

# Knowledge Representation for the Semantic Web

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**Pascal Hitzler, Markus Krötzsch,  
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**Foundations of Semantic Web  
Technologies**

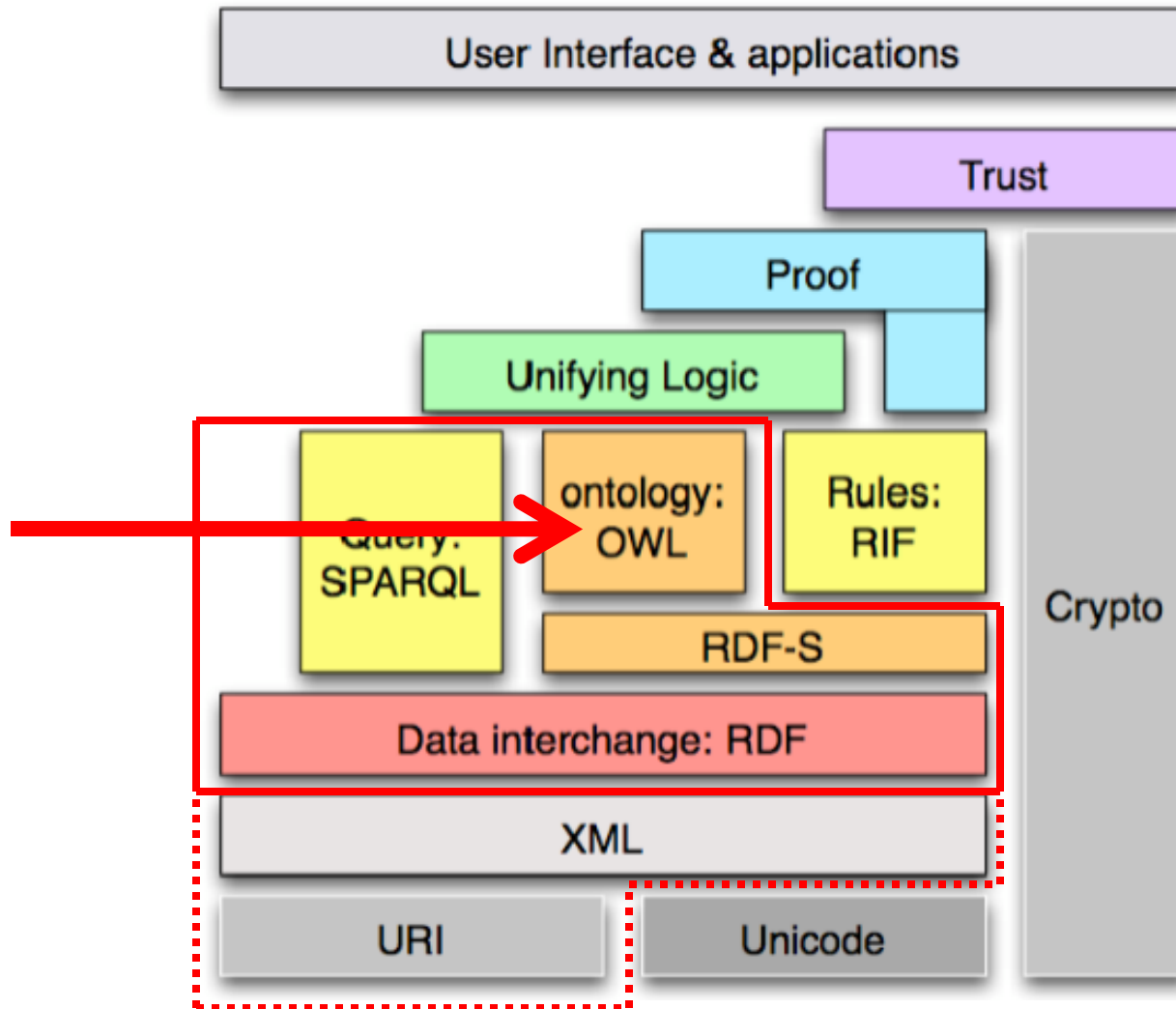
**Chapman & Hall/CRC, 2010**

**Flyer with special offer is available.**

**<http://www.semantic-web-book.org>**



# Today: OWL Syntax



```
ex:speaksWith    rdfs:domain    ex:Homo .  
ex:Homo         rdfs:subClassOf  ex:Primates .
```

**does not RDFS-entail**

```
ex:speaksWith    rdfs:domain    ex:Primates .
```

**although it is a valid OWL entailment.**

**It does RDFS-entail**

```
rdfs:subClassOf  rdf:type  rdf:Property
```

**which is not a valid OWL entailment.**

- **RDF/XML Syntax**
  - The only *normative* syntax (i.e. to be OWL 2 compliant, a tool has to support this (and only this) syntax).
- **Turtle Syntax**
  - Straightforward Turtle version of the RDF/XML Syntax.
  - We will cover the RDF Syntax using Turtle or RDF/XML.
- **Functional Style Syntax**
  - Prefix-syntax, given as formal grammar
  - Clean, adjustable, modifiable, easily parsable
  - Used for *defining* OWL 2 in the W3C Specs.
- **Manchester Syntax**
  - User-friendly(?) syntax, used e.g. in Protégé 4
- **OWL/XML Syntax**
  - Notational variant of the Functional Style Syntax.
  - Does not use RDF triples, but simply XML tree structure.

- **Many examples, translated into all syntaxes:**
- **Pascal Hitzler, Markus Krötzsch, Bijan Parsia, Peter F. Patel-Schneider, Sebastian Rudolph**  
**OWL 2 Web Ontology Language: Primer.**  
**W3C Recommendation, 27 October 2009.**  
**<http://www.w3.org/TR/owl2-primer/>**

1. **RDF Syntax**
2. **Other Syntaxes and OWL Variants**
3. **Class Project**
4. **Class Presentations**

- `:mary rdfs:type :Person .`
  - `:Mother rdfs:subClassOf :Woman .`
  - `:john :hasWife :Mary .`
  - `:hasWife rdfs:subPropertyOf :hasSpouse`
  - `:hasWife rdfs:range :Woman .`
  - `:hasWife rdfs:domain :Man .`
  - `owl:Thing`
  - `owl:Nothing`
  - `owl:topProperty`
  - `owl:bottomProperty`
- `Person(mary)`
  - `Mother  $\sqsubseteq$  Woman`
  - `hasWife(john,mary)`
  - `hasWife  $\sqsubseteq$  hasSpouse`
  - `$\top \sqsubseteq \forall \text{hasWife}. \text{Woman}$`
  - `$\top \sqsubseteq \forall \text{hasWife}^{-}. \text{Man}$       or`  
 `$\exists \text{hasWife}. \top \sqsubseteq \text{Man}$`
  - `$\top$`
  - `$\perp$`
  - `U`
  - `?`

owl namespace:                      <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#>



- **ABox assignments of individuals to classes or properties**
- **ALC:**  $\sqsubseteq, \equiv$  for classes  
 $\sqcap, \sqcup, \neg, \exists, \forall$   
 $\top, \perp$
- **SR:** + property chains, property characteristics, role hierarchies  $\sqsubseteq$
- **SRO:** + nominals  $\{o\}$
- **SROI:** + inverse properties
- **SROIQ:** + qualified cardinality constraints
- **SROIQ(D):** + datatypes (including facets)
  
- + top and bottom roles (for objects and datatypes)
- + disjoint properties
- + Self
- + Keys (not in SROIQ(D), but in OWL)

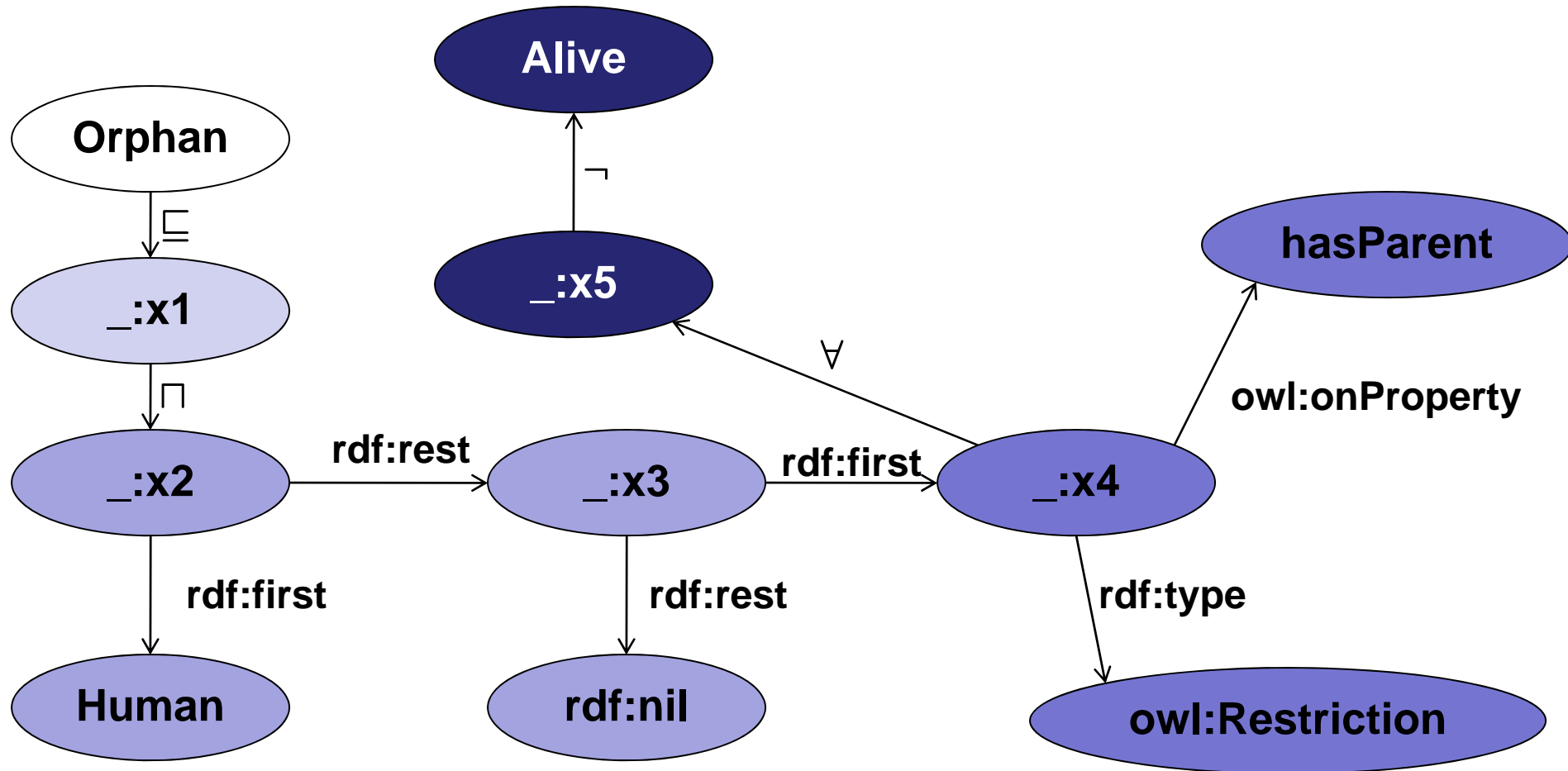
- How do you put SROIQ(D) axioms like

```
Orphan  $\sqsubseteq$  Human  $\sqcap \forall$ hasParent. $\neg$ Alive
```

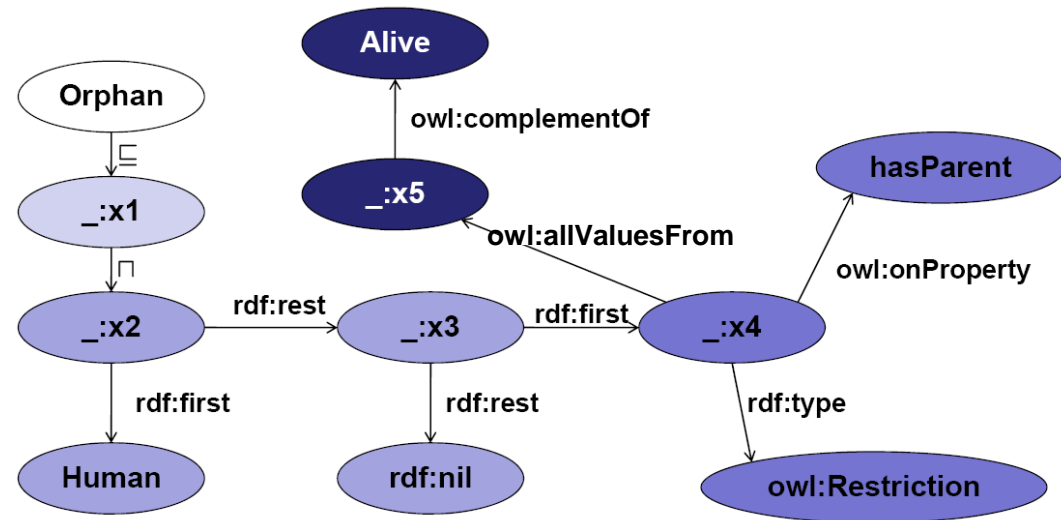
into a graph structure?

- How do you do it such that the RDF Schema semantics and the DL semantics are not violated?
- How do you do it without violating the main conceptual ideas behind RDF and DLs?
- **That's actually impossible without violating either RDF or DL. We have to do some approximations, and accept that the layering cannot be perfect.**

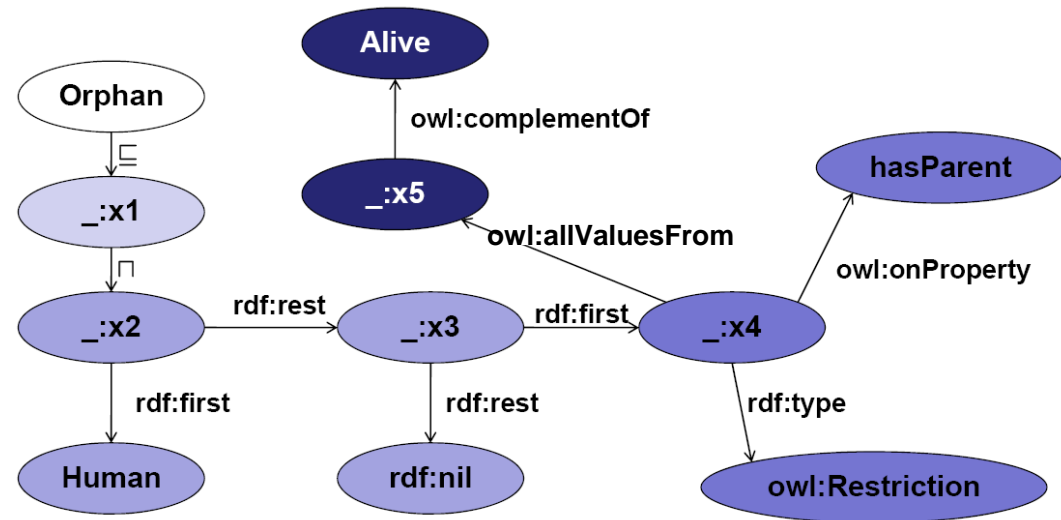
$\text{Orphan} \sqsubseteq \text{Human} \sqcap \forall \text{hasParent}.\neg \text{Alive}$



- From here on, you can basically make the RDF syntax yourself.
- You only need to know the OWL vocabulary to use and some constructs need some design decisions, which are sometimes almost arbitrary.



- You get all kinds of entailments which are entirely irrelevant for the OWL knowledge base.



- `owl:complementOf rdf:type rdf:Property .`
- `_:x5 owl:complementOf _:xyz .`
- `owl:Restriction rdf:type rdfs:Class .`
- `:hasParent rdf:type rdfs:Resource .`
- `owl:Restriction rdfs:subClassOf rdfs:Resource .`
- `owl:Restriction rdfs:subClassOf owl:Restriction .`

# OWL RDF Syntax: Individuals

```
:Mary rdf:type :Woman .
```

```
:John :hasWife :Mary .
```

```
:John owl:differentFrom :Bill .
```

$\{John\} \sqcap \{Bill\} \sqsubseteq \perp$

```
:James owl:sameAs :Jim.
```

$\{John\} \equiv \{Jim\}$

```
:John :hasAge "51"^^xsd:nonNegativeInteger .
```

```
[ ] rdf:type owl:NegativePropertyAssertion ;  
owl:sourceIndividual :Bill ;  
owl:assertionProperty :hasWife ;  
owl:targetIndividual :Mary .
```

$\neg\text{hasWife}(Bill, Mary)$

```
[ ] rdf:type owl:NegativePropertyAssertion ;  
owl:sourceIndividual :Jack ;  
owl:assertionProperty :hasAge ;  
owl:targetValue 53 .
```

```
:Woman rdfs:subClassOf :Person .
```

```
:Person owl:equivalentClass :Human .
```

```
[] rdf:type owl:AllDisjointClasses ;  
   owl:members ( :Woman :Man ) .
```

**Woman  $\sqcap$  Man  $\sqsubseteq \perp$**

```
:hasWife rdfs:subPropertyOf :hasSpouse .
```

```
:hasWife rdfs:domain :Man ;  
         rdfs:range :Woman .
```

# OWL RDF Syntax: Complex Classes

```
:Mother owl:equivalentClass [  
  rdf:type owl:Class ;  
  owl:intersectionOf ( :Woman :Parent )  
]
```

**Mother  $\equiv$  Woman  $\sqcap$  Parent**

```
:Parent owl:equivalentClass [  
  rdf:type owl:Class ;  
  owl:unionOf ( :Mother :Father )  
]
```

**Parent  $\equiv$  Mother  $\sqcup$  Father**

```
:ChildlessPerson owl:equivalentClass [  
  rdf:type owl:Class ;  
  owl:intersectionOf ( :Person [ owl:complementOf :Parent ] )  
]
```

**ChildlessPerson  $\equiv$  Person  $\sqcap$   $\neg$ Parent**

```
:Grandfather rdfs:subClassOf [  
  rdf:type owl:Class ;  
  owl:intersectionOf ( :Man :Parent )  
]
```



```
:Jack rdf:type [
  rdf:type          owl:Class ;
  owl:intersectionOf ( :Person
                        [ rdf:type          owl:Class ;
                          owl:complementOf :Parent      ]
                        )
] .
```

**Person  $\sqcap$   $\neg$ Parent (Jack)**

```
:Parent owl:equivalentClass [  
  rdf:type owl:Restriction ;  
  owl:onProperty :hasChild ;  
  owl:someValuesFrom :Person  
] .
```

**Parent  $\equiv \exists \text{hasChild}.\text{Person}$**

```
:Orphan owl:equivalentClass [  
  rdf:type owl:Restriction ;  
  owl:onProperty [ owl:inverseOf :hasChild ] ;  
  owl:allValuesFrom :Dead  
] .
```

**Orphan  $\equiv \forall \text{hasChild}^{\neg}.\text{Dead}$**

```
:JohnsChildren owl:equivalentClass [  
  rdf:type owl:Restriction ;  
  owl:onProperty :hasParent ;  
  owl:hasValue :John  
]
```

**JohnsChildren  $\equiv \exists$ hasParent.{John}**

```
:NarcisticPerson owl:equivalentClass [  
  rdf:type owl:Restriction ;  
  owl:onProperty :loves ;  
  owl:hasSelf "true"^^xsd:boolean .  
]
```

**NarcisticPerson  $\equiv \exists$ loves.Self**

# OWL RDF Syntax: Restrictions

**$\leq 4$  hasChild.Parent (John)**

```
:John rdf:type [
  rdf:type                owl:Restriction ;
  owl:maxQualifiedCardinality "4"^^xsd:nonNegativeInteger ;
  owl:onProperty          :hasChild ;
  owl:onClass             :Parent
] .
```

```
:John rdf:type [
  rdf:type                owl:Restriction ;
  owl:minQualifiedCardinality "2"^^xsd:nonNegativeInteger ;
  owl:onProperty          :hasChild ;
  owl:onClass             :Parent
] .
```

**$\geq 2$  hasChild.Parent (John)**

```
:John rdf:type [
  rdf:type                owl:Restriction ;
  owl:qualifiedCardinality "3"^^xsd:nonNegativeInteger ;
  owl:onProperty          :hasChild ;
  owl:onClass             :Parent
] .
```

**=3 hasChild.Parent (John)**

# OWL RDF Syntax: Restrictions

```
:John rdf:type [
  rdf:type owl:Restriction ;
  owl:cardinality "5"^^xsd:nonNegativeInteger ;
  owl:onProperty :hasChild
] .
```

**=5 hasChild.⊤ (John)**

```
:MyBirthdayGuests owl:equivalentClass [
  rdf:type owl:Class ;
  owl:oneOf ( :Bill :John :Mary )
] .
```

**MyBirthdayGuests ≡ {Bill, John, Mary}**

# OWL RDF Syntax: Properties

```
:hasParent owl:inverseOf :hasChild .
```

```
:Orphan owl:equivalentClass [  
  rdf:type owl:Restriction ;  
  owl:onProperty [ owl:inverseOf :hasChild ] ;  
  owl:allValuesFrom :Dead  
] .
```

**Orphan  $\equiv \forall \text{hasChild}^{\bar{}} . \text{Dead}$**

```
:hasSpouse rdf:type owl:SymmetricProperty .
```

```
:hasChild rdf:type owl:AsymmetricProperty .
```

```
:hasParent owl:propertyDisjointWith :hasSpouse .
```

```
:hasRelative rdf:type owl:ReflexiveProperty .
```

```
:parentOf rdf:type owl:IrreflexiveProperty .
```

```
:hasHusband rdf:type owl:FunctionalProperty .
```

```
:hasHusband rdf:type owl:InverseFunctionalProperty .
```

```
:hasAncestor rdf:type owl:TransitiveProperty .
```

```
:hasGrandparent owl:propertyChainAxiom ( :hasParent :hasParent ).
```

**hasParent o hasParent  $\sqsubseteq$  hasGrandParent**

```
:Person owl:hasKey ( :hasSSN ) .
```

In OWL 2 a collection of (data or object) properties can be assigned as a key to a class expression. This means that each named instance of the class expression is uniquely identified by the set of values which these properties attain in relation to the instance.

```
:personAge owl:equivalentClass
```

```
  [ rdf:type rdfs:Datatype;
```

```
    owl:onDatatype xsd:integer;
```

Datatype *facets*

```
    owl:withRestrictions (
```

```
      [ xsd:minInclusive "0"^^xsd:integer ]
```

```
      [ xsd:maxInclusive "150"^^xsd:integer ]
```

```
    )
```

```
  ] .
```

```
:majorAge owl:equivalentClass
```

```
  [ rdf:type rdfs:Datatype;
```

```
    owl:intersectionOf (
```

```
      :personAge
```

```
      [ rdf:type rdfs:Datatype;
```

```
        owl:datatypeComplementOf :minorAge ]
```

```
    )
```

```
  ] .
```

```
:toddlerAge owl:equivalentClass
```

```
  [ rdf:type rdfs:Datatype;
```

```
    owl:oneOf ( "1"^^xsd:integer "2"^^xsd:integer )
```

```
  ] .
```



# Essential OWL Features

Feature	Related OWL vocabulary	FOL	DL
top/bottom class	<code>owl:Thing/owl:Nothing</code>	(axiomatise)	$\top/\perp$
Class intersection	<code>owl:intersectionOf</code>	$\wedge$	$\sqcap$
Class union	<code>owl:unionOf</code>	$\vee$	$\sqcup$
Class complement	<code>owl:complementOf</code>	$\neg$	$\neg$
Enumerated class	<code>owl:oneOf</code>	(ax. with $\approx$ )	$\{a\}$
<b>Property restrictions</b>	<code>owl:onProperty</code>		
Existential	<code>owl:someValueFrom</code>	$\exists y \dots$	$\exists R.C$
Universal	<code>owl:allValuesFrom</code>	$\forall y \dots$	$\forall R.C$
Min. cardinality	<code>owl:minQualifiedCardinality</code> <code>owl:onClass</code>	$\exists y_1 \dots y_n. \dots$	$\geq n$ S.C
Max. cardinality	<code>owl:maxQualifiedCardinality</code> <code>owl:onClass</code>	$\forall y_1 \dots y_{n+1}. \dots \rightarrow \dots$	$\leq n$ S.C
Local reflexivity	<code>owl:hasSelf</code>	$R(x,x)$	$\exists R.Self$

# Essential OWL Features

Feature	Related OWL vocabulary	DL	
Property chain	<code>owl:propertyChainAxiom</code>	$\circ$	
Inverse	<code>owl:inverseOf</code>	$R^-$	
Key	<code>owl:hasKey</code>		
Property disjointness	<code>owl:propertyDisjointWith</code>	$\text{Dis}(R,S)$	
<b>Property characteristics</b>	<code>rdf:hasType</code>		
Symmetric	<code>owl:SymmetricProperty</code>	$\text{Sym}(R)$	
Asymmetric	<code>owl:AsymmetricProperty</code>	$\text{Asy}(R)$	
Reflexive	<code>owl:ReflexiveProperty</code>	$\text{Ref}(R)$	
Irreflexive	<code>owl:IrreflexiveProperty</code>	$\text{Irr}(R)$	
Transitivity	<code>owl:TransitiveProperty</code>	$\text{Tra}(R)$	
Subclass	<code>rdfs:subClassOf</code>	$\forall x.C(x) \rightarrow D(x)$	$C \sqsubseteq D$
Subproperty	<code>rdfs:subPropertyOf</code>	$\forall x,y.R(x,y) \rightarrow S(x,y)$	$R \sqsubseteq S$

```
<http://example.com/owl/families> rdf:type owl:Ontology .
```

```
@prefix : <http://example.com/owl/families/> .  
@prefix otherOnt: <http://example.org/otherOntologies/families/> .  
@prefix owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#> .  
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .  
@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .  
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
```

```
<http://example.com/owl/families>  
owl:imports <http://example.org/otherOntologies/families/> .
```

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@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
```

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<http://example.com/owl/families>
owl:imports <http://example.org/otherOntologies/families/> .
```

```
:Mary      owl:sameAs      otherOnt:MaryBrown .
:John      owl:sameAs      otherOnt:JohnBrown .
:Adult     owl:equivalentClass  otherOnt:Grownup .
:hasChild  owl:equivalentProperty otherOnt:child .
:hasAge    owl:equivalentProperty otherOnt:age .
```

**Each class, property, or individual needs to be declared.**

```
:John      rdf:type  owl:NamedIndividual .
:Person    rdf:type  owl:Class .
:hasWife   rdf:type  owl:ObjectProperty .
:hasAge    rdf:type  owl:DatatypeProperty .
```

**Punning:**

**Same URI can stand e.g. for both an individual and a class:**

```
:John      rdf:type      :Father .
:Father    rdf:type      :SocialRole .
```

**Semantics: This is semantically interpreted as if the two occurrences of `Father` were in fact distinct.**

**Not allowed: E.g. use of a URI for both object and datatype property.**

```
:Person rdfs:comment "Represents the set of all people."^^xsd:string .
```

```
:Man rdfs:subClassOf :Person .  
[] rdf:type owl:Axiom ;  
 owl:annotatedSource :Man ;  
 owl:annotatedProperty rdfs:subClassOf ;  
 owl:annotatedTarget :Person ;  
 rdfs:comment "States that every man is a person."^^xsd:string .
```

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- **OWL 2 DL is the “description logic” version of OWL**
  - global restrictions from SROIQ(D) apply
  - RDF can only be used in a very controlled fashion (only what is necessary for expressing OWL axioms)
  - model-theoretic semantics of SROIQ(D) is used, called **OWL 2 Direct Semantics**
- **OWL 2 Full is unrestricted OWL 2 DL plus all of RDF(S).**
  - no global restrictions
  - RDF can be used freely
  - semantics is a hybrid of RDFS and OWL 2 DL semantics, called **RDF-Based Semantics**
- **Both semantics are in the W3C recommendation.**  
**No implementations of the OWL 2 Full semantics exist.**



- The OWL 2 spec describes three profiles (fragments, sublanguages) which have polynomial complexity.
  - OWL EL (the description logic EL++) presented earlier
  - OWL QL (the description logic DL Lite<sub>R</sub>) forthcoming class presentation
  - OWL RL (the description logic DLP) skipped
    - inspired by intersecting OWL with Datalog
    - implemented e.g. in Oracle 11g

```
SubClassOf (  
  :ChildlessPerson  
ObjectIntersectionOf (  
  :Person  
ObjectComplementOf (  
  ObjectSomeValuesFrom (  
    ObjectInverseOf ( :hasParent )  
    owl:Thing  
  )  
)  
)  
)
```

$\text{ChildlessPerson} \sqsubseteq \text{Person} \sqcap \neg \exists \text{hasParent} \bar{\top}$

```
ClassAssertion (  
  ObjectIntersectionOf (  
    :Person  
    ObjectComplementOf ( :Parent )  
  )  
  :Jack  
)
```

$\text{Person} \sqcap \neg \text{Parent} (\text{Jack})$

```
Class: Parent
  EquivalentTo: hasChild some Person
  EquivalentTo: Mother or Father
```

```
Class: HappyPerson
  EquivalentTo: hasChild only Happy and hasChild some Happy
Class: JohnsChildren
  EquivalentTo: hasParent value John
Class: NarcisticPerson
  EquivalentTo: loves Self
Class: Orphan
  EquivalentTo: inverse hasChild only Dead
Class: Teenager
  SubClassOf: hasAge some integer[<= 13 , >= 19]
```

```
Class: X
  SubClassOf: Parent and hasChild max 1 and hasChild only Female
  EquivalentTo: {Mary, Bill, Meg} and Female
```

```
Individual: John
Types: Father
Types: hasChild max 4 Parent
Types: hasChild min 2 Parent
Types: hasChild exactly 3 Parent
Types: hasChild exactly 5
Facts: hasAge "51"^^xsd:integer
Facts: hasWife Mary
DifferentFrom: Bill
```

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- put your corrected DL axioms into your Protege ontology file
- **send me the .owl file**
- **deadline: 3<sup>rd</sup> of March**
  
- **note: this completes two assignments**
  - putting ontology into Protege
  - adding the DL axioms
  
- **there will (probably!) be one more project assignment – after the in-class project sessions.**

- **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> of March and Monday 8<sup>th</sup> of March.**
- **We will try to do *ontology integration*.**
- **Teams of 2-3 people trying to integrate their ontologies – i.e. make one ontology out of them.**
  - **If we have enough time, we'll integrate them all!**
- **You need to do some preparations for this:**
  - **bring a printout of your ontology (best in Turtle)**
  - **bring an easy to read version (graphical or other) of the main subclass hierarchy of your ontology.**

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- RDFa – embedding RDF in HTML (W3C standard)  
Pavan, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> of January
- Scalable Distributed Reasoning using MapReduce (Urbani, Kotoulas, Oren, van Harmelen, ISWC2009)  
Wenbo, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> of January
  
- **TJ, Security and Semantic Web, 1<sup>st</sup> of March**
- **Pramod, Virtuoso, 4<sup>th</sup> of March**
- **Hemant, FOAF, 4<sup>th</sup> of March**
- **Ashutosh, Linked Open Data, 4<sup>th</sup> of March**
- **Prateek, SPARQL, 11<sup>th</sup> of March**
- **Vinh, Semantic MediaWiki, 11<sup>th</sup> of March**
- **Raghava, DL-Lite, 11<sup>th</sup> of March**

# Class Planning

**03/01/10: OWL part 4 - Tableaux Calculus + 1 class presentation**

**03/02/10: class project session**

**03/04/10: 3 class presentations**

**03/08/10: class project session**

**03/09/10: exercise session**

**03/11/10: 3 class presentations**

**03/12/10: exams**