

Express (and reasoning over) UML diagrams in OWL(-DL)

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Overview

- OWL as a description logic: OWL-DL
- Functional-Style Syntax (FSS) for OWL-DL
- How to translate UML diagrams to OWL-DL ontologies in FSS
- Protégé* as a visual editor to create OWL ontologies
- Pellet** as a reasoner for OWL-DL ontologies

* <http://protege.stanford.edu/download/protege/4.0/installanywhere/>

** <http://pellet.owldl.com/downloads/pellet-2.0.0-rc5.zip>

OWL as a Description Logic

OWL DL is very close to the *SHOIQ(D)* Description Logic

- $S = \mathcal{ALC}_{R+} - \mathcal{ALC}^*$ with transitive roles
TBox axioms of the form *transitive(R)*
- $\mathcal{H}$ — role Hierarchies
TBox axioms of the form $R \sqsubseteq S$, where R, S are roles
- O — nominals
concept constructor $\{a\}$, where a is an individual name
- $\mathcal{I}$ — Inverse roles
role constructor R^- , where R is a role name
- $\mathcal{Q}$ — Qualified number restrictions
concept constructors $\leq n R.C$ and $\geq n R.C$
- $(\mathcal{D})$ — Datatypes (datatype properties)

* $\mathcal{ALC} = \sqcap, \sqcup, \neg, \exists R.C, \forall R.C$

OWL-DL FSS: descriptions(C)

OWL-DL FSS	German DL Syntax	Semantics
A (URI reference)	A	$A^I \subseteq \Delta^I$
<code>owl:Thing</code>	$\top$	$\text{owl:Thing}^I = \Delta^I$
<code>owl:Nothing</code>	$\perp$	$\text{owl:Nothing}^I = \emptyset$
<code>ObjectIntersectionOf(C_1 C_2)</code>	$C_1 \sqcap C_2$	$C_1^I \cap C_2^I$
<code>ObjectUnionOf(C_1 C_2)</code>	$C_1 \sqcup C_2$	$C_1^I \cup C_2^I$
<code>ObjectComplementOf(C)</code>	$\neg C$	$\Delta^I \setminus C^I$
<code>ObjectOneOf($o_1, \dots$)</code>	$\{o_1, \dots\}$	$\{o_1^I, \dots\}$
<code>ObjectSomeValuesFrom(R C)</code>	$\exists R.C$	$\{x \mid \exists y (x,y) \in R^I \wedge y \in C^I\}$
<code>ObjectAllValuesFrom(R C)</code>	$\forall R.C$	$\{x \mid \forall y (x,y) \in R^I \rightarrow y \in C^I\}$
<code>ObjectHasValue(R o)</code>	$R : o$	$\{x \mid (x, o^I) \in R^I\}$
<code>ObjectMinCardinality(n R [C])</code>	$\geq nR [.C]$	$\{a \in \Delta^I \mid \{b \mid (a,b) \in R^I [\wedge y \in C^I]\} \leq n\}$
<code>ObjectMaxCardinality(n R [C])</code>	$\leq nR [.C]$	$\{a \in \Delta^I \mid \{b \mid (a,b) \in R^I [\wedge y \in C^I]\} \geq n\}$

OWL-DL FSS: descriptions(C) (cont.)

OWL-DL FSS	German DL Syntax	Semantics
DataSomeValuesFrom($U \ D$)	$\exists U.D$	$\{x \mid \exists y (x,y) \in U^I \wedge y \in D^{\mathcal{D}}\}$
DataAllValuesFrom($U \ D$)	$\forall U.D$	$\{x \mid \forall y (x,y) \in U^I \rightarrow y \in D^{\mathcal{D}}\}$
DataHasValue($U \ v$)	$U : v$	$\{x \mid (x,v^I) \in U^I\}$
DataMinCardinality($n \ U \ [D]$)	$\geq nU [.D]$	$\{a \in \Delta^I \mid \{b \mid (a,b) \in U^I [\wedge y \in D^{\mathcal{D}}]\} \leq n\}$
DataMaxCardinality($n \ U \ [D]$)	$\leq nU [.D]$	$\{a \in \Delta^I \mid \{b \mid (a,b) \in R^I [\wedge y \in D^{\mathcal{D}}]\} \geq n\}$

OWL-DL FSS: data ranges (D) – object properties (R) – data properties (U)

data ranges (D)

D (URI reference)	D	$D^{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \Delta^I_{\mathcal{D}}$
$\text{DataOneOf}(v_1, \dots)$	$\{v_1, \dots\}$	$\{v_1^I, \dots\}$

object properties (R)

R (URI reference)	R	$R^I \subseteq \Delta^I \times \Delta^I$
$\text{InverseObjectProperty}(R)$	R^-	$(R^I)^-$

data properties (U)

U (URI reference)	U	$U^I \subseteq \Delta^I \times \Delta^I_{\mathcal{D}}$
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individuals(o)

o (URI reference)	o	$o^I \subseteq \Delta^I$
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data values (v)

v	v	$v^{\mathcal{D}}$
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OWL-DL FSS: class axioms

OWL-DL FSS	German DL Syntax	Semantics
SubClassOf($C_1 \ C_2$)	$C_1 \sqsubseteq C_2$	$C_1^I \subseteq C_2^I$
DisjointClasses($C_i \dots C_j$)	$C_i \sqcap C_j \equiv \perp, i \neq j$	$C_i^I \cap C_j^I = \emptyset, i \neq j$
EquivalentClasses($C_i \dots C_n$)	$C_1 \equiv \dots \equiv C_n$	$C_i^I = \dots = C_n^I$
EquivalentClasses($A \ \text{ObjectOneOf}(o_1, \dots)$)	$A \equiv \{o_1, \dots, o_n\}$	$A^I = \{o_1^I, \dots, o_n^I\}$

OWL-DL FSS: (object and data) property axioms

OWL-DL FSS	German DL Syntax	Semantics
SubObjectPropertyOf($R_1 R_2$)	$R_1 \sqsubseteq R_2$	$R_1^I \subseteq R_2^I$
ObjectPropertyDomain($R C$)	$\geq 1 R \sqsubseteq C$	$R^I \subseteq C^I \times \Delta^I$
ObjectPropertyRange($R C$)	$\top \sqsubseteq \forall R.C$	$R^I \subseteq \Delta^I \times C^I$
EquivalentObjectProperties($R_1 \dots R_n$)	$R_1 \equiv \dots \equiv R_n$	$R_1^I = \dots = R_n^I$
FunctionalObjectProperty(R)	$\top \sqsubseteq \leq 1 R$	R^I is functional
SymmetricObjectProperty(R)	$R \equiv R^-$	$R^I = (R^I)^-$
InverseFunctionalObjectProperty(R)	$\top \sqsubseteq \leq 1 R^-$	$(R^I)^-$ is functional
TransitiveObjectProperty(R)	$Tr(R)$	$R^I = (R^I)^+$
InverseObjectProperties($R R_0$)	$R \equiv (R_0)^-$	$R^I = (R_0^I)^-$

Note 1: Blue means that the axiom holds only for object property expression

Note 2: When you are referring to a data property axiom, substitute “Object” with the word “Data”

OWL-DL FSS: individual axioms

OWL-DL FSS	German DL Syntax	Semantics
ClassAssertion($C \ o$)	$o \in C$	$o^I \in C^I$
ObjectPropertyAssertion($R \ o_1 \ o_2$)	$\{o_1, o_2\} \in R$	$\{o_1^I, o_2^I\} \in R^I$
DataPropertyAssertion($U \ o \ lt$)	$\{o, lt\} \in U$	$\{o^I, lt^I\} \in U^I$
SameIndividual($o_i \dots o_n$)	$o_1 = \dots = o_n$	$o_1^I = \dots = o_n^I$
DifferentIndividuals($o_i \dots o_n$)	$o_1 \neq \dots \neq o_n$	$o_1^I \neq \dots \neq o_n^I$

Note: $T_D = \Delta_D^I$ corresponds to `rdfs:Literal` in OWL

OWL-DL:

Unique Name Assumption (UNA)

- The **Unique Name Assumption** says that any two individuals with different names are different individuals
- **OWL and DL Semantics do not make the UNA**
- **Example:** Let $\mathcal{T} = \{ \top \sqsubseteq \leq 1 R \}$ and
$$\mathcal{A} = \{ (a,b) : R, (a,c) : R \}$$

Is $\mathcal{A}$ consistent w.r.t. $\mathcal{T}$?

Yes! Consider $\mathcal{I} = (\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}, \cdot^{\mathcal{I}})$, where $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x, y\}$,
 $R^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(x, y)\}$, $a^{\mathcal{I}} = x$, $b^{\mathcal{I}} = y$ and $c^{\mathcal{I}} = y$