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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, stuck to universal models
- ▶ Looked at certain answering and the use of rewriting to yield certain answers

References

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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)

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Data Science and the Open World Assumption

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A funny thing happened in the last few years. We began to lose the Closed World Assumption.

Now I can understand that this is not exactly huge, earth-shattering news; most people do not in fact realize that they've been using the Closed World Assumption to begin with. However, I'd contend that this event is having a transformative effect upon the way that we interact with data, one that may very well change the perspective about information in ways perhaps as profound as Ted Codd's introduction of the relational model in the 1970s.

Open the Closed World Doors

In basic terms, the closed world assumption can be stated as "When we model something, our model is complete." Most people who have had to define a data model recognize that this statement is at best a convenient fiction - any effort to completely define almost any object ultimately comes down to identifying which attributes of that object are relevant to the particular business domain - yet even with this observation, the necessity of restricting attributes is so fundamental to the way that models are designed and built that it is seldom challenged.

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- ▶ “The world described by DBs is complete”

Example

<u>University employee</u>		<u>Professor</u>
<u>ID</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>ID</u>
1	Sokrates	1
2	Platon	2
3	Aristotle	

“3” (= ID of Aristotle) not in table Professor

⇒ Aristotle is not a professor

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“3” not in blood sugar table

⇒? Aristotle has not blood sugar value?

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Patient		Bloo sugar	
ID	Name	ID	value [30-600]
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Aristotle has a blood sugar value (30 or 31 or ...)

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Patient		Pregnancy	
ID	Name	ID	HCG value
1	Sokrates	1	NULL
2	Platon	2	NULL
3	Aristotle	3	NULL
4	Xanthippe	4	NULL
5	Leda	5	130

- ▶ Male patient with NULL: no HCG test
- ▶ Female patient with NULL: not HCG test (but she has HCG value) or HCG test & not known

Semi-Open-World in DBs and Certain answers

- ▶ NULLs require considering many models (completions of incomplete DB)
(compare lectures on DE)

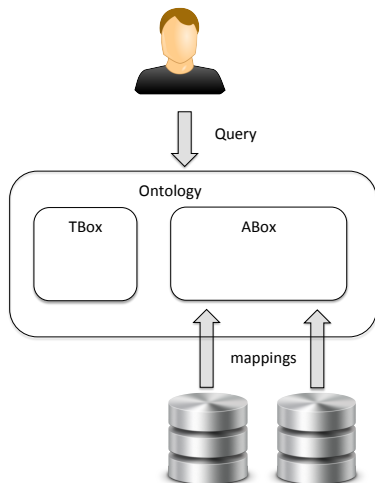
Definition (Certain answers over incomplete DB (informally))

$cert(Q, \mathcal{I})$ = intersection of answers over all complete DBs represented by \mathcal{I}

OBDA: Motivation and Overview

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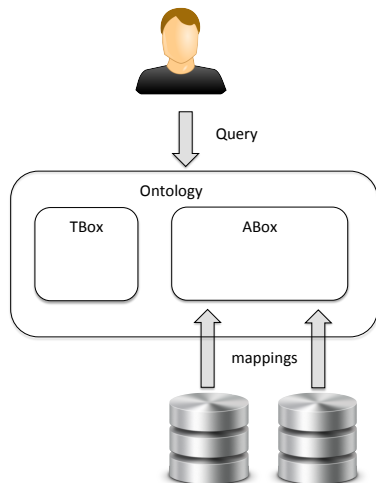
Ontology (Australia) Paradise



Backend DB Dungeon

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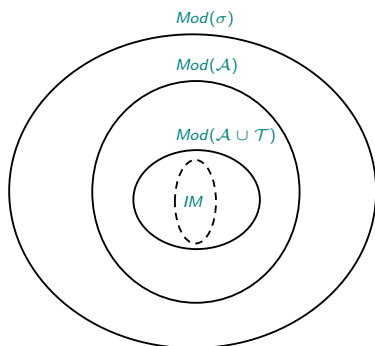
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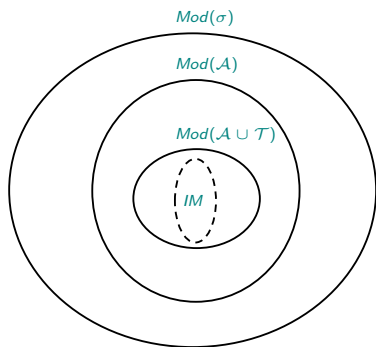
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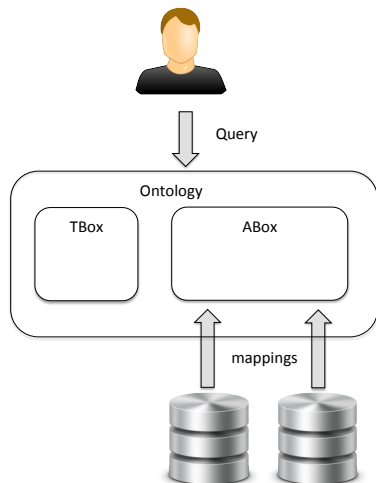


WARNING: A Misconception

- ▶ 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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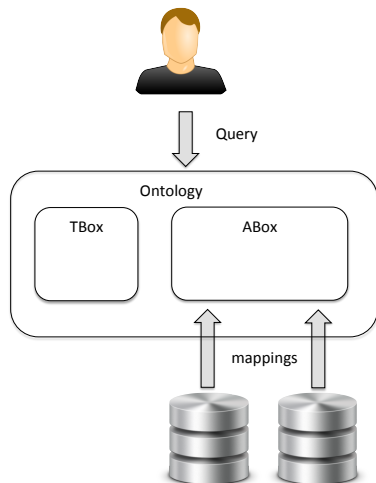
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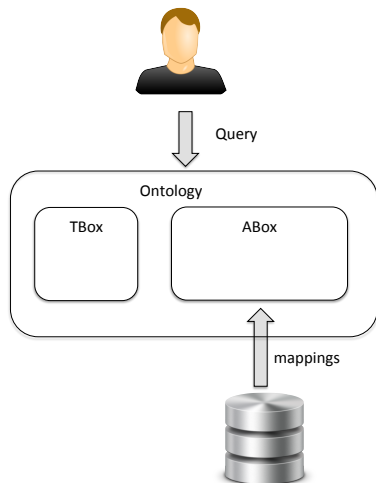


Backend Data Sources

- ▶ 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 ...

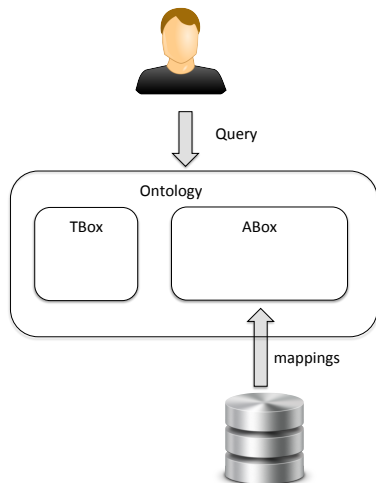
Federation

- ▶ ... 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

Definition (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 $\mathcal{A}(M, DB)$.

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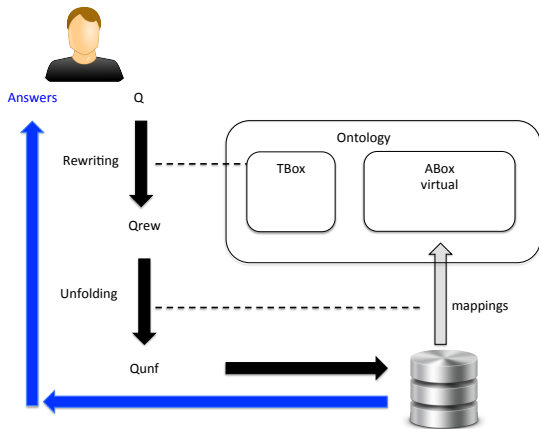
(Strange) Maps of a Different Kind

- ▶ Jacobs strange maps:

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

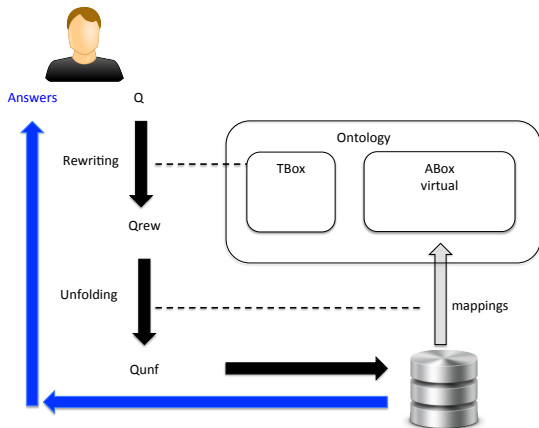
OBDA in the Classical Sense

- ▶ 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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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 *attends.MathCourse* (“Those attending a math course”)
- ▶ \forall *hasFriends.Freaks* (“Those having only freaks as friends”)
- ▶ *Person* \sqcap \forall *attends.(Course* \sqcap \neg *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 $\mathcal{I} =$

denotation function

$$\left(\underbrace{\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}}_{\text{domain}}, \underbrace{\mathcal{I}} \right)$$

- ▶ $A^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ 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 $r \in N_r$

- ▶ $(C \sqcap D)^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}} \cap D^{\mathcal{I}}$

- ▶ $(C \sqcup D)^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}} \cup D^{\mathcal{I}}$

- ▶ $\neg C = \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \setminus C^{\mathcal{I}}$

- ▶ $(\forall r.C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{d \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{for all } e \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} : \\ \text{if } (d, e) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ then } e \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}$

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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
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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?

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

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one has $R^{\mathfrak{A}} = R^{\mathfrak{B}}$.
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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 DLs
- ▶ At least it does for *ALC* theories

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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 $\mathcal{I} \models \mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{A}$
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Reduction Examples

- ▶ Many of the semantical notions are reducible to each other
- ▶ We give only one example—which is the content of Exercise 7.3.

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

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- ▶ **Query answering:** Certain answers
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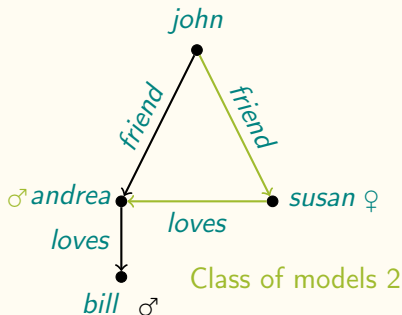
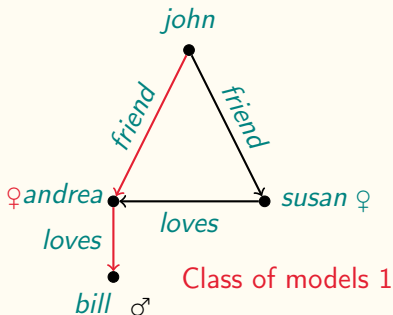
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Family of DLs and their Namings

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	RL	EL	QL
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- ▶ A nearly complete picture of reasoning services for DLs
- ▶ Research in DL community as of now resembles complexity farming
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Tableaux Example

- ▶ *ALC* tableau gives tests for satisfiability of ABox
- ▶ by checking whether obvious contradictions (clashes with complementary literals) are contained
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- ▶ Algorithm applies tableau rules to extend ABox

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Example (A Tableau Derivation)

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- ▶ 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)

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

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

$\sim \forall$ (2 times)

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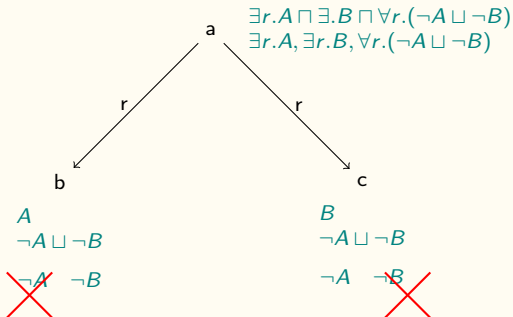
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Example (The partial tree model in the ABoxes)

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- ▶ 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 *ALC* is complete, correct, and terminates.
- ▶ Hence, the following properties hold

Theorem

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

Solutions to Exercise 6

Exercise 6.1 (6 bonus points)

Show the following technical lemma:

(*) If $\mathfrak{T} \in \text{Sol}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathfrak{G})$, then also $\mathfrak{T}' \in \text{Sol}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathfrak{G})$, where \mathfrak{T}' results from \mathfrak{T} by substituting all marked nulls \perp_1, \dots, \perp_n occurring in \mathfrak{T} (consistently) with new constants c_j .

Solution: See book of Murlak et al, p. 57.

- ▶ Clearly \mathfrak{T}' is in $\text{Rep}(\mathfrak{T})$.
- ▶ Assume for contradiction that $\mathfrak{T}' \notin \text{Sol}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathfrak{G})$. Hence $\mathfrak{T} \neq \Sigma_t$. There are two cases
 1. \mathfrak{T}' falsifies a tgd, say $\phi(\vec{x}) \rightarrow \exists \vec{y} \psi(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$. Hence there exists \vec{a} of elements from $\text{dom}(\mathfrak{T}')$ such that $\mathfrak{T}' \models \phi(\vec{a})$ and $\mathfrak{T}' \not\models \exists \vec{y} \psi(\vec{a}, \vec{y})$. Let $\vec{a}' = \vec{a}[c_1/\perp_1, \dots, c_n/\perp_n]$. Then $\mathfrak{T} \models \phi(\vec{a}')$ and $\mathfrak{T} \not\models \exists \vec{y} \psi(\vec{a}', \vec{y})$ because there is a one-to-one homomorphism from \mathfrak{T} to \mathfrak{T}' sending each \perp_j to a fresh c_j . But then $\mathfrak{T} \notin \text{Sol}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathfrak{G})$. Contradiction.
 2. \mathfrak{T} falsifies an egd. Similar argumentation.

Exercise 6.2 (4 points)

Show that the first definition of universal solutions $USol_1(\mathfrak{T})$ entails the second definition of universal solutions $USol_2(\mathfrak{T})$. Lemma (*) from Exercise 6.1 may be helpful.

Solution: (See book of Murlak et al. p 58.)

- ▶ Remember

$$USol_1(\mathfrak{T}) : \{\mathfrak{T}' \in SOL_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathfrak{G}) \mid \mathfrak{T}' \text{ complete}\} \subseteq Rep(\mathfrak{T})$$

$$USol_2(\mathfrak{T}) : Rep(\mathfrak{T}') \subseteq Rep(\mathfrak{T}) \quad \text{for every } \mathfrak{T}' \in SOL_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathfrak{G})$$

- ▶ Assume $\mathfrak{T}' \in SOL_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathfrak{G})$ is an arbitrary solution.
- ▶ $\perp_1, \dots, \perp_m =$ nulls in $Dom(\mathfrak{T}')$
- ▶ $\mathfrak{T}'' =$ substitution result from \mathfrak{T}' as in the lemma above.
- ▶ As $\mathfrak{T}'' \in Sol_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathfrak{G})$ and does not contain nulls it follows from $USol_1(\mathfrak{T})$ that $\mathfrak{T}'' \in Rep(\mathfrak{T})$.
- ▶ A homomorphism h witnessing $\mathfrak{T}' \in Rep(\mathfrak{T})$ can be changed into mapping h' from $Dom(\mathfrak{T})$ into $Dom(\mathfrak{T}')$ by setting $h'(\perp) = \perp_i$ whenever $h(\perp) = c_i$ and otherwise h' is the same as h .
- ▶ h' is a homomorphism from \mathfrak{T} into \mathfrak{T}' .
- ▶ Take arbitrary $\mathfrak{T}^* \in Rep(\mathfrak{T}')$ and let h'' be homomorphism from \mathfrak{T}' to \mathfrak{T}^* . Then $h'' \circ h'$ is a homomorphism from \mathfrak{T} to \mathfrak{T}^* .

Exercise 6.3 (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 edges and vertices (more generally in DB setting: eliminate row entries in tables) until no sub-graph (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 \mathcal{G}_1 and \mathcal{G}_2 . There is $h_1 : \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{hom} \mathcal{G}_1$ and $h_2 : \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{hom} \mathcal{G}_2$. The restriction h_1' of h_1 to \mathcal{G}_2 must be a surjective homomorphism (otherwise the image of the restriction $h_1'[\mathcal{G}_2]$ would be a proper subgraph of \mathcal{G}_1 into which $h_1' \circ h_2$ would give a homomorphic embedding of \mathcal{G}). Similarly for h_2 . Hence \mathcal{G}_1 and \mathcal{G}_2 have surjective homomorphisms into each other and so they are isomorphic.

Exercise 7 (14 points)

Exercise 7.1 (4 points)

1. Give a DL formalization of the following concept description
“Father who has only children that are doctors or managers ”
2. Give a DL formalization of the following assertion:
“A busy female lecturer is a person who teaches at least three courses”

Exercise 7.2 (7 points)

Consider the following TBox \mathcal{T}

$$A \sqsubseteq B$$

$$B \sqsubseteq C$$

$$C \sqsubseteq \exists R.D$$

$$D \sqsubseteq \neg A$$

1. In which DL is \mathcal{T} ?
2. Is \mathcal{T} satisfiable? If so, give a model, else argue why it is not satisfiable.
3. Is the concept D satisfiable w.r.t. \mathcal{T} , i.e., is there a model of \mathcal{T} in which D is not interpreted by the empty set? If yes, give such a model else argue why it is not satisfiable
4. Is $D \sqcap A$ satisfiable w.r.t. \mathcal{T} ? If so, give a model, else argue why it is not satisfiable.

Exercise 7.2 (3 points)

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).