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Ontology-Based Data Access

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Recap of Lecture 6

Data Exchange

- ▶ Specific semantic integration scenario for two data sources with possibly different schemata
- ▶ Mapping $\mathcal{M} = (\sigma, \tau, M_{\sigma\tau}, M_{\tau})$
 - ▶ σ : source schema
 - ▶ τ : target schema
 - ▶ $M_{\sigma\tau}$: source target dependencies (mostly: st-tgds)
 - ▶ M_{τ} : target dependencies
- ▶ Ultimate aim: For given σ instance find appropriate τ instance (solution) to do query answering on it
- ▶ Chase construction gave universal model: model with weakest assumptions
- ▶ Universal model may contain redundancies: considered cores; but as universal models are sufficient and cores may be costly, stucked to universal models
- ▶ Looked at certain answering and the use of rewriting to yield certain answers

End of Recap

References

- ▶ ESSLLI 2010 Course by Calvanese and Zakharyashev

<http://www.inf.unibz.it/~calvanese/teaching/2010-08-ESSLLI-DL-QA/>

- ▶ Reasoning Web Summer School 2014 course by Kontchakov on Description Logics

[http:](http://rw2014.di.uoa.gr/sites/default/files/slides/An_Introduction_to_Description_Logics.pdf)

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- ▶ Lecture notes by Calvanese in 2013/2014 course on Ontology and Database Systems

<https://www.inf.unibz.it/~calvanese/teaching/14-15-odbs/lecture-notes/>

- ▶ Course notes by Franz Baader on Description Logics
- ▶ Parts of Reasoning Web Summer School 2014 course by Ö. on Ontology-Based Data Access on Temporal and Streaming Data

http://rw2014.di.uoa.gr/sites/default/files/slides/Ontology_Based_Data_Access_on_Temporal_and_Streaming_Data.pdf

Ontology-Based Data Access as Integration

- ▶ Data Exchange can be considered as semantic integration purely on DB level
- ▶ OBDA can be considered as integration using an ontology
- ▶ Bridges DB world (closes world assumption) and ontology world (open world assumption)

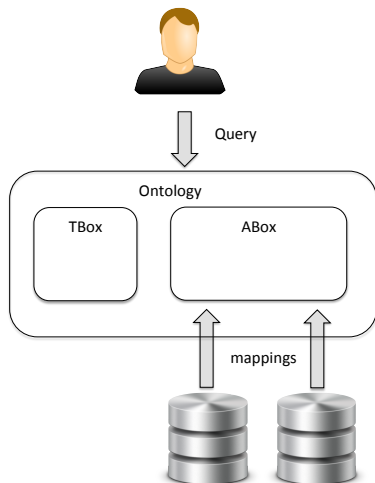
Closed World Assumption

- ▶ DB theory: closed-world assumption (CWA)
 - ▶ All and only those facts mentioned in DB hold.
- ▶ Simple form of uncertain knowledge expressed by NULLs
 - ▶ For one incomplete DB there are many completions
 - ▶ Nonetheless: Type information on attribute constraints the possible attribute instances
- ▶ In DE incompleteness generated by different schemata
- ▶ Flight scenario: Source DB had no flight number, whilst target DB has
⇒ introduction of NULLs for flight number attribute
- ▶ Logical theories (ontologies) adhere to open world assumption (OWA)
 - ▶ If something is not told, then we do not know
 - ▶ Logical theories (ontologies) may have many models

OBDA: Motivation and Overview

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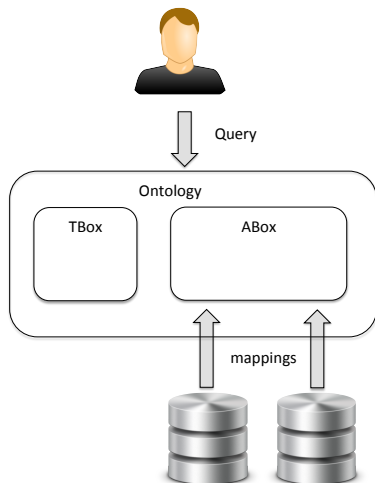
Ontology (Australia) Paradise



Backend DB Dungeon

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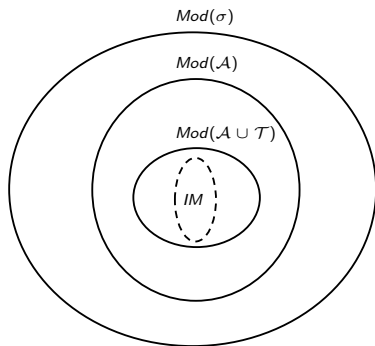
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General Idea

- ▶ \mathcal{A} : Represents facts in domain of interest
- ▶ Open world assumption: $Mod(\mathcal{A})$ is not a singleton
- ▶ \mathcal{T} : Constrains $Mod(\mathcal{A})$ with intended σ readings
- ▶ Usually one has only approximations of intended models IM
- ▶ Realize inference services on the basis of the constrained interpretations

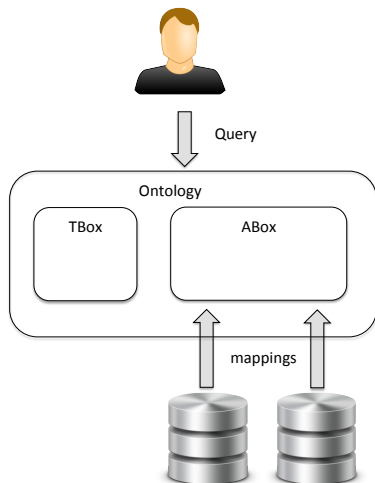


WARNING: A Misconception

- ▶ With ontologies one does not declare data structures
- ▶ ABox data in most cases show pattern of data structures
- ▶ One does not have to re-model patterns/constraints in the ABox data
 - ▶ Knowing “All A are B ” in the ABox is different from stipulating $A \sqsubseteq B$ (the former is known as **integrity constraint**)
 - ▶ Add $A \sqsubseteq B$, if you need to handle this relation for objects not mentioned in the ABox
- ▶ Motto: Keep the TBox simple

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Reasoning Services

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- ▶ May be reducible to each other
- ▶ Examples: consistency check, subsumption check, taxonomy calculations, most specific subsumer, most specific concept, matching, ...
- ▶ In classical OBDA focus on
 - ▶ Consistency checking: $Mod(\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{T}) \neq \emptyset$.
 - ▶ Query answering
- ▶ Next to ABox and TBox language query language QL over σ is a relevant factor for OBDA
- ▶ Certain query answering

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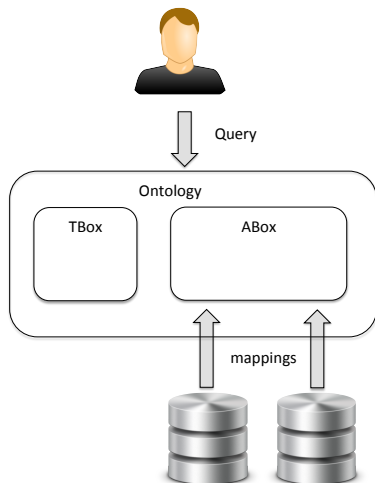
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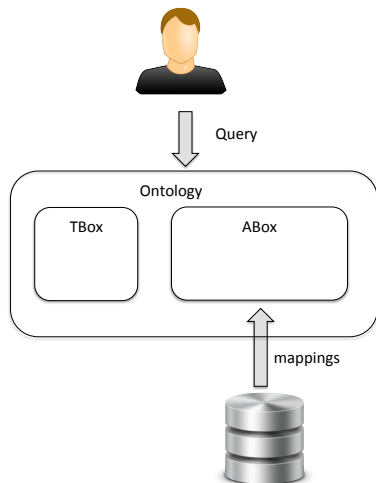


Backend Data Sources

- ▶ Classically: relational SQL DBs with static data
- ▶ Possible extensions: non-SQL DBs
 - ▶ datawarehouse repositories for statistical applications
 - ▶ pure logfiles
 - ▶ RDF repositories
- ▶ Non-static data
 - ▶ historical data (stored in temporal DB)
 - ▶ dynamic data coming in streams
- ▶ Originally intended for multiple DBs but ...

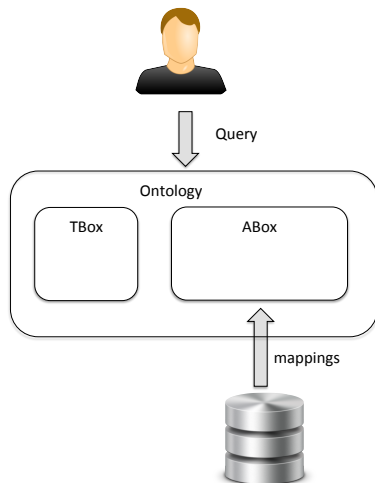
Federation

- ▶ ... we would have to deal with federation
- ▶ not trivial in classical OBDA
- ▶ ...
- ▶ because one has to integrate data from different DBs
- ▶ Ignore federation aspect: we have one DB but possibly many tables



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Mappings

- ▶ Mappings have an important crucial role in OBDA
- ▶ Lift data to the ontology level
 - ▶ Data level: (nearly) close world
 - ▶ Ontology Level: open world

Schema of Mappings

$$m : \psi(\vec{f}(\vec{x})) \longleftarrow Q(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$$

- ▶ $\psi(\vec{f}(\vec{x}))$: Template (query) for generating ABox axioms
 - ▶ $Q(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$: Query over the backend sources
 - ▶ Function \vec{f} translates backend instantiations of \vec{x} to constants
- ▶ Mappings M over backend sources generates ABox $\mathcal{A}(M, DB)$.

Example Scenario: Measurements

- ▶ Example schema for measurement and event data in DB

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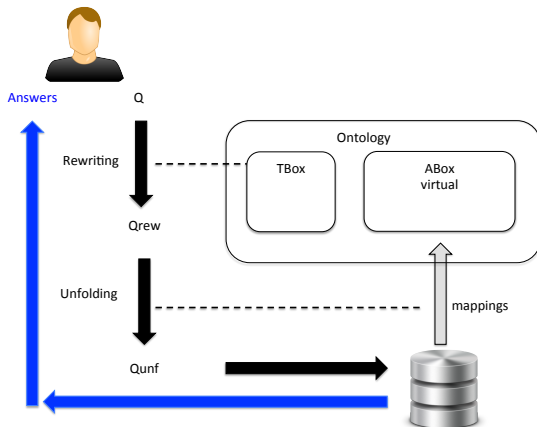
(Strange) Maps of a Different Kind

- ▶ Jacobs strange maps:

<http://bigthink.com/articles?blog=strange-maps>

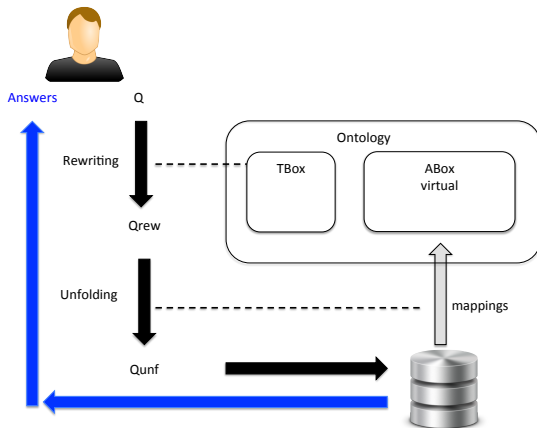
OBDA in the Classical Sense

- Keep the data where they are because of large volume
- ABox is virtual (no materialization)



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- First-order logic (FOL) perfect rewriting + unfolding for realizing reasoning services



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- ▶ \mathcal{T} language: Some logic of the DL-Lite family
- ▶ \mathcal{A} language: assertions of the form $A(a), R(a, b)$
- ▶ QL : Unions of conjunctive queries (UCQs)
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Extended OBDA

- ▶ Use more expressive TBox language
 - ▶ ABDEO (Accessing very big data using expressive ontologies)
 - ▶ Rewritability for UCQs not guaranteed
 - ▶ Materialize ABox and use ABox modularization to answer queries
- ▶ Use different (more expressive) QL
 - ▶ E.g. SPARQL instead of UCQ; but no full existentials in combination with DL-Lite
 - ▶ OWL2QL + SPARQL used in Optique platform
- ▶ Use different reasoning/rewriting paradigm
 - ▶ e.g. combined rewriting: First enhance ABox with TBox information and then rewrite
 - ▶ Streaming

Ontologies and Description Logics

Description Logics

Definition

Description logics (DLs) are logics for use in knowledge representation with special attention on a good balance of **expressibility** and **feasibility** of reasoning services

- ▶ Can be mapped to fragments of FOL
- ▶ Use
 - ▶ as ontology representation language for conceptual modeling
 - ▶ in particular in the semantic web
 - ▶ Formal counterpart of standard web ontology language (OWL)
 - ▶ and in particular for ontology-based data access (OBDA)
- ▶ Have been investigated for ca. 30 years now
 - ▶ Many theoretical insights on various different purpose DLs
 - ▶ General-purpose reasoners (RacerPro, Fact++, ...) and specific reasoners (Quest,...)
 - ▶ Various editing tools (most notably Protege)

Family of DLs

- ▶ Variable-free logics centered around concepts
- ▶ concepts = one-ary predicates in FOL = classes in OWL

Example (Concepts)

- ▶ *Students* (“students”)
- ▶ *Students* \sqcap *Male* (“Male students”)
- ▶ $\exists \textit{attends}.\textit{MathCourse}$ (“Those attending a math course”)
- ▶ $\forall \textit{hasFriends}.\textit{Freaks}$ (“Those having only freaks as friends”)
- ▶ *Person* $\sqcap \forall \textit{attends}.(\textit{Course} \sqcap \neg \textit{easy})$
 (“Persons attending only non-easy courses”)

An (Semi-)Expressive Logic: \mathcal{ALC}

- **Vocabulary:** constants N_i , atomic concepts N_C , roles N_R

- **Concept(description)s: syntax**

$$C ::= A \quad (\text{for } A \in N_C) \mid C \sqcap C \mid C \sqcup C \mid \neg C \mid \\ \forall r.C \mid \exists r.C \quad (\text{for } r \in N_R) \mid \perp \mid \top$$

- **Concept(description)s: semantics**

- Interpretation $\mathcal{I} =$
 $\left(\underbrace{\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}}_{\text{domain}}, \underbrace{\cdot^{\mathcal{I}}}_{\text{denotation function}} \right)$

- $A^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ for all $A \in N_C$
- $c^{\mathcal{I}} \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ for all $c \in N_i$
- $r^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \times \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$
for all $r \in N_R$

- $(C \sqcap D)^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}} \cap D^{\mathcal{I}}$
- $(C \sqcup D)^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}} \cup D^{\mathcal{I}}$
- $\neg C = \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \setminus C^{\mathcal{I}}$
- $(\forall r.C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{d \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{for all } e \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} : \\ \text{If } (d, e) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ then } e \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}$
- $(\exists r.C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{d \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{there is } e \in \\ \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ s.t. } (d, e) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ and } e \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}$

TBox and ABox

► Terminological Box (TBox) \mathcal{T}

- Finite set of general concept inclusions (GCI)
- GCI: axioms of form $C \sqsubseteq D$ (for arbitrary concept descriptions)
 $C \equiv D$ abbreviates $\{C \sqsubseteq D, D \sqsubseteq C\}$
- Semantics: $\mathcal{I} \models C \sqsubseteq D$ iff $C^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq D^{\mathcal{I}}$.

► Assertional Box (ABox) \mathcal{A}

- Finite set of assertions
- Assertion: $C(a)$ (concept assertion), $r(a, b)$ (role assertion)
- Semantics: $\mathcal{I} \models a^{\mathcal{I}} \in C^{\mathcal{I}}$, $\mathcal{I} \models r(a, b)$ iff $(a^{\mathcal{I}}, b^{\mathcal{I}}) \in r^{\mathcal{I}}$.

► Ontology: $(\sigma, \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$

We follow the bad CS practice of calling KBs in DLs ontologies. We apologize to all philosophers for this use ;)

Example (University)

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- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_3 \not\models \mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{A}$

Stricter notion of TBox

- ▶ Above definition of TBox very general
 - ▶ “Meanings” of concept names determined only implicitly in the whole ontology
 - ▶ No guarantee for unique extensions
- ▶ Early notion of TBox more related to idea of **explicitly defining** concept names
- ▶ $C \equiv D$ used as abbreviation for $C \sqsubseteq D$ and $D \sqsubseteq C$
- ▶ Concept definition: $A \equiv D$ (where A atomic)

Definition

A **TBox in a strict sense** is a finite set of concept definitions not defining a concept multiple times or in a cyclic manner. **Defined concepts** occur on the lhs, **primitive concept** on the rhs of definitions.

Implicit vs. Explicit Definability

- ▶ Sometimes a general TBox may fix the denotation of a concept name w.r.t. denotations of the others \implies implicit definability
- ▶ Maybe then it can also be defined explicitly?

Definition

Given an FOL theory Ψ over signature σ and a predicate symbol R .

- ▶ R is **implicitly defined** in Ψ iff
for any two models $\mathfrak{A} \models \Psi$ and $\mathfrak{B} \models \Psi$ agreeing on $\sigma \setminus \{R\}$
one has $R^{\mathfrak{A}} = R^{\mathfrak{B}}$.
- ▶ R is **explicitly defined** in Ψ by a formula $\phi(\vec{x})$ not containing R iff $\Psi \models \forall \vec{x} R(\vec{x}) \leftrightarrow \phi(\vec{x})$

Beth Definability Theorem

- For FOL both notions of definition coincide

Theorem

An FOL theory defines a predicate implicitly iff it defines it explicitly

- Though DLs are embedable into FOL, this coincidence does not transfer necessarily to DL
- At least it does for \mathcal{ALC} theories

Lit: B. ten Cate, E. Franconi, and I. Seylan. Beth definability in expressive description logics. *J. Artif. Int. Res.*, 48(1): 347–414, Oct. 2013.

Reasoning services

- ▶ Semantical notions as in FOL but additional notions due to focus on concepts
- ▶ Let $\mathcal{O} = (\sigma, \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$

Definition (Basic Semantical Notions)

- ▶ **Model:** $\mathcal{I} \models \mathcal{O}$ iff $\mathcal{I} \models \mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{A}$
- ▶ **Satisfiability:** \mathcal{O} is satisfiable iff $\mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{A}$ is satisfiable
- ▶ **Coherence:** \mathcal{O} is coherent iff $\mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{A}$ has a model \mathcal{I} s.t. for all concept names $A^{\mathcal{I}} \neq \emptyset$
- ▶ **Concept satisfiability:** C is satisfiable w.r.t. \mathcal{O} iff there is $\mathcal{I} \models \mathcal{O}$ s.t. $C^{\mathcal{I}} \neq \emptyset$
- ▶ **Subsumption:** C is subsumed by D w.r.t. \mathcal{O} iff $\mathcal{O} \models C \sqsubseteq D$ iff $\mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{A} \models C \sqsubseteq D$
- ▶ **Instance check:** a is an instance of C w.r.t. \mathcal{O} iff $\mathcal{O} \models C(a)$

Reduction Examples

- ▶ Many of the semantical notions are reducible to each other
- ▶ We give only one example in the following exercise

Wake-Up Exercise

Show that subsumption can be reduced to satisfiability tests (allowing the introduction of new constants). More concretely:

$C \sqsubseteq D$ w.r.t. \mathcal{O} iff $(\sigma \cup \{b\}, \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A} \cup \{C(b), \neg D(b)\})$ is not satisfiable (where b is a fresh constant).

Extended Reasoning Services

Definition

- ▶ **Instance retrieval:** Find all constants x s.t. $\mathcal{O} \models C(x)$
- ▶ **Query answering:** Certain answers
 $cert(\phi(x), \mathcal{O}) = \{\vec{a} \in Const_{\sigma} \mid \mathcal{O} \models \phi[\vec{x}/\vec{a}]\}$
- ▶ **Classification:** Compute the subsumption hierarchy of all concept names
- ▶ **Realization:** Compute the most specific concept name to which a given constant belongs
- ▶ Pinpointing, matching, ...

Example (Certain Answers for Conjunctive Queries)

$$\mathcal{T} = \{ \top \sqsubseteq \text{Male} \sqcup \text{Female}, \text{Male} \sqcap \text{Female} \sqsubseteq \perp \}$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \{ \text{friend}(\text{john}, \text{susan}), \text{friend}(\text{john}, \text{andrea}), \text{female}(\text{susan}), \\ \text{loves}(\text{susan}, \text{andrea}), \text{loves}(\text{andrea}, \text{bill}), \text{Male}(\text{bill}) \}$$

$$Q(x) = \exists y, z (\text{friend}(x, y) \wedge \text{Female}(y) \wedge \text{loves}(y, z) \wedge \text{Male}(z))$$

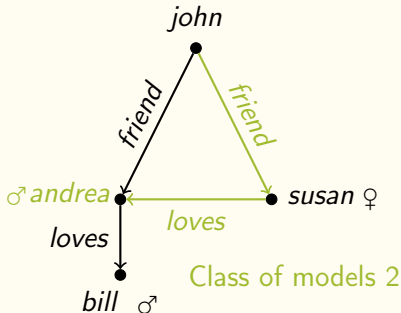
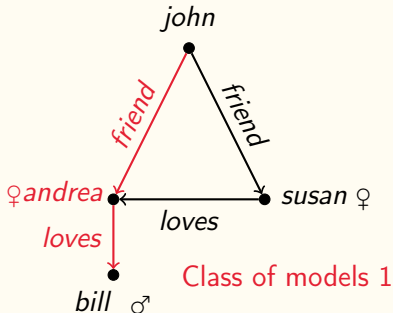
- ▶ $\text{cert}(Q(x), \mathcal{O}) = ?$
- ▶ We have to consider all possible models of the ontology
- ▶ But there actually two classes:
Andrea is male vs. Andrea is not male.

Example (Certain Answers for Conjunctive Queries)

$$\mathcal{T} = \{ \top \sqsubseteq \text{Male} \sqcup \text{Female}, \text{Male} \sqcap \text{Female} \sqsubseteq \perp \}$$

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Embedding into FOL

- ▶ Most DLs (such as \mathcal{ALC}) can be embedded into FOL
- ▶ Notion of embedding is well-defined as FOL structures are used for semantics of DLs.
- ▶ Correspondence idea
Concept names = unary predicates, roles = binary predicates,
GCI = \forall rules
- ▶ Define for any concept description and variable x its corresponding x -open formula $\tau_x(C)$
 - ▶ $\tau_x(A) = A(x)$
 - ▶ $\tau_x(C \sqcap D) = \tau_x(C) \wedge \tau_x(D)$
 - ▶ $\tau_x(C \sqcup D) = \tau_x(C) \vee \tau_x(D)$
 - ▶ $\tau_x(\neg C) = \neg \tau_x(C)$
 - ▶ $\tau_x(\forall r.C) = \forall y(r(x, y) \rightarrow \tau_y(C))$
 - ▶ $\tau_x(\exists r.C) = \exists y(r(x, y) \wedge \tau_y(C))$
- ▶ ABox axioms not changed
- ▶ TBox axioms: $C \sqsubseteq D$ becomes $\forall x(\tau_x(C) \rightarrow \tau_x(D))$

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$$\forall y[r(x, y) \rightarrow (A(y) \wedge \exists x[r(y, x) \wedge B(x)])]$$

NB: There are free and bound occurrences of x

DL Family

- ▶ Different DLs for different purposes
 - ▶ What is more important: Expressivity or feasibility?
 - ▶ Which kinds of reasoning services does one have to provide?
- ▶ Differences regarding
 - ▶ the allowed set of concept constructors
 - ▶ the allowed set of role constructors
 - ▶ the allowed types of TBox axioms
 - ▶ the allowed types of ABox axioms
 - ▶ the allowance of concrete domains and attributes (such as *hasAge* with range the domain of integers)

Family of DLs and their Namings

- ▶ \mathcal{AL} : attributive language
- ▶ \mathcal{C} : (full) complement/negation
- ▶ \mathcal{I} : inverse roles $((r^{-1})^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(d, e) \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \times \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid (e, d) \in r^{\mathcal{I}}\})$
- ▶ \mathcal{H} : role inclusions $(hasFather \sqsubseteq hasParent)$
- ▶ \mathcal{S} : \mathcal{ALC} + transitive roles $(trans \ isReachable)$
- ▶ \mathcal{N} : unqualified number restrictions $((\geq n \ r)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{d \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \#(\{e \mid (d, e) \in r^{\mathcal{I}}\}) \geq n\})$
- ▶ \mathcal{O} : nominals $\{b\}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{b^{\mathcal{I}}\}$
- ▶ \mathcal{Q} : qualified number restrictions $((\geq n \ r.C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{d \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \#(\{e \mid (d, e) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ and } e \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}) \geq n\})$
- ▶ \mathcal{F} : functionality constraints $\mathcal{I} \models (func \ R) \text{ iff } R^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ is a function}$
- ▶ \mathcal{R} : role chains and $\exists R.Self$ $(hasFather \circ hasMother \sqsubseteq hasgrandMa)$
 $(narcist \equiv \exists likes.Self)$
- ▶ OWL 2 is \mathcal{SROIQ}

Lightweight DLs

- ▶ Lightweight DLs favor feasibility over expressibility by, roughly, dis-allowing disjunction
- ▶ In principle three lightweight logics that have corresponding OWL 2 profiles
- ▶ \mathcal{EL} (OWL 2 EL)
 - ▶ No inverses, no negation, no \forall
 - ▶ polynomial time algorithms for all the standard reasoning tasks with large ontologies
- ▶ DL-Lite (OWL 2 QL)
 - ▶ TBox: No qualified existentials on lhs
 - ▶ Feasible CQ answering using rewriting and unfolding leveraging RDBS technology
- ▶ RL (OWL 2 RL)
 - ▶ TBox restriction: “Only concept names on the rhs”
 - ▶ Polynomial time algorithms leveraging rule-extended database technologies operating directly on RDF triples

Comparison

	RL	EL	QL
inverse roles	+	-	+
rhs qual. exist	-	+	+
lhs qual. exist.	+	+	-

Complexity

- ▶ A nearly complete picture of reasoning services for DLs
- ▶ Research in DL community as of now resembles complexity farming
- ▶ DL complexity navigator:
<http://www.cs.man.ac.uk/~ezolin/dl> (Last update 2013)

Tableaux Calculus for \mathcal{ALC}

- ▶ Efficient calculi are at the core of DL reasoners
- ▶ Tableaux calculi have been implemented successfully
- ▶ Refutation calculus based on disjunctive normal form
- ▶ We demonstrate it here at an example for \mathcal{ALC} TBoxes
- ▶ For a full description and proofs see handbook article by Baader

Lit: F. Baader and W. Nutt. Basic description logics. In F. Baader et al., editors, *The Description Logic Handbook*, pages 43–95. Cambridge University Press, 2003.

Tableaux Example

- ▶ \mathcal{ALC} tableau gives tests for satisfiability of ABox
- ▶ by checking whether obvious contradictions (clashes with complementary literals) are contained
- ▶ An ABox that is complete (no rules applicable anymore) and open (no clashes) describes a model
 - ▶ applies tableau rules to extend ABox

Rules

- ▶ Starts with an ABox \mathcal{A}_0 which is in negation normal form (NNF, \neg in front of concept names)
- ▶ Apply rules to construct new ABoxes; indeterminism due to \sqcup rule

Rule	Condition	\leadsto	Effect
\leadsto_{\sqcap}	$(C \sqcap D)(x) \in \mathcal{A}$	\leadsto	$\mathcal{A} \cup \{C(x), D(x)\}$
\leadsto_{\sqcup}	$(C \sqcup D)(x) \in \mathcal{A}$	\leadsto	$\mathcal{A} \cup \{C(x)\}$ or $\mathcal{A} \cup \{D(x)\}$
\leadsto_{\exists}	$(\exists r.C)(x) \in \mathcal{A}$	\leadsto	$\mathcal{A} \cup \{r(x, y), C(y)\}$ for fresh y
\leadsto_{\forall}	$(\forall r.C)(x), r(x, y) \in \mathcal{A}$	\leadsto	$\mathcal{A} \cup \{C(y)\}$

- ▶ Rules only applicable if they lead to an addition of assertion
- ▶ One obtains a tree with ABoxes (due to indeterminism)
- ▶ Within each ABox a tree-like structure is established (tree-model property)

Example

- ▶ Given: $\mathcal{T} = \{ \text{GoodStudent} \equiv \text{Smart} \sqcap \text{Studious} \}$
 - ▶ Subsumption test:
 $\mathcal{T} \models \exists \text{knows}.\text{Smart} \sqcap \exists \text{knows}.\text{Studious} \sqsubseteq \exists \text{knows}.\text{GoodStudent}$
 - ▶ Reduction to ABox satisfiability:
 $\{ \exists \text{knows}.\text{Smart} \sqcap \exists \text{knows}.\text{Studious} \sqcap \neg(\exists \text{knows}.\text{GoodStudent})(a) \}$ satisfiable?
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satisfiable?
 - ▶ Transform to NNF
 $\{ \exists \text{knows}.\text{Smart} \sqcap \exists \text{knows}.\text{Studious} \sqcap \forall \text{knows}.\text{Smart} \sqcup \neg \text{Studious} \}(a)$
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Example (A Tableau Derivation)

- $\{\exists \text{knows.Smart} \sqcap \exists \text{knows.Studious} \sqcap \forall \text{knows.}(\neg \text{Smart} \sqcup \neg \text{Studious})(a)\}$
- Abbreviation: $\{\exists r.A \sqcap \exists r.B \sqcap \forall r.(\neg A \sqcup \neg B)(a)\}$

$$\mathcal{A}_0 = \exists r.A \sqcap \exists r.B \sqcap \forall r.(\neg A \sqcup \neg B)(a)$$

$\sim \sqcap$ (2 times)

$$\mathcal{A}_1 = \mathcal{A}_0 \cup \{(\exists r.A)(a), (\exists r.B)(a), (\forall r.(\neg A \sqcup \neg B))(a)\}$$

$\sim \exists$ (2 times)

$$\mathcal{A}_2 = \mathcal{A}_1 \cup \{r(a, b), A(b), r(a, c), B(c)\}$$

$\sim \forall$ (2 times)

$$\mathcal{A}_3 = \mathcal{A}_2 \cup \{(\neg A \sqcup \neg B)(b), (\neg A \sqcup \neg B)(c)\}$$

$\sim \sqcup$

$$\mathcal{A}_{4.1} = \mathcal{A}_3 \cup \{(\neg A)(b)\}$$

$\sim \sqcup$

$$\mathcal{A}_{4.2} = \mathcal{A}_3 \cup \{(\neg B)(b)\}$$

$\sim \sqcup$

$$\mathcal{A}_{5.11} = \mathcal{A}_{4.1} \cup \{\neg A(c)\}$$

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$$\mathcal{A}_{5.12} = \mathcal{A}_{4.1} \cup \{\neg B(c)\}$$

$\sim \sqcup$

$$\mathcal{A}_{5.21} = \mathcal{A}_{4.2} \cup \{\neg A(c)\}$$

$\sim \sqcup$

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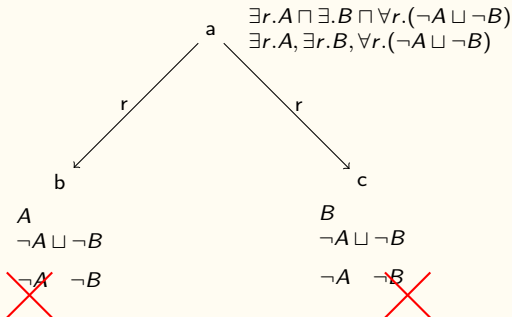
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Example (The partial tree model in the ABoxes)

- ▶ $\{\exists \text{ knows. Smart} \sqcap \exists \text{ knows. Studios} \sqcap \forall \text{ knows. } (\neg \text{ Smart} \sqcup \neg \text{ Studios})(a)\}$
- ▶ Abbreviation: $\{\exists r.A \sqcap \exists r.B \sqcap \forall r.(\neg A \sqcup \neg B)(a)\}$



- ▶ Canonical tree model(s) can be directly read off:
 $\mathcal{I} = (\{a, b, c\}, \cdot^{\mathcal{I}})$ with
 $r^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(a, b), (a, c)\}$ $A^{\mathcal{I}} = \{b\}$ $B^{\mathcal{I}} = \{c\}$

Tableaux Calculus

- ▶ The tableau calculus for \mathcal{ALC} is complete, correct, and terminates.
- ▶ Hence, the following properties hold

Theorem

- ▶ *\mathcal{ALC} ABox satisfiability (concept satisfiability, subsumption...) is decidable*
- ▶ *\mathcal{ALC} has the finite model property, i.e.
if an \mathcal{ALC} ontology has a model, then it has a finite model.*
- ▶ *\mathcal{ALC} has the tree model property*

Solutions to Exercise 5 (10 Points)

Exercise 5.1 (4 Points)

Prove the folklore proposition that conjunctive queries are preserved under homomorphisms, i.e., show that if there is a homomorphism h from a DB instance \mathfrak{T} to a DB instance \mathfrak{T}' , then for any CQ $\phi(\vec{x})$:

$$\{h(\vec{d}) \mid \vec{d} \in \text{ans}(\phi(\vec{x}), \mathfrak{T})\} \subseteq \text{ans}(\phi(\vec{x}), \mathfrak{T}')$$

Solution

- ▶ Let $\phi(\vec{x}) = \exists \vec{y} \bigwedge R_i(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$
- ▶ Let $\vec{d} \in \text{ans}(\phi(\vec{x}), \mathfrak{T})$.
- ▶ Hence there are \vec{e} s.t. all $R_i(\vec{d}, \vec{e})$ are contained in \mathfrak{T} . Due to the homomorphism condition we have that all $R_i(h(\vec{d}), h(\vec{e}))$ are in \mathfrak{T}' . Hence $h(\vec{d}) \in \text{ans}(\phi(\vec{x}), \mathfrak{T}')$.

Exercise 5.2 (6 Points)

1. Prove that every finite graph has a core (2 points)
2. Prove that two cores of the same graph are isomorphic. (4 points)

Solution

1. Stepwise eliminate facts until no sub-instance can be embedded homomorphically into it. Will reach core after finite steps as graph is finite.
2. Take two cores of a graph \mathfrak{G}_1 and \mathfrak{G}_2 . There is $h_1 : \mathfrak{G} \xrightarrow{\text{hom}} \mathfrak{G}_1$ and $h_2 : \mathfrak{G} \xrightarrow{\text{hom}} \mathfrak{G}_2$. The restriction h_1' of h_1 to \mathfrak{G}_2 must be a surjective homomorphism (otherwise the image of the restriction would be a proper subinstance into which $h_1' \circ h_2$ would give a homomorphic embedding of \mathfrak{G} . Similarly for h_2 . Hence \mathfrak{G}_1 and \mathfrak{G}_2 have surjective homomorphisms into each other and so they are isomorphic.

Next lecture on December 7th 2016 is cancelled!