

Resume : Description Logic

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C is the set of concept names and R the set of role names. Every concept names is a concept description (CD).

Formal notation :

$$\begin{aligned} C \sqcap D &\rightarrow \text{conjunction} \\ C \sqcup D &\rightarrow \text{disjonction} \\ \neg C &\rightarrow \text{negation} \\ \exists r.C &\rightarrow \text{existential restriction} \\ \forall r.C &\rightarrow \text{value restriction} \end{aligned}$$

An interpretation $I = (\Delta, \cdot)$ such that $\Delta \neq \emptyset$, (Δ is called the domain of the interpretation) and with the following :

$$\begin{aligned} A \in C &\rightarrow A^I \subseteq \Delta \\ r \in R &\rightarrow r^I \subseteq \Delta \times \Delta \\ \top^I &= \Delta \\ \perp^I &= \Delta \\ (C \sqcap D)^I &= C^I \cap D^I \\ (C \sqcup D)^I &= C^I \cup D^I \\ (\neg C)^I &= \Delta \setminus C^I \\ (\exists r.C)^I &= \{d \in \Delta \mid \exists e \in \Delta \text{ with } (d, e) \in r^I \text{ and } e \in C^I\} \\ (\forall r.C)^I &= \{d \in \Delta \mid \forall e \in \Delta, \text{ if } (d, e) \in r^I, \text{ then } e \in C^I\} \end{aligned}$$

We call C^I the extension of C in I and $b \in \Delta^I$ an r -filler of a in I if $(a, b) \in r^I$.

Lemma 1. *Let I be an interpretation, C, D concepts and r a role. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \top^I &= (C \sqcup \neg C)^I \\ \perp^I &= (C \sqcap \neg C)^I \\ (\neg \neg C)^I &= C^I \\ (\neg(C \sqcap D))^I &= (\neg C \sqcup \neg D)^I \\ (\neg(C \sqcup D))^I &= (\neg C \sqcap \neg D)^I \\ (\neg(\exists r.C))^I &= (\forall r.\neg C)^I \\ (\neg(\forall r.C))^I &= (\exists r.\neg C)^I \end{aligned}$$

Because the \sqcup operator can be tricky sometimes, we use the following relation to replace the \sqcup by \sqcap : $C \sqcup D \rightarrow \neg(\neg C \sqcap \neg D)$.

ALC TBoxes

For C and D possibly compound ALC concepts, an expression of form $C \sqsubseteq D$ is called an ALC general concept inclusion (GCI). We use $C \equiv D$ has an abbreviation for $C \sqsubseteq D, D \sqsubseteq C$. A finite set of GCI is called an ALC TBox and noted τ .

Lemma 2. *If $\tau \in \tau'$ for two TBox τ and τ' , then each model of τ' is also a model of τ .*

Example of a *TBox* T_{ex} :

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{ex} = \{ & Course \sqsubseteq \neg Person, \\
& UGC \sqsubseteq Course, \\
& PGC \sqsubseteq Course, \\
& Teacher \equiv Person \sqcap \exists teaches.Course, \\
& \exists teaches.T \sqsubseteq Person, \\
& Student \equiv Person \sqcap \exists attends.Course, \\
& \exists attends.T \sqsubseteq Person \}
\end{aligned}$$

ALC ABoxes

Let I be a set of individual names disjoint from R and C . For $a, b \in I$ individual names, C a possibly compound *ALC* concept, and $r \in R$ a role name, an expression of the form $a : C$ is called an *ALC* concept assertion and $(a, b) : r$ is called an *ALC* role assertion.

A finite set of concept and role assertion is called an *ALC ABox*. An interpretation function \cdot^I is additionally required to map every individual name $a \in I$ to an element a^I in Δ^I . An interpretation I satisfies a concept assertion $a : C$ if $a^I \in C^I$ and a role assertion $(a, b) : r$ if $(a^I, b^I) \in r^I$.

An interpretation that satisfies each concept assertion and each role assertion in a *ABox* A is called a model of A .

Example of a *ABox* A_{ex} :

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{ex} = \{ & Mary : Person, \\
& CS600 : Course, \\
& Ph456 : Course \sqcap PGC, \\
& Hugo : Person, \\
& Betty : Person \sqcap Teacher, \\
& (Mary, CS600) : teaches, \\
& (Hugo, Ph456) : teaches, \\
& (Betty, Ph456) : attends, \\
& (Mary, Ph456) : attends \}
\end{aligned}$$

Then we can create an interpretation I of this *ABox* which is a model:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta^I &= \{h, m, c6, p4\}, \\ \textit{Mary}^I &= m \\ \textit{Betty}^I &= \textit{Hugo}^I = h, \\ \textit{CS600}^I &= c6, \\ \textit{Ph456}^I &= p4, \\ \textit{Person}^I &= \{h, m, c6, p4\}, \\ \textit{Teacher}^I &= \{h, m\}, \\ \textit{Course}^I &= \{c6, p4\}, \\ \textit{PGC}^I &= \{p4\}, \\ \textit{UGC}^I &= \{cs\}, \\ \textit{Student}^I &= \emptyset, \\ \textit{teaches}^I &= \{(m, c6), (h, p4)\}, \\ \textit{attends}^I &= \{(h, p4), (m, p4)\}\end{aligned}$$

Note that isn't a model of the previous example of a *TBox*.

Chapter 1

A Basic Description Logic

1.1 TBox

Definition 1.1.1. For C and D possibly compound \mathcal{ALC} concepts, an expression of the form $C \sqsubseteq D$ is called an \mathcal{ALC} general concept inclusion and abbreviated GCI. We use $C \equiv D$ for $C \sqsubseteq D, D \sqsubseteq C$.

- A finite set of GCI is called an \mathcal{ALC} TBox.
- An interpretation I satisfies a GCI $C \sqsubseteq D$ if $C^I \subseteq D^I$.
- An interpretation that satisfies each GCI in a TBox \mathcal{T} is called a model of \mathcal{T} .

Lemma 3. If $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$ for two TBoxes \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' , then each model of \mathcal{T}' is a model of \mathcal{T} .

1.2 ABox

Definition 1.2.1. Let \mathbf{I} be a set of individual names disjoint from \mathbf{R} and \mathbf{C} . For $a, b \in \mathbf{I}$ individual names, C a possibly compound \mathcal{ALC} concept, and $r \in \mathbf{R}$ a role name, an expression of the form :

- $a : C$ is called an \mathcal{ALC} concept assertion
- $(a, b) : r$ is called an \mathcal{ALC} role assertion

A finite set of \mathcal{ALC} concept and role assertion is called an \mathcal{ALC} ABox.

An interpretation function \cdot^I is additionally required to map every individual name $a \in \mathbf{I}$ to an element $a^I \in \Delta^I$. An interpretation I satisfies

- a concept assertion $a : C$ if $a^I \in C^I$
- a role assertion $(a, b) : r$ if $(a^I, b^I) \in r^I$

Definition 1.2.1. An \mathcal{ALC} knowledge base $\mathcal{K} = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$ consists of an \mathcal{ALC} TBox \mathcal{T} and an \mathcal{ALC} ABox \mathcal{A} . An interpretation that is both a model of \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{A} is called a model of \mathcal{K} .