

INF3170 – Logikk

Forelesning 6: Description Logic 1

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Introduction

Suppose you want to express set membership and subsumption, i.e., e.g,

- $a \in C \cap D$ and $C \subseteq D$.

You can do this in first-order logic (using predicates C and D)

- $C(a) \wedge D(a)$ and $\forall x. C(x) \supset D(x)$.

Now suppose you are afraid of variables. The only variable above is universally quantified, so you do not really need it. Instead, use a language that can express subsumption of **concepts** (which are interpreted as sets) in a more familiar way.

If C and D are concepts, then so is $C \sqcap D$. The first-order logic formulae above can then be expressed as follows:

- $C \sqcap D(a)$ and $C \sqsubseteq D$.

The concept language

\mathcal{ALC} is the concept language constructed from

- atomic concepts (unary predicates),
- atomic roles (binary predicates),

and the following concept constructors:

- \top universal concept
- \perp bottom concept
- $\forall R.C$ value restriction
- $\exists R.C$ existential quantification
- $C \sqcup D$ union
- $C \sqcap D$ intersection
- $\neg C$ negation

where C and D are concepts, and R an atomic role.

Models

Recall that a **interpretation** (or **model**)

$$\mathfrak{A} = \langle \Delta, \cdot^{\mathfrak{A}} \rangle$$

over unary and binary predicates consists of

- a **domain** Δ that is a non-empty set, and
- an **interpretation function** \mathfrak{A} that maps
 - individuals to the elements: $a^{\mathfrak{A}} \in \Delta$
 - atomic concepts to sets: $A^{\mathfrak{A}} \subseteq \Delta$
 - atomic roles to binary relations: $R^{\mathfrak{A}} \subseteq \Delta \times \Delta$

Semantics

The interpretation function is extended to complex concepts.

- $\top^{\mathcal{A}} = \Delta$
- $\perp^{\mathcal{A}} = \emptyset$
- $(\neg C)^{\mathcal{A}} = \Delta \setminus C^{\mathcal{A}}$
- $(C \sqcup D)^{\mathcal{A}} = C^{\mathcal{A}} \cup D^{\mathcal{A}}$
- $(C \sqcap D)^{\mathcal{A}} = C^{\mathcal{A}} \cap D^{\mathcal{A}}$
- $(\forall R.C)^{\mathcal{A}} = \{x \in \Delta \mid R^{\mathcal{A}}(x) \subseteq C^{\mathcal{A}}\}$
- $(\exists R.C)^{\mathcal{A}} = \{x \in \Delta \mid C^{\mathcal{A}} \cap R^{\mathcal{A}}(x) \neq \emptyset\}$

For a binary relation R , $R(x)$ denotes $\{y \mid xRy\}$.

Example

This will be our main example.

Example

We have

- *two atomic concepts Man and Woman, and*
- *an atomic role hasChild.*

Let \mathfrak{A} be the interpretation with

- *the domain $\Delta = \{\text{Maria}, \text{Jesus}\}$*

such that our concepts and role have the following extensions:

- $\text{Woman}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{\text{Maria}\},$
- $\text{Man}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{\text{Jesus}\},$
- $\text{hasChild}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{\langle \text{Maria}, \text{Jesus} \rangle\},$

Example

Given this interpretation,

- The extension of Man \sqcap Woman is empty: Nobody is both a man and a woman.

$$\begin{aligned}(\text{Man} \sqcap \text{Woman})^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \text{Man}^{\mathfrak{A}} \cap \text{Woman}^{\mathfrak{A}} \\ &= \{\text{Maria}\} \cap \{\text{Jesus}\} \\ &= \emptyset\end{aligned}$$

- The extension of Man \sqcup Woman equals the domain: Everyone is either a man or a woman.

$$\begin{aligned}(\text{Man} \sqcup \text{Woman})^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \text{Man}^{\mathfrak{A}} \cup \text{Woman}^{\mathfrak{A}} \\ &= \{\text{Maria}\} \cup \{\text{Jesus}\} \\ &= \Delta\end{aligned}$$

Example

Given this interpretation,

- The extension of $\exists\text{hasChild.Man}$ is $\{\text{Maria}\}$: She has a child, and that child is a man.

$$\begin{aligned}\exists\text{hasChild.Man}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \{x \in \Delta \mid \text{Man}^{\mathfrak{A}} \cap \text{hasChild}^{\mathfrak{A}}(x) \neq \emptyset\} \\ &= \{\text{Maria}\},\end{aligned}$$

as $\text{hasChild}^{\mathfrak{A}}(\text{Maria}) = \{\text{Jesus}\}$.

- The extension of $\forall\text{hasChild.Man}$ is $\{\text{Maria}, \text{Jesus}\}$: Every child Maria has is a man; for Jesus this holds vacuously, as he has no children.

$$\begin{aligned}\forall\text{hasChild.Man}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \{x \in \Delta \mid \text{hasChild}^{\mathfrak{A}}(x) \subseteq \text{Man}^{\mathfrak{A}}\} \\ &= \{\text{Maria}, \text{Jesus}\},\end{aligned}$$

as $\text{hasChild}^{\mathfrak{A}}(\text{Jesus}) = \emptyset$.

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Assertions

An **assertion** is of the form

- $C(a)$ for a concept C and individual a
- $R(a, b)$ for a role R and individuals a and b

In order to give semantics to an assertion, we must map each individual to the domain:

- $a^{\mathfrak{A}} \in \Delta$, such that
- $a^{\mathfrak{A}} \neq b^{\mathfrak{A}}$ if $a \neq b$ (**the unique name assumption** or **UNA**)

An interpretation \mathfrak{A} **satisfies**

- $C(a)$ if $a^{\mathfrak{A}} \in C^{\mathfrak{A}}$
- $R(a, b)$ if $\langle a^{\mathfrak{A}}, b^{\mathfrak{A}} \rangle \in R^{\mathfrak{A}}$

Assertions

Let MARIA and JESUS be individuals, and map them as follows:

- $MARIA^{\mathcal{I}} = \text{Maria}$
- $JESUS^{\mathcal{I}} = \text{Jesus}$

The interpretation in our main example satisfies, e.g.,

- $\text{hasChild}(\text{MARIA}, \text{JESUS})$ as

$$\langle MARIA^{\mathcal{I}}, JESUS^{\mathcal{I}} \rangle \in \text{hasChild}^{\mathcal{I}};$$

- $\exists \text{hasChild.Man}(\text{MARIA})$, as

$$MARIA^{\mathcal{I}} \in \exists \text{hasChild.Man}^{\mathcal{I}}.$$

Terminological axioms

A **terminological axiom** is of the form, for concepts C and D ,

- $C \sqsubseteq D$ (inclusions)
- $C \equiv D$ (equalities)

An interpretation \mathfrak{A} **satisfies**

- $C \sqsubseteq D$ if $C^{\mathfrak{A}} \subseteq D^{\mathfrak{A}}$
- $C \equiv D$ if $C^{\mathfrak{A}} = D^{\mathfrak{A}}$

The interpretation in our main example satisfies, e.g.,

- $\text{Woman} \sqsubseteq \exists \text{hasChild}.\text{Man}$, and
- $\text{Man} \equiv \neg \text{Woman}$.

Knowledge bases

An *ALC* **knowledge base** is a pair consisting of:

- A **TBox**, a finite set of terminological axioms
- An **ABox**, a finite set of assertions

An interpretation \mathcal{A} **satisfies**

- an ABox if it satisfies every assertion in it
- a TBox if it satisfies every axiom in it
- a knowledge base if it satisfies both the ABox and the TBox

Example

An \mathcal{ALC} knowledge base $\mathcal{K}_1 = \langle \mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{A}_1 \rangle$:

Example

$TBox \mathcal{T}_1$

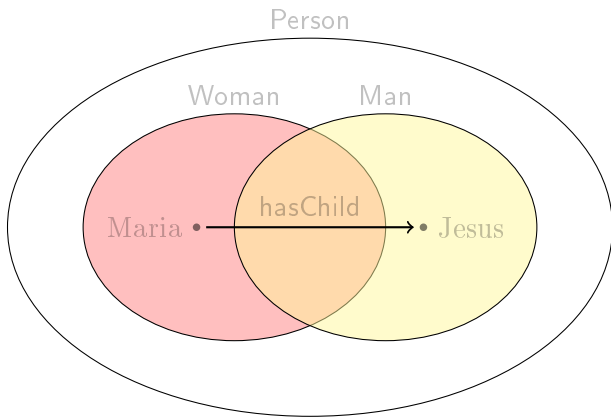
- $Woman \sqsubseteq Person$
- $Man \sqsubseteq Person$
- $Mother \equiv Woman \sqcap \exists hasChild.Person$

$ABox \mathcal{A}_1$

- $Woman(MARIA)$
- $Man(JESUS)$
- $hasChild(MARIA, JESUS)$

Example

Any model of the knowledge base $\langle \mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{A}_1 \rangle$ must look more or less like this:



(The concept Mother should be a subset of Woman and include Maria)

Example

Our main example interpretation \mathfrak{A} is a model of the ABox \mathcal{A}_1 .

If we extend \mathfrak{A} to interpret Person and Mother as follows,

- $\text{Person}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \Delta = \{\text{Maria}, \text{Jesus}\}$ and
- $\text{Mother}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{\text{Maria}\},$

it becomes a model of the TBox \mathcal{T}_1 :

- $\text{Woman}^{\mathfrak{A}} \subseteq \text{Person}^{\mathfrak{A}}$
- $\text{Man}^{\mathfrak{A}} \subseteq \text{Person}^{\mathfrak{A}}$
- $\text{Mother}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \text{Woman}^{\mathfrak{A}} \cap \exists \text{hasChild}.\text{Person}^{\mathfrak{A}}$

Thus \mathfrak{A} becomes a model of the knowledge base $\mathcal{K}_1 = \langle \mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{A}_1 \rangle$.

Reasoning

We consider several reasoning problems, wrt. assertions:

- instance checking;

and concepts:

- satisfiability;
- subsumption;
- disjointness.

Instance checking

Definition (Instance checking)

$\mathcal{K} \models C(a)$, meaning \mathcal{A} satisfies $C(a)$ for every model \mathcal{A} of \mathcal{K} .

Example:

- $\mathcal{K}_1 \models \text{Mother}(\text{Maria})$
- $\mathcal{K}_1 \models \text{Person}(\text{Jesus})$

Concept satisfiability

Definition (Concept satisfiability)

A concept C is **satisfiable** wrt. \mathcal{T} if $C^{\mathcal{A}} \neq \emptyset$ for some model \mathcal{A} of \mathcal{T} .

Example: Man \sqcap \neg Person is

- satisfiable wrt. the empty TBox;
- unsatisfiable wrt. \mathcal{T}_1 .

Example: Man \sqcap Woman is

- satisfiable wrt. \mathcal{T}_1 .

Concept subsumption

Definition (Subsumption)

C is **subsumed** by D wrt. \mathcal{T} if \mathcal{A} satisfies $C \sqsubseteq D$ for every model \mathcal{A} of \mathcal{T} .

We write $\mathcal{T} \models C \sqsubseteq D$ if C is subsumed by D wrt. \mathcal{T} .

Example:

- Mother is subsumed by Woman wrt. \mathcal{T}_1 .
- Woman is subsumed by Woman \sqcup Man wrt. any TBox.

Concept disjointness

Definition (Disjointness)

C and D are **disjoint** wrt. \mathcal{T} if $C^{\mathfrak{A}} \cap D^{\mathfrak{A}} = \emptyset$ for every model \mathfrak{A} of \mathcal{T} .

Example: Wrt. \mathcal{T}_1 ,

- Man and Woman are **not** disjoint;
- Mother and \neg Woman are disjoint.

Reducing reasoning problems to each other

In \mathcal{ALC} , these problems can all be reduced to each other.

Subsumption

- C is unsatisfiable iff $\models C \sqsubseteq \perp$
- C and D are disjoint iff $\models C \sqcap D \sqsubseteq \perp$

Unsatisfiability

- $\models C \sqsubseteq D$ iff $C \sqcap \neg D$ is unsatisfiable
- C and D are disjoint iff $C \sqcap D$ is unsatisfiable

Disjointness

- $\models C \sqsubseteq D$ iff C and $\neg D$ are disjoint
- C is unsatisfiable iff C and \top are disjoint

Properties

- “A person is either a man or a woman”

$$\text{Person} \sqsubseteq \text{Man} \sqcup \text{Woman}$$

- “No person is both a man and a woman”

$$\text{Man} \sqcap \text{Woman} \sqsubseteq \neg \text{Person}$$

- “Everyone (everything) is a person”

$$\top \sqsubseteq \text{Person}$$

- “Nobody (nothing) is a person”

$$\text{Person} \sqsubseteq \perp$$

Domain

Observe that:

- The domain of R^{\exists} is $(\exists R.T)^{\exists}$:

$$(\exists R.T)^{\exists} = \{x \in \Delta \mid R^{\exists}(x) \neq \emptyset\}$$

In \mathcal{ALC} you can express **domain restrictions**:

- “The domain of \underline{R} is \underline{C} ”

$$\exists R.T \sqsubseteq C$$

- “The domain of having-a-brother is people”

$$\exists \text{hasBrother}.T \sqsubseteq \text{Person}$$

Range

Observe that:

- The range of R^{\exists} is $(\exists R^{-} . \top)^{\exists}$
- But R^{-} (the inverse of R) is not part of \mathcal{ALC} (we will see logics with role inverse next time)

We can, however, express **range restrictions** in \mathcal{ALC} :

- “The range of \underline{R} is \underline{C} ”

$$\top \sqsubseteq \forall R . C$$

- “The range of having-a-brother is men”

$$\top \sqsubseteq \forall \text{hasBrother} . \text{Man}$$

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The standard translation

Two functions π and μ map concepts to first-order formulae.

$$\pi(A) = Ax$$

$$\mu(A) = Ay$$

$$\pi(\neg C) = \neg\pi(C)$$

$$\mu(\neg C) = \neg\mu(C)$$

$$\pi(C \sqcup D) = \pi(C) \vee \pi(D)$$

$$\mu(C \sqcup D) = \mu(C) \vee \mu(D)$$

$$\pi(C \sqcap D) = \pi(C) \wedge \pi(D)$$

$$\mu(C \sqcap D) = \mu(C) \wedge \mu(D)$$

$$\pi(\exists R.C) = \exists y(xRy \wedge \mu(C))$$

$$\mu(\exists R.C) = \exists x(yRx \wedge \pi(C))$$

$$\pi(\forall R.C) = \forall y(xRy \supset \mu(C))$$

$$\mu(\forall R.C) = \forall x(yRx \supset \pi(C))$$

Proposition

$a^{\mathfrak{A}} \in C^{\mathfrak{A}}$ if and only if $\mathfrak{A} \models \pi(C)[x \mapsto a]$.

The guarded fragment

GF is the least set such that

- $\varphi \in \text{GF}$ if φ is atomic
- $\neg\varphi \in \text{GF}$ if $\varphi \in \text{GF}$
- $\varphi \vee \psi \in \text{GF}$ and $\varphi \wedge \psi \in \text{GF}$ if $\varphi \in \text{GF}$ and $\psi \in \text{GF}$
- $\exists x_1, \dots, x_n(\varphi \wedge \psi) \in \text{GF}$ and $\forall x_1, \dots, x_n(\varphi \supset \psi) \in \text{GF}$ if
 - φ is atomic,
 - $\psi \in \text{GF}$, and
 - $\text{FV}(\psi) \subseteq \text{FV}(\varphi)$.

An example of a guarded formula is symmetry of a relation:

$$\forall xy(xRy \supset yRx)$$

Fragments of FOL

- First-order logic (FOL) is undecidable.
- But there are decidable fragments, such as propositional logic.
- Other decidable fragments include:
 - The two-variable fragment (**NEXPTIME**-complete)
 - The guarded fragment (**2EXPTIME**-complete)
 - The guarded fragment where the number of variables or the arity of relations is bounded (**EXPTIME**-complete)
- The standard translation maps concepts to the guarded two-variable fragment, e.g.,

$$\exists R.\exists R.\exists R.A \xrightarrow{\pi} \exists y(xRy \wedge \exists x(yRx \wedge \exists y(xRy \wedge Ay)))$$

- Hence satisfiability of \mathcal{ALC} is in **EXPTIME**.

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Tableaux

Any concept can be put on NNF using the following rewrite rules.

$$\neg\neg C \rightarrow C$$

$$\neg(C \sqcap D) \rightarrow \neg C \sqcup \neg D$$

$$\neg(C \sqcup D) \rightarrow \neg C \sqcap \neg D$$

$$\neg(\exists R.C) \rightarrow \forall R.\neg C$$

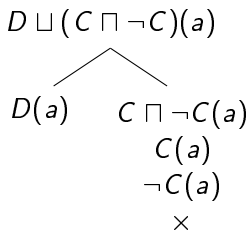
$$\neg(\forall R.C) \rightarrow \exists R.\neg C$$

If we go via FOL, it is easy to see that, e.g.,

- $\neg\forall y(xRy \supset Cy)$ is equivalent to $\exists y(xRy \wedge \neg Cy)$.

Tableaux

- The tableaux calculus operates on assertions on NNF.
- A branch is **closed** if both $C(a)$ and $\neg C(a)$ occurs for some concept C and individual a , e.g., the right branch below:



- The rules are as follows; S denotes the branch.
- The preconditions ensure that the rules can be applied at most once to each assertion.

Tableaux

- If $C(a) \notin S$ or $D(a) \notin S$,

Intersection

$$\frac{(C \sqcap D)(a)}{C(a) \quad D(a)}$$

- If $C(a) \notin S$ and $D(a) \notin S$,

Union

$$\frac{(C \sqcup D)(a)}{C(a) \mid D(a)}$$

Tableaux

- If $C(b) \notin S$,

Value restriction

$$\frac{\forall R.C(a) \quad R(a, b)}{C(b)}$$

- If $C(b) \notin S$ or $R(a, b) \notin S$, for every b ,

Existential quantification

$$\frac{\exists R.C(a)}{C(b) \quad R(a, b)} \quad b \text{ fresh}$$

Example

- What is the relationship between the following?
 - $\exists R.C \sqcap \exists R.D$
 - $\exists R.(C \sqcap D)$
- Do they subsume each other?
- We first check if

$$\exists R.C \sqcap \exists R.D \sqsubseteq \exists R.(C \sqcap D),$$

- equivalently, if $\exists R.C \sqcap \exists R.D \sqcap \forall R.(\neg C \sqcup \neg D)$ is unsatisfiable.

Example

$$\exists R.C \sqcap \exists R.D \sqcap \forall R.(\neg C \sqcup \neg D)(a)$$

$$\exists R.C(a)$$

$$\exists R.D(a)$$

$$\forall R.(\neg C \sqcup \neg D)(a)$$

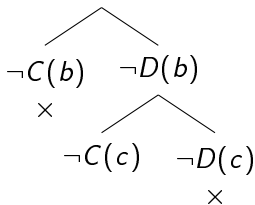
$$C(b)$$

$$R(a, b)$$

$$D(c)$$

$$R(a, c)$$

$$\neg C \sqcup \neg D(b)$$

$$\neg C \sqcup \neg D(c)$$


- No rules are applicable to this tableau.
- One branch is not closed.
- We can construct a countermodel.
 - $\Delta = \{a, b, c\}$
 - $R^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{\langle a, b \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle\}$
 - $C^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{a\}$
 - $D^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{b\}$
- Then
 - $a \in (\exists R.C \sqcap \exists R.D)^{\mathfrak{A}}$
 - $a \notin (\exists R.(C \sqcap D))^{\mathfrak{A}}$

Example

- We have shown that it is **not** the case that

$$\exists R.C \sqcap \exists R.D \sqsubseteq \exists R.(C \sqcap D).$$

- Next we check if

$$\exists R.(C \sqcap D) \sqsubseteq \exists R.C \sqcap \exists R.D,$$

- equivalently, if $\exists R.(C \sqcap D) \sqcap (\forall R.\neg C \sqcup \forall R.\neg D)$ is unsatisfiable.

Example

$$\exists R.(C \sqcap D) \sqcap (\forall R.\neg C \sqcup \forall R.\neg D)(a)$$

$$\exists R.(C \sqcap D)(a)$$

$$\forall R.\neg C \sqcup \forall R.\neg D(a)$$

$$C \sqcap D(b)$$

$$R(a, b)$$

$$C(b)$$

$$D(b)$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \swarrow & \searrow \\ \forall R.\neg C(a) & \forall R.\neg D(a) \\ \neg C(b) & \neg D(b) \\ \times & \times \end{array}$$

- Every branch is closed.
- Hence $\exists R.(C \sqcap D) \sqcap (\forall R.\neg C \sqcup \forall R.\neg D)$ is unsatisfiable.
- Equivalently:
 $\exists R.(C \sqcap D)$ is subsumed by $\exists R.C \sqcap \exists R.D$.