

3. RDFS Inference

The purpose of this lab is to build an RDFS inference engine using a rule system.

3.1 Introduction

RDFS reasoning can be realized by a set of rules ¹ (See Figure 1). Therefore, RDFS reasoning can be implemented using a rule engine. Each RDF triple `xxx yyy zzz` . can be modeled as a (Datalog) fact.

```
triple(xxx, yyy, zzz)
```

The entailment patterns can be modeled as Datalog rules. For instance, entailment pattern `rdfs2` said that

If S contains triples “`aaa rdfs:domain xxx .`” and “`yyy aaa zzz .`”, then S RDFS entails the triple “`yyy rdf:type xxx .`”

It can be captured by the following Datalog rule

```
triple(Y, "rdf:type", X) :- triple(A, "rdfs:domain", X),
                             triple(Y, A, Z).
```

Together with the the following facts

```
triple(":hasTripAdvisorRating", "rdfs:domain", ":TourismObject").
triple("i:ChickenHut", ":hasTripAdvisorRating", "3.5") .
```

we can compute all the entailed triples using a Datalog engine like DLV².

```
$ ~/bin/dlv rdfs-2-example.dlv
```

```
DLV [build BEN+ODBC/Dec 17 2012   gcc 4.2.1 (Apple Inc. build 5666) (dot 3)]
```

```
{ triple(":hasTripAdvisorRating","rdfs:domain",":TourismObject"),
  triple("i:ChickenHut","rdf:type",":TourismObject"),
  triple("i:ChickenHut",":hasTripAdvisorRating","3.5") }
```

¹http://www.w3.org/TR/2014/REC-rdf11-mt-20140225/#rdfs_entailment

²<http://www.dlvsystem.com/dlv/>

RDFS entailment patterns.

	If S contains:	then S RDFS entails recognizing D:
<i>rdfs1</i>	any IRI aaa in D	aaa <code>rdf:type rdfs:Datatype .</code>
<i>rdfs2</i>	aaa <code>rdfs:domain xxx .</code> yyy aaa zzz .	yyy <code>rdf:type xxx .</code>
<i>rdfs3</i>	aaa <code>rdfs:range xxx .</code> yyy aaa zzz .	zzz <code>rdf:type xxx .</code>
<i>rdfs4a</i>	xxx aaa yyy .	xxx <code>rdf:type rdfs:Resource .</code>
<i>rdfs4b</i>	xxx aaa yyy.	yyy <code>rdf:type rdfs:Resource .</code>
<i>rdfs5</i>	xxx <code>rdfs:subPropertyOf yyy .</code> yyy <code>rdfs:subPropertyOf zzz .</code>	xxx <code>rdfs:subPropertyOf zzz .</code>
<i>rdfs6</i>	xxx <code>rdf:type rdf:Property .</code>	xxx <code>rdfs:subPropertyOf xxx .</code>
<i>rdfs7</i>	aaa <code>rdfs:subPropertyOf bbb .</code> xxx aaa yyy .	xxx bbb yyy .
<i>rdfs8</i>	xxx <code>rdf:type rdfs:Class .</code>	xxx <code>rdfs:subClassOf rdfs:Resource .</code>
<i>rdfs9</i>	xxx <code>rdfs:subClassOf yyy .</code> zzz <code>rdf:type xxx .</code>	zzz <code>rdf:type yyy .</code>
<i>rdfs10</i>	xxx <code>rdf:type rdfs:Class .</code>	xxx <code>rdfs:subClassOf xxx .</code>
<i>rdfs11</i>	xxx <code>rdfs:subClassOf yyy .</code> yyy <code>rdfs:subClassOf zzz .</code>	xxx <code>rdfs:subClassOf zzz .</code>
<i>rdfs12</i>	xxx <code>rdf:type rdfs:ContainerMembershipProperty .</code>	xxx <code>rdfs:subPropertyOf rdfs:member .</code>
<i>rdfs13</i>	xxx <code>rdf:type rdfs:Datatype .</code>	xxx <code>rdfs:subClassOf rdfs:Literal .</code>

Figure 1: RFDS Entailment Patterns

3.2 Tasks

- Convert the tourism RDFS ontology into a Datalog file (“tourism.dlv”).
- Implement rdfs2, rdfs3, rdfs5, rdfs7, rdfs9, rdfs11 in Datalog (“rdfs.dlv”)
- Test “tourism.dlv” and “rdfs.dlv” using DLV to check whether we can get all expected entailed triples.
- (Optionally) Implement other entailment patterns and create RDFS ontologies for testing.

3.3 Submission

- Two Datalog files “tourism.dlv” and “rdfs.dlv”
- A short report “description.txt”