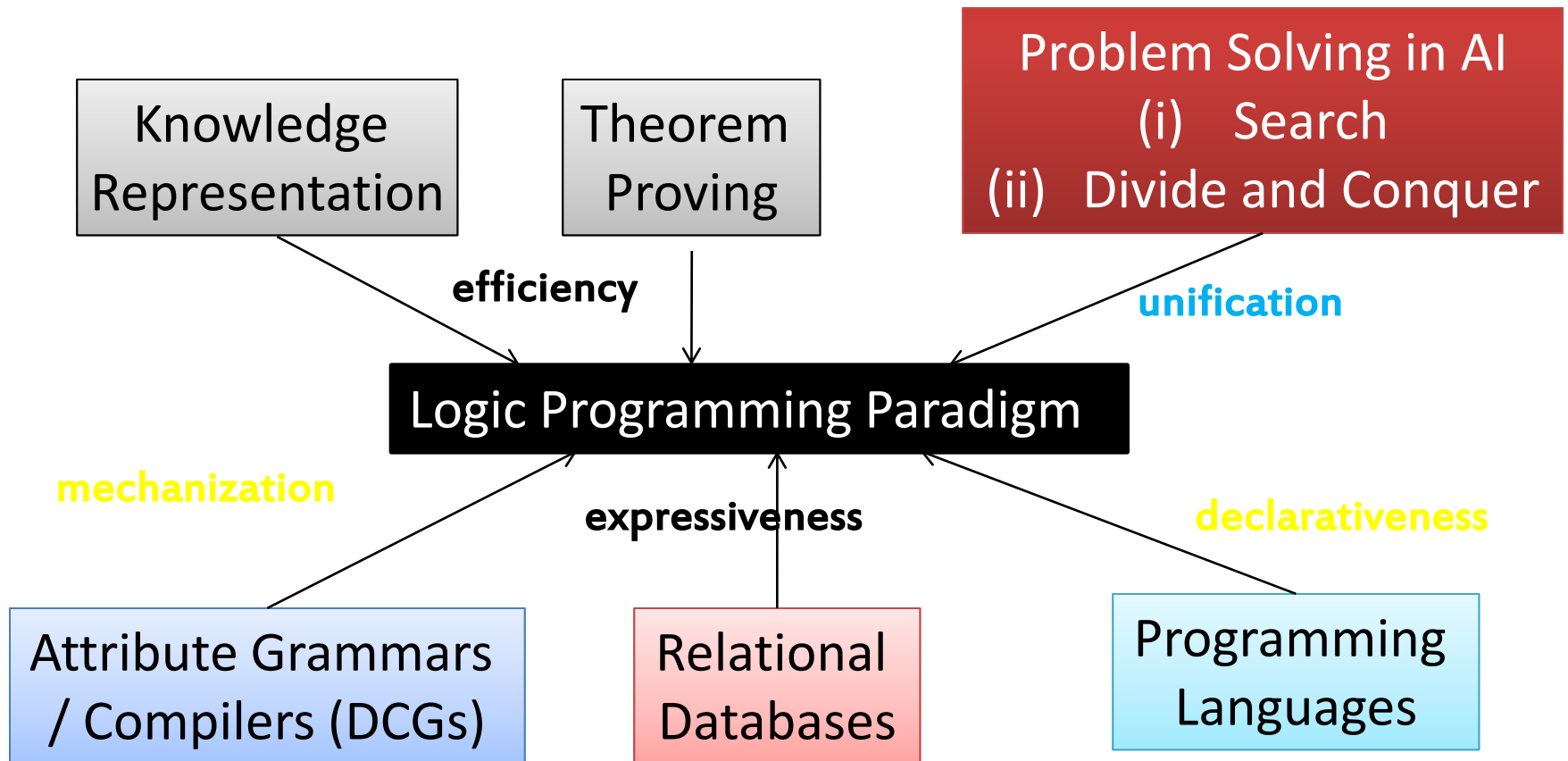
Different Kinds of Queries

- Verification
 - sig: list x list x list
 - `append([1], [2,3], [1,2,3]).`
- Concatenation
 - sig: list x list -> list
 - `append([1], [2,3], R).`

More Queries

- Constraint solving
 - sig: list x list -> list
 - append(R, [2,3], [1,2,3]).
 - sig: list -> list x list
 - append(A, B, [1,2,3]).
- Generation
 - sig: -> list x list x list
 - append(X, Y, Z).

Trading expressiveness for efficiency : Executable specification



Object-Oriented Style

- Programming with *Abstract Data Types*
 - ADTs specify/describe behaviors.
- Basic Program Unit: *Class*
 - Implementation of an ADT.
 - Abstraction enforced by encapsulation.
- Basic Run-time Unit: *Object*
 - Instance of a class.
 - Has an associated *state*.

Procedural vs Object-Oriented

- Emphasis on procedural abstraction.
- Top-down design;
Step-wise refinement.
- Suited for programming in the small.
- Emphasis on data abstraction.
- Bottom-up design;
Reusable libraries.
- Suited for programming in the large.

Integrating Heterogeneous Data

- In C, Pascal, etc., use
Union Type / Switch Statement
Variant Record Type / Case Statement
- In C++, Java, Eiffel, etc., use
Abstract Classes / Virtual Functions
Interfaces and Classes / Dynamic Binding

Comparison : *Figures* example

- Data

- Square

- side

- Circle

- radius

- Operation (area)

- Square

- $\text{side} * \text{side}$

- Circle

- $\text{PI} * \text{radius} * \text{radius}$

- Classes

- Square

- side

- area

(= $\text{side} * \text{side}$)

- Circle

- radius

- area

(= $\text{PI} * \text{radius} * \text{radius}$)

Adding a new operation

- Data

...

- Operation (area)
- Operation (perimeter)
 - Square
 - $4 * \text{side}$
 - Circle
 - $2 * \text{PI} * \text{radius}$

- Classes

- Square
 - ...
 - perimeter
 - (= $4 * \text{side}$)
- Circle
 - ...
 - perimeter
 - (= $2 * \text{PI} * \text{radius}$)

Adding a new data representation

- Data

- ...

- rectangle

- length

- width

- Operation (area)

- ...

- rectangle

- length * width

- Classes

- ...

- rectangle

- length

- width

- area

- (= length * width)

Procedural vs Object-Oriented

- New operations cause *additive* changes in procedural style, but require modifications to all existing “class modules” in object-oriented style.
- New data representations cause *additive* changes in object-oriented style, but require modifications to all “procedure modules”.

Object-Oriented Concepts

- Data Abstraction (specifies behavior)
- Encapsulation (controls visibility of names)
- Polymorphism (accommodates various implementations)
- Inheritance (facilitates code reuse)
- Modularity (relates to unit of compilation)

Example : Role of interface in decoupling

▶ **Client**

- Determine the number of elements in a collection.

▶ **Suppliers**

- Collections : Vector, String, List, Set, Array, etc

▶ **Procedural Style**

- A client is responsible for invoking appropriate supplier function for determining the size.

▶ **OOP Style**

- Suppliers are responsible for conforming to the standard interface required for exporting the size functionality to a client.

Client in Scheme

```
(define (size C)
  (cond
    ( (vector? C) (vector-length C) )
    ( (pair? C) (length C) )
    ( (string? C) (string-length C) )
    ( else "size not supported" ) )
))
```

```
(size (vector 1 2 (+ 1 2)))
(size '(one "two" 3))
```

Suppliers and Client in Java

```
interface Collection { int size(); }  
class myVector extends Vector  
                implements Collection {  
}  
class myString extends String  
                implements Collection {  
    public int size() { return length(); }  
}  
class myArray implements Collection {  
    int[] array;  
    public int size() { return array.length; }  
}
```

```
Collection c = new myVector(); c.size();
```