

Introduction to Data Management

CSE 344

Lecture 12: Relational Calculus

Announcements

- WQ4 due on Thursday
- Homework 3 due on Friday night
- Midterm: Monday, November 4th, in class
- For the material in the last three lectures: optional reading *Query Language Primer*, posted on the website

Friend(name1, name2)

Enemy(name1, name2)

Review: Datalog

Find Joe's friends, and Joe's friends of friends.

$A(x) :- \text{Friend}('Joe', x)$

$A(x) :- \text{Friend}('Joe', z), \text{Friend}(z, x)$

Friend(name1, name2)

Enemy(name1, name2)

Review: Datalog+negation

Find all of Joe's friends who do not have any friends except for Joe:

NonAns(x) :- Friend(x,y), y != 'Joe'

A(x) :- Friend('Joe',x), NOT NonAns(x)

Person(name)

Friend(name1, name2)

Enemy(name1, name2)

Review: Datalog+negation

Find all people such that all their enemies' enemies are their friends

- Assume that if someone doesn't have any enemies nor friends, we also want them in the answer

NonAns(x) :- Enemy(x,y),Enemy(y,z), NOT Friend(x,z)

A(x) :- Person(x), NOT NonAns(x)

Person(name)
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Review: Datalog+negation

Find all persons x having some friend all of whose enemies are x's enemies.

NonAns(x) :- Friend(x,y), Enemy(y,z), NOT Enemy(x,z)
A(x) :- Person(x), NOT NonAns(x)

Datalog Summary

- EDB and IDB
- Datalog program = set of rules
- Datalog is recursive
- Pure datalog does not have negation;
if we want negation we say “datalog+negation”
- Multiple atoms in a rule mean join (or intersection)
- Multiple rules with same head mean union
- All variables in the body are existentially quantified
- If we need universal quantifiers, we use DeMorgan’s laws and negation

Relational Calculus

- Aka predicate calculus or first order logic
- TRC = Tuple RC
 - See book
- DRC = Domain RC = unnamed perspective
 - We study only this one
 - Also see: *Query Language Primer*

Relational Calculus

Relational predicate P is a formula given by this grammar:

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Example: find the first/last names of actors who acted in 1940

$$Q(f,l) = \exists x. \exists y. \exists z. (\text{Actor}(z,f,l) \wedge \text{Casts}(z,x) \wedge \text{Movie}(x,y,1940))$$

What does this query return ?

$$Q(f,l) = \exists z. (\text{Actor}(z,f,l) \wedge \forall x. (\text{Casts}(z,x) \Rightarrow \exists y. \text{Movie}(x,y,1940)))$$

Likes(drinker, beer)
Frequents(drinker, bar)
Serves(bar, beer)

Important Observation

Find all bars that serve all beers that Fred likes

$$A(x) = \forall y. \text{Likes}(\text{"Fred"}, y) \Rightarrow \text{Serves}(x, y)$$

- Note: $P \Rightarrow Q$ (read P implies Q) is the same as $(\text{not } P) \text{ OR } Q$
In this query: If Fred likes a beer the bar must serve it ($P \Rightarrow Q$)
In other words: Either Fred does not like the beer ($\text{not } P$) OR the bar serves that beer (Q).

$$A(x) = \forall y. \text{not}(\text{Likes}(\text{"Fred"}, y)) \text{ OR } \text{Serves}(x, y)$$

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More Examples



Average Joe

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Domain Independent Relational Calculus

- As in datalog, one can write “unsafe” RC queries; they are also called domain dependent

$A(x) = \text{not Likes}(\text{"Fred"}, x)$

$A(x,y) = \text{Likes}(\text{"Fred"}, x) \text{ OR } \text{Serves}(\text{"Bar"}, y)$

$A(x) = \forall y. \text{Serves}(x,y)$

- Lesson: make sure your RC queries are domain independent

Relational Calculus

How to write a complex SQL query:

- Write it in RC
- Translate RC to datalog
- Translate datalog to SQL

Take shortcuts when you know what you're doing

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From RC to Datalog⁺ to SQL

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Step 2: Make all *subqueries* domain independent

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$H(x, y)$

Step 3: Create a datalog rule for each subexpression;
(shortcut: only for “important” subexpressions)

$$\begin{aligned} H(x, y) &:- \text{Likes}(x, y), \text{Serves}(z, y), \text{not } \text{Frequents}(x, z) \\ Q(x) &:- \text{Likes}(x, y), \text{not } H(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

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SELECT DISTINCT L.drinker FROM Likes L
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  (SELECT * FROM Likes L2, Serves S
   WHERE L2.drinker=L.drinker and L2.beer=L.beer
    and L2.beer=S.beer
   and not exists (SELECT * FROM Frequents F
                   WHERE F.drinker=L2.drinker
                    and F.bar=S.bar))
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Unsafe rule

Improve the SQL query by using an unsafe datalog rule

```
SELECT DISTINCT L.drinker FROM Likes L
WHERE not exists
  (SELECT * FROM Serves S
   WHERE L.beer=S.beer
    and not exists (SELECT * FROM Frequents F
                    WHERE F.drinker=L.drinker
                      and F.bar=S.bar))
```

Summary: all these formalisms are equivalent!

- We have seen these translations:
 - $RA \rightarrow \text{datalog}^\neg$
 - $RC \rightarrow \text{datalog}^\neg$
- Practice at home, or read *Query Language Primer*:
 - $\text{Nonrecursive datalog}^\neg \rightarrow RA$
 - $RA \rightarrow RC$
- Summary:
 - RA, RC, and non-recursive datalog^\neg can express the same class of queries, called **Relational Queries**