



Représentation de connaissances

II – Règles ontologiques

et **interrogation** de bases de connaissances

KNOWLEDGE BASED SYSTEMS

Knowledge Base
(KB)



Reasoning
Services



- **General knowledge on the application domain**
« *Cats are Mammals* »
Ontology (TBox in DL)
- **Factual Knowledge**
Description of specific individuals, situations, ...

Félix is a Cat

Factbase, Database
(Abox in DL)

Fundamental tasks

- **Analysing the ontology:**
satisfiability of a concept, classification of concepts,...
- **Computing answers** to a query over the KB

...

Reasoning algorithms associated with the KR language

Knowledge expressed in a KR language

WHAT KINDS OF LANGUAGES TO EXPRESS ONTOLOGIES?

Very light languages

Hierarchies of classes

Hierarchies of binary relations (called « roles » or « properties »)

Signatures of these relations (« domain » and « range »)

→ **RDF Schema**

More expressive fragments of first-order logics

Description Logics

Rule-based languages

Datalog, existential rules,

RDF deductive rules, Answer Set Programming ...

From a logical viewpoint: an ontology is composed of

a **finite set of predicates** (to express concepts and relations)

a **finite set of (closed) formulas** over these predicates

of the form $\forall X (\text{condition}[X, \dots] \rightarrow \text{conclusion}[X, \dots])$

DESCRIPTION LOGICS: STANDARD REASONING TASKS

Standard reasoning tasks on a KB $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$

w.r.t. = « with respect to »

- Concept subsumption $\mathcal{T} \models C \sqsubseteq D ?$
- Concept satisfiability is C satisfiable w.r.t. $\mathcal{T} ?$
- KB satisfiability is $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$ satisfiable ?
- Instance checking $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A}) \models C(b)$, where b is a constant?

All these tasks can be expressed in terms of KB (un)satisfiability provided that the constructors in the considered DL allow for it

Concept subsumption	$\mathcal{T} \models C \sqsubseteq D$ iff $(\mathcal{T}, \{C(a), \neg D(a)\})$ unsatisfiable
Concept satisfiability	C satisfiable w.r.t. \mathcal{T} iff $(\mathcal{T}, \{C(a)\})$ satisfiable
Instance checking	$(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A}) \models C(b)$ iff $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A} \cup \{\neg C(b)\})$ unsatisfiable

Query answering **beyond** instance checking?

QUERY ANSWERING BEYOND INSTANCE CHECKING?

Standard expressive DL \mathcal{ALC}

- Concepts:

$$C := \top \mid A \mid C_1 \sqcap C_2 \mid \exists R.C \mid \neg C \mid C_1 \sqcup C_2 \mid \forall R.C$$

- TBox axioms: only concept inclusions

Query answering beyond instance checking?

Instance checking : $\exists \text{childOf.T}(a)$? « Does a have a parent ? »

How to answer a more complex query (« conjunctive query »):

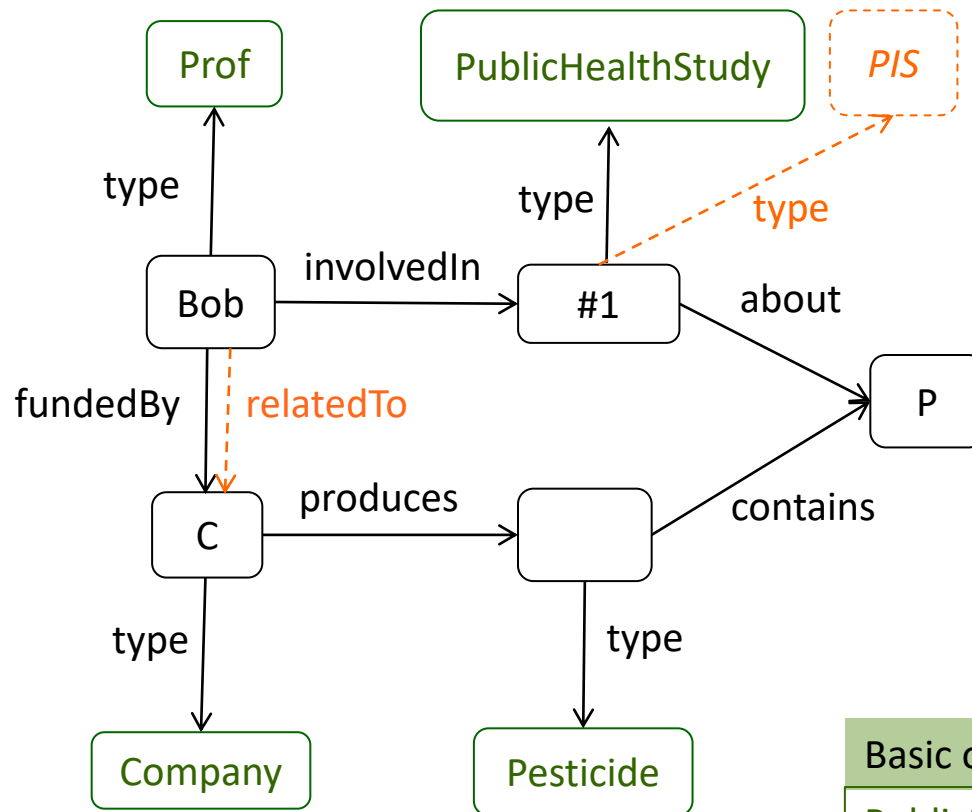
Q: $\exists x (\text{childOf}(a,x) \wedge \text{childOf}(b,x))$?

« Do a and b have a common parent? »

$(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A}) \models Q$? cannot be reduced to a standard reasoning task
basically because Q cannot be turned into a concept

Query answering with expressive DLs requires other techniques than « tableaux ». It has very high complexity and may even be undecidable

ONTOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE DESCRIBED BY RULES



Knowledge Graph

(could be seen as RDF triples)

Logical factbase

```
∃x (
  Prof(Bob)           ∧
  PHS(#1)             ∧
  Comp(C)             ∧
  Pest(x)             ∧
  involvedIn(Bob,#1)  ∧
  fundedBy(Bob,C)     ∧
  about(#1,P)         ∧
  produces(C,x)       ∧
  contains(x,P) )
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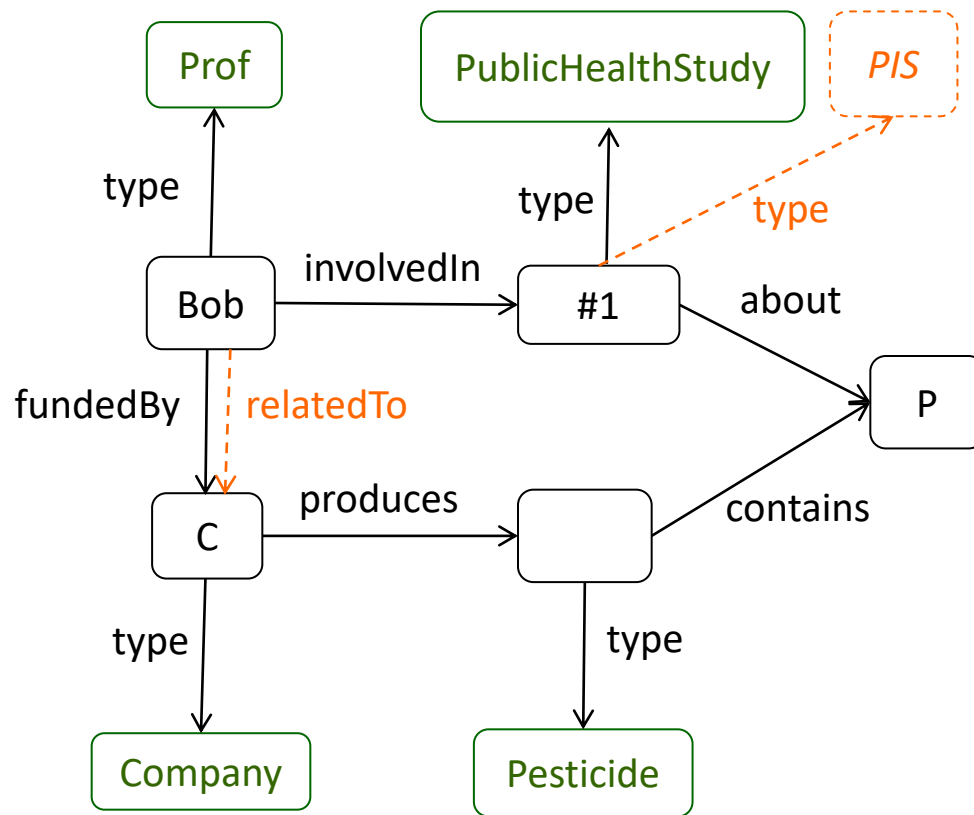
Basic ontological knowledge

PublicHealthStudy **subclass of** PublicInterestStudy
fundedBy **subproperty of** relatedTo

$$\forall x (PHS(x) \rightarrow PIS(x))$$
$$\forall x \forall y (fundedBy(x,y) \rightarrow relatedTo(x,y))$$

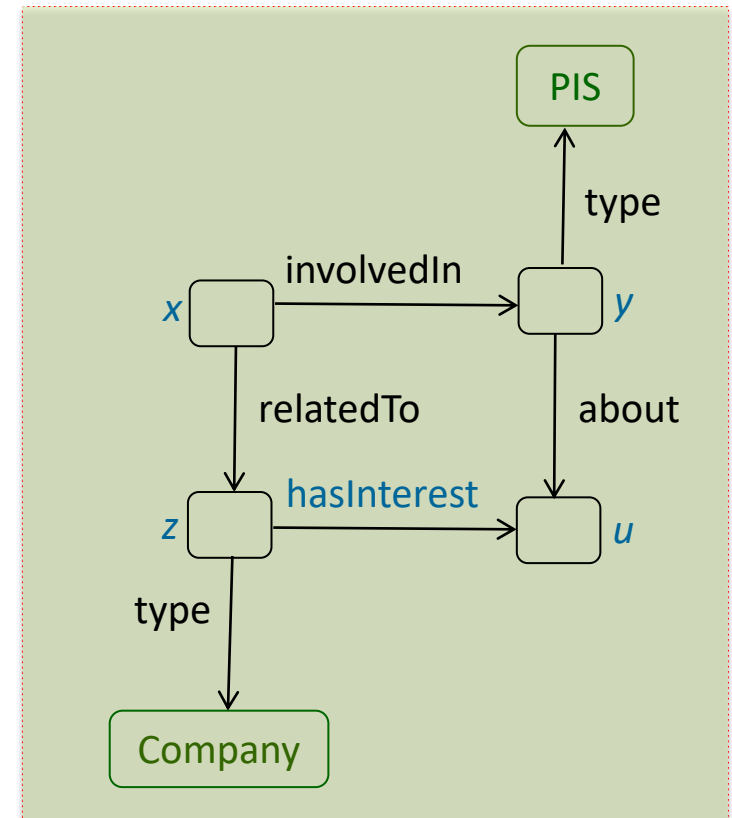
allows to infer: **PIS(#1)** , **relatedTo(Bob,C)**

HOW TO INFER CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (CoI) ?



Query: “Find all x, y, z such that x has a conflict for study y because of its relationships with company z ”

$q(x,y,z) = \text{ConflictOfInterest}(x,y,z)$

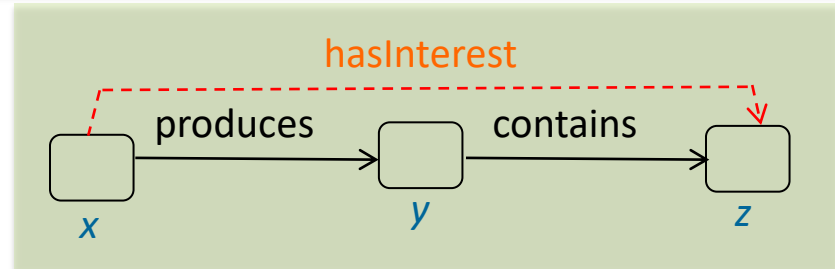


Col pattern

What kind of **ontological knowledge** would allow to represent the notion of « conflict of interest »?

DEFINING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

$R_1: \forall x \forall y \forall z (\text{produces}(x,y) \wedge \text{contains}(y,z) \rightarrow \text{hasInterest}(x,z))$



$R_2: \forall x \forall y \forall z \forall u (\text{involvedIn}(x,y) \wedge \text{PIS}(y) \wedge \text{about}(y,u) \wedge \text{relatedTo}(x,z) \wedge \text{Company}(z) \wedge \text{hasInterest}(z,u) \rightarrow \text{Col}(x,y,z))$

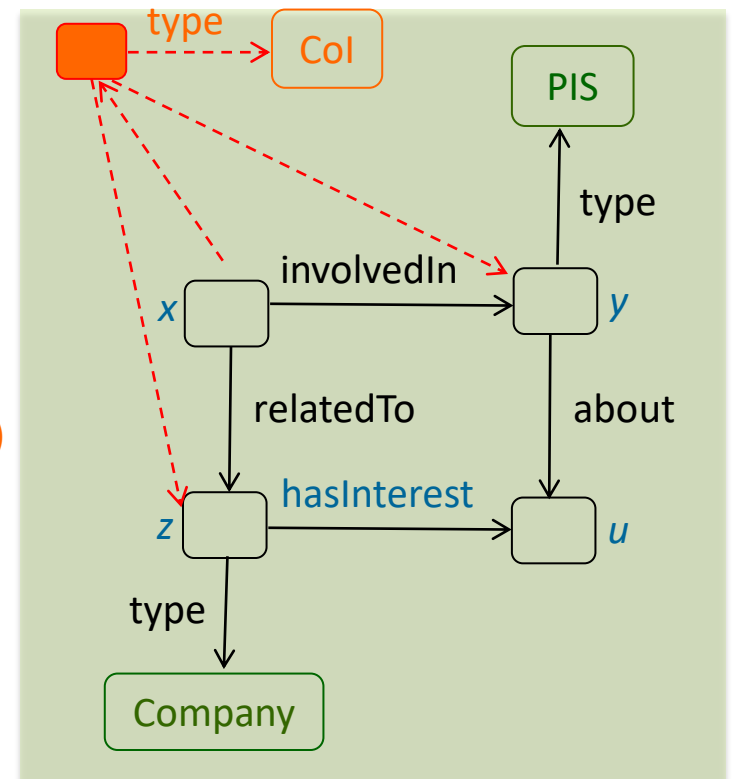
We use here a ternary predicate.

What if we only have unary and binary predicates ?

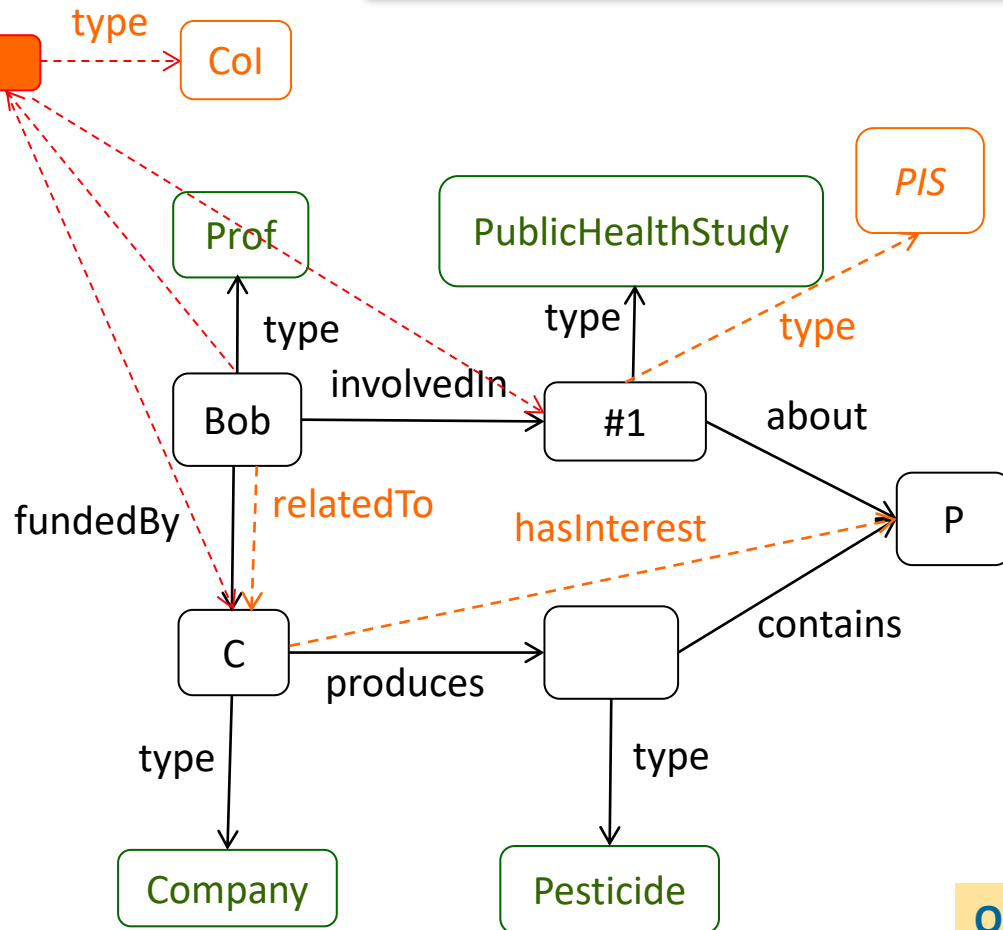
Reification: new object of type **Col**

$R_2: \forall x \forall y \forall z \forall u (\text{body}[x,y,z,u] \rightarrow \exists o (\text{Col}(o) \wedge \text{in}(x,o) \wedge \text{on}(o,y) \wedge \text{with}(o,z))$

where $\text{body}[x,y,z,u]$ is the Col pattern



INFERRING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST



Facts

Prof(Bob), PHS(#1), Comp(C), Pest(x)
 involvedIn(Bob,#1), fundedBy(Bob,C)
 about(#1,P), produces(C,x), contains(x,P)

Rules (universal quantifiers omitted)

$PHS(x) \rightarrow PIS(x)$
 $fundedBy(x,y) \rightarrow relatedTo(x,y)$

$R_1: produces(x,y) \wedge contains(y,z) \rightarrow hasInterest(x,z)$

$R_2: involvedIn(x,y) \wedge PIS(y) \wedge about(y,u) \wedge relatedTo(x,z) \wedge Company(z) \wedge hasInterest(z,u) \rightarrow \exists o Col(o) \wedge in(x,o) \wedge on(o,y) \wedge with(o,z)$

Inferred facts

$PIS(\#1)$, $relatedTo(Bob,C)$, $hasInterest(C,P)$
 $Col(o_1)$, $in(Bob,o_1)$, $on(o_1,\#1)$, $with(o_1,C)$

Query:

$q(x,y,z) = \exists o Col(o) \wedge in(x,o) \wedge on(o,y) \wedge with(o,z)$

Answer: (Bob,#1,C)

CADRE ÉTUDIÉ DANS CE COURS

- **Base de connaissances (KB)** composée :
 - d'une **base de faits**
(qu'on peut voir comme une base de données relationnelle)
 - d'une **base de règles** positives et conjonctives
(Datalog)
- **Requêtes conjonctives**
(correspondant à des requêtes de base en SQL / SPARQL)
- **Problème fondamental : interrogation de la KB**
(calculer toutes les réponses à une requête conjonctive sur la KB)

Extensions

- **Contraintes négatives**
- (on évoquera les règles existentielles qui généralisent Datalog)
- **Mappings** pour extraire une partie d'une base de données relationnelle et la traduire en une base de faits

FACTBASE

Vocabulary : (\mathcal{P}, C) where \mathcal{P} is a finite set of predicates
 C is a possibly infinite set of constants
[**Arity** of a predicate = its number of arguments]

$\mathcal{P} = \{ \text{Prof}/1, \text{PHS}/1, \text{involvedIn}/2, \dots \}$
 $C = \{ \text{Bob}, \#1, 456, \dots \}$

Fact : a **ground** atom $p(e_1 \dots e_k)$ with $p \in \mathcal{P}$ and $e_i \in C$ [ground = no variables]
 $\text{involvedIn}(\text{Bob}, \#1)$

Factbase : usually a set of **ground atoms** on the vocabulary

$F = \{ \text{Prof}(\text{Bob}), \text{PHS}(\#1), \text{involvedIn}(\text{Bob}, \#1) \}$

logically seen as the conjunction of these atoms

BD RELATIONNELLE VUE COMME UNE BASE DE FAITS

- **Schéma de BD** : ensemble de relations (avec leurs attributs)

ex: **Film** [titre, directeur, acteur]

Pariscopes [salle, titre, horaire]

Coordonnées [salle, adresse, téléphone]

On peut remplacer les attributs par une numérotation : 1,2,3

→ **Vue logique** : Film, Pariscopes, Coordonnées
sont des relations (prédicats) ternaires

- **Instance d'une relation (« table »)** : ensemble de k-uplets
(où k est l'**arité** de la relation)

→ **Vue logique** :

valeurs : constantes

instance de relation : ensemble d'atomes

- **Instance de BD** : ensemble des instances de relation

Une instance de la relation Film

<i>titre</i>	<i>directeur</i>	<i>acteur</i>
The trouble	Hitchcock	Green
The trouble	Hitchcock	Forsythe
The trouble	Hitchcock	MacLaine
The trouble	Hitchcock	Hitchcock
Cries and Whispers	Bergman	Anderson

Vue logique :

{ film(t,h,g), film(t,h,f), film(t,h,m), film(t,h,h), film(c,b,a) }

RELATIONAL DATABASE SEEN AS A FACTBASE

A **relational database** may naturally be viewed as a factbase

Relational **schema** : finite set R of relations \rightarrow predicates
 infinite domain of values \rightarrow constants

Instance of a relation $r \in R$: finite set of tuples on r \rightarrow atoms on r

r	
attr1	attr2
a1	a2
a2	a3
a1	a1

$\{ r(a1,a2), r(a2,a3), r(a1,a1) \}$

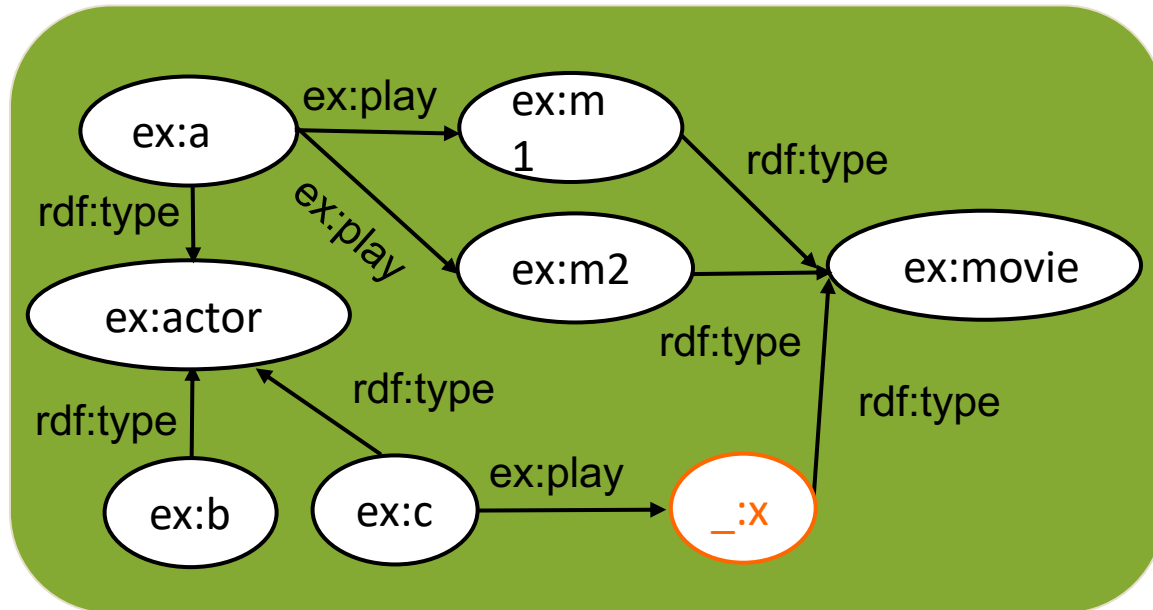
Database instance = $\{ \text{instance for each } r \text{ in } R \}$ \rightarrow factbase

FACTBASES CAN BE EXTENDED TO UNKNOWN VALUES

Relational database

Movie		Actor		Play	
m_id		a_id		m_id	a_id
m1	...	a	...	a	m1
m2	...	b	...	a	m2
?x	...	c	...	c	?x

RDF



Etc.

Abstraction in first-order logic (FOL)

$\exists x (\text{movie}(m1) \wedge \text{movie}(m2) \wedge \text{movie}(x) \wedge$
 $\text{actor}(a) \wedge \text{actor}(b) \wedge \text{actor}(c) \wedge$
 $\text{play}(a,m1) \wedge \text{play}(a,m2) \wedge \text{play}(c,x))$

We generalize here the classical notion of a fact by existential variables

factbase = existentially closed conjunction of atoms

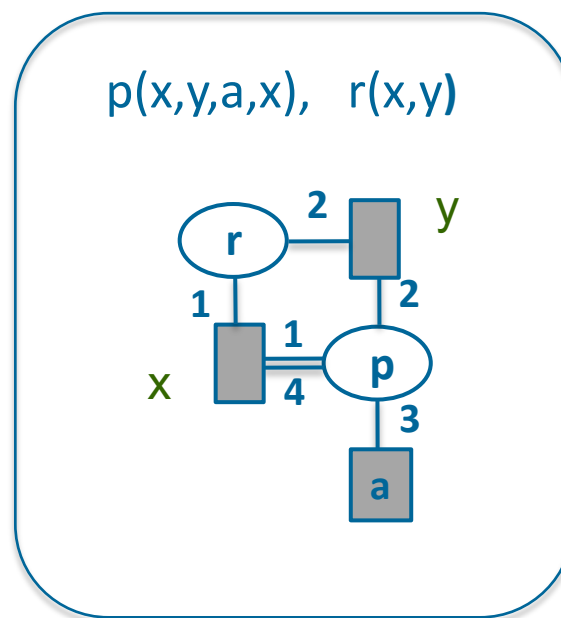
LABELLED HYPERGRAPH / GRAPH REPRESENTATION

- A fact or a set of facts can be seen as a **set of atoms**

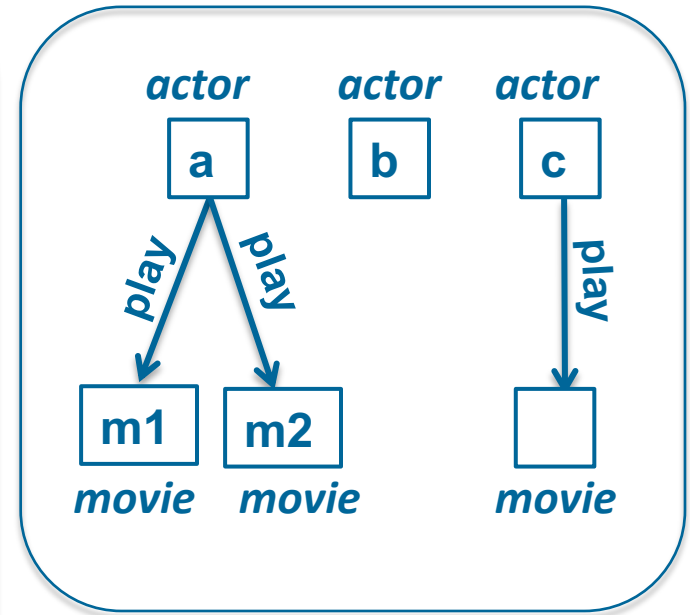
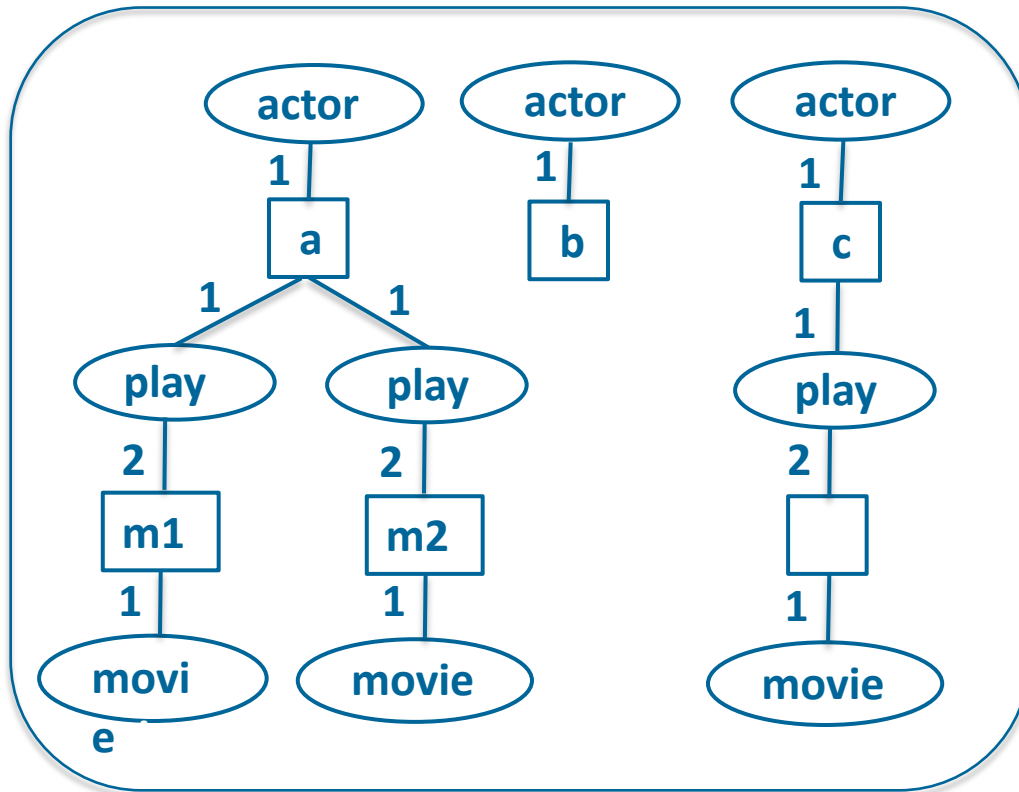
movie(m1), movie(m2), movie(x), actor(a), actor(b), actor(c),
play(a,m1), play(a,m2), play(c,x)

→ hence a **hypergraph**
or its associated **bipartite (multi-)graph**

- one (labelled) node per term
- one (labelled) node per atom (~ hyperedge)
- totally ordered edges



movie(m1), movie(m2), movie(x), actor(a), actor(b), actor(c),
play(a,m1), play(a,m2), play(c,x)



If predicates are at most binary:
atom nodes can be replaced by **labels** and **directed edges**

CONJUNCTIVE QUERIES (CQ)

$q(x) = \exists y (\text{movie}(y) \wedge \text{play}(x, y))$ « *find all those who play in a movie* »

$q() = \exists y (\text{movie}(y) \wedge \text{play}(a, y))$ « *does a play in a movie ?* »

A **CQ** is an **existentially quantified conjunction of atoms**

The **free variables** are the **answer variables**

If closed formula: **Boolean CQ**

Simplified notation

$q(x) = \{ \text{movie}(y), \text{play}(x, y) \}$

Rule notation

$\text{ans}(x) \leftarrow \text{movie}(y), \text{play}(x, y)$

classical **Datalog** notation

$\text{movie}(y), \text{play}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{ans}(x)$

alternative notation

Basic SQL queries (on relational databases)

SELECT ... FROM ... WHERE *<equalities: restrictions and joins>*

Basic SPARQL (on RDF triples)

SELECT ... WHERE *<basic graph pattern>*

REQUÊTES CONJONCTIVES EN SQL

En SQL: « SELECT ... FROM ... WHERE conditions de jointure »

Film [titre, directeur, acteur]
Pariscopes [salle, titre, horaire]
Coordonnées [salle, adresse, tel]

« trouver les noms des films où Hitchcock joue »

```
SELECT Film.Titre FROM Film  
WHERE Film.Acteur = « Hitchcock »
```

Vue logique ?

$q(x) = \exists y \text{ Film}(x, y, \text{Hitchcock})$

« trouver les noms des salles dans lesquelles on joue un film de Bergman »

- Requête SQL ?
- Vue logique ?

« trouver les noms des salles dans lesquelles on joue un film de Bergman »

```
SELECT Pariscopes.Salle
FROM Film, Pariscopes
WHERE
    Film.Directeur = « Bergman »
    AND Film.Titre=Pariscopes.Titre
```

Vue logique :

$$q(z) = \exists x \exists y \exists t (Film(x, Bergman, y) \wedge Pariscopes(z, x, t))$$

KEY NOTION: HOMOMORPHISM

$$q(x) = \exists y (\text{movie}(y) \wedge \text{play}(x, y))$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{movie}(y) \\ \text{play}(x, y) \end{array}$$

F

movie(m1)
movie(m2)
movie(m3)
actor(a)
actor(b)
actor(c)
play(a,m1)
play(a,m2)
play(c,m3)

Homomorphism h from q to F :
substitution of $\text{var}(q)$ by $\text{terms}(F)$
such that $h(q) \subseteq F$

$$\begin{array}{l} h1 : x \rightarrow a \\ y \rightarrow m1 \end{array}$$

$$h1(q) = \text{movie}(m1) \wedge \text{play}(a, m1)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} h2 : x \rightarrow a \\ y \rightarrow m2 \end{array}$$

$$h2(q) = \text{movie}(m2) \wedge \text{play}(a, m2)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} h3 : x \rightarrow c \\ y \rightarrow m3 \end{array}$$

$$h3(q) = \text{movie}(m3) \wedge \text{play}(c, m3)$$

Answers: obtained by restricting the domains of homomorphisms
to answer variables

$$\begin{array}{l} x = a \\ x = c \end{array}$$

ANSWERS TO A CONJUNCTIVE QUERY

Let F be a factbase

- The **answer** to a Boolean CQ q in F is *yes* if $F \models q$ $\text{yes} = ()$
- Let the CQ $q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$. A tuple (a_1, \dots, a_k) of *constants* is an **answer** to q on a factbase F if $F \models q[a_1, \dots, a_k]$,
where $q[a_1, \dots, a_k]$ is the Boolean CQ obtained from $q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$
by replacing each x_i by a_i
- Let F and q be seen as sets of atoms. A **homomorphism** h from q to F is a mapping from $\text{variables}(q)$ to $\text{terms}(F)$ such that $h(q) \subseteq F$

$F \models q()$ **iff** q can be mapped by **homomorphism** to F

(a_1, \dots, a_k) is an answer to $q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ on F **iff**
there is a **homomorphism** from q to F that maps each x_i to a_i

EXEMPLE : INTERROGATION D'UNE BASE DE FAITS

BF F

p(a,b)

p(b,a)

p(a,c)

q(b,b)

q(a,c)

q(c,b)

$Q_1() = \{ p(x,y), p(y,z), q(z,x) \}$

$Q_2(x) = \{ p(x,y), p(y,z), q(z,x) \}$

Homomorphismes de Q_1 et Q_2 dans F ?

$x \mapsto b$

$y \mapsto a$

$z \mapsto c$

$x \mapsto b$

$y \mapsto a$

$z \mapsto b$

Donc ensembles des réponses à Q_1 et Q_2 dans F :

$Q_1(F) = \{ () \}$ « yes »

$Q_2(F) = \{ (b) \}$

Ne pas confondre $Q_1(F) = \{ () \}$ avec $Q_1(F) = \{ \}$

RÈGLES POSITIVES A LA DATALOG (« RANGE-RESTRICTED »)

$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n (B \rightarrow H)$ **B for Body, H for Head**

Pour les DECOL : attention, en module IA,
H était l'hypothèse, ici c'est la conclusion !

où :

- B est une conjonction d'atomes (hypothèse, prémisses, condition, *corps*)
- H est un atome (conclusion, *tête*)
- $x_1 \dots x_n$ sont les variables du corps B
- **toutes** les variables de la tête H apparaissent dans le corps B

$R_1: \forall x \forall y \forall z (\text{produces}(x,y) \wedge \text{contains}(y,z) \rightarrow \text{hasInterest}(x,z))$

Datalog

$R_2: \forall x \forall y \forall z \forall u (\text{involvedIn}(x,y) \wedge \text{PIS}(y) \wedge \text{about}(y,u) \wedge \text{relatedTo}(x,z) \wedge \text{Company}(z) \wedge \text{hasInterest}(z,u) \rightarrow \text{Col}(x,y,z))$

Datalog

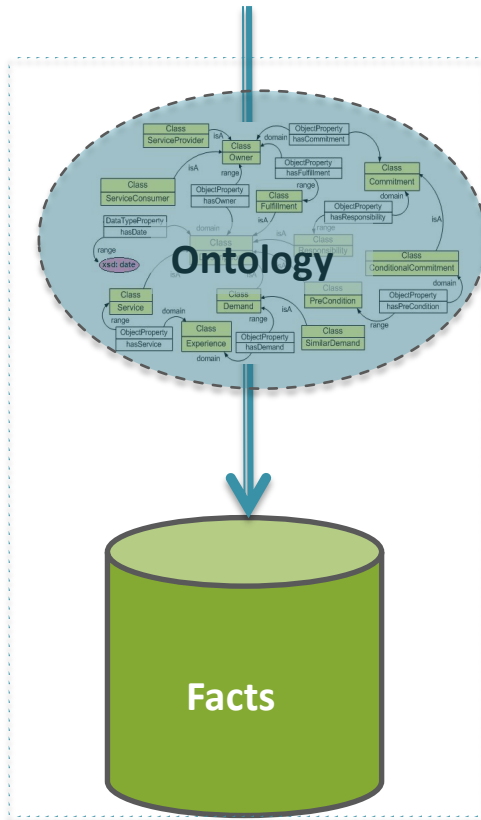
$R'_2: \forall x \forall y \forall z \forall u (\text{involvedIn}(x,y) \wedge \text{PIS}(y) \wedge \text{about}(y,u) \wedge \text{relatedTo}(x,z) \wedge \text{Company}(z) \wedge \text{hasInterest}(z,u) \rightarrow \exists o (\text{Col}(o) \wedge \text{in}(x,o) \wedge \text{on}(o,y) \wedge \text{with}(o,z)))$

pas Datalog
(« règle existentielle »)

Notation simplifiée : sans \forall et des virgules à la place des \wedge

QUERY ANSWERING ON A KB

Query



Knowledge Base

The answer to a Boolean CQ Q in K is yes if $K \models Q$

A tuple (a_1, \dots, a_k) of constants is an answer to $Q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ with respect to K if $K \models Q[a_1, \dots, a_k]$,

where $Q[a_1, \dots, a_k]$ is obtained from $Q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ by replacing each x_i by a_i .

In our framework: $K = (F, \mathcal{R})$ where:

F is a (ground) factbase

\mathcal{R} is a set of rules

K is logically seen as the conjunction of F and all rules in \mathcal{R}

HOW TO ACTUALLY COMPUTE THE ANSWERS TO A QUERY ON A KB?

Forward chaining : starting from F , we iteratively compute all the facts that are consequences of the current factbase and the rules.

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \{ \text{fundedBy}(\text{Bob}, C), \text{Company}(C) \} \\ R &= \forall x \forall y (\text{fundedBy}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{relatedTo}(x, y)) \\ F, R &\models \text{relatedTo}(\text{Bob}, C) \end{aligned}$$

A rule $R: B \rightarrow H$ is **applicable** to a factbase F if
there is a homomorphism h from B to F

Applying R to F according to h consists of adding $h(H)$ to F

$$\begin{aligned} h : \text{body}(R) &\rightarrow F \\ x &\mapsto \text{Bob} \\ y &\mapsto C \end{aligned}$$

PROPERTIES OF DATALOG RULES

- $K = (F, \mathcal{R})$ where
 F is a set of (ground) facts
 \mathcal{R} is a set of Datalog rules

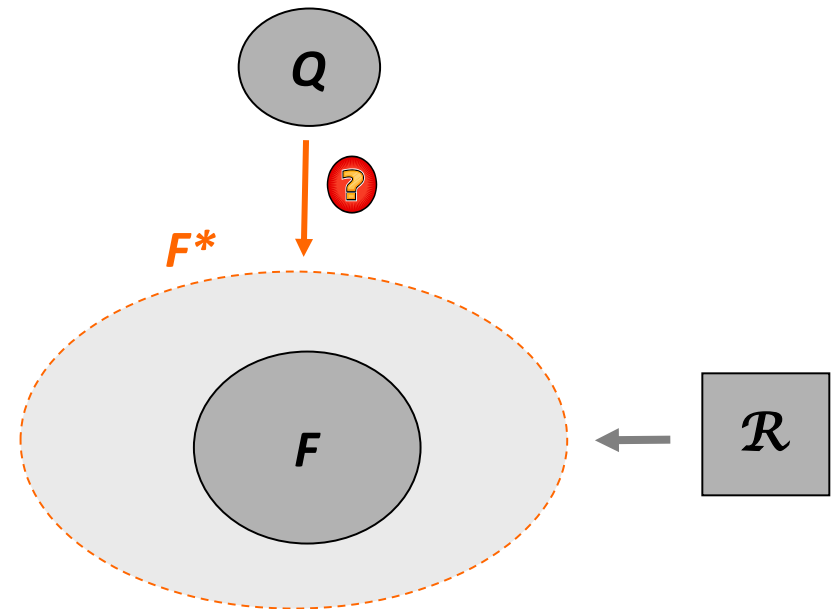
By applying rules from \mathcal{R} starting from F , a unique result is obtained:
the **saturation** of F by \mathcal{R} (denoted here by F^*)

F^* is **finite** since no new variable is created

F^* allows to compute the **answers** to a CQ on K :

(a_1, \dots, a_k) is an answer to $q(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ on K iff there is a **homomorphism** from q to K that maps each x_i to a_i

If $k=0$: $()$ is an answer means « yes »



EXEMPLE (PISTES CYCLABLES)

F

Direct(A,B)
Direct(B,C)
Direct(C,D)
Direct(D,B)

R

$\text{Direct}(x,y) \rightarrow \text{Chemin}(x,y)$
 $\text{Direct}(x,y) \wedge \text{Chemin}(y,z) \rightarrow \text{Chemin}(x,z)$

$Q(x) = \text{Chemin}(A,x) \wedge \text{Chemin}(x,D)$

« trouver tous les x qui sont sur un chemin de A à D »

On cherche les homomorphismes de Q dans F^*

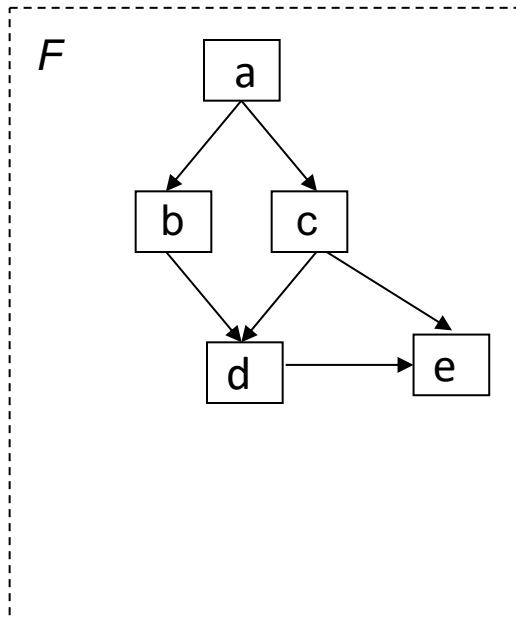
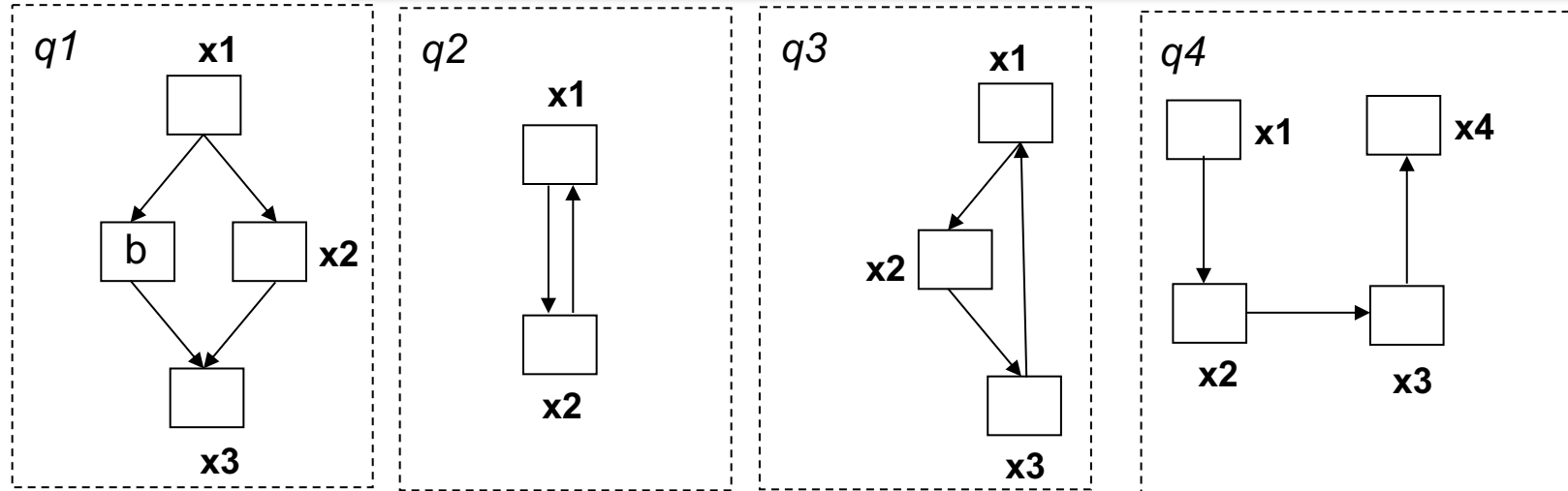
$x \mapsto B$

$x \mapsto C$

$x \mapsto D$

$Q(F^*) = \{ (B), (C), (D) \}$

EXERCICE : HOMOMORPHISMES



Ces graphes représentent des requêtes (q_i) où les variables réponses sont x_1 et x_2 et une base de faits (F).

Il y a un seul prédicat binaire p .

Trouver tous les homomorphismes des q_i dans F . En déduire les différents ensembles de réponses.

