

BFO 2020 Generic Dependence Axioms

(1) A generically dependent continuant is at all times at which it exists concretized by something

$$\forall t, g (\text{instanceOf}(g, \text{genericallyDependentContinuant}, t) \rightarrow \exists s, tp (\text{temporalPartOf}(tp, t) \wedge \text{concretizes}(s, g, tp)))$$

(2) Concretizes is dissective on third argument, a temporal region

$$\forall p, q, r, s (\text{concretizes}(p, q, r) \wedge \text{temporalPartOf}(s, r) \rightarrow \text{concretizes}(p, q, s))$$

(3) Concretizes is time indexed and has domain: specifically dependent continuant or process and range: generically dependent continuant

$$\begin{aligned} \forall a, b, t (\text{concretizes}(a, b, t) \\ \rightarrow (\text{instanceOf}(a, \text{specificallyDependentContinuant}, t) \vee \text{instanceOf}(a, \text{process}, t)) \\ \wedge \text{instanceOf}(b, \text{genericallyDependentContinuant}, t) \\ \wedge \text{instanceOf}(t, \text{temporalRegion}, t)) \end{aligned}$$

(4) A g dependent continuant b g depends on an independent continuant c at t means: there inheres in c at t an s dependent continuant which concretizes b at t

$$\begin{aligned} \forall g, c, t (\text{genericallyDependsOn}(g, c, t) \\ \rightarrow \exists s, tp (\text{temporalPartOf}(tp, t) \wedge \text{inheresIn}(s, c) \wedge \text{concretizes}(s, g, tp))) \end{aligned}$$

(5) If a generically dependent continuant participates in a process p then, if it is concretized as a process, that process is part of p, and if concretized as an sdc then the bearer of that sdc participates in the process

$$\begin{aligned} \forall gdc, p, t (\text{instanceOf}(gdc, \text{genericallyDependentContinuant}, t) \wedge \text{participatesIn}(gdc, p, t) \\ \rightarrow \exists tp, b (\text{temporalPartOf}(tp, t) \wedge \text{concretizes}(b, gdc, tp) \\ \wedge ((\text{instanceOf}(b, \text{specificallyDependentContinuant}, tp) \\ \wedge (\exists ic (\text{specificallyDependsOn}(b, ic) \wedge \text{participatesIn}(ic, p, tp)))) \\ \vee (\text{occurentPartOf}(b, p) \wedge \text{existsAt}(b, tp)))))) \end{aligned}$$

(6) Generically depends on and is carrier of are inverse relations

$$\forall t, a, b (\text{genericallyDependsOn}(a, b, t) \leftrightarrow \text{isCarrierOf}(b, a, t))$$

(7) Concretizes and is concretized by are inverse relations

$$\forall t, a, b (\text{concretizes}(a, b, t) \leftrightarrow \text{isConcretizedBy}(b, a, t))$$

(8) Generically depends on is time indexed and has domain: generically dependent continuant and range: independent continuant but not spatial region

$$\begin{aligned} \forall a, b, t (\text{genericallyDependsOn}(a, b, t) \\ \rightarrow \text{instanceOf}(a, \text{genericallyDependentContinuant}, t) \\ \wedge \text{instanceOf}(b, \text{independentContinuant}, t) \wedge \neg \text{instanceOf}(b, \text{spatialRegion}, t) \\ \wedge \text{instanceOf}(t, \text{temporalRegion}, t)) \end{aligned}$$

(9) If a specifically dependent continuant concretizes a gdc then the gdc generically depends on the bearer of the sdc

$$\begin{aligned} \forall g, b, sdc (\exists t \text{instanceOf}(g, \text{genericallyDependentContinuant}, t) \\ \wedge \exists t \text{instanceOf}(sdc, \text{specificallyDependentContinuant}, t) \\ \wedge \exists t \text{instanceOf}(b, \text{independentContinuant}, t) \\ \rightarrow \forall t (\text{concretizes}(sdc, g, t) \wedge \text{inheresIn}(sdc, b) \rightarrow \text{genericallyDependsOn}(g, b, t))) \end{aligned}$$