

# Interprétation d'images

## Apports des ontologies et des logiques de description

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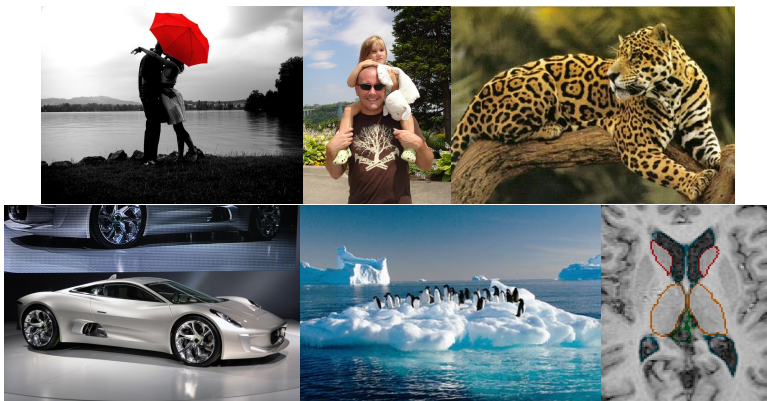


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- 1 Image and semantics
- 2 What is an ontology ?
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# Semantic image interpretation and annotation



## Questions

What is the semantic content of these images? What do they represent?

# Semantic image interpretation and annotation



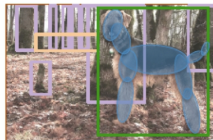
Increasing structural complexity

**Dog**

**Single label**

**Dog, tree, leaf**

**Multiple labels**



**Localization**

**An happy shaggy  
airdale poses  
in the autumn  
forest**

**Description**

Source : T Berg

# Semantic image interpretation and annotation

A hard problem for machines in spite of the increasing performance of sensors and the computing capacities.

Issues [Smeulders 00, Snoek 10]

- Sensory gap.
- **Semantic gap.**
- Scaling gap: balance between expressivity/complexity and scaling of models.

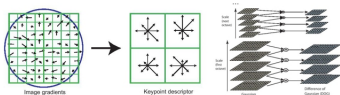
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Sensory gap

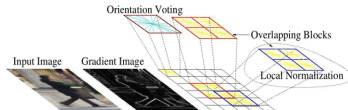


Image = projection of a reality, often in 3D and continuous, into a discrete and 2D representation.

Numerous advances [Lowe 04, Dalal 05]



**SIFT**



**HoG**

...

# Semantic image interpretation and annotation

Scale gap

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## Fish

Any of various mostly cold-blooded aquatic vertebrates usually having scales and breathing through gills; "the shark is a large fish"; "in the living room there was a tank of colorful fish"

1307 pictures 91.33% Popularity Percentile [Wordnet IDs](#)

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Numbers in brackets: (the number of synsets in the subtree).

- ImageNet 2011 Fall Release (3232)
  - plant, flora, plant life (4486)
  - geological formation, formation (0)
  - natural object (1112)
  - sport, athletics (176)
  - artifact, artefact (10504)
  - fungus (308)
  - person, individual, someone, son
  - animal, animate being, beast, bird, mammal, quadruped (11955)
    - invertebrate (766)
      - homeotherm, homoiotherm, poikilotherm (0)
      - work animal (4)
      - dart (0)
      - survivor (0)
      - range animal (0)
      - creepy-crawly (0)
      - domestic animal, domesticated (0)
      - molt, moult (0)
      - varmint, varment (0)
      - mutant (0)

**Bony** **Cartilaginous**

**Food** **Climbing**

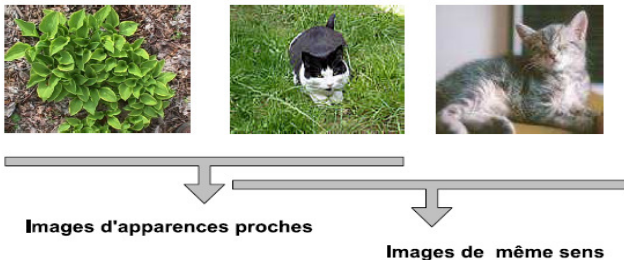
**Spawner** **Bot feet**

**Rough**

*Convolutional Networks* (Yann Le Cun) : [Krizhevsky 12, Erhan 14] : challenge ILSVRC : 1000 catégories et 1.461.406 images.

# Semantic image interpretation and annotation

## Semantic gap



## Definition

*Lack of coincidence between the information that one can extract from the visual data and the interpretation of these data by a user in a given situation [Smeulders 00].*

Known as **symbol grounding** [Harnad 99] in AI and robotics.



# Image and semantics

What is the semantics of this image?

- *A white object on a green background.*
- *An insect.*
- *A white fly on a rose leaf.*

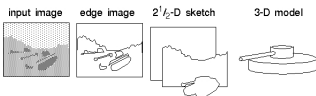


- Image semantics is not inside the image.
- Image interpretation depends on **a priori knowledge**.
- Image interpretation depends on the user objectives.
- Importance of contextual and structural information.

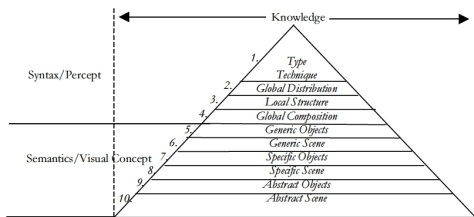
# Image and semantics

## A multi-level paradigm

Since the early years of CV



D. Marr hierarchy [Marr 82]



## Semantic pyramid [Jaimes 00]

### Niveau de la scène

Générique : Paysage de montagne, rallye  
 Spécifique : Chypre  
 Abstrait : Sport, Divertissement





### Niveau de l'objet

Générique : voiture, voiture de rallye  
 Spécifique : citroen de Sebastien Loeb

# Image and semantics



*a) Type/ Technique*

Complex color graphic    Color Photograph



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*b) Global Distribution*

Similar texture, color



*c) Local Structure*

Dark spots in x-ray    Lines in microscopic image



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*d) Global Composition*



Centered object, diagonal leading line

*e) Generic Objects*

Car    Woman



*f) Generic Scene*

Outdoors countryside    Outdoors, beach



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*g) Specific Objects*



Alex, Player No. 9    Crysler building

*h) Specific Scenes*



Washington D.C.    Paris

*i) Abstract Objects*

Law    Arts

*j) Abstract Scene*

Agreement Business    Industry, Pollution

Jaimes et al.

# Image and semantics

A multi-level paradigm

Even in the recent representation learning with deep learning approaches.

**Low-Level**  
(contours)



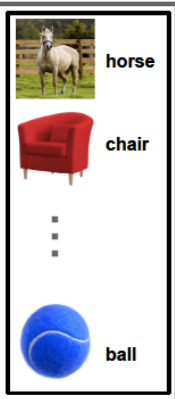
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**Mid-Level**  
(object-parts)



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**High-Level**  
(objects)



**Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)**

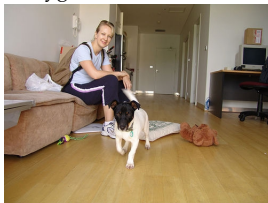
# Image and semantics

Several semantics acceptations: from object semantics to structural description semantics.



Car: present
Cow: present
Bike: not present
Horse: not present
...

[Duygulu 02, Barnard 03, Lavrenko 03, Djeraba 03, Carneiro 07, Liu 07, Deng 10]



This is a photograph of one person and one brown sofa and one dog. The person is against the brown sofa. And the dog is near the person, and beside the brown sofa."

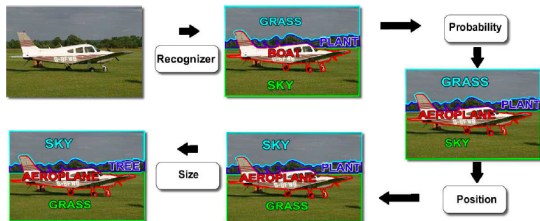
[Yao 10, Kulkarni 11, Farhadi 10, Farhadi 13, Karpathy 14]

# Image and semantics

Importance of contextual and spatial information



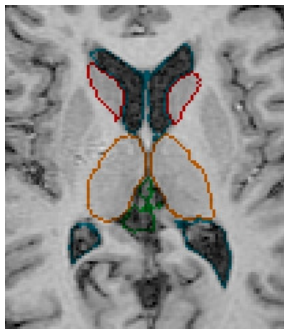
Source : [Parikh 12]



Source : [Galleguillos 10]

# Importance of spatial relations in image interpretation

- Spatial reasoning
- Carry an important structural information
- More stable and reliable than object features



# Image and semantics

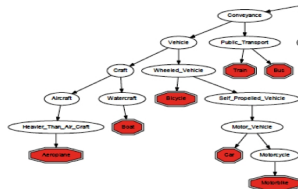
## Importance of prior knowledge

Semantics = a property that **emerges** from the interaction between data and knowledge [Hanson 78, Santini 01, Hudelot 03].

### Connaissances implicites



### Connaissances explicites



⇒ **Interest of ontologies**



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# What is an ontology ?

Example from F. Gandon, WIMMICS Team, INRIA

What is the last document that you have read?



Documents

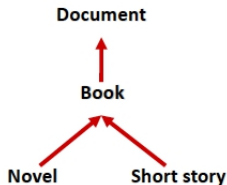


Your answer is based on a  
**shared ontology**



You can reason

I can understand



# Ontologies: Definition

## Ontology

etymology: **ontos** (being, that which is) + **logos** (science, study, theory)

- **Philosophy**
  - Study of the nature of being, becoming and reality.
  - Study of the basic categories of being and their relations.
- **Computer Science**
  - Formal representation of a domain of discourse.
  - Explicit specification of a conceptualization [Gruber 95].



Ref: [Guarino 09]

# Ontologies: Definition

## ontology

**Formal, explicit (and shared) specification of a conceptualization [Gruber 95, Studer 98]**

- Formal, explicit specification:
  - a formal language is used to refer to the elements of the conceptualization, e.g. description logics
- Conceptualization:
  - Objects, concepts and other entities and their relationships

## Concept

Denoted by:

- a name
- a meaning (intensional definition)
- a set of denoted objects (extensional definition)

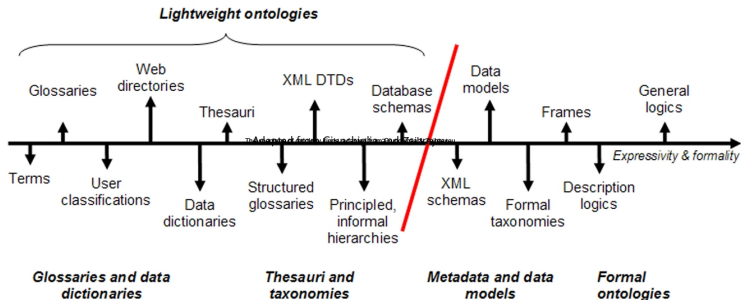
## Relation

Denoted by:

- a name
- an intension
- an extension

# The different types of ontologies

According to their expressivity



Source : [Uschold 04]

# The different types of ontologies

## According to their abstraction level

- **Top (or Upper)-level ontology:** very general concepts that are the same across all knowledge domains [Wikipedia] (e.g. DOLCE).
- **Core ontology:** minimal set of concepts and relations used to structure and describe a given domain (e.g. Dublin Core).
- **Domain ontology:** concepts and relations of a specific domain (e.g. FMA).

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# Ontologies for image interpretation

A growing interest since 2001

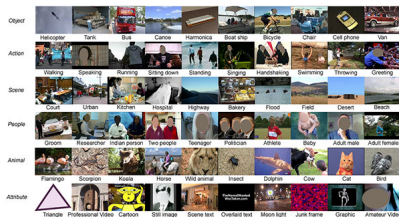
## Various objectives:

- Providing an **unified vocabulary** for the description and annotation of image content.
  - e.g. MPEG-7 ontologies.
- **Structuring** the vocabulary and the database for **large-scale** image problems.
  - e.g. visual ontologies (LabelMe, ImageNet, Visipedia).
- Representing the application domain knowledge for **reasoning** and for **guiding** the interpretation process.
  - e.g. formal ontologies based on description logics.



# Ontologies for an unified and standardized description of image content

- MPEG-7 ontologies: Boemie, AceMedia, Rhizomik... (see [Dasiopoulou 10b] for a recent review).  
Main motivation: interoperability between applications.
- LSCOM (Large Scale concept ontology for multimedia) [Naphade 06], MediaMill [Habibian 13].  
Main motivation: common vocabulary for video shot description.

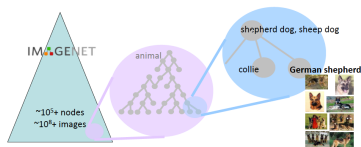


Mainly focused on the descriptive part of ontologies.

## Ontologies for structuring the vocabulary and the learning database (1/3)

Main motivation : image classification, annotation and retrieval at large scale [Liu 07, Deng 10].

- Ontologies based on lexical resources (e.g. Wordnet) populated with images:
  - ImageNet [Russakovsky 15], LabelMe [Russell 08], Visipedia [Belongie 16], Visual Genome [Krishna 16]...



ImageNet



Which concepts are closer ?

- Adequacy of the lexical resources for image interpretation problems ?
- Mainly lightweight ontologies (non-formal, without reasoning capabilities).

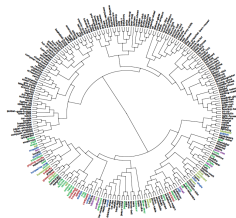
## Ontologies for structuring the vocabulary and the learning database (2/3)

## Main motivation: hierarchical image classification.

- Visual concept hierarchies inferred from image datasets:  
[Fei-Fei 05, Marszalek 08, Griffin 08, Sivic 08, Bart 08, Gao 11].



[Sivic 08]



[Griffin 08]

- Mainly hierarchies (no other semantic relations than *is-a*).
- Concepts without semantics (except the leaves).
- Mainly lightweight ontologies (non-formal, without reasoning capabilities).

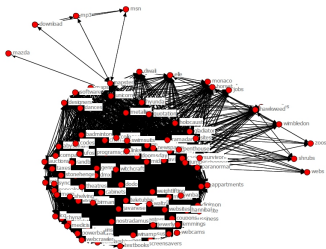
## Ontologies for structuring the vocabulary and the learning database (3/3)

Main motivation: image classification and annotation.

- Ontologies combining text and visual knowledge: [Li 10, Wu 12, Bannour 14, Krishna 16].



Image hierarchy [Li 10]



VCNet [Wu 12]

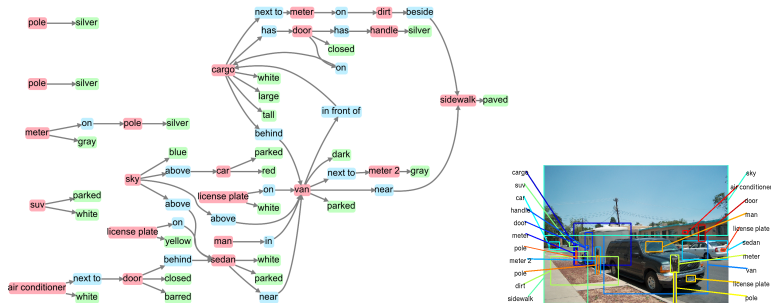
- Dedicated knowledge models.
- Mainly lightweight ontologies (non-formal, without reasoning capabilities).

## Ontologies for image captioning

### Main motivation: image captioning.

More and more approach, under the dynamics of image captioning to represent objects, attributes of objects and relationships between objects: Scene graphs [?], Visual Genome [Krishna 16], Visipedia [Belongie 16]

### Scene graphs



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### Visual Genome

#### Regions

The sky is blue  
 the ocean is blue  
 7 umbrellas are pictured  
 the umbrellas are yellow  
 the sand is brown  
 the shade  
 structure is open  
 white chairs are on the beach  
 people are sitting under the umbrellas

#### Question Answers

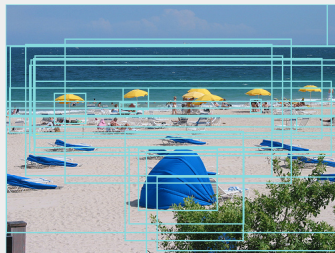
When was this picture taken?  
 Where are the umbrellas?  
 Why are there blue tents on the beach?  
 How is the weather in the scene?  
 Why do people come to the beach?

#### Attributes

sky is blue  
 ocean is blue  
 umbrella is yellow  
 sand is brown  
 structure is open  
 chair is white  
 tree is green  
 structure is blue

#### Relationships

chair ON sand  
 person under an umbrella  
 umbrella ON sand  
 person standing on sand  
 person sitting on sand  
 person sitting on a chair



# Image interpretation as an ontological driven inference approach

Main motivation : explicit and formal representation of domain and contextual knowledge used to reason and infer the interpretation.

- Annotation and **interpretation refinement** using basic DLs inference services: [Simou 08, Dasiopoulou 09, Dasiopoulou 10a, Bannour 14].
- *Ontologies* to **narrow the semantic gap**: [Town 06, Bagdanov 07, Hudelot 08]
- Image interpretation as a **non-monotonic reasoning process**:
  - Image interpretation as a default reasoning service [Möller 99a, Neumann 08].
  - Abductive reasoning for image interpretation [Peraldi 07, Möller 08, Atif 14, Donadello 14].

Often based on Description Logics (DLs).

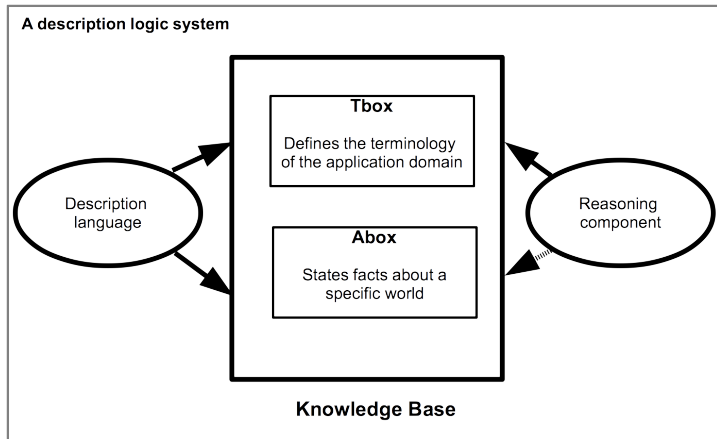
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# Descriptions logics

- Family of logics for representing structured knowledge.
- Well understood semantics.
- Defined by a set of concepts and role forming operators.
- Compact and expressive and basis of OWL language to represent ontologies.



# Description logics : the description language

Syntax of  $\mathcal{ALC}$  :attributive language with complement

basic language  $\mathcal{AL}$  + constructors ( $\mathcal{C}$  for the complement  $\neg$  operator)

- Signature  $\Sigma = (N_C, N_R)$ , disjoint sets of **concept names** and **role names** respectively.
- Concept descriptions in  $\mathcal{ALC}$  are formed according to the following syntax rule:

$C, D \rightarrow A$		(atomic concepts)
$\top$		(universal concept)
$\perp$		(bottom concept)
$\neg C$		(negation)
$C \sqcap D$		(conjunction)
$C \sqcup D$		(disjunction)
$\forall r.C$		(value restriction)
$\exists r.C$		(existential restriction).

$A \in N_C$  and  $r \in N_R$

# Description logics : the description language

## Examples of $\mathcal{ALC}$ -concept descriptions

- Atomic concepts: *Person*, *Female*, *Tutorial*, *Boring*
- Atomic role: *attends*
- $\mathcal{ALC}$ -descriptions:

$$Person \sqcap Female$$

$$Person \sqcap \neg Female$$

$$Person \sqcap \exists attends.Tutorial$$

$$Person \sqcap \forall attends.(Tutorial \sqcap \neg Boring)$$

# Description logics : the description language

Semantics of  $\mathcal{ALC}$ : attributive language with complement

An **interpretation**  $\mathcal{I} = \langle \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}, \cdot^{\mathcal{I}} \rangle$

- $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$  : a **non-empty set**, the domain of interpretation
- $\cdot^{\mathcal{I}}$  : an **interpretation function**, which assigns to :
  - every atomic concept  $A \in N_C$ , a set  $A^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ ,
  - every atomic role  $r \in N_R$ , a binary relation  $r^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \times \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ .

## Extension to concept descriptions

$$\top^{\mathcal{I}} = \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$$

$$\perp^{\mathcal{I}} = \emptyset$$

$$(\neg C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \setminus C^{\mathcal{I}}$$

$$(C \sqcap D)^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}} \cap D^{\mathcal{I}}$$

$$(C \sqcup D)^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}} \cup D^{\mathcal{I}}$$

$$(\forall r.C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \forall b.(a,b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \rightarrow b \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}$$

$$(\exists r.C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \mid \exists b.(a,b) \in r^{\mathcal{I}} \wedge b \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}$$

# The basic description language $\mathcal{AL}$

## Semantics

Equivalence:

$C \equiv D$  if  $C^{\mathcal{I}} = D^{\mathcal{I}}$  for all interpretations  $\mathcal{I}$

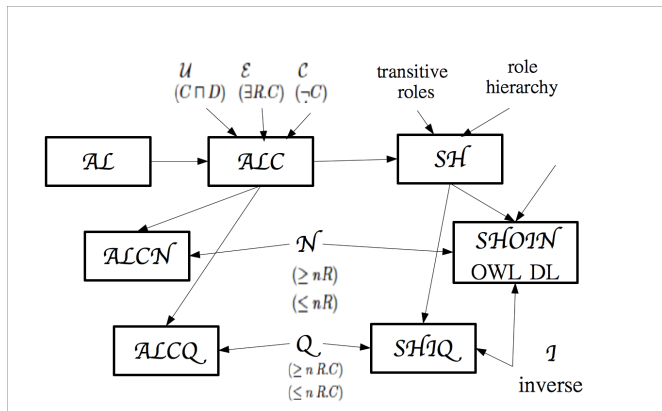
### Example

$\forall hasChild.Female \sqcap \forall hasChild.Student$  and  $\forall hasChild.(Female \sqcap Student)$  are equivalent.

# The family of $\mathcal{AL}$ languages

$$\mathcal{AL}[U][\mathcal{E}][C][\mathcal{N}][Q], \dots$$

Many additional constructors have been introduced.



# The family of $\mathcal{AL}$ languages

$\mathcal{AL}\mathcal{EN}$  example

$Person \sqcap (\leq 1 \text{ hasChild} \sqcup (\geq 3 \text{ hasChild} \sqcap \exists \text{ hasChild.Female}))$

# Description logics : terminological knowledge

## Terminological axioms

- General Concept Inclusion (GCI)

$$C \sqsubseteq D$$

$C, D$  are concept descriptions

- Concept definition<sup>a</sup>

$$A \equiv C$$

$A$  a concept name,  $C$  a concept description

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<sup>a</sup>abbreviation for  $A \sqsubseteq C$  and  $C \sqsubseteq A$

## TBox

A TBox is a finite set of GCIs



# Description logics : terminological knowledge

- An interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  satisfies a GCI  $C \sqsubseteq D$  iff  $C^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq D^{\mathcal{I}}$

$$\mathcal{I} \models (C \sqsubseteq D) \Leftrightarrow C^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq D^{\mathcal{I}}$$

- An interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  satisfies an equality  $C \equiv D$  if  $C^{\mathcal{I}} \equiv D^{\mathcal{I}}$

$$\mathcal{I} \models (C \equiv D) \Leftrightarrow C^{\mathcal{I}} \equiv D^{\mathcal{I}}$$

- The interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  is a **model** of a TBox  $\mathcal{T}$  iff it satisfies all the GCIs in  $\mathcal{T}$
- Two TBoxes are **equivalent** if they have the same model.

# Description logics : terminological knowledge

## TBox example

$$\textit{Woman} \equiv \textit{Person} \sqcap \textit{Female}$$

$$\textit{Man} \equiv \textit{Person} \sqcap \neg \textit{Woman}$$

$$\textit{Mother} \equiv \textit{Woman} \sqcap \exists \textit{hasChild}.\textit{Person}$$

$$\textit{Father} \equiv \textit{Man} \sqcap \exists \textit{hasChild}.\textit{Person}$$

$$\textit{Parent} \equiv \textit{Father} \sqcup \textit{Mother}$$

$$\textit{Grandmother} \equiv \textit{Mother} \sqcap \exists \textit{hasChild}.\textit{Parent}$$

$$\textit{MotherWithManyChildren} \equiv \textit{Mother} \sqcap \geq 3 \textit{hasChild}$$

# Description logics : assertional knowledge

## Assertional axioms

- Concept assertion :  $C(a)$
- Role assertion :  $R(a, b)$   
 $C$  a concept description ,  $a, b$  are **individuals names** from a set  $N_I$

## ABox

An ABox is a finite set of assertions

## Interpretation

- Given  $\mathcal{I}$ , each individual  $a$  is mapped to an element  $a^{\mathcal{I}} \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$
- Unique name assumption:  $a^{\mathcal{I}} \neq b^{\mathcal{I}}$
- $\mathcal{I}$  is a model of the ABox  $\mathcal{A}$  if it satisfies all its assertions:
  - $a^{\mathcal{I}} \in C^{\mathcal{I}}$  for all  $C(a) \in \mathcal{A}$
  - $(a^{\mathcal{I}}, b^{\mathcal{I}}) \in R$  if for all  $R(a, b) \in \mathcal{A}$

# Description logics : knowledge base

## Knowledge base

A **knowledge base**  $\mathcal{K} = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$  consists of a TBox  $\mathcal{T}$  and an ABox  $\mathcal{A}$ .

The interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  is a model of the knowledge base  $\mathcal{K} = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$  iff it is a model of  $\mathcal{T}$  and a model of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

# Description logics for knowledge representation

Example in the medical domain

## Knowledge in brain imaging

- **caudate nucleus**: a deep gray nucleus of the telencephalon involved with control of voluntary movement
- the **left caudate nucleus** is **inside** the **left hemisphere**
- it is **close** to the **lateral ventricle**
- it is **outside (left of)** the **left lateral ventricle**

## Excerpt of a corresponding TBox

- $\text{AnatomicalStructure} \sqsubseteq \text{SpatialObject}$
- $\text{LV} \sqsubseteq \text{AnatomicalStructure}$
- $\text{GN} \sqsubseteq \text{AnatomicalStructure}$
- $\text{CN} \sqsubseteq \text{GN}$
- $\text{LV} \equiv \text{RLV} \sqcup \text{LLV}$
- $\text{CN} \equiv \text{RCN} \sqcup \text{LCN}$
- $\text{LCN} \equiv \text{GN} \sqcap \exists \text{closeTo}.\text{(LLV)} \sqcap \exists \text{leftOf}.\text{(LLV)}$
- etc.

# Description logics: exercice 1

## On the blackboard

Students are Persons. Students are following some UEs. Curious students are following the UE Image Interpretation. Axel is a curious student. Persons are descendants of others persons.

- 1 What are the concepts, the relations, the instances ?
- 2 Write the corresponding TBox with  $\mathcal{ALCN}$ .
- 3 Write the corresponding ABox with  $\mathcal{ALCN}$ .

# Description logics: exercice 2

## On the blackboard

We consider the following interpretation

- $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}} = \{t_1, t_2, f_1, f_2, c_1, c_2, j, k, l, m, n\}$
- $Person^{\mathcal{I}} = \{j, k, l, m, n\}$
- $Car^{\mathcal{I}} = \{t_1, t_2, f_1, f_2, c_1, c_2\}$
- $Ferrari^{\mathcal{I}} = \{f_1, f_2\}$
- $Toyota^{\mathcal{I}} = \{t_1, t_2\}$
- $likes^{\mathcal{I}} = \{(j, f_1), (k, f_1), (k, t_2), (l, c_1), (l, c_2), (m, c_1), (m, t_2), (n, f_2), (n, c_2)\}$

Give the interpretations of :

- $\exists likes.Ferrari \sqcap \exists likes.Toyota$
- $\exists likes.Ferrari \sqcap \forall likes.Toyota$
- $\exists likes.Ferrari \sqcap \exists likes.\neg Ferrari$
- $\exists likes.Cars \sqcap \forall likes.\neg (Toyota \sqcup Ferrari)$

# Description logics: concrete domains

- A way to integrate *concrete and quantitative qualities* (integers, strings,...) of real world objects with conceptual knowledge [Baader,91].
- A pair  $(\Delta_D, \Phi_D)$  where  $\Delta_D$  is a set and  $\Phi_D$  a set of predicate names on  $\Delta_D$ . Each predicate name  $P$  is associated with an arity  $n$  and an  $n$ -ary predicate  $P^D \subseteq \Delta_D^n$ .

## Examples

- Concrete domain  $\mathcal{N}$ :
  - Domain: non negative integers.
  - Predicates:  $\leq$  (binary predicate)  $\leq n$  unary predicate.
  - $\text{Person} \sqcap \exists \text{age} \leq 20$  denotes a person whose age is less than 20.
- Concrete domain  $\mathcal{AL}$ , Allen's interval calculus:
  - Domain: intervals.
  - Predicates: built from Allen's basic interval relations.



# Description logics: reasoning services

⇒ Infer implicit knowledge from explicitly one.

- Terminological reasoning.
- Assertional reasoning.

# Description logics: reasoning services

## Terminological reasoning

### Satisfiability

$C$  is satisfiable w.r.t. a TBox  $\mathcal{T}$  iff  $C^{\mathcal{I}} \neq \emptyset$  for some model  $\mathcal{I}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

### Subsumption

$C$  is subsumed by  $D$  w.r.t. a TBox  $\mathcal{T}$  ( $C \sqsubseteq_{\mathcal{T}} D$ ) iff  $C^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq D^{\mathcal{I}}$  for all models  $\mathcal{I}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

### Equivalence

$C$  is equivalent to  $D$  w.r.t. a TBox  $\mathcal{T}$  ( $C \equiv_{\mathcal{T}} D$ ) iff  $C^{\mathcal{I}} = D^{\mathcal{I}}$  for all models  $\mathcal{I}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

### Disjointness

Two concepts  $C$  and  $D$  are disjoint with respect to  $\mathcal{T}$  if  $C^{\mathcal{I}} \cap D^{\mathcal{I}} = \emptyset$  for every model  $\mathcal{I}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

# Reduction to subsumption

For concepts  $C, D$  we have

- $C$  is unsatisfiable  $\iff C$  is subsumed by  $\perp$ ;
- $C$  and  $D$  are equivalent  $\iff C$  is subsumed by  $D$  and  $D$  is subsumed by  $C$ ;
- $C$  and  $D$  are disjoint  $\iff C \sqcup D$  is subsumed by  $\perp$ .

The statements also hold with respect to a TBox.

# Reduction to Unsatisfiability

For concepts  $C, D$  we have

- $C$  is subsumed by  $D \iff C \sqcap \neg D$  is unsatisfiable;
- $C$  and  $D$  are equivalent  $\iff$  both  $C \sqcap \neg D$  and  $\neg C \sqcap D$  are satisfiable;
- $C$  and  $D$  are disjoint  $\iff C \sqcap D$  is unsatisfiable.

The statements also hold with respect to a TBox.

# Reducing Unsatisfiability

Let  $C$  be a concept. Then the following are equivalent:

- $C$  is unsatisfiable;
- $C$  is subsumed by  $\perp$ ;
- $C$  and  $\perp$  are equivalent;
- $C$  and  $\perp$  are disjoint.

The statements also hold with respect to a TBox.

# Description logics: reasoning services

## Assertional reasoning

Let  $\mathcal{K} = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$  be an ontology.

### Consistency

$\mathcal{A}$  is consistent with respect to a TBox  $\mathcal{T}$ , if there is an interpretation that is a model of both  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$ .

### Instance checking

$a$  is an instance of  $C$  w.r.t.  $\mathcal{T}$  iff  $a^{\mathcal{I}} \in C^{\mathcal{I}}$  for all models  $\mathcal{I}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ . We also write  $\mathcal{A} \models C(a)$ . The same holds for roles.

### Retrieval problem

Given an ABox  $\mathcal{A}$  and a concept  $C$ , find all individuals  $a$  such that  $\mathcal{A} \models C(a)$ .

### Realization problem (dual to the retrieval problem)

Given an individual  $a$  and a set of concepts, find *the most specific concepts* (msc)  $C$  from the set such that  $\mathcal{A} \models C(a)$ . The mscs are the concepts that are minimal with respect to the subsumption ordering  $\sqsubseteq$ .

# Reduction

- $\mathcal{A} \models C(a)$  iff  $\mathcal{A} \cup \{\neg C(a)\}$  is inconsistent;
- $C$  is satisfiable iff  $\{C(a)\}$  is consistent.

# Subsumption checking

- Structural subsumption
- Semantic tableaux
- etc.



# Open world, Closed world

## Closed World Assumption

Limitations to what is expressed

- example :  $\text{ABox} : \text{hasChild}(\text{anne}, \text{paul})$
- anne has only one child : paul

## Open World Assumption: description logics

Open world : no limitations to what is expressed

- example :  $\text{ABox} : \text{hasChild}(\text{anne}, \text{paul})$
- anne can have other child than paul
- $(\leq 1\text{hasChild})(\text{anne})$

# Tableau based reasoning

## Principle

To prove  $F$  : build a tree with :

- The root is labeled with  $\neg F$ .
- The nodes are labeled by the concepts.
- Node successors are built par some expansion rules.
- A clash at the end of a path if :
  - $C(x) \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\neg C(x) \in \mathcal{A}$
  - $C(x) \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\neg C(y) \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $(x = y$  or  $y = x)$
  - $\perp(x) \in \mathcal{A}$

# Tableau based reasoning

## $\sqcap$ rule

### Conditions

$\mathcal{A}$  contains  $(C_1 \sqcap C_2)(x)$  and does not contain  $C_1(x)$  and  $C_2(x)$

### Action

Prolongation :  $\mathcal{A}' = \mathcal{A} \cup \{C_1(x), C_2(x)\}$

# Tableau based reasoning

## $\sqcup$ rule

### Conditions

$\mathcal{A}$  contains  $(C_1 \sqcup C_2)(x)$  and does not contain  $C_1(x)$  and  $C_2(x)$

### Action

Branching:  $\mathcal{A}' = \mathcal{A} \cup \{C_1(x)\}$  and  $\mathcal{A}'' = \mathcal{A} \cup \{C_2(x)\}$

# Tableau based reasoning

## $\exists$ rule

### Conditions

$\mathcal{A}$  contains  $(\exists R.C)(x)$  and there is no individual  $z$  such as  $R(x, z)$  and  $C(z)$  are also in  $\mathcal{A}$

### Action

$\mathcal{A}' = \mathcal{A} \cup \{R(x, y), C(y)\}$  where  $y$  is an individual name which is not in  $\mathcal{A}$

# Tableau based reasoning

$\forall$  rule

Conditions

$\mathcal{A}$  contains  $(\forall R.C)(x)$  and  $R(x, y)$  but does not contain  $C(y)$

Action

$$\mathcal{A}' = \mathcal{A} \cup \{C(y)\}$$

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# Interpretation refinement using basic DLs inference services

## Main principles

- Application domain knowledge is encoded into a TBox.
- A first interpretation of the targeted image is built using computer vision algorithms and translated into ABox assertions.
- Basic reasoning services of DLs such as consistency handling are used to revise the interpretation.
- Fuzzy DLs are used to take into account the imprecision of computer vision algorithms results.

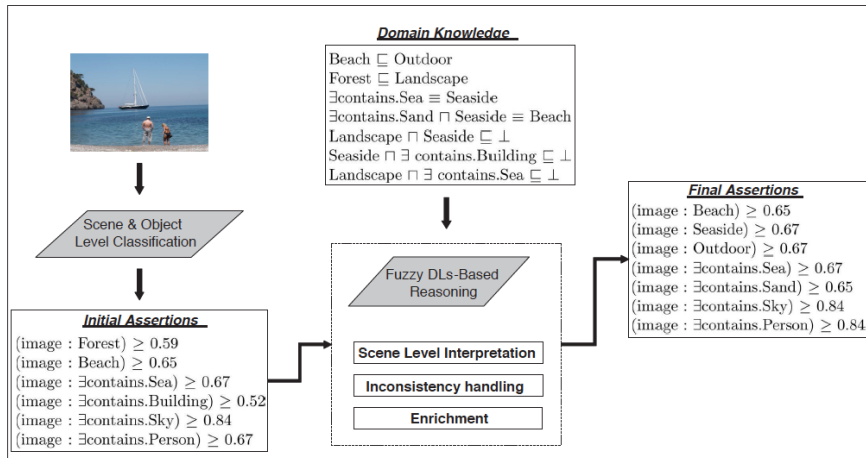
*Investigating fuzzy DLs-based reasoning in semantic image analysis [Dasiopoulou 10a].*

*Building and using fuzzy multimedia ontologies for semantic image annotation [Bannour 14].*



# Interpretation refinement using basic DLs inference services

Dasiopoulou et al. [Dasiopoulou 10a]



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# Narrowing the semantic gap

## Main approaches

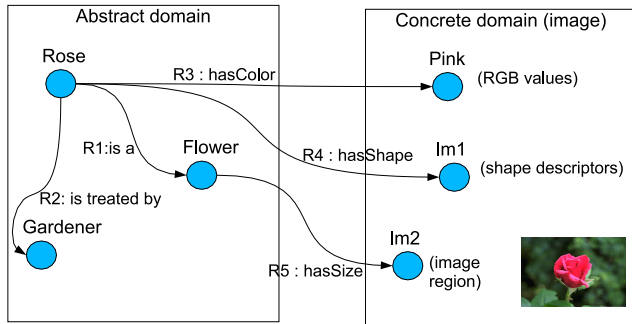
- Building a dedicated visual concept ontology as an intermediate level between image features and application domain concepts:  
[Town 06, Bagdanov 07, Maillot 08, Porello 13, Mezaris 04].
- Using concrete domains to link high level concepts to their specific representations into the image domain:  
[Hudelot 08, Hudelot 14].  
⇒ *operational ontologies for image interpretation.*

# A spatial relation ontology for semantic image interpretation

Hudelot et al. [Hudelot 08, Hudelot 14]

# Ontologies, concrete domains and semantic gap

Hudelot et al. [Hudelot 08]

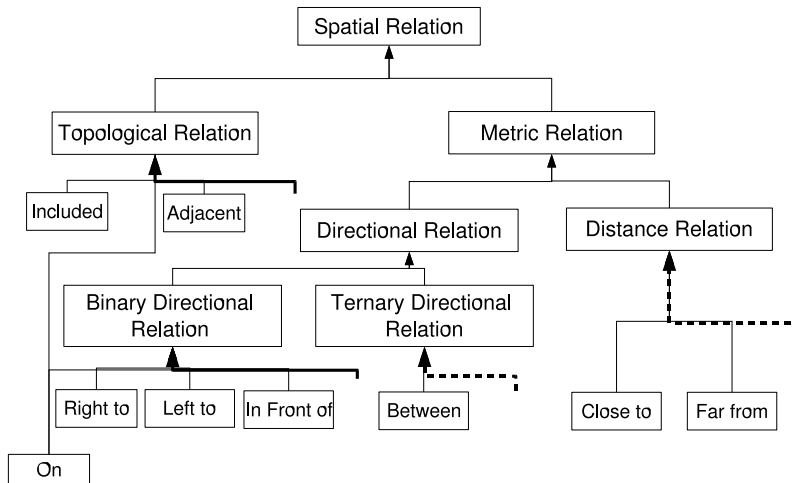


## Idea

Each application domain concept is linked to its representation in the image domain: **use of concrete domains.**

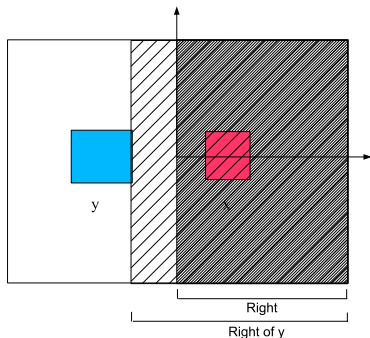
# A spatial relation ontology

Hudelot et al. [Hudelot 08]



# Formal representation of spatial relations

Hudelot et al. [Hudelot 08]



x is to the right of y: true

## Abox:

- $y:\text{SpatialObject}; x:\text{SpatialObject}$
- $\text{Right\_Of\_y} \equiv \text{Right\_Of} \sqcap \exists \text{hasReferentObject.}\{y\}$
- $x:\text{SpatialObject} \sqcap \exists \text{hasSpatialRelation.Right\_Of\_y}$  and  $x:\text{SpatiallyRelatedObject}$
- $C_0 \equiv \text{SpatialRelation} \sqcap \exists \text{hasReferentObject.}\{y\} \sqcap \exists \text{hasTargetObject.}\{x\}$

# A dedicated logic for spatial reasoning: $\mathcal{ALC}(\mathbf{F})$

Instantiation of the description logic  $\mathcal{ALCRP}(D)$  with the concrete domain  $\mathbf{F} = (\Delta_{\mathbf{F}}, \Phi_{\mathbf{F}})$ .

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{F}} = (\mathcal{F}, \leq_{\mathcal{F}}, \wedge, \vee, \emptyset_{\mathcal{F}}, 1_{\mathcal{F}}, t, I)$$

A residuated lattice of fuzzy sets defined over the image space  $S$ ,  $S$  being typically  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  or  $\mathbb{Z}^3$  for 2D or 3D images, with  $t$  a t-norm (fuzzy intersection) and  $I$  its residuated implication.

Main predicates of  $\Phi_{\mathbf{F}}$ :

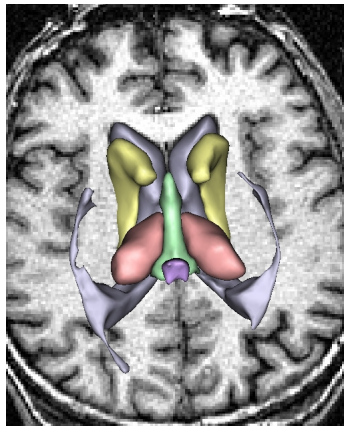
- $\mu_X$ : degree of belonging to the spatial representation of the object  $X$  in the spatial domain.
- $\nu_R$ : fuzzy structuring element representing the fuzzy relation  $R$  in the spatial domain.
- $\delta_{\nu_R}^{\mu_X}$ : fuzzy dilation.
- $\varepsilon_{\nu_R}^{\mu_X}$ : fuzzy erosion.



# Application to brain imaging

Objective:

Progressive recognition of anatomical structures using **spatial information**.

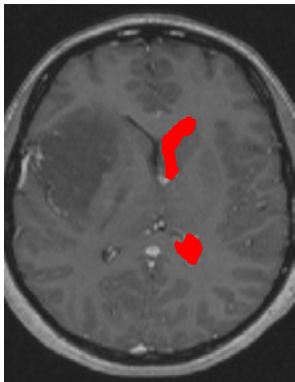


# Description of anatomical knowledge

## Tbox:

- $\text{AnatomicalStructure} \sqsubseteq \text{SpatialObject}$
- $\text{GN} \sqsubseteq \text{AnatomicalStructure}$
- $\text{RLV} \equiv \text{AnatomicalStructure} \sqcap \exists \text{hasFR}.\mu_{\text{RLV}}$
- $\text{LLV} \equiv \text{AnatomicalStructure} \sqcap \exists \text{hasFR}.\mu_{\text{LLV}}$
- $\text{LV} \equiv \text{RLV} \sqcup \text{LLV}$
- $\text{LV} \equiv \text{RLV} \sqcup \text{LLV}$
- $\text{Right\_of} \equiv \text{DirectionalRelation} \sqcap \exists \text{hasFR}.\nu_{\text{IN\_DIRECTION\_0}}$
- $\text{Close\_to} \equiv \text{DistanceRelation} \sqcap \exists \text{hasFR}.\nu_{\text{CLOSE\_TO}}$
- $\text{Right\_of\_RLV} \equiv \text{DirectionalRelation} \sqcap \exists \text{hasReferentObject.RLV} \sqcap \exists \text{hasFR}.\delta_{\nu_{\text{IN\_DIRECTION\_0}}}^{\mu_{\text{RLV}}}$
- $\text{Close\_To\_RLV} \equiv \text{DistanceRelation} \sqcap \exists \text{hasReferentObject.RLV} \sqcap \exists \text{hasFR}.\delta_{\nu_{\text{CLOSE\_TO}}}^{\mu_{\text{RLV}}}$
- $\text{RCN} \equiv \text{GN} \sqcap \exists \text{hasSR}.\text{(Right\_of\_RLV} \sqcap \text{Close\_To\_RLV)}$
- $\text{CN} \equiv \text{GN} \sqcap \exists \text{hasSR}.\text{(Close\_To\_LV)}$
- $\text{CN} \equiv \text{RCN} \sqcup \text{LCN}$

# Example



## Abox:

- $c_1$ : RLV ,  $(c_1, \mu_{S_1})$ : hasFR
- $r_1$ : Right\_of,  $(r_1, \nu_{IN\_DIRECTION\_0})$ : hasFR
- $r_2$ : Close\_to,  $(r_2, \nu_{CLOSE\_TO})$ : hasFR

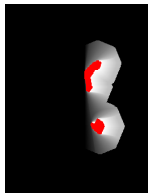
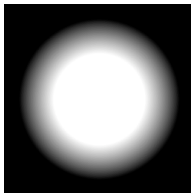
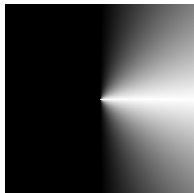
# Example

## Objective:

- Find some spatial constraints in the image domain on an instance  $c_2$  of the Left Caudate Nucleus.
- $\Rightarrow$  Find constraints on concrete domains to ensure **the satisfiability** of the assertions  $c_2$ :  
RCN,  $(c_2, \mu_{S_2})$ : hasFR

## Results using inference and properties

$$(\mu_{S_2})^{\mathbf{F}} \leq_{\mathcal{F}} (\delta_{\nu_{IN\_DIRECTION\_0}}^{\mu_{S_1}})^{\mathbf{F}} \wedge (\delta_{\nu_{CLOSE\_TO}}^{\mu_{S_1}})^{\mathbf{F}}$$



## Inference details:

$$\mathcal{A} \cup \{c_2 : \text{GN} \sqcap \exists \text{hasSR}.(\text{Right\_of\_RLV} \sqcap \text{Close\_to\_RLV}), (c_2, \mu_{S_2}) : \text{hasFR}\}$$

$$\downarrow \sqcap\text{-rule}$$

$$c_2 : \text{GN}, c_2 : \exists \text{hasSR}.(\text{Right\_of\_RLV} \sqcap \text{Close\_to\_RLV})$$

$$\downarrow \exists\text{-rule}$$

$$c_3 : \text{Right\_of\_RLV} \sqcap \text{Close\_to\_RLV}, (c_2, c_3) : \text{hasSR}, (c_3, \mu_{S_3}) : \text{hasFR}$$

$$\downarrow \text{Spatial Object Conjunction Rule } \mathcal{R}_{\sqcap}$$

$$((\mu_{\text{Right\_of\_RLV}}) \sqcap_d (\mu_{\text{Close\_to\_RLV}}))^{\mathbf{F}}$$

$$\downarrow \text{Spatial Object Conjunction Rule } \mathcal{R}_{\sqcap}$$

$$c_3 : \text{Right\_of\_RLV}, c_3 : \text{Close\_to\_RLV}$$

$$\downarrow \text{Spatial Relation Rule } \mathcal{R}_{2R_X}$$

$$\mu_{S_3} = \delta_{\nu_{\text{IN\_DIRECTION\_0}}}^{\mu_{S_1}} \sqcap_d \delta_{\nu_{\text{CLOSE\_TO}}}^{\mu_{S_1}}$$

$$\downarrow \text{spatial constraints}$$

$$\text{fit}(\mu_{S_2}^{\mathbf{F}}, \mu_{S_3}^{\mathbf{F}}) = \text{fit}(\mu_{S_2}^{\mathbf{F}}, (\delta_{\nu_{\text{IN\_DIRECTION\_0}}}^{\mu_{S_1}} \sqcap_d \delta_{\nu_{\text{CLOSE\_TO}}}^{\mu_{S_1}})^{\mathbf{F}}) = 1$$

$$\downarrow \text{spatial constraints}$$

$$(\mu_{S_2})^{\mathbf{F}} \leq_{\mathcal{F}} (\delta_{\nu_{\text{IN\_DIRECTION\_0}}}^{\mu_{S_1}})^{\mathbf{F}} \wedge (\delta_{\nu_{\text{CLOSE\_TO}}}^{\mu_{S_1}})^{\mathbf{F}}$$

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# Non-monotonic reasoning for image interpretation

## Main principles:

Image interpretation is modeled as a non-monotonic reasoning process.

- **Default reasoning:**  
Non-monotonic logic to formalize reasoning with default assumptions [Reiter 80].
- **Abductive reasoning:**  
Backward reasoning: from *observations* to *explanations*, Charles Sanders Peirce in the late 19th century.

# Image interpretation as a default reasoning service

## Default rule

$$\frac{\alpha : \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n}{\gamma}$$

- $\alpha$ : precondition of the rule.
- $\beta_i$ : justifications.
- $\gamma$ : consequent.

## Intuitive explanation

Starting with a world description  $\alpha$  of what is known to be true, i.e. deducible and it is consistent to assume  $\beta_i$  then conclude  $\gamma$ .

## Example

$\forall x, \text{plays\_instruments}(x) : \text{improvises}(x) / \text{jazz\_musician}(x)^a$

<sup>a</sup>For all  $x$ , if  $x$  plays an instrument and if the fact that  $x$  can improvise is consistent with all other knowledge then we can conclude that  $x$  is a jazz musician.



# Default reasoning in DL

## Reiter's default theory [Reiter 80]

A pair  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{D})$  where  $\mathcal{W}$  is a set of closed first-order formulae (the world description) and  $\mathcal{D}$  a set of default rules.

## Terminological default theory [Baader 92]

A pair  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$  where:

- $\mathcal{A}$ : an ABox.
- $\mathcal{D}$ : a finite set of default rules whose preconditions, justifications and consequents are concept terms.

Maintaining decidability

- Default rules have to be closed over the ABox (instanciation with explicitly mentioned ABox individuals).
- Closed default rules:  $\alpha, \beta_i, \gamma$  are ABox concept axioms (no use of free variables, i.e. TBox concept axioms).

# Spatioterminological default reasoning

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, Neumann 08]

Use case: topological reasoning for aerial image interpretation

## Main idea

- Defaults are used for hypothesis generation regarding the classification of areas in an image.
- Default reasoning generates ABox extensions (hypothesized classifications) consistent with the rest of the knowledge base.

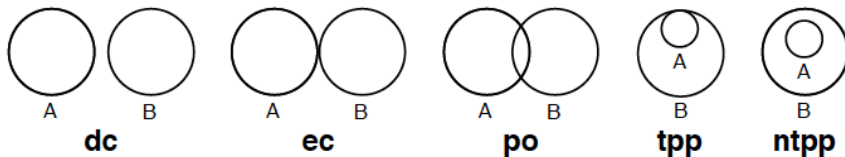
## Preliminaries

The description logic  $\mathcal{ALCRP}(\mathcal{S}_2)$  for spatial information modeling and reasoning:  $\mathcal{ALC}$  with:

- *predicate existence restriction*:  $\exists u_1, \dots, u_n.P$  with  $P$  a predicate name from  $\mathcal{S}_2$  with arity  $n$  and  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  feature chains.
- a concrete domain  $\mathcal{S}_2$  defined w.r.t. the topological space  $\langle \mathbb{R}^2, 2^{\mathbb{R}^2} \rangle$ .

# Spatio-terminological default reasoning

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, Neumann 08]



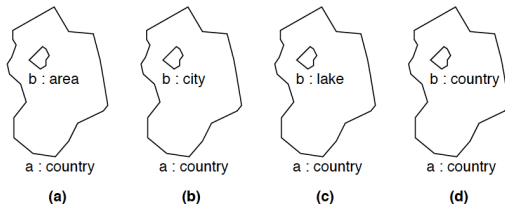
The concrete domain  $S_2$  over the topological space  $\langle \mathbb{R}^2, 2^{\mathbb{R}^2} \rangle$

- $\Delta_{S_2}$ : set of non-empty, regular closed subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ : regions
- Set of predicate names:
  - Predicate `is_region` with  $\text{is\_region}^{S_2} = \Delta_{S_2}$  and its negation `is_no_region` with  $\text{is\_no\_region}^{S_2} = 0_{S_2}$
  - 8 basic predicates `dc`, `ec`, `po`, `tpp`, `ntp`, `tppi`, `eq` (RCC-8 relations)
  - Predicates to name disjunctions of base relations: `p1 - ... - pn`
  - The predicate `dc-ec-po-tpp-ntp-tppi-ntp` is called `spatially_related`
  - A binary predicate `inconsistent_relation` with  $\text{inconsistent\_relation}^{S_2} = \emptyset$  (negation of `spatially_related`).

# Spatioterminological default reasoning

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, Neumann 08]

## Example



Interpretation problem: generate hypotheses for object b.

## $\mathcal{S}_2$ predicates formalization

$inside \equiv \exists(has\_area)(has\_area).tpp - ntp$   
 $contains \equiv \exists(has\_area)(has\_area).tppi - ntpi$   
 $overlaps \equiv \exists(has\_area)(has\_area).po$   
 $touches \equiv \exists(has\_area)(has\_area).ec$   
 $disjoint \equiv \exists(has\_area)(has\_area).dc$

# Spatioterminological default reasoning

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, Neumann 08]

## Example

### TBox

<i>area</i>	≡	$\exists(\text{has\_area}).\text{is\_region}$
<i>natural_region</i>	≡	$\neg\text{administrative\_region}$
<i>country_region</i>	⊆	$\text{administrative\_region} \sqcap \text{large\_scale} \sqcap \text{area}$
<i>city_region</i>	⊆	$\text{administrative\_region} \sqcap \neg\text{large\_scale} \sqcap \text{area}$
<i>lake_region</i>	⊆	$\text{natural\_region} \sqcap \text{area}$
<i>river_region</i>	⊆	$\text{natural\_region} \sqcap \text{area}$

<i>country</i>	≡	$\text{country\_region} \sqcap \forall\text{contains}.\neg\text{country\_region} \sqcap \forall\text{overlaps}.\neg\text{country\_region} \sqcap \forall\text{inside}.\neg\text{country\_region}$
<i>city</i>	≡	$\text{city\_region} \sqcap \exists\text{inside}.\text{country\_region}$
<i>lake</i>	⊆	$\text{lake\_region}$
<i>river</i>	⊆	$\text{river\_region} \sqcap \forall\text{overlaps}.\neg\text{lake\_region} \sqcap \forall\text{contains}.\perp \sqcap \forall\text{inside}.\neg\text{lake\_region}$

# Spatioterminological default reasoning

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## Example

### Abox

$\{a : \text{country}, b : \text{area}, (a, b) : \text{contains}, (b, a) : \text{inside}\}$

### Spatioterminological default rules

$$d_1 = \frac{\text{area} : \text{city}}{\text{city}} \quad d_2 = \frac{\text{area} : \text{lake}}{\text{lake}} \quad d_3 = \frac{\text{area} : \text{city}}{\text{city}}$$

### Closed spatioterminological default rules, $d_i(\text{ind})$

e.g.

$$d_1(a) = \frac{\{a : \text{area}\} : \{a : \text{city}\}}{\{a : \text{city}\}}$$

6 different closed defaults can be obtained  $(d_1(a), d_1(b), d_2(a), d_2(b), d_3(a), d_3(b))$

# Spatioterminological default reasoning

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, Neumann 08]

## Example

### Default rules reasoning

$$d_1 = \frac{\text{area} : \text{city}}{\text{city}}$$

- $d_1(a)$ : cannot be applied.

Contradiction between  $a : \text{city}$  and  $a : \text{country}$  in the ABox.  $\text{country\_region}$  and  $\text{city\_region}$  are disjoint in the TBox (due to  $\text{large\_scale}$  and  $\neg\text{large\_scale}$ ).

- $d_1(b)$ : can be applied.

ABox extension:

$$\{a : \text{country}, b : \text{area}, b : \text{city}, (a, b) : \text{contains}, (b, a) : \text{inside}\}$$

# Spatioterminological default reasoning

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, Neumann 08]

## Example

### Default rules reasoning

$$d_2 = \frac{\text{area} : \text{lake}}{\text{lake}}$$

- $d_2(a)$ : cannot be applied.  
Contradiction between  $a : \text{lake}$  and  $a : \text{country}$  in the Abox. *administrative\_region* and *natural\_region* are disjoint.
- $d_2(b)$ : can be applied.  
Abox extension:

$$\{a : \text{country}, b : \text{area}, b : \text{lake}, (a, b) : \text{contains}, (b, a) : \text{inside}\}$$

But if Abox contains  $d_1(a)$ ,  $d_2(b)$  cannot be applied  $\implies$  two possible extensions.



# Spatioterminological default reasoning

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, ?]

## Example

Default rules reasoning, cont'd

$$d_3 = \frac{\textit{area} : \textit{country}}{\textit{country}}$$

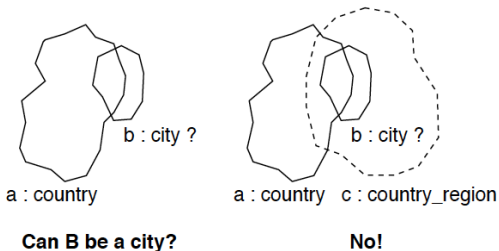
- $d_3(a)$  cannot be applied. Its conclusion is already entailed by the ABox.
- $d_3(b)$  cannot be applied. The consequent  $b : \textit{country}$  makes the Abox inconsistent because  $a$  is already known as a country.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A} \models & (a : \forall \textit{contains} . \neg \textit{country\_region}) \\ (a, b) : & \textit{contains}, b : \textit{country} \implies b : \textit{country\_region} \end{aligned}$$

# Spatioterminological default reasoning.

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, ?]

## Example 2



Subtle inferences due to topological constraints

Abox

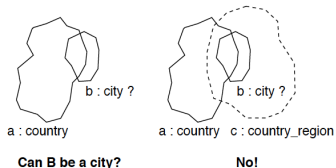
$$\{a : \text{country}, b : \text{area}, (a, b) : \text{overlaps}, (b, a) : \text{overlaps}\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  the default rule  $d_1(b)$  cannot be applied to conclude that object  $b$  is a city.

# Spatioterminological default reasoning.

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, ?]

## Example 2



$$\mathcal{A} = \{a : \text{country}, b : \text{area}, (a, b) : \text{overlaps}, (b, a) : \text{overlaps}\}$$

$(b, a) : \text{overlaps}, b : \text{city} \implies b : \text{city\_region} \sqcap \exists \text{inside.country\_region} \implies \not\models (a : \text{country\_region})$   
 (since  $(b, a) : \text{overlaps}$ ).

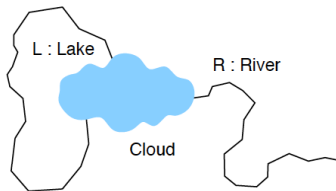
### Remark

- Due to  $\exists$ , there exists an implicit individual  $c$  which is a *country\_region* such that  $(b, c) : \text{inside}$  holds.
- Impossible due to topological constraints ( $b$  inside  $c$  and  $c$  not overlap with  $a$  or does not contain  $a$ ).
- No way to conclude that  $b$  could possibly be a city.

# Spatioterminological default reasoning.

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, ?]

## Example 3



Incomplete spatial information

Abox

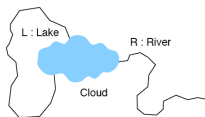
$$\{l : lake, r : river\}$$

We can conclude that the spatial relationship between the river and the lake is either *ec* or *dc*.

# Spatioterminological default reasoning.

Moller et al. approach [Möller 99b, ?]

## Example 3



Incomplete spatial information

Restricted default theories with ABox patterns

$$d_4 = \frac{\{x : lake, y : river, (x, y) : spatially\_related : country\} : \{(x, y) : disjoint\}}{\{(x, y) : disjoint\}}$$

$$d_4 = \frac{\{x : lake, y : river, (x, y) : spatially\_related : country\} : \{(x, y) : touches\}}{\{(x, y) : touches\}}$$

Closing the patterns yields 8 different closed defaults.

## Abductive reasoning

- Abduction using safe rules (Peraldi et al. [Peraldi 09]).
- Concept abduction (Atif et al. [Atif 14]).

# Abductive reasoning

Sort of *backward reasoning* from a set of observations to a cause.

## Definition

Given a knowledge base  $\mathcal{K}$  and a formula  $\mathcal{O}$  representing an **observation** with  $\mathcal{K} \not\models \mathcal{O}$ , we look for an **explanation** formula  $\mathcal{H}$  such that  $\mathcal{H}$  is satisfiable w.r.t.  $\mathcal{K}$  and

$$\mathcal{K} \cup \mathcal{H} \models \mathcal{O}$$

holds.

## Case of image interpretation

- Scene = observation.
- Interpretation = look for the *best* explanation considering a terminological knowledge part about the scene context.

# Abductive reasoning and description logics

## Distinct abductive problems [Elsenbroich 06]

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a DL,  $\mathcal{K}$  a knowledge base in  $\mathcal{L}$

- Concept abduction
- ABox abduction
- TBox abduction
- Knowledge base abduction



# Abduction using safe rules

Multimedia interpretation as abduction

Peraldi et al. [Peraldí 09]

Ontology-based reasoning techniques for multimedia  
interpretation and retrieval

Möller et al. [Möller 08]

# Multimedia interpretation as an abduction problem.

Peraldi et al. [Peraldi 09]

Main idea: Abduction as a non-standard retrieval inference service

Observations are used to constitute queries that have to be answered by acquiring what should be added to the knowledge base in order to positively answer to a query

Use of conjunctive queries

Structure of the form  $\{\text{head} \mid \text{body}\}$ :

$$\{(X_1, \dots, X_n) \mid \text{atom}_1, \dots, \text{atom}_m\}, \text{ with} \\ \text{atom} = C(X), R(X, Y), (X = Y)$$

- head: list of variables for which we like to compute bindings
- body: query atoms

Example:  $\{x \mid \exists y \exists z (\text{ChildOf}(x, y) \wedge \text{ChildOf}(x, z) \wedge \text{Married}(y, z))\}$

Query answer: set of bindings for variables in the head

# Formalisation

Peraldi et al. [Peraldi 09]

## Abduction inference

Given a set of ABox assertions  $\Gamma$  in form of a query and a KB,  $\Sigma = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$ , derive all sets of ABox assertions  $\Delta$  (explanations) such that  $\Delta$  is consistent w.r.t the ontology  $\Sigma$  ( $\Sigma \cup \Delta$  is satisfiable) and:

- $\Sigma \cup \Delta \models \Gamma$ .
- $\Delta$  is a minimal explanation for  $\Gamma$ , i.e. there exists no other explanation  $\Delta'$  in the solution set that is not equivalent to  $\Delta$  and it holds that  $\Sigma \cup \Delta' \models \Delta$ .

# Formalisation

Peraldi et al.[Peraldi 09]

## Multimedia abduction:

- $\Sigma = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$ , a **knowledge base** on the application domain with  $\mathcal{A}$  assumed empty.
- $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2$ , **set of Abox assertions**, encoding low level extracted information from images (objects and their spatial relationships):
  - $\Gamma_1$ : **bona fide assertions**, assumed to be true by default.
  - $\Gamma_2$ : **assertions requiring fiats** (aimed to be explained).
- Abduction process : compute  $\Delta$ , a set of ABox explanations, such that

$$\Sigma \cup \Gamma_1 \cup \Delta \models \Gamma_2$$

The process is implemented as (boolean) query answering.

# Illustration on an example

Peraldi et al. [Peraldi 09]

ABox  $\Gamma$  : low-level image analysis results

$pole_1$	:	$Pole$
$human_1$	:	$Human$
$bar_1$	:	$Bar$
$\{bar_1, human_1\}$	:	$near$

## $\Sigma$ , a Tbox and DL-safe rules on the athletics domain

$Jumper$	$\sqsubset$	$Human$
$Pole$	$\sqsubset$	$Sports\_Equipment$
$Bar$	$\sqsubset$	$Sports\_Equipment$
$Pole \sqcap Bar$	$\sqsubset$	
$Pole \sqcap Jumper$	$\sqsubset$	
$Jumper \sqcap Bar$	$\sqsubset$	
$Jumping\_Event$	$\sqsubset$	$\exists \leq_1 hasParticipant.Jumper$
$Pole\_Vault$	$\sqsubset$	$Jumping\_Event \sqcap \exists hasPart.Pole \sqcap \exists hasPart.Bar$
$High\_Jump$	$\sqsubset$	$Jumping\_Event \sqcap \exists hasPart.Bar$
$near(Y, Z)$	$\leftarrow$	$Pole\_Vault(X), hasPart(X, Y), Bar(Y),$ $hasPart(X, W), Pole(W), hasParticipant(X, Z), Jumper(Z)$
$near(Y, Z)$	$\leftarrow$	$High\_Jump(X), hasPart(X, Y), Bar(Y),$ $hasParticipant(X, Z), Jumper(Z)$

# Illustration on an example



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$pole_1$	:	<i>Pole</i>
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$bar_1$	:	<i>Bar</i>
$\{bar_1, human_1\}$	:	<i>near</i>

- $\Gamma_1 = \{pole_1 : Pole, human_1 : Human, bar_1 : Bar\}$
- $\Gamma_2 = \{(bar_1, human_1) : near\}$
- Boolean query  $Q_1 := \{() \mid near(bar_1, human_1)\}$

## Possible explanations:

- $\Delta_1 = \{new\_ind_1 : Pole\_Vault, (new\_ind_1, bar_1) : hasPart, (new\_ind_1, new\_ind_2) : hasPart, new\_ind_2 : Pole, (new\_ind_1, human_1) : hasParticipant, human_1 : Jumper\}$
- $\Delta_2 = \{new\_ind_1 : Pole\_Vault, (new\_ind_1, bar_1) : hasPart, (new\_ind_1, pole_1) : hasPart, (new\_ind_1, human_1) : hasParticipant, human_1 : Jumper\}$
- $\Delta_3 = \{new\_ind_1 : High\_Jump, (new\_ind_1, bar_1) : hasPart, (new\_ind_1, human_1) : hasParticipant, human_1 : Jumper\}$

## Preference score :

$S_p(\Delta) := S_i(\Delta) - S_h(\Delta)$ , with

$S_i(\Delta) := |\{i \mid i \in inds(\Delta) \text{ and } i \in inds(\Sigma \cup \Gamma_1)\}|$

$S_h(\Delta) := |\{i \mid i \in inds(\Delta) \text{ and } i \in new\_inds\}|$

- $\Delta_1$  incorporates  $human_1$  and  $bar_1$  from  $\Gamma_1$ , then  $S_i(\Delta_1) = 2$ .
  - $\Delta_1$  hypothesizes two new individuals:  $new\_ind_1, new\_ind_2$ , then  $S_h(\Delta_1) = 2$ .
- $\implies S_p(\Delta_1) = 0$
- $S_p(\Delta_2) = 3 - 1 = 2$ .
  - $S_p(\Delta_3) = 2 - 1 = 1$ .
- $\implies \Delta_2$  represents the 'preferred' explanation:

$$\Delta_2 = \{new\_ind_1 : Pole\_Vault, (new\_ind_1, bar_1) : hasPart, (new\_ind_1, pole_1) : hasPart, (new\_ind_1, human_1) : hasParticipant, human_1 : Jumper\}$$

The image should better be interpreted as showing a pole vault and not a high jump.



# Multimedia interpretation as concept abduction

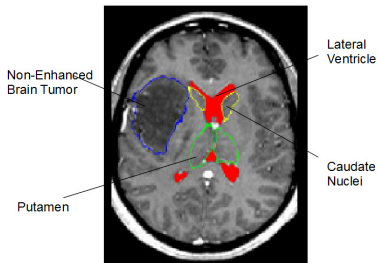
Explanatory reasoning for image understanding using formal  
concept analysis and description logics.

Atif et al. [Atif 14]

# Brain image understanding

Atif et al. [Atif 14]

## Image interpretation



Pathological brain with small deforming peripheral tumor

## Interpretation as an abduction process

$$\mathcal{K} \models (\gamma \rightarrow \varphi)$$

Computing of the *best explanation* from observations  $\varphi$  given some a priori expert knowledge  $\mathcal{K}$  encoded in description logics.

# Knowledge representation

<i>CerebralHemisphere</i>	$\sqsubseteq$	<i>BrainAnatomicalStructure</i>		
<i>PeripheralCerebralHemisphere</i>	$\sqsubseteq$	<i>CerebralHemisphereArea</i>		
<i>SubCorticalCerebralHemisphere</i>	$\sqsubseteq$	<i>CerebralHemisphereArea</i>		
<i>GreyNuclei</i>	$\sqsubseteq$	<i>BrainAnatomicalStructure</i>		
<i>LateralVentricle</i>	$\sqsubseteq$	<i>BrainAnatomicalStructure</i>		
<i>BrainTumor</i>	$\sqsubseteq$	<i>Disease</i>		
		$\sqcap \exists \text{hasLocation} . \text{Brain}$		
<i>SmallDeformingTumor</i>	$\equiv$	<i>BrainTumor</i>		$\dots$
		$\sqcap \exists \text{hasBehavior} . \text{Infiltrating}$		
		$\sqcap \exists \text{hasEnhancement} . \text{NonEnhanced}$		
<i>SubCorticalSmallDeformingTumor</i>	$\equiv$	<i>SmallDeformingTumor</i>	$\sqcap$	
		$\exists \text{hasLocation} . \text{SubCorticalCerebralHemisphere}$		
		$\sqcap \exists \text{closeTo} . \text{GreyNuclei}$		
<i>PeripheralSmallDeformingTumor</i>	$\equiv$	<i>BrainTumor</i>	$\sqcap$	
		$\exists \text{hasLocation} . \text{PeripheralCerebralHemisphere}$		
		$\sqcap \exists \text{farFrom} . \text{LateralVentricle}$		
				$\exists \text{hasLocation} . \text{CerebralHem}$
				$\sqcap \exists \text{hasComponent} . \text{Edema}$
				$\sqcap \exists \text{hasComponent} . \text{Necrosis}$
				$\sqcap \exists \text{hasEnhancement} . \text{Enhanced}$

## Initial ABox $\mathcal{A}_1$

$\{t_1 : \text{BrainTumor}; e_1 : \text{NonEnhanced}; l_1 : \text{LateralVentricle}; p_1 : \text{PeripheralCerebralHemisphere}; (t_1, e_1) : \text{hasEnhancement}; (t_1, l_1) : \text{farFrom}; (t_1, p_1) : \text{hasLocation}; \dots\}$ .

# Interpretation as a concept abduction process

$\mathcal{K} \models \gamma \sqsubseteq O$ , with  $O$ , main specific concept of  $t_1$ , defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BrainTumor} \sqcap \exists \text{hasEnhancement.NonEnhanced} \sqcap \\ \exists \text{farFrom.LateralVentricle} \sqcap \\ \exists \text{hasLocation.PeripheralCerebralHemisphere} \end{aligned}$$

A set of possible explanations is :

$$\{\text{DiseasedBrain}, \text{SmallDeformingTumoralBrain}, \\ \text{PeripheralSmallDeformingTumoralBrain}\}$$

The preferred solution according to minimality constraints is:

$$\gamma \equiv \text{PeripheralSmallDeformingTumoralBrain}$$

# Abduction and logics

## Description logics

Where are we ?

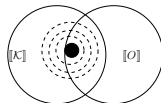
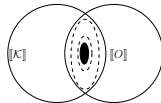
- Only a few works
- Rewriting approach (Modal logics - Description Logics)

Propositional logics (morpho-logics, Bloch et al. [Bloch 02])

$$\llbracket \varepsilon(\varphi) \rrbracket := \varepsilon(\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket), \llbracket \delta(\varphi) \rrbracket := \delta(\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket)$$

Successive erosions of the set of models

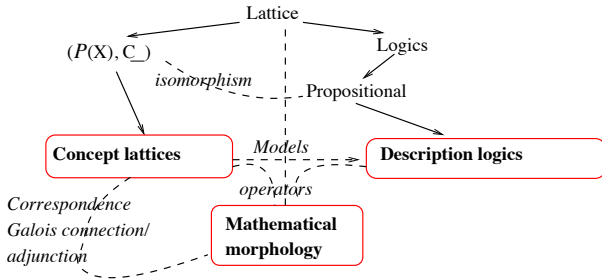
- Erosion of the conjunction of the theory with the formula to be explained
- Erosion of the theory while maintaining the coherence with the formula to be explained



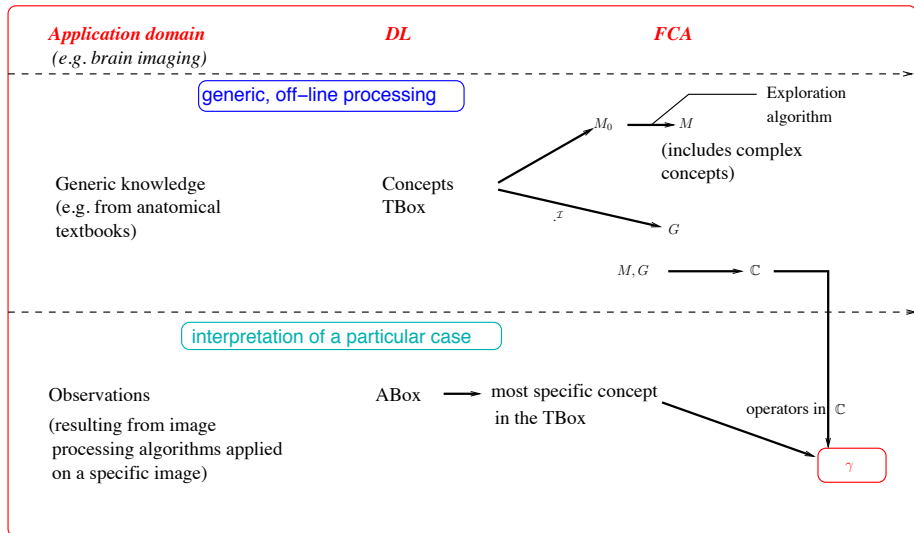
# Proposed approach

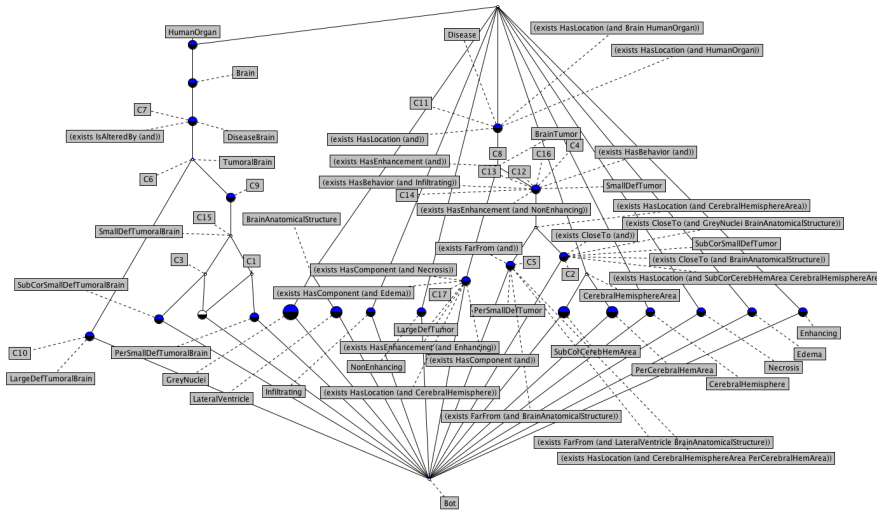
Enrichment of description logics with abductive reasoning services

⇒ Association between three theories :



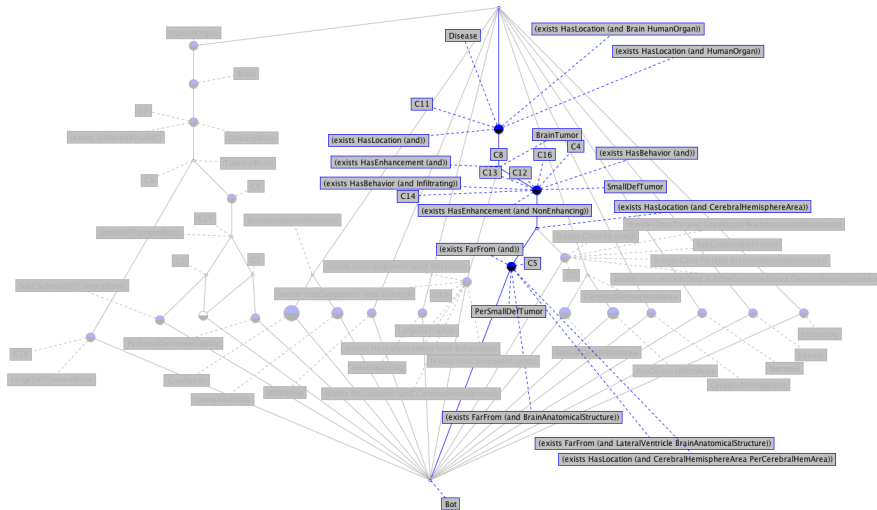
# Global scheme





Concept lattice induced from  $\mathbb{K}_{brain}$ .





Erosion path leading to compute a preferred explanation

# Outline

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# Conclusion

## Ontologies and logic-based approaches for image interpretation

- A growing interest in the literature.
- Main advantages: **explicit knowledge encoding** for reuse and **reasoning** processes.
- Need for more convergence between computer vision, machine learning and logics community.

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