

Ontology Languages (COMP321)

Solution to Exercise 6

Consider the database instance $\mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}$ given by

Clownfish(Nemo), Clownfish(Karl)

Surgeonfish(Dory), has_friend(Nemo, Dory)

We query $\mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}$ under closed world assumption (standard relational database semantics) and under open world assumption. Recall that under the closed world assumption we consider the interpretation $\mathcal{I} := \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}}$ defined as follows:

- $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}} = \{\text{Nemo}, \text{Karl}, \text{Dory}\};$
- $\text{Clownfish}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{\text{Nemo}, \text{Karl}\};$
- $\text{Surgeonfish}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{\text{Dory}\};$
- $\text{has_friend}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(\text{Nemo}, \text{Dory})\}.$

Consider the following Boolean queries (in description logic notation).

- Clownfish(Karl)
- Clownfish(Dory)
- Fish(Nemo)
- $\neg\text{Fish}(\text{Nemo})$
- $(\exists\text{has_friend}.\top)(\text{Nemo})$
- $(\exists\text{has_friend}.\text{Fish})(\text{Nemo})$
- $(\text{Clownfish} \sqcap \neg\text{Surgeonfish})(\text{Karl})$
- Fish(Dory)
- $(\text{Surgeonfish} \sqcap \neg\text{Fish})(\text{Dory})$

- $(\exists \text{has_friend.Clownfish})(\text{Karl})$.

(1) Write those Boolean queries in first-order predicate logic (FOPL) notation. (Note that for many queries there is no difference between description logic notation and FOPL notation).

Solution

- $\text{Clownfish}(\text{Karl})$ is already in FOPL
- $\text{Clownfish}(\text{Dory})$ is already in FOPL
- $\text{Fish}(\text{Nemo})$ is already in FOPL
- $\neg \text{Fish}(\text{Nemo})$ is already in FOPL
- $(\exists \text{has_friend}.\top)(\text{Nemo})$ is in FOPL: $\exists y.\text{has_friend}(\text{Nemo}, y)$.
- $(\exists \text{has_friend.Fish})(\text{Nemo})$ is in FOPL:

$$\exists y.(\text{has_friend}(\text{Nemo}, y) \wedge \text{Fish}(y))$$

- $(\text{Clownfish} \sqcap \neg \text{Surgeonfish})(\text{Karl})$ is in FOPL:

$$\text{Clownfish}(\text{Karl}) \wedge \neg \text{Surgeonfish}(\text{Karl})$$

- $\text{Fish}(\text{Dory})$ is already in FOPL.
- $(\text{Surgeonfish} \sqcap \neg \text{Fish})(\text{Dory})$ is in FOPL:

$$\text{Surgeonfish}(\text{Dory}) \wedge \neg \text{Fish}(\text{Dory})$$

- $(\exists \text{has_friend.Clownfish})(\text{Karl})$ in in FOPL:

$$\exists y.(\text{has_friend}(\text{Karl}, y) \wedge \text{Clownfish}(y))$$

(2) Query answering under closed world assumption: check for each Boolean query F whether the answer to the query F given by $\mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}$ is “Yes” or “No”. In other words, check whether $\mathcal{I} \models F$ or $\mathcal{I} \models \neg F$.

Solution

- $\mathcal{I} \models \text{Clownfish}(\text{Karl})?$ Yes
- $\mathcal{I} \models \text{Clownfish}(\text{Dory})?$ No
- $\mathcal{I} \models \text{Fish}(\text{Nemo})?$ No
- $\mathcal{I} \models \neg\text{Fish}(\text{Nemo})?$ Yes
- $\mathcal{I} \models (\exists\text{has_friend}.\top)(\text{Nemo})?$ Yes
- $\mathcal{I} \models (\exists\text{has_friend}.\text{Fish})(\text{Nemo})?$ No
- $\mathcal{I} \models (\text{Clownfish} \sqcap \neg\text{Surgeonfish})(\text{Karl})?$ Yes
- $\mathcal{I} \models \text{Fish}(\text{Dory})?$ No
- $\mathcal{I} \models (\text{Surgeonfish} \sqcap \neg\text{Fish})(\text{Dory})?$ Yes
- $\mathcal{I} \models (\exists\text{has_friend}.\text{Clownfish})(\text{Karl})?$ No

(3) Query answering under open world assumption: check for each Boolean query F whether the certain answer to F given by $\mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}$ is “Yes”, “No”, or “Don’t know”. In other words, check whether $\mathcal{D} \models F$ or $\mathcal{D} \models \neg F$ or neither of these two hold.

Solution

- $\text{Clownfish}(\text{Karl})?$ Yes
- $\text{Clownfish}(\text{Dory})?$ Don’t know
- $\text{Fish}(\text{Nemo})?$ Don’t know
- $\neg\text{Fish}(\text{Nemo})?$ Don’t know
- $(\exists\text{has_friend}.\top)(\text{Nemo})?$ Yes
- $(\exists\text{has_friend}.\text{Fish})(\text{Nemo})?$ Don’t know
- $(\text{Clownfish} \sqcap \neg\text{Surgeonfish})(\text{Karl})?$ Don’t know
- $\text{Fish}(\text{Dory})?$ Don’t know
- $(\text{Surgeonfish} \sqcap \neg\text{Fish})(\text{Dory})?$ Don’t know
- $(\exists\text{has_friend}.\text{Clownfish})(\text{Karl})?$ Don’t know

Consider the following non-Boolean queries F_i :

- $F_1(x) = \text{Clownfish}(x)$
- $F_2(x) = \neg \text{Surgeonfish}(x)$
- $F_3(x, y) = \text{has_friend}(x, y)$
- $F_4(x) = \text{Clownfish}(x) \wedge \neg \text{has_friend}(x, \text{Dory})$

(4) For each query F_i , give $\text{answer}(F_i, \mathcal{I}_N)$.

Solution

- $\text{answer}(F_1, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}) = \{\text{Nemo}, \text{Karl}\}$.
- $\text{answer}(F_2, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}) = \{\text{Nemo}, \text{Karl}\}$.
- $\text{answer}(F_3, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}) = \{(\text{Nemo}, \text{Dory})\}$.
- $\text{answer}(F_4, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}) = \{\text{Karl}\}$.

(5) For each query F_i , give $\text{certanswer}(F_i, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}})$.

Solution

- $\text{certanswer}(F_1, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}) = \{\text{Nemo}, \text{Karl}\}$.
- $\text{certanswer}(F_2, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}) = \emptyset$.
- $\text{certanswer}(F_3, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}) = \{(\text{Nemo}, \text{Dory})\}$.
- $\text{certanswer}(F_4, \mathcal{D}_{\text{Nemo}}) = \emptyset$.