

# Semantic Web: Ontologies

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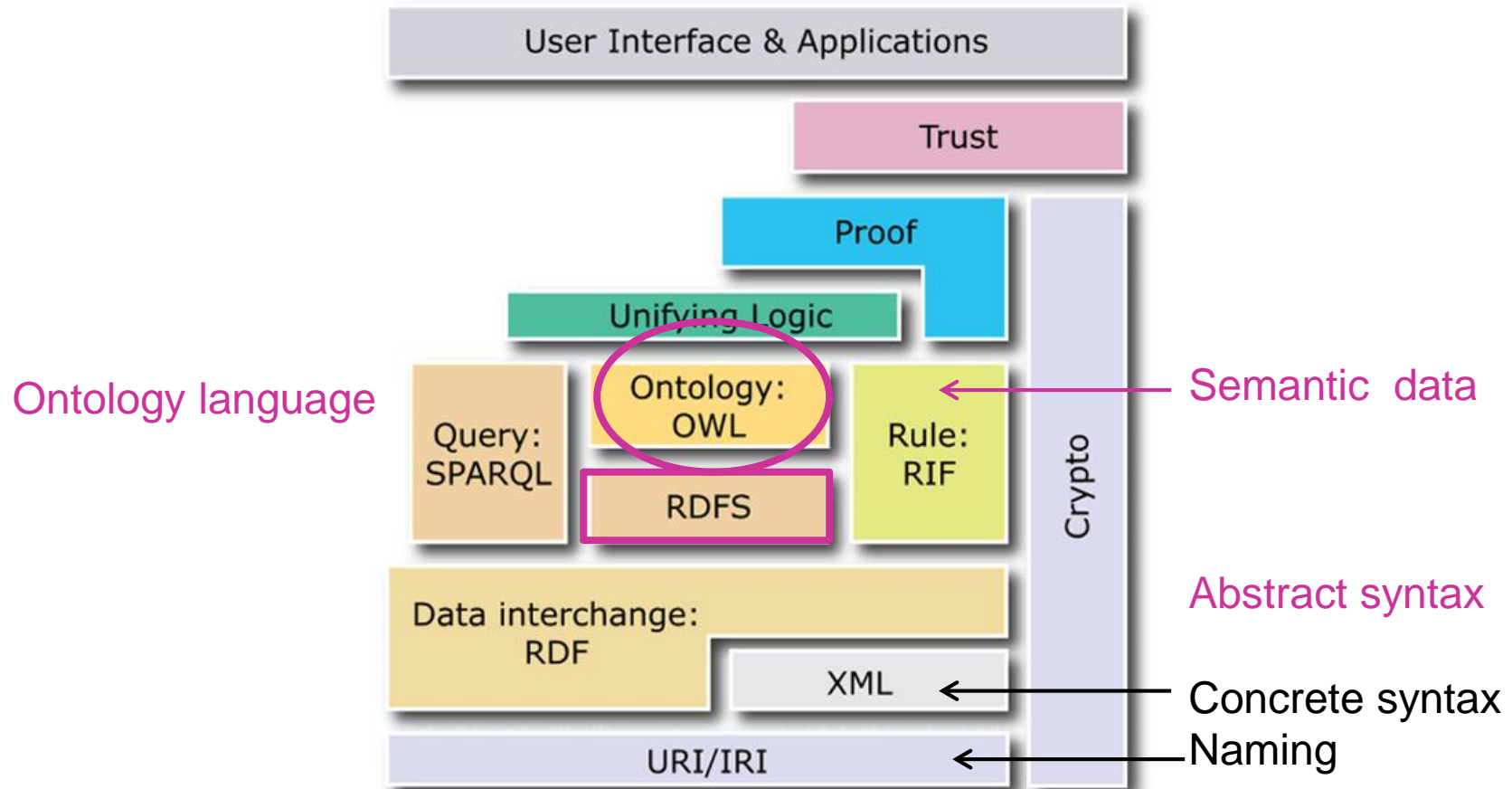
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# Tutorials about OWL and ontologies

- L. Vieu, O. Haemmerlé, Master M2R UPS
- <https://www.irit.fr/~Andreas.Herzig/Cours/CDescrLogic/LDescr.pdf>
- Mooc Web sémantique d'INRIA  
<https://www.fun-mooc.fr/courses/inria/41002S02/session02/26a7ae9651d745fc998d2ec72ae37535/>

# The Semantic Web layer cake (2010)



# SPARQL: structure of a query (reminder)

- Namespace declaration

**PREFIX** pref: <http://www.exemple.com/ressources#> ...

- Expected result

**SELECT / ASK / CONSTRUCT**

- Pattern query definition with searched criteria: graph pattern

**WHERE {**

...

}

- Browsing / filtering results

**FILTER ... (in WHERE)**

**ORDER BY ... (after WHERE)**

# Exercice 1

1. ?x dbpedia-owl:child ?y (lire « has child » )
2. ?p foaf:name 'Tim Berners-Lee'@en
3. ?x rdf:type foaf:person
4. \_:<http://dbpedia.org/ontology/> rdf:type ?class

- Que recherchent ces triplets ?
- Écrire la requête SPARQL qui cherche les triplets répondant au critère 4 et affiche les classes résultats par ordre alphabétique du label des classes

```
prefix db-owl: http://dbpedia.org/ontology/

SELECT DISTINCT ?class
WHERE { _:db-owl rdf:type ?class .}
ORDER BY ?class
```

```

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SELECT DISTINCT ?class
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```

Classes triées par leur ID (et non label)

class
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/class/Book">http://dbpedia.org/class/Book</a>
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/class/yago/!!!Albums">http://dbpedia.org/class/yago/!!!Albums</a>
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/class/yago/!T.O.O.H.!Albums">http://dbpedia.org/class/yago/!T.O.O.H.!Albums</a>
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```
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SELECT DISTINCT ?label ?class
WHERE { _:db-owl rdf:type ?class .
        ?class rdfs:label ?label .}
ORDER BY ?label
```

```
prefix db-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>
SELECT DISTINCT ?label ?class
WHERE { _:db-owl rdf:type ?class .
        ?class rdfs:label ?label .}
ORDER BY ?label
```

label	class
"AnnotationProperty"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#AnnotationProperty">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#AnnotationProperty</a>
"Class"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Class">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Class</a>
"Ontology"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Ontology">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Ontology</a>
"OntologyProperty"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#OntologyProperty">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#OntologyProperty</a>
"Thing"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Thing">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Thing</a>



```

prefix db-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>
SELECT DISTINCT ?label ?class
WHERE { _:db-owl rdf:type ?class .
        OPTIONAL { ?class rdfs:label ?label .}
}
ORDER BY ?label
LIMIT 1000

```

iss+%0D%0AWHERE+%  
VAL+%7B%3Fclass+rdfs  
el%0D%0ALIMIT+1000%

label	class
"AnnotationProperty"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#AnnotationProperty">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#AnnotationProperty</a>
"Class"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Class">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Class</a>
"Ontology"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Ontology">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Ontology</a>
"OntologyProperty"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#OntologyProperty">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#OntologyProperty</a>
"Thing"	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Thing">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Thing</a>
	<a href="http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMapFormat">http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMapFormat</a>
	<a href="http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadStorage">http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadStorage</a>
	<a href="http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#array-of-QuadMap">http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#array-of-QuadMap</a>
	<a href="http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMap">http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMap</a>
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	<a href="http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMapColumn">http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMapColumn</a>
	<a href="http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMapFText">http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMapFText</a>
	<a href="http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMapATable">http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#QuadMapATable</a>
	<a href="http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#array-of-string">http://www.openlinksw.com/schemas/virtrdf#array-of-string</a>
	<a href="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#Property">http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#Property</a>
	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#Class">http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#Class</a>

## Exercice 2

- Retrouver dans dbpedia les 1000 premières instances de foaf:Person dont le nom (foaf:name) contient "Tim"
- `regex(?l,"Tim")`

```
SELECT DISTINCT ?p ?l
WHERE {?p a foaf:Person .
       ?p foaf:name ?l .
       FILTER regex(?l,"Tim") .
}
LIMIT 1000
```

p	l
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Georgy_Dobrovolsky">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Georgy_Dobrovolsky</a>	"Georgiy Timofeyevich Dobrovolsky"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Joachim_Christian_Timm">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Joachim_Christian_Timm</a>	"Joachim Christian Timm"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Kimmo_Timonen">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Kimmo_Timonen</a>	"Kimmo Timonen"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Allen">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Allen</a>	"Tim Allen"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Berne">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Berne</a>	"Tim Berne"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Bevan">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Bevan</a>	"Tim Bevan"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Bogert">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Bogert</a>	"Tim Bogert"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Booth">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Booth</a>	"Tim Booth"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Brent">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Brent</a>	"Tim Brent"@en
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<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_DeKay">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_DeKay</a>	"Tim DeKay"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_DeKay">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_DeKay</a>	"Tim Dekay"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Haines">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Haines</a>	"Tim Haines"@en

# Exercice 2bis

- Retrouver les instances dbpedia dont le nom contient "Tim" classées par ordre alphabétique

```
SELECT DISTINCT ?p ?l WHERE {?p a foaf:Person .  
?p foaf:name ?l .  
FILTER regex(?l,"Tim") .  
}
```

```
ORDER BY ?l  
LIMIT 1000
```

p	l
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/A.J._Timothy_Jull">http://dbpedia.org/resource/A.J._Timothy_Jull</a>	"A. J. Timothy Jull"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Alec_Boswell_Timms">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Alec_Boswell_Timms</a>	"A.B. Timms"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Abdillahi_Suldaan_Mohammed_Timacade">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Abdillahi_Suldaan_Mohammed_Timacade</a>	"Abdillahi Suldaan Mohammed 'Timacade'"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Abdillahi_Suldaan_Mohammed_Timacade">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Abdillahi_Suldaan_Mohammed_Timacade</a>	"Abdillahi Suldaan Mohammed Timacade"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Abu_Sa'id_Mirza">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Abu_Sa'id_Mirza</a>	"Abū Sa'īd Mirza b. Muḥammad b. Mīrānshāh b. Timūr"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Adam_Timmerman">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Adam_Timmerman</a>	"Adam Timmerman"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Addison_Timlin">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Addison_Timlin</a>	"Addison Timlin"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Adrian_Mannix">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Adrian_Mannix</a>	"Adrian Timothy Mannix"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Al_%22Carnival_Time%22_Johnson">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Al_%22Carnival_Time%22_Johnson</a>	"Al "Carnival Time" Johnson"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Al_%22Carnival_Time%22_Johnson">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Al_%22Carnival_Time%22_Johnson</a>	"Al Carnival Time Johnson"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Al_Timothy">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Al_Timothy</a>	"Al Timothy"@en
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<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Aleksandr_Prokopenko">dbpedia.org/resource/Aleksandr_Prokopenko</a>	

# Exercice 3: Afficher les parents de Tim Berners-Lee et leur nom

?parent dbpedia-owl:child ?person

```
select distinct ?tb ?p ?namep
where {
  ?p      a foaf:Person ;
         foaf:name ?namep ;
         dbpedia-owl:child ?tb .
  ?tb     a foaf:Person ;
         foaf:name "Tim Berners-
Lee"@en .
}
```

<http://dbpedia.org/sparql/>

tb	p	namep
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Berners-Lee">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Berners-Lee</a>	<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Mary_Lee_Woods">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Mary_Lee_Woods</a>	"Mary Lee Woods"@en
<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Berners-Lee">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Tim_Berners-Lee</a>	<a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Conway_Berners-Lee">http://dbpedia.org/resource/Conway_Berners-Lee</a>	"Conway Berners-Lee"@en

# Exercise 4: Interrogation du site <http://fr.dbpedia.org/sparql>

```
prefix db-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>
```

```
select distinct ?ville ?l ?population
```

```
where {
```

```
  ?ville db-owl:region <http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/>
```

```
  ?ville rdf:type db-owl:Settlement
```

```
  Optional { ?ville rdfs:label ?l }
```

```
  ?ville db-owl:populationTotal ?population
```

```
  filter (?population > 10000)
```

```
}
```

ville	l	population
<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Carmaux">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Carmaux</a>	"Carmaux"@fr	10116
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<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Carmaux">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Carmaux</a>	"Carmauç"@ca	10116
<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Carmaux">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Carmaux</a>	"Carmaux"@de	10116
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<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Lavaur_(Tarn)">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Lavaur_(Tarn)</a>	"Lavaur (Tarn)"@fr	10148
<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Lavaur_(Tarn)">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Lavaur_(Tarn)</a>	"Lavaur, Tarn"@en	10148
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<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Lavaur_(Tarn)">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Lavaur_(Tarn)</a>	"Lavaur (Tarn)"@de	10148
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<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Lavaur_(Tarn)">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Lavaur_(Tarn)</a>	"La Vaur (Lengadòc)"@oc	10148
<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Saint-Jean_(Haute-Garonne)">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Saint-Jean_(Haute-Garonne)</a>	"Saint-Jean (Haute-Garonne)"@fr	10259
<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Saint-Jean_(Haute-Garonne)">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Saint-Jean_(Haute-Garonne)</a>	"Saint-Jean, Haute-Garonne"@en	10259
<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Saint-Jean_(Haute-Garonne)">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Saint-Jean_(Haute-Garonne)</a>	"Sent Joan le Vièlh"@ca	10259
<a href="http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Saint-Jean_(Haute-Garonne)">http://fr.dbpedia.org/resource/Saint-Jean_(Haute-Garonne)</a>	"Saint-Jean (Alto Garona)"@es	10259

- Que fait cette requête ?
- La modifier pour ne présenter que les 100 premiers résultats.

## ■ Cours VI– Ontologies definitions

# From vocabularies to ontologies

- Target: **system interoperability**

- Ex: flight search web portals

Various data bases, various vocabularies -> a single user interface

- Step1: unify a vocabulary (human agreement)

- Flight, airport, airline, departure and arrival points, date and time, seats, booking, passenger, fares ...

- Step2: define a FORMAL vocabulary

- Formal agreement, define TYPES, take advantage of INFERENCES to deduce implicit knowledge

# What sort of content should machines share?

- A vocabulary
- Facts / data expressed with this vocabulary
- **Not enough!!**
  - Something is missing to make sure the machines all give the same meaning to the shared vocabulary, i.e., to constrain its interpretation
- **Knowledge** about the domain described through the vocabulary
- **Ontologies** expressed in a logical framework



# Ontologies: some definitions

- An ontology is a “formal, explicit specification of a shared conceptualisation” [Gruber 1993, Borst 1997, Studer et al. 1998]
- An ontology is a specific artefact:
  - a logical theory and/or a computational object that expresses the intended meaning of a vocabulary, by referring to the nature and the structure of the entities it denotes
- cf. Ontology, the philosophical discipline that studies “what there is”, i.e., the nature and structure of reality
- Ontologies model conceptual knowledge crucial for
  - Semantic interoperability of systems (not on the internet)
  - Precise human communication within a scientific or technical domain
  - Intelligent information extraction, question-answering
  - Natural language understanding
  - Making the Semantic Web real

# What is an ontology in practice?

- A theoretical or computational artefact that
  1. *models* knowledge of a domain through a vocabulary of concepts:
    - **classes** to categorize existing **individuals** in this domain (entities, “things” that populate the domain)
    - **relations** establishing links between those individuals.
  2. *formalizes* generic, necessary knowledge of this domain and constrains the interpretation of the vocabulary through **axioms**

# What is an ontology in practice?

## A knowledge model

- **Classes**: what types of individuals exist (in general / in my domain of interest)? what distinctions are significant between them?
  - e.g., tables, chairs, students, teachers, humans, courses, disciplines, universities, classrooms, computers...
- Classes correspond to *unary predicates* in FOL (First Order Logic)
  - **Human(Lea)** encodes the fact that the individual Lea is an instance of the class Human

**:Lea rdf:type :Human** in RDF

# What is an ontology in practice?

## A knowledge model

- **Relations**: in which ways may those individuals be related?
  - e.g., humans may sit on chairs, students may be enrolled in universities,
  - a course may be taught by a teacher...
- Relations correspond to ***n-ary predicates*** ( $n > 1$ ) in FOL
  - **enrolledAt(Lea,UPS)** encodes the fact that the individuals Lea and UPS are related by the relation **enrolledAt**

# What is an ontology in practice?

## A formal theory

- **Taxonomic links** between classes (IS-A, subsumption)  
e.g., a student is a human:  
Student IS-A Human  
 $\forall x (\text{Student}(x) \rightarrow \text{Human}(x))$
- **Characterization of the relation arguments**, esp. the domain and range of binary relations  
e.g., only students and universities can be related through enrollment:  
 $\forall xy (\text{enrolledAt}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{Student}(x) \wedge \text{University}(y))$
- More complex **constraints** on classes and relations
- **Specific contingent facts are NOT part of the ontology**  
e.g.,  $\text{Human}(\text{Lea})$ ,  $\text{enrolledAt}(\text{Lea}, \text{UPS})$   
They form a *knowledge base (populated ontology)*

# A basic ontology: flight search engines

PLAN YOUR TRIP ON EXPEDIA

☒ Flight  
☐ Hotel  
☐ Car  
☐ Activities  
☐ Cruise

☐ Flight + Hotel  
☐ Flight + Car  
☐ Flight + Hotel + Car  
☐ Hotel + Car

**Book FLIGHT+HOTEL at the same time SAVE UP TO \$525\***

**Flight**

☒ Roundtrip ☐ One way ☐ Multiple Destinations

Leaving from:  Departing: mm/dd/yy Time: Any

Going to:  Returning: mm/dd/yy Time: Any

Adult (18-64) 1 Seniors (65+) 0 Children (0-17) 0

Show Additional Options

**SEARCH FOR FLIGHTS**

**SEARCH FOR FLIGHT+HOTEL**

**BEST PRICE GUARANTEE**

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We offer you the best flights and mixed roundtrips for the lowest possible fare whether you are looking for a business trip, an adventurous travel tour or cultural city hopping! Match your financial and schedule requirements and **search, compare, select and book** your cheap flights in just a few easy steps!

Country of departure  
- Please select country of departure

Departure region / city  
- Please select your departure region

Destination  
- Please select your destination

Roundtrip ☒ Oneway ☐

Departure date  
Thursday, October 03, 2013

Return date  
Thursday, October 10, 2013

Adults 1 Children 0 Infants 0 Currency EUR

**Search Flights**

VISA MasterCard iFLY Maestro SOFORT ÜBERWEISUNG

- Which classes can we identify?
- Which classes will we need?

# A basic ontology: competency questions

PLAN YOUR TRIP ON EXPEDIA

☒ Flight  
☐ Hotel  
☐ Car  
☐ Activities  
☐ Cruise

☐ Flight + Hotel  
☐ Flight + Car  
☐ Flight + Hotel + Car  
☐ Hotel + Car

Book FLIGHT + HOTEL  
at the same time  
SAVE UP TO \$525\*

**Flight**

☒ Roundtrip ☐ One way ☐ Multiple Destinations

Leaving from:  Departing:  Time:

Going to:  Returning:  Time:

Adult (18-64)  Seniors (65+)  Children (0-17)

Show Additional Options

**BEST PRICE GUARANTEE**

SEARCH FOR FLIGHTS



SEARCH FOR FLIGHT+HOTEL

- Is there a direct flight from Toulouse to Heraklion leaving on May,23rd 2014?
- How much is a roundtrip flight from Toulouse to Heraklion around May 23rd, 2014?
- Are there 3 roundtrip seats available on flights to Heraklion from Toulouse on May23rd with a back flight on May 30th, 2014?

Flight, RoundTripF, OneWayF, MultipleDestF, Airport, Town, Date, Time, Human, Adult, Senior, Child, Infant, Currency  
but also : Booking, Seat, Fare, Airline, FlightID, directF, stop...

# A basic ontology little by little

*Try my custom flight search for the lowest priced flights!*

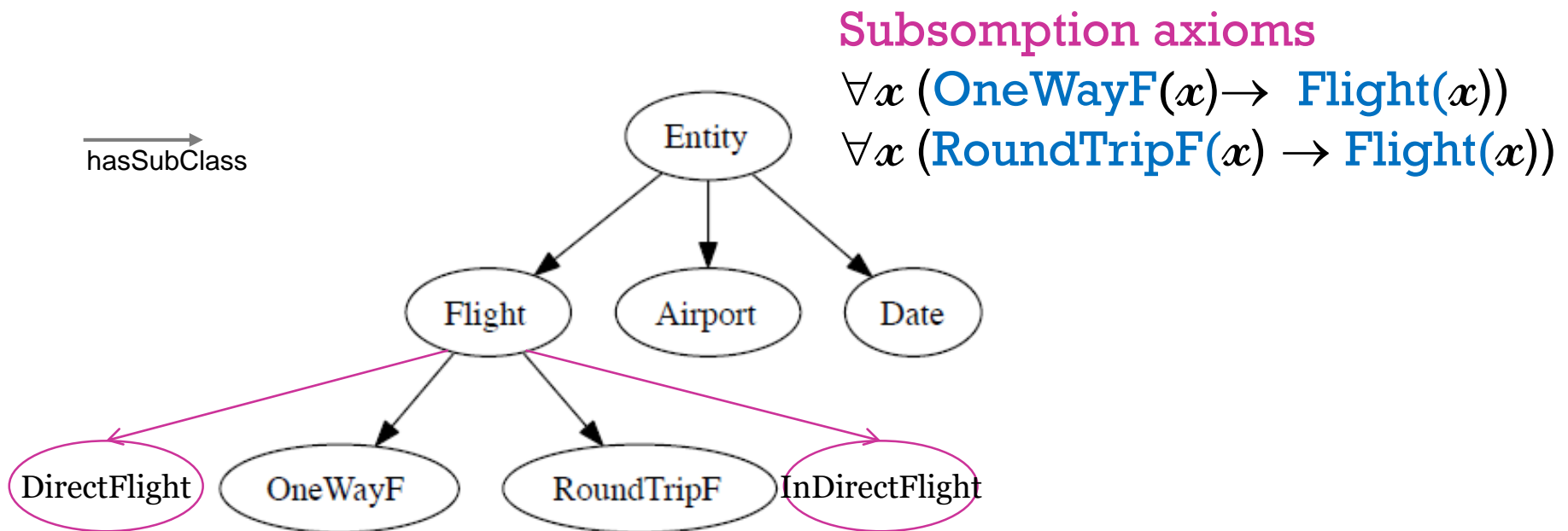
From	To
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Depart	Return <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="text" value="03.10.13"/> 	<input type="text" value="10.10.13"/> 
<input type="button" value="Search"/>	

- Classes? Relations? Domains and ranges?
- Classes: **Flight**, **RoundTripF**, **OneWayF**, **Airport**, **Date**
- Relations, all binary:
  - **departsFrom**(Flight, Airport)
  - **goesTo**(Flight, Airport)
  - **departsOn**(Flight, Date)
  - **returnsOn**(Flight, Date)



# A basic ontology: taxonomy of classes

- Organize classes into a subsumption hierarchy
- Classes1: Flight, RoundTripF, OneWayF, Airport, Date
- Classes2: Flight, RoundTripF, OneWayF, DirectFlight, IndirectFlight, Airport, Date



# A basic ontology: taxonomy of classes

- Often (but not always!) we can complement subsumption axioms with **disjunction axioms** between siblings. Here we have:

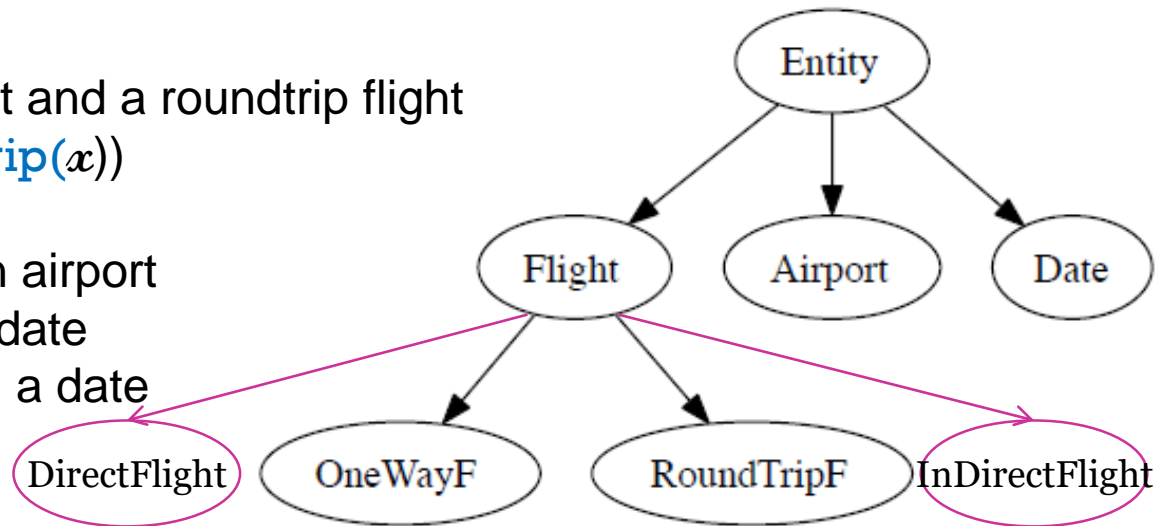
Nothing is both a oneway flight and a roundtrip flight

$$\forall x (\text{OneWayF}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{RoundTrip}(x))$$

Nothing is both a flight and an airport

Nothing is both a flight and a date

Nothing is both an airport and a date



**BUT** a oneway flight can be either a direct flight or an indirect flight

$$\exists x (\text{OneWayF}(x) \wedge \text{DirectFlight}(x))$$

$$\exists x (\text{RoundTripF}(x) \wedge \text{DirectFlight}(x)) \dots$$

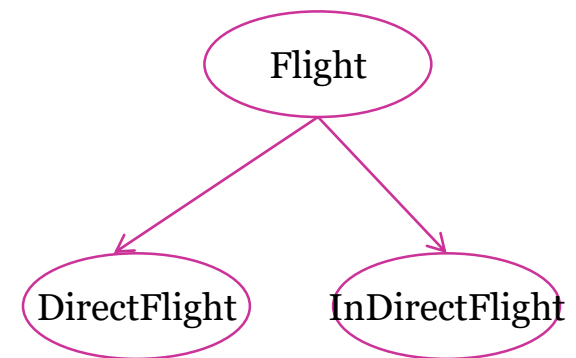
# Ontology design: differentiation criteria

## ■ Aristotle definition:

- **Concept** = **Definendum** + **differenciae**
- A **cat** is a **domesticated feline** of **small size**

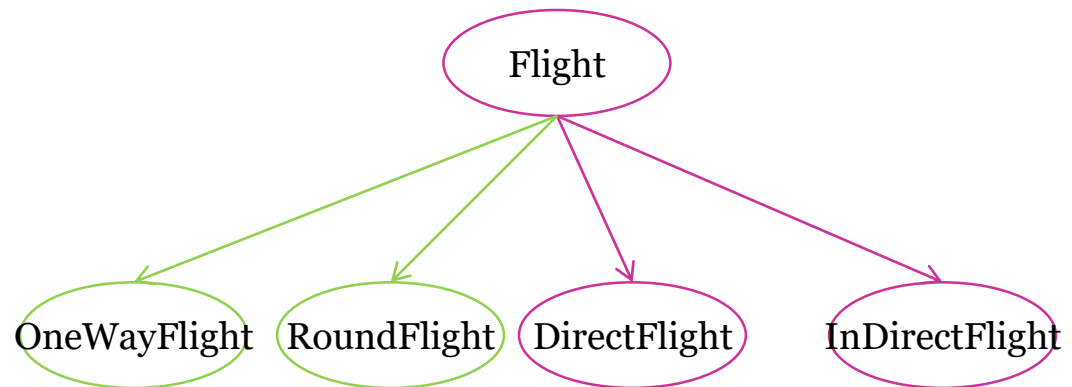
## ■ Archonte method (Bachimont, 2003) : any new concept will be inserted in an ontology if we can find at least one of each features

- Common feature with father concept
- Common feature with siblings
- Different feature from father
- Different feature from siblings



# Ontology design: differentiation criteria

- Pb = mixing various criteria, building an heterogeneous partition
- An instance can belong to two sibling classes
- ... but it is not a “clear” representation



# A basic ontology: domains and ranges of relations

- **departsFrom** and **goesTo** relate instances of **Flight** to instances of **Airport**

$$\forall xy (\text{departsFrom}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{Flight}(x) \wedge \text{Airport}(y))$$

$$\forall xy (\text{goesTo}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{Flight}(x) \wedge \text{Airport}(y))$$

- **departsOn** relates instances of **Flight** to instances of **Date**

$$\forall xy (\text{departsOn}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{Flight}(x) \wedge \text{Date}(y))$$

- **returnsOn** relates instances of **RoundTripF** to instances of **Date**

$$\forall xy (\text{returnsOn}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{RoundTripF}(x) \wedge \text{Date}(y))$$

- RDFs representation of these relations?
- What can be inferred from these relations and the taxonomy of classes?

# A basic ontology: domains and ranges of relations

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$\forall xy (\text{departsFrom}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{Flight}(x) \wedge \text{Airport}(y))$

$\forall xy (\text{goesTo}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{Flight}(x) \wedge \text{Airport}(y))$

```
<rdfs:Class rdf:about="#Flight">
```

```
  <rdfs:subClassOf rdf:resource="#Thing" />
```

```
</rdfs:Class>
```

```
<rdfs:Class rdf:about="#OneWayFlight">
```

```
  <rdfs:subClassOf rdf:resource="#Flight" />
```

```
</rdfs:Class>
```

```
<rdf:Property rdf:about="#departsFrom">
```

```
  <rdfs:domain rdf:resource="#Flight"/>
```

```
  <rdfs:range rdf:resource="#Airport"/>
```

```
</rdf:Property>
```

```
<rdf:Property rdf:about="#goesTo">
```

```
  <rdfs:domain rdf:resource="#Flight"/>
```

```
  <rdfs:range rdf:resource="#Airport"/>
```

```
</rdf:Property>
```

# Existence and unicity

- We want to make sure that any flight departs from and goes to some airport, at a given date, etc. We here need to add **existence constraints** to the domain and range constraints.

$$\forall x (\text{Flight}(x) \rightarrow \exists yzt (\text{departsFrom}(x; y) \wedge \text{goesTo}(x; z) \wedge \text{departsOn}(x; t)))$$

$$\forall x (\text{RoundTripF}(x) \rightarrow \exists t \text{ returnsOn}(x; t))$$

- What about the reverse? Does an airport imply the existence of a flight?
- Is it necessary to specify the types of  $y z t$ ?
- In some cases, we have in addition **unicity constraints** (the binary relation is functional). Here, all the relations are functional, i.e., any flight departs from and goes to a unique airport, on a unique date, etc.

$$\forall xyz ((\text{departsFrom}(x; y) \wedge \text{departsFrom}(x; z)) \rightarrow y = z)$$

$$\forall xyz ((\text{goesTo}(x; y) \wedge \text{goesTo}(x; z)) \rightarrow y = z)$$

$$\forall xyz ((\text{departsOn}(x; y) \wedge \text{departsOn}(x; z)) \rightarrow y = z)$$

$$\forall xyz ((\text{returnsOn}(x; y) \wedge \text{returnsOn}(x; z)) \rightarrow y = z)$$

# What exactly is a roundtrip flight?

- A roundtrip flight is composed of two oneway flights with matching airports

- New ternary relation: **isComposedOf**

- Constraint on classes of arguments

$\forall xy z (\text{isComposedOf}(x; y; z) \rightarrow \text{RoundTripF}(x) \wedge \text{OneWayF}(y) \wedge \text{OneWayF}(z))$

- Constraint on airports

$\forall xyzab (\text{isComposedOf}(x; y; z) \wedge \text{departsFrom}(x; a) \wedge \text{goesTo}(x; b) \rightarrow$   
 $\text{departsFrom}(y; a) \wedge \text{goesTo}(y; b) \wedge \text{departsFrom}(z; b) \wedge \text{goesTo}(z; a))$

- Constraint on dates

$\forall xy zab (\text{isComposedOf}(x; y; z) \wedge \text{departsOn}(x; a) \wedge \text{returnsOn}(x; b) \rightarrow$   
 $\text{departsOn}(y; a) \wedge \text{departsOn}(z; b))$

- What constraints are still missing here?
- What if we wanted to use a more general relation?



# W3C Standard languages for ontologies

- From RDFs to OWL

# Web Ontology Language OWL

- Why is OWL needed?
  - More primitives
  - more complex ontologies
  - Richer concept and property representations
  - More inferences
- Name Space
  - <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#>
  - primitives OWL are defined here
  - Same principle as for RDFS
  - Prefix **owl:**

# OWL Web Ontology Language



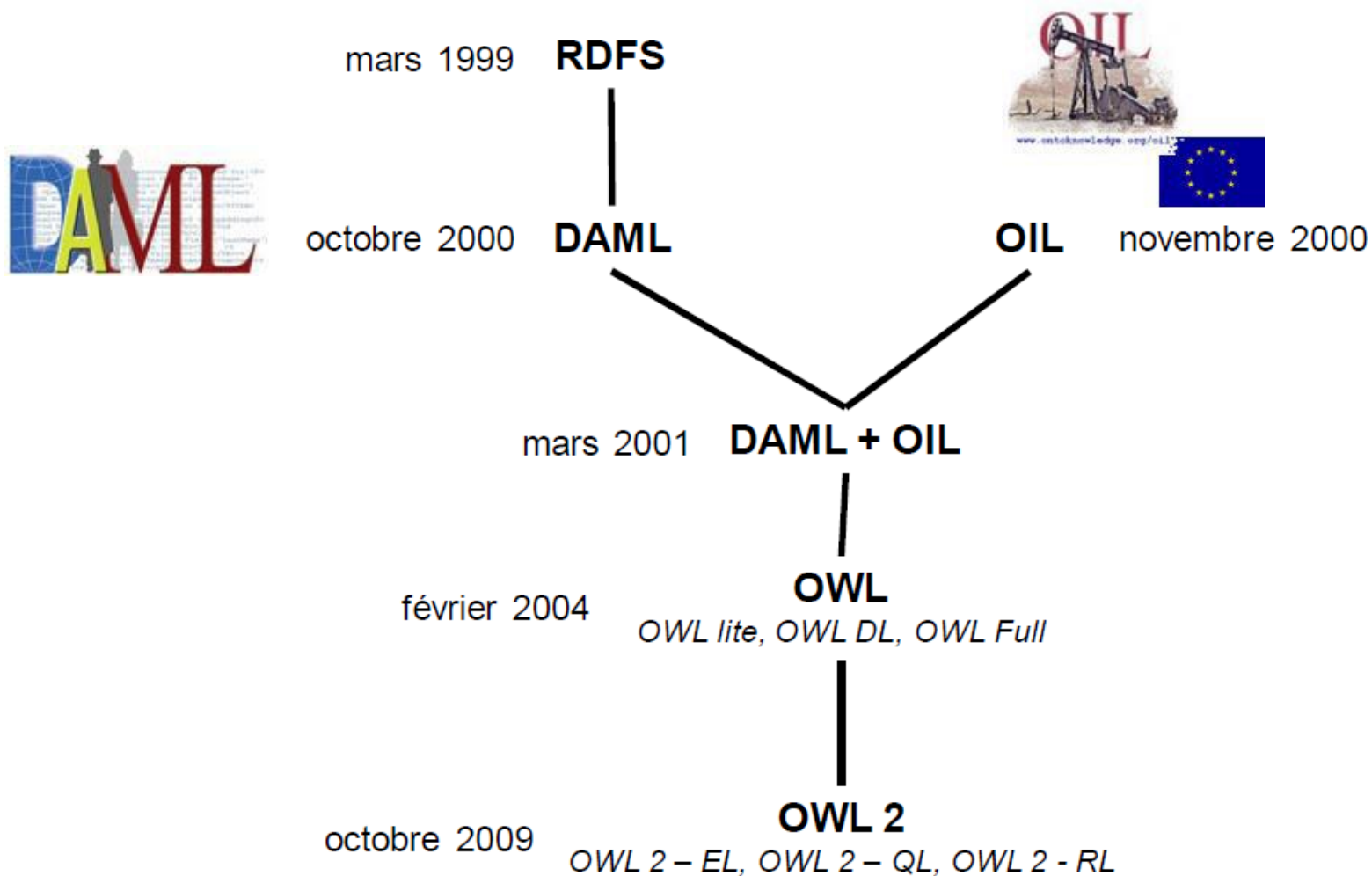
- Historic Ontology languages
  - ❑ DAML : standard DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Project Agency) - DARPA Agent Markup Language
  - ❑ OIL : Ontology Inference Layer (European project)
  - ❑ DAML + OIL
- OWL : Web Ontology Language
  - ❑ W3C standard
  - ❑ AI inspired Knowledge Representation Language
  - ❑ Inference mechanism
  - ❑ Formal validation of properties : cardinality, transitivity, ...

# OWL: inspiration

- Description logics → reasoning
  - **Concepts**: set of entities
  - **Roles**: sets of relations between entities (sets of triples)
  - **Terminology box** or T(Box) → classes → ontology
  - **Assertion box** A(Box) → instances → knowledge base
- Frames → compact representation of classes
- XML → web navigation

# OWL: heritage

[http://www.w3.org/2007/OWL/wiki/OWL\\_Working\\_Group](http://www.w3.org/2007/OWL/wiki/OWL_Working_Group)



# Description Logics and ontologies

- Cf roundTrip : no ternary relation in OWL !

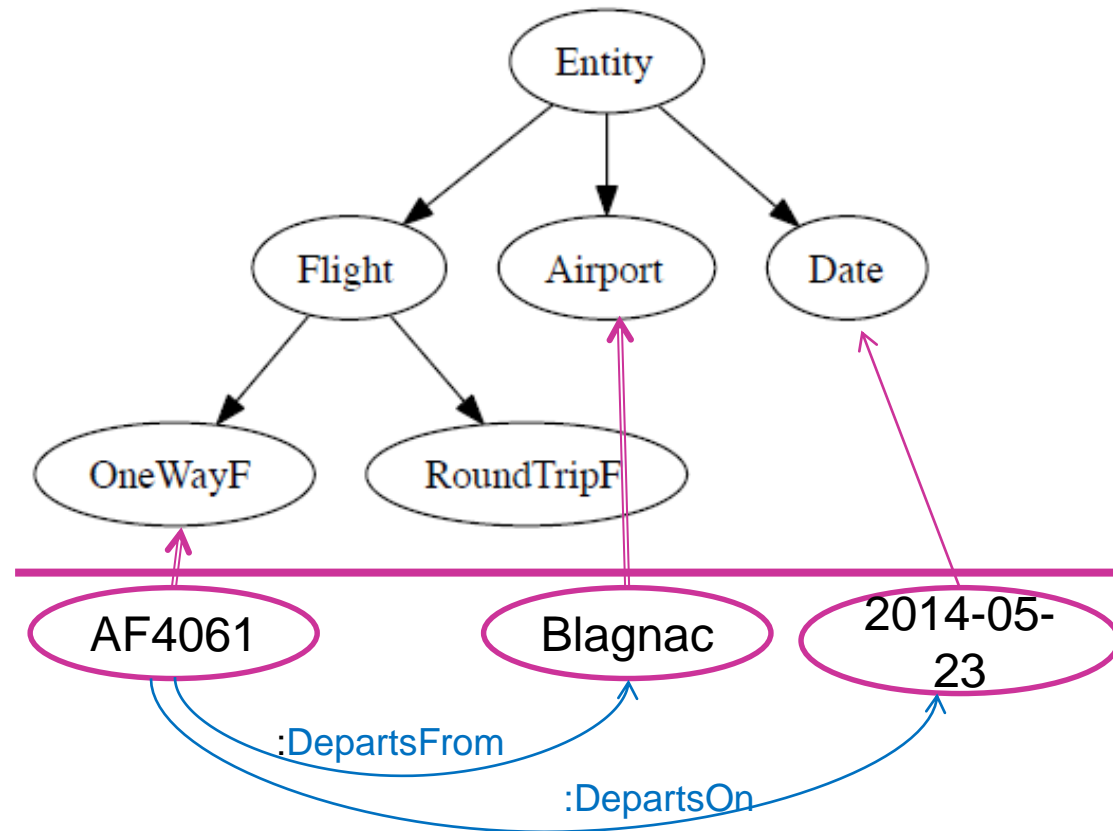
$$\forall f \, f1 \, f2 \, (\text{isComposedOf}(f; f1; f2) \rightarrow \text{RoundTripF}(f) \wedge \text{OneWayF}(f1) \wedge \text{OneWayF}(f2))$$

- Definition using binary relations

$$\begin{aligned} \forall f \, (\text{RoundTripF}(f) \rightarrow \exists \, date1, date2, f1, f2, city1, city2 \\ \text{OneWayF}(f1) \wedge \text{OneWayF}(f2) \wedge \text{departsFrom}(f1; city1) \\ \wedge \text{goesTo}(f1; city2) \wedge \text{departsFrom}(f2; city2) \wedge \text{goesTo} \\ (f2; city1) \wedge \text{departsOn}(f1; date1) \wedge \text{departsOn}(f2; \\ date2) \wedge \text{before}(f1; f2)) \end{aligned}$$

# Description Logics and ontologies

- T(Box)
  - Primitive concepts
  - Definite concepts = formulas

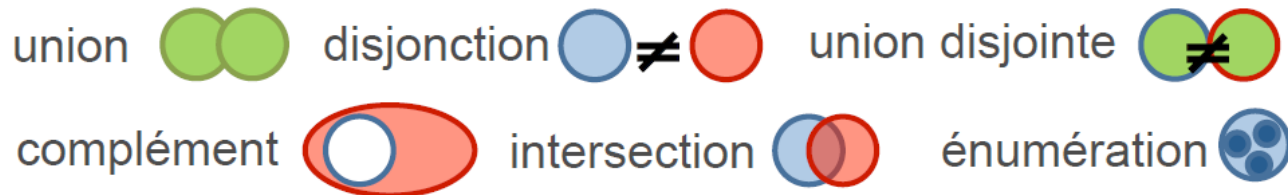


- A(Box)

# OWL in one...

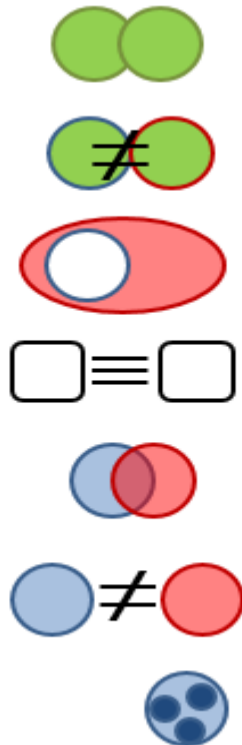
<https://www.fun-mooc.fr/courses/inria/41002S02/session02/about>

une vue graphique des constructeurs logiques offerts





# Class description primitives



owl:unionOf

owl:disjointUnionOf

owl:complementOf

owl:equivalentClass

owl:intersectionOf

owl:disjointWith

owl:oneOf

# Class description (1)

- The class of all OWL classes `owl:Class`

`owl:Class` `rdfs:subClassOf` `rdfs:Class`

- Named class

`<owl:Class` `rdf:ID="Human"/>`

- Enumeration of individuals: extended definition

`<owl:Class` `rdf:ID="Continent"` `>` `<owl:oneOf` `rdf:parseType="Collection"``>`

`<owl:Thing` `rdf:about="#Africa"/>`

`<owl:Thing` `rdf:about="#America"/>`

`<owl:Thing` `rdf:about="#Asia"/>`

`<owl:Thing` `rdf:about="#Australia"/>`

`<owl:Thing` `rdf:about="#Antarctica"/>`

`<owl:Thing` `rdf:about="#Europe"/>`

`</owl:oneOf>`

`</owl:Class>`

$\forall x \text{Continent}(x) \rightarrow (x = \text{Africa}) \wedge (x = \text{America}) \wedge (x = \text{Asia})$

$\wedge (x = \text{Australia}) \wedge (x = \text{Antarctica}) \wedge (x = \text{Europe})$

**<Continent> a owl:Class ;**

**owl:oneOf**

**( <Europe> <Africa> <America> <Asia>**

**<Australia> <Antarctica> ) .**



1. Turtle writing
2. Formal semantics

# Class description (2)

- `rdfs:subclassOf`

```
<owl:Class rdf:ID="Opera">  
  <rdfs:subClassOf rdf:resource="#MusicalWork"/>  
</owl:Class>
```

- **Disjunction** of classes  
:Flight `owl:disjointWith` :Plane

disjonction 

```
<owl:Class rdf:ID="Flight">  
  <owl:disjointWith rdf:resource="#Plane"/>  
</owl:Class>
```

```
<Flight> a owl:Class ;  
  owl:disjointWith <Plane> .
```

# Class description (3)

- Class definition as union of classes

:MyFavoritePet = owl:unionOf (:cat :rabbit)

$\forall x (\text{MyFavoritePet}(x) \leftrightarrow (\text{Cat}(x) \vee \text{Rabbit}(x)))$

union 

```
<owl:Class rdf:ID=" MyFavoritePet">
  <owl:equivalentClass>
    <owl:Class>
      <owl:unionOf rdf:parseType="Collection">
        <owl:Class rdf:about="#Cat"/>
        <owl:Class rdf:about="#Rabbit"/>
      </owl:unionOf>
    </owl:Class>
  </owl:equivalentClass>
</owl:Class>
```

```
< MyFavoritePet > a owl:Class ;
  owl:equivalentClass [
    a owl:Class ;
    owl:unionOf ( <Cat> <Rabbit> )
  ] .
```

# Class description (4)

- Class definition as intersection of classes

:Man = **owl:intersectionOf** (:cat :rabbit)

$\forall x (\text{Man}(x) \leftrightarrow (\text{Person}(x) \wedge \text{Male}(x)))$

```
<owl:Class rdf:ID= "Man">
  <owl:equivalentClass>
    <owl:Class>
      <owl:intersectionOf rdf:parseType="Collection">
        <owl:Class rdf:about="#Person"/>
        <owl:Class rdf:about="#Male"/>
      </owl:intersectionOf >
    </owl:Class>
  </owl:equivalentClass>
</owl:Class>
```

```
<Man> a owl:Class ;
  owl:equivalentClass [
    a owl:Class ;
    owl:intersectionOf ( <Person> <Male> ) .
  ] .
```

# More precise property descriptions

## ■ 3 types of properties

- ❑ **owl:ObjectProperty** link resources :Flight :departsFrom :Airport
- ❑ **owl:DatatypeProperty** links resources with (typed) literal values :Flight :departsOn  $\wedge$ xsd:date
- ❑ **owl:AnnotationProperty** ignored by inference engines, just used as comments or extensions

## ■ Constrains on properties

- ❑ classes vs values
- ❑ Property restriction :IntFlight :departsFrom :IntAirport
- ❑ Cardinality :Flight :departsFrom exactly one :Airport

# More precise property definitions

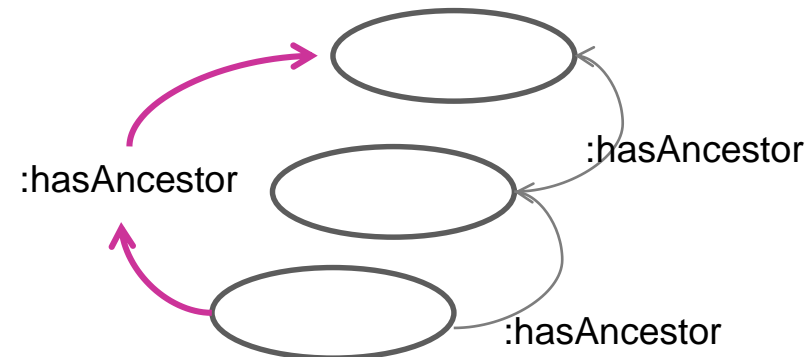
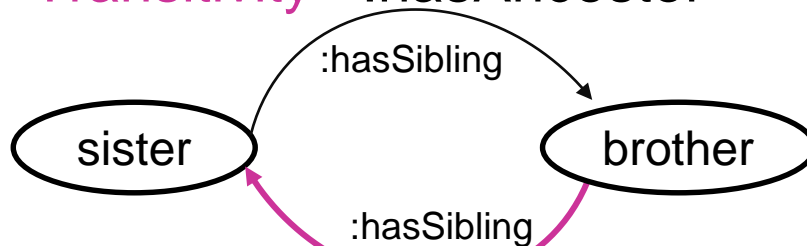
## □ Functional properties = mandatory property

- Ex: if `:departsFrom` is functional it means
- If `f :Flight(f)` then  $\exists a, :Airport(a)$  and `f :departsFrom a`
- $\forall f (\text{Flight}(f) \rightarrow \exists a, (\text{Airport}(a) \wedge \text{departsFrom}(f,a))$



## □ Symmetry `:hasSibling`

## □ Transitivity `:hasAncestor`



## □ Inverse `:hasAncestor` and `:hasDescendant`

# Property definition : Property restriction

## □ Value constrains

- Restricts all the values of a property

```
<owl:Restriction>
```

```
  <owl:onProperty rdf:resource="#hasParent"/>
```

```
  <owl:allValuesFrom rdf:resource="#Human"/>
```

```
</owl:Restriction>
```

- Restricts at least one value of a property

```
<owl:Restriction>
```

```
  <owl:onProperty rdf:resource="#hasParent"/>
```

```
  <owl:someValuesFrom rdf:resource="#Physician"/>
```

```
</owl:Restriction>
```

- Assigns a value to a property

```
<owl:Restriction>
```

```
  <owl:onProperty rdf:resource="#hasParent"/>
```

```
  <owl:hasValue rdf:resource="#Marie"/>
```

```
</owl:Restriction>
```



# Property definition : Property restriction

- Cardinality constraints

nb of times that a resource can play the same role for a property with distinct values

```
<owl:Restriction>
```

```
    <owl:onProperty rdf:resource="#hasParent"/>
```

```
    <owl:maxCardinality>2</owl:maxCardinality>
```

```
</owl:Restriction>
```

owl:minCardinality

owl:cardinality

# Class definition

```
<owl:Class rdf:about="#MarieChild">  
  <rdfs:subClassOf>  
    <owl:Restriction>  
      <owl:onProperty rdf:resource="#hasParent"/>  
      <owl:hasValue rdf:resource="#Marie"/>  
    </owl:Restriction>  
  </rdfs:subClassOf>  
</owl:Class>
```

# Ex: what does this class define?

```
@prefix ex: <http://example.org/>
ex:PersonList rdfs:subClassOf
[
  a owl:Restriction ;
  owl:onProperty rdf:first ;
  owl:allValuesFrom ex:Person
] ,
[
  a owl:Restriction ;
  owl:onProperty rdf:rest ;
  owl:allValuesFrom ex:PersonList
] .
```

# Ex: what does this class define?

@prefix ex: <http://example.org/>

```
ex:Human rdfs:subClassOf [  
  owl:intersectionOf (  
    [  
      a owl:Restriction ;  
      owl:onProperty ex:hasFather ;  
      owl:maxCardinality 1  
    ],  
    [  
      a owl:Restriction ;  
      owl:onProperty ex:hasMother ;  
      owl:maxCardinality 1  
    ] .  
  )  
]
```

- Any ex:Human has these 2 properties
  - at most one Father
  - at most one Mother
- Not all things that have One Father and One mother are Humans
- Else, use owl:equivalentClass

# Axiomes de propriétés



## ■ Propriétés algébriques de propriétés

`<owl:SymmetricProperty rdf:ID="hasSpouse/">`

`<owl:TransitiveProperty rdf:ID="hasAncestor/">`

`<owl:ReflexiveProperty rdf:about="#hasRelative"/>`

## ■ Relations entre propriétés

### □ Relations inverse

`<owl:ObjectProperty rdf:ID="hasChild">`

`< owl:inverseOf rdf:resource="#hasParent"/>`

`</owl:ObjectProperty>`

### □ Relations équivalentes (en termes d'extension)

`owl:equivalentProperty`

## ■ Contraintes de cardinalité

`<owl:FunctionalProperty rdf:ID="#hasMother"/>`

`<owl:InverseFunctionalProperty rdf:ID="#isMotherOf"/>`

# Annotations

- Sur les classes, propriétés et individus
  - à l'aide de propriétés instances de la classe `owl:AnnotationProperty`
    - `owl:versionInfo`
    - `rdfs:label`
    - `rdfs:comment`
    - `rdfs:seeAlso`
    - `rdfs:isDefinedBy`

# Individus

- Description of types and properties using RDF

- Comparing individuals

- owl:sameAs

```
<rdf:Description rdf:about="#William_Jefferson_Clinton">  
<owl:sameAs rdf:resource="#BillClinton"/>  
</rdf:Description>
```

```
<rdf:Description rdf:ID="FootballTeam">  
<owl:sameAs rdf:resource="ns2:#SoccerTeam"/>  
</rdf:Description>
```

- owl:differentFrom

- owl:allDifferent

# Header of an ontology file

- An ontology is a resource described using the classes `owl:OntologyProperty` and `owl:Ontology`

```
<owl:Ontology rdf:about="">
```

```
  <owl:versionInfo>v 1.1 2008</owl:versionInfo>
```

```
  <rdfs:comment>An example ontology</rdfs:comment>
```

```
  <owl:imports rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/TR/2004/REC-owl-guide-20040210/food"/>
```

```
  <owl:priorVersion rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/TR/2003/PR-owl-guide-20031215/wine"/>
```

```
  <rdfs:label>Wine Ontology</rdfs:label>
```

```
</owl:Ontology>
```



# OWL profiles

- Chaque *profile* correspond à un sous-ensemble des primitives de OWL.
- Choisir un *profile*, c'est choisir une expressivité pour décrire une ontologie.
- Plus le degré d'expressivité est grand, plus les inférences sont complexes.

# OWL1 variants

- OWL LITE : reduced set of primitives
  - Includes RDF and RDFs
  - Simple constrains
  - Computable (NP)
- OWL DL : more use constrains
  - Close to description logics
  - Ensures usability and computability
- OWL FULL : tous les constructeurs et pas de contrainte
  - A class can be an instance of another classe
  - Enables to define meta-models
  - Undecidable

# OWL2 profiles

- **EL** : large number of properties and/or classes ; polynomial complexity.
- **QL** : large number of instances, enables conjunctive queries using relational DB, LOGSPACE complexity
- **RL** : scalable reasoning without loosing expressivity; inference rules in polynomial time
- **DL** : the most expressive profile

# Training to build ontologies

- Download and use Protégé 5.5  
<https://protege.stanford.edu/products.php#desktop-protege>
- FHKB (Family History Knowledge Base) : a Training ontology  
<http://mowl-power.cs.man.ac.uk/fhkbtutorial/ontology/fhkb.owl>