

A Lithuanian Verbalization Template for ORM conceptual models and rules

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Abstract. In the above-mentioned article we describe a novel approach to support *multilingual* verbalization of logical theories, axiomatizations, and other specifications such as business rules. This engineering solution is demonstrated with the Object Role Modeling language, although its underlying principles can be reused with other conceptual models and formal languages, such as Description Logics, to improve its understandability and usability by the domain expert. The engineering solution for multilingual verbalization is characterized by its flexibility, extensibility and maintainability of the verbalization templates, which allow for easy augmentation with other languages than the 11 currently supported.

This report presents the Lithuanian verbalization template file. Given an ORM schema (or an ORM-ML file), and given the verbalization template, a Lithuanian verbalization of the rules and fact types (in the schema) is generated automatically. A comprehensive example of an ORM schema and its corresponding verbalization is generated and given in this report.

1 Introduction

In the above-mentioned article, we present a novel approach to support multilingual verbalization of logical theories, formal axiomatizations, and other specifications such as business rules, ontologies, etc. We demonstrate our approach by providing a flexible and extensible verbalization template for the Object Role Modeling language. This template can be easily customized and translated into other human languages. *This technical report provides the Lithuanian verbalization of the ORM models and rules.* The verbalization of several other languages (including, but not limited to: German, Italian, Arabic, Russian, Dutch, Spanish, and French) can be found at the above-mentioned URL.

The underlying principles of our approach can be reused for other conceptual models and formal languages, such as Description Logics. The objective was to define a template parameterized over a given set of rules, models, or axioms, with as output fixed-syntax pseudo natural language sentences. A simple example is the following: the formal rule

$$\forall x (\text{Book}(x) \rightarrow \exists y (\text{ISBN}(y) \wedge \text{Has}(x,y)))$$

can be translated into

It is mandatory that each **Book Has** an **ISBN**.

In this way, we enable domain experts themselves to build and/or validate the formal specifications of their domains, without having to know that these sentences are formal axioms; i.e. the underpinning

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logics and reasoning services are hidden from the user. Our approach with the provided templates can be reused in modeling business rules, ontologies, knowledge bases, etc. See [H04] for a similar approach to ORM business rules verbalization.

In the following section, we present an ORM example followed by verbalization of all rules in this ORM schema. These verbalizations are generated *automatically*, according to the Lithuanian verbalization template presented in section 3. This approach is fully implemented and supported in the DogmaModeler ontology modeling tool [J05]. It is worth noting that DogmaModeler’s automated verbalization has been used by tens of lawyers to build the Customer Complaint Ontology [J05][JVM03].

Remark on Modality: Our verbalization template can be adapted easily according to the application/reasoning scenario, whether it is used as integrity constraints, derivation/inference rules, business rules, etc. For example, the above mandatory constraint can be verbalized in different ways, such as: 1) Each **Book** must **Has** at least one **ISBN**. 2) Each **Book Has** some **ISBN** values. 3) If there is a **Book** then it **Has** an **ISBN** value. 4) A **Book** that does not **Has** an **ISBN** is not allowed. 5) If a **Book** does not **Has** an **ISBN** value then....

2 Example of an ORM Schema

We illustrate in one diagram most types of rules supported in ORM. Our article [JKD06] describes technical details on *how* our verbalization approach is implemented, see [H01] to know more about ORM, and [J05] to know about the DogmaModeler tool that we use to build and automatically verbalize ORM models.

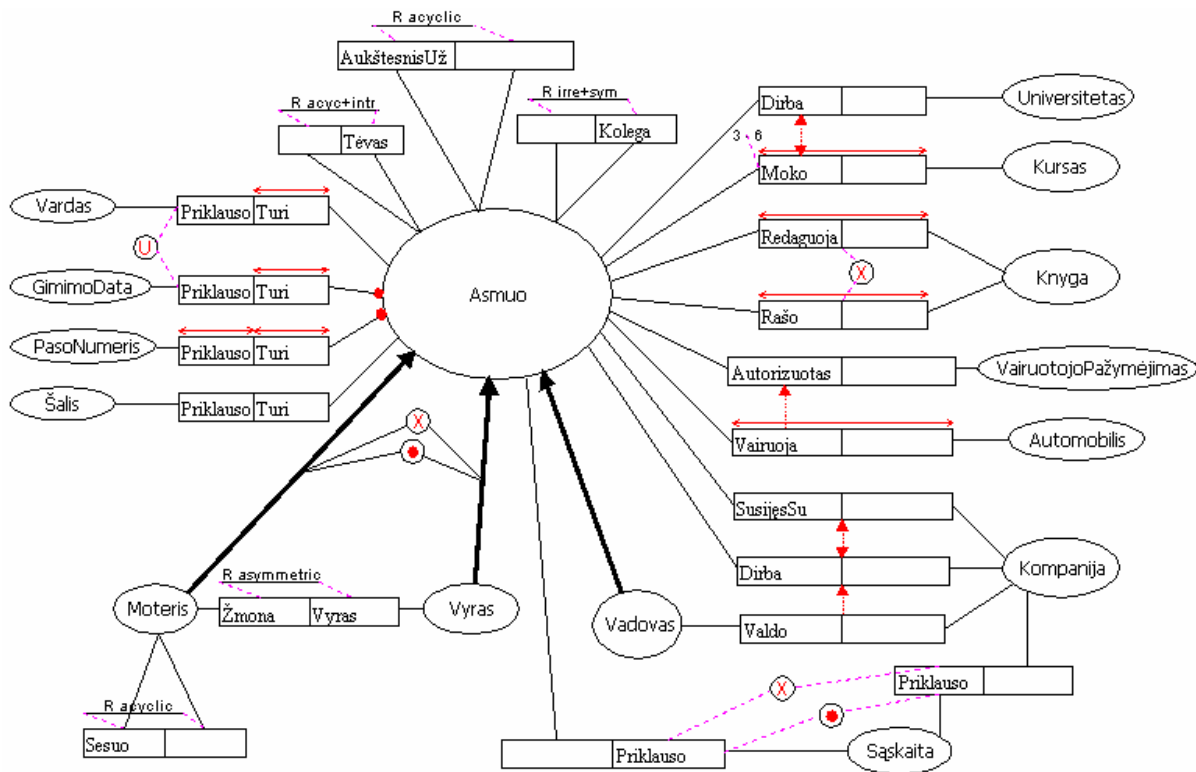


Fig. 1. Example of ORM rules, in Lithuanian.

The constraints/rules in the above ORM example are verbalized automatically (according to the verbalization template presented in section 2):

-[Mandatory] Kiekvienas Asmuo privalo Turi bent vieną PasoNumeris.
-[Mandatory] Kiekvienas Asmuo privalo Turi bent vieną GimimoData.
-[Mandatory] Kiekvienas Sąskaita turėtų būti Asmuo arba Priklauso Kompanija Priklauso.
-[Uniqueness] Kiekvienas Asmuo privalo Turi daugiausia vieną GimimoData.
-[Uniqueness] Kiekvienas Asmuo privalo Turi daugiausia vieną Vardas.
-[Uniqueness] Kiekvienas Asmuo privalo Turi daugiausia vieną PasoNumeris.
-[Uniqueness] Kiekvienas PasoNumeris privalo Priklauso daugiausia vieną Asmuo.
-[Uniqueness] įmanoma, kad Asmuo Moko daugiau nei vieną Kursas ir atvirkščiai.
-[Uniqueness] įmanoma, kad Asmuo Redaguoja daugiau nei vieną Knyga ir atvirkščiai.
-[Uniqueness] įmanoma, kad Asmuo Rašo daugiau nei vieną Knyga ir atvirkščiai.
-[Uniqueness] įmanoma, kad Asmuo Vairuoja daugiau nei vieną Automobilis ir atvirkščiai.
-[Uniqueness] { GimimoData ir Vardas } turi atitikti daugiausia vieną Asmuo.
-[Exclusive] Kiekvienas Asmuo turėtų būti arba Vyras , arba Moteris.
-[Totality] Kiekvienas Asmuo privalo būti mažiausiai Vyras , arba Moteris.
-[Subset] Jei Asmuo Vairuoja Automobilis , tai Asmuo Autorizuotas VairuotojoPažymėjimas.
-[Subset] Jei Vadovas Valdo Kompanija , tai šis Asmuo Dirba tam/tai Kompanija.
-[Equality] Asmuo Dirba Universitetas tada ir tik tada, kai Asmuo Moko Kursas.
-[Equality] Asmuo SusijęsSu Kompanija tada ir tik tada, kai šis Asmuo Dirba tam/tai Kompanija.
-[Exclusion] Nei vienas Sąskaita ne- Priklauso Asmuo , kai Priklauso Kompanija.
-[Exclusion] Niekada Asmuo , kuris Redaguoja Knyga , tos Knyga ne- Rašo.
-[Value] Galimos Šalis reikšmės yra: { Belgija , Prancūzija, Vokietija }.
-[Irreflexive] Joks Asmuo nėra Kolega pats sau.
-[Symmetric] Jei Asmuo X Kolega Asmuo Y, tai ir atvirkščiai.
-[Acyclic] Asmuo negali būti tiesiogiai (arba netiesiogiai) AukštesnisUž pats sau .
-[Acyclic] Moteris negali būti tiesiogiai (arba netiesiogiai) Sesuo pats sau .
-[Asymmetric] Jei Moteris X Žmona Moteris Y, tai ne atvirkščiai .
-[Intransitive] Jei Asmuo X Tėvas Asmuo Y, ir Y Tėvas Z, tai negali bti, kad X Tėvas Z.
-[Frequency] Jei Asmuo Moko Kursas, tai šis Asmuo Moko mažiausiai 3 ir daugiausiai 6 Kursas.

3 The Lithuanian Verbalization Template

The template is presented in an XML syntax, it is being implemented in the DogmaModeler tool to support the Lithuanian verbalization of ORM models. More details about this approach can be found [JKD06], and refer to [J05] about DogmaModeler.

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ation/'>
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  <Meta name="DC.Title" content="Lithuanian verbalization template (Ver0.1)"/>
  <Meta name="DC.Version" content="0.1"/>
  <Meta name="DC.Creator" content="Mustafa Jarrar"/>
  <Meta name="DC.Contributor" content="Juozas Gordevicius"/>
  <Meta name="DC.Language" content="Lithuanian"/>
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<Text></Text>
<Object index="1" />
</FactType>

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  <Text> -[Mandatory] Kiekvienas</Text>
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  <Role index="0"/>
  <Text>bent viena</Text>
  <Object index="1"/>
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<Constraint xsi:type="Backward Mandatory">
  <Text> -[Mandatory] Kiekvienam</Text>
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  <Role index="1"/>
  <Text>tam</Text>
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    <Object index="n"/>
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</Constraint>

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  <Role index="0"/>
  <Text>daugiausia viena</Text>
  <Object index="1"/>
</Constraint>

<Constraint xsi:type="Backward Uniqueness">
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  <Text>kuris</Text>
  <Role index="1"/>
  <Text>tam</Text>
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  <Object index="1"/>
  <Text> ir atvirkščiai</Text>
</Constraint>

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  <Object index="1"/>
  <Loop index="1">
    <Text>ir</Text>
    <Object index="n"/>
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  <Text>} turi atitikti daugiausia viena</Text>
  <Object index="0"/>
</Constraint>

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  <Text> -[Subtype]  Kiekvienas</Text>
  <Object index="child"/>
  <Text>taip pat yra</Text>
  <Object index="parent"/>
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<Constraint xsi:type="Value">
  <Text> -[Value]  Galimos </Text>
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  <Text> reikšmės yra: {</Text>
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  <Text> }</Text>
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  <Object index="n"/>
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  <Object index="second"/>
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  <Text>šis</Text>
  <Object index="1"/>
  <Role index="Second"/>
  <Text>tam/tai</Text>
  <Object index="Second"/>
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<Constraint xsi:type="Exclusion">
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  <Role index="first"/>

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<Text> </Text>
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<Text>, kai</Text>
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</Constraint>

<Constraint xsi:type="Exclusion FactType">
  <Text> -[Exclusion] Niekada</Text>
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  <Role index="second"/>
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<Constraint xsi:type="Frequency">
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  <Role index="0"/>
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  <Text>, tai šis </Text>
  <Object index="0"/>
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  <Text>mažiausiai </Text>
  <Minimum/>
  <Object index="1"/>
  <Text> ir daugiausiai </Text>
  <Maximum/>
  <Object index="1"/>
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<Constraint xsi:type="Irreflexive">
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  <Role index="0"/>
  <Text> pats sau</Text>
</Constraint>

<Constraint xsi:type="Symmetric">
  <Text> -[Symmetric] Jei</Text>
  <Object index="0"/>
  <Text>X</Text>
  <Role index="0"/>
  <Object index="0"/>
  <Text>Y</Text>
  <Text>, tai ir atvirkščiai</Text>
</Constraint>

<Constraint xsi:type="Asymmetric">
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  <Object index="0"/>
  <Text> X</Text>
  <Role index="0"/>
  <Text> </Text>
  <Object index="0"/>
  <Text> Y, tai ne atvirkščiai</Text>
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</Constraint>

<Constraint xsi:type="Acyclic">
  <Text> -[Acyclic] </Text>
  <Object index="0"/>
  <Text> negali būti tiesiogiai (arba netiesiogiai)</Text>
  <Role index="0"/>
  <Text> pats sau</Text>
</Constraint>

<Constraint xsi:type="Transitive">
  <Text> -[Intransitive] Jei</Text>
  <Object index="0"/>
  <Text>X</Text>
  <Role index="0"/>
  <Object index="0"/>
  <Text>Y, ir Y</Text>
  <Role index="0"/>
  <Text> Z, tai negali bti, kad X</Text>
  <Role index="0"/>
  <Text>Z</Text>
</Constraint>

</ORMNLBody>
</ORMSchema>

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