

FOL EXPRESSIBILITY OF PROPERTIES OF GRAPHS

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. This is a small discussion on expressibility of some properties of Graph.

. Not all properties of graph can be expressed in FOL

Eg:- Path, Reachability can't be expressed in FOL.

. Now we are about to see some properties which can be expressed in FOL.

. To do that we need to define

our domain, constants, predicates & functions of our FOL.

$$\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{C} = \mathcal{F} = \emptyset$$

$$\mathcal{P} = \{E, P\}$$

Here, E, P are 2 predicate symbols

$E(x, y)$ = denotes the existence of edge in the graph

$P(x, y)$ = denotes the existence of path in the graph.

(i) Simple Graph :-

It is a graph that does not have self loops at any vertex of Graphs.

Axiom :-

$$\forall x \neg E(x, x)$$

(ii) Complete graph :-

In this graph each vertex

has one edge between all other vertices (each vertex is connected to every other vertex)

Axiom:-

$$\forall x \forall y E(x, y)$$

(c) Connectedness:-

We say a graph is connected when there exists a path b/w every pair of vertices.

Axiom:-

$$\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$$

(d) Tree:-

If a graph is connected and acyclic then we say that graph is a Tree

- Tree can be expressed in FOL only if we allow infinite axioms.

if not we can only prove the existence of it by using compactness Theorem.

Axioms:-

(i) $\forall x \forall y P(x,y)$ (connectedness)

(ii) $\forall x_1, \forall x_2, \forall x_3 E(x_1, x_2) \wedge E(x_2, x_3) \rightarrow \neg E(x_3, x_1)$
(No 3-cycles)

(iii) $\forall x_1, \dots, \forall x_4 E(x_1, x_2) \wedge E(x_2, x_3) \wedge \dots \wedge E(x_3, x_4) \rightarrow \neg E(x_4, x_1)$
(No "4"-cycles)

$\forall x_1, \dots, \forall x_n E(x_1, x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge E(x_{n-1}, x_n) \rightarrow \neg E(x_n, x_1)$
(No "n"-cycles).

• As a tree is Acyclic this implies $n \rightarrow \infty$

• Any graph which is a tree should hold these axioms

(e) Bipartite graph:

A graph which has no odd cycles

- even bipartite graph can only be expressed if we allow infinite axioms. if not we can only prove its existence by using compactness theorem

Axioms:-

- (i) $\forall x_1 \forall x_2 \forall x_3 E(x_1, x_2) \wedge E(x_2, x_3) \rightarrow \neg E(x_3, x_1)$
(No "3"-cycles)
- (ii) $\forall x_1 \forall x_2 \dots \forall x_5 E(x_1, x_2) \wedge E(x_2, x_3) \wedge \dots \wedge E(x_4, x_5) \rightarrow \neg E(x_5, x_1)$
(No "5"-cycles)
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- $\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_{2n+1} E(x_1, x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge E(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \rightarrow \neg E(x_{2n+1}, x_1)$
(No " $2n+1$ " cycles)

- As there are no-odd cycles in bipartite graphs implies $n \rightarrow \infty$

- Any bipartite graph should hold the above axioms.