

Relational Constraint Solving in SMT

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Introduction

Many computational problems can be modeled **relationally**

- High-level system design
- Reasoning about ontologies
- Architectural configuration of network systems
- Verification of programs with linked data structures
- ...

Contributions

- Present a **theory of finite relations** $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{R}}$ as an extension to a theory of finite sets $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$ in our earlier work
- Present a **calculus** for the satisfiability of quantifier-free formulas in $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{R}}$
- Implement a **modular theory solver** in the SMT solver – **CVC4** based on the DPLL(T) architecture
- Demonstrate useful **applications** of the theory $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{R}}$ in **Alloy** and **OWL**

Related Work

Alloy

A **declarative language** for modeling and analyzing structurally-rich systems

Based on **relational logic** with built-in transitive closure and cardinality

SAT-based analysis by the Alloy Analyzer

- **Prove the consistency** of a model
- **Disprove a given property** holds for a model

Relational Reasoning via SMT

El Ghazi et. al introduced an approach that **translates** the Alloy kernel language to the SMT-LIB language, enabling the **solving of Alloy constraints using SMT solvers (AlloyPE)**

The resulting SMT formulas are difficult to solve by SMT solvers because of **heavy usage of quantifiers** in the translation

Description Logics (DLs)

Fragments of relational logic for efficient **knowledge representation and reasoning**

Consider on purpose **only unary and binary relations**

Web Ontology Language (OWL): a semantic web ontology language based on **description logics**

- **Efficient solvers**: KONCLUDE, FaCT++, Chainsaw and etc.

A Theory of Finite Sets $\mathcal{T}_s$

A Theory of Finite Set $\mathcal{T}_S$

A theory $\mathcal{T}_S$ of **finite sets with cardinality** was introduced in previous work (IJCAR 2016)

Implemented a **sound, complete and terminating procedure** for the theory $\mathcal{T}_S$ in **CVC4**

Set Signature $\Sigma_{\mathcal{S}}$ of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$

Empty Set: $[] \vdash \text{Set}(\alpha)$

Set constructor: $[_]: \alpha \rightarrow \text{Set}(\alpha)$

Subset: $\sqsubseteq \vdash \text{Set}(\alpha) \times \text{Set}(\alpha) \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

Membership: $\in \vdash \alpha \times \text{Set}(\alpha) \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

Union, intersection, set difference:

$\sqcap, \sqcup, \setminus \vdash \text{Set}(\alpha) \times \text{Set}(\alpha) \rightarrow \text{Set}(\alpha)$

A Tableaux-style Calculus

- The calculus consists of a set of derivation rules in **guarded assignment form**
- The derivation rules modify **a state data structure**, where a state is either the distinguished state **unsat** or a **set $\mathcal{S}$ of constraints**.

A Tableaux-style Calculus

- The premises of a rule refer to the current state $\mathcal{S}$ and the conclusion describes how $\mathcal{S}$ is changed by the rule's application
- Rules with two or more conclusions, separated by the symbol $\sqcup$, are non-deterministic branching rules
- $\mathcal{S}, c$ is an abbreviation for $\mathcal{S} \sqcup \{c\}$, and $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})$ denotes the set of all terms and subterms occurring in $\mathcal{S}$

A Tableaux-style Calculus

We define the following **closure operator** for $\mathcal{S}$ where $\models_{\text{tup}}$ denotes **entailment** in the theory.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{S}^* = & \{s \approx t \mid s, t \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S}), \mathcal{S} \models_{\text{tup}} s \approx t\} \cup \\ & \{s \not\approx t \mid s, t \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S}), \mathcal{S} \models_{\text{tup}} s \approx s' \wedge t \approx t' \text{ for some } s' \not\approx t' \in \mathcal{S}\} \cup \\ & \{s \sqsubseteq t \mid s, t \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S}), \mathcal{S} \models_{\text{tup}} s \approx s' \wedge t \approx t' \text{ for some } s' \sqsubseteq t' \in \mathcal{S}\}\end{aligned}$$

A Calculus for $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$

INTER UP

$$\frac{x \in s \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad x \in t \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad s \sqcap t \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in s \sqcap t}$$

INTER DOWN

$$\frac{x \in s \sqcap t \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in s, x \in t}$$

UNION UP

$$\frac{x \in u \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad u \in \{s, t\} \quad s \sqcup t \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in s \sqcup t}$$

UNION DOWN

$$\frac{x \in s \sqcup t \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in s \parallel \mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in t}$$

Derivation rules for intersection and
union

A Calculus for $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$ cont.

DIFF UP

$$\frac{x \in s \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad s \setminus t \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in t \parallel \mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in s \setminus t}$$

DIFF DOWN

$$\frac{x \in s \setminus t \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in s, x \notin t}$$

SINGLE UP

$$\frac{[x] \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \in [x]}$$

SINGLE DOWN

$$\frac{x \in [y] \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, x \approx y}$$

EMPTY UNSAT

$$\frac{x \in [] \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\text{unsat}}$$

SET DISEQ

$$\frac{s \not\approx t \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, z \in s, z \notin t \parallel \mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, z \notin s, z \in t}$$

EQ UNSAT

$$\frac{(t \not\approx t) \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\text{unsat}}$$

Derivation rules for set difference,
singleton, disequality and contradiction

A Relational Extension $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{R}}$ to $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$

Notation

Tup_n($\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$): a parametric tuple sort ($n > 0$)

Set(Tup_n($\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$)): a relational sort and
abbreviate it as **Rel_n($\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$)**

Relational Signature $\Sigma_{\mathcal{R}}$ of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{R}}$

Tuple constructor:

$$\langle _ , \dots , _ \rangle : \alpha_1 \times \dots \times \alpha_n \rightarrow \text{Tuple}_n(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$$

Product: $\square \square \text{Rel}_m(\alpha) \times \text{Rel}_n(\beta) \rightarrow \text{Rel}_{m+n}(\alpha, \beta)$

Join: $\bowtie \square \text{Rel}_{p+1}(\alpha, \gamma) \times \text{Rel}_{q+1}(\gamma, \beta) \rightarrow \text{Rel}_{p+q}(\alpha, \beta)$
with $p + q \geq 0$

Transpose: $_^{-1} : \text{Rel}_m(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m) \rightarrow \text{Rel}_m(\alpha_m, \dots, \alpha_1)$

Transitive Closure: $_^{+} : \text{Rel}_2(\alpha, \alpha) \rightarrow \text{Rel}_2(\alpha, \alpha)$

TRANSPOSE Derivation Rule ($_^{-1}$)

TRANSP UP

$$\frac{\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle \sqsubseteq R \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad R^{-1} \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_n, \dots, x_1 \rangle \sqsubseteq R^{-1}}$$

TRANSP DOWN

$$\frac{\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle \sqsubseteq R^{-1} \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_n, \dots, x_1 \rangle \sqsubseteq R}$$

JOIN Derivation Rule ($\bowtie$)

JOIN UP

$$\frac{\langle x_1, \dots, x_m, z \rangle \in R_1, \langle z, y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \in R_2 \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad m + n > 0 \quad R_1 \bowtie R_2 \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \in R_1 \bowtie R_2}$$

JOIN DOWN

$$\frac{\langle x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \in R_1 \bowtie R_2 \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad \text{ar}(R_1) = m + 1}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, \dots, x_m, z \rangle \in R_1, \langle z, y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \in R_2}$$

z is a fresh variable

PRODUCT Derivation Rule ($\square$)

PROD UP

$$\frac{\langle x_1, \dots, x_m \rangle \in R_1 \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad \langle y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \in R_2 \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad R_1 * R_2 \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \in R_1 * R_2}$$

PROD DOWN

$$\frac{\langle x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \in R_1 * R_2 \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad \text{ar}(R_1) = m}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, \dots, x_m \rangle \in R_1, \langle y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \in R_2}$$

TRANSITIVE CLOSURE Derivation Rule ($_^+$)

TCLOS UP I

$$\frac{\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in R \in \mathcal{S}^* \quad R^+ \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in R^+}$$

TCLOS UP II

$$\frac{\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in R^+, \langle x_2, x_3 \rangle \in R^+ \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, x_3 \rangle \in R^+}$$

TCLOS DOWN

$$\frac{\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in R^+ \in \mathcal{S}^*}{\begin{array}{l} \mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in R \quad \parallel \quad \mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, z \rangle \in R, \langle z, x_2 \rangle \in R \\ \parallel \quad \mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}, \langle x_1, z_1 \rangle \in R, \langle z_1, z_2 \rangle \in R^+, \langle z_2, x_2 \rangle \in R, z_1 \not\approx z_2 \end{array}}$$

z, z_1, z_2 are fresh variables

Example

$$\mathcal{S} = \{\langle a, b \rangle \notin R^{-1}, R \approx Q, \langle a \rangle \sqsubseteq P, \langle b \rangle \sqsubseteq P, P \sqsubseteq P \approx Q \sqcap T\}$$

PROD UP

$$\mathcal{S}_1 \sqsubseteq \mathcal{S} \sqcup \{\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq P * P, \langle b, a \rangle \sqsubseteq P \sqsubseteq P, \langle a, a \rangle \sqsubseteq P \sqsubseteq P, \dots\}$$

$P * P \approx Q \sqcap T$

INTER DOWN

$$\mathcal{S}_2 \sqsubseteq \mathcal{S}_1 \sqcup \{\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq Q, \langle b, a \rangle \sqsubseteq Q, \langle a, a \rangle \sqsubseteq Q, \dots\}$$

$\langle b, a \rangle \in Q, R \approx Q$

TRANSP UP

$$\mathcal{S}_3 \sqsubseteq \mathcal{S}_2 \sqcup \{\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R^{-1}, \dots\}$$

EQ UNSAT

$\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R^{-1}$

UNSAT

Example

$$\mathcal{S} = \{\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R^+, \langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R, \langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R \bowtie R\}$$

TCLOS DOWN

$$\mathcal{S}_1 = \mathcal{S} \sqcap \{\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R\}$$

EQ UNSAT $\langle a, b \rangle \not\sqsubseteq R$

UNSAT

Example

$$\mathcal{S} = \{\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R^+, \langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R, \langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R \bowtie R\}$$

TCLOS DOWN

$$\mathcal{S}_1 := \mathcal{S} \cup \{\langle a, z \rangle \in R, \langle z, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R\}$$

JOIN UP

$$\mathcal{S}_2 \sqsubseteq \mathcal{S}_1 \sqsubseteq \{\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R \bowtie R\}$$

$\langle a, b \rangle \not\sqsubseteq R \bowtie R$ **EQ UNSAT**

UNSAT

Example

$$\mathcal{S} = \{\langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R^+, \langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R, \langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R \bowtie R\}$$

TCLOS DOWN

$$\mathcal{S}_1 = \mathcal{S} \sqcup \{\langle a, z_1 \rangle \sqsubseteq R, \langle z_1, z_2 \rangle \sqsubseteq R, \langle z_2, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R, z_1 \not\approx z_2\}$$

NO RULES APPLY

SAT

Calculus $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{R}}$ Correctness

Refutation and Model Soundness

Proposition 1 (Refutation Soundness). *If there is a closed derivation tree with root node $\mathcal{S}$, then $\mathcal{S}$ is T_R -unsatisfiable.*

Proposition 2 (Model Soundness). *Let $\mathcal{S}$ be the leaf of a saturated branch in a derivation tree. There is a model $\mathcal{I}$ of T_R that satisfies $\mathcal{S}$ and is such that (i) for all $S \in \text{Vars}(\mathcal{S})$ of set sort, $S^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x^{\mathcal{I}} \mid x \in S \in \mathcal{S}^*\}$, and (ii) for all other $x, y \in \text{Vars}(\mathcal{S})$, $x^{\mathcal{I}} = y^{\mathcal{I}}$ if and only if $x \approx y \in \mathcal{S}^*$.*

Detailed proof can be found in the paper!

Termination of a Fragment of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{R}}$

(element)	$e := x$
(unary relation)	$u := x \mid [] \mid u_1 \sqcup u_2 \mid u_1 \sqcap u_2 \mid [\langle e \rangle] \mid b \bowtie u$
(binary relation)	$b := x \mid [] \mid b_1 \sqcup b_2 \mid b_1 \sqcap b_2 \mid [\langle e_1, e_2 \rangle] \mid b^{-1}$
(constraint)	$\varphi := e_1 \approx e_2 \mid \langle e \rangle \sqsubseteq u \mid \langle e_1, e_2 \rangle \sqsubseteq b \mid \neg \varphi_1$

Proposition 3 (Termination): *If S is a finite set of constraints generated by the grammar in above figure, then all derivation trees with root node S are finite.*

Detailed proof can be found in the paper!

Applications of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{R}}$

A Mapping from Alloy to CVC4

Full support for Alloy kernel language in SMT **natively**

Finite model finding of CVC4 can reason in the presence of quantified formulas

Can **prove and disprove properties** with respect to Alloy models

ALLOY KERNEL LANGUAGE

CVC4

Signature sig S

$S : \text{Rel}_1(\text{Atom})$

Field $f : S_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow S_n$ of a sig S

$f : \text{Rel}_{n+1}(\text{Atom}, \dots, \text{Atom})$

$f \sqsubseteq S \sqcap S_1 \sqcap \dots \sqcap S_n$

sig $S_1, \dots, S_n$ extends S

$S_1 \sqsubseteq S, \dots, S_n \sqsubseteq S$

$S_i \sqcap S_j = []$ for $1 \leq i < j \leq n$

$S_1 \sqcup \dots \sqcup S_n = S$ if **S is abstract**

sig $S_1, \dots, S_n$ in S ,

$S_1 \sqsubseteq S, \dots, S_n \sqsubseteq S$

ALLOY KERNEL LANGUAGE	CVC4
Set Operators: +, &, −, =, in	$\sqcup, \sqcap$ −, $\approx, \sqsubseteq$
Relational Operators: $\sim$, $\sqsubset$, $\rightarrow$, $\wedge$	$_{-}^{-1}$, $\bowtie$, $\sqsubset$, $_{-}^{+}$
Logical operators: and, or, not	AND, OR, NOT
Quantifiers: all, some	FORALL, EXISTS

A File System Example

Alloy Model

```
abstract sig FileSystemObj{}  
  
sig File extends FileSystemObj{}  
  
sig Dir extends FileSystemObj{  
  contents: Set FileSystemObj  
}  
  
all f: File | some d: Dir |  
  f in d.contents
```

CVC4 Encoding

```
Atom : TYPE;  
FileSystemObj : Rel1(Atom);  
File : Rel1(Atom);  
Dir : Rel1(Atom);  
contents : Rel2(Atom, Atom);  
contents  $\sqsubseteq$  Dir  $\sqcap$  FileSystemObj;  
Dir  $\sqcap$  File  $\approx$  [ ];  
Dir  $\sqcup$  File  $\approx$  FileSystemObj;  
  
 $\square f : \text{Atom} \mid \langle f \rangle \square \text{File} \Rightarrow$   
   $\square d : \text{Atom} \mid \langle d \rangle \square \text{Dir} \square$   
     $\langle f \rangle \square [\langle d \rangle] \bowtie \text{contents}$ 
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Evaluation on Alloy Benchmarks

Evaluate CVC4 with two configurations

- **CVC4**: enables full native support for relational operators
- **CVC4+AX**: encodes all relational operators as uninterpreted functions with axioms

Compare with **Alloy Analyzer** and **AlloyPE** on two sets of benchmarks: AlloyPE and one selected from an academic class

Evaluation on Alloy Benchmarks

Compared to the **Alloy Analyzer**

- CVC4 is **overall slower for SAT** benchmarks
- CVC4 **solves UNSAT** benchmarks, whereas the Alloy Analyzer can only answer bounded UNSAT

Compared to **AlloyPE**

- CVC4 **solves SAT** benchmarks, whereas AlloyPE solves none
- CVC4 **solves most** of AlloyPE's benchmarks

Compared to **CVC4+AX**

- CVC4 **solves SAT** benchmarks, whereas CVC4+AX solves none
- CVC4 **solves significantly more UNSAT** benchmarks

Experimental Evaluation on *AlloyPE* Benchmarks

	Alloy Analyzer		CVC4		CVC4+AX		AlloyPE	
Problem	Res.	Time	Res.	Time	Res.	Time	Res.	Time
mem-wr	b-uns	195.98/35	uns	0.43	uns	0.48	uns	0.44
mem-wi	b-uns	260.66/29	uns	0.45	uns	0.50	uns	0.42
ab-ai	b-uns	185.06/28	uns	0.46	uns	0.79	uns	0.49
ab-dua	b-uns	193.33/27	uns	0.49	uns	0.48	uns	0.70
abt-dua	b-uns	137.87/14	uns	0.60	uns	0.81	uns	0.70
abt-ly-u	b-uns	261.23/9	uns	0.81	uns	28.26	uns	1.4
abt-ly-p	b-uns	277.86/8	uns	0.81	uns	1.77	uns	175.19
gp-nsf	b-uns	152.55/69	uns	0.41	uns	0.59	uns	0.43
gp-nsg	b-uns	166.75/66	uns	0.42	-	to	uns	0.44
com-1	b-uns	297.18/13	uns	2.95	-	to	uns	0.59
com-2	b-uns	295.73/13	-	to	-	to	uns	0.55
com-3	b-uns	295.33/14	uns	4.29	-	to	uns	0.64
com-4a	b-uns	301.57/13	uns	9.39	-	to	uns	0.99
com-4b	b-uns	299.77/13	uns	0.90	-	to	uns	0.61
fs-sd	b-uns	157.90/70	uns	0.42	-	to	uns	0.89
fs-nda	b-uns	271.38/44	uns	0.55	-	to	uns	0.83
gc-s1	b-uns	270.07/14	uns	4.92	uns	8.14	uns	14.27
gc-s2	b-uns	288.44/8	-	to	-	to	uns	10.66
gc-c	b-uns	287.73/8	-	to	-	to	uns	42.31
hr-l	b-uns	275.80/7	-	to	-	to	-	to

Experimental Evaluation on Academic Benchmarks

	Alloy Analyzer		CVC4		CVC4+AX		AlloyPE	
Problem	Res.	Time/Scope	Res.	Time	Res.	Time	Res.	Time
academia_0	sat	0.60/3	sat	1.55	-	to	unk	84.76
academia_1	sat	0.53/2	sat	1.93	-	to	-	to
academia_2	sat	0.45/2	sat	0.49	-	to	unk	0.15
social_1	sat	0.52/3	sat	1.20	-	to	n/a	-
social_5	sat	1.56/2	sat	0.49	-	to	n/a	-
social_6	sat	0.49/2	sat	0.52	-	to	n/a	-
cf_0	sat	0.47/3	sat	0.51	-	to	n/a	-
cf_1	sat	0.49/3	sat	0.78	-	to	n/a	-
javatypes	sat	0.50/3	sat	0.42	-	to	uns	2.35
set	sat	0.45/2	sat	0.46	-	to	unk	0.92
loc_int	sat	0.57/1	sat	2.82	-	to	n/a	-
genealogy	sat	0.64/6	sat	89.20	-	to	n/a	-
number_1	sat	0.81/2	sat	8.65	-	to	n/a	-
railway	sat	0.67/4	sat	156.45	-	to	n/a	-
academia_3	b-uns	162.17/63	uns	0.49	uns	1.05	uns	0.28
academia_4	b-uns	246.92/162	uns	0.43	uns	0.54	uns	0.13
family_1	b-uns	146.62/68	uns	0.41	uns	0.44	uns	0.15
family_2	b-uns	279.77/30	uns	1.02	uns	48.78	uns	0.23
social_2	b-uns	256.98/56	uns	0.66	-	to	n/a	-
social_3	b-uns	191.45/57	uns	0.49	uns	35.91	n/a	-
social_4	b-uns	171.26/64	uns	0.46	uns	18.13	n/a	-
birthday	b-uns	156.08/53	uns	0.45	uns	0.61	uns	0.13
library	b-uns	259.54/119	uns	0.42	uns	0.40	uns	1.11
lights	b-uns	228.89/122	uns	32.69	-	to	n/a	-
INSLabel	b-uns	198.53/8	uns	1.46	-	to	n/a	-
farmers_1	sat	1.04/8	-	to	-	to	n/a	-
views	sat	9.91/9	-	to	-	to	n/a	-

A Mapping from OWL DL to SMT

OWL DL based on the **expressive**, yet **decidable**, description logic ***SHOIN(D)***

Built a **translation** from ***SHOIN(D)*** constructs to their **SMT counterparts** in $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{R}}$

Perform **consistency checks** on OWL models using CVC4

OWL DL	CVC4
Individual name a	$a : \text{Atom}$
Nominal $\{a\}$	$\{<a>\}$
Top concept T	$\text{Univ}, \{\Box a : \text{Atom} \mid <a> \Box \text{Univ}\}$
Bottom concept $\Box$	$[]$
Atomic concept C	$C : \text{Rel}_1(\text{Atom})$
Role R	$R : \text{Rel}_2(\text{Atom}, \text{Atom})$
Union $C \sqcup D$	$C \sqcup D$
Intersection $C \sqcap D$	$C \sqcap D$
Inverse role R^-	R^{-1}
Complement $\neg C$	$\text{Univ} \setminus C$

OWL DL**CVC4**

Concept, role assertion $C(a), R(a; b)$	$a \sqsubseteq C, \langle a, b \rangle \sqsubseteq R$
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Individual (dis)equality $a \approx b, a \not\approx b$	$a \approx b, a \not\approx b$
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Concept, role inclusion $C \sqsubseteq D, R \sqsubseteq S$	$C \sqsubseteq D, R \sqsubseteq S$
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Concept, role equiv. $C \equiv D, R \equiv S$	$C \approx D, R \approx S$
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Complex role inclusion $R_1 \circ R_2 \sqsubseteq S$	$R_1 \bowtie R_2 \sqsubseteq S$
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Role disjointness $\text{Disjoint}(R, S)$	$R \sqcap S \approx []$
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OWL DL

CVC4

Existential restriction $\Box R.C \quad R \bowtie C$

Universal restriction $\forall R.C \quad [x \mid x \sqsubseteq \text{Univ} \sqsubseteq [x] \bowtie R \sqsubseteq C]$

$$\text{At-least restriction } \geq_n \text{R.C} \quad [x \mid x \sqsubseteq \text{Univ} \sqcap (\sqcap a_1, \dots, a_n : \text{Atom} \\ [\langle a_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle a_n \rangle] \sqsubseteq (([x] \bowtie R) \sqcap C) \\ \sqcap \text{Dist}(a_1, \dots, a_n))]$$
$$\text{At-most restriction } \leq_n \text{R.C} \quad [x \mid x \sqsubseteq \text{Univ} \sqcap (\sqcap a_1, \dots, a_n : \text{Atom} \\ (([x] \bowtie R) \sqcap C) \sqsubseteq [\langle a_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle a_n \rangle] \\ \sqcap [\langle a_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle a_n \rangle] \sqsubseteq C)]$$

Local reflexivity $\Box R.\text{Self} \quad [\langle x, y \rangle \mid \langle x, y \rangle \Box R \ x \approx y]$

Evaluation on OWL Benchmarks

Experiment on **3936 OWL models** from 4th OWL Reasoner competition with comparison to the state-of-the-art **DL reasoner KONCLUDE**

KONCLUDE gave **answers for all benchmarks** with an average solving time **0.02 sec**

CVC4 found **3,639 consistent**, found **7 inconsistent**, and **timed out (30s) on the remaining 290** with an average solving time **1.7 secs**

Conclusion

- Presented a **calculus** for an extension to the theory of finite sets that includes support for **relations and relational operators**
- Implemented the calculus as a **modular extension** to the set subsolver in our SMT solver CVC4
- Evaluated the solver on **Alloy and OWL benchmarks** showing **promising results**

Future Work

- Investigate more **expressive fragments** for which our calculus terminates
- Devise an approach for a theory that includes both **relational** constraints and **cardinality** constraints
- Extend our logic with the **set complement operator** and a constant for the **universal set**

Thanks for Listening!

- Relational solver implemented in CVC4
 - Open source
 - Available at: <http://cvc4.cs.stanford.edu/web/>
 - Working on *.smt2 standard format for relations



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