

Answer Set Programming for the Semantic Web

Tutorial



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Unit 7 – Hands-On Session

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Each of the previous units was accompanied with small practical examples which you could follow over the Web-Interface to DLV.

Now: Try yourself!

Practice and combine your experiences from the different units in several exercises. Your tutor has the details!

Discover how to manipulate your online calendar ICAL/RDF data from an ASP application.

Specify an appointment matching strategy using declarative programming.

Grab a Tutor and get started!

The tutors will provide sets of new examples to be solved and can reexplain exercises from the different units. Don't hesitate to ask questions and let us know your opinions!

The Calendar Example

- The Google Calendar is available in machine readable format
 - ① Ask for your team number (in range 1...6)
 - ② Login at: `http://calendar.google.com`
 - ③ User: `teamX@gibbi.com`, where $X = 1 \dots 6$
 - ④ Pass: `passwo`
- Feel free to make any change to your calendar!



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How to manipulate these data from a dlhex program

- Go to example `calendar1.dlht`.
- Several building bricks available:

Fact Predicates (predefined)

- 1 `meetingDate("yyyy-mm-dd")`. Set this to the meeting day.
- 2 `calendar(teamX,URL)`. The public URL of each calendar. Comment out with % the teams you don't want to participate to the meeting.
- 3 `inrange("yyyy-mm-ddThh:mm:ss")`. Possible starting times: predefined to range from 08:00:00 to 19:00:00 (in slots of one hour) for the meeting day.
- 4 `busy(teamID,startTime,endTime,eventType)`. Time slot a given teamID is busy. eventType can be either "OPAQUE" (non movable appointment) or "TRANSPARENT" (flexible appointment).
- 5 `succ(time1,time2)`. It's true if time2 is the next time slot w.r.t. time1 (one hour later). For instance it holds `succ("2006-06-11T09:00:00","2006-06-11T10:00:00")`

Templates

① `overlap{p(*,*,*),q(*,*,*)}(team1,team2)`. Given two ternary predicates p and q , having extension in format `(groupID,StartTime,EndTime)` this template is true for all the couples `team1,team2` such that `team1` and `team2` have two overlapping events.

② Example: Given facts
`chosenSlot(slot,"2006-06-11T08:00:00","2006-06-11T10:00:00")`,
`event(team1,"2006-06-11T09:00:00","2006-06-11T11:30:00")` and
rule

```
conflict(X,Y) :-  
overlap{chosenSlot(*,*,*),event(*,*,*)}(X,Y), then
```

`conflict(slot,team1)` is true.

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- 1 `any{p(*)}(value)`. Chooses (nondeterministically) exactly one value from the values of p .
- 2 Example: Given facts `slot("2006-06-11T08:00:00")`, `slot("2006-06-11T09:00:00")` and a one rule program

```
chosenSlot(X) :- any{slot(*)}(X).
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then we have two different answer sets, one containing `chosenSlot("2006-06-11T09:00:00")` and the other containing `chosenSlot("2006-06-11T08:00:00")`.

Tasks to accomplish:

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Task 1 (easy): write a program that finds a time slot where all the participant are available.

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Task 2 (easy): write a program that finds a time slot where as many as possible participants are available.

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Task 3 (medium): write a program that finds a time slot where conflicts with opaque events are forbidden, while conflicts with transparent events are minimized.

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