Lab session 10: Description logics and ontologies

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1 Interpretations in description logics

Question 1. Let \mathcal{I} be an interpretation. Answer the following questions:

- 1. How many element does the domain of $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}})$ have at least?
- 2. If C is a concept, how many elements can $C^{\mathcal{I}}$ have?
- 3. If r is a role, how many elements can $r^{\mathcal{I}}$ have?

We consider the following interpretation \mathcal{I} :

- $\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$
- Concepts:

$$-A^{\mathcal{I}} = \{e_1, e_4\}$$

$$-B^{\mathcal{I}} = \{e_1, e_2\}$$

$$-C^{\mathcal{I}} = \{e_2, e_3\}$$

• Roles:

$$- r^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(e_1, e_1), (e_2, e_4), (e_3, e_1)\}$$
$$- s^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(e_2, e_1), (e_3, e_4)\}$$

Question 2. For each of the following concepts C, what is the corresponding set $C^{\mathcal{I}}$?

- 1. $A \sqcup \neg B$
- 2. $B \sqcap C$
- $\exists r.B$
- $4. \ \forall s.A$
- 5. $\exists s. \forall r. \top$

Question 3. Which of the following inclusions is satisfied in \mathcal{I} ?

- 1. $A \sqcap \neg B \sqsubseteq C$
- $2. \ B \sqcup C \sqsubseteq \exists r. \top$

2 Concepts in ALC logic

As a reminder, \mathcal{ALC} is the description logic built with the constructors $\sqcup, \sqcap, \neg, \exists, \forall$ (but which does not include $\leq nr.C$ nor $\geq nr.C$).

Question 4. Using the concept names Person, Happy, Animal, Cat, Old, Fish and the role names owns and isOwnedBy, express the following concepts:

- 1. happy pet owner
- 2. person who owns only cats
- 3. unhappy pet owners who don't own old animals
- 4. pet owners who own only dogs and fish

Question 5. Using the same concept and role names, express the following axioms:

- 1. Pet owners are happy
- 2. Old fish are unhappy
- 3. Cats are happy if their owner don't own any dog.

3 Building an ontology

This exercise is an open question. There is no perfect answer to this, but I strongly encourage you to give it a try!

Question 6. Propose a simple ontology to describe the university domain. You can choose to describe several elements, such as the professors, students, administration, as well as buildings, courses etc. Propose a few role names, and some axioms, assertions or concept inclusions.

Question 7 (Optional). Using the software Protege (https://protege.stanford.edu), implement your developed ontology.