

Learning algorithms using logic

(inductive logic programming)

input	output
cat	c
dog	d
bear	?

input	output
cat	c
dog	d
bear	b

```
def f(a):  
    return a[0]
```

input	output
cat	c
dog	d
bear	b

```
def f(a):  
    return head(a)
```

input	output
cat	c
dog	d
bear	b

$\forall A. \forall B. \text{head}(A, B) \rightarrow f(A, B)$

input	output
cat	c
dog	d
bear	b

$\forall A. \forall B. f(A, B) \leftarrow \text{head}(A, B)$

input	output
cat	c
dog	d
bear	b

$f(A, B) \leftarrow \text{head}(A, B)$

input	output
cat	c
dog	d
bear	b

`f(A,B) :- head(A,B).`

input	output
cat	a
dog	o
bear	?

input	output
cat	a
dog	o
bear	e

```
def f(a):  
    c = tail(a)  
    b = head(c)  
    return b
```

input	output
cat	a
dog	o
bear	e

$\forall A. \forall B. \forall C \text{ tail}(A, C) \wedge \text{head}(C, B) \rightarrow f(A, B)$

input	output
cat	a
dog	o
bear	e

$f(A,B) \leftarrow \text{tail}(A,C) \wedge \text{head}(C,B)$

input	output
cat	a
dog	o
bear	e

$f(A,B) \leftarrow \text{tail}(A,C), \text{head}(C,B)$

input	output
cat	a
dog	o
bear	e

`f(A,B):- tail(A,C), head(C,B)`

input	output
dog	g
sheep	p
chicken	?

input	output
dog	g
sheep	p
chicken	n

```
def f(a):  
    return a[-1]
```


input	output
dog	g
sheep	p
chicken	n

```
def f(a):  
    t = tail(a)  
    if empty(t):  
        return head(a)  
    return f(t)
```

input	output
dog	g
sheep	p
chicken	n

$\text{tail}(A, C) \wedge \text{empty}(C) \wedge \text{head}(A, B) \rightarrow f(A, B)$

$\text{tail}(A, C) \wedge f(C, B) \rightarrow f(A, B)$

input	output
dog	g
sheep	p
chicken	n

$f(A, B) \leftarrow \text{tail}(A, C), \text{empty}(C), \text{head}(A, B)$

$f(A, B) \leftarrow \text{tail}(A, C), f(C, B)$

input	output
dog	g
sheep	p
chicken	n


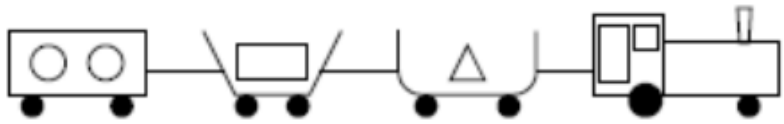
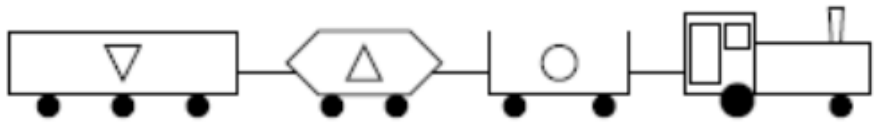

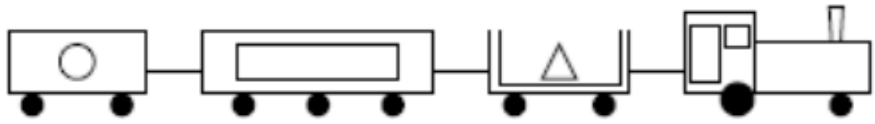
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f(A,B):- tail(A,C),empty(C),head(A,B).  
f(A,B):- tail(A,C),f(C,B).
```

input	output
ecv	cat
fqi	dog
iqqug	?

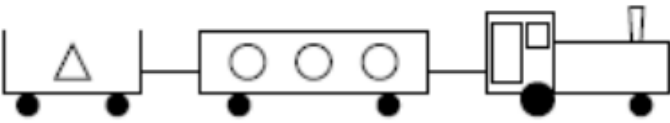




input	output
ecv	cat
fqi	dog
iqqug	goose

```
f(A,B):-  
    map(f1,A,B).  
f1(A,B):-  
    char_code(A,C),  
    succ(D,C),  
    succ(E,D),  
    char_code(B,E).
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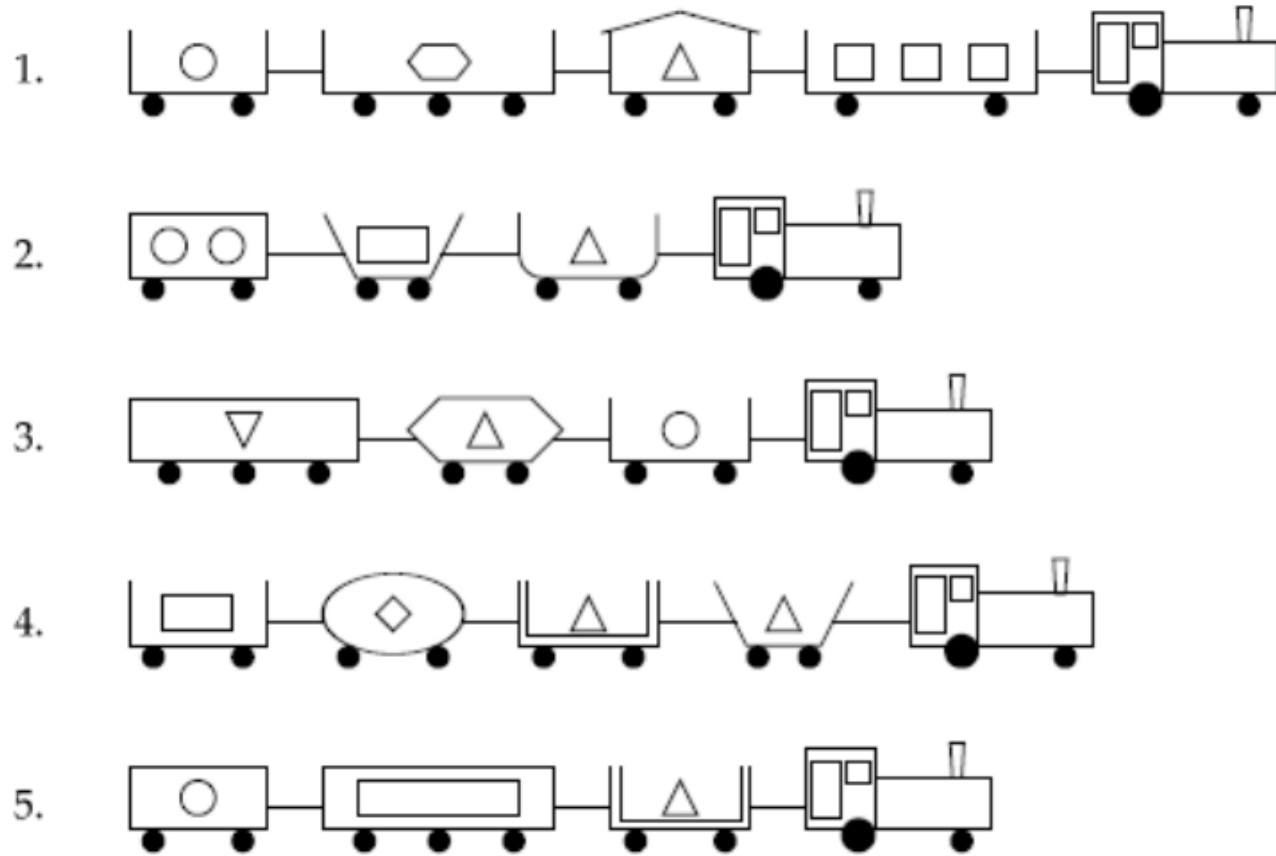
eastbound

1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 
5. 

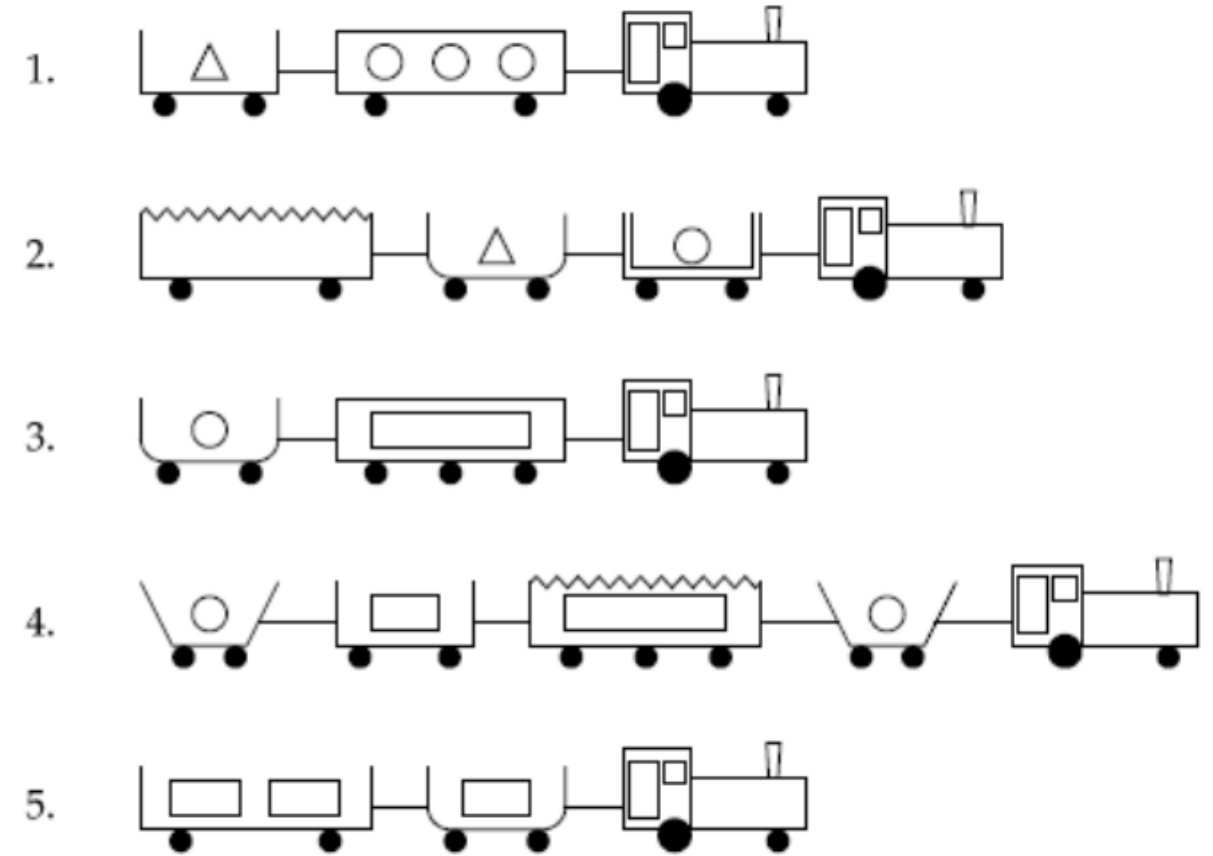
westbound

1. 
2. 
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eastbound



westbound



```
eastbound(A) :-  
    has_car(A,B),  
    short(B),  
    closed(B).
```

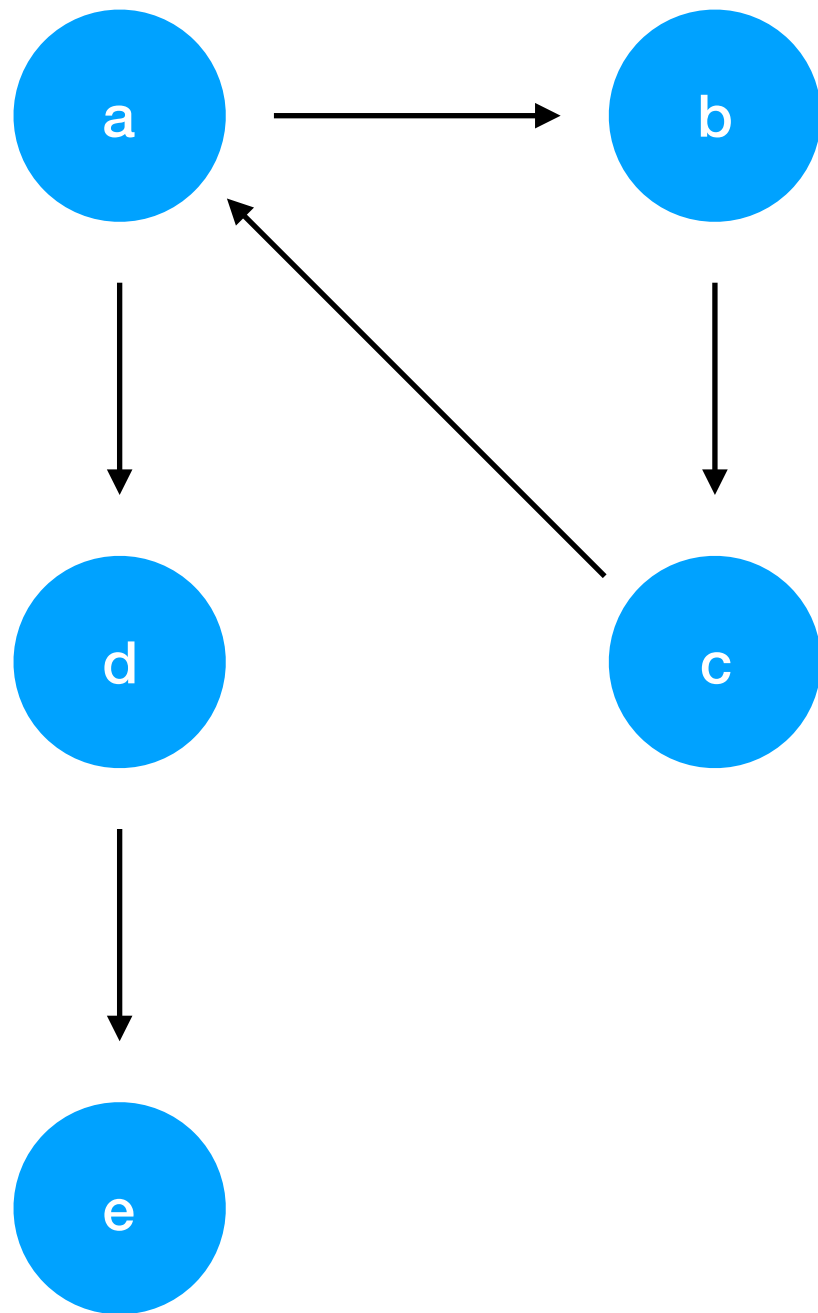

ILP learning from entailment setting

Input:

- Sets of atoms E^+ and E^-
- Logic program BK

Output:

- logic program H s.t
- $BK \cup H \models E^+$
- $BK \cup H \not\models E^-$



```
% bk  
edge(a,b).  
edge(b,c).  
edge(c,a).  
edge(a,d).  
edge(d,e).
```

```
% examples  
pos(reachable(a,c)).  
pos(reachable(b,e)).  
neg(reachable(d,a)).
```

```
reachable(A,B):- edge(A,B).  
reachable(A,B):- edge(A,C),reachable(C,B).
```

ILP approaches

Set covering

- generalise a specific clause (Progol, Aleph)
- specialise a general clause (FOIL)

Generate and test

- Answer set programming (HEXMIL, ILASP, INSPIRE)
- PL systems

Neural-ILP (DILP and now about 10^6 other systems)

Proof search (Metagol)

Metagol

- Prolog meta-interpreter
- 50 lines of code
- Proof search
- Uses metarules to guide the search
- Supports:
 - Recursion
 - Predicate invention
 - Higher-order programs

Meta-interpreter 1

```
prove(Atom):-  
    call(Atom).
```

Meta-interpreter 2

```
prove(true).
```

```
prove(Atom):-  
    clause(Atom, Body),  
    prove(Body).
```

```
prove((Atom, Atoms)):-  
    prove(Atom),  
    prove(Atoms).
```

Meta-interpreter 3

```
prove([]).
```

```
prove([Atom|Atoms]):-  
    clause(Atom,Body),  
    body_as_list(Body,BList),  
    prove(BList).
```


Metagol 1

```
prove([]).
```

```
prove([Atom|Atoms]):-  
    prove_aux(Atom),  
    prove(Atoms).
```

```
prove_aux(Atom):-  
    call(Atom).
```

```
prove_aux(Atom):-  
    metarule(Atom, Body),  
    prove(Body).
```

Metagol 2

```
prove([], P, P).
```

```
prove([Atom|Atoms], P1, P2) :-  
    prove_aux(Atom, P1, P3),  
    prove(Aatoms, P3, P2).
```

```
prove_aux(Atom, P, P) :-  
    call(Atom).
```

```
prove_aux(Atom, P1, P2) :-  
    metarule(Atom, Body, Subs),  
    save(Subs, P1, P3),  
    prove(Body, P3, P2).
```

Metarules

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(A, B)$

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(B, A)$

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(A), R(A, B)$

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(A, B), R(B)$

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(A, C), R(C, B)$

Logical reduction of metarules [ILP14, ILP18]

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$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(B, C), R(C, A)$

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(C, A), R(B, C)$

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(C, A), R(C, B)$

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(C, B), R(A, C)$

$P(A, B) \leftarrow Q(C, B), R(C, A)$



?

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Learning game rules

% examples

fizz(4,4).

fizz(3,fizz).

fizz(10,buzz).

fizz(11,11).

fizz(30,fizzbuzz).

```
% examples
fizz(4,4).
fizz(3,fizz).
fizz(10,buzz).
fizz(11,11).
fizz(30,fizzbuzz).
```

```
% hypothesis
fizzbuzz(N,fizz):-
    divisible(N,3),
    not(divisible(N,5)).
fizzbuzz(N,buzz):-
    not(divisible(N,3)),
    divisible(N,5).
fizzbuzz(N,fizzbuzz):-
    divisible(N,15).
fizzbuzz(N,N):-
    not(divisible(N,3)),
    not(divisible(N,5)).
```


Game	R	L	D	P
Minimal Decay	2	6	0	1
Minimal Even	8	19	0	1
Rainbow	10	48	0	1
Rock Paper Scissors	12	36	0	1
GT Chicken	16	78	0	2
GT Attrition	16	60	0	2
Coins	16	45	0	1
Buttons and Lights	16	44	1	1
Leafy	17	80	2	2
GT Prisoner	17	75	0	2
Eight Puzzle	17	60	2	1
Lightboard	18	69	2	2
Knights Tour	18	46	2	1
Sukoshi	19	49	1	2
Walkabout	22	66	2	2
Horseshoe	22	59	2	2
GT Ultimatum	22	67	0	2
Tron	23	76	2	2
9x Buttons and Lights	24	77	2	1
Hunter	24	69	2	1
GT Centipede	24	69	0	2
Fizz Buzz	25	74	0	1
Untwisty Corridor	27	68	0	1
Don't Touch	29	84	2	2
Tiger vs Dogs	30	88	2	2

Game	R	L	D	P
Sheep and Wolf	30	89	2	2
Duikoshi	31	76	2	2
TicTacToe	32	92	2	2
HexForThree	35	130	2	3
Connect 4	36	124	2	4
Breakthrough	36	126	2	2
Centipede	37	134	2	1
Forager	40	106	2	1
Sudoku	41	101	2	1
Sokoban	41	172	2	1
9x TicTacToe	42	149	2	2
Switches	44	183	2	1
Battle of Numbers	44	134	2	2
Free For All	46	130	2	2
Alquerque	49	134	2	2
Kono	50	134	2	2
Checkers	52	167	2	2
Pentago	53	188	2	2
Platform Jumpers	62	168	2	2
Pilgrimage	80	240	2	2
Firesheep	85	290	2	2
Farming Quandries	88	451	2	2
TTCC4	94	301	2	2
Frogs and Toads	97	431	2	2
Asylum	101	273	2	2

Learning higher-order programs

[IJCAI16]

Input	Output
[[i, j, c, a, i], [2, 0, 1, 6]]	[[i, j, c, a]]
[[1, 1], [a, a], [x, x]]	[[1], [a]]
[[1, 2, 3, 4, 5], [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]]	[[1, 2, 3, 4]]
[[1, 2], [1, 2, 3], [1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]]	[[1], [1, 2], [1, 2, 3]]

```
f(A,B) :- f4(A,C), f3(C,B).  
f4(A,B) :- map(A,B,f3).  
f3(A,B) :- f2(A,C), f1(C,B).  
f2(A,B) :- f1(A,C), tail(C,B).  
f1(A,B) :- reduceback(A,B,concat).
```

$f(A, B) : -\text{map}(A, C, \mathbf{f2}), \mathbf{f2}(C, B).$

$f2(A, B) : -\mathbf{f1}(A, C), \text{tail}(C, D), \mathbf{f1}(D, B).$

$f1(A, B) : -\text{reduceback}(A, B, \text{concat}).$

Lifelong learning

[ECAI14]

task	input	output
f	philip.larkin@sj.ox.ac.uk	Philip Larkin

task	input	output
f	philip.larkin@sj.ox.ac.uk	Philip Larkin

```
f(A,B):-  
    f1(A,C),  
    skip1(C,D),  
    space(D,E),  
    f1(E,F),  
    skiprest(F,B).  
f1(A,B):-  
    uppercase(A,C),  
    copyword(C,B).
```

10 seconds

task	input	output
g	tony	Tony

task	input	output
g	tony	Tony

g(A, B) : -uppercase(A, C), copyword(C, B).

task	input	output
g	tony	Tony
f	philip.larkin@sj.ox.ac.uk	Philip Larkin

$g(A, B) : -\text{uppercase}(A, C), \text{copyword}(C, B).$

task	input	output
g	tony	Tony
f	philip.larkin@sj.ox.ac.uk	Philip Larkin

`g(A,B) :- uppercase(A,C), copyword(C,B).`

`f(A,B) :- f1(A,C), f3(C,B).`

`f1(A,B) :- f3(A,C), skip1(C,B).`

`f2(A,B) :- g(A,C), skiprest(C,B).`

`f3(A,B) :- g(A,C), space(C,B).`

2 seconds

Learning efficient programs

[IJCAI15, MLJ18]

input	output
[s,h,e,e,p]	e
[a,l,p,a,c,a]	a
[c,h,i,c,k,e,n]	?

input	output
[s,h,e,e,p]	e
[a,l,p,a,c,a]	a
[c,h,i,c,k,e,n]	c

$f(A,B) :- \text{head}(A,B), \text{tail}(A,C), \text{element}(C,B).$

$f(A,B) :- \text{tail}(A,C), f(C,B).$

input	output
[s,h,e,e,p]	e
[a,l,p,a,c,a]	a
[c,h,i,c,k,e,n]	c

`f(A,B):-mergesort(A,C),f1(C,B).`

`f1(A,B):-head(A,B),tail(A,C),head(C,B).`

`f1(A,B):-tail(A,C),f1(C,B).`

input	output
My name is John.	John
My name is Bill.	Bill
My name is Josh.	Josh
My name is Albert.	Albert
My name is Richard.	Richard

```
f(A,B):-  
    tail(A,C),  
    dropLast(C,D),  
    dropWhile(D,B,not_uppercase).
```

```
f(A,B):-  
    tail(A,C),  
    dropLast(C,D),  
    dropWhile(D,B,not_uppercase).
```

1 →
n →
4n →

```
% learning f/2
% clauses: 1
% clauses: 2
% clauses: 3
% is better: 67
% is better: 57
% clauses: 4
% is better: 55
% clauses: 5
% is better: 53
% is better: 51
% is better: 49
% is better: 46
% clauses: 6
% is better: 41
% is better: 36
% is better: 31
f(A,B):-tail(A,C),f_1(C,B).
f_1(A,B):-f_2(A,C),dropLast(C,B).
f_2(A,B):-f_3(A,C),f_3(C,B).
f_3(A,B):-tail(A,C),f_4(C,B).
f_4(A,B):-f_5(A,C),f_5(C,B).
f_5(A,B):-tail(A,C),tail(C,B).
```

```
f(A,B):-  
    tail(A,C),  
    tail(C,D),  
    tail(D,E),  
    tail(E,F),  
    tail(F,G),  
    tail(G,H),  
    tail(H,I),  
    tail(I,J),  
    tail(J,K),  
    tail(K,L),  
    tail(L,M),  
    dropLast(M,B).
```

```
f(A,B):-  
    tail(A,C),  
    tail(C,D),  
    tail(D,E),  
    tail(E,F),  
    tail(F,G),  
    tail(G,H),  
    tail(H,I),  
    tail(I,J),  
    tail(J,K),  
    tail(K,L),  
    tail(L,M),  
    dropLast(M,B).
```

does this last



The good

- Generalisation
- Abstraction
- Data efficient
- Readable hypotheses
- Include prior knowledge
- Reason about the learning

The bad

- Tricky on messy problems
- Tricky on big problems
- Need to know what you are doing

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