

Report: Argument Builder v2

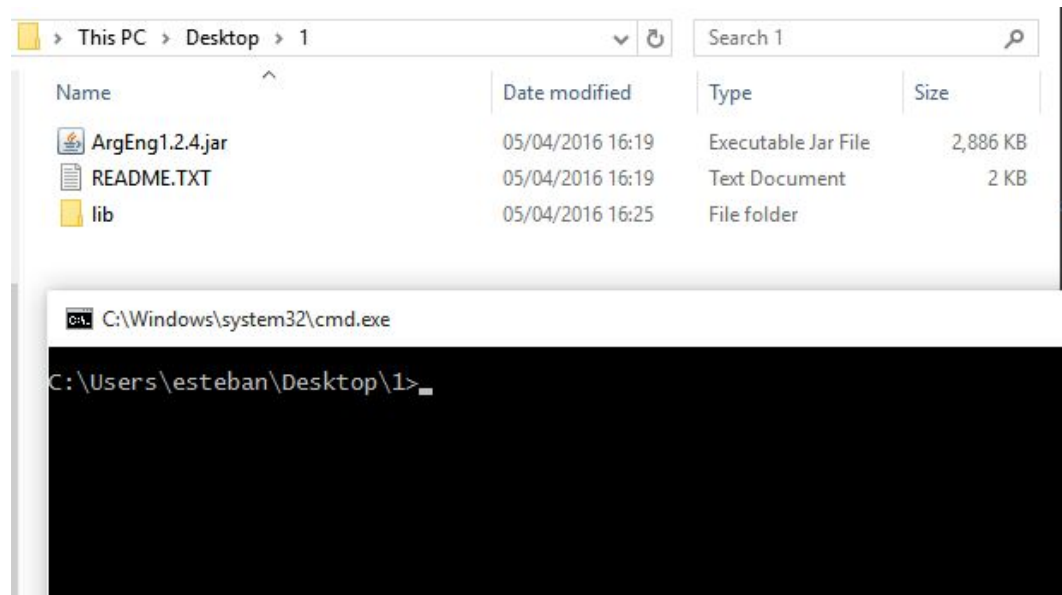
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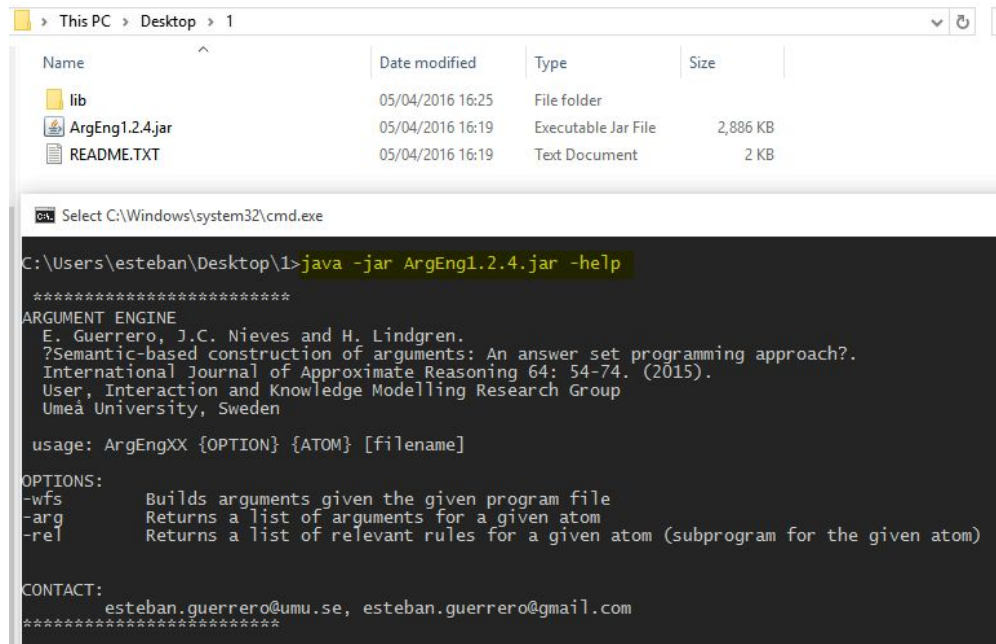
Abstract: A new version of the Argument Builder engine is presented. This version of the builder is based on a Well-Founded Semantics evaluation using the DLV System.

Quick start:

1. The argument builder is a self contained jar file (current version 1.2.4) which requires external libraries provided in the folder “lib”.
2. Expand the compress file ArgEng.zip
3. For using as a standalone tool:
 - a. Open a command line window in the folder of the ArgEng file (tip in Windows: Shift + Right click in the folder → “Open command window here”)



- b. For help of the Argument Builder usage use the command **-help**, such as: `java -jar ArgEng1.2.4.jar -help`



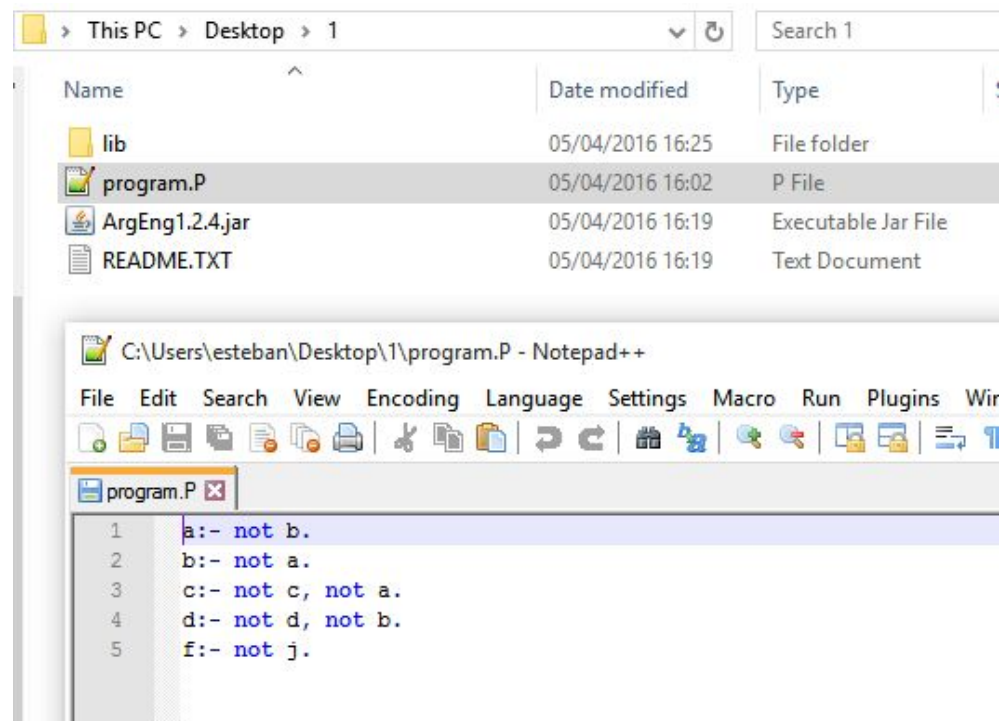
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ARGUMENT ENGINE
E. Guerrero, J.C. Nieves and H. Lindgren.
?Semantic-based construction of arguments: An answer set programming approach?.
International Journal of Approximate Reasoning 64: 54-74. (2015).
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usage: ArgEngXX {OPTION} {ATOM} [Filename]

OPTIONS:
-wfs      Builds arguments given the given program file
-arg      Returns a list of arguments for a given atom
-rel      Returns a list of relevant rules for a given atom (subprogram for the given atom)

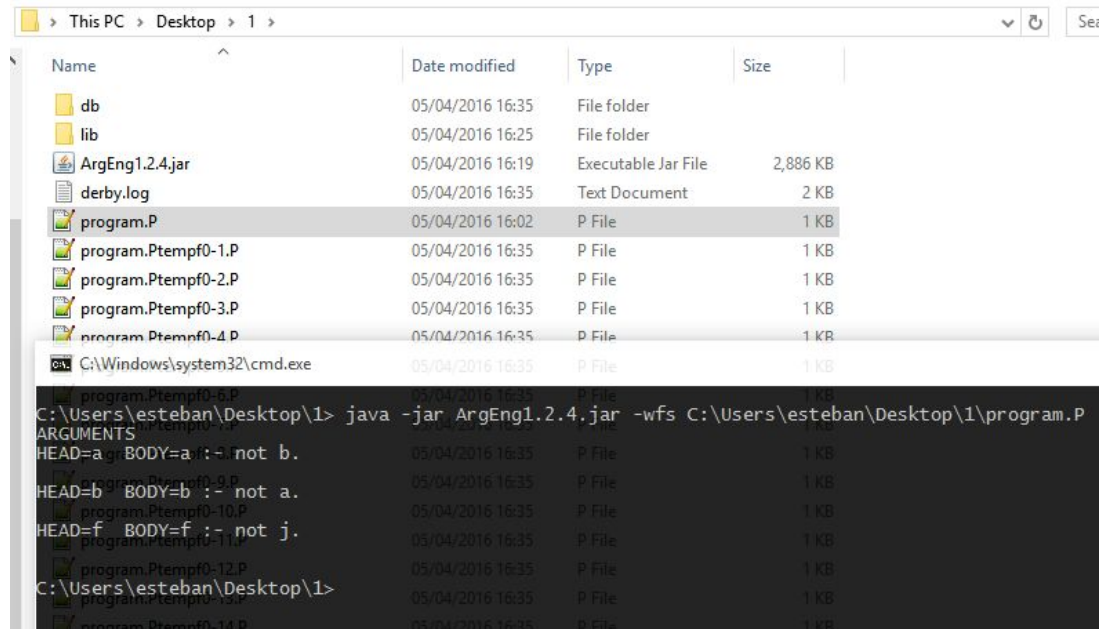
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c. Create a logic program in a file using Prolog notation, for instance:

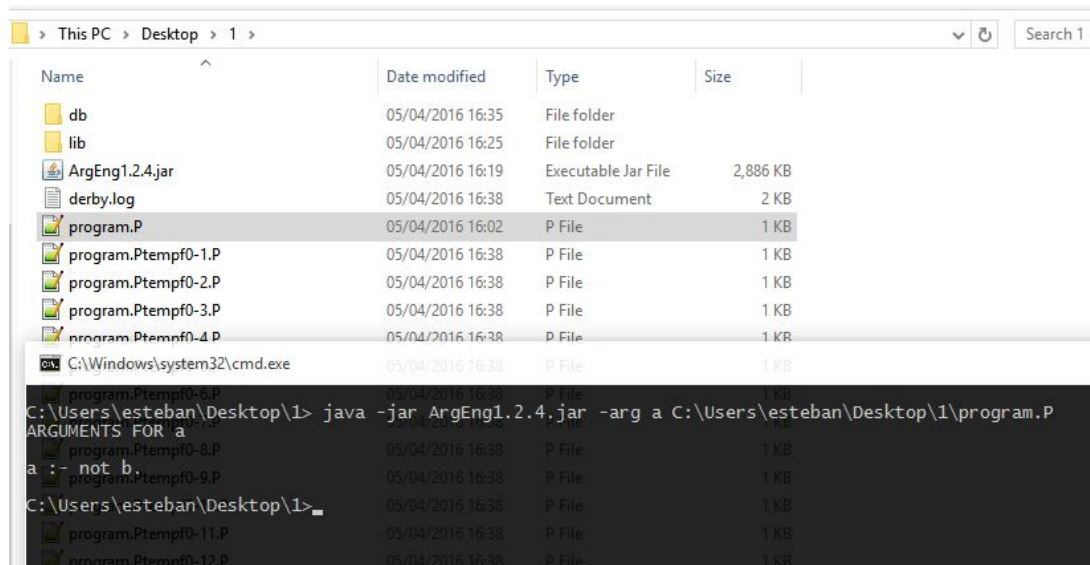


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1 a:- not b.
2 b:- not a.
3 c:- not c, not a.
4 d:- not d, not b.
5 f:- not j.
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- d. Building arguments for “program.P” by using the **-wfs** option and passing the location of the “program.P” file, such as: **java -jar ArgEng1.2.4.jar -wfs C:\Users\esteban\Desktop\1\program.P**

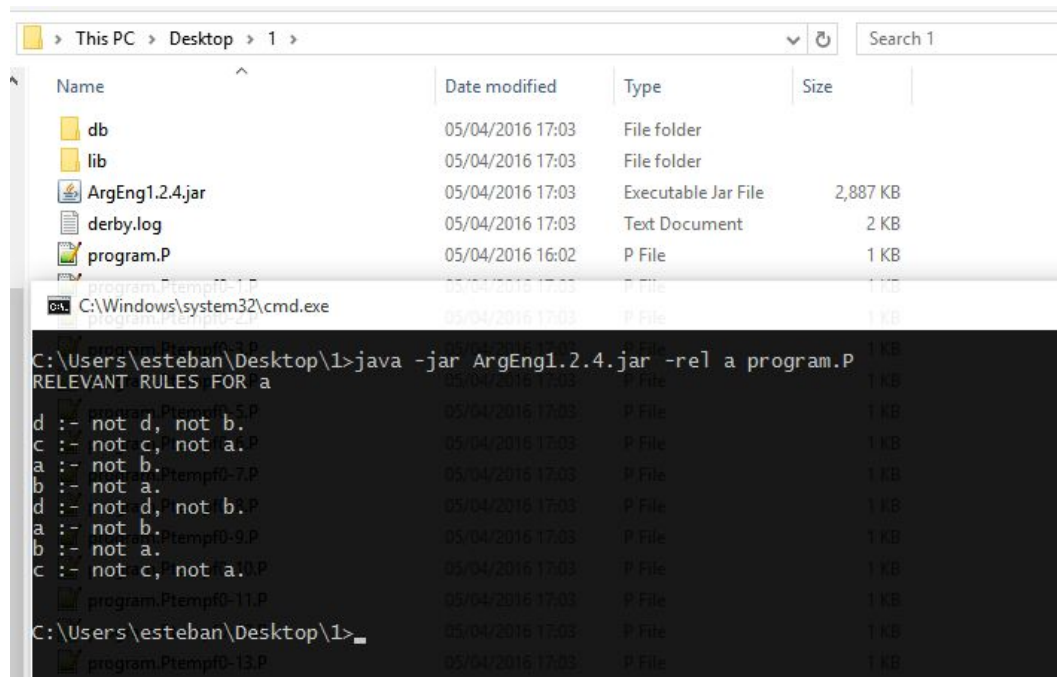


- e. Retrieving the set of arguments for a given atom using the option: **-arg**, for instance retrieving the set of arguments (if any) for the atom “a” in the program “program.P”: **java -jar ArgEng1.2.4.jar -arg a C:\Users\esteban\Desktop\1\program.P**



- f. Retrieving the set of *relevant rules* for a given atom using the option: **-rel**, for instance retrieving the set of rules (if any) for the atom “a” in the program

"program.P": `java -jar ArgEng1.2.4.jar -rel a`
`C:\Users\esteban\Desktop\1\program.P`



Notes:

- The program accept negation as failure (NAF) as well as strong negation, e.g.: the program
 $P = \{-b:- \text{not } a. \text{ c}:- \text{not } c, \text{ not } a. \text{ f}:- \text{not } j. \}$
- Some errors can be generated when blank lines are left in the program file.
- The argument builder generates some temporal files which are automatically deleted by the program. Those files are subprograms of the original program which are generated when the relevant rules are obtained. More details in the paper. *E. Guerrero, J.C. Nieves and H. Lindgren. "Semantic-based construction of arguments: An answer set programming approach". International Journal of Approximate Reasoning 64: 54-74. (2015).*

Architecture:

