

Logical Aspects of Artificial Intelligence: Knowledge Logics

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- ▶ Exam during the week including Nov 9th (to be confirmed).
- ▶ Final grade: 20% participation+TDs – 80% exam

Current organisation of sessions

- ▶ Today: 1h (L) + 10min (B) + 1h (L) + 10min (B) + 1h30 (TDs).
- ▶ Next sessions: 30min (corrections TD) + 1h (L) + 10min (B) + 1h (L) + 10min (B) + 1h10 (TD).

What can you expect to learn?

- ▶ Basics of description logics including \mathcal{ALC} as well as alternating-time temporal logic ATL and variants.
- ▶ Tableaux for \mathcal{ALC} , model-checking techniques for ATL-like logics.
- ▶ Complexity, decidability, expressive power results for logics dedicated to knowledge representation.

Background

1. Necessary background

- ▶ Basics of first-order logic.
- ▶ Basics of complexity theory.

2. Optional background

- ▶ Basics of modal logics, temporal logics
- ▶ Sequent-style proof systems.
- ▶ Basics of model-checking, verification.

Course material

- ▶ Slides, exercises and corrections available on

`https://wikimpri.dptinfo.ens-cachan.fr/doku.php?id=cours:c-1-39`

`http://www.lsv.fr/~demri/notes-de-cours.html`

- ▶ Do not hesitate to contact me (`demri@lsv.fr`).

Material mainly based on the following documents

- ▶ F. Baader, I. Horrocks, C. Lutz and U. Sattler.
An introduction to Description Logic.
Cambridge University Press, 2017.
- ▶ Ivan Varzinczak's slides (ESSLLI'18)
- ▶ Ulrike Sattler & Thomas Schneider's slides (ESSLLI'15).
- ▶ Stefan Borgwardt's slides 2018.
- ▶ S. Demri, V. Goranko, M. Lange.
Temporal Logics in Computer Science.
Cambridge University Press, 2016.

Other (online) resources

- ▶ Description Logic Complexity Navigator by Evgeny Zolin.

<http://www.cs.man.ac.uk/~ezolin/dl/>

- ▶ Proceedings of the Description Logic Workshops

<http://dl.kr.org/workshops/>

- ▶ See also the proceedings of the international conferences:

- ▶ Int. Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence. (IJCAI)
- ▶ European Conference on Artificial Intelligence. (ECAI)
- ▶ Int. Conference on Principles of Knowledge Representation and Reasoning. (KR)

Plan of the lecture

- ▶ Knowledge representation.
- ▶ Basic description logic \mathcal{ALC} .
- ▶ Several extensions of \mathcal{ALC} .
- ▶ Exercises session.

Knowledge Representation

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- ▶ Concept definition from Description Logics.

$$Teacher \equiv Person \sqcap \exists Teaches.Course$$

Reasoning about ...

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|-------------------------|------------------|
| ▶ Knowledge | Epistemic Logics |
| ▶ Rules and obligations | Deontic Logics |
| ▶ Programs | Hoare Logics |
| ▶ Time | Temporal Logics |

but also separation logics, many-valued logics, non-monotonic logics, etc.

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- ▶ Free ontology editor Protégé
<http://protege.stanford.edu/>

The classical student ontology

- ▶ Natural language specification:
 - ▶ Employed students are students and employees.
 - ▶ Students are not taxpayers.
 - ▶ Employed students are taxpayers.
 - ▶ Employed students who are parents are not taxpayers.
 - ▶ To work for is to be employed by.
 - ▶ John is an employed student, John works for IBM.
- ▶ Classes/relations/individuals.

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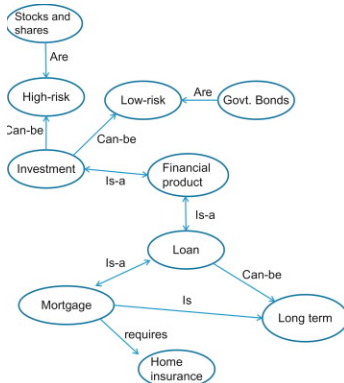
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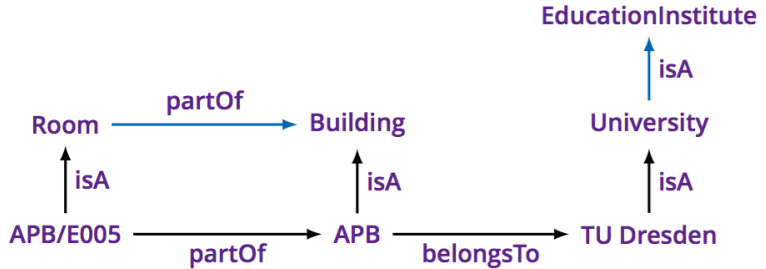
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- ▶ Relations or roles: relationships between concepts. (being employed by, sibling-of)
- ▶ Instances of classes and relations.
 - ▶ John is an employed student.
 - ▶ Mary works for IBM.

Early KR formalisms

- ▶ Graphical formalisms easier to grasp and supposedly close to how knowledge is represented by human beings.
- ▶ Large variety of semantical networks.
- ▶ Often, lack of formal semantics (see tentatives with the knowledge representation system KL-ONE).

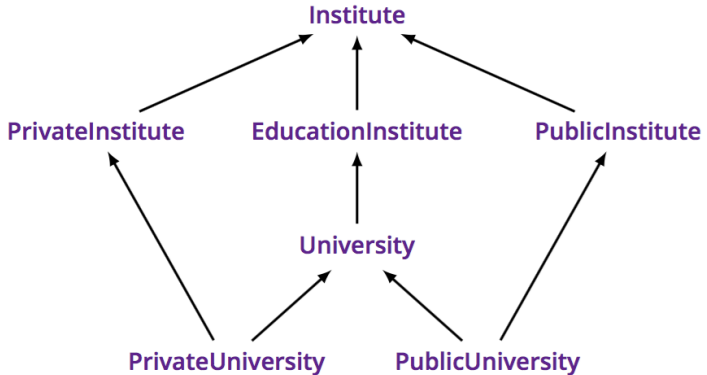


Knowledge graph



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Example of concept hierarchy / taxonomy



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See e.g.,
 - ▶ OWL: Web Ontology Language.
 - ▶ Protégé: ontology editor.
 - ▶ FaCT++: DL reasoner supporting OWL DL.

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- ▶ Basic terminology stored in a **TBox**.
- ▶ Facts about individuals stored in an **ABox**.

(do not worry, you will learn the new terminology)

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► Individual names.

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Examples: Mary, Alice, John, Felix

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$$\text{Student} \sqcup \forall \neg \text{Tax} \quad \forall \exists \text{MotherOf} . \text{Mary}$$

- ▶ $C \Rightarrow D \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \neg C \sqcup D.$ *(as in pro)*

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- A priori, $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ is arbitrary (not necessarily finite).
- \mathcal{I} can be viewed as a first-order model for unary and binary predicate symbols and constants.

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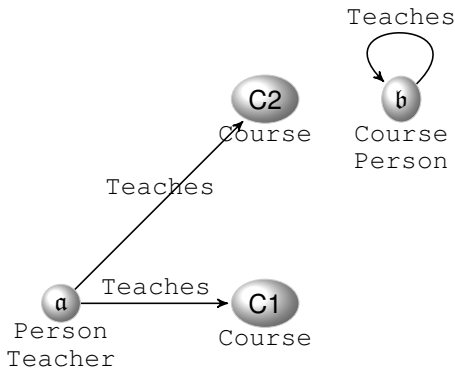
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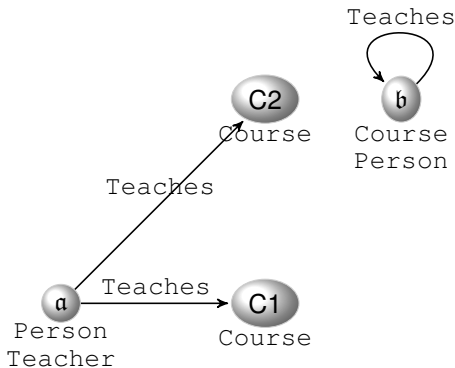
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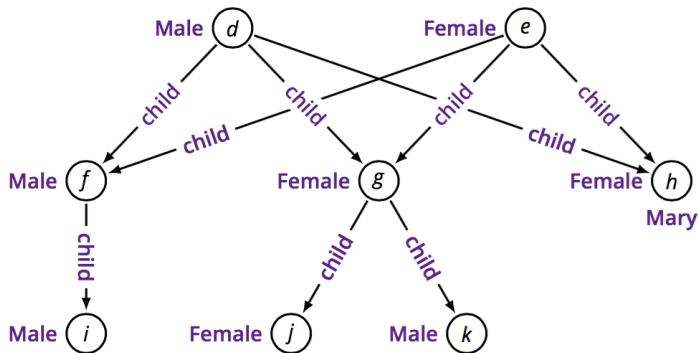
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(why?)

Another example



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- ▶ $(\exists \text{child}.\top)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{d, e, f, g\}$.
- ▶ $(\text{Female} \sqcap \exists \text{child}.\top)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{e, g\}$.
- ▶ $(\exists \text{child}.\text{Mary})^{\mathcal{I}} = \{d, e\}$.

⚠ Herein, `Mary` understood as a concept name (on this slide).

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$$(a, b) : r$$

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- ▶ Examples:

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$$(\leq n r \cdot C)^{\mathcal{I}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{card}(\{b \mid (a, b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ and } b \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}) \leq n\}$$

$$(\geq m r \cdot C)^{\mathcal{I}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{card}(\{b \mid (a, b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ and } b \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}) \geq m\}$$

- ▶ $(\sim n r) = (\sim n r \cdot \top)$.
- ▶ Given a logic \mathcal{L} , \mathcal{LQ} is defined as \mathcal{L} except that qualified number restrictions are added.

Qualified number restriction

- ▶ Generalising the number restrictions ($\sim nr$).
- ▶ **Qualified number restrictions:** ($\leq nr \cdot C$), ($\geq mr \cdot C$).
- ▶ Given $\mathcal{I} = (\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}, \cdot^{\mathcal{I}})$,
 $(\leq nr \cdot C)^{\mathcal{I}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{card}(\{b \mid (a, b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ and } b \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}) \leq n\}$
 $(\geq mr \cdot C)^{\mathcal{I}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{card}(\{b \mid (a, b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ and } b \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}) \geq m\}$
- ▶ $(\sim nr) = (\sim nr \cdot \top)$.
- ▶ Given a logic \mathcal{L} , \mathcal{LQ} is defined as \mathcal{L} except that qualified number restrictions are added.
- ▶ Concept satisfiability for \mathcal{ALCIIQ} is PSPACE-complete and knowledge base consistency is EXPTIME-complete.

Recapitulation

Recapitulation: concept and role constructors

Name	Syntax	Semantics
Top	\top	$\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$
Bottom	\perp	\emptyset
Conjunction	$C \sqcap D$	$C^{\mathcal{I}} \cap D^{\mathcal{I}}$
Disjunction	$C \sqcup D$	$C^{\mathcal{I}} \cup D^{\mathcal{I}}$
Negation	$\neg C$	$\Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \setminus C^{\mathcal{I}}$
Existential restr.	$\exists r.C$	$\{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid r^{\mathcal{I}}(a) \cap C^{\mathcal{I}} \neq \emptyset\}$
Value restr.	$\forall r.C$	$\{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid r^{\mathcal{I}}(a) \subseteq C^{\mathcal{I}}\}$
Unqual. nb. restr.	$(\leq n r)$	$\{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{card}(\{b \mid (a, b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}}\}) \leq n\}$
Qual. nb. restr.	$(\leq n r \cdot C)$	$\{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \text{card}(\{b \in C^{\mathcal{I}} \mid (a, b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}}\}) \leq n\}$
Nominal*	$\{a\}$	$\{a^{\mathcal{I}}\}$
Role value map*	$r \sqsubseteq s$	$\{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid r^{\mathcal{I}}(a) \subseteq s^{\mathcal{I}}(a)\}$
Inverse role	r^{-}	$\{(b, a) \mid (a, b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}}\}$
Role composition*	$r \circ s$	$\{(a, b) \mid \exists a' (a, a') \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \text{ and } (a', b) \in s^{\mathcal{I}}\}$

*: See next lecture

Recapitulation: Terminological and assertional axioms

Name	Syntax	Semantics
General concept inclusion	$C \sqsubseteq D$	$C^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq D^{\mathcal{I}}$
Concept definition	$A \equiv C$	$A^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}}$
Role inclusion*	$r \sqsubseteq s$	$r^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq s^{\mathcal{I}}$
Role transitivity*	$\text{Trans}(r)$	$r^{\mathcal{I}}$ is transitive
Concept assertion	$a : C$	$a^{\mathcal{I}} \in C^{\mathcal{I}}$
Role assertion	$(a, b) : r$	$(a^{\mathcal{I}}, b^{\mathcal{I}}) \in r^{\mathcal{I}}$

*: See next lecture

Conclusion

- ▶ Today lecture: Introduction to description logics
 - ▶ Getting familiar with DL terminology.
 - ▶ Playing with syntax and decision problems.
- ▶ Next week lecture: Introduction and Properties.
 - ▶ Extensions of \mathcal{ALC} (Part II).
 - ▶ Relationships with first-order logic.
 - ▶ Tree model property.