

Ontologien

Eine sehr allgemeine Einführung

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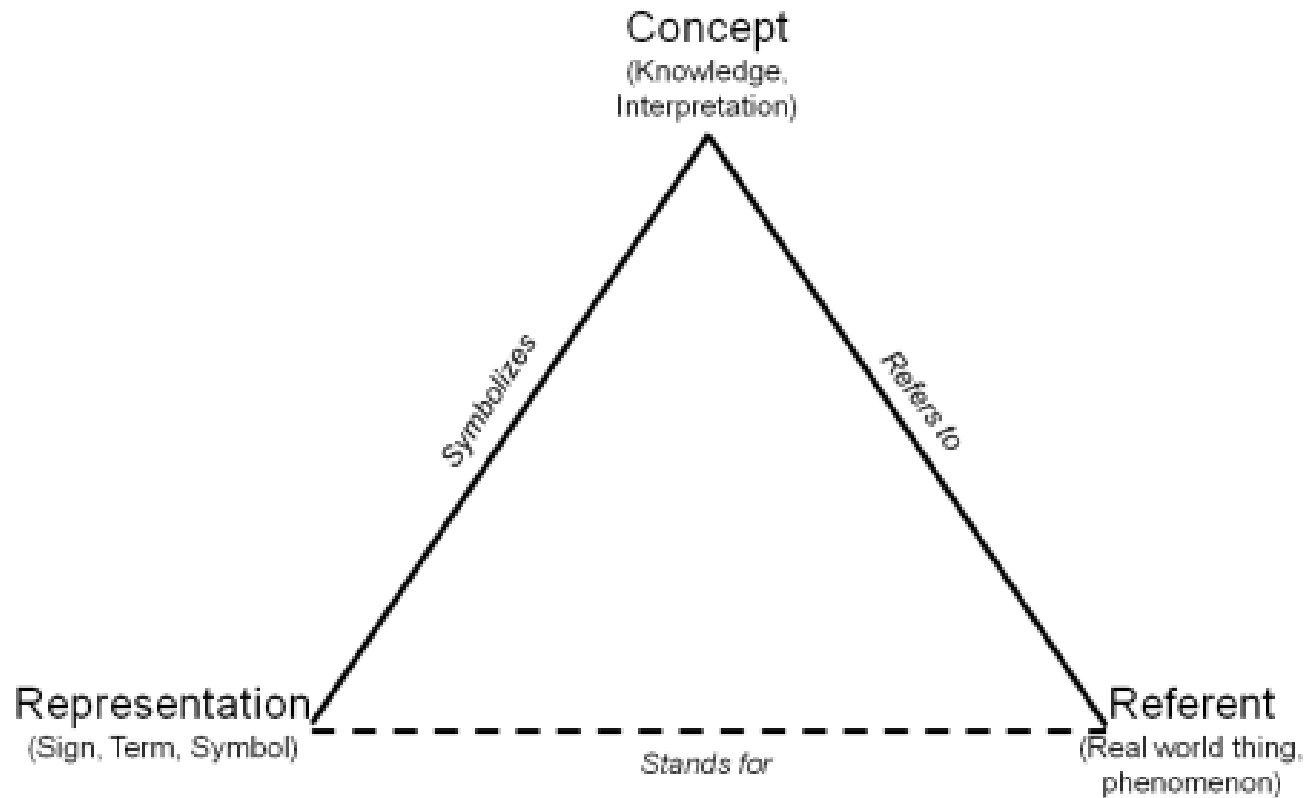
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Was ist eine Ontologie? (in der Informatik)

An ontology is a formal, explicit specification of a shared conceptualization.

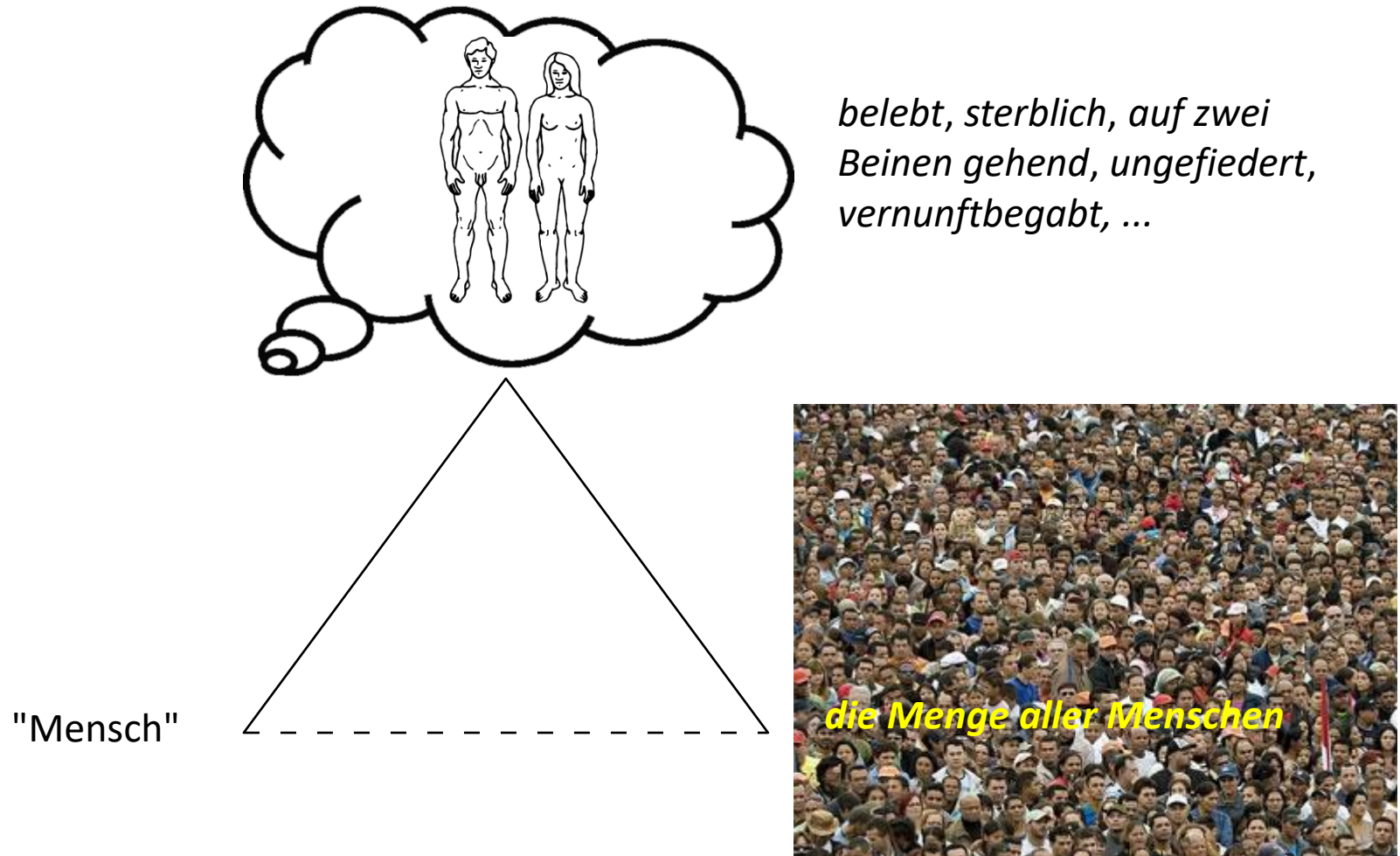
[Studer et al., 1998], Gruber

Semiotisches Dreieck



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Was ist eine Ontologie? (in der Informatik)

*Ontologien in der Informatik sind meist sprachlich gefasste und formal geordnete Darstellungen einer **Menge von Begrifflichkeiten und der zwischen ihnen bestehenden Beziehungen in einem bestimmten Gegenstandsbereich**. Sie werden dazu genutzt, „Wissen“ in digitalisierter und formaler Form zwischen Anwendungsprogrammen und Diensten auszutauschen. Wissen umfasst dabei sowohl Allgemeinwissen als auch Wissen über sehr spezielle Themengebiete und Vorgänge.*

*Ontologien enthalten **Inferenz- und Integritätsregeln**, also Regeln zu Schlussfolgerungen und zur Gewährleistung deren Gültigkeit.*

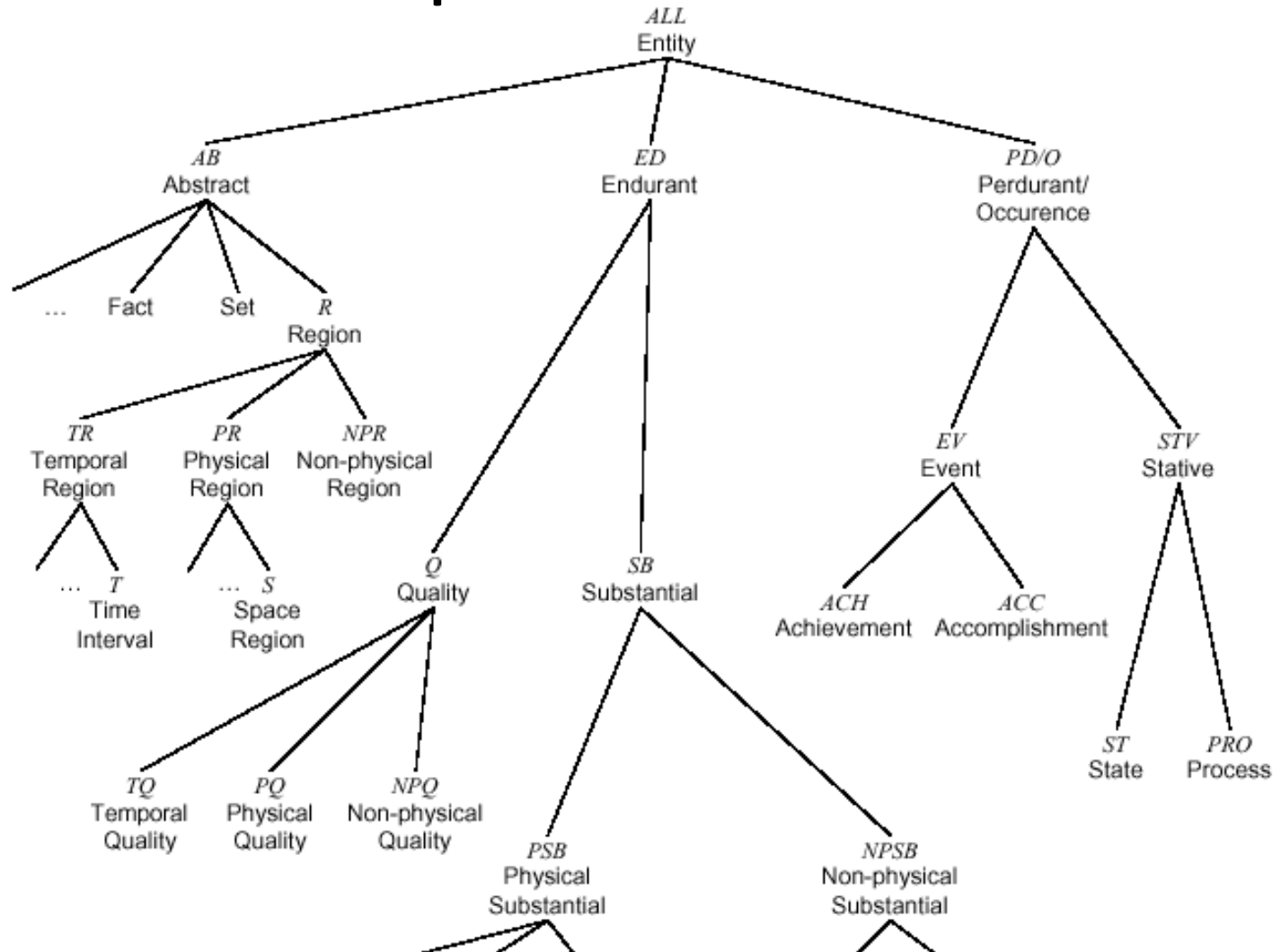
[http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ontologie_\(Informatik\)](http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ontologie_(Informatik))

Was ist die Ontologie in der Philosophie?

Die Ontologie ... ist eine Disziplin der **theoretischen Philosophie**. In der Ontologie geht es in einer allgemeinen Begriffsverwendung um **Grundstrukturen der Realität**. Dieser Gegenstandsbereich ist weitgehend deckungsgleich mit dem, was nach traditioneller Terminologie „allgemeine Metaphysik“ genannt wird. Dabei wird etwa **eine Systematik grundlegender Typen von Entitäten** (Gegenstände, Eigenschaften, Prozesse) und ihrer strukturellen Beziehungen diskutiert.

Upper Ontologies am Beispiel von DOLCE

Upper Ontologies sind die Schnittstellen zwischen der Ontologie (Philosophie) und der Informatik



Warum Ontologien im Web?

People can't share knowledge if they don't speak a common language."

[Tom Davenport, Lawrence Prusak: Working Knowledge]

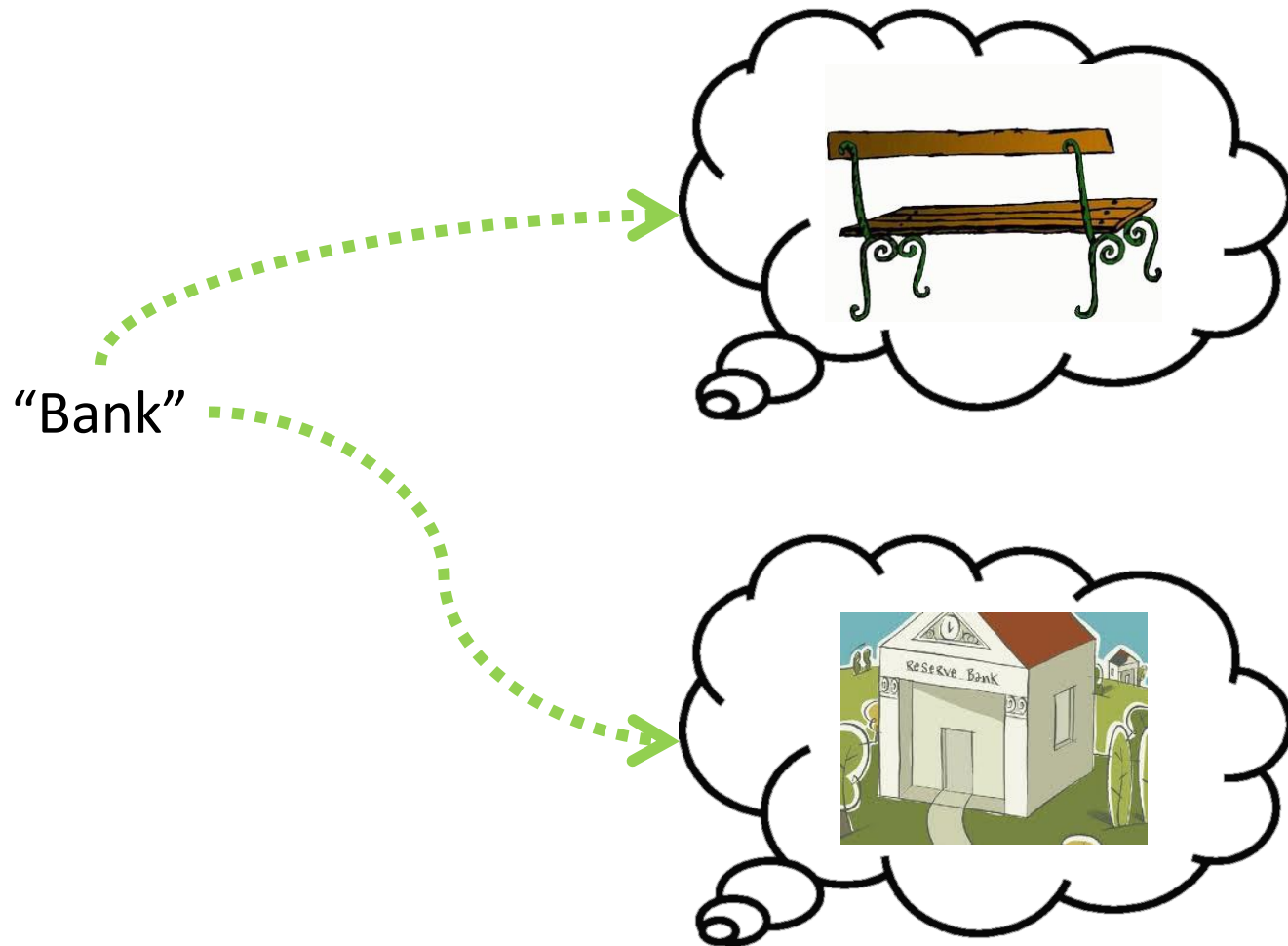
Sprache ist mehrdeutig

Synonyme: Eine Bedeutung, mehrere Wörter

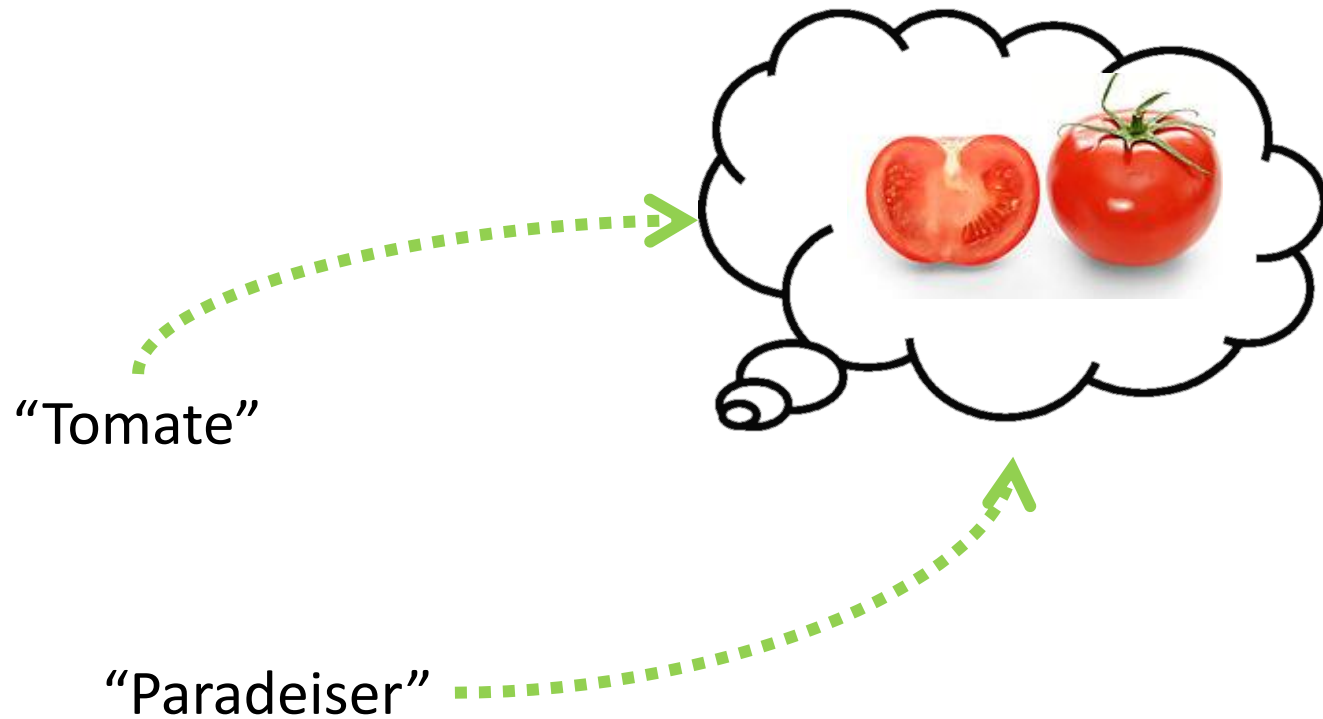
Homonyme: Ein Wort, mehrere Bedeutungen

Am Schwierigsten zu erkennen: teilweise
gemeinsames Verständnis, Abweichungen im
Detail

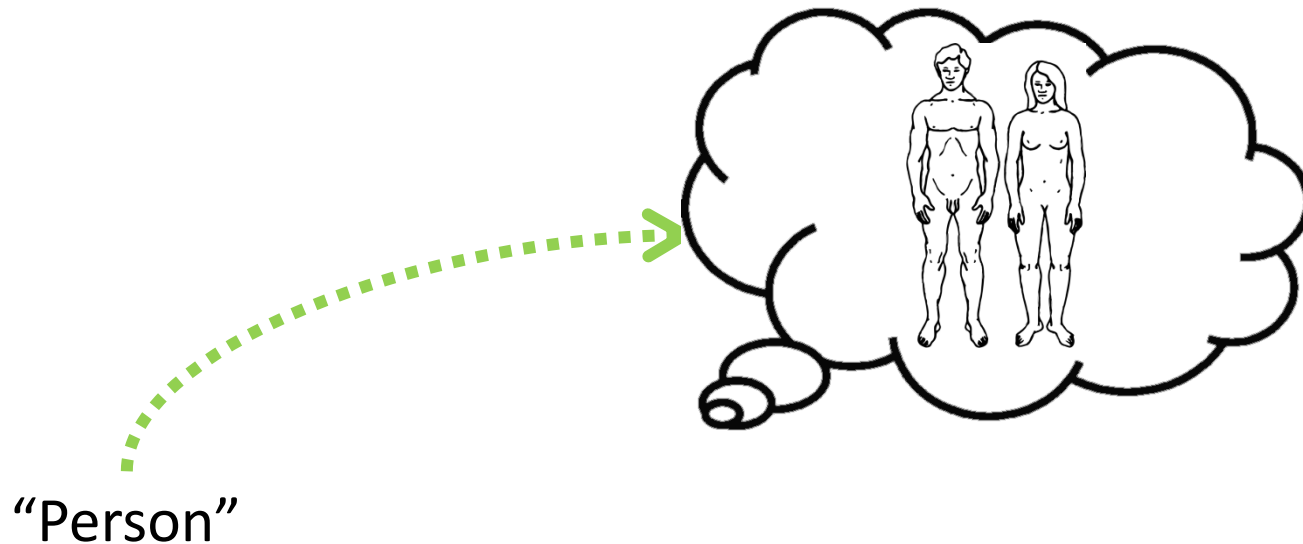
Homonymy



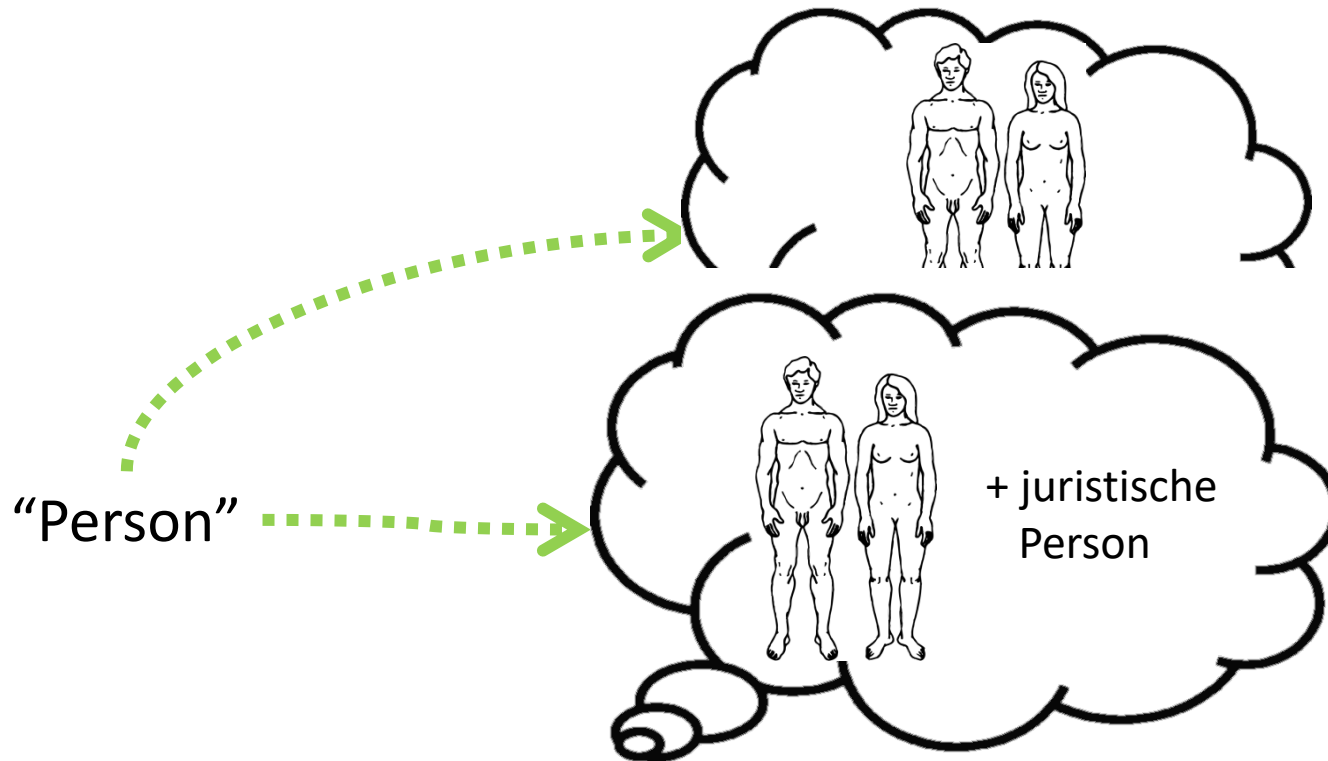
Synonyme



Abweichungen in Bedeutung, überlappende Bedeutung



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Warum Ontologien im Web?

- Grundlage für Daten- und Wissensaustausch
- Ontologien sind
 - gemeinsames Vokabular
 - Sicherstellung, dass alle das Gleiche unter den verwendeten Begriffen verstehen
- Automatisierung (Reasoning Tasks)
 - Ableiten von implizitem Wissen
 - Erkennen von Widersprüchen
 - Ermitteln von Begriffshierarchien

Ontologie-Sprachen für das Web

- RDF(S)
 - nur für einfache Vokabulare
 - nicht ausdrückstark genug
- Web Ontology Language (OWL und OWL 2)
 - basiert auf Beschreibungslogiken
 - verschiedene Dialekte
- F-Logic
 - basiert auf Regeln, Datalog/Prolog
 - großen Einfluss auf Rule Interchange Format (RIF)

Grundbausteine von Ontologien

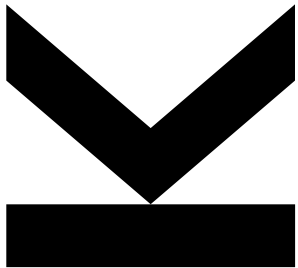
Semantische Modellierung

(Klassen, Properties, Instanzen)

+ Zusätzliche Einschränkungen und Regeln

+ Begriffsdefinitionen

OWL Reasoning Tasks



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OVERVIEW

- These slides explain the two kinds of reasoning tasks which are to be carried out manually (in the exam), how to visualize the results, and how to check the results using Protégé
 - Subsumption Checking
 - given an ontology and a set of classes from this ontology, find the semantic relationship (subclass-of \sqsubseteq , superclass-of \sqsupseteq , equivalent-to \equiv , disjoint-with $\sqsubseteq \neg$, or none) for each pair of classes
 - Instance Checking
 - given an ontology and a set of individuals and a set of classes from this ontology find out for each <individual,class>-pair whether the individual is definitely a member of (+), may be a member of (?), or is definitely not a member (-) of the class

SUBSUMPTION CHECKING

Class: **Young**

Class: **Person**

Class: **Female**

Class: **Male**

DisjointWith: Female

Class: **Woman**

EquivalentTo: Female and Person

Class: **Man**

EquivalentTo: Male and Person

Class: **YoungPerson**

EquivalentTo: Person and Young

Class: **YoungWoman**

EquivalentTo: Woman and Young

Task: Find the pairwise semantic relationships of classes Woman, Man, YoungWoman, Person, and YoungPerson.

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- \sqsupseteq SuperClassOf
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Man					
YoungWoman					
Person					
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Man		\sqcap	$\sqcap \neg$	\equiv	
YoungWoman	\sqcap	\sqcap	\equiv		
Person	\sqsupseteq	\equiv			
YoungPerson	\equiv				

CHECK RESULTS IN PROTÉGÉ

Active ontology | Entities | Individuals by class | DL Query

DL query: ⏏ ⏏ ⏏ ⏏

Query (class expression)

Woman ⏏

Execute **Add to ontology**

Query results

Equivalent classes (1 of 1)

- Woman** ?

Superclasses (2 of 3)

- Female** ?
- Person** ?

Subclasses (1 of 2)

- YoungWoman** ?

Query for

- ☐ Direct superclasses
- ☒ Superclasses
- ☒ Equivalent classes
- ☐ Direct subclasses
- ☒ Subclasses
- ☐ Instances

Reasoner active ☒ Show Inferences ⏏

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Fang	?	?	–	?	–
Harry	+	+	–	+	–

Woman

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Query results

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◆ Hermione

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Reasoner active ☒ Show Inferences

Instances of
Woman

not Woman

Execute Add to ontology

Query results

Instances (2 of 2)

◆ Fang

◆ Harry

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Instances of
not Woman

- + is instance of
- is definitely not an instance of
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Fang	?	?	-	?	-
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