

# Decidability of a Description Logic over Infinite-Valued Łukasiewicz and Product Logic

M. Cerami, F. Esteva, F. Bou

Institut de Investigació en Intel·ligència Artificial  
Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas  
(IIIA - CSIC)  
Bellaterra (Catalunya)  
{cerami,esteva,fbou}@iiia.csic.es

Universitat de Barcelona  
Barcelona, 21 Maig 2010

# Outline

- In this talk we give an account of the proofs that:
  - ▶ Description Logic  $\mathcal{ALC}$  over the standard Łukasiewicz algebra  $[0, 1]_{\mathbb{L}}$  is decidable.
  - ▶ **validity** and **positive satisfiability** problems for Description Logic  $\mathcal{ALC}$  over the standard product algebra  $[0, 1]_{\Pi}$  are decidable.
- This is done by providing a recursive **reduction** of such problems to the satisfiability and the semantic consequence in **propositional Łukasiewicz** and **Product Logics**.
- The result then follows from the fact that **satisfiability** and **semantic consequence** in propositional Łukasiewicz and Product Logics are **decidable** problems.

# FDL Languages

$\Pi$ - $\mathcal{AL}\mathcal{E}$  :  $A \mid \top \mid \perp \mid C \Box D \mid C \rightarrow D \mid \neg C \mid \forall R.C \mid \exists R.C$

$\Sigma$ - $\mathcal{AL}\mathcal{C}$  :  $A \mid \top \mid \perp \mid C \Box D \mid C \rightarrow D \mid \sim C \mid \forall R.C \mid \exists R.C$

# Semantics

An **interpretation**  $\mathcal{I} = (\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}, \cdot^{\mathcal{I}})$  consists of:

- a crisp set  $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$  (called the **domain** of  $\mathcal{I}$ ),
- an **interpretation function**  $\cdot^{\mathcal{I}}$ , such that:

$$A^{\mathcal{I}} : \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \rightarrow [0, 1] \quad \text{and} \quad R^{\mathcal{I}} : \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \times \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \rightarrow [0, 1],$$

$$\perp^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = 0$$

$$\top^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = 1$$

$$(C \boxtimes D)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = C^{\mathcal{I}}(a) \otimes D^{\mathcal{I}}(a)$$

$$(C \rightarrow D)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = C^{\mathcal{I}}(a) \Rightarrow D^{\mathcal{I}}(a)$$

$$(\neg C)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = C^{\mathcal{I}}(a) \Rightarrow \perp^{\mathcal{I}}(a)$$

$$(\sim C)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = 1 - C^{\mathcal{I}}(a)$$

$$(\forall R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = \inf\{R^{\mathcal{I}}(a, b) \Rightarrow C^{\mathcal{I}}(b) : b \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}\}$$

$$(\exists R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = \sup\{R^{\mathcal{I}}(a, b) \otimes C^{\mathcal{I}}(b) : b \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}\}$$

# Witnessed models and infinite-valued Logic

First order Łukasiewicz infinite-valued Logic  $[0, 1]_{\mathcal{L}}\forall$  is complete with respect **witnessed models**. [Hájek, 1998,2005]

$\varphi$  is true  
in a  $[0, 1]_{\mathcal{L}}\forall$ -model



there exists  
an integer  $n > 1$  such that  
 $\varphi$  is true  
in a  $\mathcal{L}_n\forall$ -model



$\varphi$  is true  
in a witnessed  $\mathcal{L}\forall$ -model

# Reduction to propositional logic

- Thanks to the last result it is possible to provide a **reduction** of  $\mathcal{L}\text{-}\mathcal{ALC}$  to **propositional Łukasiewicz Logic**, which is known to be a **decidable** problem.
- It is done in two steps, given an assertion  $C(d)$ :
  - 1 first we produce a **set of formulas**  $T_C$  describing a witnessed model which (possibly) satisfies  $C(d)$ ,
  - 2 second, we provide a **translation**  $pr(\cdot)$  of formulas in  $T_C$  into a propositional language.

# The set $T_{C_0}$

We will give an **informal account** of this reduction. Given an assertion, say

$$C_0 = \exists R.(\forall R.D \sqcap \forall R.E)(d)$$

for each **quantified subformula** occurring in it we produce a **new constant** and a couple of **formulas** are added to  $T_{C_0}$ :

$$\exists R.(\forall R.D \boxtimes \forall R.E)(d) \quad d_1 \quad \exists R.(\forall R.D \boxtimes \forall R.E)(d) \equiv (R(d, d_1) \boxtimes (\forall R.D \boxtimes \forall R.E)(d_1))$$

$$\forall R.D(d_1) \quad d_{1,1} \quad \forall R.D(d_1) \equiv (R(d_1, d_{1,1}) \rightarrow D(d_{1,1}))$$

$$\forall R.D(d_1) \rightarrow (R(d_1, d_{1,2}) \rightarrow E(d_{1,2}))$$

$$\forall R.E(d_1) \quad d_{1,2} \quad \forall R.E(d_1) \equiv (R(d_1, d_{1,2}) \rightarrow E(d_{1,2}))$$

$$\forall R.E(d_1) \rightarrow (R(d_1, d_{1,1}) \rightarrow E(d_{1,1}))$$



# The translation $pr(\cdot)$

The mapping  $pr$  associates to every **assertion** occurring in a formula in  $T_{C_0}$  and  $Y_{C_0}$  a **propositional variable**, according to the following clauses:

- $pr(C(a)) = P_{C(a)}$  if  $C$  is an **atomic** or a **quantified concept**,
- $pr(R(a, b)) = P_{R(a,b)}$  if  $R$  is a **role name**,
- $pr(\perp(a)) = \perp$ ,
- $pr(\top(a)) = \top$
- $pr((C \sqcap D)(a)) = pr(C(a)) \odot pr(D(a))$ ,
- $pr((C \rightarrow D)(a)) = pr(C(a)) \rightarrow pr(D(a))$ .

If  $T$  is a **set of assertions**, then  $pr(T)$  is  $\{pr(\alpha) \mid \alpha \in T\}$ .

So, the elements of the set  $pr(T_{C_0})$  are:

$$\exists R.(\forall R.D \boxtimes \forall R.E)(d) \equiv (R(d, d_1) \boxtimes (\forall R.D \boxtimes \forall R.E)(d_1))$$

$$P_{\exists R.(\forall R.D \boxtimes \forall R.E)(d)} \equiv (P_{R(d, d_1)} \otimes (P_{\forall R.D(d_1)} \otimes P_{\forall R.E(d_1)}))$$

$$\forall R.D(d_1) \equiv (R(d_1, d_{1,1}) \rightarrow D(d_{1,1}))$$

$$P_{\forall R.D(d_1)} \equiv (P_{R(d_1, d_{1,1})} \rightarrow P_{D(d_{1,1})})$$

$$\forall R.D(d_1) \rightarrow (R(d_1, d_{1,2}) \rightarrow E(d_{1,2}))$$

$$P_{\forall R.D(d_1) \rightarrow (R(d_1, d_{1,2}) \rightarrow E(d_{1,2}))} \equiv (P_{R(d_1, d_{1,2})} \rightarrow P_{E(d_{1,2})})$$

$$\forall R.E(d_1) \equiv (R(d_1, d_{1,2}) \rightarrow E(d_{1,2}))$$

$$P_{\forall R.E(d_1)} \equiv (P_{R(d_1, d_{1,2})} \rightarrow P_{E(d_{1,2})})$$

$$\forall R.E(d_1) \rightarrow (R(d_1, d_{1,1}) \rightarrow E(d_{1,1}))$$

$$P_{\forall R.E(d_1) \rightarrow (R(d_1, d_{1,1}) \rightarrow E(d_{1,1}))} \equiv (P_{R(d_1, d_{1,1})} \rightarrow P_{E(d_{1,1})})$$

# Propositional evaluations

It is proved that, for each  $r \in [0, 1]$ :

there is  
 an individual  $d$  and  
 a **witnessed**  
 interpretation  
 $\mathcal{I}$  such that  
 $C^{\mathcal{I}}(d) = r$



there is  
 an individual  $d$  and  
 a propositional evaluation  
 $e$  such that  
 $e(\text{pr}(T_C)) = 1$  and  
 $e(\text{pr}(C(d))) = r$

# Proof: from FDL interpretations to propositional evaluations

Given a **witnessed** interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  such that  $C^{\mathcal{I}} = r$ , define the propositional evaluation  $e_{\mathcal{I}}$  such that, for every concept and role assertion  $D(a)$  and  $R(a, b)$ , **occurring in a formula in  $T_C$** ,

$$e_{\mathcal{I}}(\text{pr}(D(a))) = D^{\mathcal{I}}(a)$$

and

$$e_{\mathcal{I}}(\text{pr}(R(a, b))) = R^{\mathcal{I}}(a, b)$$

Hence, it is a simple task to **check** that  $e_{\mathcal{I}}(\text{pr}(T_C)) = 1$  and  $e_{\mathcal{I}}(\text{pr}(C(d))) = r$ .

# Proof: from propositional evaluations to FDL interpretations

We give an **sketch** by means of the **example assertion**  $C_0$  before:

Given the set  $T_{C_0}$  and a propositional evaluation  $e$  such that  $e(\text{pr}(T_{C_0})) = 1$  and  $e(\text{pr}(C_0(d))) = r$ , we define how to build a quasi-witnessed interpretation  $\mathcal{I}_e$ :

- The elements of the domain  $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$  are the **constant occurring in  $T_{C_0}$** :

•  
 $d_{1,1}$

•  
 $d_{1,2}$

•  
 $d_1$

•  
 $d$

- For each **atomic concept**  $A$  and each constant  $d, d_n$  occurring in  $T_{C_0}$ , let:

$$A^{\mathcal{I}_e}(d_n) = e(\text{pr}(A(d_n)))$$

$D^{\mathcal{I}}(d_{1,1})$

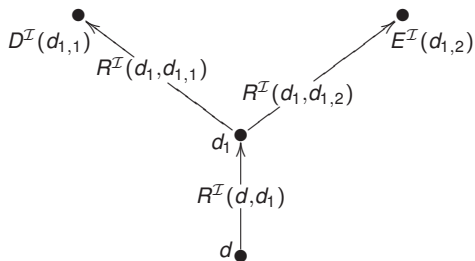
$E^{\mathcal{I}}(d_{1,2})$

$d_1$

$d$

- For each **role name**  $R$  and each constant  $d_n$  occurring in  $T_{C_0}$ , let:

$$R^{\mathcal{I}e}(d, d_n) = e(pr(R(d, d_n)))$$



# Quasi-witnessed models [Laskowski and Malekpour, 2007]

A  $\Pi$ -interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  is **quasi-witnessed** when it satisfies that for every concept  $C$ , every role name  $R$  and every  $a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ :

(wit $\exists$ ) there is some  $b \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$  such that

$$(\exists R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = R^{\mathcal{I}}(a, b) \cdot C^{\mathcal{I}}(b)$$

(qwit $\forall$ ) • either there is some  $b \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$  such that

$$(\forall R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = R^{\mathcal{I}}(a, b) \Rightarrow C^{\mathcal{I}}(b)$$

• or  $(\forall R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(a) = 0$



# Quasi-witnessed models and standard semantics

**Tautologies** and **positively satisfiable formulas** in  $[0, 1]_{\Pi\forall}$  are the same of those in **quasi-witnessed standard models**. [Cerami, Esteva and Bou, 2010]

$$\varphi \in [0, 1]_{\Pi\forall}\text{-Taut} \iff \varphi \in [0, 1]_{\Pi\forall}\text{-Taut}^{qw}$$

$$\varphi \in [0, 1]_{\Pi\forall}\text{-pos-Sat} \iff \varphi \in [0, 1]_{\Pi\forall}\text{-pos-Sat}^{qw}$$

# Previous related results

- First order standard tautologies are **not recursively axiomatizable** and, worst, **not arithmetical** for **Product Logic**. [Montagna, 2001]
- Satisfiability (validity, subsumption) problem in the  $\mathcal{ALC}$  description language over **Lukasiewicz Logic** is **decidable**. [Hájek, 2005]
- Satisfiability (validity, subsumption) in **witnessed models** for the  $\mathcal{ALCE}$  description language over **Product Logic** is **decidable**. [Bobillo and Straccia, 2009]
- $\mathcal{ALE}$  description language over **Product Logic** does **not** enjoy **finite model property**. [Hájek, 2005]

# Reduction to propositional satisfiability

- We provide a **reduction** of validity and satisfiability for  $\Pi$ - $\mathcal{AL}\mathcal{E}$  to the semantic consequence in **propositional Product Logic** which is known to be a **decidable** problem.
- It is done in three steps, given an assertion  $C(d)$ :
  - 1 first we produce a set of formulas  $T_C$ , which provides **positive constraints** to build the model that (possibly) satisfies  $C(d)$ ,
  - 2 second we produce a set of formulas  $Y_C$ , which provides **negative constraints** to build the model that (possibly) satisfies  $C(d)$ ,
  - 3 third, we provide a **translation**  $pr(\cdot)$  of formulas in  $T_C$  and  $Y_C$  into a propositional language.

## Example: the set $T_{C_0}$

We will give an **informal account** of this reduction. Given an assertion, say

$$C_0(d) = (\neg\forall R.A \sqcap \neg\exists R.\neg A)(d)$$

for each **quantified subformula** occurring in it we produce a **new constant** and a couple of **formulas** are added to  $T_{C_0}$ :

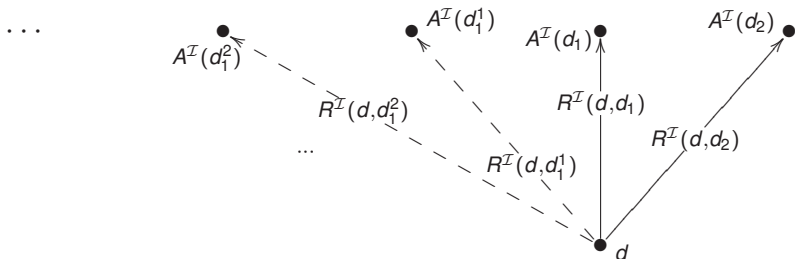
$$\forall R.A(d) \quad d_1 \quad (\forall R.A(d) \equiv (R(d, d_1) \rightarrow A(d_1))) \sqcup \neg\forall R.A(d)$$

$$\forall R.A(d) \rightarrow (R(d, d_2) \rightarrow A(d_2))$$

$$\exists R.\neg A(d) \quad d_2 \quad \exists R.\neg A(d) \equiv (R(d, d_2) \sqcap \neg A(d_2))$$

$$(R(d, d_1) \sqcap \neg A(d_1)) \rightarrow \exists R.\neg A(d)$$

which says us that we are building the following **interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$** :



## Example: the set $Y_{C_0}$

Moreover, for the **universally quantified subformula**, we add to the set  $Y_{C_0}$  the following formula:

$$\neg \forall R.A(d) \sqcap (R(d, d_1) \rightarrow A(d_1))$$

which constrains interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  not to verify both

$$(\forall R.A)^{\mathcal{I}}(d) = 0$$

and

$$R^{\mathcal{I}}(d, d_1) \rightarrow A^{\mathcal{I}}(d_1) = 1$$

in order to overcome a problem in an earlier version of this work.

So, the elements of the set  $pr(T_{C_0})$  are:

$$(\forall R.A(d) \equiv (R(d, d_1) \rightarrow A(d_1))) \sqcup \neg \forall R.A(d)$$

$$(P_{\forall R.A(d)} \equiv (P_{R(d,d_1)} \rightarrow P_{A(d_1)})) \vee \neg P_{\forall R.A(d)}$$

$$\forall R.A(d) \rightarrow (R(d, d_2) \rightarrow A(d_2)) \quad P_{\forall R.A(d)} \rightarrow (P_{R(d,d_1)} \rightarrow P_{A(d_2)})$$

$$\exists R.\neg A(d) \equiv (R(d, d_2) \boxdot \neg A(d_2)) \quad P_{\exists R.\neg A(d)} \equiv (P_{R(d,d_2)} \odot P_{A(d_2)})$$

$$(R(d, d_1) \boxdot \neg A(d_1)) \rightarrow \exists R.\neg A(d) \quad (P_{R(d_1,d_1)} \odot P_{A(d_1)}) \rightarrow P_{\exists R.A(d)}$$

and the element of the set  $pr(Y_{C_0})$  is:

$$\neg \forall R.A(d) \boxdot (R(d, d_1) \rightarrow A(d_1)) \quad \neg P_{\forall R.A(d)} \odot (P_{R(d,d_1)} \rightarrow P_{A(d_1)})$$

# Propositional evaluations

We say that a **propositional evaluation**  $e$  is **quasi-witnessing** for an assertion  $C$  if:

- $e(\varphi) = 1$ , for every  $\varphi \in pr(T_C)$  and
- $e(\psi) \neq 1$ , for every  $\psi \in pr(Y_C)$

and prove that, for each  $r \in [0, 1]$ :

there is  
an individual  $d$  and  
a **quasi-witnessed**  
interpretation  
 $\mathcal{I}$  such that  
 $C^{\mathcal{I}}(d) = r$



there is  
an individual  $d$  and  
a **quasi-witnessing**  
propositional evaluation  
 $e$  such that  
 $e(pr(C(d))) = r$



# Proof: from FDL interpretations to propositional evaluations

Given a **quasi-witnessed** interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  such that  $C^{\mathcal{I}} = r$ , define the propositional evaluation  $e_{\mathcal{I}}$  such that, for every concept and role assertion  $D(a)$  and  $R(a, b)$ , **occurring in a formula in  $T_C \cup Y_C$** ,

$$e_{\mathcal{I}}(\text{pr}(D(a))) = D^{\mathcal{I}}(a)$$

and

$$e_{\mathcal{I}}(\text{pr}(R(a, b))) = R^{\mathcal{I}}(a, b)$$

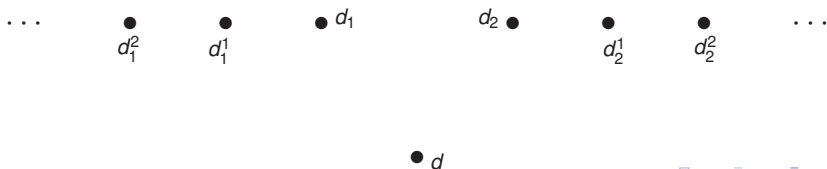
Hence, it is a simple task to **check** that  $e_{\mathcal{I}}$  is a **quasi-witnessing** propositional evaluation and  $e_{\mathcal{I}}(C(d)) = r$ .

# Proof: from propositional evaluations to FDL interpretations

We give an **sketch** by means of the **example assertion**  $C_0$  before:

Given the sets  $T_{C_0}$ ,  $Y_{C_0}$  and a **quasi-witnessing** propositional evaluation  $e$  such that  $e(pr(C_0(d))) = r$ , we define how to build a quasi-witnessed interpretation  $\mathcal{I}_e$ :

- The elements of the domain  $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$  are the **constant occurring** in  $T_{C_0} \cup Y_{C_0}$ , plus a countable infinite set of new elements  $\{d_n^i : n \in \omega \setminus 0\}$  for each constant  $d_n$  occurring in  $T_{C_0} \cup Y_{C_0}$  and different from the root  $d$ :

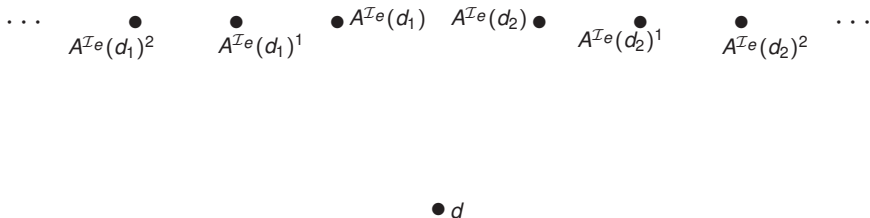


- For each **atomic concept**  $A$  and each constant  $d, d_n$  occurring in  $T_{C_0} \cup Y_{C_0}$ , define:

$$A^{\mathcal{I}_e}(d_n) = e(\text{pr}(A(d_n)))$$

and for each new element  $d_n^i \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}_e}$ , define:

$$A^{\mathcal{I}_e}(d_n^i) = (e(\text{pr}(A(d_n))))^i$$

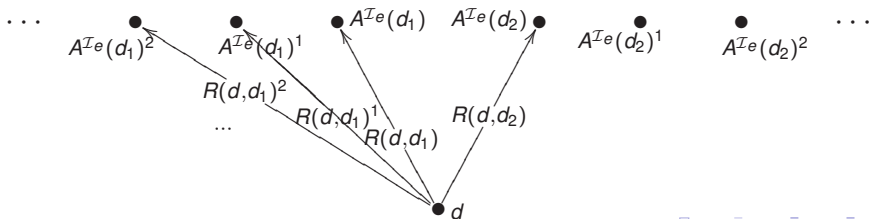


- For each **role name**  $R$  and each constant  $d_n$  occurring in  $T_{C_0} \cup Y_{C_0}$ , define:

$$R^{\mathcal{I}_e}(d, d_n) = e(\text{pr}(R(d, d_n)))$$

and for each new element  $d_n^i \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}_e}$ , define:

$$R^{\mathcal{I}_e}(d, d_n^i) = \begin{cases} (e(\text{pr}(R(d, d_n))))^i, & \text{if } R(d, d_n) \rightarrow A(d_n) \\ & \text{occurs in } T_{C_0} \\ & \text{and } e(\text{pr}(\forall R.A(d))) = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# Main Proposition

## Proposition

Let  $C$  be a concept, and let  $T_C$  and  $Y_C$  be the two finite sets associated by the algorithm. For every  $r \in [0, 1]$ , the following statements are equivalent:

- 1  $C$  is *satisfiable* with truth value  $r$  in a quasi-witnessed  $[0, 1]_{\square}$ -interpretation,
- 2 there is a *propositional evaluation*  $e$  such that:
  - ▶  $e(\varphi) = 1$ , for every  $\varphi \in pr(T_C)$  and
  - ▶  $e(\psi) \neq 1$ , for every  $\psi \in pr(Y_C)$
  - ▶  $e(pr(C(d_0))) = r$ .

# Reduction

$C \in 1\text{-Sat}^{qw}$  iff  $\bigvee pr(Y_{C_0})$  is not a consequence, in propositional Product Logic, of the set  $\{pr(C(d_0))\} \cup pr(T_{C_0})$

iff  $\{pr(C(d_0))\} \cup pr(T_{C_0}) \not\models \bigvee pr(Y_{C_0})$

$C \in \text{Taut}^{qw}$  iff  $pr(C(d_0)) \vee \bigvee pr(Y_{C_0})$  is a consequence, in propositional Product Logic, of the set  $pr(T_{C_0})$

iff  $pr(T_{C_0}) \models pr(C(d_0)) \vee \bigvee pr(Y_{C_0})$

Hence, we have a **reduction** of these problems to the **semantic consequence** problem, with a finite number of hypothesis, in the **propositional Product Logic**. Hájek, 2006 proves that such problem is in **PSPACE**.

Moreover, by the result before mentioned about the completeness of  $[0, 1]_{\Pi\forall}$  with respect to quasi-witnessed models we have that:

$$C \in \textit{Taut} \quad \text{iff} \quad pr(T_{C_0}) \models pr(C(d_0)) \vee \bigvee pr(Y_{C_0})$$

$$C \in \textit{pos-Sat} \quad \text{iff} \quad pr(T_{C_0}) \not\models \neg pr(C(d_0)) \vee \bigvee pr(Y_{C_0})$$

*1-Sat* is still an open problem.

# Thanks!