

Top Down Proof Demonstrations

Using predicates - SLD Resolution

Start from query and work backwards.

SLD Resolution - Lion loose at NUIG.

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chases(lion, lecturer).  
chases(lion, nuig_student).  
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    chases(lion, lecturer).
    {X'/lion, X/lecturer}
yes(lecturer) ← smarter(lion, lecturer).
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    chases(lion, lecturer).
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yes(lecturer) ← smarter(lion, lecturer).
yes(lecturer) ←.
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    chases(lion, lecturer).
    {X'/lion, X/lecturer}
yes(lecturer) ← smarter(lion, lecturer).
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    chases(lion, nuig_student).
    {X'/lion, X/nuig_student}
yes(nuig_student) ← smarter(lion, nuig_student).
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    chases(lion, nuig_student).
    {X'/lion, X/nuig_student}
yes(nuig_student) ← smarter(lion, nuig_student). FAIL!
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FAIL!

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yes(nuig_student) ← deadend(nuig_student).
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Prolog trace

```
[trace] ?- caught(X).
Call: (7) caught(_G312) ? creep
Call: (8) chases(_L191,_G312) ? creep
Exit: (8) chases(lion, lecturer) ? creep
Call: (8) smarter(lion, lecturer) ? creep
Exit: (8) smarter(lion, lecturer) ? creep
Exit: (7) caught(lecturer) ? creep
X = lecturer ;
Redo: (8) chases(_L191,_G312) ? creep
Exit: (8) chases(lion, nuig_student) ? creep
Call: (8) smarter(lion, nuig_student) ? creep
Fail: (8) smarter(lion, nuig_student) ? creep
Redo: (7) caught(_G312) ? creep
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Call: (8) chases(_L199,_G312) ? creep
Exit: (8) chases(lion, lecturer) ? creep
Call: (8) deadend(lecturer) ? creep
Fail: (8) deadend(lecturer) ? creep
Redo: (8) chases(_L199,_G312) ? creep
Exit: (8) chases(lion, nuig_student) ? creep
Call: (8) deadend(nuig_student) ? creep
Exit: (8) deadend(nuig_student) ? creep
Exit: (7) caught(nuig_student) ? creep
X = nuig_student ;
No
```

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).  
parent(brid, liam).  
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).
```

```
parent(diarmuid, padhraic).  
parent(maire, diarmuid).  
ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).
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List of ancestors found:

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{X'/X, Y'/liam}
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parent(padhraic,liam).
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```
yes(brid) ←
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ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y') ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam) ∧ parent(X, Z')
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y')
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
    parent(padhraic,liam).
    {Z'/padhraic,X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X, padhraic ).
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
    parent(padhraic,liam).
    {Z'/padhraic,X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X, padhraic ).
    parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
    {X/diarmuid}
yes(diarmuid) ← parent(diarmuid,padhraic).
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).           parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).              parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).     ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
    parent(padhraic,liam).
    {Z'/padhraic,X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X, padhraic ).
    parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
    {X/diarmuid}
yes(diarmuid) ← parent(diarmuid,padhraic).
yes(diarmuid) ←
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
    parent(padhraic,liam).
    {Z'/padhraic,X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X, padhraic ).
    parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
    {X/diarmuid}
yes(diarmuid) ← parent(diarmuid,padhraic).
yes(diarmuid) ←
```

List of ancestors found:

```
padhraic
brid
diarmuid
```

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
    parent(padhraic,liam).
    {Z'/padhraic,X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X, padhraic ).
    parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
    {X/diarmuid}
yes(diarmuid) ← parent(diarmuid,padhraic).
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
    parent(padhraic,liam).
    {Z'/padhraic,X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X, padhraic ).
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
    parent(brid,liam).
    {Z'/brid,X/_}
yes(X) ← parent(X,brid).
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).
```

```
yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
```

```
  ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
  {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
```

```
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
```

```
  ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
  {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
```

```
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
```

```
  parent(brid,liam).
  {Z'/brid,X/-}
```

```
yes(X) ← parent(X,brid).
```

FAIL!

List of ancestors found:

```
padhraic
brid
diarmuid
```

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
    parent(brid,liam).
    {Z'/brid,X/_}
yes(X) ← parent(X,brid).
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X', Y' )
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam}
yes(X) ← parent(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z' )
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(W',Y') ∧ parent(X',W')
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam, W'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).
```

```
yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
```

```
  ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
  {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
```

```
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
```

```
  ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(W',Y') ∧ parent(X',W')
  {X'/Z',Y'/liam, W'/-}
```

```
yes(X) ← ancestor(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
```

```
  ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X',Y')
  {X'/W',Y'/liam,Z'/-}
```

```
yes(X) ← parent(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(W',Y') ∧ parent(X',W')
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam, W'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X',Y')
    {X'/W',Y'/liam,Z'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    parent(padhraic, liam).
    {W'/padhraic, Z'/-, X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(Z',padhraic) ∧ parent(X,Z').
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(W',Y') ∧ parent(X',W')
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam, W'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X',Y')
    {X'/W',Y'/liam,Z'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    parent(padhraic, liam).
    {W'/padhraic, Z'/-, X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(Z',padhraic) ∧ parent(X,Z').
    parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
    {Z'/diarmuid, X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X,diarmuid).
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(W',Y') ∧ parent(X',W')
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam, W'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X',Y')
    {X'/W',Y'/liam,Z'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    parent(padhraic, liam).
    {W'/padhraic, Z'/-, X/-}
yes(X) ← parent(Z',padhraic) ∧ parent(X,Z').
    parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
    {Z'/diarmuid, X/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X,diarmuid).
    parent(maire, diarmuid).      {X/maire}
yes(maire) ← parent(maire,diarmuid).
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).          parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).             parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).    ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(W',Y') ∧ parent(X',W')
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam, W'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X',Y')
    {X'/W',Y'/liam,Z'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    parent(padhraic, liam).
    {W'/padhraic, Z'/-, X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(Z',padhraic) ∧ parent(X,Z').
    parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
    {Z'/diarmuid, X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X,diarmuid).
    parent(maire, diarmuid).      {X/maire}
yes(maire) ← parent(maire,diarmuid).
yes(maire) ←
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid

SLD Resolution: ?-ancestor(X, liam) - Recursive Example

```
parent(padhraic, liam).           parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
parent(brid, liam).              parent(maire, diarmuid).
ancestor(X,Y) ← parent(X,Y).     ancestor(X,Y) ← ancestor(Z,Y) ∧ parent (X,Z).

yes(X) ← ancestor(X,liam).
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(Z', Y' ) ∧ parent(X',Z')
    {X'/X,Y'/liam, Z'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(Z', liam ) ∧ parent(X, Z')
    ancestor(X,Y') ← ancestor(W',Y') ∧ parent(X',W')
    {X'/Z',Y'/liam, W'/-}
yes(X) ← ancestor(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    ancestor(X',Y') ← parent(X',Y')
    {X'/W',Y'/liam,Z'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(W', liam) ∧ parent(Z', W') ∧ parent(X,Z')
    parent(padhraic, liam).
    {W'/padhraic, Z'/-, X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(Z',padhraic) ∧ parent(X,Z').
    parent(diarmuid, padhraic).
    {Z'/diarmuid, X'/-}
yes(X) ← parent(X,diarmuid).
    parent(maire, diarmuid).      {X/maire}
yes(maire) ← parent(maire,diarmuid).
yes(maire) ←
```

List of ancestors found:
padhraic
brid
diarmuid
maire