

Knowledge Representation and Reasoning

Exercise Sheet 8

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Exercise 8.1 (a)

Expressiveness of \mathcal{ALCF}



Exercise 8.1 (EXPRESSIBILITY AND COMPLEXITY, 3 + 3)

- (a) You are asked to show that concept constructors are not just syntactic sugar. In particular, if one adds the functionality concept constructor $\text{---}(\leq 1r)\text{---}$ to \mathcal{ALC} one gets the language \mathcal{ALCF} . Show that \mathcal{ALCF} is indeed more expressive than \mathcal{ALC} by proving that the concept $(\leq 1r)$ cannot be expressed in \mathcal{ALC} .

Hint: Assume that there is an \mathcal{ALC} concept C which is equivalent to $(\leq 1r)$. Provide an appropriate interpretation \mathcal{I} which satisfies $(\leq 1r)$ and by assumption also C , i.e., $(\leq 1r)^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}} \neq \emptyset$. Then construct another interpretation \mathcal{I}' from \mathcal{I} as follows:

$$\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}'} = \mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} \times \mathbb{N}$$

$$A^{\mathcal{I}'} = \{(d, i) \mid d \in A^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\} \quad \text{for all primitive concepts } A$$

$$s^{\mathcal{I}'} = \{((d, i), (e, j)) \mid (d, e) \in s^{\mathcal{I}}, i, j \in \mathbb{N}\} \quad \text{for all primitive roles } s$$

For this new interpretation, show that $C^{\mathcal{I}'} \neq (\leq 1r)^{\mathcal{I}'}$, contradicting our assumption.

We consider the following interpretation \mathcal{I} :

$$\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a\} \quad r^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(a, a)\} \quad (\leq 1r)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a\}$$

Assuming C is an \mathcal{ALC} concept expressing $(\leq 1r)$, we also have $C^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a\}$.

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Our interpretation \mathcal{I} was given as:

$$\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a\} \quad r^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(a, a)\} \quad (\leq 1r)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a\} \quad C^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a\}$$

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We now construct the interpretation \mathcal{I}' as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}'} &= \mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} \times \mathbb{N} = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), \dots\} \\ r^{\mathcal{I}'} &= \{((d, i), (e, j)) \mid (d, e) \in r^{\mathcal{I}}, i, j \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{\langle (a, 1), (a, 1) \rangle, \langle (a, 1), (a, 2) \rangle, \dots, \\ &\quad \langle (a, 2), (a, 1) \rangle, \langle (a, 2), (a, 2) \rangle, \dots, \\ &\quad \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

$$(\leq 1r)^{\mathcal{I}'} = \emptyset$$

We will now show the following contradiction to our assumption:

$$C^{\mathcal{I}'} = \{(d, i) \mid d \in C^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), \dots\} \neq \emptyset = (\leq 1r)^{\mathcal{I}'}$$

For primitive concepts, $C^{\mathcal{I}'} = \{(d, i) \mid d \in C^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ holds by definition.

We show that it holds for arbitrary \mathcal{ALC} concepts C .

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We show via structural induction that for an arbitrary \mathcal{ALCF} concept C also:

$$C^{\mathcal{I}'} = \{(d, i) \mid d \in C^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Base case: For primitive C , the identity holds by definition.

Assuming the identity already holds for two concepts A and B , we have:

$$(A \sqcap B)^{\mathcal{I}'} = A^{\mathcal{I}'} \cap B^{\mathcal{I}'} = \{(d, i) \mid d \in A^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\} \cap \{(d, i) \mid d \in B^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

$$= \{(d, i) \mid d \in (A^{\mathcal{I}} \cap B^{\mathcal{I}}), i \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{(d, i) \mid d \in (A \sqcap B)^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

$$(\neg A)^{\mathcal{I}'} = \mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}'} \setminus A^{\mathcal{I}'} = (\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} \times \mathbb{N}) \setminus \{(d, i) \mid d \in A^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

$$= \{(d, i) \mid d \in (\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} \setminus A^{\mathcal{I}}), i \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{(d, i) \mid d \in (\neg A)^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

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Assuming the identity already holds for two concepts A and B , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} (\forall r.A)^{\mathcal{I}'} &= \{d \in \mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}'} : r^{\mathcal{I}'}(d) \subseteq A^{\mathcal{I}'}\} = \{d \in (\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} \times \mathbb{N}) : r^{\mathcal{I}'}(d) \subseteq \{(e, i) \mid e \in A^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}\} \\ &= \{d \in \mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{I}} : r^{\mathcal{I}}(d) \subseteq A^{\mathcal{I}}\} \times \mathbb{N} = \{(d, i) \mid d \in (\forall r.A)^{\mathcal{I}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\} \end{aligned}$$

We can ignore the cases $A \sqcup B$ and $\exists r.A$ since they are equivalent to the already proven cases $\neg(\neg A \sqcap \neg B)$ and $\neg \forall r. \neg B$. □

Exercise 8.1 (b)

Description Logics Complexity



- (b) Given the TBox \mathcal{T} , determine the description logic used to describe the concepts. What is the complexity class of the satisfiability problem of this logic? Propose how \mathcal{T} could be expressed in a less complex DL.

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$$\bullet \mathcal{T} = \{A \doteq \exists r.(\forall s.C \sqcup \exists s.\neg C), B \doteq (\geq 1s), C \doteq B \sqcap \forall r.\neg(\neg A \sqcup \neg B)\}$$

We have a **cyclic TBox** and **number restrictions**.

\Rightarrow Logic **\mathcal{ALCN}** , concept satisfiability **EXPTIME-complete**.

We can **remove cycles** by transforming $A \doteq \exists r.(\forall s.C \sqcup \exists s.\neg C)$ to $A \doteq \exists r.$

\Rightarrow Logic **\mathcal{ALCN}** , concept satisfiability **PSPACE-complete**.

We can **remove number restrictions** by transforming $B \doteq (\geq 1s)$ to $B \doteq \exists s.$

\Rightarrow Logic **\mathcal{ALC}** , concept satisfiability **PSPACE-complete**.

We can finally **remove negations, disjunctions** in C , obtaining the TBox

$$\mathcal{T}' = \{A \doteq \exists r, B \doteq \exists s, C \doteq B \sqcap \forall r.(A \sqcap B)\}$$

The resulting logic is **\mathcal{FL}^-** , concept satisfiability is **trivial**.

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

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Divine Reasoning



Exercise 8.2 (DIVINE REASONING, 2 + 3 + 1)

Consider the following ontology, describing a fraction of the ancient Greek pantheon:

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$\text{Immortal} \sqsubseteq \text{Living_Entity}$	$\text{RHEA}:$	Titan
$\text{Titan} \sqsubseteq \text{Immortal}$	$\text{ZEUS}:$	Immortal
$\text{Olympian} \doteq \text{Immortal} \sqcap \neg \text{Titan} \sqcap$	$\text{ZEUS}:$	$\neg \text{Titan}$
$\exists \text{has-parent.Titan}$	$\text{DANAE}:$	$\neg \text{Immortal}$
$\text{Demigod} \doteq \text{Living_Entity} \sqcap$	$\text{THESEUS}:$	Living_Entity
$\exists \text{has-parent.Olympian} \sqcap$	$(\text{ZEUS}, \text{RHEA}):$	has-parent
$\exists \text{has-parent.}\neg \text{Immortal}$	$(\text{THESEUS}, \text{ZEUS}):$	has-parent
	$(\text{THESEUS}, \text{DANAE}):$	has-parent

- (a) Based on the given ABox, check whether any of the individuals RHEA, ZEUS, DANAE and THESEUS are instances of the concepts **Olympian**, \neg **Olympian**, **Demigod** or \neg **Demigod**.
- (b) Using the tableau algorithm, show that it is generally possible for a single individual to be an **Olympian** as well as a **Demigod**.
- (c) Construct a new axiom to add to the TBox which makes it impossible to simultaneously be an **Olympian** and a **Demigod**. You should not modify any of the existing axioms or introduce any new roles or concepts.

Exercise 8.2 (a)

Divine Reasoning – Instances of Olympian and Demigod



Immortal \sqsubseteq Living_Entity
Titan \sqsubseteq Immortal
Olympian \doteq Immortal \sqcap \neg Titan \sqcap
 \exists has-parent.Titan
Demigod \doteq Living_Entity \sqcap
 \exists has-parent.Olympian \sqcap
 \exists has-parent. \neg Immortal

RHEA:	Titan
ZEUS:	Immortal
ZEUS:	\neg Titan
DANAE:	\neg Immortal
THESEUS:	Living_Entity
(ZEUS, RHEA):	has-parent
(THESEUS, ZEUS):	has-parent
(THESEUS, DANAE):	has-parent

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We can make the following inferences:

RHEA: \neg Olympian	(bc. RHEA: Titan)
ZEUS: \exists has-parent.Titan	(bc. RHEA: Titan)
ZEUS: Olympian	(bc. ZEUS: Immortal, ZEUS: \neg Titan and ZEUS: \exists has-parent.Titan)
DANAE: \neg Olympian	(bc. DANAE: \neg Immortal)
THESEUS: \exists has-parent.Olympian	(bc. ZEUS: Olympian)
THESEUS: \exists has-parent. \neg Immortal	(bc. DANAE: \neg Immortal)
THESEUS: Demigod	(bc. THESEUS: Living_Entity, THESEUS: \exists has-parent.Olympian and THESEUS: \exists has-parent. \neg Immortal)

Exercise 8.2 (b)

Divine Reasoning – Olympian and Demigod at the same time? (Normalization)



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We start by normalization and unfolding (and abbreviation for the sake of readability):

$$\text{Im} \doteq \text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^*$$

$$\text{Ti} \doteq \text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*$$

$$\text{Ol} \doteq \text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \neg(\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*) \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*)$$

$$\text{De} \doteq \text{LE} \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \neg(\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*)) \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*) \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . \neg(\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^*)$$

Next we transform the concept descriptions in question into NNF:

$$\text{Ol} \doteq \text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \neg \text{Ti}^* \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*)$$

$$\text{De} \doteq \text{LE} \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \neg \text{Ti}^* \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*)) \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\neg \text{LE} \sqcup \neg \text{Im}^*)$$

Note: We applied distributivity to transform $\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^ \sqcap (\neg \text{LE} \sqcup \neg \text{Im}^* \sqcup \neg \text{Ti}^*) \equiv \text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \neg \text{Ti}^*$.*

While this property was not introduced in the lecture, it can easily be proven via set theory.

In conjunction we get:

$$\text{Ol} \sqcap \text{De} \equiv \text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \neg \text{Ti}^* \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*) \sqcap$$

$$\exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \neg \text{Ti}^* \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\text{LE} \sqcap \text{Im}^* \sqcap \text{Ti}^*)) \sqcap \exists \text{hp} . (\neg \text{LE} \sqcup \neg \text{Im}^*)$$

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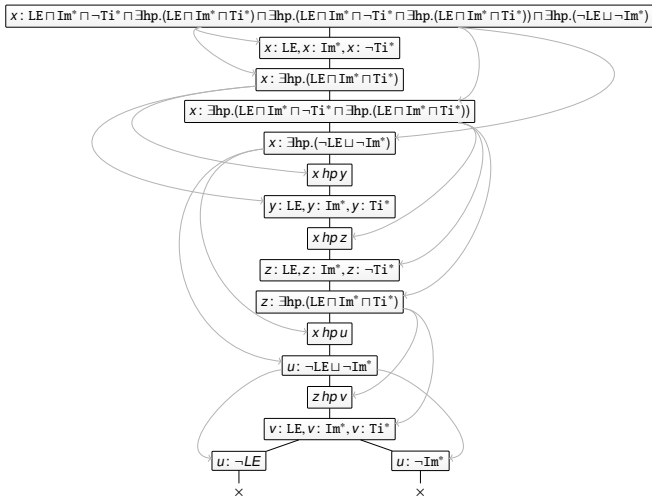
Divine Reasoning – Olympian and Demigod at the same time? (Tableau)



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Both branches are closed (one would have been enough).

Exercise 8.2 (b)

Divine Reasoning – Olympian and Demigod at the same time? (Model)

From the Tableau we can construct the following model \mathcal{I} with $\mathcal{D} = \{x, y, z, u, v\}$:

$$\text{Living_Entity}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x, y, z, v\}$$

$$\text{Immortal}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x, y, z, v\}$$

$$\text{Titan}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{y, v\}$$

$$\text{has-parent}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(x, y), (x, z), (x, u), (z, v)\}$$

$$\text{Immortal}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x, y, z, v\}$$

$$\text{Titan}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{y, v\}$$

$$\text{Olympian}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x, z\}$$

$$\text{Demigod}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x\}$$

In this model, x is an Olympian as well as a Demigod.

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Exercise 8.2 (c)

Christmas Reasoning – Prohibiting Olympian Demigods



Looking at the model constructed in (b), we see that the individual x needed three parents to satisfy all constraints: One parent has to be an Olympian, one has to be a Titan (which cannot be the same as the Olympian, since Olympians cannot be Titans) and one has to be mortal (which disqualifies both the Olympian and the Titan).

Idea: A reasonable additional restriction might be limiting living entities to at most two parents:

$$\text{Living_Entity} \sqsubseteq \leq 2 \text{has-parent}$$

As an additional exercise, you could prove that this is indeed the case by repeating the tableau construction with this addition to the TBox – which should now lead to clashes. To deal with the cardinality restriction you will need the \mathcal{ALCQ} -tableau rules from exercise 7.