

assignment #11 (winter term 2005)
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Constraintsystem Description Logic

Download the constraint solver `u11-d1.pl` and make yourself familiar with the implementation:

- Concept/Role definitions are implemented as built-in constraints.
- `::` is used both for concept and role membership (by abuse of notation).

Exercise 1 (Warmup – Hybrid¹ Family).

Add the following T-Box to the constraint solver.

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hybrid isa man and woman.
```

```
parentStandard isa some child is man and some child is woman.
```

```
parentHybrid isa some child is hybrid.
```

Test with the following goals and explain the answers:

```
X::parentStandard and nota parentHybrid.
```

```
X::parentStandard and nota parentHybrid, labeling.
```

Exercise 2 (Solver Extension). Extend the solver with

- concept inclusion,

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operator(1200,xfx,sub).  
I::C ==> (C sub T) | I::T.  
I::nota C ==> (T sub C) | I::nota T.
```
- features (`operator(100,fx, feature)`), and
- distinct concepts (`operator(100,fx, distinct)`).

Give a sample query and answer for each extension.

Exercise 3 (Moving furniture). Consider the following scenario.

- Furniture are goods.
 - Vehicles can use traffic routes.
 - Transporters are vehicles that can transport goods.
 - Automobiles are vehicles that are driven by a motor and that use roads (only).
 - Trucks are automobiles that can transport goods.
 - Trains are vehicles that use rails (only).
 - Freight trains are trains that can transport goods.
 - Furniture trucks are trucks to transport furniture (only).
 - Bulli is a furniture truck.
 - Bulli transports G112 and G235.
 - G112 and G235 are goods.
 - Z521 is a train.
 - Z521 transports bananas and coals.
- (a) Identify the primitive and the compound concepts. Identify the roles. Separate T-Box from A-Box knowledge.
- (b) Add the T-Box as Prolog facts to the constraint solver. Test the T-Box with queries like `X::transporter`.
- (c) Add the A-Box as CHR-constraints. Explain the answer to the goal `z521::train` (use labeling.). Adapt (if necessary) your T-Box, s.t., `z521` does not use the road!
- (d) Explain the answers when unfolding the following concept terms. Use labeling.
- (1) Train and not a transporter.
 - (2) Freight train and not a vehicle. (Hint: Is the solver complete?)

¹The correct biological term is hermaphrodite.