

This document describes some things about OpenCyc in a conventional notation. A bit about the Z notation used:

- : specifies the type of a variable.
- to bind propositions to declared variables.
- | to specify extra constraints to declared variables.

## The language CycL

todo: describe Alfabet, symbols, variables, constants, terms, formulas and predicates.

## Microtheory

A Microtheory  $\Sigma$  is a set of axioms.

- Z:  $\varphi \in \Sigma$
- OpenCyc: (`#$ist-Asserted`  $\Sigma$   $\varphi$ )
- Z:  $\Sigma \vdash \varphi$
- OpenCyc: (`#$ist`  $\Sigma$   $\varphi$ )

## Collections and sets

Sets are defined extensionally, collections are defined intensionally.

- Z:  $x : A$
- OpenCyc: (`#$isa`  $x$   $A$ )
- Z:  $y \in B$
- OpenCyc: (`#$elementOf`  $y$   $B$ )

## Rule Macro Predicates

A `#$RuleMacroPredicate` is a predicate that can be used to write a long implication as a short ground atomic formula.<sup>1</sup> A list of rule macro predicates is shown by asking

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(#$and
  (#$isa ?PRED #$RuleMacroPredicate)
  (#$expansion ?PRED ?TEMPLATE))
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$$genls(A, B) \equiv \forall x : A \bullet x : B \tag{1}$$

$$genlPreds(P, Q) \equiv \forall x \bullet P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x) \tag{2}$$

$$genlMt(M, N) \equiv N \vdash \varphi \Rightarrow M \vdash \varphi \tag{3}$$

$$disjointWith(A, B) \equiv \forall x \bullet \neg(x : A \wedge x : B) \tag{4}$$

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<sup>1</sup>ground = no variables, atomic is a formula of the form (pred ARG<sub>1</sub> ... ARG<sub>k</sub>)

$$\text{argIsa}(P, C, n) \equiv \forall x_1, \dots, x_m \mid 1 \leq n \leq m \bullet P(x_1, \dots, x_m) \Rightarrow x_n : C \quad (5)$$

$$\text{argGenl}(P, C, n) \equiv \forall x_1, \dots, x_m \mid 1 \leq n \leq m \quad (6)$$

$$\bullet P(x_1, \dots, x_m) \Rightarrow x_n \subseteq C \quad (7)$$

$$\text{interArgIsa1-2}(P, A, B) \equiv \forall x : A \bullet P(x, y) \Rightarrow y \in B \quad (8)$$

$$\text{relationAllExists}(P, A, B) \equiv \forall x : A \bullet \exists y : B \bullet P(x, y) \quad (9)$$

$$\text{relationAllInstance}(P, A, y) \equiv \forall x : A \bullet P(x, y) \quad (10)$$

$$\text{typeGenls}(T, B) \equiv \forall C : T \bullet C \subseteq B \quad (11)$$

$$\text{transitiveViaArg}(P, Q, n) \equiv \quad (12)$$

$$\forall x_1, \dots, x_m, y, z \mid 1 \leq n \leq m \wedge$$

$$y, z \text{ zijn } n^{\text{de}} \text{ argument van } P \bullet$$

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, y, x_{n+1}, \dots, x_m) \wedge Q(y, z) \Rightarrow P(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, z, x_{n+1}, \dots, x_m)$$

$$\text{functionalInArgs}(P, n) \equiv \forall x_1, \dots, x_m, y \mid 1 \leq n \leq m \bullet \quad (13)$$

$$\mid \{ y \mid P(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, y, x_{n+1}, \dots, x_m) \} \mid \leq 1$$

$$\text{genlInverse}(P, Q) \equiv \forall x, y : \text{Thing} \bullet P(x, y) \Rightarrow Q(y, x) \quad (14)$$

$$\text{negationPreds}(P, Q) \equiv \forall x : \text{Thing} \bullet \neg(P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \quad (15)$$

## KB dependent relations

$$\vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \text{knownSentence}(\varphi) \quad (16)$$

$$\not\vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \text{unknownSentence}(\varphi) \quad (17)$$

## Negation as failure

$$\text{completeCollectionExtent}(A) \equiv \quad (18)$$

$$\forall x : A; M : \text{Microtheory} \bullet \neg("x \in A" \in M) \Rightarrow \neg(x \in A)$$

$$\text{completeExtentKnown}(P) \equiv \quad (19)$$

$$\forall x; M : \text{Microtheory} \bullet \neg("P(x)" \in M) \Rightarrow \neg P(x)$$

$$\text{minimizeExtent}(P) \equiv \forall x \bullet \not\vdash (P(x) \Rightarrow \neg P(x)) \quad (20)$$

## Monotonic vs default

A formula  $\varphi$  is called monotonic, if for any axiom system (microtheory)  $N$  and set of axioms  $\Delta$  holds:

$$N \models \varphi \Rightarrow N \cup \Delta \models \varphi \quad (21)$$