

Answer Set Programming for the Semantic Web

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Unit 5 – An ASP Extension: Nonmonotonic dl-Programs

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Unit Outline

- ① Introduction
- ② dl-Programs
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 - How to ascribe a semantics for this usage?

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A *DL query* $Q(t)$ is one of

- (a) a concept inclusion axiom $C \sqsubseteq D$, or its negation $\neg(C \sqsubseteq D)$,
- (b) $C(t)$ or $\neg C(t)$, for a concept C and term t , or
- (c) $R(t_1, t_2)$ or $\neg R(t_1, t_2)$, for a role R and terms t_1, t_2 .

Remarks:

- Further queries are conceivable (e.g., conjunctive queries)
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Social Dinner X

- Suppose now that we learn that there is a bottle, “*SelaksIceWine*”, which is a white wine and not dry.
- We may add this information to the logic program by facts¹:

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white(“SelaksIceWine”). not_dry(“SelaksIceWine”).
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- In our program, we may pass this information to the ontology by adding in the dl-atoms the modification

$$WhiteWine \uplus white, DryWine \uplus not_dry.$$

E.g., DL [Wine] (X) is changed to

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- CWA for roles R : easy extension

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Deciding strong answer set existence for dl-programs
(completeness results)

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stratified	EXP	P^{NEXP}
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Recall: Satisfiability problem in

- $SHIF(\mathbf{D}) / SHOIN(\mathbf{D})$ is EXP-/NEXP-complete (unary numbers).
- ASP is EXP-complete for positive/stratified programs P , and NEXP-complete for arbitrary P
- **Key observation:** The number of ground dl-atoms is polynomial
- $NP^{NEXP} = P^{NEXP}$ is less powerful than disjunctive ASP ($\equiv NEXP^{NP}$)
- Similar results for query answering

NLP-DL Prototype

- Fully operational prototype: NLP-DL

<http://www.kr.tuwien.ac.at/staff/roman/semweblp/>.

- Accepts ontologies formulated in OWL-DL (as processed by RACER) and a set of dl-rules, where \leftarrow , \uplus , and \cup , are written as ":-", "+=", and "-=", respectively.
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 - the answer sets
 - the well-founded model

Preliminary computation of the well-founded model may be exploited for optimization.

- Reasoning: both *brave* and *cautious reasoning*; well-founded inferences

Example: Review Assignment

It is given an ontology about scientific publications

- Concept *Author* stores authors
 - Concept *Senior* (senior author)
 - Concept *Club100* (authors with more than 100 paper)
 - ...
-
- Goal: Assign submitted papers to reviewers
 - Note: Precise definitions are not so important (encapsulation)

Review Assignment /2

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