Welcome to INFO216: Knowledge Graphs Spring 2023

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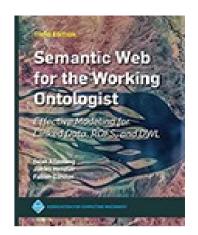
Session 10: Formal ontologies (OWL-DL)

- Themes:
 - OWL-DL
 - core OWL concepts
 - restriction classes
 - description logic
 - decision problems



Readings

- Sources:
 - Allemang, Hendler & Gandon (2020):
 Semantic Web for the Working Ontologist, 3rd edition:
 chapters 12-13, but chapters 11-12 in the 2nd edition
 - Blumauer & Nagy (2020):
 Knowledge Graph Cookbook Recipes that Work:
 e.g., pages 105-109, 123-124, (supplementary)
- Resources in the wiki http://wiki.uib.no/info216, e.g.:
 - OWL 2 Overview (http://www.w3.org/TR/owl-overview/)
 - OWL 2 Primer (http://www.w3.org/TR/owl-primer/):
 - show: Turtle and Manchester syntax
 - hide: other syntaxes







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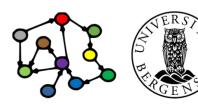




The Core OWL Concepts

Web Ontology Language versions

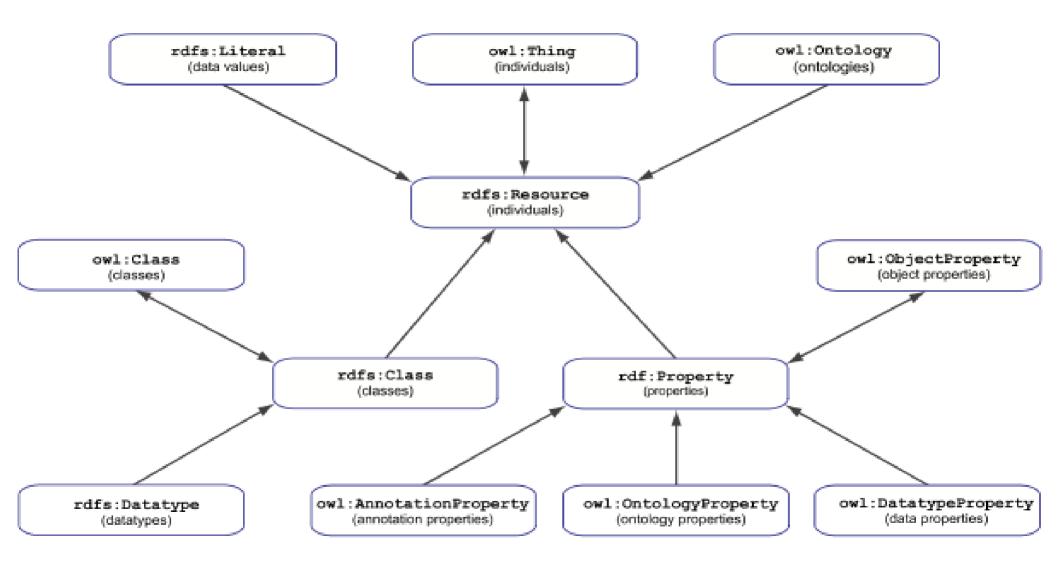
- OWL "1" (2002):
 - OWL Full anything goes
 - OWL DL fragment of OWL Full, formal semantics through description logic
 - OWL Lite simple fragment of OWL DL, not much used
- OWL 2 (2008):
 - backwards compatible with OWL "1"!
 - OWL2 DL fragment of OWL2 full, extension of OWL DL
 - formal and powerful, but reasoning can get prohibitively slow
 - OWL2 DL defines three faster fragments of OWL2 DL:
 - OWL2 RL rule-based semantics, also OWL LD for Linked Data
 - OWL2 EL quick DL reasoning
 - OWL2 QL suitable for query rewriting



Classes, properties, and individuals (←S08)

- Web Ontology Language (OWL):
 - builds on RDF and RDFS
 - uses classes and properties from RDF and RDFS
 - adds precision and formality
- Basic OWL-concepts:
 - owl:Thing (equivalent to rdfs:Resource)
 - owl:Class (equivalent to rdfs:Class)
 - owl:ObjectProperty (equivalent to rdf:Property)
 - owl:NamedIndividual (things with URIs and that are not classes)
- Good practice: keep Classes, Individuals, and Properties disjoint,
 i.e., no resource has more than one of them as rdf:type
 - in OWL DL, this is mandatory...

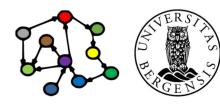




Building blocks

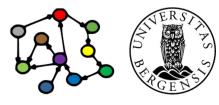
- OWL 2 has three building blocks:
 - entities:
 - refer to real-world entities using URIs
 - owl:NamedClass, owl:NamedIndividual
 - owl:ObjectProperty, owl:DatatypeProperty, owl:AnnotationProperty, owl:ObjectProperty
 - axioms: ← can be true or false!
 - basic statements expressed by the OWL ontology
 - every triple in the RDF graph is an axiom
 - expressions:
 - use constructors to
 - define more complex entities
 - by *combining* simpler ones

OWL2 can be seen as an extension of RDF and RDFS, but can also stand on its own feet.



More building blocks

- owl:Thing:
 - is equivalent to rdfs:Resource
 - logic interpretation: True
 - called the top concept in description logic (DL)
- owl:Nothing
 - is the empty set
 - no resource has it as its rdf:type
 - logic interpretation: False
 - called the bottom concept in DL



Named and constructed classes

- owl:NamedClass (with an URI):
 - semantics are given by:
 - URI-s, labels and other annotations
 - domain, range, subClassOf and other relationships
- Constructed (or complex) owl:Class:
 - built from existing classes, properties, individuals
 - which can be named or anonymous
 - constructed classes are anonymous upon declaration,
 - but can be named later
 - unions, intersections and negations of existing classes (←S08)
 - enumeration of existing individuals (←S08)
 - restrictions on existing properties





Object and datatype properties

- In RDF triples, the object is either a resource or a literal
 - OWL has two corresponding types of properties
 - owl:ObjectProperty:
 - rdfs:range ("verdiområde") is usually an OWL-class of individuals
 - used in axioms (e.g., RDF triples) with a *resource* object
 - owl:DatatypeProperty:
 - rdfs:range is an RDFS-datatype
 - used in axioms (e.g., RDF triples) with a *literal* object
 - the rdfs:domain ("definisjonsmengden") is always an OWL-class of individuals

Formally, owl:DatatypeProperty is rdfs:subPropertyOf owl:ObjectProperty.



Summary: core OWL concepts

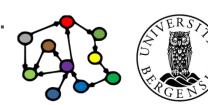
- owl:Thing, owl:Nothing owl:NamedIndividual
- owl:NamedClass, owl:Class
- owl:ObjectProperty, owl:DatatypeProperty
- owl:AnnotationProperty, owl:OntologyProperty



Summary: more precise properties (←S08)

- owl:inverseOf
- owl:SymmetricProperty, owl:AsymmetricProperty
- owl:ReflexiveProperty, owl:IrreflexiveProperty
- owl:TransitiveProperty
- owl:FunctionalProperty, owl:InverseFunctionalProperty
- owl:hasKey
- Also:
 - negated properties
 - chained properties, e.g.:

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



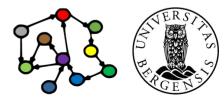
Summary: sameness and difference (←S08)

- Individuals:
 - pairwise: owl:sameAs, owl:differentFrom
 - groupwise difference: owl:AllDifferent
- Classes:
 - pairwise: owl:equivalentClass, owl:disjointWith
 - groupwise difference: owl:AllDisjointClasses
- Properties:
 - pairwise: equivalentProperty, propertyDisjointWith
 - groupwise difference: owl:AllDisjointProperties
- Membership in the groups:
 - owl:distinctMembers (preferred) or owl:members



Summary: complex classes (←S08)

- owl:oneOf
- owl:unionOf
- owl:intersectionOf
- owl:complementOf (and the CWA)
- owl:NegativePropertyAssertion, owl:sourceIndividual, owl:assertionProperty, owl:targetIndividual

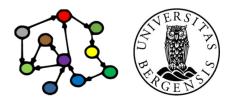


OWL restriction classes

Property value restrictions

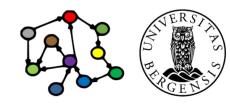
- Defining a class by a particular value on one of its properties, e.g.:
 - ex:Republican

 a owl:Restriction;
 owl:onProperty dbo:hasParty;
 owl:hasValue dbr:Republican_Party_(United_States).



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Existential property restrictions

 Defining a class by the existence of a relation (object property) to an individual in (another or the same) class, e.g.:

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    ex:President owl:intersectionOf (
        dbr:Person
        [ a owl:Restriction;
        owl:onProperty ex:presidentOf;
        owl:someValuesFrom owl:Thing
        ]
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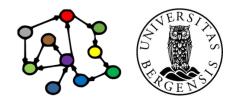
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```
    ex:BipartisanCommittee owl:intersectionOf (

       foaf:Group
           a owl:Restriction;
           owl:onProperty foaf:member;
           owl:someValuesFrom ex:Republican (United States)
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           owl:someValuesFrom ex:Democrat (United States)
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```

What is wrong here?

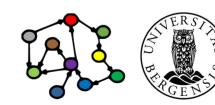


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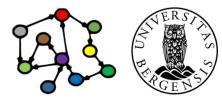
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 - a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty foaf:member; owl:someValuesFrom owl:Thing



Property self-reflexion

- Defining a class by a Self value on one of its properties, e.g.:
 - ex:Narcissist

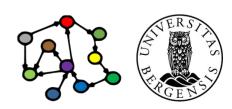
```
a owl:Restriction;
owl:onProperty ex:loves;
owl:hasSelf "true"^^xsd:boolean.
```



Datatype property restriction

Restrictions on data range, e.g.:

- :toddlerAge rdfs:range
 [a rdfs:Datatype;
 owl:oneOf ("1"^^xsd:integer "2"^^xsd:integer)

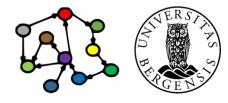


Cardinality restriction

 Defining a class by the number of object values its individuals have for some property, e.g.:

```
    music:Quartet owl:intersectionOf (
        music:Ensemble
        [ a owl:Restriction;
        owl:onProperty music:hasMusician;
        owl:cardinality 4 ]
        ).
```

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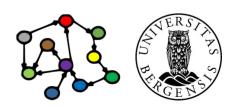


Qualified cardinality restriction

 Defining a class by the number of object values its individuals have of a given class for some property, e.g.:

```
    pol:Triumvirate owl:intersectionOf (
        pol:PoliticalLeadership
        [ a owl:Restriction;
        owl:onProperty pol:hasMember;
        owl:qualifiedCardinality 3;
        owl:onClass pol:PoliticalLeader
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music:StringQuartet owl:intersectionOf (music:MusicalQuartet a owl:Class: owl:onProperty music:hasMusician; owl:qualifiedCardinality "2"; owl:onClass music:Violinist] a owl:Class: owl:onProperty music:hasMusician; owl:qualifiedCardinality "1"; owl:onClass music:Violist a owl:Class; owl:onProperty music:hasMusician; owl:qualifiedCardinality "1"; owl:onClass music:Cellist]).

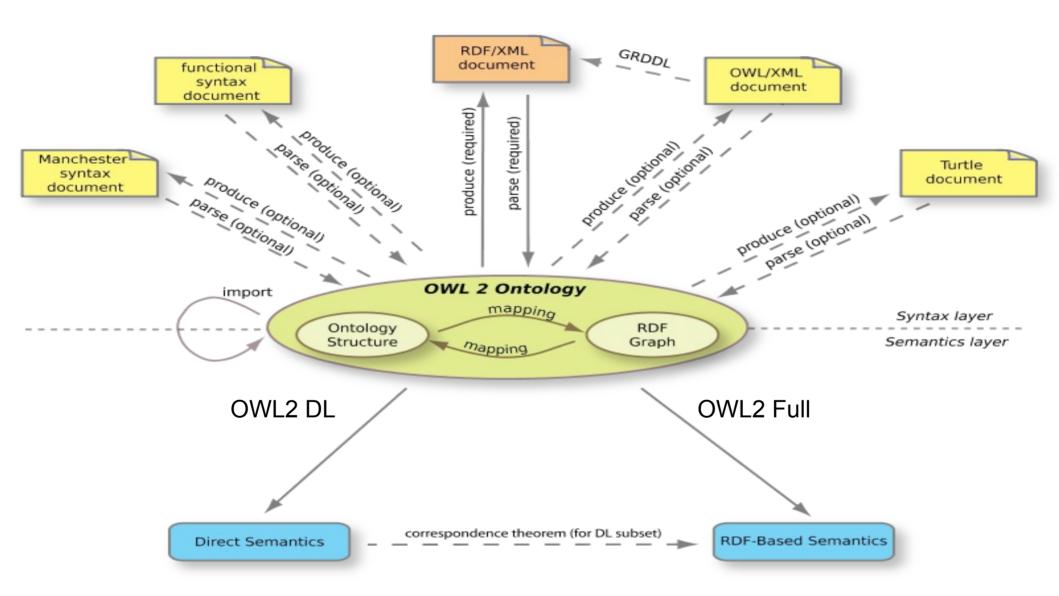


Summary: property restrictions

- owl:Restriction owl:onProperty
- owl:someValuesFrom, owl:allValuesFrom, owl:hasValue
- owl:cardinality, owl:minCardinality, owl:maxCardinality
- owl:qualifiedCardinality, owl:minQualifiedCardinality, owl:maxQualifiedCardinality, owl:onClass



Description logic



Relation to OWL

- OWL DL and description logic are closely matched
 - everything in OWL DL has a DL-counterpart
 - almost everything in DL can be expressed in OWL DL
- DL is a family of logic systems:
 - some of them correspond to particular OWL profiles (more later)
 - OWL1 DL: $\mathcal{S} \mathcal{H} O I \mathcal{N}^{(\mathcal{D})}$
 - OWL2 DL: $S \mathcal{R} O I Q^{(D)}$



Description logic and other logics

- Proposition logics are about statements (propositions):
 - "Robin is a StudentAssistant" ←
 "Robin is a Student" ∧ "Robin is a Teacher"
- (First order) predicate logics are about predicates and objects:
 - ∀x. (StudentAssistant(x) ⇔ Student(x) ∧ Teacher(x))
- Description logics are about concepts:
 - StudentAssistant = Student | Teacher
 - ...and also about roles and individuals



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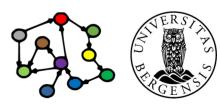
- Description Logic (DL)
 - a simple *fragment* of predicate logic
 - ...or, rather, a family of such fragments
 - not very expressive ("uttrykkskraftig")
 - but can answers many decision problems (rather) quickly
- Suitable for describing concepts ("begreper")
 - formal basis for OWL DL
 - can be used to:
 - describe concepts ("Tbox") and their roles ("Rbox")
 - describe individuals and their relations ("ABox")



Definition of concepts ("begreper")

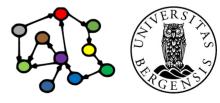
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Types of concepts ("begreper")

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 - atomic (or basic, primitive) concepts:
 Censor, Employee, Person...
 - only used on the r.h.s. of definitions
 - concept expressions (complex concepts):
 Censor □ Employee, ¬ Employee...
 - only used on the r.h.s. of definitions
 - defined (and named) concepts:
 InternalCensor, ExternalCensor, Agent...
 - defined on the I.h.s. (left-hand side) of definitions



Atomic, complex and defined concepts

- Atomic (or basic) concepts
 - given, always named
 - can only be used on the r.h.s. (right-hand side) of a = definition
 - correspond to simple OWL classes
- Concept expressions
 - expressed using other concepts (and roles)
 - can only be used on the r.h.s. (right-hand side) of a = definition
 - correspond to complex OWL classes
- Defined concepts can also be named

 - concept name = concept expression
- ...similar distinction between atomic and defined roles





An atomic (or basic) role

- President

 Person □ EpresidentOf. □
- Independent

 Person □ ¬∃hasParty. □
- - roles: presidentOf, hasParty...
 - universal concept ("top"): T
 - existential restriction: 3
- Grandparent = ..using Human, hasChild, Parent..
- Grandparent = ..using only Human, hasChild..
- Uncle = ..using Male, hasSibling, hasChild..



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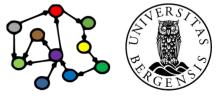
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 to say that something is not the case
- This is a DL axiom
 - so far we have just defined concepts



Axioms

- is used for *definitions* of new concepts (and thus not for axioms)
- = is used for *equivalence axioms* about concepts
 - ...but some authors used it for definitions too :-/
- Axioms are equivalences or subsumptions:
 - subsumption axioms (□):
 - composite concept (role) expressions on both sides
 - equivalence axioms (≡):
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 - corresponds to: $C \sqsubseteq D$, $D \sqsubseteq C$



More role definitions

- RepublicanCommittee ≐ Group □ ∀member.Republican
 - universal restriction: \(\mathbf{Y} \)
- Monotheist = =1 believesInDeity. ⊤
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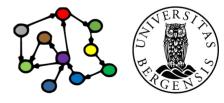
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Inverse and transitive roles

- StrayDog = Dog □ ¬∃ownerOf .⊤
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- Niece = ..Woman, hasChild, hasSibling..



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 - until now, we have only defined concepts



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- Similar to composite concepts, e.g.:
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 - hasLovedChild

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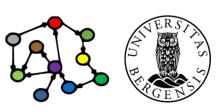


Putting it together

- ullet Source $\dot{=}$ ullet hasSource $^-$.Content

- DebunkedContent = I debunkedBy.FactChecker
- UnreliableSource = I hasSource. DebunkedContent
- VerifyingSource = I hasSource. VerifiedContent

An acyclic, definitional TBox



Putting it together

- Source ≐
- TrustedContent ≐
- VerifiedContent =
- DebunkedContent =
- UnreliableSource =
- VerifyingSource =

Defined concepts

HasSource Content of atomic concepts

HasSource.TrustedSource

I verifiedBy.FactChecker

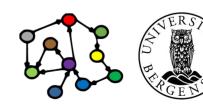
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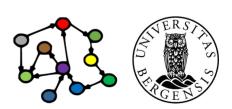
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Acyclic and unequivocal!



Expanded definitional TBox

- Acyclicity: no cyclic definitions in the TBox ("Terminology Box")
- Unequivocality: each named defined term is only used on the l.h.s. of a single definition
- Concept expansion:
 - every concept can be written as an expression of only atomic concepts
 - algorithm:
 - start with the expression that defines the concept
 - recursively replace all the defined concepts used in the expression with their definitions
 - halt when only atomic concepts remain



Expanded definitional TBox

- Source \doteq **Heavy Example 19 Heavy Example 29 Heavy Example 29**
- TrustedContent \doteq I hasSource.TrustedSource
- VerifiedContent = I verifiedBy.FactChecker
- DebunkedContent = I debunkedBy.FactChecker
- UnreliableSource \doteq \exists hasSource $\bar{}$.
- I debunkedBy.FactChecker
- VerifyingSource = I hasSource.
- - 3 verifiedBy.FactChecker

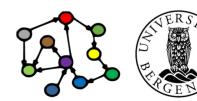
Only basic concepts on the right hand sides!

Types of axioms

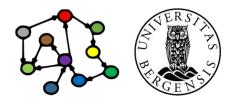
- Terminology axioms (TBox)
 - subsumptions: $C \sqsubseteq D$
 - equivalences: C ≡ D
 - corresponds to: $C \subseteq D$, $D \subseteq C$
- Role axioms (RBox)
 - e.g., subsumptions: R □ S
- Individual assertion axioms (ABox)
 - class assertions: a:C
 - role assertions: <a,b>:R
- Knowledge base $\mathcal{K} = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A})$ or $\mathcal{K} = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{R}, \mathcal{A})$

C and D are expressions!

a and b are *individuals*. R and S are *roles*!



Decision Problems



INFO216: Knowledge Graphs

Reasoning over knowledge bases

- What more can we do with ontologies?
- For example:
 - given a source ontology that describes media content along with its sources and trustworthiness
 - we can answer questions like, e.g.:
 - is trusted content a type of content?
 - can content be both verified and debunked?
 - is all verified content trusted?
 - competency questions are what we want an ontology to answer
 - DL offers a clear and compact way or representing and reasoning about questions such as these!



Decision problems

- A computational problem with a yes/no answer, e.g.
 - is C subsumed by D?

- $\mathcal{K} \models C \sqsubseteq D$
- are C and D consistent?
- $\mathcal{K} \models a: (C \sqcap D)$
- are C and D equivalent?
- $\mathcal{K} \models C \equiv D$

– are C and D disjoint?

 $\mathcal{K} \models \mathsf{C} \sqcap \mathsf{D} \sqsubseteq \mathsf{\bot}$

– does a belong to C:

 $\mathcal{K} \models \mathbf{a}:\mathbf{C}$?

- is a R-related to b:

- $\mathcal{K} \models \langle a,b \rangle : R$?
- Given a knowledge base
 x, reasoning engines can give yes / no answers
 - ...but not all decision problems are decidable
 - ...or have tractable complexity
 - depends on the expressions used!

C and D are classes, a and b are individuals. R is a role!



Decision problems in practice

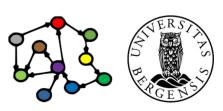
- Description logic is implemented by reasoning engines/OWL reasoner
 - e.g., HermiT and Pellet
 - distinct from inference engines, such as OWL-RL
- Protegé-OWL
 - comes with HermiT, more plugins can be installed
- Solves decision problems, e.g.,
 - classifiy individuals
 - find subclass relationships (subsumptions)
 - find unsatisfiable classes (concepts)
 - detect inconsistencies



Manchester OWL syntax

Manchester OWL-syntax

- A simple DL notation without special symbols
 - used by Protege-OWL to construct classes
 - similar to DL syntax
- Class: InternalCensor
 EquivalentTo: Censor and Employee
- Class: ExternalCensor
 EquivalentTo: Censor and not Employee
- Class: Agent
 EquivalentTo: Person or Organisation or Group
- Can be used to serialise complete ontologies
 - ...we will look mostly at TBox expressions
- http://www.w3.org/TR/owl2-manchester-syntax/

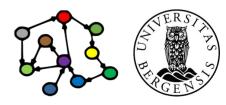


Comparison

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• DI:
    ExternalCensor = Censor - Temployee
 Machester OWL:
    Class: ExternalCensor
          EquivalentTo: Censor and not Employee

    Turtle:

    uib:ExternalCensor owl:equivalentClass
          owl:intersectionOf (
                 uib:Censor
                    a owl:Class;
                    owl:complementOf uib:Employee
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Roles in Manchester OWL syntax

- Class: President
 EquivalentTo:
 Person and presidentOf some owl: Thing
- Class: PresidentOfGovernment
 EquivalentTo:
 Person and presidentOf some Nation
- Class: Independent
 EquivalentTo:
 Person and not hasParty some owl:Thing
 - universal concept (top): owl:Thing
 - existential restriction: some

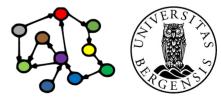


Null concept in Manchester OWL syntax

• Class: <class-name>

EquivalentTo: Person and Group
SubClassOf: owl:Nothing

- null concept (bottom): owl:Nothing
- subsumption (subconcept): SubClassOf:
- equivalence: **EquivalentTo**:
 - ...used both for definitions and for axioms



More roles in Manchester OWL syntax

- Class: RepublicanCommittee
 EquivalentTo:
 Group and member only Republican
 - value restriction: only
- Class: Monotheist

EquivalentTo: Person and

believesInDeity exactly 1

Class: Polygamist

EquivalentTo: hasSpouse min 3

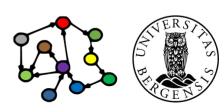
- number restriction: exactly, min, max
- Class: Narcissist

EquivalentTo: loves some Self



Inverse, symmetric and transitive roles

- Class: StrayDog
 EquivalentTo: Dog and not inverse hasOwner some Person
- Class: hasParent
 EquivalentTo: inverse hasChild
- ObjectProperty: hasSibling Characteristics: Symmetric
- ObjectProperty: hasAncestor Characteristics: Transitive
- inverse role: inverse
- symmetric role:Characteristics: SymmetricProperty
- transitive role:Characteristics: TransitiveProperty



After Easter: Graph Embeddings