# Power of Prolog & Theory Understanding

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## "House"





## **Facts**

## **Rules**

Queries

### "House" in Prolog representation

```
edge(0, 1, 0). % edge(node_id, node_id, edge_id)
edge(0, 2, 1).
edge(0, 3, 4).
edge(1, 2, 5).
edge(1, 3, 2).
edge(2, 3, 3).
edge(2, 4, 6).
edge(3, 4, 7).
```

## Solution in Prolog

step([] , \_).

C current node; N next node; H head of list; T tail of list; E all edges

#### Find all solutions for "House" problem

Prolog finds one solution at the time and then waits for input.

- ; (semicolon) ask for searching another solution
- . (dot) stop searching

#### Find all solutions starting with 0,5 and 1 edges

```
?- solve([0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7], [0,5,1,_,_,_,]).
[0,5,1,4,3,6,7,2]
true;
[0,5,1,4,7,6,3,2]
true;
false.
```

#### "House" with 4 "roofs"

```
edge(0, 1, 0).
edge(0, 2, 1).
edge(1, 2, 2).
edge(1, 3, 3).
edge(1, 5, 4).
edge(1, 6, 5).
edge(2, 4, 6).
edge(2, 5, 7).
edge(2, 6, 8).
```

. . .

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. . .
edge(3, 5, 9).
edge(4, 6, 10).
edge(5, 7, 11).
edge(5, 6, 12).
edge(6, 7, 13).
```

#### Find all solutions for "house" with 4 "roofs" problem

- ?- solve([0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13], Solution).
  ^CAction (h for help) ? abort
- % Execution Aborted

#### Execution takes too long time! Why?

8! = 40,320

14! = 87,178,291,200

## Help from Graph Theory, Eulerian Path

Euler proved that as long as a graph has either 0 or 2\* vertices of odd degree, and the graph is connected (consists of a single piece), then it can be traversed through without visiting any of its edges twice.



4 odd degree vertices!

\* If it has two 2 vertices of odd degree, then it must start at one, and end at the other. https://puzzling.stackexchange.com/questions/12599/drawing-something-using-one-pen-stroke

(14-1)! = 6,227,020,800 >> (14-4)! = 3,628,800





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