

Constructive Semantics for Description Logics

ASP Based Generation of Information Terms for Constructive \mathcal{EL}

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Brouwer-Heyting-Kolmogorov (BHK) or proof interpretation

Semiformal presentation of a constructive semantics

E.g. propositional part:

- A proof of $A \wedge B$ is composed from proofs of A and B
- A proof of $A \vee B$ is composed of a proof for A or B
- A proof of $A \rightarrow B$ is construction transforming proofs of A in proofs for B
- \perp is an unprovable formula (thus $A \rightarrow \perp = \neg A$)

• Possible formalizations:

- Intuitionism
- Recursive realizability
- Information terms semantics

- Characteristic properties:
 - Disjunction property (DP):
“Whenever it proves a disjunction formula, it proves one of the disjoints”
 - Explicit definability property (ED):
“Whenever it proves an existential formula, it presents a witness of the existence”
- Constructivism and Computer Science:
 - Formulas-as-types (Curry-Howard isomorphism)
 - Proofs-as-programs

Constructive description logics

Constructive interpretations of description logics

Motivations

- Computational interpretation of proofs and formulas
- Useful in domains with dynamic and incomplete knowledge

Proposals

- [de Paiva, 2005]: translations of DLs in constructive systems
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- Constructive DLs mostly studied from **formal** point of view...
- Limited proposals for **application in KR and Semantic Web languages**

Applications (examples)

- [Mendler and Scheele, 2009]: reasoning over **incomplete data streams**
- [Haeusler et al., 2011]: **conflict management** on legal ontologies
- [Hilia et al., 2012]: **semantic services compositions** (on \mathcal{BCDL})

Idea: ...let's try to bridge the gap!

Proposal

- **Theory:** study relations between IT and ASP
- **Practice:** prototype over “off the shelf” tools (OWL API, dlv)

Contributions

- **\mathcal{ELc} :** IT semantics for description logic \mathcal{EL}
- **ASP and IT semantics:** formal relation and datalog rewriting
- **Asp-it prototype:** ASP based IT generator for OWL-EL ontologies

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Motivation

- Extend proof-theoretical results (Curry-Howard) on DLs
- Define a context-sensitive DL

Proposals

3 different interpretations of \mathcal{ALC} in constructive systems:

- **IALC**: from \mathcal{ALC} to IFOL (via $\mathcal{ALC} \rightarrow \text{FOL}$ translation)
- **iALC**: from \mathcal{ALC} to IK (via $\mathcal{ALC} \rightarrow K_m$ translation)
- **cALC**: from \mathcal{ALC} to CK (via $\mathcal{ALC} \rightarrow K_m$ translation)

Motivation

Representation of different notions of **negative information** in DLs
(contraries, contradictories and subcontraries)

E.g. difference between *Happy*, *Unhappy*, \neg *Happy*, \neg *Unhappy*

Proposals

- **2 different extensions** to \mathcal{ALC} semantics
(different interactions between constructive and classical negation)
- **tableaux algorithm** for satisfiability

Similar works: [Kamide, 2010a, Kamide, 2010b]

Paraconsistent and **temporal** versions of \mathcal{ALC} , based on a similar semantics

Proposal [Odintsov and Wansing, 2003]

Ideas

- **Paraconsistent versions** of \mathcal{ALC}
- Constructive semantics to represent **partial information**

Proposal [Odintsov and Wansing, 2003]

- **3 constructive paraconsistent semantics** for \mathcal{ALC}
(Different translations to four valued logic $N4$)
- complete **tableaux calculus** for each logic

Further work [Odintsov and Wansing, 2008]

Reviews of calculi, **tableaux procedure** for one of the presented logics

Proposal [Mendler and Scheele, 2010]

Idea

- Representation of **partial knowledge** and consistency under **abstraction**
- **Evolving OWA**: stages of information with changing properties and abstract individuals

Proposal

cALC: Kripke semantics for *ALC* with fallible entities

- **fallible entities** $\perp^{\mathcal{I}}$: contradictory domain elements (maximal poset elements or undefined role fillers)
- complete and decidable Hilbert and tableaux calculi

Application [Mendler and Scheele, 2009]

Reasoning on **data streams** in auditing domain

Our proposals

\mathcal{BCDL} [Bozzato et al., 2007, Bozzato et al., 2009b, Ferrari et al., 2010]

Information terms semantics + natural deduction calculus

→ computational interpretation of proofs (*Proofs as programs*)

\mathcal{KALC}^∞ [Bozzato et al., 2009a, Villa, 2010]

Kripke-style semantics + tableaux calculus

→ possibly infinite models, efficient treatment of implications

\mathcal{KALC} [Bozzato et al., 2010, Bozzato, 2011]

Kripke-style semantics + tableaux algorithm

→ finite models, decidability from terminating tableau procedure

$BCDL$: Basic Constructive Description Logic [Ferrari et al., 2010]

- **Information terms** semantics for ALL
- **Natural deduction** calculus \mathcal{ND}_c

Information terms (IT) [Miglioli et al., 1989]

Syntactic objects justifying validity of formulas in classical models

- realization of **BHK interpretation**
- related to **realizability interpretations**

Information terms (IT) justification

E.g.: Truth of $\exists R.C(a)$ in \mathcal{M} justified by IT (b, α) s.t.

- $\mathcal{M} \models R(a, b)$ and
 - α justifies truth of $C(b)$
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- **Features:**
 - **Classical reading** of DL formulas
 - Simple **proof theoretical characterization** by \mathcal{ND}_c
 - **Computational interpretation** of proofs
 - Natural notion of **state**

Syntax is the same as \mathcal{ALC} , adding a set of **generators** \mathcal{NG}

Concepts

$$C ::= A \mid G \mid \neg C \mid C \sqcap C \mid C \sqcup C \mid \exists R.C \mid \forall R.C$$

Formulas

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Generators \mathcal{NG}

Concepts over fixed set of individual names $\text{dom}(G) = \{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$

→ **limited form of subsumption**: $\forall_G C \equiv G \sqsubseteq C$

Validity of formulas: given a model $\mathcal{M} = (\Delta^{\mathcal{M}}, \cdot^{\mathcal{M}})$

$$\mathcal{M} \not\models \perp$$

$$\mathcal{M} \models R(t, s) \text{ iff } (t^{\mathcal{M}}, s^{\mathcal{M}}) \in R^{\mathcal{M}}$$

$$\mathcal{M} \models H(t) \text{ iff } t^{\mathcal{M}} \in H^{\mathcal{M}}$$

$$\mathcal{M} \models \forall_G H \text{ iff } G^{\mathcal{M}} = \{c_1^{\mathcal{M}}, \dots, c_n^{\mathcal{M}}\} \subseteq H^{\mathcal{M}}$$

Information terms $\text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(K)$

Structured objects that **constructively justify the truth** of a formula K

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Theorem (classical and IT semantics)

$\mathcal{M} \models K$ iff there exists $\alpha \in \text{IT}(K)$ such that $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \alpha \rangle K$

BCDL information terms semantics

$\text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(K) = \{\text{tt}\}$ for K atomic or negated	$\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \text{tt} \rangle K$ iff $\mathcal{M} \models K$
$\text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(C_1 \sqcap C_2(c)) = \text{IT}(C_1(c)) \times \text{IT}(C_2(c))$	$\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle (\alpha, \beta) \rangle C_1 \sqcap C_2(c)$ iff $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \alpha \rangle C_1(c)$ and $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \beta \rangle C_2(c)$
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$\text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(\exists R.C(c)) = \mathcal{N} \times \bigcup_{d \in \mathcal{N}} \text{IT}(C(d))$	$\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle (d, \alpha) \rangle \exists R.C(c)$ iff $\mathcal{M} \models R(c, d)$ and $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \alpha \rangle C(d)$
$\text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(\forall R.C(c)) = (\bigcup_{d \in \mathcal{N}} \text{IT}(C(d)))^{\mathcal{N}}$	$\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \phi \rangle \forall R.C(c)$ iff $\mathcal{M} \models \forall R.C(c)$ and, for every $d \in \mathcal{N}$, if $\mathcal{M} \models R(c, d)$ then $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \phi(d) \rangle C(d)$
$\text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(\forall_G C) = (\bigcup_{d \in \text{dom}(G)} \text{IT}(C(d)))^{\text{dom}(G)}$	$\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \phi \rangle \forall_G C$ iff, for every $d \in \text{dom}(G)$, $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \phi(d) \rangle C(d)$

Calculus \mathcal{ND} : natural deduction calculus for \mathcal{ALCG}

Rules

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\Gamma}{\vdots \pi'} \\
 A_k(t) \\
 \hline
 A_1 \sqcup A_2(t) \quad \sqcup I_k
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \frac{\frac{\Gamma_1}{\vdots \pi_1} \quad \frac{\Gamma_2, [R(t,p), A(p)]}{\vdots \pi_2}}{\exists R.A(t) \quad K} \quad \exists E
 \quad
 \frac{\frac{\Gamma'}{\vdots \pi'} \quad \forall_G A \quad G(t)}{A(t)} \quad \forall_G E
 \quad
 \frac{\Gamma, [\neg H(t)]}{\vdots \pi'} \quad \perp}{H(t)} \quad \neg E$$

Theorem

- \mathcal{ND} is *sound and complete w.r.t. \mathcal{ALCG}*
- leaving aside generators rules, \mathcal{ND} is *sound and complete w.r.t. \mathcal{ALC}*

Calculus \mathcal{ND}_c : natural deduction calculus for \mathcal{BCDL}

Rules

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Every rule from} & \begin{array}{c} \Gamma \\ \vdots \\ \pi' \\ \vdots \\ \neg\neg C(t) \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \Gamma \\ \vdots \\ \pi' \\ \vdots \\ \forall R. \neg\neg H(t) \end{array} \\
 \mathcal{ND} & & \\
 (\text{minus } \neg E) & \frac{}{C(t)} \text{ At} & \frac{}{\neg\neg \forall R. H(t)} \text{ KUR}
 \end{array}$$

Note

KUR corresponds to the **Kuroda axiom schema Kur**

$$\text{Kur} \equiv \forall x. \neg\neg A(x) \rightarrow \neg\neg \forall x. A(x)$$

Soundness of \mathcal{ND}_c

Operator $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\pi}$: Given a proof $\pi : \Gamma \vdash K$ over \mathcal{N} :

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\pi} : \text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(K)$$

Note: computable function, inductively defined on depth of π

Example: $\sqcup I_k$

If last rule in π is $\sqcup I_k$ with $k \in \{1, 2\}$, then:

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\pi} : \text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{IT}_{\mathcal{N}}(C_1 \sqcup C_2(t))$$

defined as:

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\pi}(\bar{\gamma}) = (k, \Phi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\pi'}(\bar{\gamma}))$$

$\sqcup I_k$ rule

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \\ \vdots \\ \pi' \\ A_k(t) \end{array}}{A_1 \sqcup A_2(t)} \sqcup I_k$$

Theorem (Soundness)

If $\pi : \Gamma \vdash K$, then:

- $\Gamma \models K$.
- If $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \bar{\gamma} \rangle \Gamma$ then $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \Phi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\pi}(\bar{\gamma}) \rangle K$. (constructive consequence)

Computational interpretation

- Given a **proof** π of a formula K ...
- ...its $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\pi}$ provides a **“program”** to compute an IT for K

Theorem (Completeness)

$\Gamma \vdash_{BCDL} K$ iff K is a constructive consequence of Γ .

Constructive properties

For Γ of Harrop formulas (no \sqcup and \exists):

- **Disjunction property (DP):**

If $\Gamma \vdash_{BCDL} A \sqcup B(c)$, then $\Gamma \vdash_{BCDL} A(c)$ or $\Gamma \vdash_{BCDL} B(c)$.

- **Explicit definability property (EDP):**

If $\Gamma \vdash_{BCDL} \exists R.A(c)$, then there exists $d \in \text{NI}$ such that $\Gamma \vdash_{BCDL} R(c, d)$ and $\Gamma \vdash_{BCDL} A(d)$.

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- \mathcal{ELc} : information terms semantics for \mathcal{EL} [Baader, 2003]
- Simple restriction of \mathcal{BCDL} to \mathcal{EL}
- Why \mathcal{EL} ?
 - The most simple DL s.t. semantics with constructive properties (ED) can be defined
 - Well-known and used DL language, base of OWL EL profile

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T operator: special generator $\top_{\mathcal{N}}$ s.t. $\text{DOM}(\top_{\mathcal{N}}) = \mathcal{N}$

\mathcal{EL} : classical semantics

- Classical model: $\mathcal{M} = (\Delta^{\mathcal{M}}, \cdot^{\mathcal{M}})$

Individuals: $c^{\mathcal{M}} \in \Delta^{\mathcal{M}}$
Atomic concepts: $A^{\mathcal{M}} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{M}}$
Roles: $R^{\mathcal{M}} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{M}} \times \Delta^{\mathcal{M}}$
Generators: $G^{\mathcal{M}} = \{c_1^{\mathcal{M}}, \dots, c_n^{\mathcal{M}}\}$

- Non-atomic concepts:

$$(C \sqcap D)^{\mathcal{M}} = C^{\mathcal{M}} \cap D^{\mathcal{M}}$$

$$(\exists R.C)^{\mathcal{M}} = \{c \in \Delta^{\mathcal{M}} \mid \text{there is } d \text{ s.t. } (c, d) \in R^{\mathcal{M}} \text{ and } d \in C^{\mathcal{M}}\}$$

- Validity of formulas:

$$\mathcal{M} \models R(s, t) \text{ iff } (s^{\mathcal{M}}, t^{\mathcal{M}}) \in R^{\mathcal{M}}$$

$$\mathcal{M} \models C(t) \text{ iff } t^{\mathcal{M}} \in C^{\mathcal{M}}$$

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Example: Food and Wines

Scenario: food and wines knowledge base [Brachman et al., 1991]

Task: pair each food with the correct wine

Conditions:

- Pairings:
 - Meat with red wines
 - Fish with white wines
- For every food, a correct wine color
- For every wine color, at least one wine

Example: Food and Wines KB

Knowledge base \mathcal{K}_W :

TBox \mathcal{T} :

$(Ax_1) : \forall \mathbf{Food} \exists \mathbf{goesWith.Color} \equiv \mathbf{Food} \sqsubseteq \exists \mathbf{goesWith.Color}$

$(Ax_2) : \forall \mathbf{Color} \exists \mathbf{isColorOf.Wine} \equiv \mathbf{Color} \sqsubseteq \exists \mathbf{isColorOf.Wine}$

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ABox \mathcal{A} :

Wine (barolo)

Wine (chardonnay)

isColorOf (red, barolo)

isColorOf (white, chardonnay)

goesWith (fish, white)

goesWith (meat, red)

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Computational interpretation

- $\Gamma \stackrel{c}{\models} K$ implicitly defines a semantic map $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}$ such that:

if $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \gamma \rangle \Gamma$ then $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \Phi_{\mathcal{N}}(\gamma) \rangle K$

- In \mathcal{BCDL} we can extract $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}$ from **natural deduction proofs**
[Bozzato et al., 2007, Ferrari et al., 2010]

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Task

Compute information terms of input KB Γ in \mathcal{EL}

Idea

Use relations across IT and Answer Sets semantics

[Fiorentini and Ornaghi, 2007] on propositional nested expressions

→ We extend these results to \mathcal{ELc} formulas

Ip-interpretation

Set of **closed atomic formulas** in $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{N}}$

Given a closed $K \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{N}}$:

- $I \models K$, iff $K \in I$ and K is **atomic**
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Answer set

I **answer set** for set of closed formulas $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{N}}$ iff:

- $I \models \Gamma$
- for every $I' \subseteq I$, $I' \models \Gamma$ implies $I' = I$ (**minimality**)

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$\langle \eta \rangle K$ is **minimal** iff $\nexists \mu$ with $\text{ans}(\langle \mu \rangle K) \subset \text{ans}(\langle \eta \rangle K)$

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Theorem

For every model \mathcal{M} , $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \eta \rangle K$ iff $\mathcal{M} \models \text{ans}(\langle \eta \rangle K)$ □

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Solution to generate (minimal) IT:

- 1 Compute **answer sets** of input KB Γ
- 2 For each formula $K \in \Gamma$, **use recursive definition of $\text{ans}(\langle \eta \rangle K)$** to reconstruct IT η

Idea: computation of answer sets

Translate input KB to datalog program

→ Translation includes rules recursively **constructing ITs**
(generate-and-test approach)

Model generating rewriting (P_1)

Generates interpretations for input \mathcal{EL} formulas:

$$A(b) \mapsto \{ is(b, A) \leftarrow is(b, l_A). \}$$

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Notes

- Fixed set \mathcal{R} of roles assertions from input KB
- Labelling for complex concepts l_C
- Atomic assertions and generator domains added as facts

IT generating rewriting (P_2)

Retrieves IT as complex terms, using definition of $\text{ans}(\langle \eta \rangle K)$:

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Complete rewriting (P)

$$P(\Gamma) = P_1(\Gamma) \cup P_2(\Gamma)$$

Let $IT(K, I)$ be the set of IT “returned” by P_2 for formula K and interpretation I for $P(\Gamma)$

Theorem

Let I be the (unique) answer set for $P(\Gamma)$.

If $\eta \in IT(K, I)$, then \exists lp-interpretation I' for Γ s.t. $\text{ans}(\langle \eta \rangle K) \subseteq I'$ □

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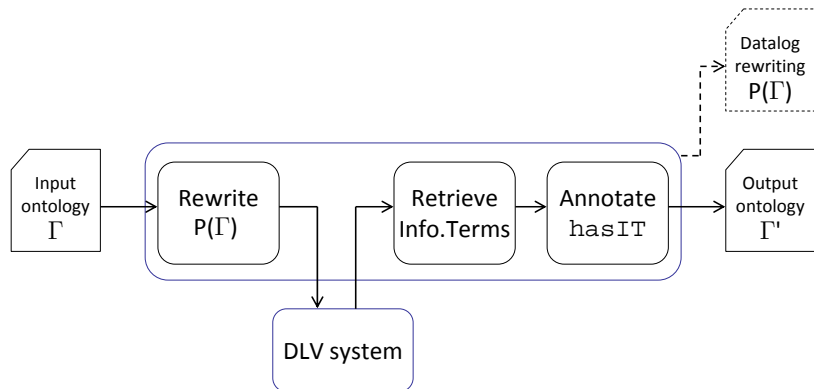
Java-based command line application:

- **Input:** OWL-EL ontology Γ
- **Output:** ontology Γ' annotated with IT (`elc:hasIT`)

Tools

- **OWL API:** ontology I/O, axioms annotation
- **DLV:** models computation (via DLVWrapper)

IT generation process



Prototype and examples available at:
<https://github.com/dkmfbk/asp-it>

Summary:

- \mathcal{ELc} : IT semantics for description logic \mathcal{EL}
- **ASP and IT semantics**: formal relation and datalog rewriting
- **Asp-it prototype**: ASP based IT generator for OWL-EL ontologies

Future works:

- Integrate procedures for **transformation of IT**
(Calculus and proofs-as-programs)
- **Applications**: synthesis of Semantic Services [Bozzato and Ferrari, 2010a]
- **Extend to larger DLs**: $SROEL$ (full OWL EL), ALC ($BCDL$)

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System description and states

- **Theory \mathbf{T}** : description of a system
 - **TBox**: system constraints (general properties)
 - **ABox**: current state of the system
- **State**: $\alpha \in \text{IT}(\mathbf{T})$
- **State consistency**: if there is a model \mathcal{M} s.t. $\mathcal{M} \triangleright \langle \alpha \rangle \mathbf{T}$

App. directions: action language

- Action: $\mathcal{P} \Rightarrow \mathcal{Q}$

Informal reading

- If the **preconditions** \mathcal{P} hold in a state α , the action can be applied
- In the resulting state the **postconditions** \mathcal{Q} must hold

Information content $IC(\langle \alpha \rangle \mathbf{T})$:

minimal set of atomic formulas encoding info. from $\langle \alpha \rangle \mathbf{T}$

- **Applicability**: an action is *active* if $\mathcal{P} \subseteq IC(\langle \alpha \rangle \mathbf{T})$
- **Action output** $Out(\alpha)$: update $IC(\langle \alpha \rangle \mathbf{T})$ with \mathcal{Q}

GENIT

- Algorithm to build up a state (IT) for a system, given an action output
- It can be used to **trace reasons** for inconsistency

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Result

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