Note that in our description, we use A.* to represent the annotation information. More specifically,

- MeasType = $\{\langle MeasTypeId, ObsTypeId, CharType, StdType, ProtType, Precision, Value, isKey \rangle\};$
- ObservationType = $\{\langle \underline{ObsTypeId}, EntTypeId, isUnique \rangle\}$ **HP Question**: I did not use "AnnotId" in the algorithm, so I remove it here. How shall this be used?
- ContextType = {\langle ObsTypeId, ContextObsTypeId, RelType, isIdentify\rangle}
 HP Question: Add the isIdentify for the purpose of checking whether we need to use one observation's context for key, is this ok?
- Map = $\{\langle MeasTypeId, ObsTypeId, Cond, Val \rangle\}$

OBOE.*, on the other hand, represent the OUTPUT data represented in the OBOE model. In detail,

Observation = {\langle ObsId, EntId\rangle} keeps all the observation instances materialized from Dataset.

HP Question: I did not use "AnnotId" in the algorithm, so I remove it here. How shall this be used?

• $Measurenebt = \{\langle \underline{MeasId}, ObsId, Characteristic, Val \rangle\}$ Changed to:

 $Measurenebt = \{\langle \underline{MeasId}, \underline{MeasTypeId}, ObsId, Val \rangle\}$

HP note: the other information about the measurement type, e.g., standard, characteristic, can be gotten using *MeasTypeId*. In real application, we can think of "duplicating the measurement type" information. Too detail. Ignore here.

- $Entity = \{\langle \underline{EntId}, EntType \rangle \}$
- Context = {\langle ObsId, ConextObsId, RelType \rangle}
 HP Question: I did not use "Relationship" table, do we really need to instantiate this information?

Each row in the input dataset represents the information related to one observation and its contexts.

The algorithm tries to catch the *key*, *unique* and *identifying* constraints in the annotation during the materialization process.

We can run the example in page 6 in the power point file to explain the algorithm. For Row(2007, 1, piru, 35.8)

- Create a measurement $mi_1 = \langle meas1, null, Year, 2007 \rangle$
- Create a measurement $mi_2 = \langle meas2, null, Year, 35.8 \rangle$
- Create a measurement $mi_3 = \langle meas3, null, TaxonomicTypeName, Picea rubens \rangle$
- Create a measurement $mi_4 = \langle meas4, null, EntityName, 1 \rangle$
- Get $MeasSet = \{mi_1, mi_2, mi_3, mi_4\};$
- Step 2: Get $KeyIdx = \{o_1 \to \{mi_1\}, o_2 \to \{mi_2, mi_3, mi_4\}\}$
- Step 3-4: for each observation types o_1 and o_2
- for o_1
 - Since m_1 is specified as key, get the KeyVal = 2007;

- No entity with this key exists in EntIdx, create an entity $ei = \langle ent1, TemporalRange \rangle$; Now, $EntIdx = \{\langle o1, 2007 \rightarrow ent1 \rangle\}$.
- Since o_1 is specified as distinct, need to make sure we do not create redundant observations. No entry with this key exists in ObsIdx, so, create an observation $oi = \langle obs1, ent1 \rangle$. Now, $ObsIdx = \{\langle o1, 2007 \rangle \rightarrow obs1\}$
- When deal with o_2 ,
 - KeyVal = 1.
 - Create an entity $ei = \langle ent2, Tree \rangle$; $EntIdx = \{\langle o1, 2007 \rightarrow ent1 \rangle, \langle o2, 1 \rightarrow ent2 \rangle\}$.
 - Create an observation $\langle obs2, ent2 \rangle$. No need to update ObsIdx because o2 is not identified as unique.
- Connect mi_1 to obs1;
- Connect mi_2 , mi_3 and mi_4 to obs2;
- Set the context relationship between obs1 and obs2;

For Row (2008, 1, piru, 36.2)

- Create a measurement $mi_5 = \langle meas5, null, Year, 2007 \rangle$
- Create a measurement $mi_6 = \langle meas6, null, Year, 35.8 \rangle$
- Create a measurement $mi_7 = \langle meas7, null, TaxonomicTypeName, Picea rubens \rangle$
- Create a measurement $mi_8 = \langle meas8, null, EntityName, 1 \rangle$
- Get $MeasSet = \{mi_5, mi_6, mi_7, mi_8\};$
- Step 2: Get $KeyIdx = \{o_1 \to \{mi_5\}, o_2 \to \{mi_6, mi_7, mi_8\}\}$
- for type o_1
 - KeyVal = 2008;
 - Create an entity $\langle ent3, TemporalRange \rangle$; $EntIdx = \{\langle o1, 2007 \rangle \rightarrow ent1, \langle o2, 1 \rangle \rightarrow ent2, \langle o1, 2008 \rangle \rightarrow ent3 \}$.
 - Create an observation $\langle obs3, ent3 \rangle$, and $ObsIdx = \{\langle o1, 2007 \rightarrow obs1 \rangle, \langle o2, 1 \rightarrow obs2 \rangle, \langle o1, 2008 \rightarrow obs3 \rangle\}$
- When deal with o_2 ,
 - KeyVal = 1.
 - Some item $\langle o2, 1 \rangle \rightarrow ent2$ is already in EntIdx, so get the entity id ent2. No need to create an entity.
 - Since o2 is not specified with unique yet, we NEED to create an observation $\langle obs4, ent2 \rangle$. No need to update ObsIdx.

For ROW (2008, 2, abba, 33.2)

- For o1's measurement 2008, since ⟨o1, 2008⟩ → ent3 already exists in EntIdx,
 No need to create a new ENTITY.
- Since o1 is specified with unique yes, and since $\langle o1, 2008 \rangle \rightarrow obs3$ already exists in ObsIdx, No need to create a new OBSERVATION and no need to put the measurement for 2008 into OBOE model.

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Algorithm 1 MaterializeDB (Dataset, A)
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/* Dataset: [Input] in the form of flat file */
/* A : [Input] Annotations*/
ObsIdx = \emptyset; /* for keeping index \langle ObsTypeId, KeyVal \rangle \rightarrow ObsId^*/
EntIdx = \emptyset; /* for keeping index \langle MeasTypeId, KeyVal \rangle \rightarrow EntId^*/
for (each Row(A1, A2, \dots, An) \in Dataset) do
  MeasSet = \emptyset; /* Keep the set of new measurement instances*/
  /* 1. Create new orphan measurement instances*/
  for (each m = \langle MeasTypeId, ResAttribute, Cond, Val \rangle \in A.Map) do
    if (m.ResAttribute! = Row.Ai.Attrname) OR (Row.Ai.does not satisfy m.Cond)
    then
       cotinue;
     end if
    ObsTypeId = GetObsTypeId (A.MeasType, m.MeasTypeId);
    MeasId = GetNewMeasId(OBOE.Measurement);
    if(m.Val! = NULL) MeasVal = m.Val;
    else MeasVal = Row.Ai.Val;
    Create a measurement instance mi = \langle MeasId, MeasTypeId, null, MeasVal \rangle;
     Add mi to MeasSet:
  end for
  /* 2. Get observation types and measurement types with new instances*/
  KeyIdx = \emptyset /* Keep index for ObsTypeId \rightarrow \{mi\} */
  for (each mi \in MeasSet) do
    ObsTypeId = GetObsTypeId (A.MeasType, mi.MeasTypeId);
    Update KeyIdx by changing the item ObsTypeId \rightarrow \{mi\};
  end for
  for (each ObsTypeId \in KeyIdx.keys) do
     /*Get the key value for this observation.
    Case 1: generally, it is the value for the "key" measurement.
    Case 2: several measurement types are marked with "key yes", the key value is the
     combined value of these several measurement.
    Case 3: this object type is marked with "identifying yes, the key value" is the
     combined value with its context observation's key measurement values. */
     KeyVal = GetObsTypeKeys (ObsTypeId, KeyIdx);
     /* 3. Get an existing or create a new entity instance*/
    HasKey = false;
    if (ObsTypeId has key measurements) then
       HasKey = true;
    end if
    EntId = MaterializeEntity(ObsTypeId, HasKey, KeyVal, EntIdx, A, OBOE)
     /* 4. Get an existing or create a new observation instance*/
    ContextIdx = \emptyset; /* keep index ObsTypeId \rightarrow ObsId to materialize context*/
    for (each ObsTypeId \in KeyIdx.keys) do
       IsObsUnique = checkIfObsUnique(A.ObservationType, ObsTypeId);
       ObsHasKey = HasKey \&\&IsObsUnique;
       ObsId = MaterializeObs(ObsTypeId, ObsHasKey, KeyVal, EntId, ObsIdx, OBOE);
       /*Maintain the measurement instances for this observation*/
       miSet = GetMeasInst(KeyIdx, ObsTypeId);
       if (ObsId \text{ is a new one}) then
          Set the obsId to each mi \in miSet so that mi-s are not orphans;
       else
         Discard all the mi \in miSet;
       Put all the mi \in miSet to OBOE.Measurement;
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Algorithm 2 Materialize Entity (ObsTypeId, HasKey, KeyVal, EntIdx, A, OBOE)EntType = GetObsEntityType (A.ObservationType, ObsTypeId)CrtNewEntInst = true;if (HasKey = = true) then EntId = GetEntId(ObsTypeId, KeyVal, EntIdx);if (EntId is not Null) then CrtNewEntInst = false;end if end if if (CrtNewEntInst == true) then EntId = CrtEntId(EntType);Create an entity instance $ei = \langle EntId, EntType \rangle$; Put ei to OBOE.Entity: if HasKey==true) then /*Only when this is the key measurement, we need to maintain the index*/ $EntIdx = EntIdx \cup \{\langle ObsTypeId, KeyVal \rangle \rightarrow EntId\};$ end if end if return EntId: $Algorithm \ 3 \ MaterializeObs(ObsTypeId, HasKey, KeyVal, EntId, ObsIdx, OBOE)$ CrtNewObsInst = true;if (HasKey = = true) then ObsId = GetObsId(ObsTypeId, KeyVal, ObsIdx);if (ObsId is not Null) then CrtNewObsInst = false;end if end if if (CrtNewObsInst == true) then Create an observation instance $oi = \langle ObsId, EntId \rangle$ Put oi to OBOE.Observation; if (HasKey = = true) then /*Only when it has key measurement and it is identified as unique, we need to maintain the index*/ $ObsIdx = ObsIdx \cup \{\langle ObsTypeId, KeyVal \rangle \rightarrow ObsId\};$ end if end if Return ObsId; Algorithm 4 MaterializeContext(ContextIdx, A, OBOE)for $(ObsTypeId \rightarrow ObsId \in ContextIdx)$ do $ContextObsTypeId, Rel = {\tt GetContextObsTypeRel}(A.ContextType, ObsTypeId);$ if (ContextObsTypeId is not Null) then ContextObsId = GetContextObsId(ContextIdx, ContextObsTypeId);Create a context $c = \langle ObsId, ContextObsId, Rel \rangle$; Put c to OBOE.Context; end if

end for