# Wednesday Fine-grained justifications

### Schedule for today

- Superfluousness
- Laconic and precise justifications
- Discussion
- Tool session: Explanation Workbench

#### The story so far ...

- Justifications are great: they contain no superfluous axioms
- But they can still contain superfluous parts of axioms!

- Some justifications contain large axioms
- Not all parts thereof are relevant
- Problems:
  - Justification is hard to understand
  - If repair = removing the whole axiom, then we might lose other entailments

Example I:  $A \sqsubseteq B \sqcap C$  $C \sqsubseteq D \sqcap \neg D$ 

A is unsatisfiable,

but if we delete the first axiom, we'll lose the entailment  $A \sqsubseteq B$ . (Over-repair)

#### Example 2: Explanation in SWOOP (TAMBIS ontology)

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Axioms causing the inference
alpha-helix = owl:Nothing:

 (alpha-helix ⊆ protein-secondary-structure)

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3)
       |_(protein-structure = (biological-structure ∩ (∀structure-of , macromolecular-compound) ∩ (∃structure-of ,
macromolecular-compound)))
         |\underline{\text{(macromolecular-compound}}| = (\exists \text{has-length . residue-number}) \cap (\forall \text{polymer-of . small-organic-molecular-})
4)
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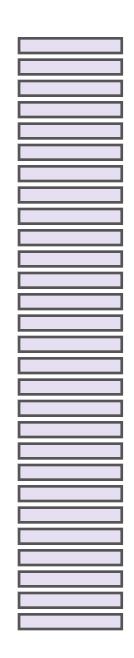
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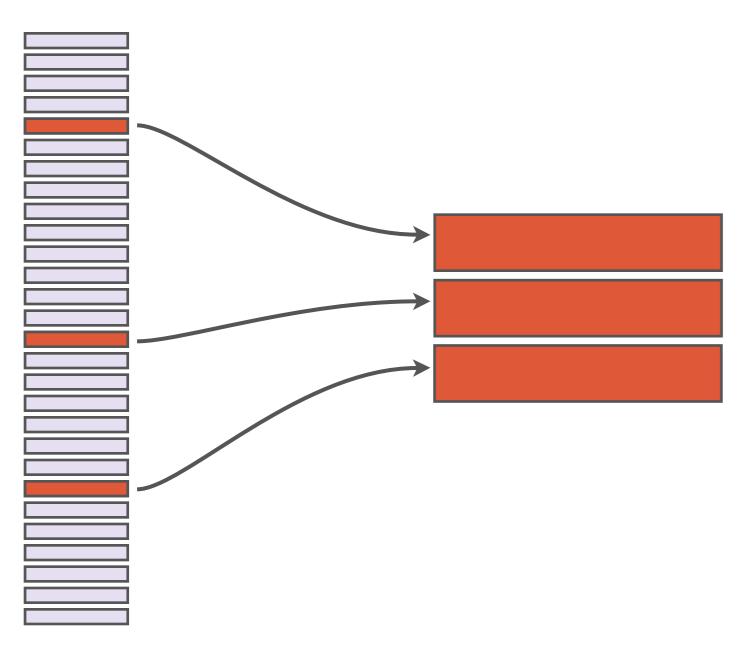
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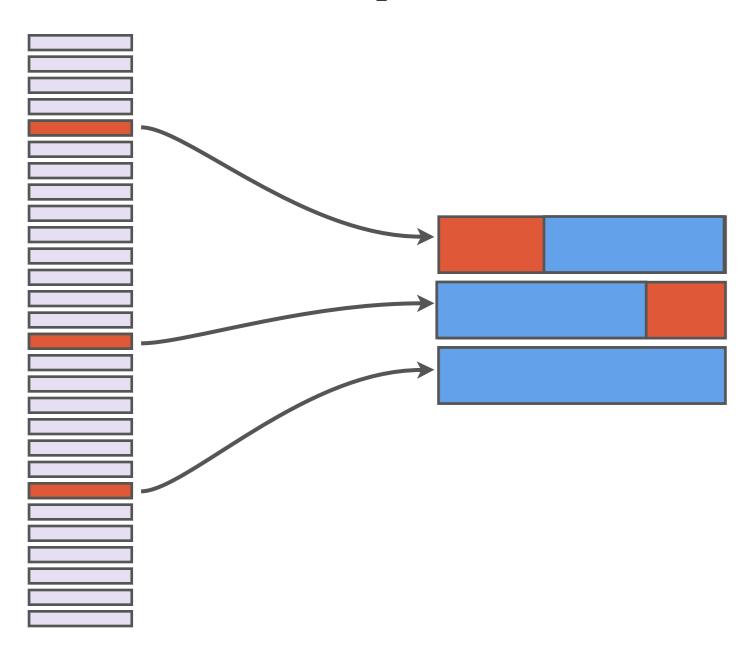
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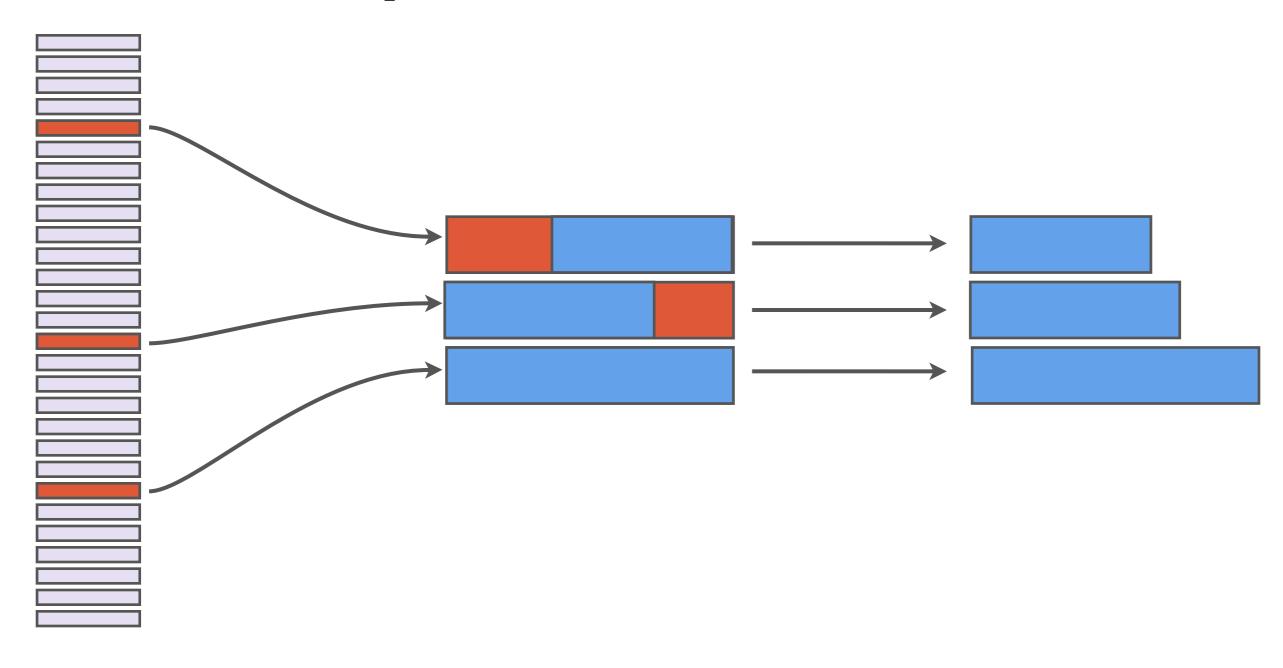
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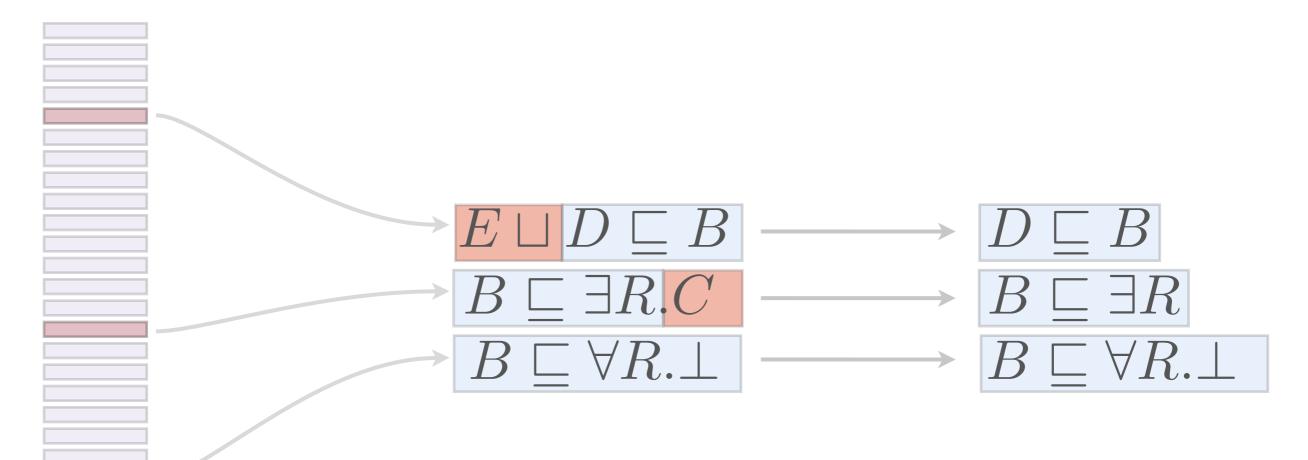














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B is irrelevant, distracting, and might lead to over-repair!

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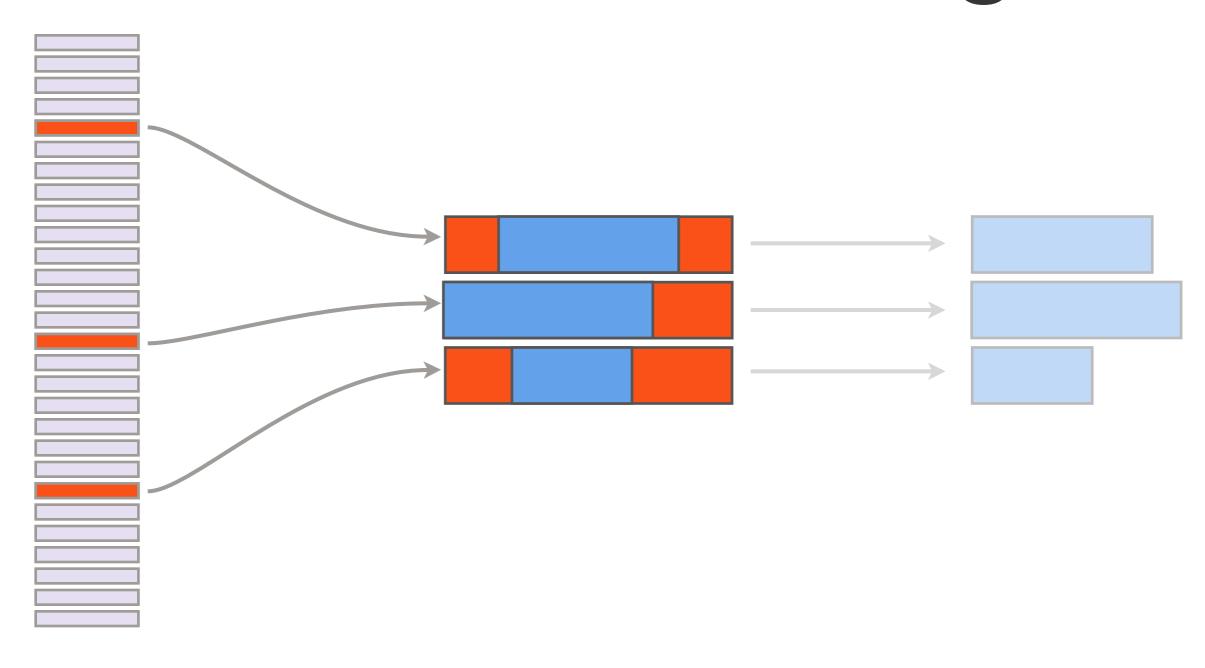
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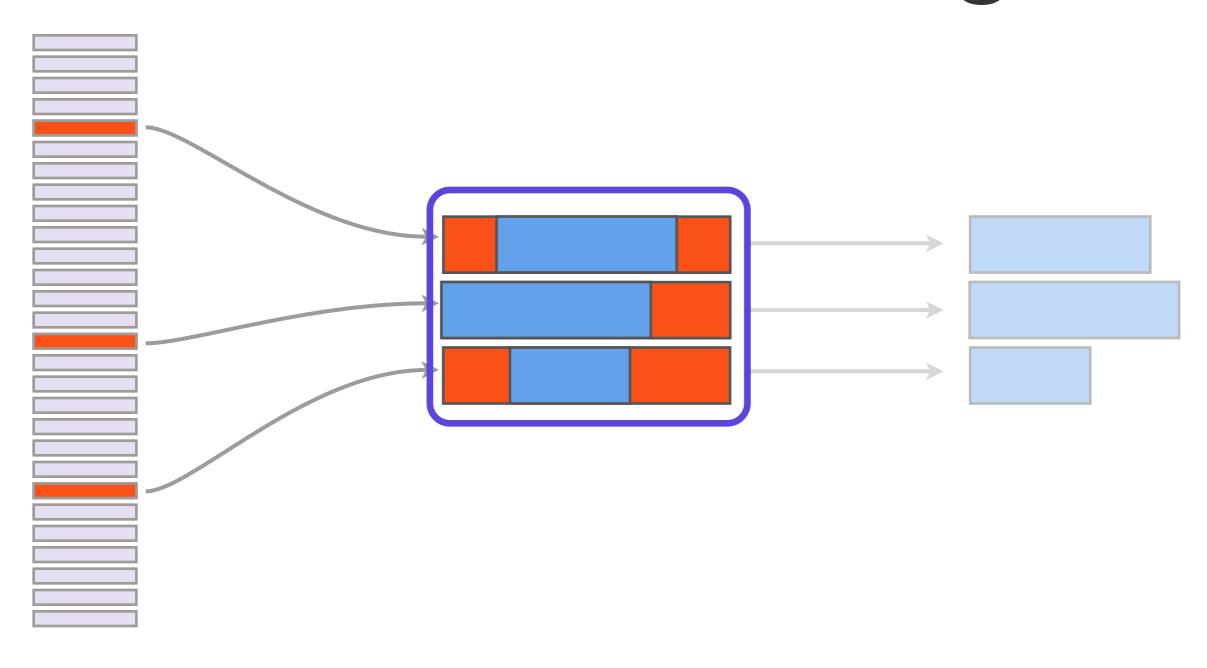
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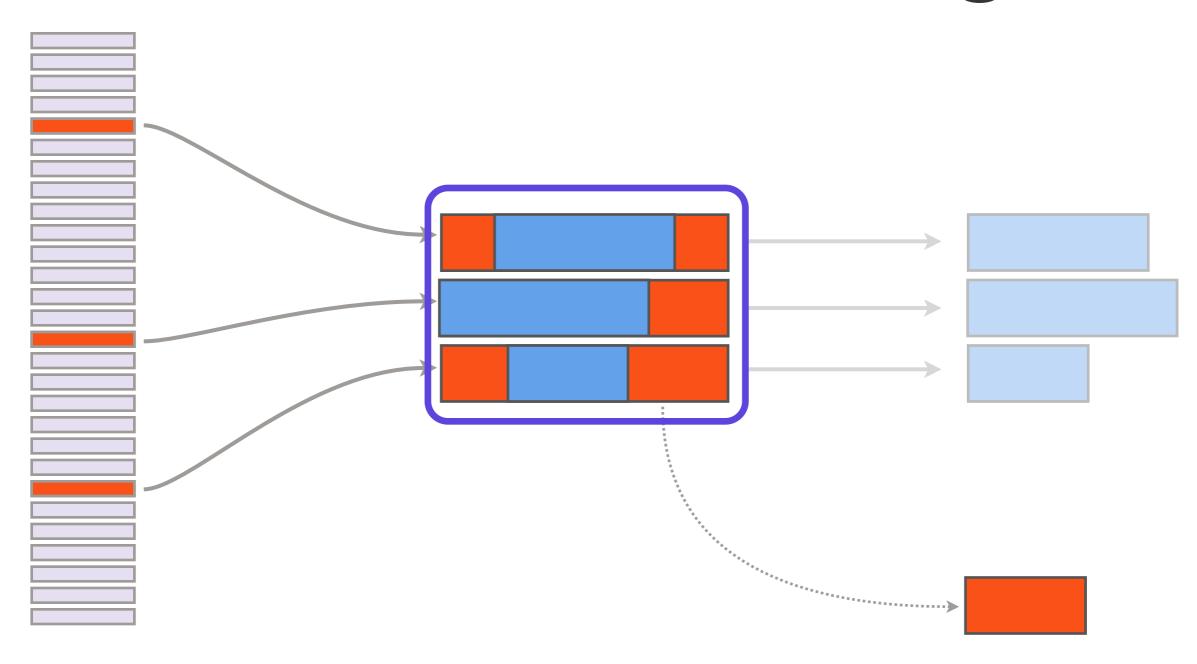
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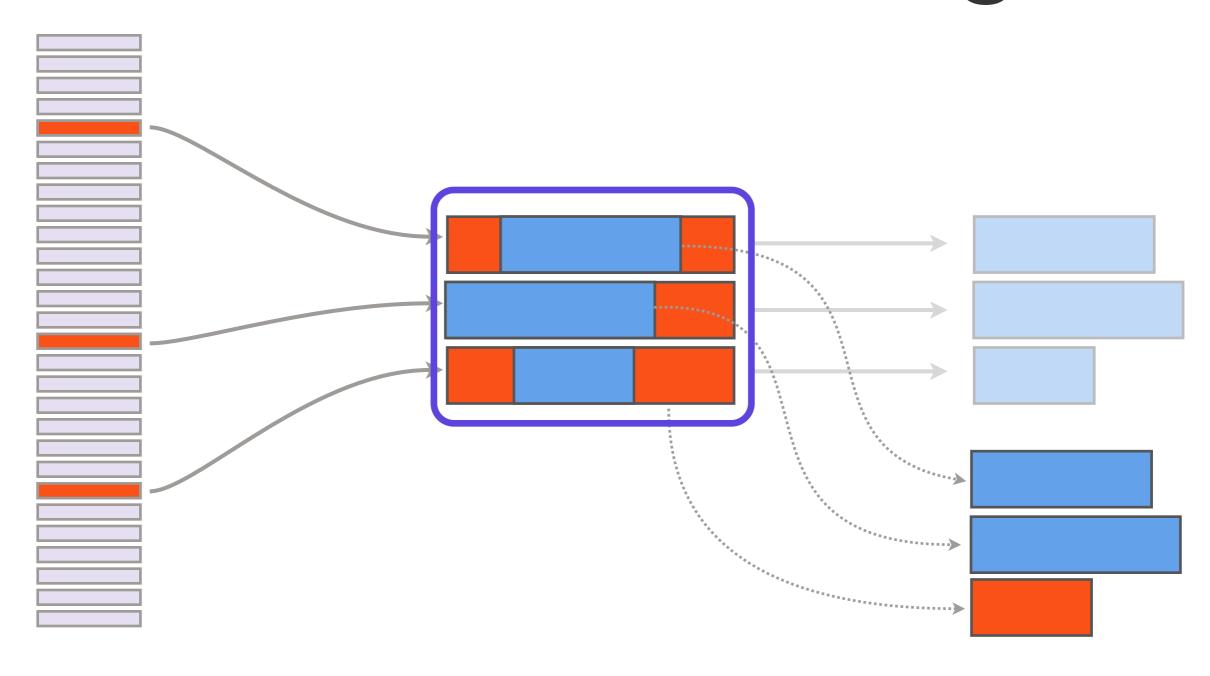
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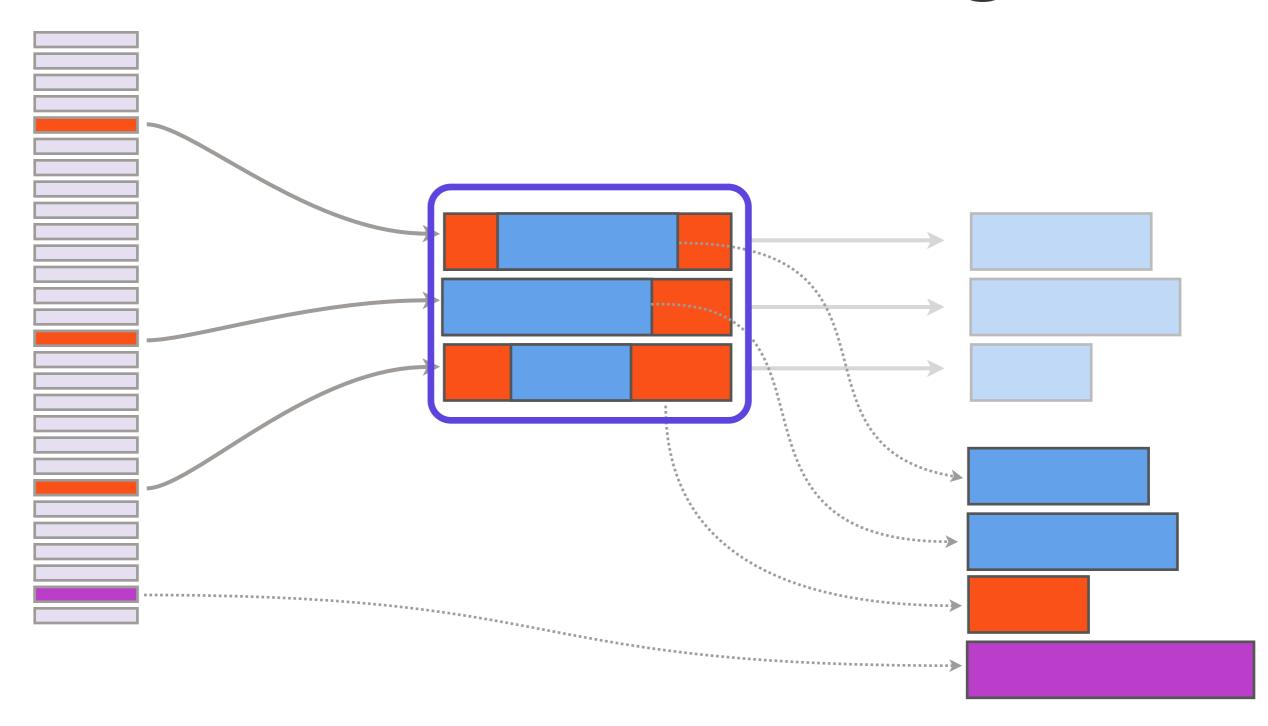
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#### Problems

	Understanding	Repair
Superfluous parts	Wasted effort	Possibility of over-repair
Internal masking	Not obvious that there is >1 explanation	Lack of understanding ~> over-repair possible
External masking	Further explanations can be overlooked	Not all info for repair available; over-repair poss.
Shared	Looks like there are more reasons than there are	Repair design is time consuming; over-repair poss.



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#### Fine-grained Justifications

#### Intuitions:

- Show me only parts of axioms! But what is a part? How far to split?
- Do a minimal repair!



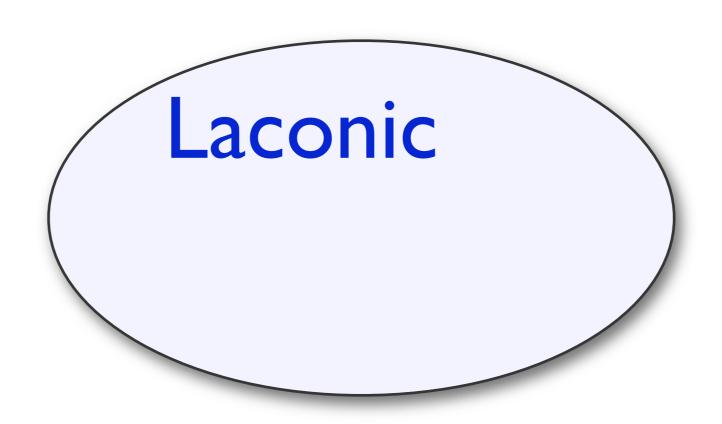
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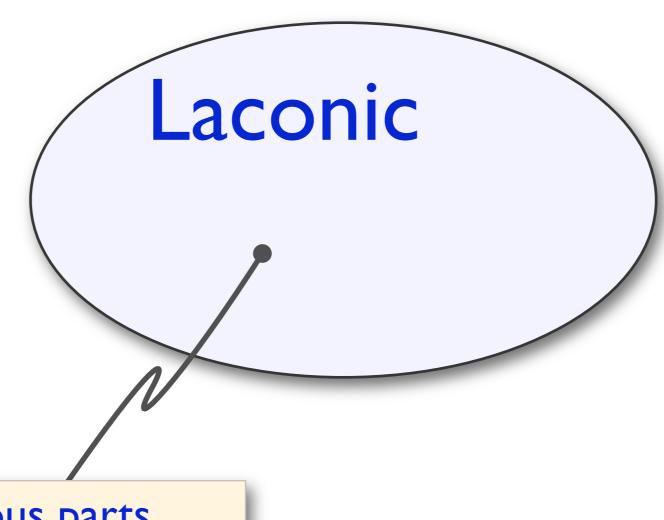
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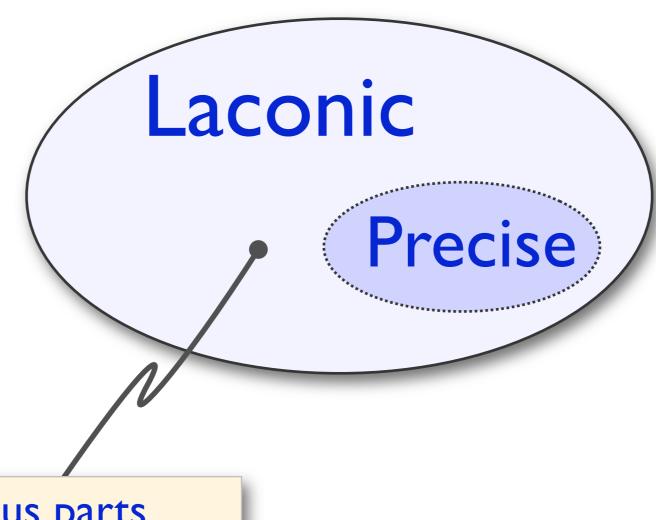


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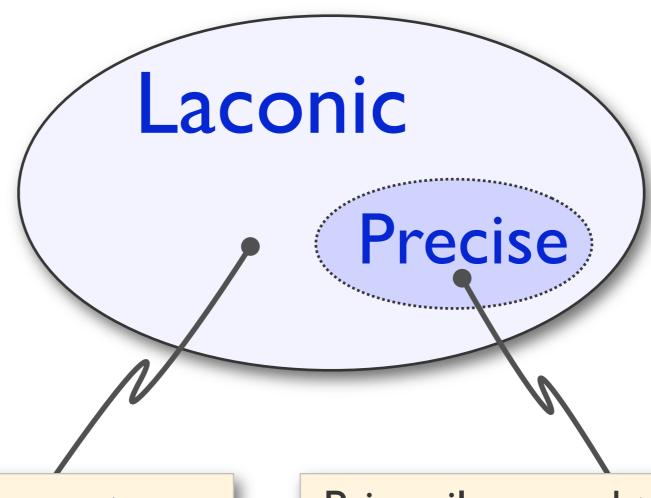


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Primarily geared towards repair

Each axiom is a minimal repair

# Laconic and precise justifications

#### **Intuitions:**

- Instead of whole axioms, use parts thereof
- Get parts from deductive closure 0\* of ont. 0:
   O\* = 0 "plus" all its entailments
- Use axioms from 0\* to construct explanations
   Get rid of superfluous parts

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#### How to weaken axioms?

- In previous example, we
  - → Left out conjuncts
  - weakened exact-cardinality restriction
  - weakened equivalence
- How to do this systematically?
- We need to flatten nested class descriptions using a Structural Transformation

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#### Structural Transformation

Example: see blackboard

Definition: see paper [1]

[1] M. Horridge, B. Parsia, U. Sattler: Laconic and Precise Justifications in OWL. ISWC '08.

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- 3. For each  $\alpha \in \delta(\mathcal{J})$  there is no  $\alpha'$  such that
  - (a)  $\alpha'$  is weaker than  $\alpha$ :  $\alpha \models \alpha'$  and  $\alpha' \not\models \alpha$
  - (b)  $\alpha'$  is no longer than  $\alpha$ :  $|\alpha'| \leq |\alpha|$
  - (c)  $(\delta(\mathcal{J})\setminus\{\alpha\})\cup\delta(\alpha')$  is a justification for  $\eta$  in  $\delta(\mathcal{O}^*)$



#### Laconic Justifications

Example: see blackboard

### Precise Justifications

Given a justification  $\mathcal{J}$  for  $\mathcal{O} \models \eta$ 

Let 
$$\mathcal{J}' = \delta(\mathcal{J})$$

Then  $\mathcal{J}'$  is a precise justification with respect to  $\mathcal{J}$  if  $\mathcal{J}$  is a laconic justification for  $\mathcal{O} \models \eta$ 

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  \top \sqsubseteq X_3 \sqcup X_4
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 X_4 \subseteq \forall R.X_5
 X_5 \sqsubseteq C
 X_4 \sqsubseteq F
  \top \sqsubseteq X_6 \sqcup X_7
 X_6 \sqsubseteq \neg E
 X_7 \subseteq \exists R.X_8
 X_8 \sqsubseteq C
 X_7 \subseteq \forall R.X_9
 X_9 \sqsubseteq C
  \top \sqsubseteq X_{10} \sqcup X_{11}
X_{10} \sqsubseteq E
X_{11} \sqsubseteq X_{12} \sqcup X_{13}
X_{12} \sqsubseteq \forall R.X_{14}
X_{14} \sqsubseteq \neg C
X_{13} \subseteq \exists R.X_{15}
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 $X_{15} \sqsubseteq \neg C$ 

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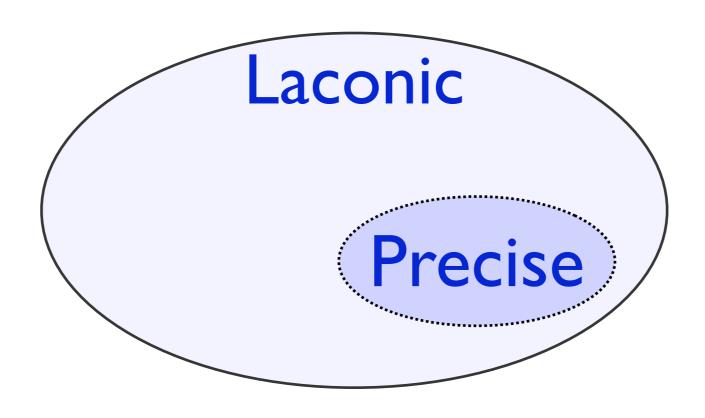
- → Looks horrible
- Difficult to understand
   and to relate back to the original ontology

#### Preferred Laconic Justifications

- Precise justifications don't work as expected
- In the context of an ontology, not all remaining laconic justifications will be easy to understand
- Some weakenings can be confusing:
  - $\geq$  | instead of = |
  - ▶ GCI instead of domain axiom
- We need to filter laconic justifications!
- Use those LJ whose axioms have a syntactic resemblance to the asserted axioms in the ontology.

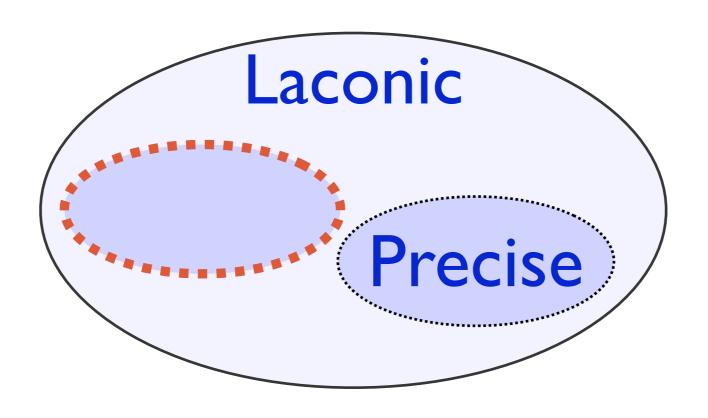


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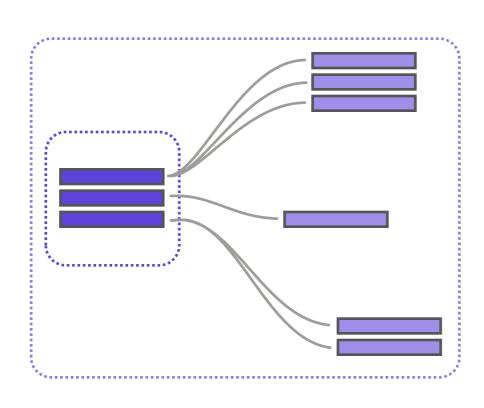
- LJs defined with respect to the deductive closure
- There could be many LJs for an entailment
- Need to filter the LJs we are interested in
- ~> <u>0</u>+
- O+ ensures that LJs have a syntactic resemblance to the original ontology O
- Essentially, 0+ contains systematically weakened axioms from 0

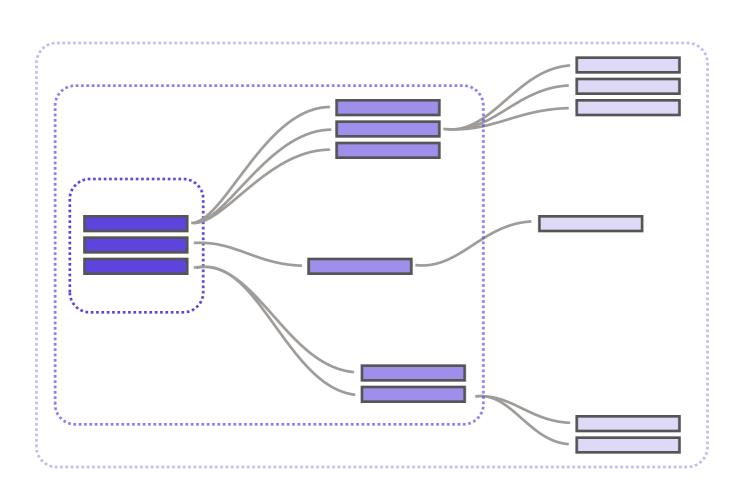


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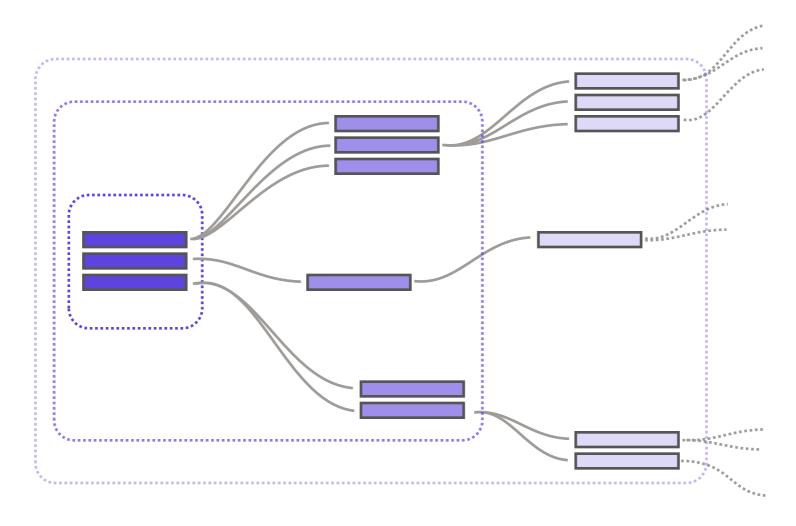


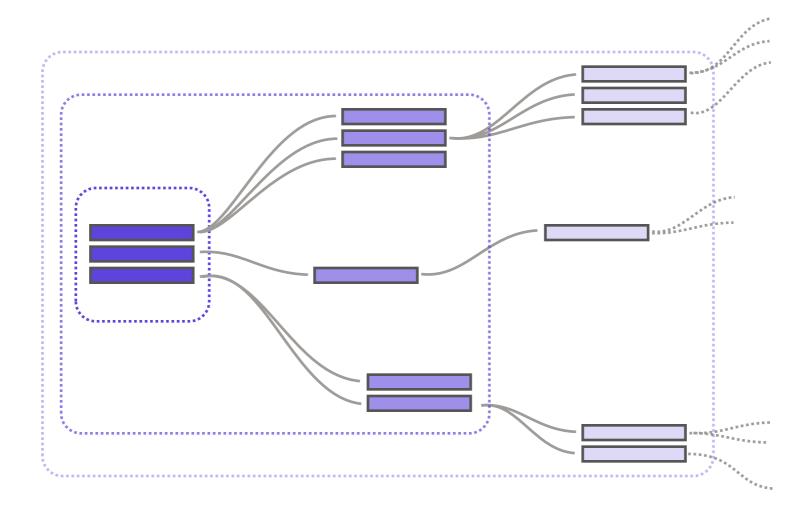




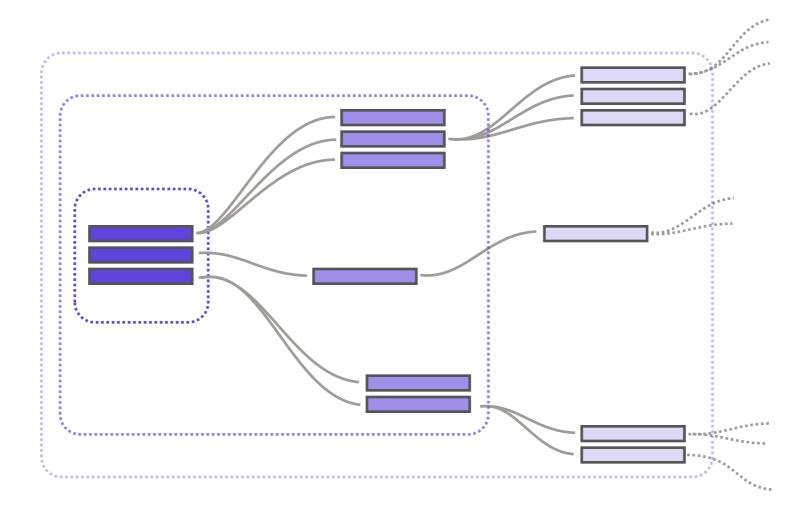


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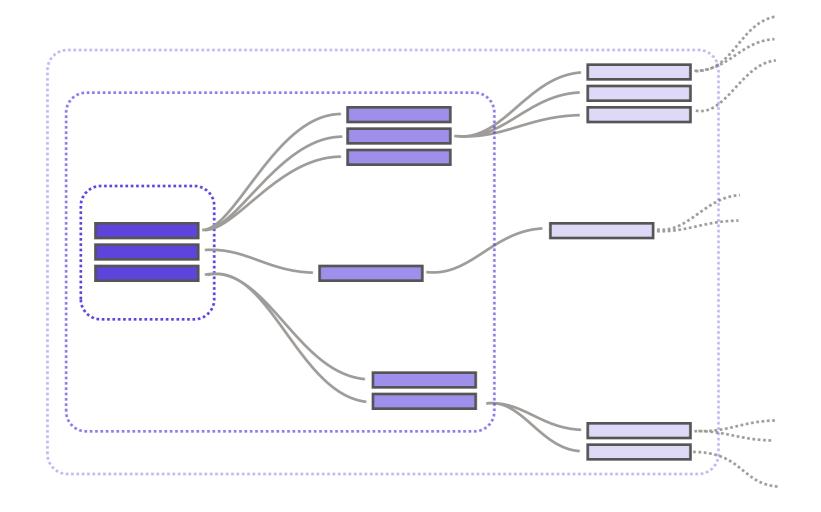




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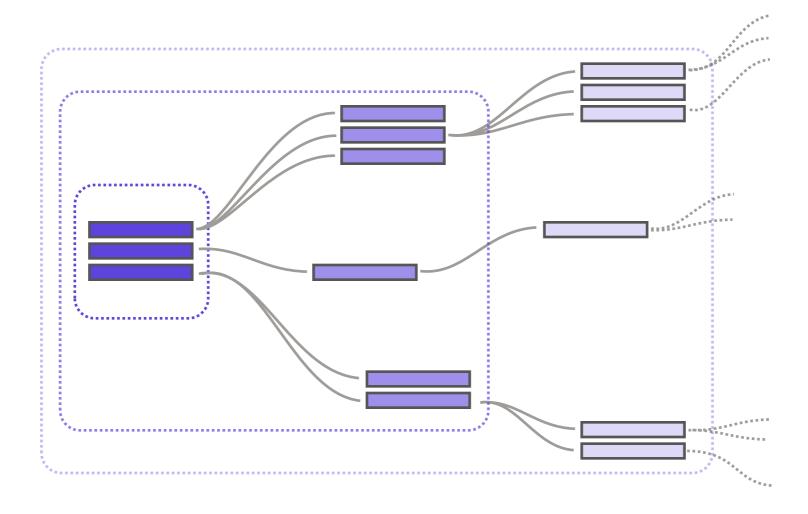






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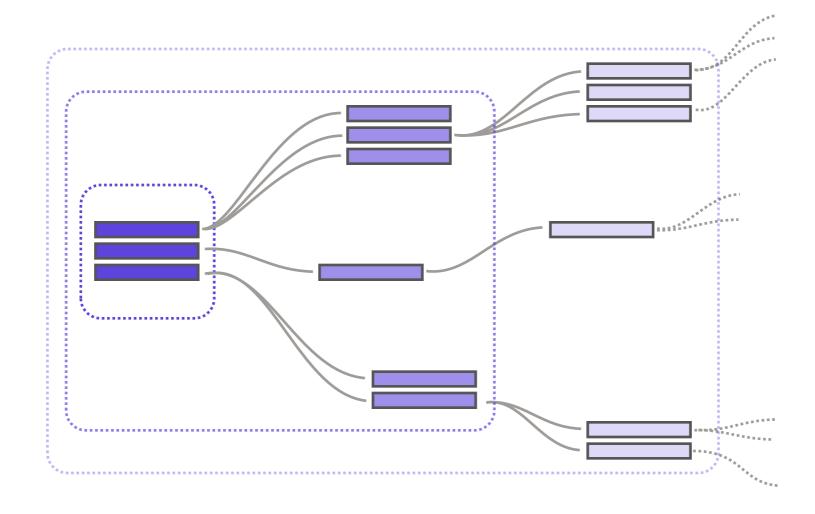


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- O+ is not uniquely determined
- Details depend on how LJs are used:

$$\mathcal{O} = \{ C \sqsubseteq D \sqcap \neg D \sqcap E \} \qquad \models C \sqsubseteq \bot$$

$$\mathcal{J}_1 = \{ C \sqsubseteq D \sqcap \neg D \}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_2 = \{ C \sqsubseteq D, C \sqsubseteq \neg D \}$$

For presentation: prefer  $\mathcal{J}_1$ 

For repair: prefer  $\mathcal{J}_2$ 



#### Filter:



- Has been devised for DL SHOIQ, see paper [1]
- $\bullet \ \mathcal{O} \subseteq \mathcal{O}^+ \subseteq \mathcal{O}^*$
- $\mathcal{O}^+$  is usually finite, but exponentially large, i.e.,  $|\mathcal{O}^+| \approx 2^{|\mathcal{O}|}$
- Don't need to compute whole  $\mathcal{O}^+$ !

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