

CS477 Formal Software Development Methods

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First Order Logic vs Propositional Logic

First Order Logic extends Propositional Logic with

- Non-boolean constant
- Variables
- Functions and relations (or predicates, more generally)
- Quantification of variables

Sample first order formula:

$$\forall x. \exists y. x < y \wedge y \leq x + 1$$

Reference: Peled, *Software Reliability Methods*, Chapter 3

Signatures

Start with **signature**:

$$\mathcal{G} = (V, F, af, R, ar)$$

- V a countably infinite set of *variables*
- F finite set of function symbols
- $af : F \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ gives the *arity*, the number of arguments for each function Constant c a function symbol of arity 0 ($af(c) = 0$)
- R finite set of relation symbols
- $ar : R \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, the arity for each relation symbol
 - Assumes $= \in R$ and $ar(=) = 2$

Terms over Signature

Terms t are expressions built over a signature (V, F, af, R, ar)

$$\begin{array}{l} t ::= v \quad v \in V \\ | \quad f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \quad f \in F \text{ and } n = af(f) \end{array}$$

- **Example:** $add(1, abs(x))$ where $add, abs, 1 \in F$; $x \in V$
- For constant c write c instead of $c()$
- Will write $s = t$ instead of $=(s, t)$
 - Similarly for other common infixes (e.g. $+$, $-$, $*$, $<$, \leq , ...)

Meaning of terms starts with a **structure**:

$$S = (\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{F}, \phi, \mathcal{R}, \rho)$$

where

- $\mathcal{G} = (V, F, af, R, ar)$ a signature,
- \mathcal{D} and *domain* on interpretation
- \mathcal{F} set of functions over \mathcal{D} ; $\mathcal{F} \cup_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{D}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$
 - **Note:** \mathcal{F} can contain elements of \mathcal{D} since $\mathcal{D} = (\mathcal{D}^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D})$
- $\phi : F \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ where if $\phi(f) \in (\mathcal{D}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{D})$ then $n = af(f)$
- \mathcal{R} set of relations over \mathcal{D} ; $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{D}^n)$
- $\rho : R \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ where if $\rho(r) \subseteq \mathcal{D}^n$ then $n = ar(r)$

Assignments

V set of variables, \mathcal{D} domain of interpretation

An **assignment** is a function $a : V \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$

Example:

$$V = \{w, x, y, z\}$$

$$a = \{w \mapsto 3.14, x \mapsto -2.75, y \mapsto 13.9, z \mapsto -25.3\}$$

- Assignment is a fixed association of values to variables; not “update-able”

Interpretation of Terms

Fix structure $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{F}, \phi, \mathcal{R}, \rho)$ where $\mathcal{G} = (V, F, af, R, ar)$

For give assignment $a : V \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$, the **interpretation** \mathcal{T}_a of a term t is defined by structural induction on terms:

- $\mathcal{T}_a(v) = a(v)$ for $v \in V$
- $\mathcal{T}_a(f(t_1, \dots, t_n)) = \phi(f)(\mathcal{T}_a(t_1), \dots, \mathcal{T}_a(t_n))$

Example of Interpretation

- $V = \{w, x, y, z\}$, $\mathcal{D} = \mathbb{R}$
- $1, add, abs \in F$, constant 1, and functions (in \mathcal{F}) for addition and absolute value respectively
- $a = \{w \mapsto 3.14, x \mapsto -2.75, y \mapsto 13.9, z \mapsto -25.3\}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{T}_a(add(1, abs(x))) &= (\mathcal{T}_a(1)) + (\mathcal{T}_a(abs(x))) \\ &= 1.0 + (\mathcal{T}_a(abs(x))) \\ &= 1.0 + |\mathcal{T}_a(x)| \\ &= 1.0 + |a(x)| \\ &= 1.0 + |-2.75| \\ &= 1.0 + 2.75 \\ &= 3.75\end{aligned}$$

First-Order Formulae

First-order formulae built from terms using relations, logical connectives, quantifiers:

$form ::= true \mid false$
| $r(t_1, \dots, t_n) \quad r \in R, t_i \text{ terms, } n = ar(r)$
| $(form) \mid \neg form$
| $form \wedge form$
| $form \vee form$
| $form \Rightarrow form$
| $form \Leftrightarrow form$
| $\forall v. form$
| $\exists v. form$

Note: Scope of quantifiers as far to right as possible

$\forall x.(x > y) \wedge (2 > x)$ same as $\forall x.(x > y) \wedge (2 > x)$
not same as $(\forall x.(x > y)) \wedge (2 > x)$

Subformulae

- A **subformula** of formula ψ is a formula that occurs in ψ
 - More rigorous definition by structural induction on formulae
 - ψ subformula of ψ
 - Use **proper subformula** to exclude ψ
- Write $\bigwedge_{i=1,\dots,n} \psi_i$ for $\psi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \psi_n$
 - ψ_i called a **conjunct**
- Write $\bigvee_{i=1,\dots,n} \psi_i$ for $\psi_1 \vee \dots \vee \psi_n$
 - ψ_i called a **disjunct**

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Modeling First-order Formulae

Given structure $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{F}, \phi, \mathcal{R}, \rho)$ where $\mathcal{G} = (V, F, af, R, ar)$

- $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{M})$ **model** for first-order language over signature \mathcal{G}
- Truth of formulae in language over signature \mathcal{G} depends on structure \mathcal{S}
- Assignment a **models** ψ , or a **satisfies** ψ , or $a \models^{\mathcal{S}} \psi$ if $\mathcal{M}_a(\psi) = \mathbf{T}$
- ψ is **valid** for \mathcal{S} if $a \models^{\mathcal{S}} \psi$ for some a .
- \mathcal{S} is a **model** of ψ , written $\models^{\mathcal{S}} \psi$ if every assignment for \mathcal{S} satisfies ψ .
- ψ is **valid**, or a **tautology** if ψ valid for every model. Write $\models \psi$
- ψ_1 **logically equivalent** to ψ_2 if for all structures \mathcal{S} and assignments a , $a \models^{\mathcal{S}} \psi_1$ iff $a \models^{\mathcal{S}} \psi_2$

Examples

- Assignment $\{x \mapsto 0\}$ satisfies $\exists y. x < y$ valid in interval $[0, 1]$; assignment $\{x \mapsto 1\}$ doesn't
- $\forall x. \exists y. x < y$ valid in \mathbb{N} and \mathbb{R} , but not interval $[0, 1]$
- $(\exists x. \forall y. (y \leq x)) \Rightarrow (\forall y. \exists x. (y \leq x))$ tautology
 - Why?

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Free Variables: Terms

Informally: **free variables** of an expression are variables that have an occurrence in an expression that is not bound. Written $fv(e)$ for expression e

Free variables of terms defined by structural induction over terms; written

- $fv(x) = \{x\}$
- $fv(f(t_1, \dots, t_n)) = \bigcup_{i=1, \dots, n} fv(t_i)$

Note:

- Free variables of term just variables occurring in term; no bound variables
- No free variables in constants
- **Example:** $fv(add(1, abs(x))) = \{x\}$