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# Resolving and avoiding design conflicts in ontology development and deployment

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# An ontology

Simplified graphical rendering of a fragment of one:



 $\tt http://geneontology.org/docs/ontology\_documentation/ \__{\bigcirc \bigcirc}$ 

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# In an ODE...



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# ... happenings behind the GUI ...



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# ... and underlying that serialisation



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- $\Rightarrow$  Someone has to build them, *somehow*



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#### Typical stages of macro-level methodologies



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#### Scenarios for building Ontology Networks (NEON methodology)



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#### More cycles within a cycle (for "ontology design")



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- ⇒ But what if you're not sure of the axioms yet? Or it leads to a conflict and possibly also an 'incoherent' ontology?

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- A class Transformation or a relationship transforms?
- proper parthood is transitive, irreflexive, and asymmetric. Choose one? Give up on decidable reasoning?

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#### The real use case (thanks to Rolf Grütter)

- Epizootic disease outbreak in the Lemanic Arc (France, Switzerland) in 2006
- Human-pathogenic avian influenza H5N1, modelling & data
- Swiss authorities set up protection zones within a radius of 3km, surveillance zones within a radius of 10km.
- Rules to apply; e.g., poultry must be kept in the henhouse
- Need to decide which municipalities to include in the protection zones and which in the surveillance zones

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#### One of the maps



Avian influenza in the Lemanic Arc; National Map 1:200,000 ©2008 swisstopo. Adapted from Perler L (2007). Geflügelgrippe: Ursprung – Entwicklung – Ausblick. EVD, Bundesamt für Veterinärwesen BVET (presentation).

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Reasoner: .... non-simple .... beyond OWL 2 DL!

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## Outline



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#### How to manage such differences?

- Identify type of conflicts that can arise
- Determine how to preempt or to detect them
- Assess options what to do with it when a conflict arises
- Specify a mechanism to keep track of these three aspects
- Devise a way to make this easy to do and document choice

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#### Note: meaning negotiation vs conflict resolution

**Meaning negotiation** concerns deliberations to figure out the precise semantics one wants to represent in the ontology. They are all *positive choices* in the sense of "which of the options is applicable? Then we take that one".

**Conflict resolution** Concerns choosing one option among a set of two or more options, where that choice is deemed the *'lesser among evils' for that scenario*. It necessarily involves a compromise and making it work requires reengineering something in at least one of the ontologies or as a whole.

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#### Sample scenario to detect and resolve conflicts



Tool feedback (example) 1. O1+2 violates OWL 2 DL language 2. O1 reifies relations but O2 does not;

Examine sources of conflict (example) 1. o1:part-of = o2:part-of, but o1:part-of is transitive and o2:part-of is used in a qualified cardinality constraint 2. This concerns o1:Vaccination and o2:vaccinates **Resolve conflicts** (choices made for example) 1. Agree to keep both constraints and thus select a more expressive ontology language.

2. Choose O1's reification approach in line with its modelling style

#### Implement resolution

- 1. No further action needed
- 2. Remodel o2:vaccinates axioms accordingly
- 3. Import O2' into O1



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- Logic limitations causing conflicts for an ontology, affecting the software ecosystem
  - OWL only or DOL [DOL(2018)] that can do FOL and HOL
- Logic limitations by design, for the purpose of scalability
  - OWL 2 EL vs. OWL 2 DL [Motik et al.(2009)]
- Certain deductions (excluding modelling mistakes) that manifest after adding the axioms, during TDD, or upon ontology matching attempts.
  - disjointness declared among some ancestor

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- CIDO ontology for COVID-19 [He et al.(2020)] is not in OWL 2 EL
- Class expression with a universal quantifier on rhs; a.o.: 'Yale New Haven Hospital SARS-CoV-2 assay' ⊑ ∀'EUA-authorized use at'.'FDA EUA-authorized organization'



Need a tool to find violating axioms: the OWL Classifier

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#### 'Library' of common conflicts (selection -1/2)

| No. | Conflict     | Description                 | Examples                      |
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|     |              | Conflicting theories at the | top-level                     |
| 1   | foundational | ontologies adhere to con-   | BFO, DOLCE, GFO, SUMO,        |
|     |              | flicting theories           | UFO, YAMATO                   |
| 2   | mereological | conflicting mereological    | with Atom or not, weak vs.    |
|     |              | theories                    | strong supplementation        |
| 3   | topological  | conflicting topological     | region connection calculus on |
|     |              | theories                    | non-simply connected regions  |
| 4   | building     | different ontological com-  | whether roles are part of the |
|     | blocks       | mitments embedded in        | fundamental furniture of the  |
|     |              | the language                | universe, $3D + time vs. 4D$  |
|     |              |                             | 'worms'                       |

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#### Well-known fundamental language conflicts

- Attributes/data properties (OWL, UML) or not (OBO)
- Parthood as primitive (originally so in OBO) or not (OWL)
- Some separation of language from 'semantic layer' (OBO naming scheme of entities vs OWL, CL etc.)
- 3D+time vs. 4D (in theory at least; time is costly)

Fillottrani PR, Keet CM. An analysis of commitments in ontology language design. FOIS 2020.

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## 'Library' of common conflicts (selection -2/2)

|    |                           | Other conflicts             |   |
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|    |                           | applied vs. foundational    | whether there are data                        |
| 9  | modeling sty              | le                          | property axioms, alike                        |
|    |                           |                             | height between Person and                     |
|    |                           |                             | xsd:decimal                                   |
|    |                           | class vs. object property   | Infection vs. infected-by                     |
|    | subsuming roles vs. roles |                             | doctor is-a person vs. doctor                 |
|    |                           | inhering in objects         | inheres-in person                             |
| 10 | language                  | cultural-linguistic and la- | population immunity vs herd                   |
|    |                           | beling differences, such as | immunity, color vs colour,                    |
|    |                           | preferred/alt labels, or-   | and non-1:1 mappings (e.g.,                   |
|    |                           | thography, language vari-   | 'river' vs <i>fleuve</i> and <i>rivière</i> ) |
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# Modelling style example (1/2)

# Requirement: Integrate the CIDO and CODO COVID-19 ontologies

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# Modelling style example (1/2)

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- CODO: laboratory testfinding  $\equiv$  {positive, pending, negative}
- CIDO: positive COVID-19 diagnosis
   □ COVID-19 diagnosis, presumptive positive COVID-19 diagnosis
   □ COVID-19 diagnosis, and negative COVID-19 diagnosis
   □ COVID-19 diagnosis
   □ COVID-19 diagnosis



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  - A joint outside option; e.g.: use attribute + values instead



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#### Record such information: the conflict set

# Conflict set grammar for recording individual conflict sets in or between ontologies

| <conflict-set></conflict-set> | ::= <ontology> <ontology> [<diff>]</diff></ontology></ontology>  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <ontology></ontology>         | ::= <iri> [<species>] <axiom> {<axiom>} [<inference>]</inference></axiom></axiom></species></iri>                                    |
| <species></species>           | ::= "OWL DL"   "OWL Lite"   "OWL Full"   "OWL 2 EL"   "OWL 2 QL"   "OWL 2 RL"  |
|                               | "OWL 2 DL"   "OWL 2 Full"   "FOL"   "HOL"  |
| <axiom></axiom>               | ::= [ <number>] <formula> [<description>] {<theory>} {<dl-expressivity>}</dl-expressivity></theory></description></formula></number> |
| <theory></theory>             | ::= <iri>   <name>   <iri> <name>   "none"</name></iri></name></iri>   |
| <diff></diff>                 | ::= difference between the inferred axioms sets of the two ontologies  |

(production rules of most terminals are omitted)

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| Ontology: $O_1$  | Ontology: $\mathcal{O}_2$   |
|--|---|
| IRI:appl:admin   | IRI:appl:epidemiology   |
| No.: 1.17  | No.: 2.32   |
| Axiom: has_2D ⊓  | Axiom: Tr(partOf)   |
| has_2D_inv ⊓ located_in ⊓  | ar 15   |
| partOf $\sqsubseteq \bot$  |   |
| Description: disjointness  | Description: transitivity   |
| Theory: n/a  | Theory: M   |
| $DL: (\neg), \mathcal{R}$  | DL: $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{R}$  |
| No.: 1.22<br>Axiom: $\top \sqsubseteq (\le 1 \text{ partOf})$<br>Description: functionality<br>Theory: n/a<br>DL: $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{Q}$ |   |
| Inference $\mathcal{O}_1$ : $(\mathcal{O}_1 \sqcup \mathcal{O}_2 \sqcup (ap appl:epidemiology#partOf))$                                      | ppl:admin#partOf $\equiv$<br>$\Box \neg 2.32 \models O'_1$                  |
| Inference $\mathcal{O}_2$ : $(\mathcal{O}_1 \sqcup \mathcal{O}_2 \sqcup (ap appl:epidemiology#partOf))$                                      | $ ppl:admin#partOf \equiv  \neg (1.17 \sqcup 1.22) \models \mathcal{O}_2' $ |
| $\mathrm{Diff} \colon \mathcal{O}_1' \sqcap \neg \mathcal{O}_2' \sqsubseteq \bot$  |   |

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| $\mathrm{Diff} \colon \mathcal{O}_1' \sqcap \neg \mathcal{O}_2' \sqsubseteq \bot$                        |   |

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#### Cognitive walk-throughs for the Avian influenza Case Study



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#### Minimal system requirements

- A conflict resolution workflow management system, be it a Question Answering system or another strategy that avails of a knowledge-to-text controlled language, canned text, a decision tree, and two data structures (the conflict set and the resolution options);
- Algorithms to populate the conflict set, which may avail of new wrappers for existing OWL tools to recast their computation and outputs as detection and conflict resolution functionalities;
- End-user usable DOL and CL tools;
- Software support for the language annotation models and extant assessments on modelling style and language conflicts.

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#### Connecting the knowledge to the data



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# Knowledge-to-Data Pipeline options



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#### Key distinguishing features of varying computational cost

| Feature                    | K@D         | $K \Leftrightarrow D$ | $D \bowtie K$ | D <b>a</b> K |  |
|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| World                      | OWA         | OWA+CWA               | CWA           | CWA          |  |
| Language for ${\cal K}$    | OWL         | OWL                   | relational,   | relational   |  |
|                            |             |                       | DL            |              |  |
| Language for $\mathcal{D}$ | OWL         | relational            | relational    | relational   |  |
| Query language             | SPARQL      | SPARQL +              | SQLP          | SQL          |  |
|                            |             | SQL (fragment)        |               |              |  |
| Automated                  | yes         | yes                   | yes           | depends on   |  |
| reasoning                  |             |                       |               | system       |  |
| Reasoning                  | no separate | query rewriting       | data comple-  | data comple- |  |
| w.r.t. data                | approach    |                       | tion          | tion         |  |
| Mapping layer              | no          | yes                   | no            | no           |  |
| Transformations            | no          | no                    | yes           | yes          |  |
| Entity recasting           | no          | yes                   | no            | yes          |  |
| Syntactic sugar            | available   | available             | possible      | possible     |  |

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## The WONDER System with the early version

- Horizontal Gene Transfer (HGT) database [Garcia-Vallvé et al.(2003)]
- Reverse engineer the conceptual data model
- Formalise it in OWL 2 QL
- Create mappings
- Create (web-based) interface for browsing, querying, and answering as front-end to OBDA back-end

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| Construct             | Graphical Element | Semantic   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| Class                 | с                 | $C \sqsubseteq \top$                                   |
| Object Property       | C P D             | $\exists P \sqsubseteq C \\ \exists P^- \sqsubseteq D$ |
| Data Property         | <b>C A</b>        | $\delta(A) \sqsubseteq C$ $\rho(A) \sqsubseteq \top_d$ |
| SubClass Relationship |                   | $C\sqsubseteq D$                                       |

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### "Knowledge mapping data": OBDA example in genomics



Retrieve all genes of the organisms Neisseria for which horizontal gene transfer is predicted or have a GC3 value > 80

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| Construct                      | Graphical Element | Semantic            |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Class node                     | C, D              | C(x), D(x)          |
| Object Property link           | C P D             | C(x), P(x, y), D(y) |
| Data Property node and<br>link | C A               | C(x), A(x,y)        |

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### "Knowledge mapping data": OBDA

- OBDA with Ontop [Calvanese et al.(2017)] now more elaborate and more robust
- More case studies: Statoil and EPnet [Calvanese et al.(2016)]

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### "Knowledge mapping data": OBDA

- OBDA with Ontop [Calvanese et al.(2017)] now more elaborate and more robust
- More case studies: Statoil and EPnet [Calvanese et al.(2016)]
- Downsides
  - The mapping layer: cumbersome construction and maintenance
  - Low expressiveness for ontology language
  - Limitations on types of queries

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#### "Data-transformation-knowledge" example: KnowID



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### Knowledge-driven Information and Data access (KnowID)

- There's more on the 'knowledge and information management' module:
  - Swap between EER, UML, ORM [Keet and Fillottrani(2015), Fillottrani and Keet(2014)]
  - DL (OWL) with reasoner at the back-end
  - Tool: crowd 2.0 (beta) http://crowd.fi.uncoma.edu.ar:3335/ [Braun et al.(2020)]
  - More in the pipeline, such as integrating NOMSA for summarisation and modularisation of ontologies
- Querying with SQLP: SQLP requires less time for understanding and authoring queries, with no loss in accuracy [Ma et al.(2018)]
- Data Completion TBD

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#### Recap and future work

- Foundational steps towards a framework that can deal in a systematic way with modelling conflicts through conflict resolution
- Notion of conflict set, with a data structure
- A first step towards a library of conflicts
- Some supporting tools for conflict resolution; more needed
- System design trade-offs in connecting the ontologies to the data; more needed

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# Thank you!

## Questions?

Some self-promotion:

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- Free pdf (and slides and exercises) at https://people.cs.uct.ac.za/ ~mkeet/OEbook/
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