# IA008: Computational Logic 7. Modal Logic 

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## Basic Concepts

## Transition Systems

directed graph $\mathfrak{S}=\left\langle S,\left(E_{a}\right)_{a \in A},\left(P_{i}\right)_{i \in I}, s_{0}\right\rangle$ with

- states $S$
- initial state $s_{0} \in S$
- edge relations $E_{a}$ with edge colours $a \in A$ ('actions')
- unary predicates $P_{i}$ with vertex colours $i \in I$ ('properties')



## Modal logic

Propositional logic with modal operators

- $\langle a\rangle \varphi$ 'there exists an $a$-successor where $\varphi$ holds'
- [a] $\varphi$ ' $\varphi$ holds in every $a$-successor'

Notation: $\diamond \varphi, \square \varphi$ if there are no edge labels
Formal semantics

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash P & : \text { iff } & s \in P \\
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi \wedge \psi & : \text { iff } & \mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi \text { and } \mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \psi \\
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi \vee \psi & : \text { iff } & \mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi \text { or } \mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \psi \\
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \neg \varphi & : \text { iff } & \mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi \\
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash\langle a\rangle \varphi & : \text { iff } & \text { there is } s \rightarrow^{a} t \text { such that } \mathfrak{S}, t \vDash \varphi \\
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash[a] \varphi & : \text { iff } & \text { for all } s \rightarrow^{a} t, \text { we have } \mathfrak{S}, t \vDash \varphi
\end{array}
$$

## Examples

$P \wedge \diamond Q \quad$ 'The state is in $P$ and there exists a transition to $Q$.'
$[a] \perp$ 'The state has no outgoing $a$-transition.'

## Interpretations

- Temporal Logic talks about time:
- states: points in time (discrete/continuous)
- $\diamond \varphi \quad$ 'sometime in the future $\varphi$ holds'
- $\square \varphi$ 'always in the future $\varphi$ holds'
- Epistemic Logic talks about knowledge:
- states: possible worlds
- $\diamond \varphi \quad$ ‘ $\varphi$ might be true’
- $\square \varphi$ ' $\varphi$ is certainly true'


## Examples: Temporal Logic

system $\mathfrak{S}=\langle S, \leq, \bar{P}\rangle$

- "P never holds."

$$
\neg \diamond P
$$

- "After every $P$ there is some $Q$."

$$
\square(P \rightarrow \diamond Q)
$$

- "Once $P$ holds, it holds forever."

$$
\square(P \rightarrow \square P)
$$

- "There are infinitely many $P$."
$\square \diamond P$


## Translation to first-order logic

## Proposition

For every formula $\varphi$ of propositional modal logic, there exists a formula $\varphi^{*}(x)$ of first-order logic such that

$$
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi \quad \text { iff } \quad \mathfrak{S} \vDash \varphi^{*}(s)
$$

## Proof

$$
\begin{aligned}
P^{*} & :=P(x) \\
(\varphi \wedge \psi)^{*} & :=\varphi^{*}(x) \wedge \psi^{*}(x) \\
(\varphi \vee \psi)^{*} & :=\varphi^{*}(x) \vee \psi^{*}(x) \\
(\neg \varphi)^{*} & :=\neg \varphi^{*}(x) \\
(\langle a\rangle \varphi)^{*} & :=\exists y\left[E_{a}(x, y) \wedge \varphi^{*}(y)\right] \\
([a] \varphi)^{*} & :=\forall y\left[E_{a}(x, y) \rightarrow \varphi^{*}(y)\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

## Bisimulation

$\mathfrak{S}$ and $\mathfrak{T}$ transition systems
$Z \subseteq S \times T$ is a bisimulation if, for all $\langle s, t\rangle \in Z$,
(local) $s \in P \Leftrightarrow t \in P$
(forth) for every $s \rightarrow^{a} s^{\prime}$, exists $t \rightarrow{ }^{a} t^{\prime}$ with $\left\langle s^{\prime}, t^{\prime}\right\rangle \in Z$,
(back) for every $t \rightarrow^{a} t^{\prime}$, exists $s \rightarrow^{a} s^{\prime}$ with $\left\langle s^{\prime}, t^{\prime}\right\rangle \in Z$.
$\mathfrak{S}, s$ and $\mathfrak{T}, t$ are bisimilar if there is a bisimulation $Z$ with $\langle s, t\rangle \in Z$.


## Examples



## Examples



## Examples



## Examples



## Unravelling



## Lemma

$\mathfrak{S}$ and $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{S})$ are bisimilar.

## Bisimulation invariance

Theorem
Two finite transition systems $\mathfrak{S}, s$ and $\mathfrak{T}, t$ are bisimilar if, and only if,

$$
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathfrak{T}, t \vDash \varphi, \quad \text { for every modal formula } \varphi
$$

Proof (for $\Rightarrow$ ) induction on $\varphi$
$(\varphi=P) s \in P \Leftrightarrow t \in P$
(boolean combinations) by inductive hypothesis
$(\varphi=\langle a\rangle \psi) \mathfrak{S}, s \vDash\langle a\rangle \psi$
$\Rightarrow$ ex. $s \rightarrow^{a} s^{\prime}$ with $\mathfrak{S}, s^{\prime} \vDash \psi$
$\mathfrak{S}, s \sim \mathfrak{T}, t \quad \Rightarrow \quad$ ex. $t \rightarrow{ }^{a} t^{\prime}$ with $\mathfrak{S}, s^{\prime} \sim \mathfrak{T}, t^{\prime}$
$\Rightarrow \mathfrak{T}, t^{\prime} \vDash \psi$
$\Rightarrow \mathfrak{T}, t \vDash\langle a\rangle \psi$

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$$

Theorem
Every satisfiable modal formula has a model that is a finite tree.

## Definition

A formula $\varphi(x)$ is bisimulation invariant if

$$
\mathfrak{S}, s \sim \mathfrak{T}, t \quad \text { implies } \quad \mathfrak{S} \vDash \varphi(s) \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{T} \vDash \varphi(t) .
$$

Theorem
A first-order formula $\varphi$ is equivalent to a modal formula if, and only if, it is bisimulation invariant.

## First-Order Modal Logic

## Syntax

first-order logic with modal operators $\langle a\rangle \varphi$ and $[a] \varphi$

## Models

transistion systems where each state $s$ is labelled with a $\Sigma$-structure $\mathfrak{A}_{s}$ such that

$$
s \rightarrow^{a} t \quad \text { implies } \quad A_{s} \subseteq A_{t}
$$

## Examples

- $\square \forall x \varphi(x) \rightarrow \forall x \square \varphi(x)$ is valid.
- $\forall x \square \varphi(x) \rightarrow \square \forall x \varphi(x)$ is not valid.

Tableaux

## Tableau Proofs

Statements

$$
s \vDash \varphi \quad s \not \vDash \varphi \quad s \rightarrow^{a} t
$$

$s, t$ state labels, $\varphi$ a modal formula
Rules


## Tableaux

## Construction

A tableau for a formula $\varphi$ is constructed as follows:

- start with $s_{0} \neq \varphi$
- choose a branch of the tree
- choose a statement $s \vDash \psi / s \nLeftarrow \psi$ on the branch
- choose a rule with head $s \vDash \psi / s \nRightarrow \psi$
- add it at the bottom of the branch
- repeat until every branch contains both statements $s \vDash \psi$ and $s \nRightarrow \psi$ for some formula $\psi$


## Tableaux with premises $\Gamma$

- choose a branch, a state $s$ on the branch, a premise $\psi \in \Gamma$, and add $s \vDash \psi$ to the branch


## Rules



## Rules


$t$ a new state, $t^{\prime}$ every state with entry $s \rightarrow^{a} t^{\prime}$ on the branch,
$c$ a new constant symbol, $u$ an arbitrary term

## Example $\varphi \vDash \square \varphi$



## Example $\vDash \square(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow(\square \varphi \rightarrow \square \psi)$

$$
\begin{gathered}
s \not \vDash \square(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow(\square \varphi \rightarrow \square \psi) \\
s \vDash \square(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \\
s \neq \square \varphi \rightarrow \square \psi \\
s \vDash \square \varphi \\
s \nmid^{\square} \square \psi \\
s \rightarrow t \\
t \nLeftarrow \psi \\
t \vDash \varphi \\
t \vDash \varphi \rightarrow \psi \\
t \nLeftarrow \varphi
\end{gathered}
$$

## Example $\vDash \square \forall x \varphi \rightarrow \forall x \square \varphi$

$$
\begin{gathered}
s \not \approx \square \forall x \varphi \rightarrow \forall x \square \varphi \\
s \vDash \square \forall x \varphi \\
s \neq \forall x \square \varphi \\
s \nexists \square \varphi[x \mapsto c] \\
s \rightarrow t \\
t \nLeftarrow \varphi[x \mapsto c] \\
t \vDash \forall x \varphi \\
t \vDash \varphi[x \mapsto c]
\end{gathered}
$$

## Soundness and Completeness

## Consequence

$\psi$ is a consequence of $\Gamma \mathrm{if}$, and only if, for all transition systems $\mathfrak{S}$,

$$
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi, \quad \text { for all } s \in S \text { and } \varphi \in \Gamma,
$$

implies that

$$
\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \psi, \quad \text { for all } s \in S
$$

Theorem
A modal formula $\varphi$ is a consequence of $\Gamma$ if, and only if, there exists a tableau $T$ for $\varphi$ with premises $\Gamma$ where every branch is contradictory.

## Complexity

Theorem
Satisfiability for propositional modal logic is in deterministic linear space.

Theorem
Satisfiability for first-order modal logic is undecidable.

## Temporal Logics

## Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)

Speaks about paths. $\quad P \longrightarrow \bullet \longrightarrow \bullet \longrightarrow P, Q \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow \bullet \longrightarrow \cdots$

## Syntax

- atomic predicates $P, Q, \ldots$
- boolean operations $\wedge, \vee, \neg$
- next $X \varphi$
- until $\varphi U \psi$
- finally $F \varphi:=T U \varphi$
- generally $G \varphi:=\neg F \neg \varphi$


## Examples

FP
GFP we can reach infinitely many states in $P$
$(\neg P) U(P \wedge Q) \quad$ the first reachable state in $P$ is also in $Q$

## Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)

## Theorem

Let $L$ be a set of paths. The following statements are equivalent:

- $L$ can be defined in LTL.
- L can be defined in first-order logic.
- $L$ can be defined by a star-free regular expression.

Translation LTL to FO

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(\varphi \vee \psi)^{*} & :=\varphi^{*}(x) \vee \psi^{*}(x) \\
(\neg \varphi)^{*} & :=\neg \varphi^{*}(x) \\
(X \varphi)^{*} & :=\exists y\left[x<y \wedge \neg \exists z(x<z \wedge z<y) \wedge \varphi^{*}(y)\right] \\
(\varphi U \psi)^{*} & :=\exists y\left[x \leq y \wedge \psi^{*}(y) \wedge \forall z\left[x \leq z \wedge z<y \rightarrow \varphi^{*}(z)\right]\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

## Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)

Theorem
Satisfiablity of LTL formulae is PSPACE-complete.
Theorem
Model checking $\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi$ for LTL is PSPACE-complete. It can be done in

$$
\text { time } \mathcal{O}\left(|S| \cdot 2^{\mathcal{O}(|\varphi|)}\right) \quad \text { or } \quad \text { space } \mathcal{O}\left((|\varphi|+\log |S|)^{2}\right)
$$

Formula complexity: PSPACE-complete
Data complexity: NLOGSPACE-complete

## Computation Tree Logic (CTL and CTL*)

Applies LTL-formulae to the branches of a tree.
Syntax (of CTL*)

- state formulae $\varphi$ :

$$
\varphi::=P|\varphi \wedge \varphi| \varphi \vee \varphi|\neg \varphi| A \psi \mid E \psi
$$

- path formulae $\psi$ :

$$
\psi::=\varphi|\psi \wedge \psi| \psi \vee \psi|\neg \psi| X \psi|\psi U \psi| F \psi \mid G \psi
$$

## Examples

EFP a state in $P$ is reachable
AFP every branch contains a state in $P$
EGFP there is a branch with infinitely many $P$
EGEFP there is a branch such that we can reach $P$ from every of its states

## Computation Tree Logic (CTL and CTL*)

Theorem
Satisfiability for CTL is EXPTIME-complete.
Model checking $\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi$ for CTL is P-complete. It can be done in

$$
\text { time } \mathcal{O}(|\varphi| \cdot|S|) \quad \text { or } \quad \text { space } \mathcal{O}\left(|\varphi| \cdot \log ^{2}(|\varphi| \cdot|S|)\right)
$$

Data complexity: NLOGSPACE-complete
Theorem
Satisfiability for CTL* is 2EXPTIME-complete.
Model checking $\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi$ for CTL $^{\star}$ is PSPACE-complete. It can be done in

$$
\text { time } \mathcal{O}\left(|S|^{2} \cdot 2^{\mathcal{O}(|\varphi|)}\right) \quad \text { or } \quad \text { space } \mathcal{O}\left(|\varphi|(|\varphi|+\log |S|)^{2}\right)
$$

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## Fixed points

Theorem (Knaster, Tarski)
Let $\langle A, \leq\rangle$ be a complete partial order and $f: A \rightarrow A$ monotone. Then $f$ has a least and a greatest fixed point and

$$
\operatorname{lfp}(f)=\lim _{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} f^{\alpha}(\perp) \quad \text { and } \quad \operatorname{gfp}(f)=\lim _{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} f^{\alpha}(T)
$$

Examples $\langle\wp(\mathbb{N}), \subseteq\rangle$

- $f(X):=(X \backslash A) \cup B$
$\operatorname{lfp}(f)=B \quad$ and $\operatorname{gfp}(f)=(\mathbb{N} \backslash A) \cup B$
- $f(X):=\{y \mid y \leq x \in X\}$
fixed points: $\varnothing,\{0\},\{0,1\}, \ldots,\{0, \ldots, n\}, \ldots, \mathbb{N}$
- $f(X):=\mathbb{N} \backslash X$ has no fixed points


## Ordinals

$0,1,2,3, \ldots \omega, \omega+1, \omega+2, \ldots \omega+\omega=\omega 2, \omega 2+1, \omega 2+2, \ldots$
$\omega 3, \ldots \omega 4, \ldots \omega 5, \ldots \omega \omega=\omega^{2}, \ldots \omega^{3}, \ldots \omega^{4}, \ldots$
$\omega^{\omega}, \ldots \omega^{\omega^{\omega}}, \ldots \omega^{\omega^{\omega^{\omega}}}, \ldots \varepsilon, \ldots \omega_{1}, \ldots \omega_{2}, \ldots$

## 3 Kinds

- 0
- successor $\alpha+1$
- limit $\delta$


## Proposition

Every non-empty set of ordinals has a least element.

## Iteration

$$
\begin{aligned}
f^{0}(x) & :=x, \\
f^{\alpha+1}(x) & :=f\left(f^{\alpha}(x)\right), \\
f^{\delta}(x) & :=\sup _{\alpha<\delta} f^{\alpha}(x), \quad \text { for limit ordinals } \delta .
\end{aligned}
$$

## Proof

Monotonicity $\quad f^{\alpha}(\perp) \leq f^{\beta}(\perp)$ for $\alpha \leq \beta$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \perp \leq f(\perp) \\
& f^{\alpha}(\perp) \leq f^{\beta}(\perp) \quad \Rightarrow \quad f^{\alpha+1}(\perp) \leq f^{\beta+1}(\perp) \\
& f^{\alpha}(\perp) \leq f^{\delta}(\perp) \quad \text { for all } \alpha<\delta \\
& \Rightarrow f^{\alpha+1}(\perp) \leq f^{\delta+1}(\perp) \\
& \Rightarrow f^{\delta}(\perp)=\sup _{\alpha<\delta} f^{\alpha}(\perp) \leq f^{\delta+1}(\perp) \\
& f^{\alpha}(\perp) \leq \sup _{\beta<\delta} f^{\beta}(\perp)=f^{\delta}(\perp)
\end{aligned}
$$

Existence exists $\alpha$ with $f^{\alpha}(\perp)=f^{\alpha+1}(\perp)$

## Least fixed point

$a=f(a)$ fixed point, $f^{\alpha}(\perp)=f^{\alpha+1}(\perp)$
$\perp \leq a \quad \Rightarrow \quad f^{\alpha}(\perp) \leq f^{\alpha}(a)=a$

## The modal $\mu$-calculus $\left(L_{\mu}\right)$

Adds recursion to modal logic.
Syntax

$$
\varphi::=P|\varphi \wedge \varphi| \varphi \vee \varphi|\neg \varphi|\langle a\rangle \varphi|[a] \varphi| \mu X . \varphi(X) \mid v X . \varphi(X)
$$

( $X$ positive in $\mu X . \varphi(X)$ and $v X . \varphi(X)$ )
Semantics

$$
\begin{aligned}
& F_{\varphi}(X):=\{s \in S \mid \mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi(X)\} \\
& \mu X . \varphi(X): \quad X_{0}:=\varnothing, \quad X_{i+1}:=F_{\varphi}\left(X_{i}\right) \\
& v X . \varphi(X): \quad X_{0}:=S, \quad X_{i+1}:=F_{\varphi}\left(X_{i}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Examples

$\mu X(P \vee \diamond X) \quad$ a state in $P$ is reachable
$v X(P \wedge \diamond X) \quad$ there is a branch with all states in $P$

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## Expressive power

## Theorem

For every CTL*-formula $\varphi$ there exists an equivalent formula $\varphi^{*}$ of the modal $\mu$-calculus.

Proof (for CTL)

$$
\begin{aligned}
P^{*} & :=P \\
(\varphi \wedge \psi)^{*} & :=\varphi^{*} \wedge \psi^{*} \\
(\varphi \vee \psi)^{*} & :=\varphi^{*} \vee \psi^{*} \\
(\neg \varphi)^{*} & :=\neg \varphi^{*} \\
(E X \varphi)^{*} & :=\diamond \varphi^{*} \\
(A X \varphi)^{*} & :=\square \varphi^{*} \\
(E \varphi U \psi)^{*} & :=\mu X\left[\psi^{*} \vee\left(\varphi^{*} \wedge \diamond X\right)\right] \\
(A \varphi U \psi)^{*} & :=\mu X\left[\psi^{*} \vee\left(\varphi^{*} \wedge \square X\right)\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

## The modal $\mu$-calculus $\left(L_{\mu}\right)$

Theorem
A regular tree language can be defined in the modal $\mu$-calculus if, and only if, it is bisimulation invariant.

Theorem
Satisfiability of $\mu$-calculus formulae is decidable and complete for exponential time.

Model checking $\mathfrak{S}, s \vDash \varphi$ for the modal $\mu$-calculus can be done in time $\mathcal{O}\left((|\varphi| \cdot|S|)^{|\varphi|}\right)$.
(The satisfiability algorithm uses tree automata and parity games.)

## Parity Games

$$
\mathfrak{G}=\left\langle V_{\diamond,}, V_{\square}, E, \Omega\right\rangle \quad \Omega: V \rightarrow \mathbb{N}
$$

Infinite plays $v_{0}, v_{1}, \ldots$ are won by Player $\diamond$ if
$\liminf \Omega\left(v_{n}\right)$ is even. $n \rightarrow \infty$


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$\liminf _{n \rightarrow \infty} \Omega\left(v_{n}\right)$ is even.

## Theorem

Parity games are positionally determined: from each position some player has a positional/memory-less winning strategy.

Theorem
Computing the winning region of a parity game with $n$ positions and $d$ priorities can be done in time $n^{\mathcal{O}(\log d)}$.

## Model-Checking Games

game for $\mathfrak{S}, s_{0} \vDash \varphi ? \quad(\varphi \mu$-formula in negation normal form $)$
Positions
Player $\diamond: \quad\langle s, \psi\rangle \quad$ for $s \in S$ and $\psi$ a subformula

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
\psi=\psi_{0} \vee \psi_{1}, & \psi=P \text { and } s \notin P, & \psi=\mu X . \psi_{0}, \\
\psi=\langle a\rangle \psi_{0}, & \psi=\neg P \text { and } s \in P, & \psi=v X . \psi_{0}, \\
& & \psi=X .
\end{array}
$$

Player $\square: \quad[s, \psi] \quad$ for $s \in S$ and $\psi$ a subformula

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\psi=\psi_{0} \wedge \psi_{1}, & \psi=P \text { and } s \in P \\
\psi=[a] \psi_{0}, & \psi=\neg P \text { and } s \notin P .
\end{array}
$$

Initial position $\left\langle s_{0}, \varphi\right\rangle$ or $\left[s_{0}, \varphi\right]$

## Model-Checking Games

game for $\mathfrak{S}, s_{0} \vDash \varphi$ ? $\quad(\varphi \mu$-formula in negation normal form)
Edges $\quad((s, \psi)$ means either $\langle s, \psi\rangle$ or $[s, \psi]$.)

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\langle s, \psi_{0} \vee \psi_{1}\right\rangle & \rightarrow\left(s, \psi_{i}\right), \\
{\left[s, \psi_{0} \wedge \psi_{1}\right] } & \rightarrow\left(s, \psi_{i}\right), \\
\langle s, \mu X . \psi\rangle & \rightarrow \psi, \\
\langle s, v X . \psi\rangle & \rightarrow \psi, \\
\langle s, X\rangle & \rightarrow\langle s, \mu X . \psi\rangle \text { or }\langle s, v X . \psi\rangle, \\
\langle s,\langle a\rangle \psi\rangle & \rightarrow\langle t, \psi\rangle \quad \text { for every } s \rightarrow^{a} t, \\
{[s,[a] \psi] } & \rightarrow\langle t, \psi\rangle \quad \text { for every } s \rightarrow^{a} t .
\end{aligned}
$$

Priorities (all other priorities big)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \Omega(\langle s, \mu X \cdot \psi\rangle):=2 k+1, \quad \text { if inside of } k \text { fixed points. } \\
& \Omega(\langle s, v X \cdot \psi\rangle):=2 k .
\end{aligned}
$$

## Model-Checking Games

$$
\mathfrak{S}=C(S \rightarrow P \quad \varphi \quad \varphi=\mu X(P \vee \diamond X)
$$

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$$
\mathfrak{S}=C(S \rightarrow(t) P \quad \varphi=\mu X(P \vee \diamond X)
$$



## Model-Checking Games

$$
\mathfrak{S}=C(\rightarrow \rightarrow P \quad \varphi=v X(\diamond X \wedge \mu Y(P \vee \diamond Y))
$$

## Model-Checking Games



## Description Logics

## Description Logic

## General Idea

Extend modal logic with operations that are not bisimulation-invariant.

## Applications

Knowledge representation, deductive databases, system modelling, semantic web

Ingredients

- individuals: elements (Anna, John, Paul, Marry,...)
- concepts: unary predicates (person, male, female,...)
- roles: binary relations (has_child, is_married_to,...)
- TBox: terminology definitions
- ABox: assertions about the world


## Example

TBox

$$
\begin{aligned}
\text { man } & :=\text { person } \wedge \text { male } \\
\text { woman } & :=\text { person } \wedge \text { female } \\
\text { father } & :=\operatorname{man} \wedge \exists \text { has_child.person } \\
\text { mother } & :=\text { woman } \wedge \exists \text { has_child.person }
\end{aligned}
$$

## ABox

```
man(John)
man(Paul)
woman(Anna)
woman(Marry)
has_child(Anna, Paul)
is_married_to(Anna, John)
```


## Syntax

## Concepts

$$
\varphi::=P|\top| \perp|\neg \varphi| \varphi \wedge \varphi|\varphi \vee \varphi| \forall R \varphi|\exists R \varphi|(\geq n R) \mid(\leq n R)
$$

Terminology axioms

$$
\varphi \sqsubseteq \psi \quad \varphi \equiv \psi
$$

TBox Axioms of the form $P \equiv \varphi$.

## Assertions

$$
\varphi(a) \quad R(a, b)
$$

## Extensions

- operations on roles: $R \cap S, R \cup S, R \circ S, \neg R, R^{+}, R^{*}, R^{-}$
- extended number restrictions: $(\geq n R) \varphi,(\leq n R) \varphi$


## Algorithmic Problems

- Satisfiability: Is $\varphi$ satisfiable?
- Subsumption: $\varphi \vDash \psi$ ?
- Equivalence: $\varphi \equiv \psi$ ?
- Disjointness: $\varphi \wedge \psi$ unsatisfiable?

All problems can be solved with standard methods like tableaux or tree automata.

## Semantic Web: OWL (functional syntax)

```
Ontology(
    Class(pp:man complete
    intersectionOf(pp:person pp:male))
    Class(pp:woman complete
    intersectionOf(pp:person pp:female))
    Class(pp:father complete
    intersection0f(pp:man
        restriction(pp:has_child pp:person)))
    Class(pp:mother complete
    intersectionOf(pp:woman
    restriction(pp:has_child pp:person)))
Individual(pp:John type(pp:man))
Individual(pp:Paul type(pp:man))
Individual(pp:Anna type(pp:woman)
    value(pp:has_child pp:Paul)
    value(pp:is_married_to pp:John))
    Individual(pp:Marry type(pp:woman))
)
```

